

Who Should Apply?

The Advanced Diploma in Data and Systems Analysis is a challenging course demanding a sustained commitment over one year.

Applicants should ensure that they will be able to devote adequate time to study the course alongside their other commitments. However the distance learning mode has been designed to make the course as accessible as possible, and will allow most study time to be arranged to suit individual circumstances. Our previous online computing courses have attracted students from all over the world and a wide variety of occupations, such as teaching, administration, healthcare, social work and industry, as well as those in the IT industry. This mix of student backgrounds and experience leads to a lively and stimulating study environment.

Entry Requirements

There are no formal entry qualifications but applicants should already have some programming experience and satisfy the admissions panel that they will be able to understand the concepts involved in this level-three course. Applicants should also:

- have access to the required computing facilities (see [Computing Facilities](#)).
- be able to express themselves and their ideas in fluent written English appropriate to an academic course (see [English Language Requirements](#)).

In order to assist us to assess whether or not you have the right level of knowledge, experience, ability and motivation to undertake the course, we ask all applicants to provide comprehensive details of their current skills and experience in computing, and their reasons for doing the course. This will be found as part of the application form.

If you are in any doubt about your entry qualifications for the course, ask for advice from the Course Director or the Online Courses Manager whose details are listed under Contacts.