Welcome to IJP. This is an introductory course in Java programming, for people with no prior experience of object-oriented programming. For an idea of the course content, please explore the web pages from the menu on the right.

It is possible to take this course without any previous programming experience at all, but you will almost certainly find the course challenging and you will need to allocate more time. If you are already confident with Java or some other object-oriented programming language (C++, C#, Python), you probably don’t need to take this course; see your specialism adviser about an exemption (see the programming requirement in the [ParamlinkText](#) for details).

If you do plan to take the course, you will want to make sure that you are ready to start work as soon as the course begins - it moves fairly quickly, and it is easy to fall behind. See the [Getting Started](#) page and make sure that you have completed all the necessary preparation. Most of the course material is available online, including the video lectures, so it is possible to start work on the course before you arrive - you may want to do this if you are going to be late, or if you don't have a lot of previous programming experience.