Course Title | BA (Hons) Tourism Management (with Study Abroad)
Awarding Bodies | University of Suffolk
Level of Award¹ | FHEQ Level 6
Professional, Statutory and Regulatory Bodies Recognition | None
Credit Structure² | 480 Credits
Level 4: 120 Credits
Level 5: 120 Credits plus 120 study abroad credits*
Level 6: 120 Credits
*For an award with ‘Study Abroad’, 120 study abroad credits are required.
Mode of Attendance | Full-time
Standard Length of Course³ | 4 years full-time
Intended Award | BA (Hons) Tourism Management (with Study Abroad)
Named Exit Awards | DipHE Tourism Management
DipHE Tourism Management (with Study Abroad)
CertHE Tourism Management
Entry Requirements⁴ | Typical Offer:
112 UCAS tariff points (or equivalent)
Maths and English GCSE at Grade C or above
Delivering Institution | University of Suffolk
UCAS Code | N800

This definitive record sets out the essential features and characteristics of the BA (Hons) Tourism Management (with Study Abroad) course. The information provided is accurate for students entering level 4 in the 2019-20 academic year⁵.

Course Summary
The Tourism Management programme is designed to give students as wide an experience as possible in the tourism and related sectors; which offer so many opportunities for growth and contribution to the economy. Students will gain many skills and competencies to help to ensure employability is enhanced. A combination of theoretical and practical work will prepare students for further study or employment. Established effective partnerships with a range of employers in the sectors ensure that students benefit from having a balance of practical work-based experience to evaluate and analyse in their academic life.

¹ For an explanation of the levels of higher education study, see the QAA Frameworks for Higher Education Qualifications of UK Degree-Awarding Bodies (2014).
² All academic credit awarded as a result of study at the University adheres to the Higher education credit framework for England.
³ Where the course is delivered both full-time and part-time, the standard length of course is provided for the full-time mode of attendance only. The length of the part-time course is variable and dependent upon the intensity of study. Further information about mode of study and maximum registration periods can be found in the Framework and Regulations for Undergraduate Awards.
⁴ Details of standard entry requirements can be found in the Admissions Policy.
⁵ The University reserves the right to make changes to course content, structure, teaching and assessment as outlined in the Admissions Policy.
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The additional sandwich year at the end of Level 5 enables students to engage in a full year of study abroad. Study abroad enables students to develop relevant marketable skills, immerse themselves into another language and culture and enhance their personal development.

Course Aims

- To enable students to have a critical understanding of the concepts and characteristics of tourism
- To enable the students to gain knowledge of the key areas of management and operations in the tourism sector including ethical, sustainability and safety issues
- To enable students to develop knowledge and skills of appropriate theories, principles and practice of management within the tourism sector
- To give students the opportunity to apply knowledge in practical situations
- To enable students to develop essential skills through reflective practice

Course Learning Outcomes

The following statements define what students graduating from the BA (Hons) Tourism Management (with Study Abroad) course will have been judged to have demonstrated in order to achieve the award. These statements, known as learning outcomes, have been formally approved as aligned with the generic qualification descriptor for level 6 awards as set out by the UK Quality Assurance Agency (QAA)\(^6\).

Knowledge and understanding

1. Demonstrate a critical understanding of the relationship of the subject of tourism to its social, cultural and economic context
2. Demonstrate clear knowledge and analysis of contextual and conceptual issues

Cognitive skills

3. Demonstrate a thorough understanding of application of tourism theory to practice
4. Effectively apply theory and problem solving in practical tourism management situations
5. Evaluate situations and apply appropriate decision making techniques for effective solutions
6. Engage in focused analysis of specific themes and issues within their study, including ethical, sustainability and safety issues
7. Critically evaluate and apply appropriate methodologies

Subject specific and practical skills

8. Conduct in-depth critical analysis and evaluation of tourism management subject material and related methodology

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\(^6\) As set out in the QAA Frameworks for Higher Education Qualifications of UK Degree-Awarding Bodies (2014)
9. Apply specialist knowledge to situations in the production of effective solutions

10. Implement and manage projects effectively

**Key / transferable / lifelong learning skills**

11. Demonstrate originality of thought and creative problem solving

12. Demonstrate an ability to manage own learning and identify and carry out professional development

13. Employ interpersonal skills of effective listening, negotiating, persuasion and presentation

14. Participate in tourism industry based activity through being able to work independently and as a team to deadlines

**Course Design**

The design of this course has been guided by the following QAA Subject Benchmark Statements:

- Business and Management (2015)

**Course Structure**

The BA (Hons) Tourism Management (with Study Abroad) with study abroad comprises modules at levels 4, 5 and 6.

Module Specifications for each of these modules are included within the course handbook and the sandwich year handbook, available to students on-line at the beginning of each academic year.

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<th>Module</th>
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<td>Introduction to Event and Tourism Management</td>
<td>20</td>
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<td>Introduction to Marketing</td>
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<td>Language and Culture in a Business Context</td>
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<td>Level 5</td>
<td>Applied Event and Tourism Management (placement)</td>
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<td>Managing and Developing Destinations</td>
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Modules are designated as either mandatory (M), requisite (R) or optional (O). For definitions, see the Framework and Regulations for Undergraduate Awards.
Topics in Business Research 20 M
Plus two options from the following modules:
Employment Law 20 O
Principles of Fundraising and Sponsorship 20 O
Corporate Reputation Management 20 O
Language and Culture in a Business Context II 20 O
Level 5 sandwich year with study abroad only (leading to study abroad credit)
Study abroad modules at host institution 80 M
Study abroad reflective account 40 M
Level 6
Dissertation 40 M
Industry Based Practice (Events and Tourism Management) 20 M
Tourism Futures: Critical and Cultural Concepts 20 M
Strategic Marketing: Planning and Management 20 R
Plus one option from the following options:
Visitor Attraction Management in the UK 20 O
Strategic Management 20 O

Awards
On successful completion of the course, students will be awarded BA (Hons) Tourism Management (with Study Abroad).

Students who leave the course early on successful completion of 240 credits including all mandatory modules at levels 4 and 5 may be eligible for a DipHE Tourism Management. Those students who leave the course early and, in addition to the above, have successfully completed the sandwich year and been awarded 120 study abroad credits may be eligible for DipHE Tourism Management (with Study Abroad).

Students who leave the course early on successful completion of 120 credits including all mandatory modules at level 4 may be eligible for a CertHE Tourism Management.

Course Delivery
The course is delivered at Ipswich (with the exception of the sandwich year, during which students are based at their chosen host institution). For course delivery in Ipswich, students studying full-time on BA (Hons) Tourism Management (with Study Abroad) are likely to have approximately 250 contact hours for level 4, 220 contact hours for level 5 and 150 contact hours for level 6. The contact hours will be a mix of lectures, seminars, practical activity, group projects and students will also be required to participate in 200 hours of work placement. Placements may be arranged by the University of Suffolk and/or students and approved by the University. Students will normally be expected to undertake 20 hours of independent study in an average week, but should be prepared for this to vary based on assignment deadlines and class exercises.
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Study abroad course delivery will be dependent on the requirements of the host institution. In addition, for the reflective account for a full year of study abroad, students will be expected to engage in 390 hours of independent study and 10 hours of tutorials and online support.

Course Assessment

A variety of assessments will be used on the course to enable students to experience and adapt to different assessment styles. The assessment methods used will be appropriate to assess each module’s intended learning outcomes. Assessment on the course overall (excluding the sandwich year) will be coursework (including essays, reports, presentations, group work, reflective learning journals and research projects). The nature of the assessment of the sandwich year will depend on the type of activities undertaken: assessment of study abroad will vary according to the requirements of the host institution.

Course Team

The academic staff delivering this course are drawn from a team that includes teaching specialists and current practitioners. All staff are qualified in their subjects with their own specialist knowledge to contribute.

Course Costs

Students undertaking BA (Hons) Tourism Management (with Study Abroad) in 2018-19 will be charged tuition fees as detailed below:

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<th>Student Group</th>
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<td>£9,250 per year (excluding sandwich year, for which the fee will be £1,385 for the year)</td>
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<td>Full-time International</td>
<td>£11,790 per year (excluding sandwich year, for which the fee will be £2,155 for the year)</td>
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Payment of tuition fees is due at the time of enrolment and is managed in accordance with the Tuition Fee Policy.

Students may be required to pay additional costs for trips, residential as applicable and to incur other costs for optional field trips, exhibitions and, for their sandwich year, for travel to and from their host institution.

Academic Framework and Regulations

This course is delivered according to the Framework and Regulations for Undergraduate Awards and other academic policies and procedures of the University and published on the website.