Buckinghamshire New University

INTERNATIONAL COURSE & APPLICATION GUIDE

A new style of university with over 100 years of education experience

2011-12 entry





"We're building a university in partnership with employers. This relationship is so close that companies help to design the curriculum, give technical support and help with expensive equipment. Unlike many other universities, Bucks is now in a pretty strong position."

> **Prof Ruth Farwell, Vice Chancellor** Adapted from an article in *The Independent* one of the UK's leading newspapers (2010)

A WARM WELCOME



A warm welcome to you from Buckinghamshire New University, High Wycombe and Uxbridge, United Kingdom.

Buckinghamshire New University (Bucks) would be delighted to welcome you as a student to its vibrant, friendly and supportive community. In the last few years we have invested over £60 million in our University buildings – but the biggest investment we make is in our students, and we are here to help you achieve your goals.

Bucks is a thoroughly modern university, one which is always open to fresh ideas and thinking. We have outstanding partnerships with employers and we think our innovative high-quality courses will help to prepare you for your chosen career when you graduate. Our courses are focused on enabling you to succeed in your career and giving you a rich and fulfilling experience that will be of value, whatever you choose to do in life.

With students from over 50 countries worldwide we really value our multicultural diversity, and all our students know they will receive a warm welcome to help them quickly settle in to life at Bucks.

Please take a look at our award-winning website for a real feel of life at Bucks and remember that we are all here to help you fulfil your potential and to succeed. We hope you will give us the opportunity to show you all we have to offer by choosing Bucks.

Prof Ruth Farwell Vice Chancellor and Chief Executive

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WHERE ARE WE?

Buckinghamshire New University is a friendly community, with its headquarters and larger campus in the modern and expanding market town of High Wycombe and a west London campus in Uxbridge, for nursing and health-related courses.

Both campuses have masses of attractions and activities for you to get involved in, but are also somewhere you can really feel at home.

- Campuses located in thriving town centres.
- Only 30 minutes from London Heathrow Airport by bus.
- Bus station two minutes walk from both campuses.
- Accommodation only five minutes walk from campus.
- Part-time employment opportunities available in town centre.
- Stunning countryside and activities surround the town of High Wycombe.











WHY CHOOSE BUCKS?

Term dates 2011-12

Terms

 Autumn
 19 September 2011 – 16 December 2011

 Spring
 9 Jan 2012 – 30 March 2012

 Summer
 23 April 2012 – 1 June 2012

Dates may be subject to change

Quality and employability

Our courses are of the highest quality and designed to develop employability skills through our strong links with businesses and the commercial world.

International recognition

Qualifications gained in the UK are held in high regard and are recognised internationally.

One of the best!

Bucks New University was judged one of the best universities for courses and lecturers by students using the Hotcourses website – www.whatuni.com (2009).

Outstanding facilities

We've recently invested over $\pounds 60$ million in a new state-of-the-art building – 'The Gateway' – and brand new facilities for students.

Location near London and Heathrow Airport

We're only 40 minutes from London by train, and just 30 minutes from London Heathrow Airport. We are also very close to historic Oxford, Windsor and Bath and a short drive from the beautiful South Coast.

A place to call home

We have a great community feel at Bucks; it's somewhere we're sure you'll feel at home and will make lots of new friends.

Trust

We are on the UK Border Agency's Highly Trusted Register of Sponsors.

And your lecturers will know your name; you won't just be lost in the crowd at Bucks.



A MESSAGE FOR PARENTS OR SPONSORS

The majority of students find studying and living in the UK an enjoyable and satisfying experience. We endeavour to give all of our students the best possible education and preparation for their chosen careers, so they can be confident in their skills and knowledge and leave us ready for a successful and happy future. When we welcome new students we accept them into the Bucks family, and support them as much as possible.

"I think in the UK education is more about knowledge and planning. The lifestyle and security is good." Heshari Ariyaratne, MBA student, Sri Lanka.

"We have dedicated advice and international teams who are always available to help to ensure the ongoing happiness, safety and success of all our students, so you can be sure that your son, daughter or grandchild is being well supported during their international study with Bucks."





student profile

Apanshu Singh, 25, and Naveen Kalson, 22, Delhi.

Apanshu is studying MSc International Business with the intention to progress to the MBA. Naveen has completed an International Foundation course and is commencing a BA (Hons) Business Management course in September.

Apanshu said: "The MSc has taught me valuable practical skills and the lecturers have been very supportive, I am now confident and ready to start the MBA."

Naveen said: "Bucks has a great reputation with very professional, quality lecturers, the facilities are modern, I like the high tech gym a lot."

"High Wycombe is very colourful with lots of different cultures and a mix of traditions, I miss my parents but I have made friends who I live with, which I enjoy."

Ruth Gunstone, Director of Student Experience



TUITION FEES

International students from outside the European Union (EU) or European Economic Area (EEA) are required to pay international tuition fees at the stated rates, depending on the course chosen.

Fee information

Fees are subject to change, please see **www.bucks.ac.uk/international** for the most up-to-date information.

Deposits

All applicants are required to pay a non-refundable deposit of £3,000 upon acceptance of a place offered. If a visa cannot be obtained the applicants deposit will be refunded*. Refunds will only be given upon receipt of a visa refusal letter from the UK Border Agency.

Prompt payment discounts

A discount of £1,000 will be applied if a student pays the balance of their tuition fee before or at enrolment.

Payment of fees

Full tuition fees are due at enrolment for all students. However, students can request to pay the balance of their fees in two equal instalments, one at enrolment and the second instalment just prior to the start of the second semester. Please note, students choosing this option will not be eligible for the prompt payment discount of £1,000.

Fees can be paid in the following three ways:

- 1. Online at
- https://epayment.bucks.ac.uk
- 2. By international bank transfer
- 3. By bankers draft (not cheque).

EU or EEA students

Students who are from the European Union (EU) or European Economic Area (EEA) countries are usually eligible to pay 'home' fees at the stated rates, depending on the course chosen, please see www.bucks.ac.uk.

Please check the course listing on pages 8-12 to see which fee band applies to the course you're interested in.

Fee band	Course type	Fee for 2011-12
Α	Undergraduate BA (Hons) (including LLB)	£8,500
В	Undergraduate BSc (Hons)	£9,300
С	Graduate Diploma Law / Psychology	£8,500
D	Postgraduate MA (including LLM)	£8,700
Е	Postgraduate MSc	£9,500
F	Master's in Business Administration (MBA)	£9,800
F	Master's in Business Administration (MBA) direct entry into stage II (pro-rated fee)	£6,500
G	Postgraduate research (non-laboratory, studio or workshop-based)	£9,300
н	Postgraduate research (laboratory, studio or workshop-based)	£10,000
I	Postgraduate Design	£9,500
J	MA Advertising	£11,300
к	Edexcel (BTEC) Diploma in Foundation Studies in Art, Design and Media	£6,000
L	BA (Hons) with Pilot Training	Please contact Bucks
м	ONP (Overseas Nursing Programme)	£1,200
N	English Pre-sessionals EAP 2 (10 weeks) EAP 3 (6 weeks)	£2,100 £1,400
ο	Year long foundation programmes for access to Undergraduate or Postgraduate courses are under development and will be confirmed shortly	твс

Please note:

1. Prices for courses starting between June 2011 through to May 2012 are stated above.

2. Tuition fees 2012-13 (all start dates from June 2012 through May 2013) will be confirmed on the web at **www.bucks.ac.uk/international** please check online for up-to-date course fees.

3. Tuition fees are subject to change every year.

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

Campus Key

нw	High Wycombe Campus
UXB	Uxbridge Campus

Qualification Key

BA (Hons)	Bachelor of Arts with honours
BSc (Hons)	Bachelor of Science with honours
Dip FS	Diploma in Foundation Studies
FDA	Foundation Degree in Arts
FDSc	Foundation Degree in Sciences
GDL	Graduate Diploma in Law
LLB	Bachelor of Law
LLM	Master of Laws
MA	Master of Arts
MBA	Master's in Business Administration
MPhil	Master of Philosophy
MSc	Master of Science
PGCert	Postgraduate Certificate
PGDip	Postgraduate Diploma
PhD	Doctor of Philosophy

Public Relations and Marketing Communications

Course title	Award	Campus	Duration	Starts	IELTS	Fee band
Art and Design						
3D Contemporary Crafts and Products (Jewellery, Metal, Glass, Ceramics)	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Advertising: Creative	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Graphic Arts	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Foundation Studies: Art, Design and Media	Diploma (Foundation)	HW	One year	September	6	К
Fine Art	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Furniture: Conservation, Restoration & Decorative Arts	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Furniture: Contemporary Design	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Furniture: Design & Craft	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Product Design	BA (Hons)/BSc (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	A/B
Spatial Design	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Textiles & Surface Design	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Business and Management						
Accounting and Finance	BSc (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	В
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Course title	Award	Campus	Duration	Starts	IELTS	Fee band
Health, Nursing and Social Work						
Health and Social Care	FDA	HW	Two years	September	6	А
Professional Studies in Nursing (Top-up)	BSc (Hons)	UXB/HW	One year	Sept/Feb	6	В
Social Work	BSc (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	В
Practice Development (Top-up degree, variety of pathways available)	BA (Hons)	HW	One year	September	6	А
Law						
Business Law	LLB	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Law	LLB	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Film TV Media Production and Parformance						
Film, TV, Media, Production and Performance						
Audio and Music Production	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	A
Dance and Fitness	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	A
Dance Performance	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	A
Film and TV Production	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Performing Arts (Film, TV and Stage)	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Music and Live Events Management						
Event and Festival Management	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Music and Live Events	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Music Management	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Music Management and Artist Development	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Music Management and Studio Production	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Music Management, Branding and Promotion	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Computing, New Media and Technologies						
Computing	FDSc / BSc (Hons)	HW	Two/three years	September	6	В
Digital Animation	BSc (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	В
Digital Animation and Interactive Design	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Digital Games Design	BSc (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	В
Games Development	BSc (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	В
Web Development	BSc (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	В

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Campus Key

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BSc (Hons)	Bachelor of Science with honours
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FDA	Foundation Degree in Arts
FDSc	Foundation Degree in Sciences
GDL	Graduate Diploma in Lav
LLB	Bachelor of Law
LLM	Master of Laws
MA	Master of Arts
MBA	Master's in Business Administration
MPhil	Master of Philosophy
MSc	Master of Science
PGCert	Postgraduate Certificate
PGDip	Postgraduate Diploma
PhD	Doctor of Philosophy

Course title	Award	Campus	Duration	Starts	IELTS	Fee band
Social Sciences, Policing and Psychology						
Criminological Psychology	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Criminology	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Criminology and Sociology	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Police Studies	BSc (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	В
Police Studies with Criminal Investigation	BSc (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	В
Police Studies with Criminological Psychology	BSc (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	В
Psychology	BSc (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	В
Psychology and Criminology	BSc (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	В
Psychology and Sociology	BSc (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	В
Sports Psychology	BSc (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	В
Sports Management			-			·
International Football Business Management	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	A
Sports Management and Coaching Studies	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	A
Sports Management and Football Studies	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	A
Sports Management and Golf Studies	BA (Hons)	HW	Three/four years	September	6	A
Sports Management and Rugby Studies	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	A
Sports Science and Coaching Studies	BSc (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	В
Travel, Tourism, Events and Aviation						
Air Transport with Commercial Pilot Training	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	L
Air Transport with Pilot Training	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	L
Airline and Airport Management	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
Corporate Events and Conference Management	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
International Travel and Tourism Management	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А
International Tourism Management with Air Travel	BA (Hons)	HW	Three years	September	6	А

Top-up Degrees

Entry to the second or third year of any degree may be possible without relevant qualifications and/or experience, please contact us for further information

POSTGRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL COURSES

Course title	Award	Campus	Duration	Starts	IELTS	Fee band
Art and Design						
Advertising	MA	HW	One year	January	6.5	J
Conservation of Furniture and Decorative Arts	MA	HW	One year	January	6.5	1
Furniture Design and Technology	MA	HW	One year	January	6.5	1
Printmaking (part delivered London Print Studios)	MA	HW (London)	One year	January	6.5	I
Textiles and Fashion Product	MA	HW	One year	January	6.5	1
Business and Management						
Human Resource Management	MA	HW	12 - 15 months	September	6.5	D
Information Systems for Strategic Management*	MSc	HW	12 - 15 months	September	6.5	Е
International Accounting and Finance*	MSc	HW	12 - 15 months	September	6.5	E
International Business	MSc	HW	12 - 15 months	September/February	6.5	E
International Logistics and Supply Chain Management	MSc	HW	12 - 15 months	September/January	6.5	Е
Marketing Communications	MA	HW	12 - 15 months	September	6.5	D
Master of Business Administration (MBA)	MBA	HW	12 - 15 months	September/February	6.5	F
Master of Business Administration (MBA) - Direct entry stage II	MBA	HW	6 - 9 months	September/February	6.5	F (pro rata)
Health, Nursing and Social Work						
Cognitive Behavioural Therapy	MSc	HW	One year	September	6.5	E
Overseas Nursing Programme (ONP)	Module	UXB	15 weeks	Various	7	Μ
Professional Studies in Nursing	MSc	HW/UXB	One year	September/February	6.5	E
Social Work	MSc	HW	One year	September	6.5	E
Law						
International Commercial Law	LLM	HW	One year	September	6.5	D
Graduate Diploma in Law	GDL	HW	One year	September	6.5	С
Mechanical Engineering Design and Management						
Engineering Design and Management*	MSc	HW	One year	September	6.5	E

POSTGRADUATE AND PROFESSIONAL COURSES

Cam	pus Key	Course title	Award	Campus	Duration	Starts	IELTS	Fee band
HW UXB	High Wycombe Campus Uxbridge Campus	Media, Production and Performance						
		Applied Audio Technology	MSc	HW	One year	September	6.5	E
		Digital Filmmaking	MA	HW	One year	September	6.5	D
		Outside Broadcast Engineering	MSc	HW	One year	September	6.5	E
Quali	Qualification Key Music and live Events Management							
BA (Hons)	Bachelor of Arts with honours	Music and Entertainment management	MA	HW	One year	September/February	6.5	D
BSc (Hons)	Bachelor of Science with honours	Computing, New Media and Technologies						
Dip FS	Diploma in Foundation	Applied Computing	MSc	HW	18 months	September/January	6.5	E
	Studies	e-Business	MSc	HW	18 months	September/January	6.5	E
FDA	Foundation Degree in Arts	Telecommunications and Network Management	MSc	HW	18 months	September/January	6.5	E
FDSc	Foundation Degree in Sciences	Psychology						
GDL	Graduate Diploma in Law	Psychology	GDP	HW	One year	September	6.5	С
LLB	Bachelor of Law	Travel, Tourism and Aviation						
LLM	Master of Laws	Travel, Tourism and Aviation						
MA	Master of Arts	Air Transport Management	MSc	HW	One year	September/January	6.5	E
MBA	Master's in Business Administration	By Distance or Flexible Learning These courses are no	ormally taught	in your home cou	ntry with block workshops	s delivered in the UK at Buc	ks	
MPhil	Master of Philosophy	Business Continuity, Security and Emergency Management	MSc		18 months	October/January	6.5	Contact Bucks
MSc	Master of Science	Information and communications Technology Law	LLM		Two years	January	6.5	Contact Bucks
	Postgraduate	Master's in Communications Management	MCM		18 months	January 12	6.5	Contact Bucks
PGCert	Postgraduate Certificate	Aviation Security Resiliance and Response	MSc		18 months	September/February	6.5	Contact Bucks
PGDip	Postgraduate Diploma	Health Rehabilitation and Exercise	MSc		Two years	September	6.5	Contact Bucks
PhD								
PND	Doctor of Philosophy	PHD/MPHil						
	Bucks can consider proposals for PHD/MPhil for any subject area within our portfolio, please contact us for further information G/H							

MASTER'S IN BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (MBA)

We've featured our MBA in more detail as it is a very popular and well respected course for which we have a growing international reputation.

Course overview and structure

Our MBA is designed to help you meet the challenges facing managers in the global business environment. It will develop your critical and strategic thinking and equip you with the necessary tools for solving problems. The programme enables students to develop a strategic, integrated and holistic perspective of organisations. You will study management at an individual, group and organisational behavioural level as well as at a functional, process and strategic level.

The course will prepare you for a senior management career through the development of enhanced personal and interpersonal skills. In particular, you will gain leadership capability, skills in business development and in facilitating change in organisations. We are a member of the Association of Business Schools.

The course is designed to build the following:

- strategic knowledge and reasoning in the functional areas of business and the ability to identify and evaluate the relationships between them
- business skills, both academic and practical, which will enable students to perform effectively in a variety of managerial roles
- enhanced personal development
- communication, critical thinking and interpersonal skills
- an international and strategic perspective on the functional and operational areas of business activity
- analytical, critical and research skills to support the development of corporate strategy
- a critical understanding of the tools and frameworks used in modelling and systems thinking.

Key features of the course

The MBA course has an international focus and prepares you to lead across global boundaries. As an MBA student, you will find yourself among managers from a wide range of business and cultural backgrounds. This is the reason that our teaching strategies include business simulation games, group discussions and various team working activities. These create a collaborative learning environment that enhances your learning experience with us.

What are the outcomes of the course?

At the successful conclusion of the course, you will hold the award of Master of Business Administration (MBA). This is the most widely recognised international management qualification, and qualifies you for exemptions from certain professional examinations. It also allows for entry to further postgraduate studies, including PhD programmes, as well as for academic and professional work.

Start date:	September and February each year
Cost:	£9,800 for 2011-12 entry
Mode:	Full-time

Location: High Wycombe, UK

Academics and practitioners who have an international perspective teach the programme, and we offer the following opportunities to our most ambitious MBA students:

- finding an internship in the UK
- working on international business research projects
- developing business start-up ideas
- continuing on to a PhD.

Assessment

Assessment includes coursework and examinations. Coursework may include group projects, presentations and online participation. The dissertation represents one third of the marks for the final award.

Entry requirements

International applicants for the MBA programme should:

- have a good honours degree
- be at least 23 years of age
- have at least two years full-time relevant business work experience.

Your English qualifications should be one of the following:

IELTS6.5TOEFLminimum score of 90-91
(internet-based)TOEFLminimum score of 233
(computer-based)

If you don't meet the English language requirements, you may be eligible for our pre-sessional English programme. Please see page 14 for further information.

"The course and study here has been great for me. I've been selected for an NHS Professionals role, which I would like to take up once I have finished my qualification."

WHAT ARE OUR ENTRY REQUIREMENTS?

English language entry requirements

	IELTS Academic	TOEFL (computer based)	TOEFL (Internet based)	PTE Academic (Pearsons)
Undergraduate courses	6.0 points	213 points	79-80 points	Min. 52
Postgraduate courses	6.5 points	233 points	90-91 points	Min. 58

Please check our website at: **www.bucks.ac.uk** to confirm the exact entry requirements for your chosen course as it may differ from those shown.

If students don't meet the English Language course entry requirements:

If students don't meet the English language requirements outlined above, they will have the opportunity to improve their English to the acceptable level by undertaking a pre-sessional course.

There are two entry points for these programmes (see table below)

Duration & Start Dates	Minimum Entry	Price
Ten weeks (11 July 2011)	Postgraduate IELTS 5.5 Undergraduate IELTS 5	£2,100
Six weeks (8 August 2011)	Postgraduate IELTS 6 Undergraduate IELTS 5.5	£1,400

The prices for the pre-sessionals are highly competitive and completion of these programmes will result in a guaranteed progression to the students chosen course of study for either undergraduate or postgraduate courses.

Academic entry requirements for undergraduate courses

You will need to achieve an academic equivalent of a minimum of two UK A-level qualifications as confirmed with UK NARIC; please see www.naric.org.uk.

- To view the generic equivalent qualifications for your own country, please see page 15.
- If your qualifications or country are not listed, please contact our admissions team by emailing

pgadmissions@bucks.ac.uk or speak with your local agent to discuss the criteria that will be needed to get onto your chosen course/level.

Please note:

Some courses have additional entry criteria such as interviews, portfolios or Criminal Record Bureau checks. You can find this information on our website, against each course.

Academic entry requirements for postgraduate courses

Qualification requirements vary from course to course but normally, a good honours degree is necessary and/or relevant work experience; please see **www.bucks.ac.uk/courses** for details of your chosen course.

All postgraduate applications will require the following before they can be processed:

- 1. Copies of certificates and transcripts from academic and professional courses.
- 2. A personal statement to give us further information about yourself including details of why you would like to pursue this subject area, what you hope to gain from these studies and more details about your work experience. Documented evidence will be required if work experience is an entry requirement.
- **3.** A copy of your IELTS certificate. Please see the chart opposite for the usual English language requirements.
- Two references; at least one should be an academic reference if you have recently completed a course and one reference should be from an employer.
- **5.** Any other supporting documents you feel may help your application.
- 6. A copy of your passport.

If students don't meet the academic entry requirements for undergraduate or postgraduate.

We are planning to run two separate year long Access programmes for students who don't meet the academic requirements of either a undergraduate or postgraduate course. These courses are under development and will be confirmed as soon as possible.

Do you need a visa?

If you are not an EU (European Union) passport holder or from the EEA (European Economic Area) you will require a visa to study in the UK. Please check with the UK Border Agency for further detailed information about applying under the Tier 4 points-based system at: www.ukba.homeoffice. gov.uk/studyingintheuk.

INTERNATIONAL QUALIFICATION ENTRY CRITERIA (UNDERGRADUATE)

If your country is not mentioned specifically, please contact our admissions team to discuss the qualification criteria necessary for your chosen course/level, by emailing **pgadmissions@bucks.ac.uk**. These criteria are intended as a guide; and are subject to change.



	Undergraduate degree courses
Canada	Pass of 65 per cent in five acceptable subjects at grade 12; please note that some course requirements do vary.
China	Students must graduate from Senior High School with average score 80% to be accepted to Bachelor Degree.
Hong Kong	Hong Kong Advanced Level Certificates are equivalent to UK A-levels, so please use the UCAS tariff points system.
India	HSSC Standard XII with a minimum overall score of 60 per cent.
Israel	Bagrut (Matriculation) Grades of seven or above in six subjects are required.
Japan	Associate degree (Jun-Gakushi) a minimum of 70 per cent (grade B) is required.
Kenya	Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) (from 1989) grades A-C. You will also need a recognised foundation course or A Levels in addition to the KCSE. Please speak with us for advice.
Malaysia	STPM (Sijil Tinggi Persekolahan Malaysia) - Malaysia Higher School Certificates: you should have grades A-C.
New Zealand	National Certificates in Educational Achievement - you should have achieved Level 3 (with 80 credits).
Nigeria	You will need a Nigerian National Diploma with an Upper Credit grade.
Pakistan	Bachelor of Arts/Commerce (Pass), Bachelor of Science (Pass) or Bachelor of Technology (Pass) achieved with 60 per cent or above.
Singapore	Singapore/Cambridge GCE A-level. These are equivalent to UK A-levels, so please use the UCAS tariff points system.
South Africa	Senior Certificate (with matriculation endorsement) Grades BBBCC at Higher Level.
Sri Lanka	Sri Lankan General Certificate of Education (Advanced Level) grades A-C. These are equivalent to UK A-levels, so please use the UCAS tariff points system.
Vietnam	Passed year 12 (Tot nghiep pho thong trung hoc) with at least 6 and have passed the first year of a degree or recognised foundation degree.
West Indies / Caribbean	Caribbean Advanced Proficiency Examination (CAPE) in six CAPE units, including two double-unit courses - overall grade III or above.
Zimbabwe	ZIMSEC A-level Certificate. These are equivalent to UK A-levels, so please use the UCAS tariff points system.

YOUR APPLICATION

Your application should include the following:

- correct contact details including your personal address, phone number, email (not that of an agent) and a copy of your passport
- all your school/college qualifications and supporting evidence and certificates
- details of any work experience either paid or voluntary
- a personal statement this is your chance to tell us why you're interested in this course and what skills and qualities you possess that make you a good candidate
- references referees should be an academic/ professional (tutor or employer) and not a friend or family member.

Note: All of our creative courses require a portfolio to support your application. You will be contacted about this when you apply.



OUR INTERNATIONAL AGENTS AND REPRESENTATIVES

Applying to a university in another country can be confusing and we work with a network of various agents managed by our local regional offices worldwide who can help and advise you through the entire process.

Our regional offices are in New Delhi, India and Beijing, China, and dedicated staff in these offices will provide an excellent local service to our applicants, partner institutes and agents. At the moment our regional offices support agents and applicants in:

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Malaysia

Pakistan

- Africa
- Bangladesh
- China
- India

- Philippines
- Sri Lanka
 The Middle Fast
- - Vietnam

Regional office staff will also be able to answer questions and offer valuable local knowledge and insight to help you with the application process. They can also provide more detailed agent lists for your home country, should you not be able to find one from our current lists in a city near you.

Please contact our regional offices using the following details:

India (and sub continent, middle east & Africa) regional office; email **bucksenquiries@campusgroup.com.au** or call directly on **+91 124 436 2020**.

China regional office; email Rachel Li Ning at **rachel@jardson.com** or call directly on **86-10-58697023**.





HOW TO APPLY

1. You can make your application via the following routes and send it directly to us by email or post or use a local agent. Make sure you include copies of your academic and supporting documents as listed on page 16.

Undergraduate applications:

- email us for an application form at international@bucks.ac.uk
- use a recruitment agent or representative. A list of our representatives can be found at www.bucks.ac.uk
- or make a UCAS application online via **www.ucas.ac.uk**

Postgraduate applications:

- email us for an application form at international@bucks.ac.uk
- use a recruitment agent or representative. A list of our representatives can be found at www.bucks.ac.uk
- or apply online via UKPASS www.ukpass.co.uk
- **2.** The decision whether to offer admission should take no more than five to ten working days provided we receive a full and complete application with supporting documents.
- **3.** After accepting the offer, students will need to pay a deposit of GBP £3,000 to get the CAS (Confirmation of Acceptance of Studies) letter which is required for your student visa application.

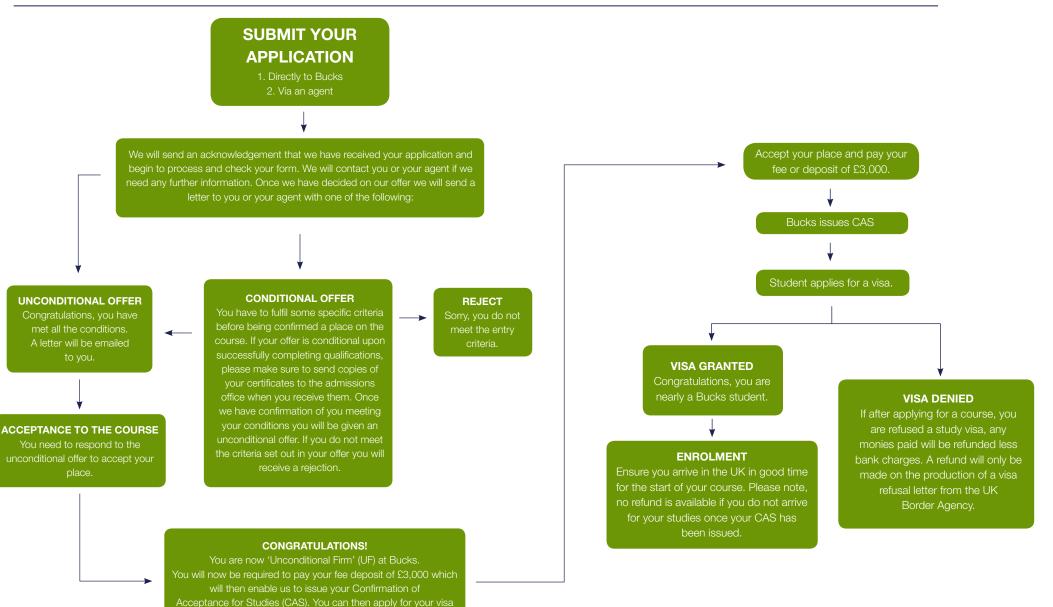
"One of our key aims at Bucks New University is to create employer-focused education to produce desirable, employable graduates. The University has considerable experience in creating partnerships with industry, commerce and the public sector and professional bodies, so when you successfully complete your course you should be amongst the most employable graduates out there."

Prof Derek Godfrey, Deputy Vice Chancellor

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THE PERFECT LOCATION

At Buckinghamshire New University we have a friendly community based at an iconic main campus in the modern market town of High Wycombe. We also have a campus in Uxbridge, West London, which delivers our health related courses.

High Wycombe is a place with masses of attractions and activities, but it's also somewhere you can really feel at home.

- Campuses located in thriving town centres.
- Only 30 minutes from London Heathrow Airport by bus.
- Bus station two minutes walk from both campuses.
- Accommodation only five minutes walk from campus.
- Part-time employment opportunities available in town centre.
- Stunning countryside and activities surround the town of High Wycombe.

student profile

Shahrukh Khan, 22, is originally from Pakistan and was raised in **Dubai.** He has just graduated with a 2.1 BA (Hons) Business and Finance. Shahrukh works as a student representative for the University.

Shahrukh said: "I chose Bucks as my lecturer in Dubai recommended it. The teaching staff and the University library services are brilliant. My dissertation supervisor was out of this world, and offered me the best of feedback on my work, I even nominated them for a best teacher award.

"High Wycombe has a mixture of cultures and people with a wide variety of backgrounds; I have made lots of different friends. I particularly enjoyed the fact that the town centre and Eden shopping centre were only five minutes walk from Bucks and I would often go there to chill out with my friends after my lectures.

"I really enjoyed my time as a Student Representative, the scheme shows how supportive the University is. My dissertation supervisor informed me that my work may be published. I am very proud and excited."



"I found out about Bucks New University at a UK Fair in Sri Lanka. I met two of the staff who I was really impressed with and the course content was fascinating. After meeting the team, I knew Bucks was for me!"

Heshari Ariyarante, MBA, Sri Lanka







In the UK and especially High Wycombe, there is a wide range of readily available international food such as Indian, Chinese and Thai as well as Italian and many others too! You should also sample traditional English foods, such as roast dinners, fish and chips, ploughman's lunches and full English breakfasts while you are here. Specific dietary requirements are usually well catered for in restaurants and in supermarkets, which often have a selection of vegetarian, Halal and Kosher dishes as well as foods for those who suffer from allergies.



We have a large new shopping and leisure centre on the doorstep of the High Wycombe Campus, named Eden. There are a range of clothes, entertainment, home, heath, beauty and leisure shops here. If you fancy something different, we are also very close to London with its famous markets and high-end retailers such as Harrods, all a 40 minute journey by train from High Wycombe.



PLAY



There are a large range of options to keep you busy at the University and in the local area. The University has a state-of-the-art gym, dance studios and events hall or the Students' Union has a number of sports clubs which you could join. There are also local services including a leisure centre and swimming pool and a range of golf clubs too. In the Eden shopping centre there is a 12 screen cinema and bowling alley. If that's a bit too energetic, we also have links with London Wasps and Wycombe Wanderers, so you can see the local football and rugby teams playing.





There is a local theatre very close to the High Wycombe Campus, which is where the graduation ceremonies are held. They often put on shows from West End musicals to comedy, drama, poetry, musical recital, dance, opera and spoken word. West Wycombe Caves are also another key local attraction, dating back to the 1740s.









A wide range of live music is available in the town. Bucks Students' Union regularly holds music events, so you can be sure there will be something you will enjoy. If you want to do something outside the University there are often a range of outdoor summer concerts on the Rye or at Hughenden Manor (local parks) and many local pubs have band nights. Most of the well-known touring musicians play in London venues, so you are never too far from something you will enjoy.

If you would like to know more about the history of Buckinghamshire New University please see **www.bucks.ac.uk/history.**

CULTURE





FAITH

There are a multitude of cultures and faiths represented in High Wycombe, making religious groups or places of worship very easy to find locally. Many religious groups are active within the University, and we can help you to find places of worship or faith groups.



High Wycombe is traditionally a market town which developed initially around furniture production. There has been a market in the town since medieval times; this is a tradition that is still held, as we have markets in the High Street three times a week. A tradition began around the medieval time, of weighing the mayor, which is still done here today. This occurs at the beginning and end of the mayor's serving year, to determine whether he or she had gained weight at the tax payer's expense! High Wycombe is located near the River Thames in the Chilterns, which is preserved as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. You are only 40 minutes away from London by train, so you can also explore world famous cultural hotspots easily.

THIS IS UXBRIDGE

Buckinghamshire New University's Uxbridge Campus is located in west London and is the home of our health-related courses. This campus is even closer to the action of London, which can be accessed by the local London Underground (tube) station.

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Uxbridge has a great range of bars and restaurants in the town centre and within the shopping areas with a range of cuisines available. There are some very historic eateries in Uxbridge dating back to the 17th century. Specific dietary requirements are usually well catered for in restaurants and in supermarkets, which often have a selection of vegetarian, Halal and Kosher dishes as well as foods for those who suffer from allergies.



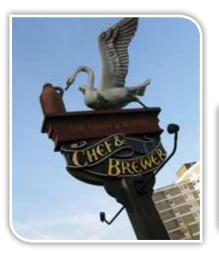
EAT



With two large shopping centres, The Chimes and The Mall, Uxbridge is among the top ten shopping destinations in London – you could of course venture out to central London for the famous markets and high-end retailers such as Harrods.











Like our students based in High Wycombe, students at Uxbridge can be an active member of one of our sports teams, and utilise the sports facilities that are on offer in High Wycombe. Local sporting attractions in Uxbridge are the Hillingdon Sports & Leisure Complex (which has one of only a handful of Olympic sized swimming pools in the UK) and Uxbridge Lido, an art deco outdoor pool. Other notable sports amenities include Hillingdon Ski Centre, the Uxbridge Cricket Club (which has a centre for rugby, squash and tennis), and Ruislip Golf Club.



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Aside from the local attractions of the craft market, Grand Union Canal and Colne Valley Park in Uxbridge, world-class shopping, the globally-acclaimed theatres, museums, concert halls and art galleries, as well as diverse nightlife, are all on your doorstep. London is bursting with free special events, festivals and attractions, so as a student you can take advantage of what our capital city has to offer.



The University library is at the heart of the campus and is open every day during term-time to meet the needs of your busy schedule. There is always support available to help you with accessing information, conducting research and using the IT facilities. WHAT ELSE CAN WE OFFER YOU?

We have some of the best facilities around including our iconic Gateway building, library, free wireless internet connection, gym, events hall, dance studio, specialist equipment and cafes.

We know that being away from home and studying in another country isn't always easy, so we've made sure that the support is in place to make life not only easier for you, but better. We have a commitment to ensuring you have every opportunity to succeed here at Bucks, in whatever you are doing.

Here are some of the ways we can help.

Money Advice

We can offer advice on all aspects of student finances and support in budgeting, money management and guidance. For more information on the financial aspects of becoming a student with us, see page 7.

Accommodation

The Accommodation Service can help you to find accommodation when you are a student with us, ranging from halls of residence, private housing or lodgings close to the campus. For further information on the range of accommodation we can offer, please see page 30.

The Big Deal

The Big Deal offers all students the opportunity for free access to selected activities, events and leisure/recreation.

Disability Service

We can offer a wide range of support and advice for students with dyslexia and other physical or mental conditions and disabilities. We can help with reasonable adjustments for exams, and offer specialist dyslexia advice as well as ongoing advice and support throughout your time with us.

Counselling Service

If you find that you are having trouble settling in to life in the UK or at Bucks. The Counselling Service team will do their best to help you. We welcome all students who have questions. confusions, worries or emotional difficulties at university or in other aspects of their life. This is a professional, respectful, caring and totally confidential service available free of charge to all students.

Faith

Whatever your faith, if you are looking for spiritual guidance or would like to find a place to worship, we can offer information and support to students and also act as a point of contact for local faith communities.

Careers Advice

The careers team can offer expert advice on career guidance, interview preparation, information, work experience and iob opportunities. Many of our students have part-time iobs and we can also help you to find and apply for these.

The careers team also organise regular employment fairs on campus normally attracting over 50 companies.

Bucks runs a student buddy scheme, so when you arrive you have the option of being put in contact with another student already in their second or third year to help guide you and introduce you to all aspects of university life.

English language support

We offer excellent support and resources for students who wish to improve their English skills during their studies. Please discuss this with your faculty office. When you arrive support is provided by the Learning Development Unit throughout the year.

Please note:

English language support is not a replacement for the English language requirements for you to be accepted on to the course. These courses are to help you improve from the required entry level once you are at the University.







BUCKS STUDENTS' UNION

Bucks Students' Union (SU) is an organisation for you, the student, whatever you are interested in. The SU connects you with groups and societies as well as access to sports, voluntary work, nights out and day trips.

Students' Union Advice Centre

This is a fully independent and confidential advice service. The service is run by the Students' Union specifically to be there for you. They provide information on international students' issues, housing, relationships, health information, course related issues and much more.

Groups and societies

The SU will help you to meet like-minded people through a variety of free to participate in sports clubs and societies. If your ideal society doesn't already exist, they will help you to set it up. You can find more information about the teams, societies and clubs that currently exist on the SU website.

Benefits

The SU can also help you to achieve discounts and benefits at a range of leisure, retail and art establishments all over the country. Don't forget that you can also benefit by registering for and using a National Union of Students (NUS) Extra card.

Voluntary work

If you would like to develop your skills, raise money for charity or develop your CV, you can take up one of the many opportunities to volunteer. Volunteering can take a number of different roles, from working within the local community and using the skills you are developing in your education, to rewarding projects, such as clearing gardens for the elderly – you can choose what you would like to do, and when.

Entertainment

If you like to be entertained, there is always a range of activities and themed events going on, arranged by the SU. These include a club and bar, with TVs, pool tables and free internet access. The SU also arranges day trips, from trips to lkea to pick up things for your new home, to Glastonbury Festival. You will find at least one great trip has been organised for each academic week – and you can suggest other ideas for trips too!

www.bucksstudent.com









WHERE WILL YOU LIVE?

We know that your accommodation at Bucks will be an important part of your stay and we want you to feel at home. You can choose to stay at one of our local managed houses or lodgings in the local community, or we have over 600 self-catering rooms in halls of residence. We have a number of en-suite and standard rooms, all with internet access, so you can stay in touch with your family and friends. Our Accommodation Office will provide you with advice and assist you in finding the best place for you.

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Shahrukh Khan, Pakistan



Halls of Residence

Bucks has two halls of residence close to the High Wycombe Campus. Hughenden Park Student Village is our brand new accommodation, for over 230 students. The village consists of smart self-contained flats accommodating up to six residents in separate en-suite rooms. There are also a limited number of studio apartments with balconies.

We also have Brook Street Halls, located next to the shopping centre and bus station. This complex accommodates almost 400 students split between flats of various sizes. Both our halls of residence include 24-hour security and internet access.

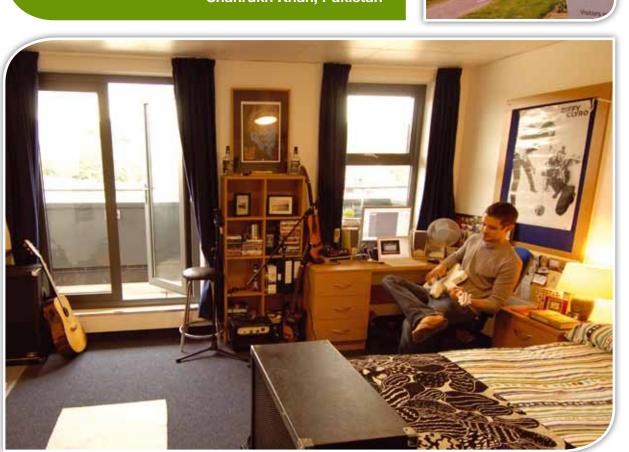
Brook Street Halls - £97.58 per week Hughenden Park Student Village - £112 - £136 per week





Please note that prices are correct at time of going to print.





Lodgings (renting a room in someone's home)

You could move into lodgings with an individual, couple or family. Your lodgings will give you your own fully furnished room and access to all communal areas. All bills are included in the rent you pay with this option, and some lodgings can include meals. Some of our lodgings can accommodate more than one student, so you could be lodging with a friend or another international student.

£60 - £90 per week depending on the location, size and decor of the accommodation

University-managed or private accommodation

If you would prefer to live in a house with other students, this may be possible through our managed accommodation or private renting. You would need to discuss these options with the Accommodation Office. All our managed properties are wellmaintained and inspected regularly by our accommodation service.

£60 - £100 per week depending on the location, size and decor of the accommodation

"Bucks has a great reputation with very professional, quality lecturers. The facilities are modern and I like the high-tech gym a lot. I think Bucks New University is the best in the South East and I enjoy that it is very close to London."

Apanshu Singh and Naveen Kalson, Delhi, India





"I have a much more interactive relationship with my tutors and, having studied in Germany, it is so refreshing to sometimes have two tutors in the room teaching us!"

> Nedra Trabelsi, 26, Osnabruck, Germany

student profile

Haiyi Tang, 23, is from Zhuhai, China and is studying BA (Hons) Advertising Management and Digital Media Communications.

Haiya believes her time at Bucks will provide her with lots of opportunities in her future career choice in the UK and China. Her tutor has lots of experience, is supportive and has many very good agency and industry contacts.

Bucks has given Haiya the opportunity to improve her English skills with the support of the Learning Development Unit, which is available to all students, and has allowed her to meet many students from around the world.

She described High Wycombe as a friendly town, with a lot of culture and nice people. She loves the English sense of humour.

Haiya has embraced the difference in teaching methods compared to China, she said she is expected to challenge and question what lecturers say and is encouraged to be innovative and entrepreneurial with her study.



The University is just 40 minutes by train from London and 30 minutes from London Heathrow Airport.

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LIVING IN THE UK

One of the advantages of studying outside your own country is the invaluable exposure to different cultures and the opportunity to meet and study with people from a variety of backgrounds. You may find some cultural practices very different to your own, but with time you will gradually become more familiar with the British way of life.

Greetings

In the UK, it is normal when meeting someone, especially for the first time, to shake hands. This is acceptable for both men and women. The normal greeting is "Hello", but you may also say "Good morning, Good afternoon" or "Good evening" depending on the time of day.

Weather

We have four seasons: Winter, Spring, Summer and Autumn and generally speaking summers (June to August) can be warm and sunny averaging 25 degrees Celsius and Winters (November to February) cold and wet, so you'll need to bring plenty of warm clothing and a jacket.

Clothing

Britain has a real mix of people from different cultures and countries and therefore this is reflected in the clothing you see people wearing. Student life is quite informal, so the main thing is to dress in whatever you feel comfortable wearing.

People and politeness

"Please, thank you" and "sorry" are among the most common words in the English language. It is a good idea to use them when eating, shopping, addressing strangers and on public transport. We always say: "Can I have a glass of water please?" and "thank you" when we get it – whereas in many countries it is usual just to say, "water".

Outdoors

When the weather is good, British people love spending time outdoors, whether to take picnics (baskets of food) to parks, go walking outdoors or have barbeques with their favourite foods.

Smoking

It is illegal to smoke in all public areas in the UK.

Going out

One popular British pastime is going to the pub. You do not need to drink alcohol; soft drinks, tea and coffee are also served and you will find the food often delicious and of good value.

Holidays

Most people in the UK receive roughly 20-25 days annual leave (holiday) from their jobs in addition to eight 'bank holidays' (defined public holidays where business and public sector organisations including the University close for the day). The most popular times for people to take their holidays are in the summer (June – August) and/or at Christmas time in December, and at Easter (normally April).

Queuing

This is when we form a line when buying something, the idea being that those who arrive first are served first. We queue for most services and in shops. We advise you to take your place in the queue. If you push your way to the front, this may well annoy other people, and you are likely to be asked to get to the back of the queue.

Equal opportunities

Buckinghamshire New University is committed to promoting equal opportunities for all in its dealings with students, staff, applicants and the public. The aim of this policy is to ensure that no-one receives less favourable treatment on the grounds of gender, "Bucks has a great reputation with very professional, quality lecturers. I think Bucks New University is the best in the South East."

age, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, marital status, sexuality,

Some cultures treat women differently

from men; in the UK we believe in equal

rights. Discrimination against anyone on

the grounds of gender or any other basis

such as disability or sexual orientation

is illegal. This means that women are

The UK has a very comprehensive

system for health care; you are able

to buy medication over the counter at

pharmacies, often marked with a green

cross. When you arrive in the UK. please

make sure that you register with a local

Information on local GPs will be available

from the Students' Union Advice Centre.

doctor or general practitioner (GP).

entitled to equal respect and status with

disability or political beliefs.

The role of women

men in all aspects of life.

Health services

Apanshu Singh, Delhi, India

Time-keeping and deadlines

In the UK people try to be as punctual as possible and a deadline really is a deadline, it is not negotiable. At university keeping to time is important. You should always be on time for lectures, classes, and any meetings scheduled with members of staff. If you are going to be late for a meeting, you should try to make sure that the person you should be meeting knows you will be late or cannot attend.

Immigration control (UK Border Agency)

The UK Border Agency are thorough and rigorous. Therefore when you arrive in the UK, keep all your documents available for inspection and be prepared to answer questions about your purpose for entering the UK.

WHEN YOU ARRIVE AT THE UNIVERSITY

Don't forget to contact home and tell them you have arrived safely! You should be able to use your cell phone or a phone card until you're able to organise a UK SIM card.

Meet and greet

We're just a 30 minute bus ride from London Heathrow Airport and the University provides a free meet and greet service for you on specified dates normally a week before the course starts. This makes sure you arrive to a warm welcome and are assisted in getting to the University quickly and easily. Please check your documentation or the web for more detailed information closer to your arrival.

Orientation

Our free orientation programme takes place a week before your course starts and is your opportunity to meet staff, visit lots of exciting and interesting places and make new friends. We want to help you to settle in and feel comfortable as quickly as possible and we will assist you wherever possible during this week and throughout the duration of your studies. The week's programme may involve:

- visits to places of interest such as Windsor, Oxford and London;
- other social events such as guided walks of the local area and bowling;
- meeting academic and other university employees who will support you during your studies.

Registration and enrolment

You will need to complete your registration with the University on a set date after your arrival. Your joining instructions will inform you where and when to do this. Your documents will be checked and you will be expected to pay your fees if you have not done so already. Once all the details are confirmed you will officially become a Bucks New University student.

You will need to bring with you the following documents for registration:

- passport with valid student visa
- offer letter
- registration information documents
- original academic certificates
- English language certificates
- one passport-sized photo
- sponsorship letters (if your fees are being paid or part paid by a sponsor)
- any other specific information for the course which you have been asked to bring.

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q. How do I apply for a visa?

A. All visa applications have to go through the British Embassy or High Commission in your country. Please see www.ukvisas.gov.uk/en/howtoapply for details about visa applications from your country.

Q. Can I work while I study in the UK?

A. If you have student immigration permission, you can work up to 20 hours a week during term-time and full-time during holidays. The Careers and Employment Service offers a wide range of part-time employment opportunities to fit around your studies, and many local employers are keen to employ students.

Q. Can I study part-time?

A. The student visa is not issued for part-time study, so you will only be able to study on a full-time basis.

Q. Can I go home in the holidays?

A. You would need authorisation from your course leader and to pass this information to the International Office. They will then be able to arrange a letter to support your travel if you plan to go overseas.

Q. How do I pay my fees?

A. There are different payment options including international bank transfer or online, please see www.buck.ac.uk/international.

Q. What is safety and security like on campuses?

A. Please be assured that the University takes the safety and security of its students very seriously and security on site is professionally managed. The campuses and the town centres are both considered very safe environments by our students and our local communities.

Q. Where can I get more information from?

A. If you would like to discuss the University and application process further, please contact our team by emailing international@bucks.ac.uk or calling +44 (0) 1494 605 256.

Alternatively, please contact our regional offices directly. Please see page 17 for details.

Q. Do I need to register with the police?

A. Your passport will have a stamp which will inform you if you need to register with the police.

USEFUL LINKS

International information at Bucks New University

The UK Border Agency

English Language Testing

www.bucks.ac.uk/international

Visa application information www.ukvisas.gov.uk/en/howtoapply

www.ielts.org International English Language Testing System (IELTS)

www.ets.org Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)

www.pearsonpte.com Pearsons English testing

International qualifications

www.naric.org.uk Information about UK equivalence of qualifications

Living and studying in the UK www.ukcisa.org.uk

UK Council for International and Student Affairs

www.fco.gov.uk/en/travel-and-living-abroad British Foreign and Commonwealth Office. Information about living abroad

www.educationuk.org **British Council**

www.studentcalculator.org.uk/international Budgeting to live and study in the UK

www.prepareforsuccess.org.uk Learning activities to prepare you for study in the UK

www.visitbritain.co.uk Information on visiting Britain, activities and places of interest

WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY

"Compared to my country the tutors respect your thoughts and never stop your creativity - they never say that something is impossible; they don't knock your ideas, they help you work through how to make it happen."

Kitisart Tangsakul, Thailand



Nedra Trabelsi, 26, from Osnabruck, Germany, is studying a one-year MBA at Bucks and living in High Wycombe.

Nidra said: "I would recommend anyone to come to Bucks New University. It's in such a beautiful town, very green, and near to London.

"I have a much more interactive relationship with my tutors and, having studied in Germany, it is so refreshing to sometimes have two tutors in the room teaching us!

"We have a lot of international students so the multicultural side of my studies is very enjoyable and I am meeting people from all over the world.

"The fees are very reasonable and the course is challenging, plus I am simultaneously doing a master's with my German university so it's a very busy time."

Nidra has previously worked as an administrator at an e-logistics company in Germany and completed a degree in business management.

student profile

Waneska de Silva BSc (Hons) Psychology, from Brazil.



Waneska said: "I studied a degree in Nursing in Brazil but wanted to come and study in the UK. To start with I worked in the UK as an au pair whilst I looked at lots of universities.

"I decided on Bucks as it is a smaller university, so you get to see your friends and lecturers more regularly than some of the bigger institutions and the people are friendlier. The reputation of the university is also good; the institution has been around in one way or another in the local town since the 19th century!

"The course content for Psychology looked really good, and it is accredited by the British Psychological Society. As well as this all our course lecturers have PhDs!

"I've loved being at Bucks, I'm a student rep and a student ambassador and I like to look after my students! I have really got to know the university well, and also the shopping and local entertainment. We get to visit the local area, are close to London and have lots of pretty villages on the doorstep.

"Coming to study at Bucks and in the UK has been a great experience. I was nervous to start with, about the language and people discriminating against me because of my accent. Since getting here my academic English language has improved and I've gained certificates from Cambridge University to prove it! I think after the first six weeks you make friends, ones that will stick with you for life, whatever country you decide to live or work in. I've visited friends abroad already and have lots of invitations to visit others too!

"The careers department have helped me to find volunteer work, which has helped me to gain experience in the field of psychology whilst studying. This should help me to get towards being an Occupational Therapist. Once I've finished my degree I would like to achieve an MSc and then after that a PhD; then I'll be Dr Waneska!

"I really have felt safe living in the UK – although I'm still not used to the weather, it's not quite like Brazil! The summer in the UK is really nice and people are happy.

"It's really important that you choose a university that will feel like a second home to you. At Bucks, I've found the staff and lecturers warm and friendly. You will be spending a lot of time here, so you have to make sure you feel comfortable."

THE INTERNATIONAL TEAM

Bob Cozens

Deputy Director, Student Experience

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"High Wycombe is very colourful with lots of different cultures and a mix of traditions."

> Naveen Kalson, Delhi, India

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Nicola Bate, International Business Development Manager.

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