

UNIVERSITY OF
Southampton

YOUR ROUTE INTO A SCIENCE DEGREE

SCIENCE FOUNDATION YEAR



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Our Science Foundation Year (SFY) is designed to give you the background knowledge and the skills to excel on one of our science degree programmes.

The SFY is for students who don't meet our traditional entry requirements, but who do have the commitment and drive to succeed in a science discipline. SFY students are fully integrated into university life, with teaching taking place at our Highfield and Waterfront campuses. The SFY is known for its innovative teaching and the high levels of support that students receive from the team of dedicated teaching staff.

The SFY is a one-year full-time course integrated with a further three or four-year degree course. We will be looking either for some recent study or for work experience relevant to your preferred subject area. Depending on your background and experience, your application may be assessed by interview. Mature applicants are especially welcome.

“Science Foundation Year bridges the gap between school and university exceptionally. I gained the scientific knowledge I needed, and had an advantage heading into first year as I had been taught how to write scientific reports and essays and study in a lab.”

Rhiannon Nicholson,

Science Foundation Year, 2019

You will:

- Study at the University of Southampton on a two semester programme, which involves lectures, workshops and laboratory sessions.
- Learn the fundamentals of biology, chemistry and maths that will prepare you effectively for entry onto one of our degree programmes.
- Develop the skills that are vital to success in degree level study. Many former SFY students have gone on to achieve 1st class degrees and PhDs.
- Be guaranteed a place on the degree programme of your choice once you have passed all your modules at the end of the year.
- Be part of a vibrant and diverse group of students who are taught together throughout the year.
- Be supported by your lecturers, who are dedicated to the provision of high quality teaching on courses which are designed to build on your existing base of scientific knowledge and provide a platform from which you can make a smooth transition to degree level study.



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