INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION PROGRAMME IN SCIENCE

QUALIFICATIONS
International Foundation in Science – equivalent to NQF Level 3.

START DATE/DURATION
January: 2½ terms and 5 terms.
September: 3 terms.
May: 4 terms.

HOURS PER WEEK
24 hours per week, taught between 9.00am and 5.00pm, Monday to Friday.

LOCATION
Beeston Centre.

HOW TO APPLY
Please see the application process for international students on our website or in our International Student Guide.

Students from China should apply through the University First Asia Office – please phone: +86 (0)10 8515 1899.

CONTACT
International Admissions:
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FEES
Please see the 'Course Fees and Term Dates' leaflet.

The International Foundation Programmes are designed for students, whose school leaving qualifications gained in their home country are not suitable for direct entry to a British university undergraduate degree.

Our International Foundation Programmes were developed in association with the University of Nottingham.

In China, our Foundation Programmes are marketed by our Chinese Partner under the brand name 'University First'.

COURSE CONTENT

This course is designed to prepare you for study on a wide range of science-related degree programmes.

You will study the following modules:

- Chemistry (35%)
- Biology (35%)
- Mathematics (15%)
- EFL (10%)
- Information Technology (5%)

The percentage indicates the contribution of the module towards the final grade.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

The general entry requirements for our Foundation Programmes are as follows:

- To have completed 12 years of high school with good school leaving qualifications, including relevant subjects (please ask for the specific entry requirements for your country).
- For September start: English language at IELTS 5.0 overall, with a minimum of 5.0 in Writing and Reading; 4.5 in Listening and Speaking.
- For January start (2½ terms): English language at IELTS 5.5, with a minimum of 5.5 in Writing and Reading; 5.0 in Listening and Speaking.
- For May start: English language at IELTS 4.5 overall, with no less than 4.0 in any of the four elements.
- For January start (5 terms): English language at IELTS 4.0 overall, with no less than 4.0 in any of the four elements.

Please note that the IELTS qualification must be a SELT (Secure English Language Test). Alternative equivalent SELT qualifications, i.e. Trinity are also acceptable.

ASSESSMENT

Assessment is on-going, through coursework and examinations. The proportion of coursework and examinations for each module is as follows:

Subject	% Examination	% Coursework
Chemistry	85%	15%
Biology	85%	15%
Maths	100%	-
EFL	-	100%
IT	-	100%

At the end of the course you will receive an overall grade of 'Pass', 'Merit' or 'Distinction', based on the percentage contribution of each subject.

Examination fees for the above module examinations are included in the course fees.

The College also arranges optional IELTS tests twice per year, for which an examination fee is payable. As a guide, the 2015 fee was £150 for the standard IELTS test offered in the College. For the SELT IELTS test taken externally at a UKVI Approved SELT Centre the price is higher (approximately £200).

PROGRESSION OPPORTUNITIES

On completion of the course students can progress to degrees such as: Pharmacy, Genetics, Biological Sciences, and Nutrition.

Most of our students choose to progress to the University of Nottingham (students will receive a guaranteed conditional offer), or one of our other Partner Universities: Aston, Bath, Bristol, Leeds, Lincoln, Loughborough, Nottingham Trent, Oxford Brookes, Sheffield Hallam and York. However, you can choose to apply to any British university that offers a suitable degree programme.

As a guide, most universities will require a Distinction grade at a specified percentage and a minimum IELTS score of 6.5 for entry to their degrees.

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