



22-26 SEPTEMBER 2025

MSc Business Analytics: Operational Research and Risk Analysis

Welcome to Alliance Manchester Business School (AMBS) and the MSc Business Analytics: Operational Research and Risk Analysis degree programme.

Below is a copy of your programme Welcome Week timetable. Each day there will be activities for you to get involved in and the chance to find out more about the course, School, and University.



also be University-wide Welcome activities to help you meet people and settle into our community. Check out the <u>What's on during Welcome</u> page and <u>Students' Union events</u> page to find out about other activities happening around the University of Manchester.

In addition to your programme timetable, there will

Take a look at the <u>Welcome to Manchester</u> webpages to help you settle in. These contain key information about registration, safety on campus, student support and preparing for your studies.

I hope you have a really enjoyable first few weeks on campus, making new friends and discovering everything that we have to offer. Best of luck for the new academic year!



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Monday, 22 September 2025

| Time | Activity | Delivered by | Location |
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| Anytime today | Follow the steps on <u>IT Services Information</u> to get set up and ready for the start of year Watch the <u>Welcome and Introduction to PGT Study from Adam Frost</u>, Director of Postgraduate Taught Programmes at AMBS | | |
| Anytime between 12 noon -2pm | Collect your free exclusive AMBS hoodie! Collect your free exclusive AMBS hoodie at the AMBS Student Support Hub. For every hoodie distributed, a tree has been planted to give back to nature. | | AMBS Building, Second Floor, Room 2.091 |

Tuesday, 23 September 2025

| Time | Activity | Delivered by | Location |
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| 11am- 1pm | MSc Business Analytics: Operational Research and Risk Analysis - Programme Induction 1 • Meet your Programme Director: presentation followed by Q&A | Dr Azar Shahgholian | Martin Harris Building, John Casken Lecture Theatre *Martin Harris Building is number 42 on the campus map, which is a 3-minute walk from AMBS. |
| Anytime between 1-2pm | AMBS Student Fair (drop-in session) Find out more about AMBS Student Societies (including an opportunity to join) as well as other support services and resources available for you as an AMBS student. Read more about AMBS Student Societies | | AMBS Building, Third Floor, HIVE Event Space |
| Anytime between 1-2pm | AMBS 60th Anniversary - Student Celebration (drop-in session) You are invited to a special event to mark the 60th anniversary of AMBS. This celebration will feature a photobooth, birthday cake, and a variety of other activities. | | AMBS Building, Ground floor, Reception area |
| 2-4pm | MSc Business Analytics: Operational Research and Risk Analysis - Programme Induction 2 and Afternoon Tea • Course Briefing and Get Together • 'Get Started' with the University of Manchester's Library • Refreshments will be provided | Dr Azar Shahgholian, the Teaching Team, and The University of Manchester's Library team | AMBS Building, Fourth Floor, Room 4.009 |



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Wednesday, 24 September 2025

| Time | Activity | Delivered by | Location |
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| Anytime between 10-11am | Optional informal drop-in session with the Information, Advice & Guidance (IAG) team and the Curriculum & Programmes (C&P) team. Come along to meet our friendly team for any general School enquiries that you may have! | IAG team and C&P team | Student Support Hub AMBS Building, Second Floor, Room 2.091 |
| 12 noon- 1pm | Group Working and Cross-Cultural Communication | Kathy Bradley and Tahira Majothi (Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Team) | Online via Microsoft Teams Meeting ID: 382 861 824 323 Passcode: iU7Jj9nN |
| Anytime between 1-2pm | Wellbeing Wednesday (drop-in session) Join us for some wellbeing craft activities, giant boardgames, or just take a moment to unwind and relax during Welcome week. You will also have an opportunity to meet our Student Support and Wellbeing (SSW) team and find out how they can support you during your studies here at AMBS. Important information about support available from the AMBS Student Support & Wellbeing Team | Student Support and Wellbeing (SSW) team | Cosy Campus Space AMBS Building, Second Floor, Room 2.094 |
| 2-3pm | Between 2-3pm there will be short tours of the building to familiarise you with our resources, facilities, and available support. The tours last around 15-20 minutes and numbers are limited to 25 students per tour group on a first come first served basis. Please sign up at the meeting point at 2pm. | AMBS Student Ambassadors | Meeting point: AMBS foyer |
| 3-4pm | Postgraduate Careers Service Induction: Your MSc programme as a step into professional practice | AMBS Postgraduate Careers Service team | AMBS Building, Ground Floor, Room G.003 |



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Thursday, 25 September 2025

| Time | Activity | Delivered by | Location |
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| Anytime today | Have a look at some useful checklists from the <u>Transitioning to life at University</u> to help you prepare for your studies Passionate about improving the student experience? <u>Find out more and apply to become a Student Representative</u> | | |
| GROUP 1: 9am- 12 noon | NOTE: The cohort will be divided into two groups and you will need to attend either session 1 OR session 2. Your Programme Director will confirm the group allocation during your Programme Induction Activity on Tuesday. This is an interactive simulation game where you'll take on different roles and experience the real-time challenges of supply chain management. This fun and fast-paced session ties directly into Business Analytics by showing the importance of data, forecasting, and decision-making in complex systems. | Your Programme Director | AMBS Building, Second Floor, Room 2.007 |
| 12 noon- 1.30pm | Join us for a fun adventure and an engaging team-building activity to get to know your peers. Please arrive early at the meeting point, as we will be exploring the campus for this activity. | IAG team and Student Ambassadors | AMBS Building, Second Floor, Room 2.008 |
| GROUP 2: 2-5pm | NOTE: The cohort will be divided into two groups and you will need to attend either session 1 OR session 2. Your Programme Director will confirm the group allocation during your Programme Induction Activity on Tuesday. This is an interactive simulation game where you'll take on different roles and experience the real-time challenges of supply chain management. This fun and fast-paced session ties directly into Business Analytics by showing the importance of data, forecasting, and decision-making in complex systems. | Your Programme Director | AMBS Building, Third Floor, Room 3.006a/b |



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Friday, 26 September 2025

| Time | Activity | Delivered by | Location |
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| Anytime today | Read more about the Academic Advisor information Have a look at the University of Manchester Library website to see the resources, training and support available for you Visit My Learning Essentials webpage - our Library's award-winning skills programme that provides online guidance and resources, workshop sessions, as well as drop-in support. | | |
| 10am- 12 noon | Academic Writing Skills Session | Professor Julia Handl | AMBS Building, Fourth Floor, Room 4.011a/b |



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Open Monday to Friday, 9am - 5pm Drop in for information and advice during Welcome Week and throughout the year.



AMBS Postgraduate Taught (PGT) Handbook

The online handbook is the main source of information about your programme, studies and available support throughout your degree.

We recommend saving the online handbook as a favourite, or adding it to your bookmarks to give you easy access whenever you need it.



Interactive Campus Map

AMBS is building number 29.



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