

# New Engineering and Physical Sciences Foundation Certificate at the University of Nottingham International College

## FAQs for Agents

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### 1 What exactly is changing?

Kaplan will start teaching a [Science and Engineering Foundation Certificate](#) at the [University of Nottingham International College](#) from November 2021.

September 2021 will be the final intake for international students at the University of Nottingham's Foundation in Engineering and Physical Sciences (FEPS). This means that September 2021 will be the last time Kaplan will be actively recruiting students for this Foundation Certificate.

Kaplan will be changing its existing Science Foundation Certificate to include Engineering and it will lead to all the same degrees as FEPS (including some new ones), alongside existing Science progression routes.

Students will have the same guaranteed route to all undergraduate degrees in Engineering, Computing, Mathematics, and Physics as per FEPS (if they pass at the required level with good attendance).

### 2 What is the plan for students enrolling on the Foundation in Engineering and Physical Sciences (FEPS) this September?

Students joining FEPS for the September 2021 intake will follow the same registration and enrolment process as per previous intakes. Students have until 5pm on 11<sup>th</sup> October 2021 to complete all parts of their registration for FEPS. Please contact [pre-enrolment@kaplan.com](mailto:pre-enrolment@kaplan.com) if you have any questions about the enrolment and registration process.

All FEPS students (online/on campus) will need to complete 1- [Online Registration](#) 2- [Attendance Confirmation](#) to fully complete their registration with the University.

### 3 What is the plan for offer holders?

**Students who had a FEPS offer for September 2021 but did not enrol.**

We can defer their offer to a future intake at the University of Nottingham International College.

Kaplan Admissions will re-assess the application and issue a University of Nottingham International College offer letter for a Science and Engineering Foundation Certificate, progressing to the same degree as their previous FEPS offer letter. Students will be counselled through this process with dedicated one-to-one phone calls.

## **Students who already hold an offer for FEPS programmes in January 2022 or September 2022.**

Kaplan Admissions will re-assess the application and issue a University of Nottingham International College offer letter for the Science and Engineering Foundation Certificate, progressing to the same degree as the one stated on the FEPS offer letter. If a student has already accepted their FEPS offer, Kaplan will ask the student to sign the new Offer Acceptance Form. Students will be counselled through this process with dedicated one-to-one phone calls.

## **University of Nottingham International College Science Foundation Certificate offer holders for intakes in November 2021 or later**

The only change for these students is the course name, which is now 'Science and Engineering Foundation Certificate', as we have added a wider range of progression degrees to the course.

Students will still be able to follow the same course content as was on the Science Foundation Certificate, and will still have access to the full range of activities and facilities that students enjoyed previously with their intended academic department in the University.

Kaplan Admissions will re-issue a University of Nottingham International College offer letter with the new course name; the progression degree and requirements students need to achieve for progression will remain the same. If a student has already accepted their offer, Kaplan will ask the student to re-sign the Offer Acceptance Form.

Please note: All students studying in-person at the University of Nottingham International College require insurance. As with our other programmes, students will be provided with Endsleigh insurance unless they present proof of their own policy.

## **4 My student is unable to make the September 2021 FEPS intake and so was planning to defer to January 2022 – how will this be handled?**

Your student can enrol at the University of Nottingham International College and study a Science and Engineering Foundation Certificate, leading to the same degree they were intending to progress to through FEPS. Now they will also have the option of starting their studies earlier with the November 2021 intake.

## **5 Will the Science and Engineering Foundation have different entry requirements from the FEPS programme?**

Academic entry requirements for Science and Engineering Foundation Certificate will match current University of Nottingham International College requirements (NB please refer to Degree Finder / offer letter for details on specific Mathematics and Physics / Science requirements).

Standard English language requirements now vary from UKVI IELTS 4.0 (at least 4.0 in all skills) for a 3.5 or 4-term course, to UKVI IELTS 5.5 (at least 4.5 in all skills) for a 2-term course and courses with additional Enhancement modules. We also accept several alternatives to UKVI IELTS – [download our accepted English language tests guide](#) for details.

## **6 Which modules are offered on the Science and Engineering Foundation Certificate?**

The updated [University of Nottingham International College course booklet](#) contains details on course modules, including Enhancement and Extended English and Skills options for students on courses of 2.5 terms or longer.

## 7 Will there be any change to the Computer Science degree quotas now that students are applying via the International College?

Computer Science degrees are incredibly popular at Nottingham, and as a result there are limited places available. At present, the number of progression places available to Foundation Certificate students will remain unchanged. We would therefore recommend that students explore other degree options at Nottingham – such as Electronic and Computer Engineering – which offers an excellent alternative progression route.

## 8 What are the 2021/22 intake dates, and UKVI IELTS requirements and tuition fees for the Science and Engineering Foundation Certificate?

See the table below for details. The fees for this programme are in line with the International College's other programmes, in particular the Science Foundation Certificate.

Course title and length	Month start	UKVI IELTS requirements (or accepted equivalent)	Course tuition fees
Science and Engineering Foundation Certificate, 2 Terms	January 2022 March 2022	5.5 (at least 4.5 in all skills)	£19,620
Science and Engineering Foundation Certificate, 2.5 Terms	November 2021 January 2022 July 2022	5.0 (at least 4.0 in all skills)	£20,850
Science and Engineering Foundation Certificate, 2.5 Terms (Enhancement)	November 2021	5.5 (at least 4.5 in all skills)	£20,850
Science and Engineering Foundation Certificate, 3 Terms	November 2021 June 2022	4.5 (at least 4.0 in all skills)	£20,850
Science and Engineering Foundation Certificate, 3 Terms (Enhancement)	November 2021	5.5 (at least 4.5 in all skills)	£20,850
Science and Engineering Foundation Certificate, 3.5 Terms	May 2022	4.0 (at least 4.0 in all skills)	£24,325
Science and Engineering Foundation Certificate, 4 Terms	March 2022	4.0 (at least 4.0 in all skills)	£26,480