

Subject Benchmark Statements: List of Statements published on the QAA website

Subject Benchmark Statements describe the nature of study and the academic standards expected of graduates in specific subject areas. They show what graduates might reasonably be expected to know, do and understand at the end of their studies.

Subject Benchmark Statements are available for bachelor's degrees with honours and master's degrees.

Below is a full list of the Subject Benchmark Statements available on the QAA website: www.qaa.ac.uk/quality-code/subject-benchmark-statements

Bachelor's degrees with honours

Accounting (2025)

Agriculture, Rural Environmental Sciences, Animal Studies, Consumer Science, Forestry, Food, Horticulture and Human Nutrition (2024)

Anthropology (2024)

Archaeology (including Master's) (2022)

Architectural Technology (2022)

Architecture (including Master's) (2020)

Area Studies (2024)

Art and Design (2016)

Biomedical Science and Biomedical Sciences (2023)

Biosciences (2023)

Business and Management (2023)

Chemistry (including Master's) (2022)

Classics and Ancient History (including Byzantine Studies and Modern Greek) (2022)

Communication, Media, Film and Cultural Studies (including Master's) (2024)

Computing (including Master's) (2022)

Counselling and Psychotherapy (including Master's) (2022)

Creative Writing (2024)

Criminology (including Master's) (2022)

Dance, Drama and Performance (2024)

Dietetics (pre-registration) (including Master's) (2019)

Early Childhood Studies (2022)

Earth Sciences, Environmental Sciences and Environmental Studies (2022)

Economics (2023)

Education Studies (2025)

Engineering (including Master's) (2023)

English (2023)

Events, Hospitality, Leisure, Sport and Tourism (2019)

Finance (2025)

Forensic Science (including Master's) (2022)

Geography (2022)

Health Studies (2024)

History (2022)

History of Art, Architecture and Design (2019)

Housing Studies (2022)

Landscape Architecture (2024)

Land, Construction, Real Estate and Surveying (2024)

Languages, Cultures and Societies (2023)

Law (2023)

Librarianship, Information, Knowledge, Records and Archives Management

(including Master's) (2025)

Linguistics (2023)

Materials (2017)

Mathematics, Statistics and Operational Research (including Master's) (2023)

Music (2025)

Optometry (2024)

Osteopathy (2024)

Paramedics (2019)

Philosophy (2025)

Physics, Astronomy and Astrophysics (including Master's) (2025)

Policing (2022)

Politics and International Relations (2023)

Psychology (2023)

Public Policy and Public Administration (2025)

Social Policy (2019)

Social Work (2019)

Sociology (2019)

Theology and Religious Studies (2022)

Town and Country Planning (2024)

Veterinary Nursing (2024)

Welsh (2016)

Youth and Community Work (2019)

Master's degrees

Please note that where Statements include both bachelor's degree with honours and master's degrees, this is noted in the list above. The following Statement is available for master's degree only:

Business and Management (2023)

Archived Statements

The following Subject Benchmark Statements are now out of date and have been removed from our website. The educational and professional standards for these subjects are available from the relevant PSRBs.

Audiology (2006) Arts Therapy (2004) Clinical Psychology (2004) Clinical Sciences (2004) Dental Care Professions (2005) Dentistry (2002) Health Visiting (2001) Medicine (2002) Midwifery (2001) Nursing (2001) Occupational Therapy (2001) Operating Department Practice (2004) Orthoptics (2001) Pharmacy (MPharm) (2002) Physiotherapy (2001) Podiatry (2001) Prosthetics and Orthotics (2001) Radiography (2001) Speech and Language Therapy (2001) Veterinary science (2002)

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