

Newcastle University

Models of collaboration

Pathway and Articulation agreements

The University engages in a number of pathway and articulation arrangements with international universities. These agreements have a number of common features; however, the key distinction between a pathway agreement and articulation is that articulation guarantees entry to the Newcastle programme for, usually, a cohort of students. Students on a pathway agreement must apply to the University in the normal fashion and will be considered independently.

In some countries, notably China, these relationships normally result in a dual award.

The period spent at Newcastle University is shown in bold in the table below.

Type of arrangement	Definition	Level		Type of arrangement		Award	
		UG	PGT	APL	Articulation	Can lead to a dual award	Leads to a Newcastle University award
1+3/4	A one year foundation programme undertaken at the partner which is recognised for entry to Stage 1 of specific programmes 3 or 4 year undergraduate programmes at Newcastle University.	✓		✓	✓		✓
2+2	A two year programme undertaken at a partner organisation which is recognised for direct entry into Stage 2 of specific undergraduate programmes at Newcastle University.	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓
3+2	A three year programme undertaken at a partner organisation which is recognised for direct entry into Stage 2 of specific	✓		✓	✓	✓	✓

	undergraduate programmes at Newcastle University.						
3/4 +1	A three or four year undergraduate programme at the partner which is recognised for entry to specific Masters programme at Newcastle University.		✓	✓	✓		✓
3+1+1	Students complete 3 years of their undergraduate programme at the partner, then come to Newcastle for a study abroad programme which can be used towards their home qualification. No Newcastle University award is made. Students may then return to Newcastle, if they wish, to complete a Masters programme.		✓	✓	✓		
1+1	An introductory one year pre-Masters programme delivered at the partner which is recognised for entry to specific Masters programme at Newcastle.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
1+1+1	Students undertake a preliminary postgraduate or pre-masters year at the partner institution then come to Newcastle to undertake a full Masters programme in a relevant subject area. Once the Newcastle programme is complete the student returns to the home institution to complete the partner's qualification.		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Glossary of terms

Articulation arrangement	The process by which a qualification and/or credits from a programme of study undertaken at an approved partner institution is recognised as giving advanced standing for entry to programmes. Entry to the University is guaranteed to those students who meet the stated progression criteria.
Pathway arrangement	Pathway agreements allow Schools and subject areas to establish formal progression arrangements with an overseas university or college, to admit students with particular approved qualifications on a regular basis for entry to a Newcastle degree programme. Entry to the University is not guaranteed and students must apply in the normal way and will be considered on an individual basis for admission.
Dual Award	The process by which two or more awarding institutions collectively provide programmes leading to an award from each participating institution
Articulation/Pathway arrangements which lead to dual awards	The process by which a qualification and/or credits from a programme of study undertaken at an approved partner institution is recognised as giving advanced standing for entry to programmes at Newcastle University. On completion of the Newcastle University degree students may on return to their home institution receive an additional award

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