

## MBA Suite

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### Funding

**1. Is the fee of £6000 per year or for the full MBA programme?**

The fee is for the full MBA programme

**2. Can students pay in instalments?**

Fees for the academic year are payable in full at the start of the course unless otherwise agreed in advance.

Applicants can request a payment plan. When agreed the fees for the academic year are generally invoiced in October and the students normally pay over 6 months from October through until March. Students with a UK bank account can pay by standing order and those outside the UK by BACS monthly payments.

Fee status is confirmed during the admissions process with any offer of a place onto the course. The finance department at this point will be able confirm payment options for an individual student and method of payment.

**3. Are there any scholarships available for this course?**

There are no scholarships at the moment to study the MBA online.

Students living in the UK may be eligible for [government loans for master's study](#), each of the four home nations have different systems.

Scottish and EU students considering studying the online MBA full-time who will be living in Scotland, in the Highlands and Islands, Moray or Perth & Kinross region, during their studies may be eligible for one of a limited number of places with full tuition fee support. This funding comes from the European Social Fund and Scottish Funding Council as part of Developing Scotland's Workforce in the Scotland 2014-2020 European Structural and Investment Fund Programmes. To be eligible for this funding, students must meet the criteria for Scottish or EU fee status and be self-funding i.e. who are not in receipt of funding for tuition fees from other sources, including employers.

#### Study Mode

**4. Are there any scheduled/timetabled elements to studying the MBA course online?**

Some modules have online sessions for students in addition to the virtual learning environment material, collaboration tools, chat and discussion forums. The scheduled sessions are in addition to modules material and the lecturer will negotiate with the student group the best time to schedule these with some flexibility built in. There are also scheduled support elements around assessments.

## Qualifications

### 5. Is work experience compulsory for admission to the course?

Work experience is desirable but not an essential entry requirement. We would therefore encourage applicants without work experience to apply so that an application can be considered in full in terms of how you meet the overall entry requirements for the course. Your work experience can also be from paid or voluntary work.

### 6. Do you accept qualifications not listed on the entry requirements for the course?

The entry requirement is an honours degree, normally at 2:1 and not less than 2:2, or any international qualification equivalent to this level. There is no barrier based on subject of your degree. Note for MBA Resilience, the PGCert in leadership and management is undertaken in advance of the MBA.

Other professional qualifications will be considered on an individual basis where the qualification and professional and work experience can demonstrate your ability to work at this level.

Applicants whose first language is not English will need to demonstrate language competency. This can be done through specific English language qualifications or where English is the language of your previous study whether in the UK, another English-speaking country or at an institution in your own country or through specific English language qualification. It can also be demonstrated through specific Secure English Language Tests such as IELTS.

### 7. If I already have a masters level qualification would this be an obstacle to applying to the MBA programme?

No. This would not be a barrier to being offered a place on an MBA. Applications are looked at in full and considered on the basis of whether an applicant meets the entry requirements for the course. The final decision on who is offered a place is made by the academic decision maker for the course.

A related consideration is where you may be eligible for a loan to pay your tuition fees. There are often restrictions on eligibility for this funding based on previous study.

### 8. I have previous, recent study covering MBA modules from another institution could I possibly be provided with some RPL/credit transfer?

The university process for recognition of prior learning can be found at the following link:-

<https://www.uhi.ac.uk/en/studying-at-uhi/first-steps/recognition-of-prior-learning-and-credit-transfer/>

When looking for RPL you would note this in the personal statement of your application form, and this will highlight to the admissions team for the course to initiate the RPL process when processing your application.

## Career

### 9. Is the MBA qualification accepted worldwide?

Yes. The university has official degree awarding powers as conferred by the Privy Council of Scotland which is necessary for any institution in Scotland to issue higher education awards to a specified level.

## MBA Suite Content

### 10. What modules are included in the different options within the MBA suite?

The programme has a global focus that places the role of the leader at the centre. The suite and specifically the MBA Executive concentrates on developing executive excellence for a global future in an uncertain economic environment based on ethical behaviour, appreciation of diversity and the ability to adapt.

The MBA Aviation concentrates on the aviation sector both in terms of assessment work and in the study of specialist modules tailored to the industry.

MBA Environment focuses on sustainability and biodiversity.

MBA Resilience considers the resilience landscape and managing cyber risk, building knowledge and skills for leaders and managers to rise to the challenge of constant change facing organisations today.

Total award is 180 credits: core modules undertaken by all students:

- Responsible leadership and management in the global environment (not included in MBA Resilience)
- Research for business
- Growth and opportunity through innovation
- Change for sustainable futures
- Masters research project (in a topic of your choosing)

Two option modules from the relevant list:

#### MBA Executive

- Operations management
- Corporate and competitive strategy
- Supply chain management
- Accounting and reporting for decision makers
- Strategic marketing
- Understanding social media



#### MBA Aviation

- Operations management OR Supply chain management
- Aviation crisis and active safety management OR Airport infrastructure and ground operations

#### MBA Environment

- Sustainable land use and renewable energy
- Water management
- Sustainable deer management
- Biodiversity management

MBA Resilience: note to access and achieve the full MBA award you will first complete the PGCert Resilience Leadership and Management, modules covered in the PgCert are:

- Understanding the resilience landscape
- Managing cyber risk
- Organisational management and leadership