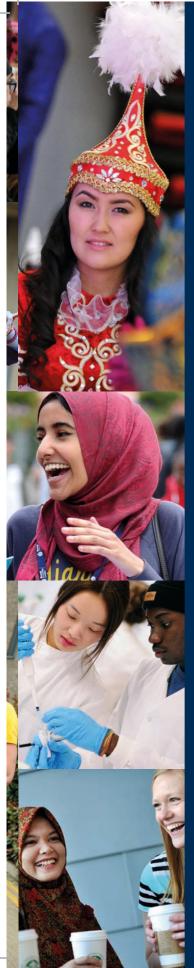


A Guide to Brunel University London for International Students





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## Welcome to Brunel University London

Brunel University London is an exciting place to study, live and socialise. Brunel offers **32 subject areas** and more than 220 module-based undergraduate and postgraduate courses.

Our **1,100+ academics** use state-of-the-art learning facilities and combine theory and practical teaching to help students build knowledge and acquire practical skills they will have for life.

Brunel's campus has everything students need within 10 minutes' walk: over 4,500 on-campus rooms, 24-hour library, lots of study rooms, choice of cafes and restaurants and world-class sports facilities.

Today, we are proud to be home to over **2,500 international students** from more than 110 countries.

This short guide tells you what it is like to study at Brunel and shares real stories from some of our international students.

We hope you will find it useful and interesting and if you have any further questions, please get in touch with us.

We would be delighted to hear from you.

# One London campus

# Brunel provides everything students need on one campus.

- Modern, safe, on-campus accommodation with all the essential facilities within walking distance: a mini supermarket, cafes and a bar, 24-hour library, PC rooms, multi-faith prayer areas, a medical centre and pharmacy.
- A choice of world-class outdoor and indoor sports facilities and over 150 clubs and societies.
- A convenient campus location just 45 minutes by underground to Central London, 20 minutes' walk to Uxbridge town and only 15 minutes by car to nearby Heathrow Airport.

Take a look around Brunel campus for yourself on our virtual tour at: **www.brunel.ac.uk/virtualtour** 

Brunel's facilities are exceptional, with everything you need on campus: an excellent library, restaurants and even a medical clinic.

Name: Tarryn Steenekamp Age: 25 years old, From: South Africa Studying: MSc in Sport and Exercise Psychology



Brunel's sporting facilities have helped train hundreds of athletes who have won 26 Olympic and Paralympic medals between them.



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# Vibrant international community

With over 2,500 international students from more than 110 countries - from Argentina to Zimbabwe - Brunel is a vibrant, welcoming multi-cultural community.

International students have the opportunity to work collaboratively, discover how different cultures address global issues and take experiences learnt in lectures straight into the workplace.

Celebrating different cultures is integral to life at Brunel. Every year the University hosts the festival One World Week, to celebrate our diverse community.

To find out more about Brunel's diverse, multi-cultural, international community visit: www.brunel.ac.uk/international

#### I chose Brunel because it has a real international community. When you arrive you feel the campus is full of vigour and vitality.

Name: Xueqi Zhou Age: 23 years old, From: China Studying: MSc in Human Resources Management



### Applied learning

Brunel is renowned for research-led teaching, strong practical learning and state-of-the art facilities.

Students develop new study and research skills through lectures, seminars, field trips, presentations, group work and research projects.

Academics help students connect theory with real-world challenges using state-of-the-art learning facilities such as clinical suites, laboratories and workshops.

There is always somewhere for students to work and read – Brunel has over 1,200 study spaces, 500 PCs, group study rooms, silent study areas and 24-hour library.

Brunel offers students a world-class education and handson experience where the students are encouraged to take part in seminars instead of just sitting back.

Name: Saleem Kharraz Age: 26 years old, From: Jordan Studying: LLM International Financial Regulation and Corporate Law

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## Get ready for work

For over 50 years Brunel has produced international graduates with strong degrees who have acquired essential workplace skills and professional accreditations.

Advisers in Brunel's award-winning Professional Development Centre provide support and coach students to develop interview skills, obtain work experience and prepare for job interviews.

Professional Development Centre services are free for students and available for up to three years after graduating.

To find out more about the services and support at Brunel's award-winning Professional Development Centre visit: **www.brunel.ac.uk/services/pdc** 

#### The team helped me to gain confidence in my abilities, leading me to successfully secure my current role as a finance analyst at IBM.

Name: Ralitsa Todorova Age: 22 years old, From: Bulgaria Studying: BA in Business and Management Accounting





## Work placements

Brunel has strong, long-standing industry links and an excellent track record for placing sandwich students in prestigious global companies, such as Accenture, BP and Volkswagen.

International students can undertake paid and voluntary work placements for up to one year, and gain valuable practical skills and work experience before graduating.

Our dedicated, on-campus placement officers are there to support students in finding and securing work placements.

#### I chose Brunel because of its work placement option, which will enable me to gain valuable work experience before I graduate.

Name: Kandela Duma Yemina Age: 23 years old, From: Indonesia Studying: MSc in Management (Pathway to Branding and Marketing)



Many of Brunel's international students take up work placements in the UK and around the world at companies such as HSBC Bank, IBM, Glaxo SmithKline and Unilever.



### Why choose Brunel?

There are lots of great reasons to come to Brunel University London - here are a few of them:



World TOP 25 university for INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS (THE 2017)





Business School, within **TOP 5% WORLDWIDE** 



**5TH** in the UK for OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY AND PHYSIOTHERAPY (Guardian 2018)



A UK TOP 50 and LONDON TOP 1C university (CUG 2018)



Ranked in the **TOP <sup>1</sup>/4** of UK research universities (*REF 2014*)



WORLD TOP 100, UK top 10 for SPORTS subjects (QS World University

Rankings by Subject 2017) TOP 5 in the UK for DESIGN (THE 2017)

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### What our students say

Brunel has given me a great starting point and I will have the skills and the confidence I need to set up my own company after I graduate.

Name: Catilin Kennedy Age: 27 years old From: USA Studying: MSc in Sustainability, Entrepreneurship and Design Brunel is one of the only London universities to combine learning with practical experience which will give me invaluable experience.

Name: Shakti Prasad Age: 26 years old From: India Studying: MSc in Applied Corporate Brand Management so close to where lectures take place. The University supermarket, gym and pub make our routine a lot easier. Name: Julia Castro Mendes

I really love living

Age: 24 years old From: Brazil Studying: Civil Engineering in Brunel's Study Abroad Programme



# Undergraduate programmes

Aerospace Engineering BEng	Computer Systems Engineering BEng	
Aerospace Engineering MEng	Computer Systems Engineering MEng	
Anthropology and Sociolgy BSc	Creative Writing BA	
Anthropology BSc	Digital Design BSc	
Automotive Engineering BEng	Economics and Accounting BSc	
Automotive Engineering MEng	Economics and Business Finance BSc	
Aviation Engineering BEng	Economics and Management BSc	
Aviation Engineering MEng	Economics and Mathematics with an Integrated	
Aviation Engineering with Pilot Studies BEng	Foundation Year	
Aviation Engineering with Pilot Studies MEng	Economics BSc	
Biomedical Sciences (Biochemistry) BSc	Education BA	
Biomedical Sciences (Genetics) BSc	Electrical Engineering with Renewable Energy Systems MEng	
Biomedical Sciences (Human Health) BSc	Electronic and Communications Engineering BEng	
Biomedical Sciences (Immunology) BSc	Electronic and Communications Engineering MEng	
Biomedical Sciences BSc	Electronic and Computer Engineering BEng	
Business and Management (Accounting) BSc	Electronic and Computer Engineering MEng	
Business and Management (Marketing) BSc	Electronic and Electrical Engineering BEng	
Business and Management BSc	Electronic and Electrical Engineering MEng	
Business Computing (eBusiness) BSc	Engineering with an Integrated Foundation Year	
Business Computing (Human Computer Interaction) BSc	English & Film and Television Studies BA	
Business Computing (Social Media) BSc	English BA	
Business Computing BSc	English with Creative Writing BA	
Civil Engineering BEng	Environmental Sciences BSc	
Civil Engineering MEng	Environmental Sciences MSi	
Civil Engineering with Sustainability BEng	Film and Television Studies BA	
Civil Engineering with Sustainability MEng	Finance and Accounting BSc	
Communication and Media Studies BSc	Financial Mathematics BSc	
Computer Science (Artificial Intelligence) BSc	Financial Mathematics MMath	
Computer Science (Digital Media and Games) BSc	Flood and Coastal Engineering BSc	
Computer Science (Network Computing) BSc	Flood and Coastal Engineering FdSc	
Computer Science (Software Engineering) BSc	Games Design and Creative Writing BA	
Computer Science BSc	Games Design and Film and Television BA	

Games Design BA

**Global Challenges BASc** Military and International History BSc History BA Motorsport Engineering BEng Industrial Design and Technology BA Motorsport Engineering MEng International Business BSc Music BA International Politics BSc Occupational Therapy BSc Journalism and Culture BA Physical Education and Youth Sport BSc Journalism BA Physiotherapy BSc Law LLB Politics and Economics BSc Law with Criminal Justice LLB Politics and History BSc Law with International Arbitration and Politics and Sociology BSc Commerical Law LLB Politics BSc Life Sciences BSc Product Design BSc Mathematics and Computing with an Integrated Product Design Engineering BSc Foundation Year Psychology (Sport, Health and Exercise) BSc Mathematics and Statistics with Management BSc Psychology BSc Mathematics BSc Sociology (Media) BSc Mathematics MMath Sociology BSc Mathematics with Computer Science BSc Specialist Community Public Health Nursing BSc Mechanical and Energy Engineering BEng Sport, Health and Exercise Sciences (Coaching) BSc Mechanical and Energy Engineering MEng Sport, Health and Exercise Sciences (Human Mechanical Engineering BEng Performance) BSc Mechanical Engineering MEng Sport, Health and Exercise Sciences (Sport Mechanical Engineering with Aeronautics BEng Development) BSc Mechanical Engineering with Aeronautics MEng Sport, Health and Exercise Sciences BSc Mechanical Engineering with Automotive Sport, Health and Exercise Sciences with Design BEng **Business Studies BSc** Mechanical Engineering with Automotive Theatre and Creative Writing BA Design MEng Theatre and English BA Mechanical Engineering with Building Theatre and Film and Television Studies BA Services BEng Theatre BA Mechanical Engineering with Building Services MEng Visual Effects and Motion Graphics BSc

If you don't meet the entry requirements to study certain degree programmes at Brunel, you will be offered the opportunity to study a Foundation programme at London Brunel International College (LBIC). Find out more at **www.brunel.ac.uk/lbic** 

To watch our range of undergraduate course videos copy this link into your browser: **bit.ly/undergraduate-course-videos** 

#### Postgraduate programmes

Accounting and Business Management MSc Advanced Electronic and Electrical Engineering MSc Advanced Engineering Design MSc Advanced Manufacturing Systems MSc Advanced Mechanical Engineering MSc Advanced Multimedia Design and **3D** Technologies MSc Aerospace Engineering MSc Anthropology of Childhood, Youth and Education MSc Anthropology of International Development and Humanitarian Assistance MSc Applied Corporate Brand Management MSc Automotive and Motorsport Engineering MSc Banking and Finance MSc Biomedical Genetics and Tissue Engineering MSc **Biomedical, Biomechanics and Bioelectronics** Engineering MSc Building Services Engineering Management MSc **Building Services Engineering MSc** Building Services Engineering with Sustainable Energy MSc **Business Finance MSc** Business Intelligence and Social Media MSc

Children, Youth and International Development MA

Computer Communication Networks MSc

CPE/Graduate Diploma in Law

Creative Writing MA

Creative Writing: The Novel MA

Data Science and Analytics MSc

Design and Branding Strategy MA

Design Strategy and Innovation MA

Digital Design and Branding MSc

Digital Games Theory and Design MA

Digital Service Design MSc

Distributed Computing Systems Engineering MSc

Education MA

Engineering Management MSc

English Literature MA

Environmental Management MSc

Experimental Music MA/MMus

Finance and Accounting MSc

Finance and Investment MSc

Financial Mathematics MSc

Flood and Coastal Engineering MSc

Global Supply Chain Management MSc

Human Resource Management MSc

Human Resources and Employment Relations MSc

Information Systems Management MSc

Integrated Product Design MSc

Intellectual Property Law Postgraduate Certificate

Intelligence Analysis PG Cert (Distance Learning)

Intelligence and Security Studies (Distance Learning) MA

Intelligence and Security Studies MA

International Business MSc

International Commercial Law LLM

International Financial Regulation and Corporate Law LLM

International Human Rights Law LLM

International Intellectual Property Law LLM

International Journalism MA

International Relations MA

Journalism MA (NCTJ accredited)

Management MSc

Marketing MSc

Master of Laws (LLM Law)

MBA Business Administration

Media and Communications MSc

Media and Public Relations MA

Medical Anthropology MSc

Military History MA

Molecular Medicine and Cancer Research MSc

Neurorehabilitation MSc

Occupational Therapy (Post-Registration) MSc

Occupational Therapy (Pre-Registration) MSc

Oil and Gas Engineering MSc

PGCE in Primary Education (5-11 years) with recommendation for QTS

PGCE in Secondary Education (Mathematics) with recommendation for QTS

PGCE in Secondary Education (Physical Education) with recommendation for QTS

PGCE in Secondary Education (Physics with Mathematics) with recommendation for QTS

PGCE in Secondary Education (Science with Biology) with recommendation for QTS

PGCE in Secondary Education (Science with Chemistry) with recommendation for QTS

PGCE in Secondary Education (Science with Physics) with recommendation for QTS

Physician Associate MSc

Physiotherapy (Pre-Registration) MSc

Project and Infrastructure Management MSc

Psychological and Psychiatric Anthropology MSc

Psychological Sciences (Conversion) MSc

Public Health and Health Promotion MSc

Renewable Energy Engineering MSc

Social Anthropology MRes

Social Work MA

Specialist Community Public Health Nursing PGDip and MSc

Sport and Exercise Psychology MSc

Sport, Health and Exercise Sciences MSc

Statistics with Data Analytics MSc

Structural Engineering MSc

Structural Integrity MSc

Sustainability, Entrepreneurship and Design MSc

Sustainable Electrical Power MSc

Sustainable Energy - Technologies and Management MSc

Water Engineering MSc

Wireless Communication Systems MSc

#### Research programmes

The Research Excellence Framework 2014 placed us 33rd UK university for research power. As well as having access to state-ofthe-art academic facilities to support your research, you'll benefit from our partnerships and research collaborations with industry, the public sector, business and government in the UK and overseas.

You can undertake your PhD or MPhil in one of the 15 interdisciplinary themes of research in our Institutes, you can work alongside researchers in our College research areas or you can follow one of our many subject routes.

To find out more about Research at Brunel, visit **www.brunel.ac.uk/research** 

For further details about our programmes, visit www.brunel.ac.uk/study

If you don't meet the entry requirements to study certain degree programmes at Brunel, you will be offered the opportunity to study a Pre-Master's programme at London Brunel International College (LBIC). Find out more at **www.brunel.ac.uk/lbic** 

# English language courses

Our on-campus Brunel Language Centre supports international students before and during your degree.

#### What we offer

- Pre-sessional English courses from 4-50 weeks
- Academic English support during your degree
- Free modern language courses alongside your degree

For more information about English language support at Brunel, including fees and how to apply, visit www.brunel.ac.uk/international/language-centre

Need to provide evidence of your English language level? Take the BrunELT (Brunel English Language Test)

The BrunELT is an established test that has been developed by staff at Brunel to evaluate and provide evidence of your level of English.

We hold the test every two weeks on our campus in London and also in some selected countries throughout the year.



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I had a fantastic time on my pre-sessional English course. I really improved my writing skills and now I feel prepared for my degree. And thanks to the social programme, I made lots of friends and went on interesting trips around the UK.

Name: Li Chenhao Age: 23 years old, From: China Studying: Pre-sessional English



96% average Small class pass rate for sizes and pre-sessional courses



individual support



Accredited by the

for the teaching of English in the UK

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#### Accommodation

Brunel has over 4,500 modern, comfortable and safe rooms with a wide choice of accommodation options.

Students have their own bedrooms with free Wi-Fi, and shared communal kitchen and laundry facilities. Nearly all of our campus rooms offer en suite facilities.

Our halls of residence have an electronic door entry system and CCTV, and for peace of mind we have a 24-hour security team onsite too.

All new international students are guaranteed campus accommodation. All that is required is to meet all offer conditions, confirm their place at Brunel and apply for accommodation by the deadline.\*

\*To find out more about Brunel's accommodation choices and application deadlines visit: www.brunel.ac.uk/accommodation

#### The University has excellent facilities: comfortable accommodation, a warm and friendly international atmosphere, and very qualified lecturers.

Name: Ace Akyalcin Turhan Age: 28 years old, From: Turkey Studying: MSc in Sustainable Electrical Power



### Fees

International undergraduate tuition fees vary from course to course and standard fees for undergraduate courses range from £14,400 to £17,500 per year.

For 2018/19 entry, EU undergraduate tuition fees are  $\pounds$ 9,250 and postgraduate tuition fees range from  $\pounds$ 7,500 to  $\pounds$ 9,500 per year.

Brunel also offers specialised postgraduate courses with fees ranging from  $\pounds14,400$  to  $\pounds21,400$  per year.

To find out more about the most up-to-date undergraduate and postgraduate course fees visit: www.brunel.ac.uk/international/ fees-and-funding



Brunel has more than 120,000 alumni working in 179 different countries. Our alumni hold senior positions in major global corporations from AstraZeneca to Zurich Insurance.

I chose Brunel for its high, educational reputation and course choice. Brunel's affordable tuition fees also appealed to me.

Name: Housam Haidar Ahmad Age: 29 years old, From: Lebanon Studying: MSc in Oil and Gas Engineering





# Living costs

The table below is a rough guide to indicate what students might typically spend per month while studying at Brunel University London.

Actual living costs will vary according to lifestyle.

Typical monthly expenses in 2018/19	
Accommodation (on campus)*	£431-£552
Accommodation (off campus, not including bills)	£350-450
Bills (off campus)	£25
Mobile phone	£40
Food and groceries	£150
Travel	£30
Study costs (books and equipment)	£15
Clothes	£50
Hobbies	£10
Social activities	£100
Contingency fund	£50

When students apply for a Tier 4 visa, they must currently show they can afford living costs of  $\pounds1,265$  per month for each month of their course.

We advise students coming to Brunel in 2018/19 to budget for £11,385 each year to cover their likely living costs for each academic year.

For the most up-to-date accommodation charges visit: **www.brunel.ac.uk/accommodation** 

\* All monthly utility, Wi-Fi, basic insurance and bedding costs are included in accommodation fees.



#### Social life



Brunel has a lively atmosphere and a very strong sense of community, where making new friends is easy.

Activities and social events are at the heart of campus life. There are 39 international societies, 20 different academic societies and an exciting calendar of on-campus cultural and interest activities to experience.

Socialising away from the campus is simple too - Uxbridge town centre is only a 20-minute walk or short bus ride away and is packed with shops, a multiplex cinema, bars, restaurants and a nightclub.

To find out more about our student societies, clubs and activities visit: www.brunelstudents.com/activities



World-leading athletes from Usain Bolt to Mo Farah have trained at the Indoor Athletics Centre on campus.

Get involved with the societies and the activities that you like doing, because really it's about the memories that you make here.

Name: Meghna Dhanji Age: 23 years old, From: Kenya Studying: BEng in Aviation Engineering



# Scholarships

Brunel offers more than 100 scholarships every year to help international students from over 70 countries.

The awards help partially fund university fees and living costs.

Brunel has a range of scholarship packages and works in partnership with several scholarship organisations and bodies including Chevening, The Commonwealth Scholarships and Santander Mobility Awards.

To find out more about our scholarship packages and awards available visit:

www.brunel.ac.uk/international/scholarships or email scholarships@brunel.ac.uk

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### Scholarship winners

Here is what three of our recent Brunel Scholarship winners have to say about Brunel University London.



Brunel has produced thousands of scientists now transforming cancer research and neuroscience, making breakthroughs and improving lives every day.



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#### I chose Brunel because it offers a campus lifestyle close to central London

Name: Veronica Perez Ramirez Age: 19 years old, From: Venezuela Studying: BSc Communication and Media Studies







What I like most about studying at Brunel is the excellent facilities that are available to postgraduates as well as the friendly atmosphere on campus.

Name: Saleem Kharraz Age: 26 years old, From: Jordan Studying: LLM International Financial regulation and Corporate Law





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I chose Brunel because the MA Design and Branding Strategy is the perfect combination of creative and analytical thinking.

Name: Lisa Franck Age: 24 years old, From: USA Studying: MA Design and Branding Strategy



### Student welfare and support

Brunel's Student Services Team and the Brunel Buddies scheme give new students the practical advice and friendly support they need to settle in from the first day they arrive.

Brunel's three-day International Orientation Programme is packed full of practical advice about living and studying in the UK and offers a full campus tour and help with course registration.

A free Airport Welcome Service from nearby Heathrow Airport is also offered.

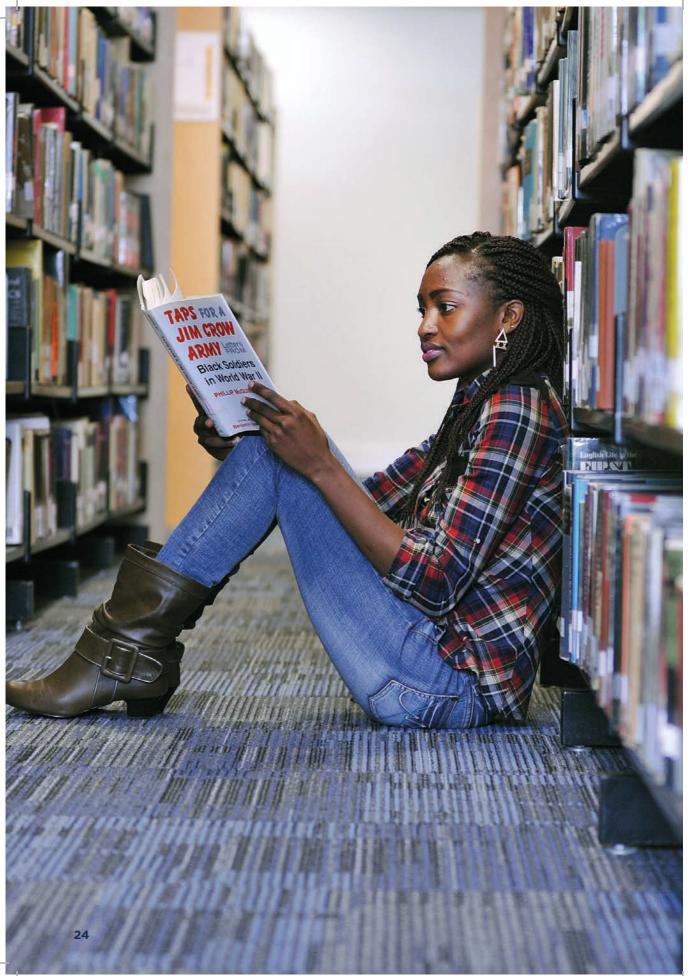
To find out more about the International **Orientation Programme and Airport Welcome** Service visit: www.brunel.ac.uk/international

I found the international support services, administration, admissions, registration and the accommodation teams really helpful. They gave me lots of useful information and the practical advice I needed.

Name: Miray Titiane Razanajatovo Age: 29 years old, From: Madagascar Studying: MSc in Public Health and Promotion







### Entry requirements and visas

Once you have found the course you would like to apply for, there are a number of specific academic, visa and financial entry requirements and processes that you need to meet.

Below is a list of useful website links to key guidance documents that outline important activities, deadlines and contact details you will need to apply

for a course at Brunel University London.

#### Undergraduate process www.brunel.ac.uk/apply-ug

Postgraduate process www.brunel.ac.uk/apply-pg

Research programmes www.brunel.ac.uk/apply-research

Academic entry requirement by country www.brunel.ac.uk/yourcountry

#### Tier 4 visa and immigration www.brunel.ac.uk/international/visas-andimmigration

For more information regarding the application process please email the Admissions department: **admissions@brune1.ac.uk** 



The James Dyson international design award 2014/2015 and Mayor of London's Low Carbon Entrepreneur 2015 have been won by Brunel students - a tribute to the quality of invention on campus.

### Useful terms

#### Below is a short list of some of the most commonly used terms.

#### **Conditional Offer**

This means that students will be accepted onto the course if they meet certain criteria (i.e. grades/English language test).

#### Unconditional Offer

A student's offer will become unconditional once they accept their offer and they meet the conditions of their offer. This means they have a definite place on the course.

#### Work placements and sandwich years

Some students do a work placement. This extra year is sometimes called a sandwich year, because it is "sandwiched" between the second and final year. It is usually a paid placement.

#### Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS)

The student will be sent a unique reference number (your CAS) which is required for their visa application.

#### Undergraduate applications

#### Clearing

A service to allow students to apply for a place even if their exam results have not been as good as they had hoped for.

#### Firm choice

The offer that the student has accepted as their first choice.

#### Insurance choice

The offer that the student has accepted as their second choice.

To find out when our International Team will be in your country, how to contact our local representatives or for any other enquiries, please visit: **www.brunel.ac.uk/international** or call +44(0)1895 265 265







#### www.brunel.ac.uk/international

All information is correct at the time of going to print. The most up-to-date information can be found at www.brunel.ac.uk/international

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