WELCOME

I’D LIKE TO GIVE YOU A WARM WELCOME TO BIRMINGHAM CITY UNIVERSITY. I AM IMMENSELY PROUD TO BE THE CHANCELLOR OF THIS VIBRANT AND DIVERSE INSTITUTION.

Our University offers some pretty special opportunities for postgraduate students. Whether you want to pursue a passion, take the next step in your career or even change direction completely, we’ve got what you need to thrive – the expert staff, the fantastic facilities and the location right in the heart of the flourishing city of Birmingham.

Come and see for yourself what’s happening at the University and across the city. I did, and that’s why I was thrilled to accept this amazing role of Chancellor at BCU.

All the very best with whatever you do next.

Sir Lenny Henry,
Chancellor, Birmingham City University
WHY STUDY WITH US?

HERE ARE 10 REASONS TO CHOOSE BIRMINGHAM CITY UNIVERSITY.

1 POSTGRADUATE EMPLOYMENT
We are committed to developing our students with the skills and knowledge they need to secure future employment.

2 A GLOBAL CITY
Study with us and you will be located at the heart of the dynamic city of Birmingham – with all the social and employment possibilities that brings.

3 LEARN FROM THE BEST
Our teaching staff come from and maintain links with industry, and 11 are National Teaching Fellows - the most prestigious award for excellence in university teaching and learning.

4 PRACTICE-BASED RESEARCH
Almost 99% of our research was judged to have delivered outstanding, or, very considerable, external impact. (Research Excellence Framework 2014)

5 INVESTING IN YOUR FUTURE
We have invested £340 million in industry standard, state-of-the-art facilities to ensure you have the best possible environment for practice-based learning.

6 AMAZING FACILITIES
From four TV and six radio studios to a mock hospital ward and city trading room, we are committed to providing the best resources for our students.

7 CHOICE FOR ALL
With over 120 postgraduate and professional development courses to choose from, there’s choice to think outside the box and arm yourself with a qualification that suits your interests and ambitions.

8 SUPPORT AND ADVICE
Throughout your time with us, you’ll have access to our full range of student support services including career advice, mentoring and professional development events.

9 ENHANCED EARNING POTENTIAL
Someone with a Master’s degree or PhD earns £7,000 more per year, or £280,000 over a 40-year working life, than someone with just a degree. (Graduate Labour Market Statistics 2020, Department for Education)

10 FINANCIAL SUPPORT
You’ll be able to access a range of funding options when you study with us. In addition to our own scholarships, you’ll be able to access government-backed Master’s and PhD loans.
BELMONT WORKS
The University is transforming the historic 120-year-old Belmont Works, next to our City Centre Campus, into a £60 million innovation centre for businesses, artists and academics to collaborate, as the second phase of our STEAMhouse initiative. The overhaul sees the restoration of the Grade A listed building which has stood derelict since being gutted by a fire in 2007.

COMMONWEALTH GAMES
The University will be at the very heart of legacy plans for the Commonwealth Games, being hosted by Birmingham in 2022. A deal has been agreed for the redeveloped Alexander Stadium in Perry Barr to provide a new home for our sports courses after the event, giving our students access to world-class professional facilities.

THE HEART OF THE CITY

BY CHOOSING BIRMINGHAM CITY UNIVERSITY, YOU WILL BE STUDYING IN A VIBRANT AND DIVERSE CITY, WITH PLENTY OF OPPORTUNITIES TO PROGRESS YOUR EDUCATION AND CAREER. THE UNIVERSITY HAS PLAYED A KEY PART IN THE CITY’S TRANSFORMATION OVER RECENT YEARS, WITH SEVERAL MORE EXCITING PROJECTS IN THE PIPELINE.

STEAMHOUSE
STEAMhouse is our fantastic business development centre which aims to encourage collaboration between the science, technology, engineering, arts and mathematics (STEAM) sectors. The first phase of the project features fabrication facilities for use by businesses and individuals, workshops, networking events and access to grants for small businesses.

FIND OUT MORE
www.steamhouse.org.uk
EVERYONE PICTURED IS A POSTGRADUATE ALUMNUS OF BIRMINGHAM CITY UNIVERSITY. HERE ARE SOME OF THEIR SUCCESS STORIES.

REGAN PEGGS
Legal Practice Course
Solicitor, advocate, and founder of Regan Peggs Solicitors

Regan joined BCU in 1998 to study an undergraduate Law degree. He then went on to study a postgraduate qualification with us, which set him up for a truly successful legal career. Regan went on to set up his very own solicitors’ practice and is thriving within the profession.

“The experiences that I had at BCU – both in terms of the quality of the education I received and the range of opportunities that were afforded to me – have been instrumental in shaping my career to date. It is with this in mind that I remain committed to offering other up-and-coming lawyers at BCU advice, experience and opportunities, through regular guest lecturing and speaking engagements at the University as well as the administration of an internship programme for BCU students at my firm.”

ASHLEY INNIS
MSc Real Estate Management
Project Manager, Birmingham City Council

Ashley has played a key role in many of the biggest developments taking place in Birmingham in recent years, including New Street station, Grand Central and the redevelopment of Paradise Circus. Before taking on that role, he decided to undertake further study with an MSc in Real Estate Management which he is studying on a part-time basis alongside his work.

“Over the course of my most recent roles, I have been involved in the development of a number of major regeneration schemes and projects so have a really good practical understanding of what is required and I wanted to supplement this with a theoretical grounding, so what better place to continue my studies than the place it all started at, BCU! I’m a Brummie, I’ve lived and worked here all of my life, and so I’m proud to attend my local university.”

To read more stories, visit bcu.ac.uk/pg-i-am-bcu

BEN GOODWIN
PgDip Broadcast Journalism
Communications Manager, HS2 Ltd

With an ambition to work in the media, Ben came to BCU to undertake a postgraduate qualification, where he learned many of the practical skills he needed to work in journalism. The skills were also transferable, and he then put them into practice in a slightly different role, as a Communications Manager for the HS2 rail project.

“At PG level, there is much more one-on-one time with the academic staff, so you can really hone certain skills or work through a problem in much more detail. Plus, I found there was a greater sense of freedom, in terms of exploring areas of personal interest. I was given more time to develop original ideas, yet, at the same time, I felt that I was not just gaining an academic qualification, but I was working towards gaining an exciting career for life.”
Our innovative teaching methods, ground-breaking research and collaborations with industry are backed by around 50 of our courses having professional accreditation – an approach that is constantly broadening the thinking of our staff, students and associates.

By studying here, you will have the opportunity to gain the knowledge and attributes that today’s employers constantly crave.

Through our close relationships with businesses and organisations in Birmingham, you’ll gain extensive experience and skills.

We hope to welcome you soon, but if you have any queries about postgraduate study in the meantime, please don’t hesitate to get in touch with us.

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PAIGE JONES
Cardiac Care (Professional Practice)
Operating Department Practitioner

Paige used postgraduate study at BCU to continue her professional development as an Operating Department Practitioner, with a qualification which will allow her to progress in her role and pass knowledge on to other members of her team. Her studies will also open up opportunities for her to work in other areas of the hospital, such as accident and emergency or intensive care.

“Courses at BCU allow you to further develop the skills you have graduated with, to allow further progression to higher and more specialised roles in healthcare. All three modules are very much related to my everyday role as an Anaesthetic ODP in the cardiac theatres and I have already been able to apply some of my knowledge and understanding gained on this course to my clinical practice.”

ABED AHMED
PGCE Mathematics (School Direct)
Mathematics teacher

Abed teaches secondary school mathematics, an achievement made all the more impressive by the fact that he has had a stammer since the age of four. Despite the fact that teaching requires a lot of speaking, Abed has overcome his difficulties and also set up his own stammer support sessions at school, to help young people in the same position. His achievements have not gone unnoticed, and he was named ‘New Teacher of the Year’ at the TES Schools Awards 2018.

“I decided to study at BCU because it had a lot of links with schools I wanted to work in and was always well-known to produce great teachers. Also, my subject mentor Don Newtown is known around the country and he was the only person I wanted to work for. Staff were incredibly helpful and they offered sessions for me to improve my academic writing. I learned how to plan lessons, manage behaviour and thrive in my career.”

A POSTGRADUATE QUALIFICATION IS AN OPPORTUNITY TO BE INTRODUCED TO NEW IDEAS, TO GAIN EXPERTISE IN YOUR SPECIALIST SUBJECT AND TO GIVE YOUR CAREER A REAL EDGE.

FIND YOUR FUTURE HERE
FLEXIBLE STUDY OPTIONS

Here at Birmingham City University, we understand that sometimes life gets in the way. That’s why we offer not only full-time study, but a host of flexible study options including part-time and online.

ONLINE

By offering you a range of online courses, it means that you can study for your postgraduate degree in your own time. You will learn through tutor-led webinars, online activities and a range of internet resources, including e-library learning sources. Emphasis is placed on student-centred guided, self-directed learning, with a progressively increasing independence of approach, thought and process.

PART-TIME

We offer a range of part-time postgraduate, professional and short courses across many subject areas. So whether you want to enhance your career prospects, update your professional skills or simply study for your own enjoyment, we can help you realise your potential with a range of courses that you may be able to fit around work or family commitments.

PROFESSIONAL PLACEMENTS

Many of our Master’s courses offer the opportunity to take a Professional Placement route, which includes a credit-bearing 20-week placement. If you are seeking to change or develop your career, this is an ideal opportunity to gain valuable professional experience alongside your studies.

WHY YOU MIGHT WANT TO CHANGE DIRECTION

• You might see an opportunity in another sector
• You might want to explore a different subject area
• You’re looking to change or progress your career

Whether you’re already working and want a change of career, or you’ve made it to the third year of your degree and feel like you might want to change your subject, there are plenty of options for you at postgraduate level. We offer a range of postgraduate conversion courses designed to help you fast-track into a new profession, after completing an undergraduate degree.

A number of our courses accept students at postgraduate level regardless of their undergraduate subject. As long as you have a good undergraduate degree, you may be eligible to apply to a range of courses.

Most of our conversion courses offer the opportunity for you to study either full-time, or flexibly on a part-time basis. You’ll develop your existing skillset and be able to adapt in a changing and increasingly competitive job market.

We offer conversion courses across a range of fields, including the Arts, Computing, Law, Management, Nursing, Social Sciences, Social Work and Teaching.

So, if you’re thinking of changing direction after your undergraduate degree, there are plenty of postgraduate opportunities waiting to be explored that you may not have already considered. Look out for the ‘’ icon on the following course pages to find out which courses you could apply for with any undergraduate degree. You can also find out more at www.bcu.ac.uk/changing-direction.
ART, DESIGN AND MEDIA

Our Faculty of Arts, Design and Media includes a specialist music and acting conservatoire, a leading provider of media training, and Europe’s biggest jewellery school.

The faculty is internationally renowned for creative education with a history dating back to 1843. Our links with industry include Louis Vuitton Moet Hennessy (LVMH), Cartier UK, Saatchi and Saatchi, the BBC, Sony Interactive Entertainment Europe, and Europe’s biggest jewellery school.

ARCHITECTURE AND DESIGN

Integrated Architecture Apprenticeship (IBBA Part 1 and 3) Full-time or part-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/architecture-part1

MArch Architecture (IBBA Part 2) Full-time or part-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/architecture-march


MA Design and Visualisation Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/design-visualisation

MA Design Management Full-time, part-time or work-based learning. January or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/design-management

MA Interior Architecture and Design Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/interior-design-ma

MA Landscape Architecture Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/landscape-arch-ma

MA Landscape Architecture with Conversion^ Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/landscape-conversion


MA Urban Design Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/urban-design-ma

ART

MA Art and Design: Interdisciplinary Practices Full-time or part-time. January or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/art-ma

MA Arts and Education Practices Full-time or part-time. January or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/art-education

MA Arts and Project Management Full-time or part-time. January or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/art-project-mgmt

MA Contemporary Arts China Full-time or part-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/china-ma

MA Fine Art Full-time or part-time. January or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/finite-art-ma

ENGLISH

MA Creative Writing^ Full-time or part-time. January or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/ma-creative-writing

MA English Literature Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/english-literature-ma

MA English Linguistics (Distance Learning) Continuous dates from October 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/english-linguistics-ma

FASHION AND TEXTILES

MA Cosmetics Branding and Promotion Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/cosmetics

MA Fashion Design Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/fashion-design


MA Fashion Promotion Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/fashion-promotion-ma

MA Fashion Styling Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/fashion-styling-ma

MA Luxury Brand Management^ Full-time. January or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/luxury-brand-mgmt-ma

MA Textile and Surface Design Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/textile-surface-design-ma

JEWELLERY AND RELATED PRODUCTS


MA Jewellery and Related Products Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/related-products-ma

MSc Gemology Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/gemology-ma

MA Luxury Jewellery Management^ Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/jewellery-management-ma

MEDIA AND MULTIMEDIA TECHNOLOGY

MA Creativity, Making and Innovation Practice^ Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/creativity-making-innovation-ma

MA/PgCert Data Journalism Full-time (MA) or part-time (PgCert). September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/data-journalism

MA Event, Festival and Exhibition Management Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/event-exhibition-management

MA Feature Film Development^ Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/feature-film-development

MA Film Distribution and Marketing^ Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/film-distribution-ma

MA/MSc Future Media^ Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/future-media

MA Media and Cultural Studies Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/media-cultural-studies-ma

MA Media Production Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/media-production

MA Multimedia and Mobile Journalism Full-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/multimedia-journalism


MUSIC

MMus/Pgdip/PgCert Composition Full-time or part-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/composition

MMus/Pgdip Conducting (Brass Band) Full-time or part-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/brass-band-conducting

MMus/Pgdip Conducting (Choral) Full-time or part-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/choral-conducting

MMus/Pgdip/PgCert Experimental Performance Full-time or part-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/experimental-performance

MMus/Pgdip/PgCert Instrumental Performance Full-time or part-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/instrumental-performance

MMus/Pgdip/PgCert Jazz Full-time or part-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/jazz-mus-pg dip

MMus/Pgdip/PgCert Music Technology Full-time or part-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/music-tech-minus

MA Musicology Full-time or part-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/musicology

MMus/Pgdip Orchestral Performance Full-time or part-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/orchestral-performance

MMus/Pgdip/PgCert Vocal Performance Full-time or part-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/vocal-performance


VISUAL COMMUNICATION


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The Faculty of Business, Law and Social Sciences is a globally oriented faculty, drawing on theories and practice from around the world to inform our learning environment.

Birmingham City Business School is a professionally oriented, international business school focused on connecting you with every aspect of the world of business and innovation. While we have a unique relationship with the city we’re rooted in, renowned for its industry and commerce, our courses are designed to meet the needs of businesses across the globe.

With more than four decades of innovative practice in academic and professional legal education and training, Birmingham City School of Law specialises in social justice, with leading academics who are experts in human rights and the death penalty, as well as civil and social issues.

At Birmingham City School of Social Sciences, our mission is to make sense of the world. Our students and academics work together across the disciplines of Criminology, Psychology and Sociology to develop insights into society.
The Faculty of Computing, Engineering and the Built Environment comprises two schools with a shared vision to create a powerful centre of technological excellence and innovation, and to equip you with the skills you need to succeed in the workplace and contribute to the wider society.

As an institution, we have invested £340 million in our facilities, including a major expansion of our City Centre Campus. In 2022, STEAMhouse, a brand new £70 million facility will become the new home to our Computing and Digital Technology students. This unique centre will give you access to an exceptional learning environment and facilities, as well as opportunities to collaborate with people and businesses across multiple sectors and work on real industry-based projects.

We are recognised internationally for the high quality of our teaching, research and extensive industry partnerships, and have established ourselves as one of the leading academies for Microsoft and Cisco Systems. We are an official Autodesk Training Centre (ATC) and have links with a range of employers including SevenCapital, Savills, Taylor Wimpey, Amazon Web Services (AWS) and Jaguar Land Rover.

### COMPUTING

- **MSc Advanced Computer Networks**
  - Full-time or part-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/adv-comp-networks-msc

- **MSc Advanced Computer Science**
  - Full-time or part-time. January or September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/adv-computer-science-msc

- **MSc Artificial Intelligence**
  - Full-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/ai

- **MSc/PGCert/PgDip Big Data Analytics**
  - Full-time or part-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/big-data-msc

- **MSc Computer Science**
  - Full-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/computer-science-msc

- **MSc Cyber Security**
  - Full-time or part-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/cyber-security-msc

- **MSc Digital Transformation**
  - Full-time or part-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/digital-transformation-msc

- **MSc Smart Manufacturing**
  - Full-time or part-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/smart-manufacturing-msc

- **MSc User Experience Design**
  - Full-time or part-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/user-experience-msc

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### ENGINEERING

- **MSc Automotive Engineering**
  - Full-time or part-time. January or September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/auto-engineering

- **MSc International Logistics and Supply Chain Management (Online)**
  - Distance learning. January or September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/logistics-scm-msc

- **MSc International Project Management (Online)**
  - Distance learning. January or September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/int-project-management-msc

- **MSc Logistics and Supply Chain Management**
  - Full-time or part-time. January or September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/logistics-scm-msc

- **MSc Mechanical Engineering**
  - Full-time or part-time. January or September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/mechanical-engineering

- **MSc Project Management**
  - Full-time or part-time. January or September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/project-management-msc

### BUILT ENVIRONMENT

- **MSc Building Surveying with Facilities Management**
  - Full-time or part-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/surveying

- **MSc Construction Project Management**
  - Full-time or part-time. January or September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/construction-pm

- **Civil Engineering**
  - Full-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/civil-engineering-ms

- **MSc Digital Construction**
  - Full-time or part-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/digital-construction-msc

- **MA Planning Built Environments**
  - Full-time or part-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/planning-pace

- **MSc/PGCert/PgDip Quantity Surveying**
  - Full-time or part-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/quantity-surveying-msc

- **MSc Real Estate Management**
  - Full-time or part-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/real-estate-msc

- **MA Urban Design**
  - Full-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/urban-design-pace

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  - Full-time or part-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/surveying

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  - Full-time or part-time. January or September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/construction-pm

- **Civil Engineering**
  - Full-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/civil-engineering-ms

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  - Full-time or part-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/quantity-surveying-msc

- **MSc Real Estate Management**
  - Full-time or part-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/real-estate-msc

- **MA Urban Design**
  - Full-time. September 2022.
  - www.bcu.ac.uk/urban-design-pace

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The Faculty of Health, Education and Life Sciences has a long and established history of delivering training for the education and healthcare professions. The Faculty benefits from close links with local NHS Trusts and healthcare providers, as well as schools and colleges throughout the Midlands, which ensure that our students are at the heart of innovation and developments in the health, social care and education sectors.

We are committed to teaching quality and have been awarded the Skills for Health Quality Mark, in recognition of the high standard of learning and training delivered on our health courses.

Through our history of working with overseas ministries, academic institutions and professional bodies, we’ve supported transformation in local healthcare and education practices. We are currently engaged in collaborative research and delivery in a variety of areas including student progression, and mobility of staff and students.
OUR RESEARCH

Research is a core component of what we do at Birmingham City University. Our researchers are committed to discovering new knowledge and delivering real benefits to culture, industry, society and the environment.

Postgraduate research students are members of our wider research community of academics and research staff, research collaborators and research users, who work together to create and apply new knowledge and understanding.

Studying for a research degree allows you to explore your chosen topic in greater depth, guided by expert supervisors within a supportive environment. In addition to analytical and research skills, you will develop transferable professional skills which are highly valued by employers, such as time management.

Our researchers work across disciplines and with collaborators locally, nationally and internationally to produce research of high impact to society, the environment, culture and the economy. We have launched the UK’s first Centre for Brexit Studies, researching all aspects of the UK’s vote to leave the EU, including the impact on the British and European economies.

Our latest Research Excellence Framework (REF) results demonstrate the public benefit of our research to society and the economy, with 90% deemed to have either ‘outstanding’ or ‘very considerable’ impact.

To find out more about research degrees, please visit our website at www.bcu.ac.uk/research.

RESEARCH COURSES

Are you looking to become an expert in your field and make an exciting contribution to research knowledge? Our postgraduate research degrees allow you to undertake an extended independent research project, with academic support and guidance.

FACULTY OF ARTS, DESIGN AND MEDIA

PhD Conservatoire Research Degrees
Full-time, part-time or distance learning. February or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/conservatoire-phd

PhD Art and Design
Full-time, part-time or distance learning. February or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/art-and-design-phd

PhD English Research Degrees
Full-time, part-time or distance learning. February or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/english-phd

PhD Media and Cultural Studies
Full-time, part-time or distance learning. February or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/media-cultural-studies-phd

FACULTY OF BUSINESS, LAW AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

PhD Business
Full-time, part-time, distance learning. February or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/business-phd-research-degrees

DBA Doctor of Business Administration
Distance Learning. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/doctorate-in-business-administration-dba

PhD Law
Full-time, part-time, distance learning. February or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/law-research-degrees

PhD Social Sciences
Full-time, part-time or distance learning. February or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/social-sciences-research-degrees

FACULTY OF COMPUTING, ENGINEERING AND THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT

PhD Built Environment Research Degrees
Full-time, part-time or distance learning. February, May or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/built-environment-phd

PhD Computing Research Degrees
Full-time, part-time or distance learning. February, May or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/computing-phd

FACULTY OF HEALTH, EDUCATION AND LIFE SCIENCES

PhD Education
Full-time or part-time. February or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/education-phd

PhD Health
Full-time or part-time. February or September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/health-phd

EdD Professional Doctorate in Education
Part-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/edd

DHealth Professional Doctorate in Health Practice
Part-time. September 2022. www.bcu.ac.uk/dhealth
FINANCIAL SUPPORT

IT’S IMPORTANT TO BE AWARE OF THE FUNDING THAT MAY BE AVAILABLE TO YOU WHEN YOU CHOOSE TO DO POSTGRADUATE STUDY, TO ENSURE YOU HAVE ENOUGH MONEY FOR COURSE FEES, STUDY MATERIALS AND LIVING COSTS.

TUITION FEES
Each course web page includes the tuition fees for that course. Some courses involve intensive laboratory, clinical or fieldwork so may have higher fees. International students will be charged fees at the international rate (students from the EU with settled or pre-settled status may be eligible for ‘home’ fees; students from the Republic of Ireland automatically qualify for ‘home’ status). Part-time fees normally do not apply to international students as your student visa requires you to study full-time. Visit the course pages to find out about tuition fees and costs at www.bcu.ac.uk/pgcourses.

FUNDING YOUR POSTGRADUATE DEGREE
There are many different forms of financial support to apply for, but there is no shortage of competition for them. When it comes to funding, it’s important to start early. Your starting point should be contacting the University, who will be able to tell you about any funding available.

POSTGRADUATE LOANS
The UK Government offers loans to eligible students starting a taught or research Master’s degree. The maximum loan for students who ordinarily live in England or Wales was £11,570 in 2021. This amount grows with inflation each year. A package of support is also available to students who live in Scotland or Northern Ireland. Full details, including eligibility and repayment, can be found at www.gov.uk/postgraduate-loan.

SCHOLARSHIPS
Scholarships and other financial support are provided by a range of organisations, including universities, private companies, charities and the government. Some are designed to pay recipients’ tuition fees; others help to cover living costs. There are many different schemes to apply for, but some may be competitive. Visit www.prospects.ac.uk for more information.

RESEARCH FUNDING
The UK Government also offers postgraduate doctoral loans of up to £27,265 per year for students starting a research degree in the UK. Find out more via www.gov.uk/doctoral-loan. Research funding is awarded on a competitive basis, using independent expert peer review. Potential applicants should refer specific questions about the applications process to the relevant Research Council. Discover more at www.ukri.org/funding.

NHS FUNDING
The NHS Learning Support Fund (LSF) package gives students on pre-registration health professions courses funding of at least £5,000 a year for maintenance and associated study costs. Further additional funding is available to those who meet certain eligibility criteria.

In addition, postgraduate pre-registration Nursing, Midwifery and Allied Health Professions students can access standard student loans on the same basis as students at undergraduate level.

For more information visit www.thefundingclinic.org.uk/postgraduate.

OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING MAY INCLUDE:
- PGCE student funding
- Employer support
- Disabled Students Allowance
- Trusts and charities
- Crowdfunding
- Working while studying

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NEXT STEPS

1. **FIND YOUR COURSE ON OUR WEBSITE**
   Pop onto our website and find the course you wish to study.

2. **CHECK YOU MEET THE ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**
   Once you have found the course you’d like to apply to, it’s important that you meet the entry requirements. Some courses require an undergraduate degree in a related subject, while some require a certain amount of work experience and/or an interview. Entry requirements can be found in the individual course listings in our courses section at [www.bcu.ac.uk/courses](http://www.bcu.ac.uk/courses).

3. **SPEAK TO THE COURSE ENQUIRIES TEAM**
   The Course Enquiries Team is a dedicated information and guidance team here to help you find out more about studying at Birmingham City University. We’ll provide you with the information you need to make an informed choice about the correct course for you.
   Complete our online form or call +44 (0)121 331 5595.

4. **SEE US FOR YOURSELF**
   Our Open Days and Virtual Open Days provide a great opportunity to chat with staff and students, view our fantastic facilities, learn more about the Students’ Union or take a tour of our accommodation. [www.bcu.ac.uk/pg-events](http://www.bcu.ac.uk/pg-events)

5. **PREPARE**
   Prepare your personal statement, references and portfolios if required. [www.bcu.ac.uk/pg-personal-statement](http://www.bcu.ac.uk/pg-personal-statement)

6. **APPLY DIRECTLY ONLINE**
   Applications for our postgraduate taught courses are usually made directly through our website, although in some cases you apply via a third party. Just find your course and hit the apply button and we’ll guide you to the relevant application process.

7. **RECEIVE AN OFFER**
   Once you have satisfied the entry requirements and we’ve received all of your documents, we’ll let you know if you have been successful. You may need to supply extra documents but we’ll let you know. Then you’ll need to accept your place, and will then receive information about joining us.

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**Important legal information**

If you accept a place to study on a postgraduate course with us, you will enter into a contract with the University. Birmingham City University’s Terms and Conditions for taught awards are available on the Student Contract web page [www.bcu.ac.uk/student-contract](http://www.bcu.ac.uk/student-contract) and contain the principal terms of the contract.

**DISCLAIMER**

The information in this prospectus is aimed at applicants starting their course at Birmingham City University in 2022 and should be read in conjunction with the information available on the course pages. We have taken every effort to ensure the information contained within the prospectus is accurate for 2022 entrants at the time of being finalised in October 2021. It is likely that the 2021/22 and 2022/23 academic years will be affected by the ongoing disruption caused by the Covid-19 pandemic. Any arrangements to be put in place by the University for the 2021/22 and 2022/23 academic years in response to Covid-19 will be in accordance with the latest government public health advice, pandemic-related/health and safety legislation, and the terms and conditions of the student contract. Further information will be provided on the Student Information section of the University’s website.