

IOP Institute of Physics

Register of Recognised Courses

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Academic departments wishing to submit applications for Recognition
are invited to seek further information from the membership team at accreditation@iop.org

Degree Recognition

The degree recognition scheme is an important part of the Institute's support for interdisciplinary and combined degree programmes.

The primary aims of Institute recognition are to:

- recognise the value of physics-based interdisciplinary and combined degree programmes
- support the diversity of physics-based degree programmes and departments that provide such programmes
- encourage the study of physics and related subjects where they appear throughout the HE sector
- guarantee to potential students that a degree programme meets the educational requirements for Membership of the Institute and provides a route to Registered Scientist (RSci) and Chartered Scientist (CSci).

University of Aberdeen

The degrees listed below are recognised until 30 March 2027

BSc	Geophysics	F660
BSc	Mathematics and Physics	FG31
BSc	Physical Sciences	F302
BSc	Computing Science and Physics	GF43
MA	Philosophy and Physics	VF73

Scottish MA is equivalent to a BSc and is not a Masters level qualification

Aberystwyth University

The degrees listed below are recognised until 30 May 2024.

BSc	Computer Science/Physics	FG34
BSc	Mathematical and Theoretical Physics	F340
BSc	Space Science & Robotics	FH56
MPhys	Space Science and Robotics	FH5P
MMath	Mathematical and Theoretical Physics	F341

ATU Atlantic Technological University (Previously Galway Mayo Institute of Technology)

The degrees listed below are recognised until July 2026

BSc	Physics and Instrumentation (Honours)	GA783
BSc	Physics and Instrumentation	GA773

University of Central Lancashire

The degrees listed below are recognised until November 2023.

BSc	Astronomy (distance learning)	n/a
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University College Cork

The degrees listed below are recognised until December 2027.

BSc	Physics	CK408
BSc	Astrophysics	CK408
BSc	Physics and Mathematical Sciences	CK407 & CK408
BSc	Chemical Physics	CK406 & CK408

Durham University

The degrees listed below are recognised until February 2024.

BSc	Biology and Physics	CFG0
BSc	Chemistry and Physics	CFG0
BSc	Computer Science and Physics	CFG0
BSc	Mathematics and Physics	CFG0
BSc	Philosophy and Physics	CFG0
BSc	Natural Sciences *	CFG0
MSci	Biology and Physics	FGC0
MSci	Chemistry and Physics	FGC0
MSci	Mathematics and Physics	FGC0
MSci	Natural Sciences *	FGC0

* Providing at least 120 credits of physics modules are included, with at least 60 credits beyond year one, and a project is undertaken (which need not be in physics) – Degrees will need to be individually assessed and graduates wishing to obtain recognition should submit their degree transcript to accreditation@iop.org

University of East Anglia

The degrees listed below are recognised until November 2023.

BSc	Physics	F300
BSc	Physics with a foundation year	F301
BSc	Physics with a year abroad	F30A
BSc	Physics with a year in industry	F302
BSc	Chemical Physics	FF31
BSc	Natural Sciences	CFG0*
BSc	Natural Sciences with a year abroad	CFGA*
BSc	Natural Sciences with a year in industry	GCF0*
MPhys	Physics	F304
MChem	Chemical Physics with a year abroad	F190
MChem	Chemical Physics with a year in industry	F191
MNatSci	Natural Sciences	CGF0*

* Providing at least 120 credits of physics or physics-based credits are obtained with at least 60 credits beyond year one. Degrees will need to be individually assessed and graduates wishing to obtain recognition should submit their degree transcript to accreditation@iop.org

University of Edinburgh

The degrees listed below are recognised until November 2023.

BSc	Physics and Music	FW33
BSc	Geophysics	F660
BSc	Geophysics & Geology	F690
BSc	Geophysics & Meteorology	FFP8
BSc	Mathematics and Physics	GF13
BSc	Computer Science and Physics	GF43

University of Exeter

The degrees listed below are recognised until November 2024.

BSc	Mathematics with Physics	FG31
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University of Glasgow

The degrees listed below are recognised until November 2024.

BSc	Astronomy and Mathematics	FGM1
MSci	Astronomy and Mathematics	FG5D

University of Heriot Watt

The degree listed below are recognised until November 2023.

BSc	Physics and Professional Education	F3X3*
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* Discontinued degree with students still progressing

King's College London

The degrees listed below are recognised until March 2027.

BSc	Physics and Philosophy	FV35
BSc	Physics and Philosophy with a Year Abroad	FVH5
MSci	Physics and Philosophy	VF53

University of Leicester

The degrees listed below are recognised until November 2024.

BSc	Natural Sciences	FCG0
BSc	Natural Sciences with year abroad	FCG0
MSci	Natural Sciences	GFC0
MSci	Natural Sciences with year abroad	GFC0

Providing at least 120 credits of physics or physics-based credits are obtained with at least 60 credits beyond year one. Degrees will need to be individually assessed and graduates wishing to obtain recognition should submit their degree transcript to accreditation@iop.org

University of Limerick

The degrees listed below are recognised until November 2024.

BSc	Applied Physics	LM125
BSc	Mathematics and Physics	LM125

University of Loughborough

The degrees listed below are recognised until June 2028

BSc	Natural Sciences	GFC0
BSc	Natural Sciences with a Placement Year	CFG0
MSci	Natural Sciences	CGF0
MSci	Natural Sciences with Placement Year	FCG0

Providing at least 120 credits of physics or physics-based credits are obtained with at least 60 credits beyond year one. There is also a route to an accredited degree if appropriate modules are taken.

Degrees will need to be individually assessed and graduates wishing to obtain recognition or accreditation should submit their degree transcript to accreditation@iop.org.

Munster Technological University

The degrees listed below are recognised until November 2027.

BSc	Applied Physics and Instrumentation	MT782*
BSc	Instrument Engineering	MT833
BSc	Environmental Science and Sustainable Technology	MT878

* Ordinary degree also recognised

National University of Ireland, Maynooth

The degrees listed below are recognised until March 2024.

BSc (Science with Education)	Experimental Physics and a Second Subject	MH212
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University of Nottingham

The degree listed below is recognised until May 2027.

BSc	Physics and Philosophy	FV35
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Nottingham Trent University

The degree listed below is recognised until November 2023

BSc	Physics with Secondary Education	F305
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Open University

The degrees listed below are recognised until November 2023.

BA/BSc	Open *
BSc	Natural Science: Physics pathway
BSc	Natural Science: Astronomy and planetary science pathway
BSc	Natural Science *
BSc	Mathematics and Physics
BSc	Geosciences
BSc	Physical Science
BSc	Molecular Science

* Providing at least 120 credits of physics or physics-based modules are obtained with at least 60 credits beyond year one and a final year project module is taken. Degrees will need to be individually assessed and graduates wishing to obtain recognition should submit their degree transcript to accreditation@iop.org

University of Oxford

The degrees listed below are recognised until December 2027.

BA	Physics and Philosophy	VF53
MPhysPhil	Physics and Philosophy	VF53

University of Plymouth

The degree listed below is recognised until December 2024.

BSc	Mathematics with Theoretical Physics	G1F3
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Queen's University Belfast

The degrees listed below are recognised until November 2024.

BSc	Applied Mathematics and Physics	GF13
MSci	Applied Mathematics and Physics	GFC3

South East Technological University

The degrees listed below are recognised until November 2027.

BSc	Physics for Modern Technology	WD002
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University of Surrey

The degrees listed below are recognised until June 2028.

BSc	Mathematics and Physics	GF1H
MMath	Mathematics and Physics	GF13
MPhys	Mathematics and Physics	GF1I

All programmes are available with a Professional Training Year, these are also recognised

Technological University Dublin (TU Dublin)

The degrees listed below are recognised until November 2023.

BSc (ord)	Industrial and Environmental Physics	TU754
BSc	Clinical Measurement Science	TU868
BSc	Optometry	TU871

University College London

The degrees listed below are recognised until November 2023.

BSc	Natural Sciences	CFG0*
MSci	Natural Sciences	FGC0*

* Physics must be selected as a major stream. Degrees will need to be individually assessed and graduates wishing to obtain recognition should submit their degree transcript to accreditation@iop.org

University of Warwick

The degrees listed below are recognised until May 2027.

BSc	Physics with Business Studies	F3N1
BSc	Physics and Business Studies with Intercalated Year	F3ND
BSc	Mathematics and Physics	GF13
BSc	Mathematics and Physics with Intercalated year	GF14

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