

Programme Specification

Programme Summary Information			
1	Course Titles		BSc (Hons) Property Development and Planning MPlan Property Development and Planning
2	Course Codes	UCAS Codes	BSc (Hons) US0850 K251 MPlan UM0027 K252
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 Town Planning Institute (RTPI): Combined accreditation for MPlan route only Spatial accreditation for BSc route only See RPTI website for further information on the accreditation options offered

6	Programme Description
	<p>Study our BSc Property Development and Planning degree course and you'll uncover the theory, methods and tools needed to succeed in the planning and development professions.</p> <p>If you aspire to gain chartered surveyor or chartered town planner status in the UK, you'll be pleased to know our course has been developed in line with the requirements of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) and the Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI). Plus, it offers the option to progress seamlessly onto a Masters level course when you graduate.</p> <p>What's covered in the course?</p> <p>The BSc (Hons) / MPlan Property Development and Planning course reflects the changing professional context of planning, land and property development, and the connections between the range of professions active in managing the built environment. Some of the content is shared with our other professionally-accredited built environment courses, so you will receive a varied and comprehensive education focused towards relevant professional employment. Understanding professional requirements, standards, ethics and behavior are important throughout the course – and your working life.</p> <p>You will assess how property development can affect individuals and groups, examining the process and outcomes. The financial aspects of property development and management are also covered. You will look at how town planning can facilitate appropriate development: development plans, policies and projects, as well as examining the physical, technical, legal, environmental and political factors affecting development decisions. You will develop your awareness of the complexities and variety within and between different communities, as well as evaluating community participation and empowerment.</p> <p>You will build skills in managing yourself and working with others, including those from related professions, to identify and achieve the best outcomes for clients, communities and places. You will meet professionals currently working in practice, who contribute to the Property Development and Planning course and help ensure that you get the most up-to-date ideas and</p>

	information. You will be encouraged and supported to become a student member of a relevant professional body, to join in its activities and events, and to become a confident professional.
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7 Programme Awards			
7a	Possible Final Awards for the Property Development and Planning programme	Level	Credits Awarded
	For BSc (Hons): Bachelor of Science with Honours Property Development and Planning	6	360
	Bachelor of Science with Honours Property Development and Planning with Professional Placement Year	6	480
	For MPlan: Integrated Master of Planning Property Development and Planning	7	480
	Integrated Master of Planning Property Development and Planning with Professional Placement Year	7	600
7b	Possible Exit Awards and Credits Awarded for the Property Development and Planning programme		
	Certificate of Higher Education Property Development and Planning	4	120
	Diploma of Higher Education Property Development and Planning	5	240
	Bachelor of Science Property Development and Planning	6	300

8 Derogation from the University Regulations	
	Not applicable.

9 Delivery Patterns			
Mode(s) of Study	Location	Duration of Study	Code
BSc (Hons) Full Time	City Centre	3 years	US0850
BSc (Hons) with Professional Placement Year	City Centre	4 years	US1160
MPlan Full Time	City Centre	4 years	UM0027
MPlan with Professional Placement Year	City Centre	5 years	UM0074
MPlan Part Time	City Centre	7 years	UM0037

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

11	Programme Learning Outcomes (KEY: B - BSc; M – MPlan)
	Knowledge & Understanding
1	Identify the socio-economic, environmental, political and historical frameworks within which property development and planning processes take place, and their impact on those processes B
2	Explain the significance of funding arrangements within the context of property development and planning; and assess the role of different stakeholders involved with the development process, including issues of procurement and project management B
3	Identify and apply the principal planning tools (regulatory, incentive, valuation, scenarios and participative) to address spatial planning challenges across the built environment B+M
4	Demonstrate the application of law as it relates to relevant aspects of property development and planning frameworks B
5	Develop business and managerial approaches and skills that enable the successful implementation of appropriate techniques and technologies related to property development and planning B+M
	Cognitive & Intellectual Skills
6a	Formulate independent conclusions based on a rigorous, analytical and critical approach to project requirements B
6b	Argue rationally and draw independent conclusions based on a rigorous, analytical and critical approach to demonstration and argument M
7a	Critically assess theory and practice to design, develop and implement a range of spatial planning solutions B
7b	Synthesise theory and practice to design, develop and implement a range of spatial planning solutions M
8a	Evaluate knowledge, concepts and ideas and / or forms of creative expression in a suitably professional manner B
8b	Interpret and critically evaluate knowledge, concepts and ideas and / or forms of creative expression in a suitably professional manner M
9a	Apply frameworks to the analysis and solution of complex development, planning and environmental issues B
	Apply interdisciplinary frameworks to the analysis and solution of complex development, planning and environmental issues M
	Practical & Professional Skills
10	Demonstrate competence across relevant RICS and RTPI education outcomes B+M
11	Access information from a range of sources, such as the internet, journals, books, research papers, and appraise its suitability for undergraduate and Master's level research B+M
12	Demonstrate the ability to work effectively, both autonomously and as a member of a team, and accept responsibility for actions taken, including health and safety regulations B+M
13	Recognise and apply professional values and ethics in informing property development and planning excellence B+M

	Key Transferable Skills
14	Manage your time effectively and prioritise workloads B+M
15	Use multiple forms of communication and expression, employing them selectively, appropriately and effectively according to the specifics of the task B+M
16	Access and make appropriate use of relevant information and data for a specified purpose
17	Manage conflict appropriately in professional situations B+M
18	Diagnose problems and identify solutions (individually and collectively) B+M
19	Work effectively in a team B+M

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Level 6:

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

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
BNV6200	Individual Honours Project (for both BSc and MPlan Route)	40
BNV6127	Property Marketing	20
BNV6124	Drivers of Change	20
BNV6128	Urban Design Practice in Context	20
BNV6125	Professionalism and Citizenship	20

Level 7:

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

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
BNV7201	Individual Integrated Master's Project	40
BNV7145	Tools for Managing Sustainability	20
BNV7142	Placemaking	20
BNV7146	Transitions for Sustainable Futures	20
BNV7143	Professional Practice	20

12b Structure Diagram

Full Time

Year 1 Level 4

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
BNV4106: Introduction to the Built Environment (20 credits) BNV4103: Built Environment Technology 1 (20 credits) BNV4108: Law (20 credits)	BNV4107: Introduction to Valuation (20 credits) BNV4110: Professional Environmental & Materials Science (20 credits) BNV4104: Integrated Digital Design Residential (20 credits)

Year 2 Level 5

BNV5112: Design, Development and the Built and Natural Environment (20 credits) BNV5110: Building Pathology (20 credits) BNV5116: Property Law (20 credits)	BNV5111: Data and Decision Making (20 credits) BNV5147: Digital Cities (20 credits) BNV5117: Smart Policies and Plans (20 credits)
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Professional Placement Year 3 (optional)

Professional Placement Module (120 credits)

Year 4 Level 6

BNV6128: Urban Design Practice in Context (20 credits) BNV6124: Drivers of Change (20 credits)	BNV6127: Property Marketing (20 credits) BNV6125: Professionalism and Citizenship (20 credits)
BNV6200: Individual Honours Project (40 credits) (for both BSc and MPlan Route)	

Year 5 Level 7

BNV7145: Tools for Managing Sustainability (20 credits) BNV7142: Placemaking (20 credits)	BNV7146: Transitions for Sustainable Futures (20 credits) BNV7143: Professional Practice (20 credits)
BNV7201: Individual Integrated Master's Project (40 credits)	

Part time delivery
Level 4 Part Time 1

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core BNV4106: Introduction to the Built Environment (20 credits) BNV4108: Law (20 credits)	Core BNV4104: Integrated Digital Design (20 credits)

Level 4 Part Time 2

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core BNV4103: Built Environment Technology 1 (20 credits)	Core BNV4107: Introduction to Valuation (20 credits) BNV4110: Professional Environmental & Materials Science (20 credits)

Level 5 Part Time 3

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core BNV5116: Property Law (20 credits) BNV5110: Building Pathology (20 credits)	Core BNV5147: Digital Cities (20 credits) BNV5117: Smart Policies and Plans (20 credits)

Level 5 Part Time 4

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core BNV5112: Design and Development in the Built and Natural Environment (20 credits) BNV6128: Urban Design Practice in Context (20 credits)	Core BNV6126: Property Marketing (20 credits) BNV5111: Data and Decision Making (20 credits)

Level 6 Part Time 5

Semester 1	Semester 2
Core BNV6124: Drivers of Change (20 credits)	Core BNV6125: Professionalism & Citizenship (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

% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	288
Directed Learning	412
Private Study	500
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	83%
Exam	0
In-Person	17%

Level 5

Workload

% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	288
Directed Learning	394
Private Study	518
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	91%
Exam	0
In-Person	9%

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

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	210
Directed Learning	282
Private Study	708
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	72%
Exam	0
In-Person	28%