

INTERNATIONAL PRE-UNIVERSITY
FOUNDATION COURSE

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Brochure for University Access Centre

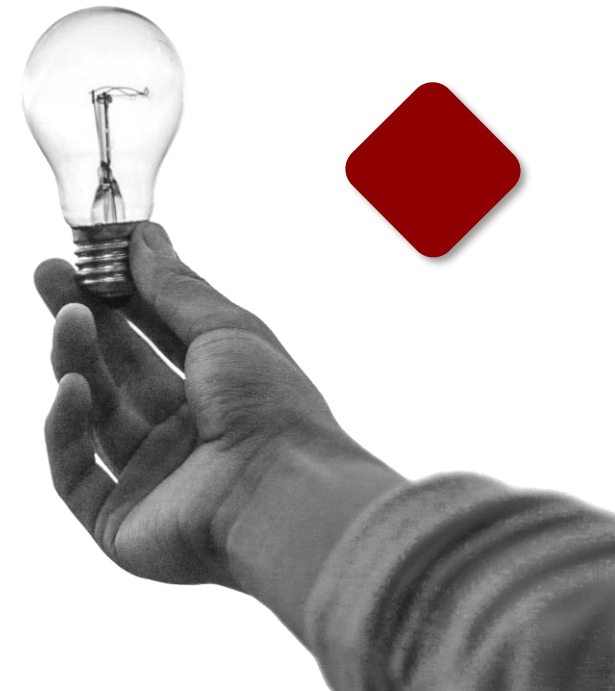
Saudi Arabia's first University-Hosted
International University Pathways Centre

Introduction to the Saudi Partner



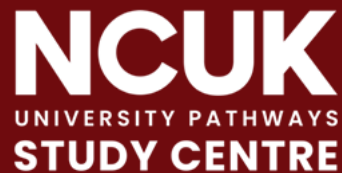
Neft Energies Higher Institute (NEHI) is a Saudi company founded in 2014 with the aim of becoming a leading Saudi service and company supporting the local and international market with services that are made and created in Saudi through joint ventures and R&D initiatives. During the last ten years **NEHI** has trained over 150,000 learners. **NEHI** has built a strong history of developing Saudi youths and putting them on the path to success.

NEHI's **core strength** lies in Consulting and Training, delivering high-impact solutions tailored to client needs. This is complemented by our proven capabilities in Contracting, Operational Services, and advanced Technical-Engineering Solutions.



International Foundation Year

Direct entry to the 1st year of university



About the Programme



The **University Access Centre** delivers **NCUKs** International Foundation Year Programme.

NCUK is a leading global pathway provider established by universities to help international students from over 120 nationalities access world-class education.

- ◆ **NCUK** programmes are delivered in **40+** countries worldwide
- ◆ **NCUK's** global network of students receive **10000+** university offers a year
- ◆ **90%** of students get their first – or second – choice university
- ◆ **NCUK** have supported **50000+** international students gain entry into leading universities

The **University Access Centre** will be hosted by a modern Saudi University in the Eastern Province with the intention of expanding to Central and Western Provinces.

Build a foundation for success.



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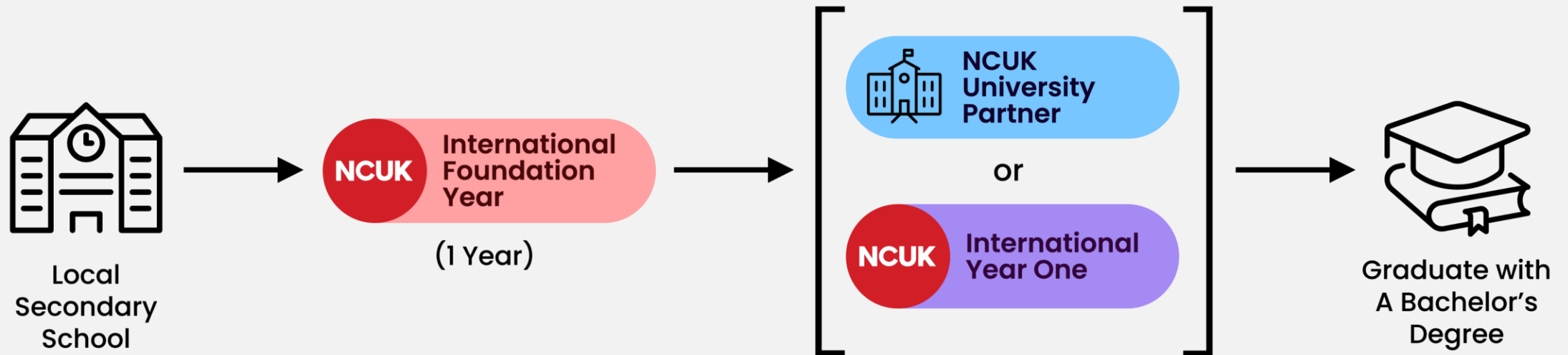


About the Programme



Designed for international students, this programme **bridges the gap between secondary education and university study**, equipping you with essential academic and English skills. It provides **direct entry to over 7,500 degree courses** at **60+ NCUK University Partners** worldwide.

The IFY provides direct entry to the 1st year of a university degree (or entry onto the NCUK International Year One).



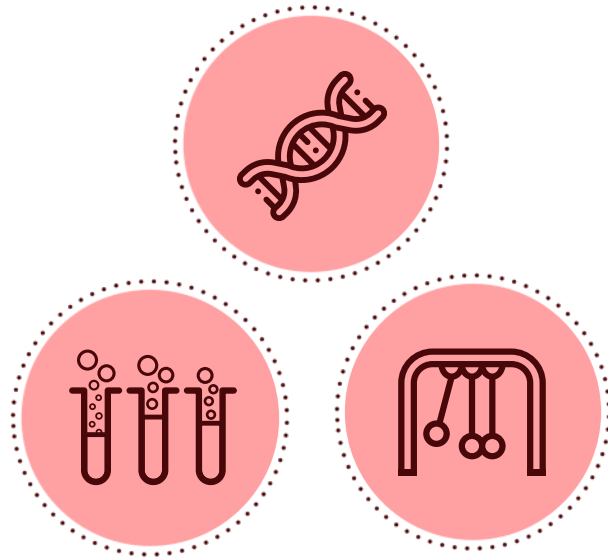
How does it work?



Subject modules

English language module*

Skills-based module



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English for Academic Purposes
(EAP)

or

EAP for
Proficient Users

or

Research and
Communication Skills (RCS)

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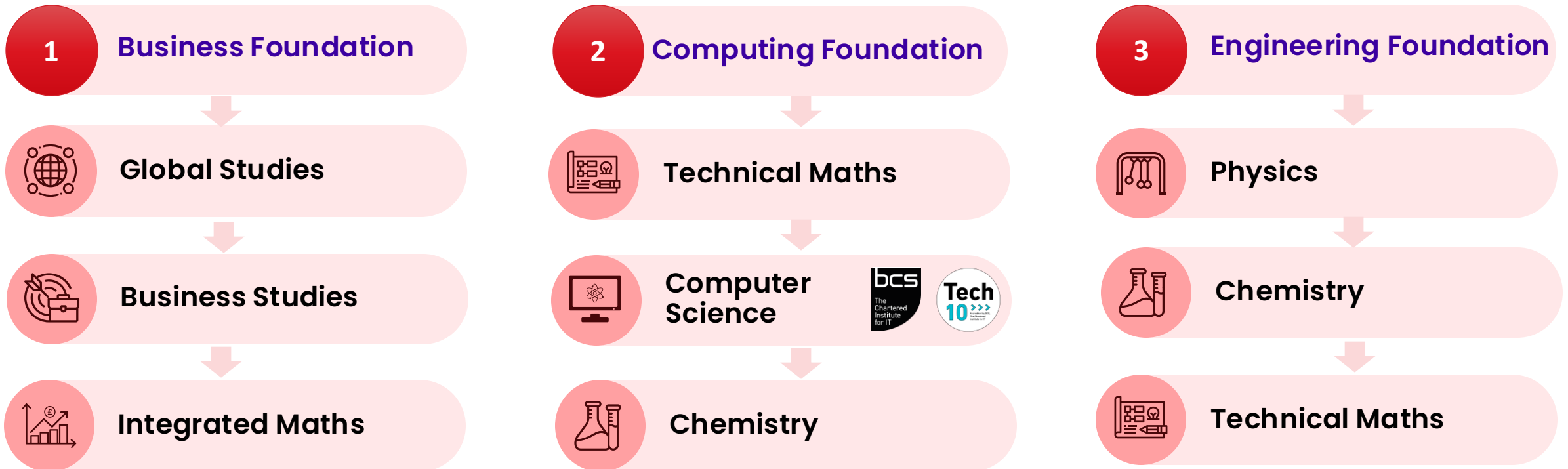
Choose 3 subject modules linked to your university study preferences, boost your academic English and develop key skills – all to help you gain entry to university and help you succeed when you get there.

**The English language module that you study will depend on your English language level when you start the programme.*

What modules will I study?



There are 3 additional subjects required for each students attending the NCUK International Foundation Year. Depending on the choice of Foundation, you will study the following topics:



Please check with the University Access Centre (UAC) on the modules available to you.

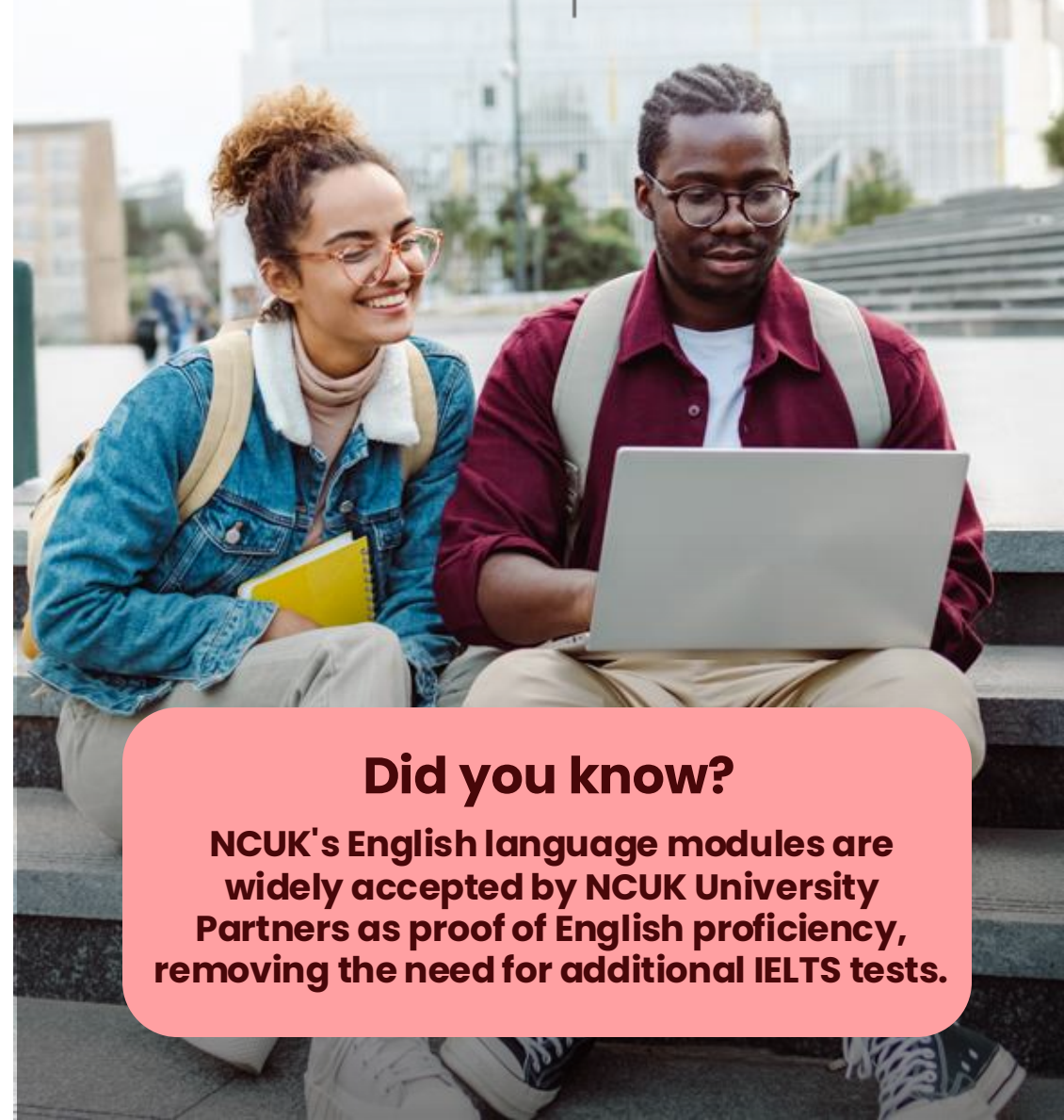
English language module



NCUK's English language module develops your skills in speaking, listening, writing, and reading, with tailored levels based on your current English proficiency. You will study one of three English language modules based on your English language proficiency.

NCUK's English language modules show that you:

- ✓ can communicate effectively orally and in writing in an academic environment
- ✓ understand academic integrity and can demonstrate it in your work
- ✓ have a level of English that enables you to meet the challenges of disciplinary study at university



Did you know?

NCUK's English language modules are widely accepted by NCUK University Partners as proof of English proficiency, removing the need for additional IELTS tests.

Skills-based module



NCUK's skills-based module (Skills for Success) is fully online and is studied alongside your subject and English language modules.

This module will enable you to learn and develop essential academic and transferable skills including:



**Time
management**



**Critical
thinking**



**Academic
integrity**



**Digital
literacy**

Upon completion of this module, you will receive 5 credits.



How will I be assessed?



You'll be supported by your teachers and receive feedback throughout the programme to help you do your best. You will be assessed as follows:

Subject modules

Subject modules are typically assessed through a combination of exams and assignments, ensuring a balanced evaluation of your skills.

Assessment weightings and methods vary by module to align with subject requirements.

This approach ensures you are well-prepared for the academic challenges of university life.

English for Academic Purposes



Grading



You will be awarded a grade for each subject module and an overall grade for your EAP module, with grades for each language component.

NCUK International Foundation Year subject module		
Grade	Percentage Grade	NCUK Points
A*	≥80%	56
A	70-79%	48
B	60-69%	40
C	50-59%	32
D	40-49%	24
E	35-39%	16

Example:

Business Studies	A
Integrated Maths	B
Global Studies	B

EAP		EAP equivalency
Percentage	Grade	IELTS
90%+	A*	7.5
80 – 89%+	A	7
70 – 79%+	B	6.5
60 – 69%+	C	6
50 – 59%+	D	5.5
40 – 49%+	E	5
< 39% U	U	4.5

Example:

Overall EAP	B
Reading	B
Writing	B
Speaking	C
Listening	B

Certificate & transcript



After completing the NCUK International Foundation Year, you will be awarded a certificate and transcript which is proof of your achievements. These formal documents are recognised by NCUK University Partners and will provide you with entry into the 1st year of your chosen degree (providing you meet the entry requirements in your university offer).

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This is to certify that
[REDACTED]

has completed the

INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION YEAR

of The Northern Consortium of
United Kingdom Universities at
[REDACTED]

and has obtained

Biology	A*
Chemistry	A*
Maths Science	A*
EAP	B

For the academic year 2023-2024

[REDACTED]

Stuart Smith
Chief Executive Officer

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TRANSCRIPT

Student Name : [REDACTED] **NCUK Student ID** : [REDACTED]

Programme : INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION YEAR **Institution** : [REDACTED]

Period of Study : 2023-2024 **Date Awarded** : 17 January 2025

Subject	Mark (%)	Grade	NCUK Points
IFY Biology	85	A*	56
IFY Chemistry	80	A*	56
IFY Maths Science	96	A*	56
Total Points			168

EAP Components	Grade
Writing	B
Reading	B
Listening	A
Speaking	A
Overall Grade	B
Overall Mark	69

University progression



Once you have completed the programme, you will have the exciting opportunity to progress to one of 60+ NCUK University Partners in the UK, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, the USA and more!



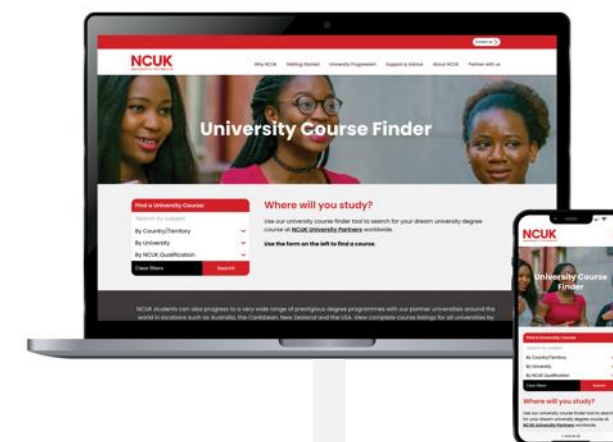
**10 World Top 100 and
21 World Top 200 Universities**
(QS World University Rankings 2026)

Choose from thousands of degree courses



Whatever your interests, you'll find your dream degree at an NCUK University Partners with more than **7,500** courses in a wide range of subjects available across our university partners:

MARKETING ART AND DESIGN GLOBAL HEALTH **SPORT & EXERCISE SCIENCE**
TOURISM MANAGEMENT **FILM STUDIES** PUBLIC HISTORY HOSPITALITY
LANGUAGES, CULTURES AND BUSINESS WAR AND CONFLICT HEALTH **DANCE** BUSINESS
PHARMACY **BUSINESS MANAGEMENT** MANAGEMENT
COMPUTER SCIENCE FINE ART OPTOMETRY ARCHAEOLOGY MUSIC
CIVIL ENGINEERING **LAW** PHOTOGRAPHY RELIGION
DESIGN ENGINEING **NUTRITION** LIBERAL ARTS
FORENSIC SCIENCE **QUANTITY SURVEYING** TEACHING AND EDUCATION
NATURAL SCIENCES **BIOENGINEERING** DENTISTRY ANIMATION
TEXTILE PRACTICE MATHEMATICS
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING COMPUTER SCIENCE
SOFTWARE ENGINEERING REAL **MANAGEMENT**
THEATRE AND PERFORMANCE ESTATE DIGITAL MEDIA
ACCOUNTING **FINANCE**
LAW AEROSPACE ENGINEERING ZOOLOGY WILDLIFE BIOLOGY
MECHATRONICS & ROBOTICS DANCE
NEUROSCIENCE INTERIOR DESIGN MUSIC
ART AND DESIGN
PHYSICS
LAW



Our University Course Finder contains degree courses from NCUK University Partners providing you with an easy way to search for courses in one place.

Entry Requirements



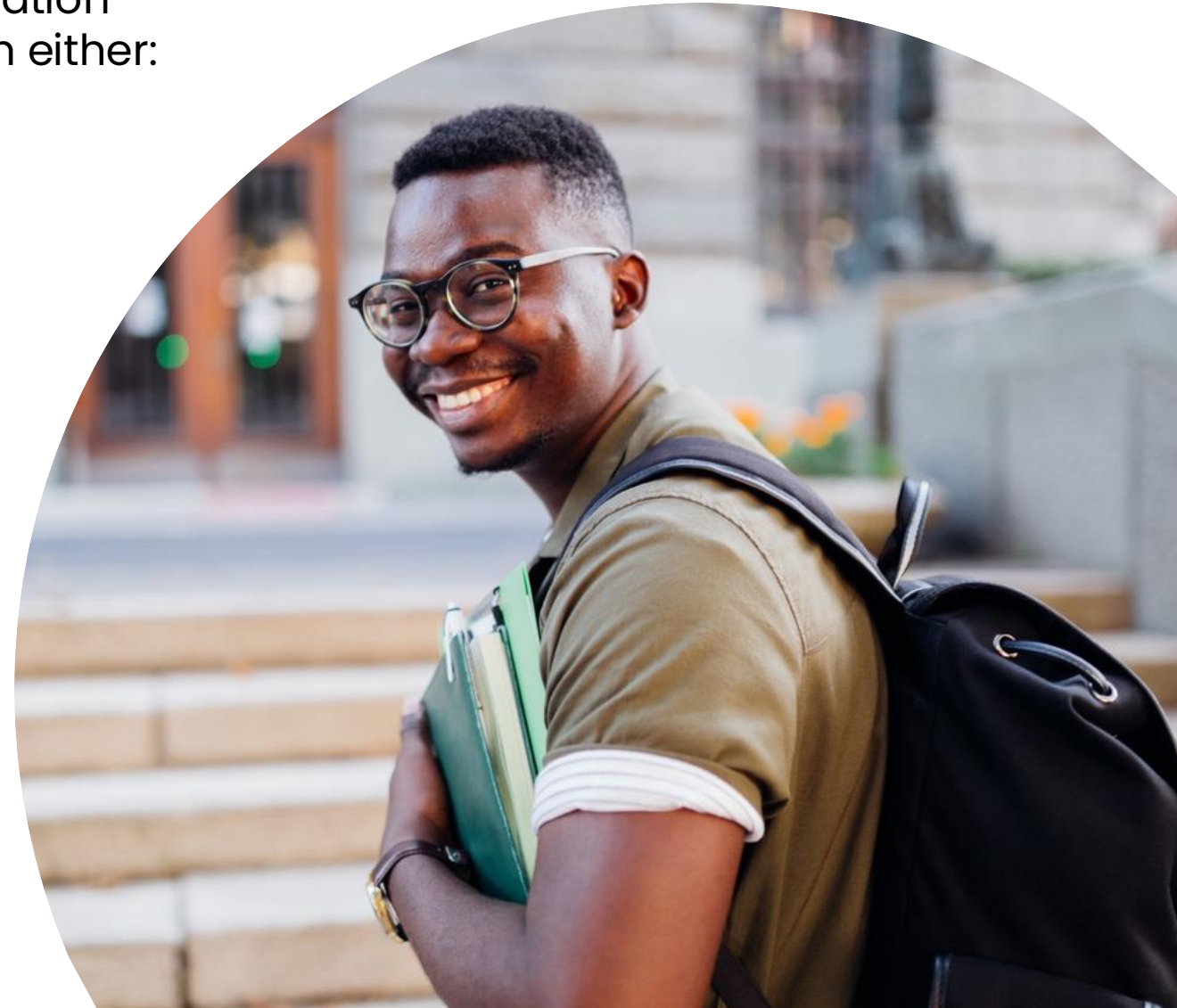
To gain entry onto the NCUK International Foundation Year, you must meet the entry requirements with either:

- Completion of local high/secondary school
- Completion of IGCSE/O Levels/GCSE's with 5 modules at grade 4 or above (normally to include English and Maths)
- You are also required to hold an English language qualification equivalent to IELTS 5.0

NCUK can provide an English test for students to take prior to the course, if they do not already have a result.*

**UK based centres will require a UKVI-approved Secure English Language Test (SELT) e.g. IELTS or equivalent for visa purposes*

For full details of the entry requirements for your country, please visit the NCUK website: <https://www.ncuk.ac.uk/ncuk-programmes/international-foundation-year/>



Supporting you every step of the way



Our expert team is here to guide you through your entire journey, from applying to university to settling into student life abroad.



**University
applications**



**Helping to find
accommodation**



**Visa application
guidance**

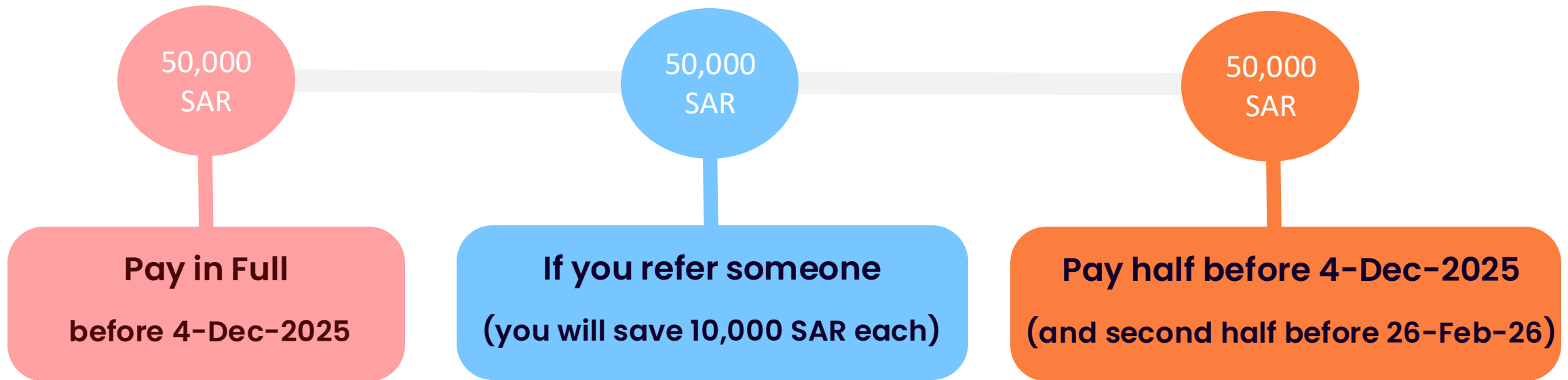
If you don't get the grades for your chosen university, NCUK's Application Support teams will work with our Global Network of university partners to help you find the best alternative options – so you can still progress to university.

Fees, Scholarships and Payment Plans



Tuition Fees: *Full Course Fee* is **60,000 SAR** for the full programme

Scholarships, Offers & Discounts:



Enjoy the convenience of Tabby or Tamara **Payment Plans** — simply complete *the full course fee* through your chosen provider and start your journey with us!

Why In-Kingdom (KSA)



Category	Typical UK Range	Notes	KSA (typical)
Tuition Fee	£15,000 – £22,000 = £75,000-110,000	Varies by course and provider (Science/Medicine higher)	£12,000 (inclusive) £60,000
Accommodation	£5,000 – £12,000 = £25,000-60,000	Depends on city, room type, and catering	
Living Expenses	£7,000 – £12,000 = £35,000-60,000	Includes food, transport, personal items	£6,500 – £8,500 £32,500-42,500 (if not with family)
Miscellaneous	£2,000 – £3,500 = £10,000-17,500	Fights, Visa, Registration, Health Fee, Study Materials etc	

**Significantly
reduce overall
costs**

By choosing to study our internationally recognised Foundation Programme here in the Kingdom, students can enjoy the comfort of their culture and family support—while avoiding the risk that affects 12–15% of students who go abroad too soon, many of whom struggle academically and culturally, leading to early dropout.

Soft Landing

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Higher Attainment

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**Extended
consideration of
subject choice**

Drop Out rates during or post-foundation sits at between 12-15% in the UK, with lack of preparedness for the academic and culture shock being the lead reasons.

With ***exactly*** the same curriculum, progression routes and university acceptance guarantees as a student studying in the UK, we can use the year to prepare them for the required academic rigor and cultural expectations without the overwhelming shock of directly starting abroad.

KSA University Access Centre	VS	Traditional Pre-University Foundation
Choice of progression universities		One progression university
Study while you choose a university		Choose a university before you study
High-quality academic pathways		High-quality academic pathway
Academic and personal support		Academic and personal support

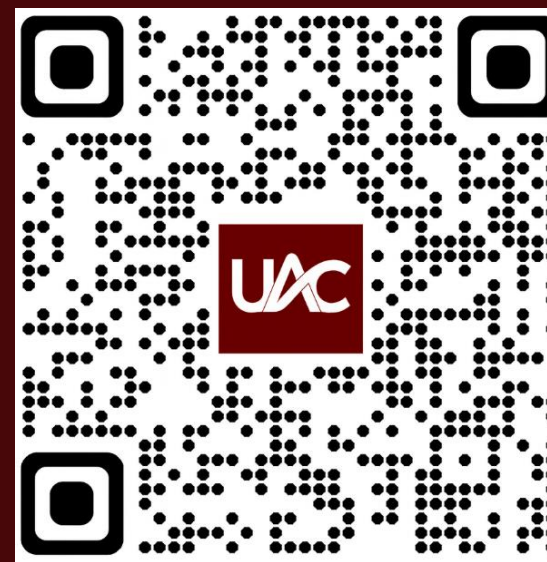
Useful links



Partner Universities



UAC Website



Why study the International Foundation Year?



Trusted programme:

The NCUK IFY is benchmarked by Ecctis and compares to leading global qualifications like A Levels, AP, and more.



Guidance you can rely on:

Expert support throughout the university application process.



Flexibility of study options:

Progress to 60+ universities and 7,500+ degree options worldwide.



Guaranteed* entry to university

Students who achieve at least 96 points (e.g. CCC grades) and a C grade at EAP are guaranteed a place on a degree course at one of NCUK's University Partners.

Proven student success

97%

of graduates are employed after completing their degree

98%

of students successfully pass their university degree

84%

of students achieved a 2:2 or higher

69%

of students achieved a 2:1 or higher



**terms and conditions apply. www.ncuk.ac.uk/guarantee*

NCUK University Scholarships



NCUK University Partners offer a wide-range of attractive scholarship packages for NCUK students on a range of degree subjects. Many of the scholarships are exclusive to NCUK and some are automatically awarded. Some examples of scholarships offered by universities include:

-  **The University of Western Australia** – Up to \$48,000 (over four years) Global Excellence Scholarship.
-  **University of Waikato** – \$15,000 Vice Chancellor's International Excellence Scholarship.
-  **Aston University** – £3,000 Aston – NCUK IFY Award.
-  **University of Salford** – £5,000 NCUK International Excellence Scholarship.
-  **The University of Alberta** – \$5,000 Regional Excellence Scholarship.
-  **Queen Mary University of London** – Up to £12,000 Global Talent Scholarship.
-  **Liverpool John Moores University** – £3,000 International Achievement Scholarship



Our university destinations. Where will you go?



UK



Australia



Canada



New Zealand



USA



Malaysia



Grenada

Plus
options to
study in the
UAE, Vietnam,
Malta and
more!





Thank You

**We know you will
have a productive
time with us**