Bachelor of Arts International Honours

A New Benchmark in Collaborative International Scholarship















The oldest university in Scotland and the second oldest institution in the United States have joined forces to offer a unique undergraduate degree programme. The BA International Honours Degree will be awarded jointly by the University of St Andrews and the College of William & Mary.



The curriculum combines the depth of study offered by St Andrews and the breadth of a William & Mary liberal arts education. For a truly international educational experience, this degree is world class. It is internationally validated in both educational systems and offers students the opportunity of engaging in the best of both.

Institutions of Excellence



University of St Andrews

The University of St Andrews is located in the mediaeval coastal town of St Andrews. Steeped in history and set in a stunning location, we offer an unrivalled student experience. The town is a thriving, close-knit community with a population of 18,000 – 1:3 people are connected with the University. St Andrews is situated on the east coast of Scotland. There are direct flights from Edinburgh (one hour away) to a range of international destinations, including America.

- St Andrews is Scotland's first university and the third oldest in the English speaking world, founded in 1413.
- Over six centuries it has established a reputation as one of Europe's leading and most distinctive centres for teaching and research.
- The Times Good University Guide 2011 and The Guardian University League Table ranks St Andrews fourth in the UK and first in Scotland.
- First for student satisfaction top mainstream university for the last four years in the National Student Satisfaction Survey.
- 6,000 Undergraduate students.
- Student: Academic ratio 10:1.
- 98 per cent degree completion rate the highest in Scotland.
- Internationally Scottish over 30 per cent of the student body is from overseas, representing over 100 different nationalities

www.st-andrews.ac.uk

The College of William & Mary

The College of William & Mary is located in the historic town of Williamsburg, Virginia, which is approximately 150 miles south of Washington, DC and located midway between Richmond and Norfolk. Adjacent to the campus is Colonial Williamsburg which, along with Jamestown and Yorktown, comprise the Historic Triangle. William & Mary is the first 'true' American university, being home to the oldest law school in the United States.

- Founded in 1693, William & Mary is the second oldest college in the United States.
- Three former Presidents of the United States benefited from educational programmes offered by the College: Thomas Jefferson, James Monroe and John Tyler.
- US News and World Report ranks W&M the best small public university in the US, and the public university with the strongest commitment to teaching.
- 5,800 Undergraduate students.
- Student: Faculty Ratio 11:1.
- 96 per cent freshmen retention rate.
- A 'Public Ivy' institution one of only eight in the United States.
- Students come from 50 States and 43 countries.

www.wm.edu

Get Involved - Globally!

Programme of Study



Clubs and Societies

St Andrews has over 170 student societies to cater for all interests, from the theatrical to political, and from the charitable to the academic and religious.

www.st-andrews.ac.uk/admissions/ug/ Relatedinformation/Studentlife/

At William & Mary there are four hundred special interest clubs inspired by political engagement, religious faith, ethnic and cultural pride, environmental protection – the list goes on.

www.wm.edu/campuslife/clubsandorgs/

Sports

At St Andrews there are over 50 sports clubs including fencing, kite surfing, ski & snow boarding, football, rugby, field hockey, climbing, sailing, Japanese martial arts and Ultimate Frisbee.

www.st-andrews.ac.uk/sport/au/

William & Mary fields 23 intercollegiate teams and competes in NCAA Division 1 as a member of the Colonial Athletic Association. 85 per cent of W&M students participate in some form of recreation at the College, whether its through club or intramural sports, or fitness workouts or training.

www.wm.edu/campuslife/sportswellness/

Music

The Music Centre at St Andrews provides facilities catering for beginners to experienced musicians. Located in the impressive Younger hall, there are opportunities for tuition and performance, concertgoing and formal academic training.

www.st-andrews.ac.uk/music/Home/

At William & Mary more than 25 per cent of students actively engage with the Department of Music. Students can audition for one of the many ensembles on offer, take applied lessons or take academic music classes from an impressively wide selection.

http://www.wm.edu/as/music/

The BA International Honours is a four-year undergraduate degree that combines the best of the Scottish and American educational experience. It will be jointly awarded by both institutions and, uniquely, will bear the insignia of both.

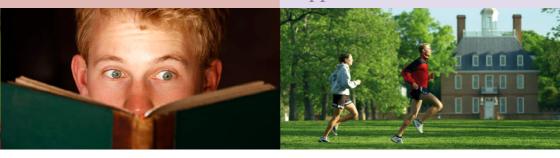
Students will study for two years at each of the participating institutions. They will spend the first year of the programme at one institution and the second year at the other. Thereafter they can choose how they wish to allocate their third and fourth years of study.

Students will have an advisor to help them design their curriculum, delivered through a variety of teaching formats. These include lectures, individual supervision, small-class teaching and independent research. In their fourth year students will complete an Honours dissertation.

BA International Honours Programme Route



Application & Costs



In years one and two students study from the broad curriculum offerings of the two institutions, as well as their chosen specialisation. An advisor will assist in ensuring that necessary pre-requisites are met. Students can view the wide choices available in the respective course catalogues at each institutions.

In years three and four students will specialise in one of four subject areas:

Economics

A sound understanding of economics will allow an insight into social issues and problems, ranging from the most important and pressing that face the planet today, to everyday phenomena, which are nevertheless central to the way society is organised.

English

The study of English Language and Literature enables students to read with close attention and to consider the ideas, human values, and historical forces that have helped to form English literature (and literature in English) and the English language.

History

Delivered by our two outstanding History departments, this programme has unique strengths. In addition to examining topics, time periods and area from different perspectives, students will also profit from experiencing two quite different approaches to teaching.

International Relations

Students will gain an understanding of how major features of the international system operate, as well as the major challenges it faces. Students will engage with a range of issues, both thematic and regional in nature.

Entrance to the degree programme will be highly competitive and our entrance requirements reflect this. We are looking for students with a high academic ability, a thirst for knowledge and a curiosity about the world around them.

How to Apply

Students apply to the institution where they wish to commence.

Each institution will have a parallel admission process with each honouring the decision of the other. Applicants can only apply for the programme to one institution.

University of St Andrews Entry Requirements

For each of the four subjects on offer we are looking for the following grades – SQA Higher: AAAA, A-Level: AAA, IB points: 38+

Other international qualifications and entry requirements will be assessed at the equivalent level to the above

Students who are applying to commence study at the University of St Andrews apply on the BA International Honours Direct Application Form available at: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/admissions/ug/WilliamMaryNew/

In addition, the personal statement should demonstrate a range of personal qualities including examples of wider cultural participation. This should link to the benefits that the student can bring both to this programme and the instututions.

William & Mary Entrance Requirements

William & Mary attracts a diverse group of applicants. High academic ability is necessary for admission, but the Admission Committee weighs numerous other factors as well. Involvement outside the classroom, including participation in sports, extracurricular activities or community organisations, is important. Additionally, evidence of more subjective qualities such as leadership, initiative, creativity and a sense of humour can be significant.

Students



Students applying to commence study at William & Mary apply through the Common Application Form. Details are available at:

www.wm.edu/admission/undergraduateadmission/applicationprocess/

The following fees are applicable to all students, regardless of country of residence:

Annual Tuition Fees (2011/2012) \$30,000 USD

Scholarships

Means-tested scholarships will be available for students who are domiciled in Scotland.

St Andrews – Accommodation Fees Per Annum Range between approximately £2,272-£6,435 per academic year.

Living Expenses Per Annum (as stipulated by the UK Border Agency) £5.400.

William & Mary – Average Room and Board \$8,316 USD

Accommodation

All first year students are guaranteed University managed accommodation provided that they apply by the accommodation deadline. There are various options and meal plans to suit individual tastes and requirements. For the range of options available at each campus please visit the websites at:

St Andrews

www.st-andrews.ac.uk/students/accommodation/

William & Mary

www.wm.edu/campuslife/housinganddining/

"In 2009/10 I was fortunate enough to study at the College of William & Mary in Virginia on the North American Exchange Programme. It was one of the most valuable and exciting experiences that I have had while being a student. Not only did I have the opportunity to study under some truly excellent professors, it provided me with skills that I hope will benefit me in my last year at St Andrews. On the social side I joined a college fraternity and played copious amounts of football (or soccer as they called it over there). While I am truly looking forward to my final year of study at St Andrews I will always remember my experiences at William & Mary as one of the most exciting and valuable times of my life, and I hope I made some lifelong friends."

Samuel, England
Current St Andrews student

"I continue to love every minute of being a student at St Andrews and to anyone given the chance to study here, coming to this University is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity that is not to be passed by."

Alexandra, Fla Current St Andrews student

"I was really surprised at the level of student involvement in both international and local communities. There are numerous student-run service trips here at the College, where students raise and donate money, as well as their time, to make a difference in our world. William & Mary students value the educational opportunities they are given and are eager to reach out to those less fortunate than themselves. The commitment to community service is what I love most about the College."

Christiana, Sierra Leone Current William & Mary student

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Prospectus

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