

# **Course Information Document: Undergraduate**

# For students starting in Academic Year 2019/2020

# 1. Course Summary

Names of programme(s) and award title(s)	BA (Hons) Management	
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	BA (Hons) Management with International Year (see Annex	
	A for details)	
	BA (Hons) Management with Work Placement Year (see	
	Annex B for details)	
Award type	Single Honours	
Mode of study	Full time	
Framework of Higher Education Qualification	Level 6	
(FHEQ) level of final award		
Duration	3 years	
	4 years with either the International Year or Work	
	Placement Year between years 2 and 3	
Location of study	Keele University – main campus	
Accreditation (if applicable)	Not applicable	
Regulator	Office for Students (OfS)	
Tuition Fees	UK/EU students:	
	Fee for 2019/20 is £9,250*	
	International students:	
	Fee for 2019/20 is £14,320**	
	The fee for the international year abroad is calculated at	
	15% of the standard year fee	
	The fee for the work placement year is calculated at 20% of	
	the standard year fee	
Additional Costs	Please refer to the Additional costs section	

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<sup>\*</sup>These fees are regulated by Government. We reserve the right to increase fees in subsequent years of study in response to changes in government policy and/or changes to the law. If permitted by such change in policy or law, we may increase your fees by an inflationary amount or such other measure as required by government policy or the law. Please refer to the accompanying Student Terms & Conditions. Further information on fees can be found at <a href="http://www.keele.ac.uk/studentfunding/tuitionfees/">http://www.keele.ac.uk/studentfunding/tuitionfees/</a>

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# 2. What is a Single Honours programme?

The Single Honours programme described in this document allows you to focus more or less exclusively on Management. In keeping with Keele's commitment to breadth in the curriculum, the programme also gives you the opportunity to take some modules outside Management, in other disciplines and in modern foreign languages as part of a 360-credit Honours degree. Thus it enables you to gain, and be able to demonstrate, a distinctive range of graduate attributes.

# 3. Overview of the Programme

Management is an established subject in the Social Sciences providing students with an opportunity to develop a scientifically informed overview of the management of a range of different types of organisation including conventional and alternative business forms. The subject draws on a range of disciplinary interests, in their application to business contexts including sociology, law, history, politics and psychology. A feature of the programme is the encouragement to students to think critically about what they learn, challenge received wisdom, and to think for themselves about the validity of the theories to which they are exposed and to seek evidence to support or refute them.

The Single Honours programme is delivered by Keele Business School and has been developed from our commitment to the responsibilities of business and their managers to wider social improvement. As a signatory to the Principles of Responsible Management Education, we promote reflection on a broad range of issues that have informed research interests here for over 20 years, including the promotion of gender equality, developing socially responsible practices and respect for difference and diversity. Our undergraduate programme is taught by colleagues from across the school and exposes students to new areas of research and development in the discipline as well as to the foundations of managing business. The programme concentrates on the qualitative study of organisations and their operations and strategies, and a range of perspectives on employees and their interrelationship with organisations. This is supported by modules offering students a basic working knowledge in accounting and economics. Students are accordingly exposed to a wide range of concepts and debates regarding the management of people in organisations and the impacts of managerial decision-making across the private and public sectors. The programme is academically rigorous, and delivered in a supportive and challenging learning environment.

Our programme offers students a range of choice in selecting areas of study that can enhance their personal and academic development that provide sound foundations for either business careers or further study. Our teaching also allows students to engage directly with real problems faced by large scale, small scale and alternative organisations in the classroom, enabling students to engage with a variety of experiences and challenges to help them develop the knowledge, self-confidence and self-awareness to pursue their future goals.

The four-year Placement option provides students with the enhanced opportunity to undertake a year-long professionally focused placement (minimum 30 weeks full-time (1,050 hours) or equivalent) between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year of their degree programme in a sector relevant to their degree. Students will gain substantial experience of a professional working environment relevant to their future career aspirations allowing for familiarisation of professional practice, enhanced skill development, and reflection upon programme content.

The four-year International study option provides students with the opportunity to undertake a year-long study abroad programme taught in English at an international university between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year of their degree programme in a subject relevant to their degree. Students will gain substantial experience of study in a different culture to their own and additionally benefit from the opportunity to develop their knowledge and networks in specialist areas of Management relevant to both international and home settings.

# 4. Aims of the Programme

The broad aims of the programme are to enable you to:

• Understand, evaluate and critically reflect on a range of concepts, theories and techniques relevant to contemporary developments in management.

- Develop an ability to draw from relevant complementary disciplines in order to explore and better understand organisations and work.
- Develop an understanding of the ways in which organisations operate, the role of managers in changing external and internal environments and in organisational activity.
- Acquire a critical understanding of the role and impact of organisation's activities in society, including the responsibilities and challenges that can arise in a variety of sectors.
- Develop the capability to investigate and learn independently in social science disciplines, to gather relevant information and to evaluate, question and creatively synthesise this information in critical analysis.
- Acquire a range of relevant key skills (such as communication, working with others, self-improvement and problem solving) in preparation for employment or further study.

Develop familiarity with suitable scholarship techniques, the methods of social scientific research and the limitations of different methodologies

# 5. What you will learn

The intended learning outcomes of the programme (what students should know, understand and be able to do at the end of the programme), can be described under the following headings:

- Subject knowledge and understanding
- Subject specific skills
- Key or transferable skills (including employability skills)

Successful students will be able to demonstrate knowledge and understanding of:

- Organisations, the changing environment in which they operate and how they are managed.
- The activity and impacts of managers and the people they employ, their operations, business policy, ethics and strategies.
- Issues familiar to social science that affect or influence the business environment such as globalisation, diversity, ethical or responsible business practice and technological change.

### Subject specific skills

Successful students will be able to:

- Utilise a variety of theories to analyse developments in the management of organisations.
- Utilise a variety of methods of communicating ideas in management including graphical, poster-based, and essay exposition.
- Apply logical reasoning based on knowledge of management to a variety of theoretical and applied topics and problems.
- Organise, present and analyse data using a methodology appropriate to social research.
- Frame a research problem, deciding upon the quality and limitations of a given approach.

# Key or transferable skills (including employability skills)

Successful students will be able to:

- Communicate using a variety of medium to a range of audiences.
- Work effectively both as an individual and as part of a group or a team, recognising and respecting the viewpoints of others and developing understanding and awareness of leadership styles and their impacts upon projects.
- Work effectively with information technology, literature searches and library resources.
- Demonstrate effective skills in problem-solving.
- Demonstrate and sustain effective approaches to learning and study, including time management, flexibility, creativity, intellectual integrity and professional management skills

# 6. How is the Programme taught?

Learning and teaching methods used on the programme vary according to the subject matter and level of the module. They include the following:

- Traditional lectures accompanied by suggested reading for independent study, intended to provide a
  core framework of subject knowledge on which a systematic understanding of major principles can be
  built. Some lecture classes may feature activities such as mock auctions, quizzes that involve voting, or
  other interactive activities
- **Tutor-led seminars** where students contribute to or lead a discussion on key topics or make a presentation on a specific point so as to develop critical thinking and permit the reflective individual expression of that core understanding
- Problem-based tutorials (often based on scenarios rooted in the real world) in which students are
  expected to offer answers or solutions to previously provided problems but which also offer opportunity
  for students to direct specific questions to tutors and develop better understanding of the issues in
  question. These tutorials enable students to acquire and refine key accounting skills
- **Practical, computer laboratory based classes** where students acquire the hands-on skills associated with describing, analysing and interpreting business data
- **Directed independent study** where students are referred to specific materials or asked to research and find information independently, which may extend to undertaking an independent research project under the supervision of an experienced tutor
- Students may undertake Web-based self-study exercises using the University's virtual learning environment (KLE). The KLE gives students easy access to a wide range of resources and research tools and permits the use of online discussion, quizzes and 'blogs' in teaching and learning whilst permitting students to develop improved IT knowledge
- Other opportunities for directed independent study are available in our computer laboratories which are equipped with Bloomberg information terminals and Sage accounting software allowing students to interact with real world data and situations
- In addition, students who complete the placement programme will conduct a **skills audit** in relation to their 'fit' to sector skill demands, whilst critically evaluating their learning from the placement context

Apart from these formal activities, students are also provided with regular opportunities to talk through particular areas of difficulty, and any special learning needs they may have, with their Personal Tutors or module lecturers on a one-to-one basis.

#### 7. Teaching Staff

Currently Keele Business School comprises of 42 full time academic staff members – professors, lecturers and teaching fellows. Most staff members have teaching qualifications and those that do not are actively working to attain them. A number of staff have PhD qualifications and a number have professional qualifications. All members of staff seek to ensure that module content represents up to date standards and legislation and reflects current relevant research, including the results of their own research.

The school maintains a strong commitment to excellence and innovation in teaching and research. Teaching is informed by research with teaching staff presenting and publishing academic papers at national and international conferences, in books and in internationally ranked journals.

The University will attempt to minimise changes to our core teaching teams, however, delivery of the programme depends on having a sufficient number of staff with the relevant expertise to ensure that the programme is taught to the appropriate academic standard.

Staff turnover, for example where key members of staff leave, fall ill or go on research leave, may result in changes to the programme's content. The University will endeavour to ensure that any impact on students is limited if such changes occur.

# 8. What is the Structure of the Programme?

The academic year runs from September to June and is divided into two semesters. The number of weeks of teaching will vary from course to course, but you can generally expect to attend scheduled teaching sessions between the end of September and mid-December, and from mid-January to the end of April.

Our degree courses are organised into modules. Each module is usually a self-contained unit of study and each is usually assessed separately with the award of credits on the basis of 1 credit = 10 hours of student effort. An outline of the structure of the programme is provided in the tables below.

There are three types of module delivered as part of your programme. They are:

- Compulsory modules a module that you are required to study on this course;
- Optional modules these allow you some limited choice of what to study from a list of modules;
- Elective modules a free choice of modules that count towards the overall credit requirement but not the number of subject-related credits.

A summary of the credit requirements per year is as follows, with a minimum of 90 subject credits (compulsory plus optional) required for each year.

Year	Compulsory	Optional		Electives	
		Min	Max	Min	Max
1	30	60	90	0	30
2	45	45	75	0	30
3	60	30	60	0	30

# **Module lists**

### Year 1 (Level 4)

Compulsory modules	Module Code	Credits	Semester
Management in Context	MAN-10018	15	1
Managing in a Changing Society	MAN-10030	15	1
Optional modules	Module Code	Credits	Semester
Block 1			
Introductory Microeconomics	ECO-10028	15	1
Quantitative Methods 1	ECO-10026	15	1
Accounting Principles	MAN-10015	15	1
Block 2			
Marketing Principles	MAN-10019	15	1
British and Global Economy	ECO-10025	15	1
Business Law	LAW-10027	15	1
Global Business Environments	MAN-10022	15	1
Block 3			
Introductory Macroeconomics	ECO-10029	15	2
Quantitative Methods 2	ECO-10027	15	2
Financial Accounting	MAN-10024	15	2
Block 4			
Foundations of Human Resource Management	HRM-10007	15	2
Multinational Enterprise Business Perspectives	MAN-10026	15	2
Introduction to International Business	MAN-10023	15	2

Block 1: Choose a minimum of one module

Block 2: Choose a minimum of one module

Block 3: Choose a minimum of one module

Block 4: Choose a minimum of one module

- ECO-10027 Quantitative Methods 2 prerequisite ECO-10026 Quantitative Methods 1
- ECO-10029 Introductory Macroeconomics prerequisite ECO-10028 Introductory Microeconomics
- MAN-10024 Financial Accounting prerequisite MAN-10015 Accounting Principles
- MAN-10019 Marketing Principles You will need to take this module if you want to take Digital and Marketing Communication (MAN-20085) in year 2
- HRM-10007 Foundations of HRM Recommended for those wishing to take Employee Resourcing (HRM-20017) AND/OR Managing Human Resources (HRM-20015) in year 2
- MAN-10026 MNE Business Perspective Live company project, recommended for those wishing to take a Placement Year
- MAN-10022 Global Business Environments OR MAN-10023 Introduction to International Business prerequisite for MAN-20084 Managing in the Multinational Corporation (year 2)
- MAN-10022 Global Business Environments is prerequisite for MAN-30055 International Business Strategies (year 3)

# Year 2 (Level 5)

Compulsory modules	Module Code	Credits	Semester
Organisational Behaviour	MAN-20055	15	1
Operations and Quality Management	MAN-20053	15	2
Researching Business Management	MAN-20096	15	2
Optional modules	Module Code	Credits	Semester
Block 1			
Managing in the Multinational Corporation	MAN-20084	15	1
Professional Development	MAN-20090	15	1
Employee Resourcing	HRM-20017	15	1
Block 2			
Social Enterprise and Alternative Organising	MAN-20093	15	1
International Supply Chain Management	MAN-20083	15	1
Managing Human Resources	HRM-20015	15	1
Digital and Marketing Communications	MAN-20085	15	1

### Module rules:

Block 1: Choose a minimum of one module

Block 2: Choose a minimum of one module

- MAN-20084 Managing in the Multinational Corporation Prerequisite either Global Business Environments (MAN-10022) OR Introduction to International Business (MAN-10023)
- HRM-20015 Managing Human Resources prerequisite EITHER HRM-10007 Foundations of HRM OR HRM-20017 Employee Resourcing
- MAN-20085 Digital and Marketing Communications prerequisite MAN-10019 Marketing Principles

### Year 3 (Level 6)

Compulsory modules	Module Code	Credits	Semester
Business Strategy	MAN-30048	15	1
Managing Diversity (ISP across 2 semesters)	MAN-30071	30	1&2
Contemporary Issues in Management	MAN-30047	15	2
Optional modules	Module Code	Credits	Semester
Block 1			

Comparative Business Cultures	MAN-30056	15	1
SME Live Project	MAN-30072	15	1
What's wrong with Entrepreneurship?	MAN-30073	15	1
Identity, Culture and Organisation	MAN-30040	15	1
Block 2			
Enterprise Business Plan	MAN-30070	15	1
Managing International Projects	MAN-30065	15	1
International Business Strategies	MAN-30055	15	1

#### Module rules:

Block 1: Choose a minimum of one module

Block 2: Choose a minimum of one module

MAN-30055 International Business Strategies prerequisite MAN-10022 Global Business Environments

For further information on the content of modules currently offered, including the list of elective modules, please visit: www.keele.ac.uk/recordsandexams/az

#### 9. Final and intermediate awards

Credits required for each level of academic award are as follows:

Honours Degree	360 credits	You will require at least 120 credits at levels 4, 5 and 6  You must accumulate at least 270 credits in Management (out of 360 credits overall), with at least 90 credits in each of the three years of study, to graduate with a named single honours degree in Management.
Diploma in Higher Education	240 credits	You will require at least 120 credits at level 4 or higher and at least 120 credits at level 5 or higher
Certificate in Higher Education	120 credits	You will require at least 120 credits at level 4 or higher

**Management with International Year:** in addition to the above students must pass a module covering the international year in order to graduate with a named degree in Management with international year. Students who do not complete, or fail the international year, will be transferred to the three-year Management programme.

**Management with Work Placement Year:** in addition to the above students must pass a non-credit bearing module covering the work placement year in order to graduate with a named degree in Management with Work Placement Year. Students who do not complete, or fail the work placement year, will be transferred to the three-year Management programme.

# 10. How is the Programme assessed?

The wide variety of assessment methods used within Management at Keele reflects the broad range of knowledge and skills that are developed as you progress through the degree programme. Teaching staff pay particular attention to specifying clear assessment criteria and providing timely, regular and constructive feedback that helps to clarify things you did not understand and helps you to improve your performance. The following list is representative of the variety of assessment methods used within Management:

• **Essays** including those based on case study material, test the quality and application of subject knowledge. In addition they allow you to demonstrate your ability to carry out basic bibliographic research and to communicate your ideas effectively in writing in an appropriate scholarly style using the

Harvard system of referencing. Essays may be individual or based on working in a group and may also include a computational aspect.

- Class tests taken either conventionally or online via the Keele Learning Environment (KLE) as Computer
  based tests assess your subject knowledge and your ability to apply it in a more structured and focused
  way compared to essays.
- **Final examinations**, in different formats, test your knowledge and understanding of the module. Examinations may consist of essay, short answer, multiple choice questions and computational answers depending on the module.
- **Individual report**, where you produce a document that sets out your response to the task, including your recommendations and conclusions.
- **Group presentation**, where you collaborate with a group of fellow students and present your findings to other students on the module and the module tutor.
- **Portfolios** where you assemble pieces of work to demonstrate your engagement with and understanding of a topic, either individually or in a group.
- Work Placement reflection on work placement activity and development of employability skills.

Marks are awarded for summative assessments designed to assess your achievement of learning outcomes. You will also be assessed formatively to enable you to monitor your own progress and to assist staff in identifying and addressing any specific learning needs. Feedback, including guidance on how you can improve the quality of your work, is also provided on all summative assessments within three working weeks of submission, unless there are compelling circumstances that make this impossible, and more informally in the course of tutorial and seminar discussions.

## 11. Contact Time and Expected Workload

This contact time measure is intended to provide you with an indication of the type of activity you are likely to undertake during this programme. The data is compiled based on module choices and learning patterns of students on similar programmes in previous years. Every effort is made to ensure this data is a realistic representation of what you are likely to experience, but changes to programmes, teaching methods and assessment methods mean this data is representative and not specific.

Undergraduate courses at Keele contain an element of module choice; therefore, individual students will experience a different mix of contact time and assessment types dependent upon their own individual choice of modules. The figures below are an example of activities that a student may expect on your chosen course by year/stage of study. Contact time includes scheduled activities such as: lecture, seminar, tutorial, project supervision, demonstration, practical classes and labs, supervised time in labs/workshop, fieldwork and external visits. The figures are based on 1,200 hours of student effort each year for full-time students.

Activity	Year 1 (Level 4)	Year 2 (Level 5)	Year 3 (Level 6)
Scheduled learning and	16%	17%	15%
teaching activities			
Guided independent	84%	83%	85%
Study			
Placements	0%	0%	0%

#### 12. Accreditation

This programme does not have accreditation from an external body.

### 13. Regulations

The University Regulations form the framework for learning, teaching and assessment and other aspects of the student experience. Further information about the University Regulations can be found at: <a href="http://www.keele.ac.uk/student-agreement/">http://www.keele.ac.uk/student-agreement/</a>

## **Course Regulations**

A student who has completed a semester abroad will not normally be eligible to transfer onto the International Year option.

A student is not allowed to study both the International Year option and the Work Placement Year option.

# 14. Other learning opportunities

### Study abroad (semester)

Students on the Management programme have the potential opportunity to spend a semester abroad in their second year studying at one of Keele's international partner universities.

Exactly which countries are available depends on the student's choice of degree subjects. An indicative list of countries is on the website (<a href="http://www.keele.ac.uk/studyabroad/partneruniversities/">http://www.keele.ac.uk/studyabroad/partneruniversities/</a>); however this does not guarantee the availability of study in a specific country as this is subject to the University's application process for studying abroad.

No additional tuition fees are payable for a single semester studying abroad but students do have to bear the costs of travelling to and from their destination university, accommodation, food and personal costs. Depending on the destination they are studying at additional costs may include visas, study permits, residence permits, and compulsory health checks. Students should expect the total costs of studying abroad to be greater than if they study in the UK, information is made available from the Global Education Team throughout the process, as costs will vary depending on destination.

Whilst students are studying abroad any Student Finance eligibility will continue, where applicable students may be eligible for specific travel or disability grants. Students studying in Erasmus+ destinations may be eligible for grants as part of this programme. Students studying outside of this programme may be eligible for income dependent bursaries at Keele.

Students travel on a comprehensive Keele University insurance plan, for which there are currently no additional charges. Some governments and/or universities require additional compulsory health coverage plans; costs for this will be advised during the application process.

# **Study Abroad (International Year)**

A summary of the International Year, which is a potential option for students after completion of year 2 (Level 5), is provided at Annex A.

# Work placement

Students have the opportunity to apply directly for the 4-year Management with Placement Year degree programme or to transfer onto the 4-year degree programme at the end of Year-1 and in Year-2 at the end of Semester 1. Students who are initially registered for the 4-year degree programme may transfer onto the 3-year degree programme at any point in time, prior to undertaking their year-long placement. To be eligible for the placement year, students must have a good University attendance record. They must also have passed all Year 1 and Year 2 semester 1 modules. Students must have met the progression requirements to proceed to their final year of study prior to commencing a placement.

Students wishing to take the placement year should meet with the Programme Director to obtain their signature to confirm agreement before they will be allowed to commence their placement.

International students who require a Tier 4 visa must check with the Immigration Compliance Team prior to commencing any form of placement.

A summary of the Work Placement Year, which is a potential option for students after completion of year 2 (Level 5), is provided at Annex B.

Enhanced Degree: With Language Competency/With Advanced Language Competency

Management students successfully completing a series of language elective modules have the opportunity to gain an enhanced degree title including their language competency such as, "BA (Hons) Management with competency in Japanese". Students taking language modules of at least 60 credits counting towards their main degree at Keele, and successfully completing minimum stage 6 in the chosen language, will be awarded an enhanced degree title with the designation 'with competency in [Language]'. Students taking language modules of at least 60 credits counting towards their main degree at Keele, and successfully completing stage 10 in the chosen language, will be awarded an enhanced degree title with the designation 'with advanced competency in [Language]'.

# 15. Additional costs

Students will be responsible for organising their own placement, with the support of the placement officer. This allows students to choose when and where to carry out their placement, taking into consideration the potential living and travel expenses, for which they will be responsible. Students are encouraged to consider the potential costs incurred in carrying out the placement at the time of setting these up. Further guidance and support on these considerations is available from the placement officer.

As to be expected there will be additional costs for inter-library loans and potential overdue library fines, print and graduation.

We do not anticipate any further costs for this undergraduate programme.

# 16. Document Version History

Date of first approved version (v1.0): 4<sup>th</sup> December 2018

**Revision history** 

Version number<sup>1</sup> Author Date Summary of and rationale for changes

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 1.1, 1.2 etc. are used for minor changes and 2.0, 3.0 etc. for major changes (as defined in the University's Guidance on processes supporting curriculum changes)

#### **Annex A**

# **Management with International Year**

### **International Year Programme**

Students registered for Single Honours Management may either be admitted for or apply to transfer during their period of study at Level 5 to the Single Honours 'Management with International Year'. Students accepted onto this programme will have an extra year of study (the International Year) at an international partner institution after they have completed Year 2 (Level 5) at Keele.

Students who successfully complete both the second year (Level 5) and the International Year will be permitted to progress to Level 6. Students who fail to satisfy the examiners in respect of the International Year will normally revert to the BA Management and progress to Level 6 on that basis. The failure will be recorded on the student's final transcript.

Study at Level 4, Level 5 and Level 6 will be as per the main body of this document. The additional detail contained in this annex will pertain solely to students registered for 'BA Management with International Year'.

### **International Year Programme Aims**

In addition to the programme aims specified in the main body of this document, the international year programme of study aims to provide students with:

- 1. Personal development as a student and a researcher with an appreciation of the international dimension of their subject
- 2. Experience of a different culture, academically, professionally and socially

# **Entry Requirements for the International Year**

Students may apply to the 4-year programme during Level 5. Admission to the International Year is subject to successful application, interview and references from appropriate staff.

The criteria to be applied are:

- Academic Performance (an average of 60% across all modules at Level 5 is normally required)
- General Aptitude (to be demonstrated by application for study abroad, interview during the 2<sup>nd</sup> semester of year 2 (Level 5), and by recommendation of the student's personal tutor, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> year tutors and programme director)

Students may not register for both an International Year and a Work Placement Year (see Annex B); students registered for 'BA Management with International Year' are exempt from studying a Work Placement Year.

### **Student Support**

Students will be supported whilst on the International Year via the following methods:

- Phone or Skype conversations with Study Abroad tutor, in line with recommended Personal Tutoring meeting points.
- Support from the University's Global Education Team

### **Learning Outcomes**

In addition to the learning outcomes specified in the main text of the Programme Specification, students who complete a Keele undergraduate programme with International Year will be able to:

i) Describe, discuss and reflect upon the cultural and international differences and similarities of

different learning environments

- ii) Discuss the benefits and challenges of global citizenship and internationalisation
- iii) Explain how their perspective on their academic discipline has been influenced by locating it within an international setting.

In addition, students who complete 'BA Management with International Year' will be able to:

- i) Design, plan and critically evaluate research projects with respect to Management, recording relevant information accurately and systematically and be able to reflect on a range of sources in a critical manner.
- ii) Integrate, apply and develop enhanced principles relating to the analysis of Management, to recognise, describe and explain cultural phenomena across national boundaries and reflect critically upon problems relating to contemporary society and culture.

These learning outcomes will all be assessed by the submission of a satisfactory individual learning agreement, the successful completion of assessments at the partner institution and the submission of the reflective portfolio element of the international year module.

### **Course Regulations**

Students registered for the 'BA Management with International Year' are subject to the course specific regulations (if any) and the University regulations. In addition, during the International Year, the following regulations will apply:

Students undertaking the International Year must complete 120 credits, which must comprise *at least 40%* in the student's discipline area.

This may impact on your choice of modules to study, for example you will have to choose certain modules to ensure you have the discipline specific credits required.

Students are barred from studying any Management module with significant overlap to Level 6 modules to be studied on their return. Significant overlap with Level 5 modules previously studied should also be avoided.

### Additional costs for the International Year

Tuition fees for students on the International Year will be charged at 15% of the annual tuition fees for that year of study, as set out in Section 1. The International Year can be included in your Student Finance allocation, to find out more about your personal eligibility see: www.gov.uk

Students will have to bear the costs of travelling to and from their destination university, accommodation, food and personal costs. Depending on the destination they are studying at additional costs may include visas, study permits, residence permits, and compulsory health checks. Students should expect the total costs of studying abroad be greater than if they study in the UK, information is made available from the Global Education Team throughout the process, as costs will vary depending on destination.

Students studying in Erasmus+ destinations may be eligible for grants as part of this programme. Students studying outside of this programme may be eligible income dependent bursaries at Keele.

Students travel on a comprehensive Keele University insurance plan, for which there are currently no additional charges. Some Governments and/or universities require additional compulsory health coverage plans; costs for this will be advised during the application process.

#### **Annex B**

# **Management with Work Placement Year**

### **Work Placement Year summary**

Students registered for Single Honours Management may either be admitted for or apply to transfer during their studies to the Single Honours 'Management with Work Placement Year'. Students accepted onto this programme will have an extra year of study (the Work Placement Year) with a relevant placement provider after they have completed Year 2 (Level 5) at Keele.

Students who successfully complete both the second year (Level 5) and the Work Placement Year will be permitted to progress to Level 6. Students who fail to satisfactorily complete the Work Placement Year will normally revert to the 3-year BA Management programme and progress to Level 6 on that basis. The failure will be recorded on the student's final transcript.

Study at Level 4, Level 5 and Level 6 will be as per the main body of this document. The additional detail contained in this annex will pertain solely to students registered for 'Management with Work Placement Year'.

### **Work Placement Year Programme Aims**

In addition to the programme aims specified in the main body of this document, the Work Placement Year aims to provide students with:

1. The opportunity to carry out a long-term placement based learning experience (minimum 30 weeks equivalent of full-time work) between Years 2 and 3 (Levels 5 and 6) of their degree programme

### **Entry Requirements for the Work Placement Year**

Students have the opportunity to apply directly for the 4-year 'with work placement year' degree programme, or to transfer onto the 4-year programme at the end of Year-1 and in Year-2 at the end of Semester 1. Students who are initially registered for the 4-year degree programme may transfer onto the 3-year degree programme at any point in time, prior to undertaking the year-long work placement. Students who fail to pass the work placement year, and those who fail to meet the minimum requirements of the work placement year module (minimum 30 weeks full time (1,050 hours), or equivalent, work placement), will be automatically transferred onto the 3-year degree programme.

The criteria to be applied are:

- A good University attendance record and be in 'good academic standing'.
- Passed all Year-1 and Year-2 Semester 1 modules.
- Students undertaking work placements will be expected to complete a Health and Safety checklist prior to commencing their work experience and will be required to satisfy the Health and Safety regulations of the company or organisation at which they are based.
- (International students only) Due to visa requirements, it is not possible for international students who require a Tier 4 Visa to apply for direct entry onto the 4-year with Work Placement Year degree programme. Students wishing to transfer onto this programme should discuss this with student support, the academic tutor for the work placement year, and the Programme Lead. Students should be aware that there are visa implications for this transfer, and it is the student's responsibility to complete any and all necessary processes to be eligible for this programme. There may be additional costs, including applying for a new Visa from outside of the UK for international students associated with a transfer to the work placement programme.

Students may not register for both an International Year (see Annex A) and a Work Placement Year; students registered for 'BA Management with Work Placement Year' are exempt from studying an International Year.

#### **Student Support**

Students will be supported whilst on the Work Placement Year via the following methods:

Students are supported throughout their placement by the administrative lead and academic lead of the placement module. There is regular contact between the University, the student and the employer throughout the placement. A key element within the placement year is a visit that usually takes place mid-way through the placement and it is undertaken by a staff member of Keele Business School. Students also have access to various guides in terms of their assessment via KLE as well as the opportunity for 1-2-1 virtual meetings with the academic lead to discuss their progress.

### **Learning Outcomes**

In addition to the learning outcomes specified in the main text of the Programme Specification, students who complete 'BA Management with Work Placement Year' will be able to:

- i) evaluate their own employability skills (via a SWOT Analysis) together with an analysis of sector skill demands to create Intended Placement Outcomes in order to develop the skill areas which they have identified as being weak or needing further enhancement;
- ii) develop, through practice on placement, the employment-related skills identified through their SWOT analysis and Intended Learning Outcomes;
- iii) reflect on and apply academic themes, concepts and theory as explored at Level 4 and Level 5 to complex real situations on work placement;
- iv) reflect on and critically evaluate their learning from the work placement and previous learning;
- v) explain how their chosen professional or placement sector operates and what skills are needed to develop their career

These learning outcomes will be assessed through the non-credit bearing Work Placement Year module (MAN-30068) which involves:

 the submission of two portfolios of evidence, one at the beginning of their placement (usually after six weeks into the placement) and one at the end of their placement and before the start of their final year of undergraduate studies

# **Course Regulations**

Students registered for the 'BA Management with Work Placement Year' are subject to course specific regulations (if any) and the University regulations. In addition, during the Work Placement Year, the following regulations will apply:

• Students undertaking the Work Placement Year must successfully complete the zero-credit rated 'Placement Year' module (MAN-30068)

Students will be expected to behave professionally in terms of:

- (i) conforming to the work practices of the organisation; and
- (ii) remembering that they are representatives of the University and their actions will reflect on the School and have an impact on that organisation's willingness (or otherwise) to remain engaged with the placement.

### **Additional costs for the Work Placement Year**

Tuition fees for students on the Work Placement Year will be charged at 20% of the annual tuition fees for that year of study, as set out in Section 1. The Work Placement Year can be included in your Student Finance allocation; to find out more about your personal eligibility see: www.gov.uk

Students will have to bear the costs of travelling to and from their placement provider, accommodation, food

and personal costs. Depending on the placement provider additional costs may include parking permits, travel and transport, suitable clothing, DBS checks, and compulsory health checks.

Eligibility for student finance will depend on the type of placement and students are required to confirm eligibility with their student finance provider.

International students who require a Tier 4 visa should check with the Immigration Compliance team prior to commencing any type of paid placement to ensure that they are not contravening their visa requirements.