

FALMOUTH

UNIVERSITY

BA SUSTAINABLE TOURISM MANAGEMENT

Dear [NAME]

Welcome to BA Sustainable Tourism Management at Falmouth.

We're getting in touch with some important information about your course that will help you as you prepare to join us.

At the end of this letter, you will find some suggested pre-course preparation. It's not essential, but if you're looking forward to your studies and can't wait, we recommend these resources as inspiring reading.

You will also find a list of equipment that you should bring with you, as well as any other costs that you might incur throughout your course.

Your academic experience will be predominantly in person with some courses using a small amount of digital resources to support your learning. To engage in the digital learning activity, although you will be able to access IT suites on campus, you will benefit from a laptop to access the platforms and tools we use. You will be provided with free access to the Microsoft Office suite, (including Word, Excel and PowerPoint) while you study at Falmouth.

If you are eligible for a loan from Student Finance and have not yet applied, please do so immediately to ensure the loan is approved before you enrol. Once you enrol you are liable for the tuition fees. You can find more information from the Student Loans Company at: www.gov.uk/government/organisations/student-loans-company Advice on managing your finances whilst studying can be found on the University's website here: falmouth.ac.uk/study/student-funding/how-much-does-it-cost

Over the summer, you can join our Step into Falmouth Sessions. These online workshops are designed to provide advice and guidance on settling into university life.

They are scheduled to take place across three weeks in July and August. Some of them will also be also recorded so you can watch them back at a time that suits you. More information can be found at www.falmouth.ac.uk/experience/new-students/step-into-falmouth

Over the summer, if you have any questions, you can join the Student Mentor team on Discord to talk about the course, living in Cornwall and what to expect at Falmouth. Our mentors are already studying on your course, so ask them anything you like. Find them at falmouth.ac.uk/experience/new-students/mentoring. Alternatively, email your name and your course to: studentmentors@falmouth.ac.uk and they will be in touch.

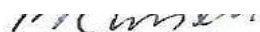
Over the next few weeks, we'll email you more important information about your course and life at Falmouth. If you're going to be away or out of contact, make sure you ask someone to check your emails and reply on your behalf.

We know there is a lot to think about before you start at university. So, the team is here to help. If you have any questions, just get in touch with Applicant Services on +44(0)1326 213730, use LiveChat on our website or email applicantsservices@falmouth.ac.uk

I hope that this welcome letter helps to provide some key information about commencing the course but I am sure that you may well have lots of questions - please do feel free to contact me at paul.russell@falmouth.ac.uk

Finally, we wish you an enjoyable summer and we're looking forward to welcoming you to Falmouth in September.

Yours sincerely,



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Getting started

Your offer

If you have a conditional offer, your place is subject to meeting those conditions. This means we're waiting to receive your results or some more information before your place can be finalised. You can see these conditions on your UCAS Hub

<https://accounts.ucas.com/account/login>

If you need to ask us anything about your offer, get in touch with our Applicant Services team on +44(0)1326 213730, use LiveChat on our website or email applicantsservices@falmouth.ac.uk

Enrolment and Student Terms & Conditions

You'll get an email two weeks before the start of term telling you how to enrol online. You'll need to enrol before the first day of term to officially register as a student of Falmouth University and receive your undergraduate student loan.

When you enrol, you'll need to agree to and comply with the University's Student Terms & Conditions. These Terms & Conditions are important, and we encourage you to read them carefully, before enrolling. You can find them under 'Student Terms & Conditions' on our website www.falmouth.ac.uk/student-regulations

Tuition fees (per year)

2023-2024 full-time UK: £9,250 per year

2023-2024 full-time EU/International: £17,460 per year

Term dates

You can find our term dates on the website at falmouth.ac.uk/experience/term-dates/term-dates-2023-24

Study Block 1 starts on Monday 18 September.

Teaching and assessment will be throughout the full 15 weeks of the study blocks.

Your timetable

Your academic timetable shows all scheduled learning activities and your course timetable. It will be published in early September. After you've enrolled, you can view it via the Student Portal at falmouth.myday.cloud/ or the Falmouth University App. You can download the app by searching the Google Play Store or Apple Store.

Welcome Week

Your timetable will show you where you need to go and when on Monday 18 September and throughout the week.

This is the week when you'll meet your course mates, course tutors and University staff. There will be important inductions to both your course and the wider University facilities and services, in addition to social activities organised by the University and Students' Union.

Pre-course preparation

Below is a selection of free resources that you might want to look at prior to your arrival to help prepare for the course – although this is entirely optional.

- The Travel Foundation www.thetravelfoundation.org.uk are a really interesting organisation that work with destinations and organisations in order to improve their sustainability. The 'resources hub' section contains various resources but the case studies are also really interesting and demonstrate how we can introduce positive change (you may need to register for access to various documents but this is free).
- Green Ideas for Tourism www.greentourism.eu is an EU funded resource that has a great range of case studies and the 'best practice' pages have an excellent level of information around a whole host of sustainability issues.
- Visit Britain – is the overall tourism body for UK based tourism and their corporate site www.visitbritain.org is designed for tourism professionals and has links to latest news articles and pieces of research.
- Responsible Travel www.responsibletravel.com also has lots of content around the negative impacts of tourism – Responsible Tourism promote sustainable tourism holidays but also do a lot to raise awareness and there is a great series of short films that you might find useful.

Finally, here are some TV programmes that you might be able to find on catch-up/on demand/iplayer etc. that are an interesting watch (UK TV Networks but programmes may be available in other regions):

- Race Across the World (BBC)
- pretty much anything with Simon Reeve (various series on BBC about traveling across certain areas)
- The Misadventures of Romesh Ranganathan (comedic take on traveling to 'unusual' destinations, BBC)

- The Travel Show (a very long running BBC series with various episodes that cover different relevant topics)

Course materials and equipment list and costs

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You are not required to purchase any books or journal subscriptions as all required resources are available in the library/online, however, you may choose to purchase certain texts to ensure you have continuous access. You will be provided with comprehensive resource lists for each module that you study during your course.

We will cover transport and accommodation costs for essential study trips, but from time-to-time other opportunities may arise that you may wish to explore and self-fund. Placements can be undertaken on, or near to, campus meaning little or no financial outlay is required. However, you may also wish to opt to travel further afield.

Professional placement

You can access support from the University Employability team to help you prepare and search for placement opportunities. Usually, students undertake paid placements so you should be able to earn whilst you are working. Depending on where your placement is, you will need to be prepared to factor in costs such as accommodation, costs of travel, etc. If you are unable to find a suitable placement, you will be able to transfer to the 3-year version of the course.