



BSc (Hons) **Construction Management** with Foundation Year

Autumn Intake 2019/20

SUPPORTED ONLINE LEARNING WITH **UCEM.AC.UK** 

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# UCEM is the **leading provider** of supported online learning for the Built Environment

Thank you for considering studying with UCEM. We are dedicated to ensuring your success and providing the best possible learning experience for all our students.

Since 1919, when we were founded as the College of Estate Management, we have supported around 150,000 students worldwide.



With 100 years' experience of providing specialist and innovative training globally, we are here to support you through your studies and ensure you join the path to a rewarding career.

We are steadfast in our aspiration to be the leading, vocational, online university and I look forward to welcoming you to our global community.

Ashley Wheaton, UCEM Principal



**Our Patron,** His Royal Highness,The Prince of Wales



# Why choose UCEM?

- UCEM is the leading provider of supported online education for the Built Environment
- UCEM programmes are recognised and accredited by professional bodies including the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS), Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB), Chartered Association of Building Engineers (CABE), Chartered Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors (ICES) and Hong Kong Institute of Construction Managers (HKICM). This allows students to progress to professional membership and gain Chartered status
- UCEM programmes offer a range of modules that allow you to choose a specialism to support your career path
- You will be supported every step of the way by our Tutors, who are experienced practitioners in their respective fields

- Designed for busy working professionals, supported online education offers the flexibility to fit your studies around your work. If your circumstances change, we can help you find a way to complete your studies, whether this means slowing down or picking up the pace
- Our supported online education model offers you access to our materials wherever you are in the world. If your work requires you to change location or travel, you can take us with you!
- All your learning materials are included online
- Our Matrix accredited professional support staff are also there to support you with any other difficulties you may experience during your studies

### Our programmes at a glance

Our degree programmes are accredited by professional bodies, which allows our students to progress to professional membership and gain Chartered status. Please see the programme specific brochure or our website for specific accreditation details for each degree.

#### Our undergraduate programmes:

- → BSc (Hons) Building Surveying
- → BSc (Hons) Construction Management
- → BSc (Hons) Quantity Surveying
- → BSc (Hons) Real Estate Management

### Our undergraduate programmes with Foundation Year:

- → BSc (Hons) Building Surveying
- → BSc (Hons) Construction Management
- → BSc (Hons) Quantity Surveying
- → BSc (Hons) Real Estate Management
- BSc (Hons) Architectural Design Technology

#### Conversion postgraduate programmes:

- → MSc Building Surveying
- → MSc Construction Management
- → MSc Quantity Surveying
- → MSc Real Estate

#### Specialist programmes:

→ MBA Construction and Real Estate

#### Our programmes enable you to:

- → Develop specialist skills
- → Gain in-depth industry knowledge
- → Obtain insights into the Built Environment sector
- → Gain a RICS/CIOB/CMI/HKICM/ICES/CABE accredited degree\*;
- Start your path to APC and professional status
- Further expand your network with fellow students

<sup>\*</sup> Accreditation by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) and other related international bodies such as the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB) and the Chartered Association of Building Engineers (CABE) is currently pending for this particular programme.

<sup>66</sup> The main reason I chose to study with UCEM was that the institution's programmes are accredited by RICS. The online mode of study, making the learning resources accessible 24/7, played a huge part as well.

There aren't many other institutions offering the same quality programmes as UCEM in my field of work. I started working within quantity surveying which made my choice of programme an obvious one."

Jaco Willemse





# BSc (Hons) Construction Management with Foundation Year

This programme is designed to give you a thorough grounding in the principles and practice of construction and project management. The Foundation Year provides the academic skills necessary to study at degree level. It offers a direct route to all our bachelor's degree awards.

This programme is primarily designed for people who wish to further their career with a degree but who do not have the academic qualifications for entry onto our other BSc programmes delivered without a Foundation Year. This programme is designed for people with an interest in the built environment and those working in, or interested in working in, the construction industry, such as in large contracting organisations, commercial developers, local authorities or the armed forces.

The Foundation Year element of the programme will allow you to develop both personally and professionally and enhance your academic skills to ensure that these are of a sufficient standard to be able to study a BSc (Hons) programme. At the same time, it will give you a broad knowledge and understanding of the built environment topics that you will be studying at degree level later. Those working in the built environment will be able to make links between these topics and the work done by their employer; those not working in the built environment will benefit from good insight into the work they hope to be doing soon.





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#### AWARD:

BSc (Hons) Construction Management

#### DURATION:

5 years (standard route)

Accelerated route is available. Please see the website for more details.

#### DATES:

Apply by 26 August 2019 to start on 23 September 2019

#### FEES:

£1,125 per module for students commencing in the 2019/20 academic year x 21 modules

Total programme fee: £23,625

#### A word from the Programme Leader

"By studying our BSc (Hons) Construction Management programme, you can: enhance your career with greater job opportunities and promotion prospects; increase your skillset and confidence; work overseas in the many construction management roles available; forge a career in the industry if you are new to it; and gain professional membership of respected professional bodies, such as RICS and CIOB.

Construction is an exciting industry that improves year-on-year in terms of technological advancement and safety. Very few days are the same."

#### TIME COMMITMENT:

15-20 hours a week for 42 weeks per annum (standard route)

Each 20-credit module equates to a total of 200 study hours broken down between directed online learning, self-directed learning and assessment. The breakdown between these three types of activity may vary between modules but on average is as follows: Directed online learning (50%) Self-directed reading (17%) Assessment (33%)

Foundation Year		
Yr 1	People & Buildings (20 Credits) Land & Buildings (20 Credits) Materials, Methods & Buildings (20 Credits) Markets & Buildings (20 Credits)	
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Yr	October Semester	April Semester
2	Introduction to the Built Environment (20 Credits) Digital Technologies (20 Credits)	Introduction to Regulatory Frameworks (20 Credits) Construction Technology 1 (20 Credits)
3	Measurement & Estimating of Construction Works 1 (20 credits) Law for Construction (20 credits)	Management for the Built Environment (20 credits) Construction Technology 2 (20 credits)
4	Contract Administration and Practice (20 credits) Construction Site Management (20 credits)	Conversion, Adaptation & Maintenance (20 credits) Building Structures (20 credits)
5	Integrated Management Project (20 credits) Commercial Management in Construction (20 credits)	International Construction (20 credits) Construction Project Management (20 credits)
	Project (40 Credits)	
📕 Foundation Year Core Modules Standard route (part-time) 🛛 🔲 BSc (Hons) Core Modules		

You will study two modules per 26 week semester, in 9 week module blocks



<sup>44</sup> Due to me wanting to further my career in construction management, with a possible move abroad, I chose UCEM's degree as it would provide me with further knowledge for both self-improvement and progression, along with a worldwide recognised qualification. <sup>33</sup>

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### How we teach

### Supported online education

Students study in an online environment with structured weekly learning materials further supported and enhanced through interactions with Tutors and other students. Students are further assisted by the excellent student support services which we provide.

#### Why supported online education?

- → We provide you with the resources and tools you need to build your knowledge and skills. These are made available online via our Virtual Learning Environment (VLE), which hosts a comprehensive e-Library and study support materials
- Rich online learning resources delivered across a range of learning media, we guide your weekly study to achieve learning outcomes
- Fully supported from student queries, e-Library resource support to careers advice, we are here to help you

- Accessible learning access to your learning materials to study wherever you are with an internet connection (some materials are downloadable for study offline)
- → Flexible choose your speed of study and change it if needed
- Earn while you learn designed to fit around your work and personal commitments



### Virtual Learning Environment

#### Your learning platform

We teach all our programmes online so you can learn when you want to and wherever you are, around your work and other commitments.

#### Accessible

The VLE is the gateway to your learning journey and our global learning community. Turn on your computer, connect to the internet and it's there. Take it with you when you need to – you can access the VLE on your mobile device, tablet or laptop on your coffee break, on the train wherever you are.

The VLE contains your structured weekly learning for each module. Learning materials are provided through a variety of media ranging from e-textbooks, videos and infographics through to interactive e-learning resources which can support your study both online and offline. Join the conversation and hear a variety of perspectives and opinions – an essential part of gaining the widest range of insights you can take with you into the world of work.

Our online guidance from highly experienced Tutors will help you to make the most of your learning experience, and our dedicated professional services team will provide regular support and information.

#### e-Library

Through the VLE, you can access our e-Library which gives you access to e-books, journals, articles and other online resources that you will need throughout your study with us.

#### **Getting started**

Four weeks before you start a programme, and only once you have registered, you will be given access to the Induction Module which will allow you to get used to studying using the VLE. This module is compulsory for all students so it's worth starting as soon as you are given access.

#### What's happening on the VLE?

- An Induction Module to prepare you for online learning
- Online assignment submission, feedback and results
- Access to online careers support and guidance, UCEM Job Shop and a Careers and Employability Advisor
- Discussion forums shared by fellow students, Tutors and UCEM staff
- Information on how to access UCEM student support services
- Access to libraries of periodicals to support you in writing your assignments, projects and dissertations
- Comprehensive study skills section providing support on developing academic writing

# General programme information

#### BSc entry requirements

- → 48 UCAS points (e.g. A Levels, BTECs, IBs); (or) an equivalent level of attainment through recognised qualifications not included in the UCAS tariff. Recognised qualifications include: HNDs, HNCs, professional qualifications from recognised institutions, certain armed forces qualifications and partially completed degrees. There are also a wide range of international qualifications that are deemed to have UCAS point equivalent values;
- → Maths plus 2 other GCSEs (or its equivalent) at Grade 4 or C, or above

All UCEM programmes are taught and assessed in English. You will therefore be required to demonstrate adequate proficiency in the language before being admitted to a course. Specific English language requirements can be found on our website under entry requirements for each programme.

To check your qualifications on the UCAS tariff please go to: www.ucas.com/tariff

You will be required to provide copies of your qualification certificates and proof of ID that have been verified to be true copies of the original by someone in a professional occupation.

#### Assessment

Modules are assessed through a variety of assessments such as coursework and computer marked assessments. Combinations of module assessment vary across programmes and from module to module. In line with the supported online education offering at UCEM, online resources will be made available in preparation of, and in conjunction with, assessments.

#### Award details

When you successfully complete all elements of the programme, you will be awarded a degree and will be entitled to use the designatory letters BSc (Hons), MSc or MBA.

#### Staff Qualifications and experience

All our programmes are taught by a team of full time academic staff and associate Tutors. UCEM academic staff and associates have extensive, relevant industry experience in addition to their academic qualifications. Please see www.ucem.ac.uk/academicstaff for further information about the qualifications and experience of UCEM's academic staff.

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# Fees and funding

#### Programme fees

Your programme fees are fixed for the duration of your studies. This means that the fee you pay per module will not increase from one year to the next, as long as you remain registered on the same programme. Different fees may be applicable if you decided to transfer to a different programme.

#### **Payment options**

You can pay your fees for the semester as a one-off payment by credit/debit card, bank/building society cheque, banker's draft, or direct bank transfer. If you wish to pay for the semester in five instalments, you can do so online using a credit/debit card. The initial instalment will be taken on the day of registration. The remaining monthly instalments will begin on the 1st of the month after the start date of your programme.

#### Student finance

Part-time students from England and Wales can apply to Student Finance England/Wales for a tuition fee loan (undergraduate programmes) or a Postgraduate Loan (postgraduate programmes). Other loans are also available. View our website for further information.

#### Retake fees

You may be required to pay a resit or retake fee if you are unable to pass a module at the first attempt, and are then offered a further attempt. If you defer or suspend your studies, or are deemed to have not sat the module assessment by the Board of Examiners, you will not be required to pay a retake fee, provided you re-join the module at the first available opportunity. Please refer to the website to for retake fee details.

#### Additional costs

UCEM provides examination centres all over the world in addition to the UK. You should expect to incur travel costs to attend your nearest examination centre, for those modules which contain examinations.

#### Programme materials

The fees include the provision of online material for your modules, access to the VLE, academic support, the e-Library Service and student services, including the Student Advice Team and the Careers Service. All module material is provided online. Where the textbook is a 'core text', the book will be available as an 'e-book' for you to download on to your electronic device.

#### Bursary scheme

Our bursary scheme is designed to assist those new students who are able to demonstrate need. It is open to new undergraduate students from all countries and will provide a discount of up to 50% of fees for the duration of the programme.

To apply for a bursary from UCEM, you must first be offered a place on a degree. Once an offer has been made, you will have access to your Student Registration Agreement. At this stage you can apply for a bursary by completing the appropriate bursary application form found at www.ucem.ac.uk/fees-and-funding, and submitting it by email with the necessary documentation to the Finance Team at UCEM. If your application is successful, you will be notified before the programme start date.

For further details, please go to: www.ucem.ac.uk/fees-and-funding



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