

Course Specification

Course Summary Information			
1	Course Title		BSc (Hons) Real Estate
2	BCU Course Code	UCAS Code	US0714 N230
3	Awarding Institution		Birmingham City University
4	Teaching Institution(s) (if different from point 3)		
5	Professional Statutory or Regulatory Body (PSRB) accreditation (if applicable)		Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors

6	Course Description
	<p>Want to enter the exciting world of property? Discover our BSc (Hons) Real Estate course. This degree is for you if you are interested in the study of the built environment and in the acquisition, disposal, management and valuation of land and buildings.</p> <p>This real estate course has been developed in the UK in accordance with the requirements of Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS), the leading international professional body for surveying, our course meets the needs of potential employers in the public, private and third sectors. You will complete your undergraduate degree with the most current and relevant insights.</p> <p>What's covered in the course?</p> <p>You will gain a detailed understanding of real estate, alongside learning to make an expert analysis of the processes of its ownership, development, occupation, valuation and management. You'll also examine economics and finance, property valuation and management, development, construction, urban planning and law, ensuring you are equipped with the attributes you'll need for a successful career.</p> <p>The course integrates technological, financial, legal and management issues, and you will connect the theories and practice of real estate to a range of real-life case studies, helping you understand the complex world of property.</p> <p>We will prepare you for a career in real estate, developing your collaborative skills and ensuring you are not only able to practise effectively within the global real estate industry, but that you are also sensitive to the needs of the diverse cultures that you come into contact within your work.</p> <p>Especially relevant for the would-be chartered surveyor, this course offers a detailed study of the built environment alongside an expert analysis of the acquisition, disposal, management and valuation of land and buildings.</p> <p>Benefitting from our staff's close links with industry, the course thoroughly prepares you for the enormously varied work of a general practice surveyor.</p>

7 Course Awards			
7a	Name of Final Award	Level	Credits Awarded
	Bachelor of Science with Honours Real Estate	6	360
	Bachelor of Science with Honours Real Estate With Professional Placement Year	6	480
7b Exit Awards and Credits Awarded			
	Certificate of Higher Education Real Estate	4	120
	Diploma of Higher Education Real Estate	5	240
	Bachelor of Science Real Estate	6	300

8 Derogation from the University Regulations	
	Not applicable

9 Delivery Patterns			
Mode(s) of Study	Location	Duration of Study	Code
Full Time	City Centre	3 years	US0714
With Professional Placement Year	City Centre	4 years	US1142
Part Time	City Centre	5 years	US0715

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

11 Course Learning Outcomes	
Knowledge and Understanding	
1	Identify the principles of property law and their impact on property and business valuation, and property and investment management.
2	Identify and apply the key features of individual and portfolio property management and agency.
3	Identify and apply the principles of the inspection and measurement of land and property.
4	Select and apply appropriate valuation techniques across a wide range of property and land types.
5	Develop business and managerial approaches and skills that enable the successful implementation of appropriate real estate techniques and technologies.
Cognitive and Intellectual Skills	
6	Argue rationally and draw independent conclusions based on a rigorous, analytical and critical approach to demonstration and argument.
7	Synthesise theory and practice to design, develop and implement a range of real estate solutions.
8	Interpret and critically evaluate knowledge, concepts and ideas and / or forms of creative expression in a suitably professional manner.
9	Apply interdisciplinary frameworks to the analysis and solution of complex valuation, investment and property management issues.
Practical and Professional Skills	
10	Demonstrate competence across relevant RICS education outcomes.
11	Access information from a range of sources, such as the internet, journals, books, research papers, and appraise its suitability for undergraduate and industry research.
12	Demonstrate the ability to work effectively, both autonomously and as a member of a team, and accept responsibility for actions taken.
13	Recognise and apply professional values and ethics in informing property development and planning excellence.
Key Transferable Skills	
14	Manage your time effectively and prioritise workloads.
15	Use multiple forms of communication and expression, employing them selectively, appropriately and effectively according to the specifics of the task.
16	Access and make appropriate use of relevant information and data for a specified purpose.
17	Manage conflict appropriately in professional situations.
18	Diagnose problems and identify solutions (individually and collectively).
19	Work effectively in a team.

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
BNV4106	Introduction to the Built Environment	20
BNV4107	Introduction to Valuation	20
BNV4108	Law	20
BNV4105	Introduction to Property Markets	20
BNV4103	Built Environment Technology 1	20
BNV4110	Professional Environmental and Materials Science	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
BNV5115	Property Asset Management	20
BNV5109	Advanced Valuation Methods	20
BNV5111	Data and Decision Making	20
BNV5112	Design and Development in the Built and Natural Environment	20
BNV5110	Building Pathology	20
BNV5116	Property Law	20

Professional Placement Year (optional)

In order to qualify for the award of Bachelor of Science with Honours Real Estate with Professional Placement Year, a student must successfully complete all of the modules listed as well as the following Level 5 module:

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
PPY5004	Professional Placement	120

Level 6:

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
BNV6127	Property Marketing	20
BNV6123	Applied Valuation	20
BNV6126	Property Fund Management	20
BNV6125	Professionalism and Citizenship	20
BNV6200	Individual Honours Project	40

12b Structure Diagram

Full Time

Year 1 Level 4

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
BNV4106: Introduction to the Built Environment (20 credits) BNV4108: Law (20 credits) BNV4103: Built Environment Technology 1 (20 credits)	BNV4107: Introduction to Valuation (20 credits) BNV4105: Introduction to Property Markets (20 credits) BNV4110: Professional Environmental and Materials Science (20 credits)

Year 2 Level 5

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
BNV5112: Design and Development in the Built and Natural Environment (20 credits) BNV5110: Building Pathology (20 credits) BNV5116: Property Law (20 credits)	BNV5109: Advanced Valuation Methods (20 credits) BNV5115: Property Asset Management (20 credits) BNV5111: Data and Decision Making (20 credits)

Professional Placement Year 3 (optional)

Professional Placement Module 120 Credits

Year 4 Level 6

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
BNV6123: Applied Valuation (20 credits) BNV6126: Property Fund Management (20 credits)	BNV6127: Property Marketing (20 credits) BNV6125: Professionalism and Citizenship (20 credits)
BNV6200: Individual Honours Project (40 credits)	

Part time

Year 1

Level 4

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
BNV4106: Introduction to the Built Environment (20 credits) BNV4108: Law (20 credits)	BNV4107: Introduction to Valuation (20 credits)

Year 2

Level 4

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
BNV4103: Built Environment Technology 1 (20 credits)	BNV4105: Introduction to Property Markets (20 credits) BNV4110: Professional Environmental and Materials Science (20 credits)

Year 3

Level 5

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
BNV5110: Building Pathology (20 credits) BNV5116: Property Law (20 credits)	BNV5109: Advanced Valuation Methods (20 credits) BNV5115: Property Asset Management (20 credits)

Year 4

Level 5

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
BNV5112: Design and Development in the Built and Natural Environment (20 credits)	BNV5111: Data and Decision Making (20 credits)

Level 6

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
BNV6123: Applied Valuation (20 credits)	BNV6127: Property Marketing (20 credits)

Year 5
Level 6

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
BNV6125: Professionalism and Citizenship (20 credits)	BNV6126: Property Fund Management (20 credits)
BNV6200: Individual Honours 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
24% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	288
Directed Learning	400
Private Study	512
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	86%
Exam	0
In-Person	14%

Level 5
Workload
24% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	288
Directed Learning	414
Private Study	498
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	84%
Exam	8%
In-Person	8%

Level 6
Workload
22% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	264
Directed Learning	366
Private Study	268
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	80%
Exam	0
In-Person	20%