

DEPARTMENT OF SUSTAINABLE LAND MANAGEMENT

ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY

Equipping you to understand and manage human interactions with the environment and help to create a sustainable future for us all





ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY AT READING

How we manage the environments in which we live, work and relax is one of the biggest and most exciting challenges the population currently faces. Our land and water bodies are at the centre of increasing conflict over their management, with demands for multi-purpose use such as food production, the provision of renewable energy, conservation of biodiversity, urban development and the provision of space for recreation and tourism.

Our BSc Environmental Management and Sustainability programme gives you a sound understanding of the functioning of natural and man-made environments, covering the acquisition and analysis of environmental data, the development of management strategies and plans, and the implementation of appropriate management methods; helping you to develop a comprehensive range of skills that will enhance your employability.



High Ranking
11th in world (QS world rankings for Agriculture and Forestry 2022)



Links with industry



Field Work

OUR COURSES

BSc Environmental Management and Sustainability (F750)

3 years full-time

BSc Environmental Management and Sustainability with Placement Year (D447)

4 years full-time

TYPICAL OFFER

UCAS tariff BBB Geography or Biology A level preferred.

International Baccalaureate 30 points overall

GCSE Grade C (4) in Biology, Chemistry or Combined Science required if not taken at AS or A level

Other qualifications are considered and we welcome applications from mature students with relevant practical experience.

With
**Foundation
year**

Did you know we also offer **BSc Environmental Management and Sustainability with Foundation?**

To find out more about the foundation year visit:

www.reading.ac.uk/ready-to-study/study/subject-area/environment-ug/bsc-environmental-management-with-foundation.aspx

HOW TO APPLY

For full details on subject and grade requirements and how to apply, visit:

www.reading.ac.uk/bsc-environmental-management



WHY READING?

At Reading, you will be part of a School that is regularly ranked highly in the league tables and is internationally recognised for its research expertise. When transferred to a teaching environment, this will enable you to develop excellent research skills that are highly regarded by employers.

Our modern facilities are located on an award winning parkland campus, creating a ready-made fieldwork environment which complements the School's own research facilities located on our nearby farms - part of which is an 18 ha Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace (SANG) on the banks of the river Loddon, open to the public..

The School has excellent links with employers, working closely with a wide variety of organisations to ensure that you acquire hands-on experience across the industry with field trips and visits that enable you to apply your theoretical knowledge as you develop. Previous students have undertaken placements with the Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust and Kew Gardens. You can apply for one of the many advertised placement years in the UK or abroad, or you can develop your own tailor-made placement. Students on the 4 year programme can combine work with study abroad. Even students on the 3 year programme can choose to study abroad for a term or semester in their final year.

Many of our courses are taught in small groups and involve lots of practical application, that is supported by a wide variety of optional modules enabling you to specialise in the areas that interest you the most. This is achieved by tapping into the wealth of expertise that is held across the University, as we link with other disciplines such as: Biology, Geography and Environmental Science.

'I have really enjoyed the field trips, group projects, and meeting new people from all over the world. Department staff are always there to support you in every step you take. The different module options are particularly good as they give you wider knowledge on specific topics; crucial for your learning and future career.'

Mari Georgiou
Current student

FREEDOM TO CHOOSE

Our degree is built on a number of core modules covering subjects such as:

- Environmental management in practice
- Global sustainability: challenges and prospects
- Landscape and ecosystem management
- Methods in ecology and environmental management
- Nature conservation

If you wish to specialise you can follow one of two pathways, Landscape & Countryside Management or Global Environmental Management. A wide variety of optional modules also allow you to follow your own interests, covering topics such as:

- Climate change and food systems
- Ecosystem services
- Energy resources
- Forestry and woodlands
- International development
- Plants, greenspace and urban sustainability
- Soils in the environment
- Wildlife and farming

For a complete module list, visit:

www.reading.ac.uk/bsc-environmental-management

YOUR CAREER ASPIRATIONS

This programme is an excellent preparation for a range of careers as it is sufficiently flexible to allow you to become a generalist working at the level of an individual site or a specialist at a regional, national or international scale.

Our graduates typically find employment within environmental management sustainability, nature conservation and natural resource and management roles in the UK and internationally. Many have gone to work for governmental organisations such as Natural England, Environment Agency, Wildlife Trusts, the National Trust, local authorities and environmental or ecological consultancy in the private sector.





The Department of Sustainable Land Management, based within the School of Agriculture, Policy and Development, is committed to empowering change through our teaching and research, with our academics working to tackle some of the world's most pressing issues.

Our mission is to make a difference in the context of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals, so we offer a diverse range of modules giving you knowledge and skills that will enable you as an individual to have an impact and be part of global change, whatever your chosen pathway.



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Year abroad and placement fees

Some courses include an optional or compulsory year abroad or placement year. During this year you will only pay a partial fee which is currently set at 15% of the normal tuition fee. Check the website for the latest information: reading.ac.uk/fees-and-funding

Placements disclaimer

Programmes with a Professional Placement Year (also known as 'Year in Industry' or 'Placement Year') are fully dependent on students securing their own placement opportunity, normally through a competitive recruitment process. The University provides dedicated career and application support for placement year students. Students who do not secure a placement or who are unable to complete the placement year due to extenuating circumstances, have the option to transfer to a three year variant of their programme with agreement from their School/Department.