Statistics, Economics and a Language BSc /

At a time of globalisation of business and finance, the ability to communicate in a foreign language can significantly enhance your career prospects. This BSc combines a thorough training in statistics with modules in economics and the study of a foreign language (Arabic, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Mandarin or Spanish).

Key information

Programme starts
September 2021

Location
London, Bloomsbury

Degree benefits

- Teaching is enhanced by the varied research interests of our academic staff, from the foundations of the subject to applications of statistics in science, medicine, industry, economics and finance.
- The department offers a friendly and supportive atmosphere, where small-group teaching and personal attention are available for all students.
- The UCL Centre for Languages & International Education (CLIE) offers comprehensive facilities, including a DVD library, language laboratory, computer-assisted language learning, satellite television, resource books, journals and newspapers.

Accreditation

The Statistics, Economics and a Language BSc has been accredited by the Royal Statistical Society up until 2020/2021, subject to a passing a sufficient number of credits in Statistics modules.

Degree structure

In each year of your degree you will take a number of individual modules, normally valued at 15 or 30 credits, adding up to a total of 120 credits for the year. Modules are assessed in the academic year in which they are taken. The balance of compulsory and optional modules varies from programme to programme and year to year. A 30-credit module is considered equivalent to 15 credits in the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS).

The statistics component of the programme is based on the Statistics BSc. Your first year will include mathematics, statistics and some computing, which will be followed by increasing specialisation in statistics in the second and third years. The economics component includes a foundation in micro- and macroeconomics and a range of optional modules in economics, econometrics and finance. When you start the programme you will be asked to nominate a language (Arabic, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Mandarin or Spanish), and you will follow modules in this language and its associated culture.

Each language is offered at a range of different levels, from modules for complete beginners to advanced post A level modules focusing on the use of the language in a business, professional or academic context. The starting level is flexible and will depend on your prior knowledge of your chosen language.

It is also possible to study two foreign languages in this degree programme if you have sufficient prior knowledge of one of these languages.

Upon successful completion of 360 credits, you will be awarded a BSc (Hons) in Statistics, Economics and a Language.

Please note that the list of modules given here is indicative. This information is published a long time in advance of enrolment and module content and availability is subject to change.

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Optional modules
- All first year modules are compulsory.

YEAR TWO

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Optional modules
- You will select at least one of the following:
- Applied Economics
- Economics 2 (Combined Studies)
- Your will select your remaining credits from a wide range of optional modules, which may include:
- Computing for Practical Statistics
- Social Statistics
- Optimisation Algorithms in Operational Research
- Additional language modules
### Final Year

**Compulsory module(s)**
- Module in your chosen language
- Statistical Inference

**Optional modules**
- You will select your remaining credits from a wide range of optional modules, which may include:
  - Bayesian Methods in Health Economics
  - Decision and Risk
  - Economics of Finance
  - Environmental Economics
  - Factorial Experimentation
  - Forecasting
  - Game Theory
  - Medical Statistics
  - Money and Banking
  - Quantitative Economics and Econometrics
  - Quantitative Modelling of Operational Risk & Insurance Analytics
  - Stochastic Methods in Finance
  - Stochastic Systems
  - Additional language modules

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### Your learning

We employ a variety of teaching methods which include lectures, small-group tutorials, problem classes and computer workshops and e-learning. Lecturers have regular ‘office hours’ during which you are welcome to come and ask questions about the programme material.

### Assessment

Most modules are examined at the end of the academic year in which they are taken using a combination of end-of-year examinations and in-course assessment. Prizes may be awarded to the most outstanding students in the first, second and third year.

### Accessibility

Details of the accessibility of UCL buildings can be obtained from AccessAble. Further information can also be obtained from the UCL Student Support & Wellbeing team.

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### Your career

Together with subject-specific knowledge, the programme is designed to equip you with skills valued by employers including: advanced numeracy and quantitative skills; analytical and problem-solving skills; and computing skills. You will also develop your research skills, communication skills and word processing skills through statistical project work.

The demand for graduates with training in statistical science is now a permanent feature in both advanced and developing countries for jobs in finance, commerce, industry, research, education and government. Graduates from this department are well-represented in all these fields, in this country and overseas, and recent graduates have continued to be successful in obtaining a wide variety of jobs.

### Your application

Application for admission should be made through UCAS (the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service). Applicants currently at school or college will be provided with advice on the process; however, applicants who have left school or who are based outside the United Kingdom may obtain information directly from UCAS.

When we receive your application we will consider your academic record, your predicted grades, your personal statement and your reference. Your application should demonstrate high academic ability, particularly in mathematics, an informed interest in all components of your chosen degree programme and good communication skills. In special cases, candidates may be interviewed.
Entry requirements

**A LEVELS**

**Standard Offer:** A*AA. A* in Mathematics required. Further Mathematics preferred. If you are studying both then the A* can be in either subject.

**GCSE:** English Language and Mathematics at grade C or 5. For UK-based students, a grade C or 5 or equivalent in a foreign language (other than Ancient Greek, Biblical Hebrew or Latin) is required. UCL provides opportunities to meet the foreign language requirement following enrolment, further details at: [www.ucl.ac.uk/ug-reqs](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/ug-reqs).

**Contextual Offer:** A*BB. A* in Mathematics required. Further Mathematics preferred. If you are studying both then the A* can be in either subject.

**GCSE:** English Language and Mathematics at grade C or 5. For UK-based students, a grade C or 5 or equivalent in a foreign language (other than Ancient Greek, Biblical Hebrew or Latin) is required. UCL provides opportunities to meet the foreign language requirement following enrolment, further details at: [www.ucl.ac.uk/ug-reqs](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/ug-reqs).

**IB DIPLOMA**

**Standard Offer:** 39 points. A score of 19 points in three higher level subjects including grade 7 in Mathematics, with no score lower than 5.

**Contextual Offer:** 36 points. A score of 17 points in three higher level subjects including grade 7 in Mathematics, with no score lower than 5.

**CONTEXTUAL OFFERS – ACCESS UCL SCHEME**

As part of our commitment to increasing participation from underrepresented groups, students may be eligible for a contextual offer as part of the Access UCL scheme. For more information see [www.ucl.ac.uk/prospectus](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/prospectus).

**OTHER QUALIFICATIONS**

UCL considers a wide range of UK and international qualifications for entry into its undergraduate programmes. Full details are given at: [www.ucl.ac.uk/otherquals](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/otherquals).

**UNDERGRADUATE PREPARATORY CERTIFICATES**

(International foundation courses)

UCL Undergraduate Preparatory Certificates (UPCs) are intensive one-year foundation courses for international students of high academic potential who are aiming to gain access to undergraduate degree programmes at UCL and other top UK universities.

Typical UPC students will be high achievers in a 12-year school system which does not meet the standard required for direct entry to UCL.

For more information see: [www.ucl.ac.uk/upc](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/upc).

Tuition Fees

The fees indicated are for undergraduate entry in the 2021/22 academic year. The UK fees shown are for the first year of the programme at UCL only. Fees for future years may be subject to an inflationary increase. The Overseas fees shown are the fees that will be charged to 2021/22 entrants for each year of study on the programme, unless otherwise indicated below.

- **UK & EU:** £9,250 (2021/22)
- **Overseas:** £31,200 (2021/22)

Full details of UCL’s tuition fees, tuition fee policy and potential increases to fees can be found on the [UCL Students website](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/ug-reqs).

Additional Costs

This programme does not have any additional costs outside of purchasing books or stationery, printing, thesis binding or photocopying.

A guide including rough estimates for these and other living expenses is included on the UCL Fees and funding pages. If you are concerned by potential additional costs for books, equipment, etc., please get in touch with the relevant departmental contact (details given on this page).

Funding

The department offers an undergraduate scholarship, the EJ Gumbel Scholarship.

Various funding options are available, including student loans, scholarships and bursaries. UK students whose household income falls below a certain level may also be eligible for a non-repayable bursary or for certain scholarships. Please see the [Fees and funding pages](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/ug-reqs) for more details.

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UK withdrawal from the EU

For up-to-date information relating to specific key questions following the UK’s withdrawal from the EU, please refer to: [www.ucl.ac.uk/brexit](http://www.ucl.ac.uk/brexit).