



HARTPURY
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Programme Information Sheet for 2019 entry

BSc (Hons) Agricultural Practice (Level 6 entry)

UCAS Code: D496

Award on completion of programme: BSc (Hons) Agricultural Practice (Level 6 entry)

Professional body accreditation: None.

Location of study: Hartpury University

Length of programme: One year full-time. Part-time options available.

Language of the programme: This programme is taught in English.

Entry Requirements:

General: A foundation degree or HND in a land-based or related subject.

Mature and international applicants: Mature and international applicants are welcomed. Mature applicants that are not applying for a programme straight from formal education will be expected to demonstrate suitability for the course.

In the case of international applications, we will attempt to establish the equivalency of qualifications and the same criteria and assessment is used as for home students. An IELTS English qualification is expected for international applicants without a GCSE Grade C or above (or 9 to 4 where numeric grades are being awarded) in English Language.

If you have completed learning towards a university level qualification, perhaps at another institution or with a professional body or have relevant work experience then you may be able to gain credit for this and/or enter the course at a later point than standard year one entry. For further information please contact our Admissions team, who will be pleased to help you.

Personalised offers will be made to each applicant based on their own merits. Non-academic and academic achievement will be considered.

Timetables: Both full-time and part-time students on the programme will start in September 2019. This programme is taught over two semesters, normally consisting of 12 weeks of scheduled teaching and then assessment weeks. The academic calendar can be found at: <https://www.hartpury.ac.uk/uni-termdates/>. During scheduled teaching you will have a day without timetabled sessions to support you in managing your workload, gaining valuable volunteering and work experience and completing part-time work. For the 2018/19 academic year that day is currently a Friday. Timetables are normally available during registration. Please note that while we make every effort to ensure that timetables are as student-friendly as possible, scheduled teaching can take place at any time between 8:30 to 20:30 Monday to Friday, although Wednesday afternoons are normally reserved for sports and cultural activities. Work placements may entail working on different days and different hours, depending on the opportunity you identify. Part-time students should be advised that as their route is dependent on the full-time course's timetable there is the possibility depending on the modules chosen that the student could be required to attend five days a week.

Programme Composition: This programme comprises of different modules, which focus on specific subjects. The modular structure of the programme gives you flexibility and choice and you can attend

introductory sessions for optional modules before having to finally decide which ones you wish to study. We usually offer all optional modules available to students however if we believe that we are unable to offer a high quality student experience (which can be particularly affected by low student demand) then we may make the decision not to offer it. If an optional module will not be run, we will advise you as soon as possible and help you choose an alternative module. Our teaching is informed by research, and modules change periodically to reflect developments in the discipline. These changes are informed by both industry and student consultation.

On completion and passing these modules you gain academic credit that accumulates towards your award. The marks you gain for these modules contribute towards your overall award mark and outcome. Depending on the module, contact hours may take the form of lectures, seminars, or practicals.

	Scheduled Contact Learning (%)	Placement Learning (%)	Independent Learning (%)
Year 1	25	0	75

Students will average between 12 and 16 contact hours per week and are generally expected to engage in at least two hours of independent study per teaching hour. The majority of marks will come from coursework which the student is expected to complete in their own time, although help is available via tutorials with lecturers. Some modules will bring in guest lecturers from the industry to talk to students about real-life application of their knowledge.

Core Modules:

- Applied Research Project
The student will be responsible for carrying out independent research and providing a detailed report on their findings.
- Investigative Skills for the Successful Undergraduate
Using examples in agriculture (either crop / or livestock related), students will learn research methods designed to help them with their research project.

Optional modules: These could include topics such as developments in livestock and crop production, agricultural management and sustainability. Students are usually required to complete 75 credits in optional modules.

Assessment Method: You will be assessed through a mixture of written exams, practical exams and coursework. Many of the modules will be marked based on a mixture of assessment types, whilst others will be based solely on one type of assessment.

	Written Examination (%)	Coursework (%)	Practical Examination (%)
Year 3	28	51	21

Discounts and special support associated with enrolling on the programme: Hartpury also subsidises optional short courses for a reduced cost that give students the opportunity to gain relevant experience and qualifications prior to graduation. These are in addition to the discounts Hartpury usually offers to its students, such as free Wi-Fi on site and Microsoft Office packages etc. There is lots of support available to you whilst you study including allocation of a personal academic tutor that you will meet for 1:1 sessions and other services detailed at <http://www.hartpury.ac.uk/university-centre/facilities/life-at-hartpury/student-support/>.

Costs associated with the programme: The cost of the programme will be £9250 per year for UK and EU students subject to government approval. We will only increase our fees in accordance with guidelines laid down by OFFA. Students are also expected to fund their overalls, safety boots, waterproof trousers / coat and necessary stationary to carry out their studies, these should be approximately £80 to £100 per student. If students already have relevant footwear the other items may be bought separately from Hartpury's online shop. Farm visits and attendance at some agricultural shows will generally be free of charge but there may be additional transport costs for the student to fund. There will also be some relevant shows and additional activities where additional costs will need to be funded. For Part Time costs please refer to the Hartpury Fee policy, at: <http://www.hartpury.ac.uk/about-us/governance-and-policies/governance-and-policies/>.

For more information on the admissions policy, please visit: <http://www.hartpury.ac.uk/about-us/governance-and-policies/governance-and-policies/>

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