



**University of Brighton**

Faculty of Education and Sport  
Chelsea School

# BA(Hons) Sport Studies

## 3 years full-time

UCAS code: CL63



Chelsea School Student volunteer at a Football4Peace project in Israel

### Subject areas

This course is ideally suited to those students interested in exploring sport and leisure from a social scientific approach. As such it enables an important critical appreciation of the place of sport in society. The degree programme allows students to engage with a range of interesting academic disciplines including cultural studies, media studies, history, politics, sociology, philosophy, and policy analysis, as well as practical and vocational interests including sport/leisure management and development, physical education, coach education, outdoor education and sport journalism.

### 'London 2012 Olympic Games' - What better time to study sport?

#### Study pattern

The course takes a cross-disciplinary issues-centered approach, drawing on a range of perspectives to form the basis for the predominantly social, political and cultural focus. Students are encouraged to take account of issues as diverse as inequality, nationalism, gender, celebrity and hero-worship, commercialism, exclusion, and to reflect on major sporting events such as the Olympics and World Cups. In short, students develop an academic, practical and vocational understanding of lived experiences in sport.

In the first year of study students focus on the historical developments in sport and leisure, the contemporary debates surrounding sport and recreation in the community and are introduced to the political and sociological study of sport.

In addition, students take up optional modules, which might include practical sport sessions, leisure management or sport journalism. Students also complete a module focusing on graduate skills and research methods.

In the second year, students continue to study politics, sociology and research methods, and are introduced to media studies and philosophy. Again there are a range of practical and vocational option modules that allow students to develop particular interests such as sport/leisure management, sport/leisure development and policy, sport journalism, sport participation and coaching, physical education and outdoor education.

In the final year, students are given more freedom to choose their specific study pattern. All students take a Critical Issues module and the Dissertation. Additional socio-cultural modules can be selected from a range that includes: race, ethnicity and popular culture; sport, values and ideology; sport, leisure and deviant behavior; sport, fictions and biographies; sport documentaries; football cultures. As with the second year students can continue to take vocational and practical modules in the same areas listed above.

In short, the degree provides a highly-regarded social science qualification and provides the opportunity to tailor a programme of study to individuals' interests. Such an approach reflects the course team's commitment to student-centered learning.

### Career opportunities

Graduates are equipped for a variety of careers in the public, private and voluntary sectors, or to undertake more specialised postgraduate study. Typical posts in the sport/leisure field have included sport/leisure development officer and community sports leader, as well as coaching positions. Some graduates of the programme have pursued careers beyond the leisure area; for example, in the public service or industries.

*Location:* Eastbourne

*Typical entry requirements:*

**UCAS Tariff:** 260 points, from a minimum of one 12-unit or two 6-unit qualifications. Level 3 Key Skills will count towards the tariff score.

General Studies will count towards the tariff score.

**ND/C (Level 3):** 2 merits and 4 distinctions.

**IB:** 30 points.

**QAA-approved Access course:** acceptable

**GCSE (minimum grade C):** at least 5 subjects including Mathematics and English

**IELTS (English proficiency):** 6.0 overall, 6 in writing.

**HNC/D:** Direct to year 2 subject to interview

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# BA(Hons) Sport Studies with Physical Education



The Sports Studies degree programme has been designed so that students interested in aspects of physical education (PE) can choose modules related to physical activities, coaching and outdoor education. At the end of year 1, an alternative route may be chosen by students wishing to attain qualified teacher status (QTS). These students graduate with a BA(Hons) in Sport Studies and Physical Education. While the 'with PE' route does not carry QTS, it is designed to prepare students for the PGCE in PE via which they can achieve that status.

The Chelsea School has been accepting students from non-teaching first degrees into PGCE courses for over 25 years.

The primary aim of the 'with PE' route is to provide optimal preparation for students wishing to apply for the PGCE (PE), whilst maintaining their expertise in another subject area and their career flexibility. The majority of study will remain in the original subject area. Approximately one third of modules will be dedicated to practical sport, coaching and other aspects of the National Curriculum for PE.

As well as teaching, the course is relevant to careers in coaching and the more vocationally applied side of sport development including youth leadership.

**NB: You cannot apply directly to the 'with PE' route. Students enroll on the BA Sports Studies degree, and in the second year after consultation with the course team, they can apply/transfer to the 'with PE' route.**



# BA(Hons) Sport Studies

	Semester 1	Semester 2
Stage 1 Year 1	<p><b>LE112</b> Sport, Leisure and Social History <i>20 level 1 points</i></p>	<p><b>LE113</b> Introduction to Sociology and Social Theory <i>20 level 1 points</i></p>
	<p>Optional Module <i>10 level 1 points</i></p>	<p>Optional Module <i>10 level 1 points</i></p>
	<p><b>LE136</b> Sport and Recreation in the Community <i>20 level 1 points</i></p>	<p><b>LE126</b> Introduction to Politics and Sport <i>20 level 1 points</i></p>
	<p><b>SR125</b> Introduction to Research Methods / Graduate Skills <i>20 level 1 points</i></p>	
	<b>Progression Point</b>	
Stage 2 Year 2	<p><b>SC213</b> Sociological Theories of Sport and Leisure <i>20 level 2 points</i></p>	<p><b>SC251</b> Sport, Leisure and the Media <i>20 level 2 points</i></p>
	<p><b>LE222</b> Politics and Policy in Sport <i>20 level 2 points</i></p>	<p><b>SC214</b> Philosophy of Sport <i>20 level 2 points</i></p>
	<p><b>SR202</b> Research Design and Evaluation <i>20 level 2 points</i></p>	<p>Optional Module <i>10 level 2 points</i></p>
		<p>Optional Module <i>10 level 2 points</i></p>
	<b>Progression Point</b>	
Stage 3 Year 3	<p><b>SC301</b> Critical Issues in Studying Sport and Leisure <i>20 level 3 points</i></p>	<p>Optional Module <i>10 level 3 points</i></p>
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	<p>Permitted Optional Module (from modules codes starting SC/LE/SE) <i>20 level 3 points</i></p>	
	<p><b>DI301</b> Dissertation <i>40 level 3 points</i></p>	
	<b>BA (Hons) Sociology of Sport and Leisure</b>	

# BA(Hons) Sports Studies with Physical Education

	Semester 1	Semester 2
Stage 1 Year 1	<p><b>LE112</b> Sport, Leisure and Social History <i>20 level 1 points</i></p>	<p><b>LE113</b> Introduction to Sociology and Social Theory <i>20 level 1 points</i></p>
	<p>Permitted Optional Module (PE) <i>10 level 1 points</i></p>	<p>Permitted Optional Module (PE) <i>10 level 1 points</i></p>
	<p><b>LE136</b> Sport and Recreation in the Community <i>20 level 1 points</i></p>	<p><b>LE126</b> Introduction to Politics and Sport <i>20 level 1 points</i></p>
	<p><b>SR125</b> Introduction to Research Methods / Graduate Skills <i>20 level 1 points</i></p>	
<b>Progression Point</b>		
Stage 2 Year 2	<p><b>SC213</b> Sociological Theories of Sport and Leisure <i>20 level 2 points</i></p>	<p>Audited PE Module <i>10 level 2 points</i></p>
	<p><b>LE222</b> Politics and Policy in Sport <i>20 level 2 points</i></p>	<p>Audited PE Module <i>10 level 2 points</i></p>
	<p><b>SR202</b> Research Design and Evaluation <i>20 level 2 points</i></p>	<p>Audited PE Module <i>10 level 2 points</i></p>
		<p>Optional Module <i>10 level 2 points</i></p>
		<p>Optional Module <i>10 level 2 points</i></p>
	<b>Progression Point</b>	
Stage 3 Year 3	<p><b>SC312</b> Social Aspects in PE Pedagogy and Practice <i>10 level 3 points</i></p>	<p>Audited PE Module <i>10 level 3 points</i></p>
	<p>Permitted Optional Module (PE) <i>10 level 3 points</i></p>	<p>Audited PE Module <i>10 level 3 points</i></p>
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<b>BA (Hons) Sociology of Sport and Leisure with Physical Education</b>		