

# **Course Specification**

Cou	Course Summary Information				
1	Course Title		BSc (Hons) Sport a	BSc (Hons) Sport and Exercise Science	
2	BCU Course	UCAS Code	US0621	C630	
	Code				
3	Awarding Institution		Birmingham City U	niversity	
4	Teaching Institution(s)			-	
	(if different from point 3)				
5	Professional Statutory or				
	Regulatory Body (PSRB)				
	accreditation (if applicable)				

# 6 Course Description

Our BSc Hons Sport and Exercise Science course will equip you with the skills to become a practitioner in the sport and exercise industry; either helping athletes to achieve their potential or working with members of the public to achieve their goals. You will be taught in our £71 million City South Campus based in Edgbaston, Birmingham – if this sounds like the course for you then find out more about our university entry requirements.

#### What's covered in the course?

The course explores the science of sport and exercise, considering how disciplines such as physiology, psychology and biomechanics can be applied in the context of sports performance, physical activity, health and wellbeing.

You will study a range of discipline-specific and multi-disciplinary modules, equipping you with a diverse range of perspectives that will enrich your learning and enhance your career opportunities.

It won't just be about sport - you'll be looking at different aspects of health and people at opposite ends of the health spectrum. Sport and exercise is a large and expanding global industry and levels of fitness and participation in physical activity are significant issues on the political agenda. Therefore, you'll be trained to respond to the challenges facing society today, by exploring the profession and it's disciplines in encouraging and supporting greater physical activity.

Endorsed by the British Association for Sport and Exercise Science, the professional body for sport and exercise science, our practice-led course is full of relevant, fresh information and insight that you can take into the work environment and make a positive contribution to modern society.



7	Course Awards		
7a	Name of Final Award	Level	Credits
			Awarded
	Bachelor of Science with Honours Sport and Exercise Science	6	360
7b	Exit Awards and Credits Awarded		
	Certificate of Higher Education Sport	4	120
	Diploma of Higher Education Sport	5	240
	Bachelor of Science Sport	6	300

8	Derogation from the University Regulations
	Not applicable

9	Delivery Patterns			
Mode	(s) of Study	Location	Duration of Study	Code
Full Ti	ime	City South	3 years	US0621
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# 10 Entry Requirements

The admission requirements for this course are stated on the course page of the BCU website at <a href="https://www.bcu.ac.uk/">https://www.bcu.ac.uk/</a> or may be found by searching for the course entry profile located on the UCAS website.

11	Course Learning Outcomes
1	Analyse, design and support the implementation of changes in practice, where required, in order
	to improve athletic performance; enhance health and wellbeing; aid recovery and rehabilitation;
	and sustain exercise participation.
2	Critically evaluate research in sport and exercise to draw appropriate conclusions and provide
	evidence-based recommendations.
3	Reflect on experience and practice and take responsibility for continued learning and
	professional development.
4	Describe and explain the theory and application of sport and exercise disciplines: physiology,
	biomechanics, sport and exercise psychology.
5	Analyse contemporary issues in sport and exercise science and implement into practice, where
	appropriate, to remain at the forefront of the profession.
6	Apply the skills and knowledge of sport and exercise and its underpinning disciplines to practice.
7	Demonstrate the application of a scientific theoretical knowledge base to participation and
	performance issues.



8	Competently demonstrate expertise in a range of sport and exercise practical techniques and a
	range of performance-based assessments.
9	Conceive, develop and investigate research questions using appropriate methods and analyse,
	interpret and report the results.
10	Explain the importance of being able to apply a critical and interdisciplinary approach to
	contemporary scientific issues in sport and exercise science.
11	Critically appraise the role of the sport and exercise scientist within the multidisciplinary support
	team and communicate effectively with other members.
12	Communicate effectively sport and exercise science data and outcomes to clients, clinicians and
	other healthcare professionals, working effectively in a multidisciplinary team.
13	Identify and apply the advantages of interdisciplinary work in the applied context to optimise
	athletic performance and well-being.
14	Describe the applied context of sport and exercise that will be of value to employers.
15	Work within the boundaries of professional competence, adhering to ethical standards,
	confidentiality and modes of effective communication.
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16	Demonstrate a wide-range of transferable skills to appropriately prepare for employment (e.g.
	communication & literacy, problem solving, numerical techniques, independent learning &
	working, teamwork, ICT etc.).
17	Explain the worldwide role and application of sport and exercise.
18	Demonstrate an ability to adapt behaviours in accordance with diverse cultural needs.



# 12 Course Requirements

### 12a Level 4:

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete all the following CORE modules (totalling 120 credits):

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
SPX4000	Professional Skills and Evidence Based Practice	20
SPX4001	Introduction to Sport and Exercise Science	20
SPX4002	Sport and Exercise Physiology and Principles of Training	20
SPN4001	Practical Skills in Sport and Exercise Nutrition	20
SPE4003	Applied Anatomy	20
SPX4003	Biomechanics of Human Movement	20

### Level 5:

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete all the following CORE modules (totalling 120 credits):

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
SPX5000	Performance Analysis	40
SPX5001	Sport and Exercise Physiology and Nutrition	20
SPX5002	Planning and Conducting Research	20
SPX5003	Sport & Exercise Psychology	20
SPE5002	Practical PE and Sport: Applied Pedagogy	20

#### Level 6:

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete all the following CORE modules (totalling 80 credits):

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
SPX6000	Independent Research Project	40
SPX6004	Exercise Referral and Behaviour Change	20
SPX6005	Strength and Conditioning	20



In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete at least 20 credits from the following list of OPTIONAL modules.

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
SPX6001	Environmental Physiology	20
SPE6001	Psycho-Social Aspects of Physical Activity	20

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete a further 20 credits from the following list of OPTIONAL modules.

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
SPX6002	Performance Development in Relation to Sport or Exercise	20
SPX6003	Psychological Perspectives of Athletic Development	20



# 12b Structure Diagram

Please note list of optional modules is indicative only. Students' choice will not be guaranteed for optional modules but a fair and transparent process will be adopted and shared with students.

## Full Time / Sandwich

### Level 4

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO	
Core:	Core:	
Introduction to Sport and Exercise Science	Sport and Exercise Physiology and Principles of Training (20 credits)	
(20 credits)	Practical Skills in Sport and Exercise Nutrition	
Professional Skills and Evidence Based Practice (20 credits)	(20 credits)	
Core: Applied Anatomy and Biomechanics (40 credits)		

### Level 5

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core:	Core:
Sport and Exercise Physiology and Nutrition	Planning and Conducting Research (20 credits)
(20 credits)	Sport & Exercise Psychology (20 credits)
Practical PE and Sport: Applied Pedagogy	
(20 credits)	
Core: Performance Analysis (40 credits)	

Optional Sandwich Year	
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# Level 6

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core: Strength and Conditioning (20 credits)	Core: Exercise Referral and Behaviour Change (20 credits)
Optional:	Optional:
Environmental Physiology (20 credits) Psycho-Social Aspects of Physical Activity (20 credits)	Psychological Perspectives of Athletic Development (20 credits)
	Performance Development in Relation to Sport or Exercise (20 credits)
Core: Independent Research Project (40 credits)	



#### 13 Overall Student Workload and Balance of Assessment

Overall student *workload* consists of class contact hours, independent learning and assessment activity, with each credit taken equating to a total study time of around 10 hours. While actual contact hours may depend on the optional modules selected, the following information gives an indication of how much time students will need to allocate to different activities at each level of the course.

- Scheduled Learning includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, contact time specified in timetable
- *Directed Learning* includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning
- Private Study includes preparation for exams

The *balance of assessment* by mode of assessment (e.g. coursework, exam and in-person) depends to some extent on the optional modules chosen by students. The approximate percentage of the course assessed by coursework, exam and in-person is shown below.

#### Level 4

### **Workload**

### % time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	220
Directed Learning	484
Private Study	496
Total Hours	1200

# **Balance of Assessment**

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	55%
Exam	12%
In-Person	33%

#### Level 5

#### **Workload**

### % time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	229
Directed Learning	428
Private Study	543
Total Hours	1200

## **Balance of Assessment**

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	62%
Exam	28%
In-Person	10%



## Level 6

# **Workload**

# % time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	182.5
Directed Learning	344
Private Study	673.5
Total Hours	1200

# **Balance of Assessment**

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	43%
Exam	0
In-Person	57%