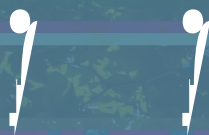




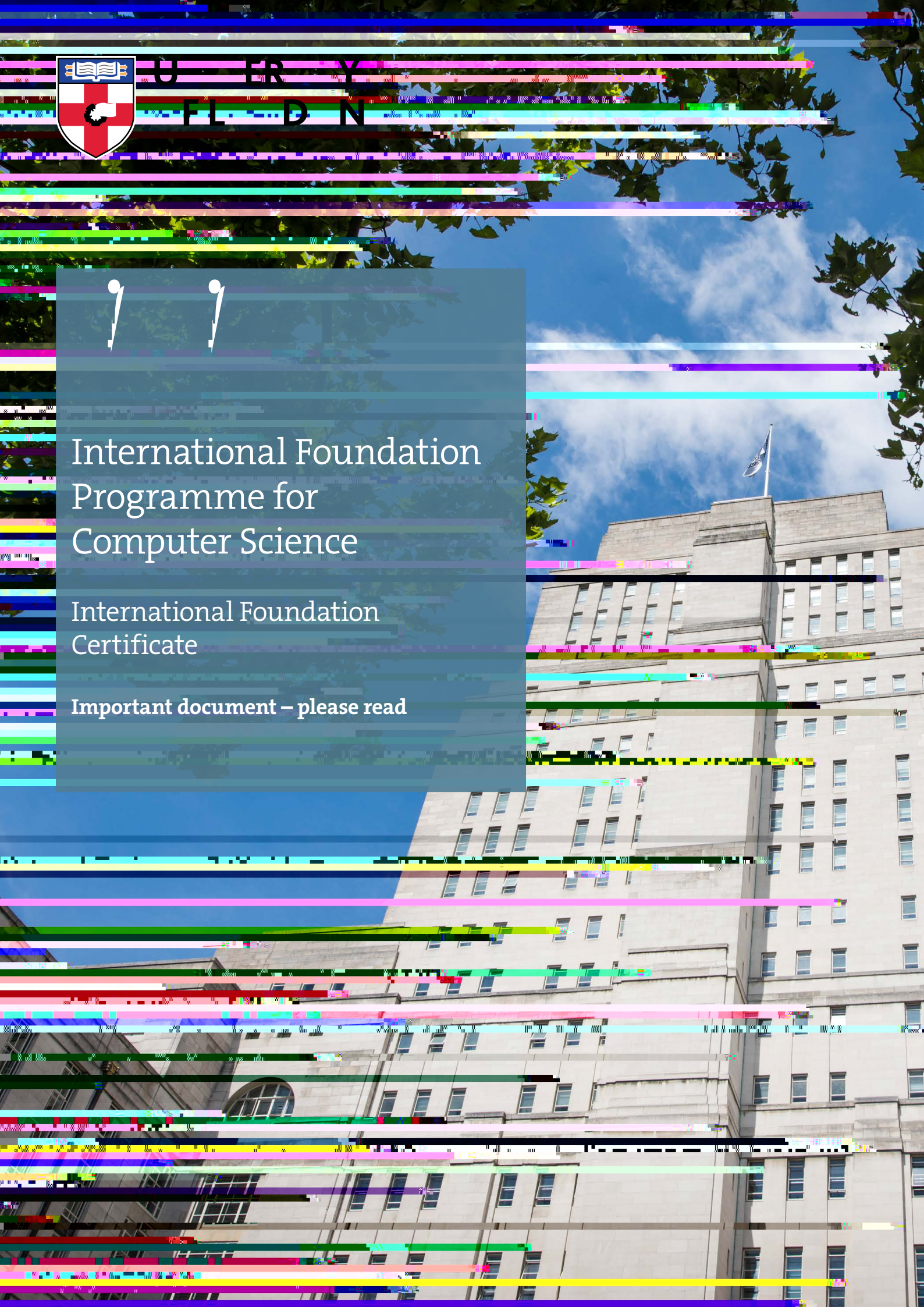
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# International Foundation Programme for Computer Science

International Foundation  
Certificate

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## Important information regarding the Programme Specification

### About this document

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The Programme Specification gives a broad outline of the structure and content of the programme, the entry-level qualifications, as well as the learning outcomes students will achieve as they progress. Some of the information referred to in this programme specification is included in more detail on the University of London website. Where this is the case, links to the relevant webpages are included.

Where links to external organisations are provided, the University of London is not responsible for their content and does not recommend nor necessarily agree with opinions expressed and services provided at those sites.

For queries about any of the programme information provided, whether here or on the website, registered students should use the *Ask a question* button in the [Student Portal](#); otherwise the Contact Us button on each webpage should be used.

### Terminology

The following language is specific to the International Foundation Programme for Computer Science:

**Module:** Individual units of the Programme are called modules. Each module is a self-contained, formally structured learning experience with a coherent and explicit set of learning outcomes and assessment criteria.

### Key revisions made

Programme specifications are revised annually. The quality committee will be responsible for iive

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## Programme title and qualification

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International Foundation Programme for Computer Science

### Qualification

International Foundation Certificate

### Individual modules

There is also provision for individual modules to be studied on a stand-alone basis. You may take up to three modules on a stand-alone basis without being registered for the full programme.

Credit for stand-alone individual modules will be considered provided that the application for a related qualification is made within 3 years of the completion of the relevant modules. Neither progression nor credit is automatic.

### Level of the programme

Equivalent to RQF Level 3

### Awarding body

University of London

### Registering body

University of London

### Accreditation by professional or statutory body

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Full details of the Scheme of Award are included in the [Programme Regulations](#).

### Maximum and minimum periods of registration

The minimum periods of registration, from a student's effective date of registration, are:

	Minimum
International Foundation Programme for Computer Science	6 months

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## Learning, teaching and assessment

This programme has been designed to encourage intellectual curiosity. The underlying principles of the programme revolve around accessible learning and knowledge, and content that is simple to navigate. A range of integrated knowledge and skills development approaches are used to encourage learning: pre-recorded videos, readings, formative discussion forums, formative multiple-choice quizzes (MCQs) and live tutorials. Hyperlinks are embedded to relevant book chapters, journal articles and worthy topical news items.

Students can communicate with others via the VLE and other platforms. Students will have access to study materials and be able to talk to (and develop and negotiate conclusions with) others, which is vital in gaining knowledge, understanding and skills which can be transferred to other situations.

For each module students are assessed by timed examination. Questions are structured to allow students to demonstrate that they have acquired appropriate knowledge and understanding. The way that students manage data, solve problems, evaluate ideas and the organisational skills they use to structure their written answers allows the standard of intellectual and transferable skills to be assessed.

Assessment criteria for the programme take into account the level at which these skills have been achieved.

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## Assessment methods

All assessments are submitted online via a University of London platform. Students must ensure that their device is kept up to date and complies with University Computer Requirements.

An examination is defined as an element of assessment that takes place in a controlled environment. Students will be given details of how the modules on their programme are assessed, the specific environment or location that is permitted and the time allowed for the assessment.

Each module of the International Foundation Programme for Computer Science is assessed by one two-hour fifteen-minute unseen examination.

Examinations will take place in May and October every year.

Resit sessions will be held in October for students who fail the assessment in May.

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Full details of the dates of all examinations are available on the University of London [website](#).

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## Student support and guidance

The following summarises the support and guidance available to students provided by the University of London:

- [Student Portal](#): for accessing student induction, study skills support, careers and employability resources, student wellbeing advice;







## After completing the International Foundation Programme for Computer Science

### Further study

Successful completion of the programme can allow students to progress to a higher-level qualification.

If a student successfully completes the International Foundation Programme for Computer Science, they will meet the entry requirements for the BSc Computer Science delivered by the University of London, under the academic direction of Goldsmiths, University of London.

Students who wish to apply to other universities based in the UK and around the world, should contact their intended institution for onward study to check programme-specific admissions criteria.

More details of how the International Foundation Programme for Computer Science meets the requirements for other programmes offered through the University of London can be found on the [University of London website](#).