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BOURNEMOUTH UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS POLICY AND PROCEDURE

Academic year intake 2015-16

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2. Overarching principles & eligibility

2.1 With the exception of the BU International Partnership, BU International Partnership Excellence Scholarships and Discretionary in-country awards, students can only be in receipt of one BU scholarship in any given year (Academic, Music or Sport). Eligibility criteria for each category of scholarship are laid out in Section 5.

2.2 With the exception of the BU Sports and Music Scholarships, scholarships will be awarded for the first year of study at BU only. Students repeating units/years on an existing course or starting again as a first year on a new course will not be eligible.

2.3 A successful student will only be eligible to receive one award for the highest value unless they specifically request otherwise, for example preferring to receive the Academic Excellence Scholarship in place of another, higher award, for which they Tm(s)2.

Scholarship awards for Non EU students will be made by fee reduction.

4.3 BU Music and Sports Scholarships

Depending on the scholarship, awards can consist of a range of cash awards, or the provision of tuition, coaching, equipment, or funding for competitions and travel expenses.

5. Scholarship Categories & Criteria

5.1 BU Academic Excellence Scholarship (UK/EU/non-EU) ABB or equivalent* (see below)

Mode of Attendance:	Full time
Place of Attendance:	Eligible courses delivered on the BU campus
Fee Category:	UK, EU, Non-EU
Level of Study: courses	UK/EU: Undergraduate Honours Year 1 (Level C) – excludes NHS funded and Top-up courses Non-EU: First year of study (Level C, I, H)
Criteria:	Must be studying on an Undergraduate – Bachelor's Degree (excluding NHS funded courses and post-registration/professional courses – see exclusions) A Levels – Grades ABB or Distinction, Distinction, Merit (DDM) at BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma or above or equivalent (*see below) or Equivalent other non-UK qualifications (**see below)
Value of award :	UK/EU: £1,500 Pre-payment card (UK/EU) (see 5.2) Non-EU: £2,000 fee reduction (Non EU) (see 5.2)

Deadline and eligibility for inclusion:

All students joining the University in September 2015 (including any deferrals) who meet the University's published eligibility criteria for an Undergraduate Academic Excellence Scholarship will receive the award.

Students can only be in receipt of one scholarship in each category (Academic, Music & Sport). The university will award the scholarship of the greatest value by default, however students that meet the eligibility for two awards (e.g. Academic Excellence, Vice-Chancellor's award) could indicate their preference to receive the AES award if preferred.

In the majority of cases the scholarship awards will be confirmed automatically once the University has received the student's results via UCAS.

In those instances where qualifications are not picked up automatically, for instance non-UK, then applicants will have until the end of the first academic year of study to provide evidence of their qualifications to the University for consideration.

The University will also consider qualifications achieved that pre-date the existing year of entry so long as the overall profile meets the published criteria for the year of entry.

For international (non-EU) students joining Level I or a top-up degree in Level H, the criteria of this award may consider additional higher qualifications such as successful completion of a UK Higher National Diploma (HND) with an overall merit profile or equivalent level overseas qualification, if the Secondary School result is below the criteria**

Deadline and eligibility for inclusion:

All students joining an eligible programme at the University in September 2014 from a formal overseas partner institution, as outlined in section 5.2, will automatically receive the award. This will be in the form of a tuition fee reduction.

5.3 BU International Partnership Excellence Scholarship

Mode of Attendance: Full time

Place of Attendance: Eligible courses delivered on the BU campus

Fee Category: Non-EU

Level of Study: Undergraduate Honours (Year 2 and Top-up).

Criteria: Students must be studying at one of BU's formal partner universities overseas and be resident in the relevant country at the time of application. A Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and/or Recognition Agreement will be in place between BU and the overseas partner.

At the time of writing, BU overseas partners include Beijing Normal University Zhuhai China, (BNUZ); Universitas Bina Nusantara (BINUS) Indonesia and University of Economics and Law (UEL), Vietnam.

Students will be applying for courses as outlined in section 5.2.

Value of award: £3,000 (one award per overseas partner institution) fee reduction

Deadline and eligibility for inclusion:

The scholarship will be automatically awarded to the student from the eligible overseas institution that has the highest GPA score on entry to BU. In the event that two students have the same GPA score, then their IELTS score will also be taken into consideration. In the event that there are two identical profiles (GPA and IELTS) then an additional award will be made.

The award is in the form of a tuition fee reduction.

The recipient of the BU International Partnership Excellence Scholarship will also automatically receive the £2,000 BU International Partnership Scholarship.

5.4 Vice-most promising applicant (Access to HE; BTEC; STEM; International)

5.4.1 Most promising applicant (Access to HE)

Mode of Attendance: Full time

Place of Attendance: BU campus (excludes BU Partner Colleges)

Fee Category: UK

Level of Study: Undergraduate Honours Year 1 (excludes courses funded by the NHS and Top-up courses)

Criteria: Have achieved/are predicted to meet or exceed the entry requirements for chosen BU course through studying an Access to Higher Education qualification.



BSc (Hons) Archaeological, Anthropological & Forensic Sciences
BSc (Hons) Archaeology
BA (Hons) Archaeology & Anthropology
BSc (Hons) Biological Sciences
BSc (Hons) Built Environment Design
BSc (Hons) Business Information Technology
BSc (Hons) Computer Networks
BSc (Hons) Computing
BSc (Hons) Cyber Security Management
BSc (Hons) Data Science & Analytics
BSc (Hons) Design Engineering
BSc (Hons) Ecology & Wildlife Conservation
MEng (Hons) Engineering
BSc (Hons) Environmental Science
BSc (Hons) Forensic Computing & Security
BSc (Hons) Forensic Investigation
BSc (Hons) Forensic Science
BSc (Hons) Games Programming
BSc (Hons) Games Technology
BSc (Hons) Geography
BA (Hons) Industrial Design
BSc (Hons) Information Technology Management
BSc (Hons) Music & Audio Technology
BSc (Hons) Music & Sound Production Technology
BA (Hons) Product Design
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BSc (Hons) Product Design
BSc (Hons) Psychology
BSc (Hons) Software Engineering
BSc (Hons) Software Development for Animation, Games and Effects

Have achieved/are predicted to meet or exceed the entry requirements for one of the above courses at BU.

Students will be required to complete an application form and personal statement, outlining what makes them an outstanding applicant for BU.

Value of award: Full tuition fee waiver of Year 1 fees (£9,000). Excludes any repeat units/years.

Deadline and eligibility for inclusion:

One scholarship is available for September 2015 entry.

Applications must be submitted by 31 July 2015.

Criteria: This scholarship is offered to students who have applied to study a full-time undergraduate (Bachelor) degree at BU and who are resident in one of the following countries at the time of application: China, Hong Kong, Kazakhstan, Russia and Vietnam.

Students must be able to demonstrate an exceptional academic profile from high school studies (or higher), as assessed by IAT using BU International Qualification database.

Students will also be required to complete an application form and personal statement, outlining what makes them an outstanding applicant for BU.

Value of award: Full tuition fee waiver of Year 1 fees. Excludes any repeat units/years.

Deadline and eligibility for inclusion:

One scholarship is available for September 2015 entry.

Applications must be submitted by 31 May 2015.

An awarding committee will review applications focusing on the student's personal statement and actual results. The committee will then make recommendations to the Vice-Chancellor who will ultimately decide on the successful applicant.

5.5 BU Sports Scholarship

Mode of Attendance: Full time

Place of Attendance: BU campus (excludes Partner Colleges)

Fee Category: UK/EU/Non-EU

Level of Study: Undergraduate Honours (any level), excludes placement year.

Criteria: Students must be able to demonstrate that they are a talented sportsperson and have a desire to continue to develop sports skills, as well as their academic profile.

They will be expected to represent their chosen sport at national or junior international level or be able to demonstrate the potential to compete at this level.

Selection Process: Applicants applying for a scholarship in a varsity sport will need to attend BU trials to be assessed by the coach.

All applicants need to ensure that references are sent alongside their application. This must be a sealed sporting reference from a high performance coach or National Governing Body.

All scholarship decisions will be made before the end of October 2014.

Value of award: A range of Sport Scholarships may be awarded. Awards can consist of a range of cash awards, or the provision of coaching, equipment, funding for competitions:

(£500-£1000 range of award)

The athlete will be a talented sportsperson and have the desire to continue to develop in the sporting arena as well as academically. The applicant will be expected to be representing their sport at national or junior international level (or equivalent thereof) or be able to demonstrate the potential to compete at these levels.

(£1000- £5000 range of award)

The elite athlete will be expected to be representing their sport at an international level of competition (or have done within the previous two years) and have the potential to reach world-class performance level. They will be, or

previously have been, on World Class support and recognised by their National Governing Body.

Deadline and eligibility for inclusion:

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Students must also demonstrate how they wish to develop musically, as well as academically.

Value of award: Two types of Music Scholarship may be awarded:

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A Minor award is worth around £300.
Scholarships can be paid in kind (tuition and equipment) or in cash.

Scholarships will be paid for the first year of study and may be continued for subsequent years of study (except placement years) providing students continue to meet the criteria.

Deadline and eligibility for inclusion

The deadline for applications is 15 November.

All students who are shortlisted will be invited to an audition.

Students will be expected to take regular lessons on their main instrument or voice with one of the University's tutors and the cost of lessons will be deducted from the scholarship fund at source.

6.8 Discretionary In-country Awards

Mode of Attendance: Full time

Place of Attendance: BU campus

Fee Category: Non-EU

Level of Study: Undergraduate

Criteria: BU applicants who have been interview in-country by a member of International Marketing and Student Recruitment Team (IMSRT) and who have been recommended for this award for conversion purpose. It can be awarded in addition to another BU scholarship that has been already offered.

Value of award: £2,000.

Deadline and eligibility for inclusion:

This is tactical recruitment scholarship aimed at reducing the financial barrier for those who would otherwise be unable to take up a place of study at BU.

A table identifies the BU funding source for each category of scholarship is found in the Appendix (internal only).

8. Disclaimer

Scholarships will be reviewed on a regular basis and the University reserves the right to introduce new Scholarships or to cease the award of Scholarships at any time.

For the purposes of Academic Excellence Scholarship, BU recognises only those equivalent qualifications as outlined in the table in Appendix 1.

Appendix 1 – BU Equivalencies for Academic Excellence Scholarships (all funding classifications)

A Level	A* A* A* A* A* A A* A A A* A* B A, A, A A* A B A* A* C	A A B A* A* D A* A C A* B B A* A* and an A at AS-level	A* A* E A* B C A A C A B, B A* A* and a B at AS-level A*, A* and a C at AS-level A* A and an A at AS-level
BTEC (NQF): one Diploma, OR one Certificate and one Award, OR three Awards	D D D		D D M

BTEC (QCF):

Scottish Advanced Highers	AAA AAB	ABB AAC	AAD ABC
Scottish Highers	AAAAA AAAAB AAAAC AAABB	AAAAD AAABD AAABC AAACC AABBB AABBC ABBBB	AAACD AABBD AABCC ABBBC
Irish Leaving Certificate	A1 A1 A1 A1	A1 A1 A1 A2 A1 A1 A1 B1	A1 A1 A1 B2 A1 A1 A1 B3 A1 A1 A1 C1 A1 A1 A2 B1 A1 A1 A2 B2 A1 A1 B1 B1 A1 A1 A2 A2 A1 A2 A2 A2
Access Course	-		

Exceptions and Other Combinations

Any combination of qualifications/grades listed above, which do not include an A level, will be considered for the award of Academic Excellence, where the grades are equivalent to a minimum of 320 tariff points. Applicants presenting such a combination ma

Any non UK qualification which is not stated on the above list will be considered for the award of Academic Excellence where the qualification is deemed equivalent to a minimum of 320 tariff points. These qualifications should be referred to the International Admissions Manager for a decision on the equivalency.

Appendix 2 – BU Priority Sports

American Football
Archery
Athletics & Cross Country
Badminton
Basketball
Boxing
Canoe
Clay Pigeon Shooting
Climbing
Cricket
Cycling
Equestrian
Fencing
Football
Futsal
Gaelic Football
Golf
Gymnastics
Hockey
Ju Jitsu
Judo
Karate
Korfball
Lacrosse
Modern Biathlon/Pentathlon
Netball
Orienteering
Pool
Rifle
Rowing
Rugby Fives
Rugby League
Rugby Union
Sailing
Snooker
Snowsports
Squash
Surfing
Swimming
Table Tennis
Tennis
Tenpin Bowling
Trampolining
Triathlon
Ultimate
Volleyball
Wakeboarding
Water Polo
Windsurfing
