

Graduate Outcomes 2020/21

Full-time UK domiciled first degree graduates - 15 months after Bath

The University of Bath has an excellent record of graduate employment, featuring in the top ten for graduate prospects in three major national league tables*. Across all subjects, 92% of Bath 2020/21 graduates who are employed in the UK are in high skilled employment, compared to 74% nationally#. Hundreds of employers of all sizes and from all industries each year advertise vacancies, deliver presentations or network with our students; we are in the top 15 universities targeted by employers†.

The information shown here is from the Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA) Graduate Outcomes survey for 2020/21 leavers. It is the biggest UK annual social survey and captures the perspectives and current status of recent graduates, 15 months after leaving university.

Students choose to study Natural Sciences because they want to pursue their scientific interests without narrowly focusing on a single discipline. You will be able to design your degree to suit your interests and strengths. You can choose two main subjects from biology, biochemistry, chemistry, environmental science, pharmacology, and physics at Bath. Additional subjects are chosen from the same list, and may include maths, psychology, management, and education. As a result, you will graduate with a multidisciplinary mindset with career opportunities within science as well as in industry.

Courses included:

- Natural Sciences BSc/MSci

Response rate	
Total in 2020/21 cohort	80 [§]
% response rate	66%

[§]Number rounded to the nearest multiple of five

Graduate outcomes by activity

Activity summary	
Employment	63%
Voluntary/unpaid work	-
Employment and further study	8%
Further study	23%
Other: travel, caring, retired	2%
Unemployed [§]	4%
Total	100%

Note: Percentages may not total 100% due to rounding. Activity defined using HESA XACTIVITY: takes account of all activities and most important activity.

[§]Unemployed includes those due to start work or study.

*6th in the Times and The Sunday Times Good University Guide 2024, 4th in the Complete University Guide 2024, and 4th in the Guardian University Guide 2024

#Compared with [all Universities UK members](#).

†The Graduate Market in 2024, High Fliers Research.

Industries and employers

The multidisciplinary nature of Natural Sciences means you will graduate with the ability to see the bigger picture and make links between different fields.

You will have opportunities to pursue a hands-on career in science while employers operating in business will value the interpersonal and technical skills you will develop, making you a highly desirable candidate.

The most frequent of the industry categories are:

- Professional, scientific and technical activities

Examples of employers for the 2020/21 cohort:

- Alzheimer's Research UK Oxford Drug Discovery Institute
- EVORA Global
- Kinectrics
- Newton Europe
- Pzifer
- Unilever

Occupations and job titles

Natural Sciences graduates have pursued a wide range of careers from working in scientific and manufacturing industries to research and development and roles in patenting, environment management and business.

Some graduates have opted to pursue non-scientific careers such as consulting, marketing, PR and finance.

The vast majority of our UK employed Natural Sciences graduates are in high skilled employment.

High skilled employment includes these three categories:

- Managers, directors and senior officials
- Professional occupations
- Associate professional and technical occupations

Examples of job titles for the 2020/21 cohort:

- Publishing Assistant
- Software Engineer
- Sustainability and Innovation Coordinator
- Technology, Data and Analytics Consultant
- Trainee Clinical Scientist

Further study

Some Natural Sciences graduates pursue further study to develop an expertise in a specialist field. This can include vocational courses such as a PGCE to train as teachers, graduate entry into medicine or a PhD to research a novel subject area.

Examples of institutions for the 2020/21 cohort:

- Queen Mary University of London
- University College London
- University of Bath
- University of St Andrews
- University College London

More information

Find out what Bath graduates from other courses do: go.bath.ac.uk/graduate-outcomes.

More information is available about how Careers supports current and prospective students, as well as graduates from Bath: bath.ac.uk/careers.

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