

Part-time executive

MSc Strategy, Change and Leadership

September 2024 - September 2026



Business School



Programme overview

The part-time MSc in Strategy, Change and Leadership is a structured programme designed to enable you to:

Understand organisational complexity and issues affecting success

Improve your ability to manage change and uncertainty

Make better choices about growth and strategic direction


Increase your leadership impact

Fit your study around your job

Delivered through six intensive three-day workshops, running on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. And two intensive one and two day workshops running on Thursdays and Fridays - a total of 15 work days and six Saturdays across two years.

Workshops are highly interactive and include mini-lectures, case studies, practical exercises, personal reflection and group work. Informal networking is a key benefit of the programme.



The course has made me think in entirely new ways, opened new possibilities for me, stretched my thinking and broadened my outlook on the world. 

Joanna Davies

Non-Executive Director
and NHS Well-being guardian



Programme support

Programme Manager – Cheralyn Baines-Dark

Cheralyn has been the key contact for daily programme support since the very beginning of this flagship programme and has worked closely with all cohorts with programme-related areas including admissions, events and marketing, all the way through to graduation and beyond. Cheralyn is your first point of contact relating to all admission enquiries and will help guide you through your journey on this exciting, executive programme.

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Programme Administrator – Angela Masella

Angela provides invaluable administrative support and works closely with the students on day to day enquiries and supports the programme throughout the stages of the Strategy Change and Leadership programme journey.

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□□ I found many answers to many problems and discovered a way to lead through change and uncertainty. I focused my studies on subjects relevant to my situation and the resulting work opened doors and built new strategies. □□

Bob Dowler

Global Service Director



Part-time Masters in Strategy, Change and Leadership

Programme commences September 2024

Certificate

Certificate completed Spring 2025

Programme Induction (One day)

Fri | Sept 27 | 2024

Introduction to the programme and to the University of Bristol, group working, identifying key organisational challenges, decision making and MSc study skills.

Leadership

Thur - Sat | Oct 17 - 19 | 2024

Understanding the leadership role and the psychology of leadership, organisational behaviour, analysis of own capabilities and strengths, increasing leadership impact.

Strategy and organisations

Thur - Sat | Jan 9 - 11 | 2025

What is strategy and does it matter? Market and resource-based routes to competitive advantage, strategies for innovation and growth, organisational challenges in realising strategies.

Understanding change management

Thur - Sat | March 13 - 15 | 2025

Dealing with the planning and experience of organisational change and different ways of understanding them as well as the various actors or agents of change.

Diploma

Diploma completed early 2026

Re-thinking change, systems and organisation

Thur - Sat | June 5 - 7 | 2025

How can organisations make sense of and respond to a changing world? What challenges and opportunities does external change create? A variety of tools and strategies are used to explore organisational response and outcome.

Critical issues in strategy

Thur - Sat | Sept 18 - 20 | 2025

Addressing critical issues facing organisations through process and practice in strategy work, including sensemaking, power and politics, identity and culture.

Contemporary leadership challenges

Thur - Sat | Nov 20 - 22 | 2025

Exploring leadership challenges associated with the changing global business environment; how this is shaping organisational responses in terms of their purpose, governance, relations and social value in development of new opportunities for sustainable, inclusive growth.

Capstone project

Thur - Fri | Jan 15 - 16 | 2026

Understanding how to gather and analyse meaningful data – conducting interviews, focus groups, self-reflection techniques and writing effective questionnaires.

MSc Masters completed September 2026 (Unit details may be subject to change)

Capstone project February - August | 2026

**One to one support
by supervisor**

Applications

To be eligible to apply, you will need a degree and a minimum of five years' managerial experience. Applicants without a degree will be considered on a case-by-case basis with evidence of relevant experience. Speak to our team to find out more.

Candidates should apply via the website. Two references and a CV will be required. At the second stage of the process, candidates will be interviewed by the Programme Director and another member of staff. This process is to ensure that the MSc is right for you, and vice versa. The formation of an experienced and diverse cohort is important, as learning from peers is an integral part of the MSc.

Class sizes are limited to around 25 delegates to maximise interaction and tailor sessions to group interests. Thus, although the official application closing date is August, we advise early applications.

Contact us to find out more

Our friendly team is here to help with your questions. Most students who enrol in this programme book a 1-1 session with our programme team to discuss entry requirements and funding options.

Information on programme content and the student experience can also be provided.

Book an appointment for an informal phone call or Teams meeting at your convenience by scanning here -



Apply or find out more about the programme by scanning here -



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