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BOURNEMOUTH UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS POLICY AND PROCEDURE

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BU UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS POLICY AND PROCEDURE 2015-16

1. Scope and Purpose

- 1.1 Bournemouth University offers a range of undergraduate scholarships in order to reward high achievement. Details of the scholarship benefits, eligibility to apply and deadline for applications are listed in Section 5 of this document. Scholarships will be reviewed on a regular basis and the University reserves the right to introduce new Scholarships or to cease the award at any time.
- 1.2 The overarching purpose of offering scholarships is to attract talented students to BU by lowering or removing the financial barrier to study. They can be broken into three broad types that apply across home/EU and overseas markets:
- a) **Recognising Achievement:** To recognise academic achievement or other talents (e.g. sport, music) and encourage students to continue to make a strong contribution in these areas
 - b) **Recognising Partnership:** To recognise a special relationship with partner academic institutions and (sponsor) business organisations and encourage loyalty to BU from influencers at that institution
 - c) **Tactical Recruitment:**
 - a. To open up new markets and / or send a signal that BU welcomes applications from those markets (e.g. Vietnam; or BTEC applicants) by using scholarships as part of an integrated campaign to raise BU's profile in those markets and market segments
 - b. To incentivise applications to courses that need additional numbers and would benefit from a raised profile
 - c. To reduce the financial barrier for those who would otherwise be unable to take up a place
- 1.3 The criteria for eligibility for each scholarship have been approved by Bournemouth University's Fees Board. The Scholarships Implementation Group (SIG), on behalf of the Fees Board, oversees the implementation and administration of all University Scholarships.
- 1.4 Scholarships will be awarded on the basis of merit as defined within each scholarship category only and will not be means tested or otherwise influenced by any other award/grant held by the scholarship applicant.
- 1.5 Scholarships are awarded to students studying full-time on the BU campus only. Students studying at BU Partner Colleges are not eligible.
- 1.6 In order to aid conversion, if applicant is not successful in obtaining the scholarship award(s) they have applied for, an alternative scholarship offer can be recommended as appropriate by International Marketing & Student Recruitment Team (IMSRT) or the relevant awarding committee.
- 1.7 Eligibility criteria and exclusions apply to each scholarship category and are subject to review. Any changes will apply to the entire cohort in the relevant academic period (2015-16). Any change to the detriment of an applicant will be reviewed by SIG with recommendations to the Fees Board.
- 1.8 Scholarships can be withheld or adjusted to reduce an outstanding debt to Bournemouth University.

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 will have applied.

2.4 Entrants will only be eligible for the scholarship framework in the year-of-entry, including deferrals.

2.5 Where relevant completed application forms should be submitted electronically at www.bournemouth.ac.uk/scholarships, or to askBU by email at askBUstudents@bournemouth.ac.uk, or by post to: The Base, Talbot Campus, Fern Barrow, Poole, BH12 5BB UK.

2.6 Consideration will be given to all applications that meet the published criteria for each scholarship category provided the application is received before the published deadline.

2.7 Applications for undergraduate scholarships received after the published deadlines set will not normally be considered.

2.8 Students will typically be notified of the outcome of their application within 1-2 weeks of the published deadline.

2.9 BU International College (BUIC) applicants are eligible to apply for BU scholarships, subject to meeting the relevant criteria for each individual award.

3. Appeals & Complaints

3.1 Unsuccessful applicants wishing to appeal should write to the Quality & Enhancements Officer within 10 working days of being notified of the outcome of their application stating clearly the grounds for appeal.

Quality and Enhancement Officer (Appeals & Academic Complaints)
Bournemouth University
M101, Melbury House
1-3 Oxford Road
Bournemouth
Dorset
BH8 8ES, UK

appeals@bournemouth.ac.uk

3.2 Appeals will only be considered where there is evidence that a procedural irregularity has occurred in processing the application. Appeals against the University's judgement of the merit of an applicant against the published criteria will not be accepted.

4. Payment of awards

4.1 With the exception of the Academic Excellence and Music and Sports Scholarships (see below) all scholarships are paid via a reduction in fees, or full waiver of tuition fees.

4.2 Academic Excellence Scholarships

Scholarship awards for UK and EU students will be paid in nine equal instalments via pre-payment MasterCard. Normally, the first instalment (12%) will be loaded onto the card in mid-October. The remaining eight instalments (11%) will be loaded onto the card from November to June.

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**

*Refer to Appendix 1 for BU grade equivalents to ABB. For the purposes of scholarship awards BU only recognises the qualifications as outlined in Appendix 1. BU will also consider a UK Master's degree qualification or higher (or overseas equivalent) when a minimum grade of 60%/Merit (or overseas equivalent grade) has been achieved, as meeting the requirement for an Academic Excellence award.

**Non-UK qualifications will be assessed against the UK equivalencies using BU's International Qualifications Database.

5.2 BU International Partnership 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 the following courses of study at BU:

BNUZ – Business School

Year 2 entry courses

BA (Hons) Accounting and Business
BA (Hons) Accounting and Finance
BA (Hons) Finance and Business
BA (Hons) Finance and Economics
BA (Hons) Business Studies
BA (Hons) Economics

Top-up courses

BA (Hons) Business and Management
BA (Hons) International Management
BA (Hons) International Finance

UEL – Business School

Top-up courses

BA (Hons) International Finance
BA (Hons) International Management
BA (Hons) Business and Management

BINUS – Business School & School of Tourism

Top-up courses

BA (Hons) Business and Management
BA (Hons) International Hospitality & Tourism Management

Value of award: £2,000 fee reduction

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-Chancellor's Scholarship – 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.

Students will be required to complete an application form and personal statement, outlining what makes them an outstanding applicant for BU (see section 2.5).

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.

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.

5.4.2 Most promising applicant (BTEC)

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 course through studying a BTEC qualification.

Students will be required to complete an application form and personal statement, outlining what makes them an outstanding applicant for BU (see section 2.5).

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.

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.

5.4.3 Most promising applicant (STEM)

Mode of Attendance: Full time

Place of Attendance: BU campus

Fee Category: UK

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

Criteria: Be a female applicant for a full-time eligible (as identified by BU) STEM undergraduate course delivered at BU:
BSc (Hons) Anthropology

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
 MDes Product Design
 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.

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.

5.4.4 Most promising applicant (International)

Mode of Attendance: Full time

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

Fee Category: Applicants classified as 'overseas' for fee purposes are eligible to apply

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

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:

The deadline for early applications is 30 September.

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

The awards will reflect the key priority sports areas for BU. Full details can be found in the Appendix.

5.6 The sportBU EXCEL Sports & Performance 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: Scholarships are available to talented athletes in all sports within the British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS) domestic programme.

Generally students should demonstrate excellence in sport at national or international level of competition.

Value of award: No monetary value is attached to this scholarship, the EXCEL Scholarship provides athletes with the following:

- Free gym membership
- Free strength and conditioning training
- Free weekly 30 minute sports massage therapy treatment
- Free chiropractic treatments

Deadline and eligibility for inclusion:

The EXCEL Scholarship is applied for annually and athletes need to apply at the start of each academic year.

Students can qualify for both the BU Sports and sportBU EXCEL Scholarships in the same year.

The deadline for applications is the 30 September.

5.7 Music Scholarships

Mode of Attendance: Full time

Place of Attendance: BU campus

Fee Category: UK/EU/Non-EU

Level of Study: Undergraduate Honours Year 1

Criteria: Students must be able to demonstrate that they are a talented instrumentalist or vocalist, and have been involved in ensemble activity.

To be considered for the major award students will need to have reached at least Grade 8 of the Associated Board or the equivalent level in their main instrument/voice. As well as have an academic grounding in music, such as A-level or Grade 8 theory.

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:

A Major award is worth £1,000

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 (expect 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 interviewed 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.

Recommendation is made by a member of IMSRT who has interviewed the applicant in-country.

6. Tracking, reporting and monitoring on scholarships

AskBU Student Services team manage an administrative overview of applications received and track progress with Schools and professional services.

An annual report on the overall number and value of scholarships awarded via funding classifications and scholarship category to be presented to BU's Fees Board in March.

7. Budgets

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): one Extended Diploma OR one Diploma and one Subsidiary Diploma OR three Subsidiary Diplomas	D* D* D* D* D* D D* D* M D* D D D D D	D* D M	D* D* P D D M
BTEC (QCF): two 90 Credit Diplomas OR two BTEC (NQF) Subsidiary Certificates	D* D* D* D* D* D* D* D D* D* D D D* D* D M D* D D D D* D D M D D D D	D D D M	D* D* M M D* D M M D M D M
IB	36 or higher	35	34
Oxford Cambridge and RSA Examinations (OCR) National Extended Diploma		National Extended Diploma: Grade D1 Grade D2 Grade M1 One National Diploma and One National Certificate: Grade D Grade D Grade D Grade M Grade M1 Grade D Three National Certificates: Grade D Grade D Grade D Grade D Grade D Grade M	
OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Qualification: One Extended Diploma		Distinction* Distinction* Distinction* Distinction	Distinction* Distinction* Distinction Distinction

	Distinction	Distinction	Merit	
OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Qualification: One Diploma + One Introductory Diploma	Distinction*	Distinction*	+	Distinction*
	Distinction*	Distinction*	+	Distinction
	Distinction*	Distinction*	+	Merit
	Distinction*	Distinction*	+	Pass
	Distinction*	Distinction	+	Distinction*
	Distinction*	Distinction	+	Distinction
	Distinction*	Distinction	+	Merit
	Distinction	Distinction	+	Distinction*
	Distinction	Distinction	+	Distinction
	Distinction	Distinction	+	Merit
	Distinction	Merit	+	Distinction*
	Distinction	Merit	+	Distinction
	OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Qualification: Three Introductory Diplomas	Distinction*	Distinction*	Distinction*
Distinction*		Distinction*	Distinction	
Distinction*		Distinction*	Merit	
Distinction*		Distinction*	Pass	
Distinction*		Distinction	Distinction	
Distinction*		Distinction	Merit	
Distinction		Distinction	Distinction	
Distinction		Distinction	Merit	
OCR Level 3 Cambridge Technical Qualification: Two Subsidiary Diplomas	Distinction*	Distinction*	Distinction*	
		Distinction*		
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	Distinction*	Distinction*	Distinction	
		Distinction		
	Distinction*	Distinction*	Distinction	Merit
	Distinction*	Distinction*	Merit	Merit
	Distinction*	Distinction	Distinction	
		Distinction		
	Distinction*	Distinction	Distinction	Merit
	Distinction*	Distinction	Merit	Merit
	Distinction	Distinction	Distinction	
		Distinction		
Distinction	Distinction	Distinction	Merit	
Distinction	Merit	Distinction	Merit	

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	-	-	45 credits at Level 3, of which 30 credits must be at Distinction and 15 Credits at Merit or higher
BTEC National Diploma in Early Years Education	-	-	D D D
Council for Awards in Care, Health and Education (CACHE) – Level 3 Diploma in Child Care and Education	A	-	-
CACHE Extended Diploma for the Children and Young People’s Workforce (QCF)	A*	A	-
NPTC Level 3 Land Based Extended Diploma	Distinction * Distinction	-	-
Progression Diploma	-	A*	-
Advanced Diploma	-	A*	-
UAL Level Diploma in Art and Design (Diploma/Extended Diploma)	Distinction	-	-
Cambridge Pre-U	<i>BU recognises Cambridge Pre-U qualifications for Academic Achievement Scholarship; please contact askBU for more details.</i>		
Pre-approved Combinations	<i>BU considers combinations of qualifications in this table, as long as the combination includes at least one A level.</i>		
<i>Applicants applying for entry in the same year they are taking the above qualifications will receive the award without making a separate application. Students are notified of their scholarship entitlement at approximately the same time as their place is confirmed.</i>			
<i>Students meeting the above criteria, who are not notified, should contact askBU Current Students. See Exceptions and Other Combinations below for contact details.</i>			

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 may not be automatically assessed and should contact askBU Current Students who will assess the qualifications. Original exam certificates must be presented for this assessment to take place.

Level 3 qualifications not listed above will be considered by exception and application by the student. An applicant must achieve qualifications of sufficient breadth and depth of study equivalent to a minimum of 320 points, with a minimum of 100 points (B) in three single qualifications as assessed using the published UCAS tariff and BU equivalent weightings (e.g. 2 A levels at grade B and the Welsh Baccalaureate). Applicants presenting such a combination will not be automatically assessed and should contact askBU Current Students who will assess the qualifications. Original exam certificates must be presented for this assessment to take place.

BU will also consider a UK Master's degree qualification or higher (or overseas equivalent) when a minimum grade of 60%/Merit (or overseas equivalent grade) has been achieved, as satisfying the qualification requirements for an Academic Excellence award.

Applicants should apply in writing to the Head of Admissions, Academic Services, M101 Melbury House, 1-3 Oxford Road, Bournemouth, BH8 8ES. An assessment of the qualifications will be undertaken to determine eligibility. Original exam certificates must be presented for this assessment to take place.

Non UK qualifications equivalent to ABB

EU Qualifications

EU Country	EU Qualifications	Grade required
Bulgaria	Diploma za Sredno	5.3
Cyprus	Apolyterion	18
Denmark	Studentereksamen	10 average with no score less than 10 in higher level subject
Estonia	Gummaasiumi Loputunnistus	80% in the state exams + average of 4 across all subjects
Finland	Ylioppilastutkinto / Studentexamen	Magna cum laude approbatur - Very Good - 5
France	French Baccalaureat	13
	French International Option Baccalaureat	12.5
Germany	Abitur	2
Greece	Apolyterion	18
Hungary	Érettségi Bizonyítvány (Secondary Education Graduation Certificate)	4.00/5.00
Ireland	See UK table	See UK table
Italy	Diploma di Stato	80%
Latvia	Atestats par Visparejo	8
Lithuania	Brandos Atestatas	8
Poland	Matura	70% overall+ 3 advanced level subjects
Spain	Bachillerato	7.5
Sweden	Slutbetyg fran Grundskola	VG (16+)
Various	International Baccalaureate	34 or higher

OS Qualifications

OS Country	OS Qualification	Grade required
India	All India Senior School Certificate Examination Standard 12	75%
Norway	Vitnemål fra den Videregående Skole	4.6/6.0
Turkey	Devlet Lise Diploması/Lise Bitirme Diploması	4.50/5.00 or 90%

BU International College: Successful completion of Foundation Certificate with minimum grade of 70% and required English language grades for progression course

Other non UK qualifications

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