



# BA (Hons) Top-up Degree Business Studies

## OVERVIEW

This is a one-year full-time undergraduate programme of study, designed to build upon Foundation Degree and HND programmes or equivalent. Successful students will achieve a BA (Hons) Business Studies.

The course is validated by Nottingham Trent University and delivered at New College Nottingham. The New College City campus is in the heart of the Lace Market, in the centre of Nottingham.

## COURSE AIMS

- To allow the student to develop a high level of business knowledge and theory
- To develop the independent thinking and critical evaluation skills of the student
- To allow the student to develop personal and professional skills and qualities which will enhance their career potential

## TOPICS OF STUDY

- Academic Research Skills
- Strategic Business Decision Making
- Business Ethics
- Dissertation
- Contemporary Issues in Business
- International Marketing
- Business in the Economic Environment

## ASSESSMENT

Each module is assessed through a variety of methods including examinations, essays, reports and presentations.

## COURSE STRUCTURE

The course will provide you with a wide knowledge and understanding of a broad range of business topics including organisations, management and the external environment.

The course has been planned around an average student working week of 40 hours (in other words a regular working week), extending over 30 weeks in this top-up year (timetabled sessions are approximately 15 hours per week).

For each module the student workload is likely to be made up of:

- Lectures, seminars, workshops and tutorials
- Own time private study

Your studies will also include English Language support. All international students are expected to take advantage of this additional learning since it will support you whilst on programme and when making an application for further HE studies.

## ENTRY CRITERIA

- Evidence of qualifications which have the equivalence of 240 CATS points. At HND, at least six of the units should have merit grade standard.
- English skills equivalent to an IELTS score of 6.5 (with no component less than 6.0).
- Evidence of numeracy equivalent to GCSE Grade C.

## CAREERS

A range of managerial-level careers in the business industry.



## **PROGRESSION**

On successful completion of this Honours Degree, there are opportunities for graduates to continue their studies at Masters level.

## **GRADUATION**

A Graduation Ceremony takes place for all successful students in the October of the final year, therefore students who start in September 2007 will attend the graduation in October 2009. The visa letter we prepare does take this event into account.

The ceremony is held at a very prestigious building in the centre of Nottingham (The Albert Hall) and is attended by students with their families and friends, staff and honoured guests. Students receive their certificates on stage and wear graduation robes, and have the opportunity to enjoy some time with friends and tutors – it really is a memorable occasion.



## **HOW TO APPLY**

At **ncn** we can advise on individual applications and answer questions about the course you are interested in. Please contact us at the address below:

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