



DEPARTMENT OF INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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Equipping you for a career in the international sector

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AT READING



The study of international development has never been more important, as complex global problems affect our lives and many parts of the world are experiencing rapid social, economic and environmental change. Our programme explores critical issues relating to the sustainability of the planet's resources, climate change, food systems, and the politics of development; offering a unique interdisciplinary grounding in core development subjects with opportunity to specialise on topics of particular interest and relevance to future employment opportunities.



International mix



Study abroad



Professional experience

OUR COURSES

BSc International Development (L900)

3 years full-time

BSc International Development with Placement Year (L901)

4 years full-time

TYPICAL OFFER

UCAS tariff BBB

International Baccalaureate 30 points overall

Other qualifications are considered and we welcome applications from mature students with relevant practical experience.

HOW TO APPLY

For full details on subject and grade requirements and how to apply, visit:

www.reading.ac.uk/bsc-international-development



WHY READING?

At Reading, you will be part of a School that is regularly ranked highly in the league tables and is internationally recognised for its research expertise. When transferred to a teaching environment, this will enable you to consolidate a core skill set for work in the international development sector.

With excellent links to institutions in developing countries and emerging economies, you will be encouraged to gain hands-on experience, with opportunities to study overseas, undertake placements and go on field trips, directly exposing you to a range of development issues. These opportunities enhance your knowledge and critical understanding of development issues, while gaining skills and experience for future employment.

BSc International Development is a cross-university degree, capturing a wealth of multi-disciplinary expertise, including geography, consumer studies, economics, politics and international relations, business, agriculture, and food and nutritional sciences. The modular structure of the degree provides you with the opportunity to study alongside students from other Schools.

Many staff lecturing on the programme are members of the Global Development Research Division and are research associates of the internationally renowned Walker Institute for Climate System Research or the Institute for Food, Nutrition & Health (IFNH). The IFNH reflects Reading's reputation as a lead institute in the area of food security, while The Walker Institute delivers world-leading research at the frontier of climate system science.



FREEDOM TO CHOOSE

Our degree incorporates a range of core modules covering subjects such as:

- International development: global and local issues
- Power and politics in development
- Food challenges for the future: production, security and health
- The economic environment
- Global sustainability: challenges and prospects
- Approaches to international development
- Geographies of development

Optional modules allow you to follow your interests related to specific aspects of development. Example topics may include:

- Global issues in nutrition and health
- Global justice, labour and development
- The economics of climate change
- Corporate social responsibility

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YOUR CAREER ASPIRATIONS

Our graduates find employment in a wide variety of environment and development settings, including: aid agencies, charities, Non-Governmental Organisations, and relevant government departments.

This programme is an excellent starting point for a career in international development, enabling you to identify your skill set, develop your interests, and build up a portfolio of work, volunteering, and overseas experience to enhance employability and career options. Learning based on a combination of the natural and social sciences, plus qualitative and quantitative methodological skills and understanding, will give you a competitive advantage in a sector that works on complex multi-scale global problems.



'The core content of the degree never fails to be relevant, engaging and to provide an empowering environment in which to discover new and old ideas about our constantly changing world. I believe this course is ideal for anyone who has strong convictions, values humanitarian action, and wants to play their part in making the world a better place!

Ryan Harnell

BSc International Development student



'My placement taught me a lot as I was able to look at all aspects of a voluntourism charity, such as branding and marketing, fundraising, training and preparation, collaborating with partner organisations. It equipped me with the skills that I will need for employment after my studies. Being able to work for a community project based in an economically disadvantaged region of Peru has truly brought my studies to life and has taught me so much.'

Jessica Hughes-Pratt

International Development graduate

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The Department of International Development, based within the School of Agriculture, Policy and Development, is committed to empowering change through our teaching and research, with our academics working to tackle some of the world's most pressing issues.

Our mission is to make a difference in the context of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, so we offer a diverse range of modules giving you knowledge and skills that will enable you as an individual to have an impact and be part of global change, whatever your chosen pathway.

