

Eligibility

Your [eligibility](#) for US Federal Title IV Loans will be assessed by the information provided on your [FAFSA](#).

Enrolment status

You must be enrolled and continue to be enrolled at least half-time at Birmingham City University to remain eligible for US Federal Title IV Loans. Please note that if you take a temporary withdrawal, withdraw permanently or drop below half-time enrolment then you **must** email usloans@bcu.ac.uk immediately.

Courses ineligible for federal loans

Birmingham City University has been approved to certify Federal Student Loans for degree courses. The University has **NOT** been approved to certify US Federal Title IV Loans for students wishing to study:

- Certificate or Diploma courses
- Courses with study of less than half time, online study or distance learning study
- Courses with a study-abroad/work placement year

If any part of your course entails a placement or period away from the University, please email usloans@bcu.ac.uk before applying for your loan so that we can assess your eligibility.

A postgraduate research course involving research to be undertaken in the US or a writing-up period in the US is **NOT** permitted. If you will be conducting research that can **only** be undertaken in the US, please email usloans@bcu.ac.uk before applying for your loan so that we can assess your eligibility.

Students wishing to study one of the above programs may be eligible for Private Loans.

Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP)

To be eligible for US Federal Title IV Loans, a student must make satisfactory academic progress (SAP). The University's SAP Policy applies to all undergraduate and postgraduate students taking US Federal Title IV Loans to study at Birmingham City University.

Full details of the SAP process and the procedures to be followed if a student fails to meet SAP requirements are outlined in our Satisfactory Academic Progress Policy.