

Student Story

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Course:

BSc Business and Management

Pre-sessional Course

General English Language

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My Name is Chenglin DENG and everyone calls me Nick as my

English name. I am an international student who studied undergraduate course on the subject of business and management, coming from Shanghai, China. Bath Spa University (BSU) was the first place I independently went abroad for studying and my life. Also, I was the first person in my family and the first time I had travelled outside my hometown. I really enjoyed every minute in Bath as I prefer to make new friends, meet new people, and continue to improve my English.

Bath is an absolutely beautiful & peaceful small city and very well known. It is the only World Heritage City in the UK and welcomes tourism from all over the world. The famous sightseeing such as the Roman Bath, Royal Crescent, Abbey Church and Georgian Architect create a nice shopping and tourism environment for people. You can also purchase or get student discount in many local shops and markets. The reason I chose BSU is because of its multiple wide range of courses and a fantastic tutorial system, especially the brilliant 1-1 language support for international students.

I felt that I was in a big warm family when I was a student in the summer school. Every time I got in trouble or was struggling, there was always some one taking care of our life and there to deal with our problems. I was encouraged to be a student ambassador when a group of students arranged by my agent came from my hometown. I always believe that as long as you are familiar with the environment around, you will enjoy most of the time in your studies as well as your life.

It was also an exciting time during the pre-sessional course when some social events were arranged for us such as bowling in Bristol, night clubs, barbecues at the weekend, shopping and walks touring the town center and dinner cooking parties. The friendship and learning time make me unforgettable and leave me a good memory.

As an undergraduate student, I started my learning journey in the business department, which is a fantastic study environment with the support from both my personal tutor, language tutor and academic tutor arranged. Firstly, I took the opportunity to collect materials and leaflets about British culture and life in the fresher's week. Secondly, I took a role as a student ambassador to assist university staff to show prospective students around campus on open days. I helped on a variety of events covering assisting marketing activities in Student Union (SU) & raising higher education awareness (Aimhigher Day) by aspiring, attaining and facilitating progression for local schools and colleges. Thirdly, I volunteered to join in the one-day-off project in both the Bristol Trust on conservation activities and Banes Youth Service on youth parliament elections. Lastly, I have also developed new interests in golf, skating, table tennis, cooking, rock & roll music.

I joined the badminton sports club in the University of Bath, became a member of St John Ambulance Society and BEACH group (Asian and Chinese group). I also enjoyed going to pubs, band music and going for trips to different cities in the UK. The massive learning and working experience is incredibly useful, which can be applied to my future life.

Student life at University is always a fantastic and memorable experience to study and make friends. I enjoyed the challenge of my university life, both socially and mentally. I strongly believed that my only year at BSU was absolutely enjoyable and valuable. Lots of things I would remember for the rest of my life were adding to my individual lifelong learning journey. I am looking forward to seeing you here and all the best wishes to overseas students will enjoyed your student life in Bath.