

Validated Programme Element Specification for BPC First Year University Studies in Business and Management

Applicable for all undergraduate students commencing the programme element on or after 1st September 2024

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v1	Feb 2024	Specification for 2024-25 with new 15/30 credit structure.	BGS
V1.1	Apr 2024	New module codes added	BGS

Validated programme element	
1. Awarding and validating institution	Brunel University London
2. Providing institution(s)	Brunel University London Pathway College (BPC)
3. Associated Home Brunel University college / department / division	College of Business, Arts and Social Sciences/Brunel Business School
4. Associated Contributing Brunel University college / department / division	N/A
5. Programme Element accredited by	N/A
6. Validated for inclusion in Brunel University programmes at Level	FHEQ level 4
7. Validated for inclusion in Brunel University programmes (list):	BSc Business and Management BSc Accounting and Business Management BSc Marketing BSc International Business BSc Human Resource Management BSc Business Management with Entrepreneurship
8. Normal length of element for each mode of study	26 weeks
9. Maximum length of element for each mode of study	See Programme Specification for Brunel programme of which this element forms part
10. Programme Intakes	September and January (all programmes) May (for BSc Business and Management and BSc Marketing Management only)
11. Modes of study	F/T
12. Modes of delivery	Standard
13. JACS code	In line with Brunel University London programme
14. BPC-related Route Code(s)	N100UNVBUSMG: BSc Business and Management J4MHUNVACBUM: BSc Accounting and Business Management Awaiting Code: BSc Marketing N100UNVINBUS: BSc International Business B4FCUNVHUREM: BSc Human Resource Management Awaiting Code: BSc Business Management with Entrepreneurship

15. Relevant subject benchmark statements and other external and internal reference points used to inform programme design	QAA UK Quality Code for Higher Education Most recent QAA Subject Benchmark statement - Business and Management Brunel 2030
16. Admission Requirements/pre-requisites for the programme element	See https://pathway.brunel.ac.uk/academic-requirements for standard entry requirements. English Language entry requirements: minimum of IELTS 6.0 (with 5.5 minimum in each component part) or equivalent. Students entering the programme direct from the SIBT programme (delivered by the NAVITAS group) will be exempted from the following modular blocks: NM1608; NM1609; NM1613 and NV1601. (please also see section 20)
17. Other relevant information	The programme element is compliant with both the generic assessment regulations of Navitas UK and those more specifically of the College and Brunel University, see Senate Regulations 2 and 4. Students entering the programme from the SIBT programme will have ungraded exemptions from the modular blocks listed in section 19 under Brunel University London's Exemptions Policy
18. Any departure from relevant regulations specified in Senate Regulation 2 must be stated here and approved by Senate.	None
19. Further information about study with BPC can be found on the BPC website.	https://pathway.brunel.ac.uk/

20. EDUCATIONAL AIMS OF THE PROGRAMME ELEMENT

The educational aims of the programme element are to:

1. Develop students' knowledge and understanding, and competence in, contemporary management concepts, information technology and its management, marketing, the English legal framework for business, the European business environment, organisational behaviour for businesses, principles of accounting and general study and research skills along with the application of IT.
2. Develop in students an appreciation of the business and management content of the programme with a view to enhancing their overall understanding of such entities in commercial-based industries, their place and purpose in society and at an international level, in order that they may make a further career decision in an informed manner.
3. Develop in students an appreciation and desire to learn based on competent intellectual and practical skills that build to a set of transferable skills that will support them in all aspects of their onward academic studies/careers and support their decision making in an informed manner.
4. Ensure that students have attained the prescribed level of inter-disciplinary language competence.

21. LEARNING OUTCOMES

The programme element provides opportunities for students to develop and demonstrate knowledge and understanding (K) cognitive (thinking) skills (C) and other skills and attributes (S) in the following areas:

Level	Category (K = knowledge and understanding, C = cognitive (thinking) skills,	Learning Outcome	Associated Assessment Blocks Code(s)	Associated Study Blocks Code(s)	Associated Modular Blocks Code(s)

	S = other skills and attributes)				
4	K	Understand how to analyse and evaluate sources, facts, and situations and how to report, reflect on and use them.			NM1612 NM1613 NM1608 NM1611 NV1601
4	K	Demonstrate written literacy by producing clear and structured written work, and oral literacy by listening, questioning, and presenting information effectively.			NM1611 NM1612 NM1608 NM1613 NV1601
4	K	Demonstrate a knowledge and comprehension of socially and environmentally responsible, ethical and sustainable business and management practices required to foster and develop accessible and inclusive workplaces that meet the needs of organizations and stakeholders.			NM1608 NM1610 NM1612 NM1611 NM1613 NM1609
4	C	Comprehend the structure, culture and practice of business and management to develop the entrepreneurial capacities, behaviours and mind-set to support innovation and creativity.			NM1609 NM1613 NM1612 NM1608 NM1610 NM1611
4	C	Evaluate and judge the reliability of sources of information for research, and use appropriate citation and bibliography writing conventions in familiar contexts			NV1601
4	S	Demonstrate familiarity of the use of a variety of information, technology and data sources relevant to business and management.			NM1608 NM1611 NM1612 NM1613 NM1609 NV1601

For students progressing to BSc Accounting and Business Management, the following learning outcome will apply (please also see section 22 below for progression requirements)

4	K	Demonstrate knowledge and understanding of basic accounting concepts and present financial information appropriate to the needs of various stakeholders.			NM1613
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Learning/teaching strategies and methods to enable learning outcomes to be achieved, including formative assessments

The Programme Element will be delivered using a combination of Lectures/ Tutorials/Self-directed study:

Lecture

- Purpose: - To deliver basic module material.
- Structure: Each module has 4-6 hours contact time per week which is normally delivered in 2 hour blocks. No period of contact should exceed fifty (50) minutes at one time without a minimum of a ten (10) minute break.

Formative assessment

This is a key aspect of the programme element and is varied to ensure that a student has a variety of learning opportunities. This will include: individual and group formative assessment methods: presentations, individual and group work; and peer review.

Self-directed study

Each student is expected to undertake a minimum number of hours in individual study per week in order to support and build the skills, knowledge and understanding presented in each lecture and small group tutorial session per week. It is expected that students will increase the number of individual study hours as they approach formal assessment events. The ability for students to expand their learning by creating effective self-directed study patterns is a transferable skill deemed fundamental to further academic success as well as a key time-management tool.

All students are provided with access to a range of on-line resources through the student portal. Electronic journals and electronic books are available through the Brunel University e-resources gateway.

There will be a focus of using freely available tools and benefiting from the resources available on the internet to support learning.

Guest speakers from relevant industries will provide additional perspectives for students.

Summative assessment strategies and methods to enable learning outcomes to be demonstrated.

Summative assessment methods are varied to ensure students have a variety of learning opportunities throughout their programme. These will include: closed book; individual and group projects; oral presentations; case studies and portfolios and final examination (closed book).

22. Programme element structure and progression requirements (if applicable)

Programme Element Structure

Compulsory assessment block codes, titles and credit

Optional assessment block codes, titles and credits

Compulsory study block codes, titles and credit volume

Optional Study block codes, titles and credit volume

Compulsory modular block codes, titles and credits

Optional modular block codes, titles and credits

Code	Title	Credit Points
NV1601	Interactive Learning Skills and Communication 4	15
NM1608	Introduction to Management Enquiry	30
NM1609	Managing Information with Technology	15
NM1613	Introduction to Accounting and Financial Management	30
NM1610	Organisational Behaviour and Analysis	15
NM1611	International Business Environment	15
NM1612	Principles and Practice of Marketing	15

Assessment and Progression Requirements

For inclusion in Programmes:	BSc Business and Management BSc Marketing Management BSc International Business BSc Human Resource Management	
The following assessment or modular blocks are core NV1601 Interactive Learning Skills and Communication 4	Progression requirements as per Brunel University London Senate Regulation 2 NV1601 - Pass at Grade C-/50% In addition -No credit at Grade F -No more than 40 non-core credits in Grade band E (E+, E, E-)	
Reassessment Reassessment entitlements are as defined for Level 4 in Brunel University Senate Regulation 2 , except that the ILSC module [NV1601] shall not count in the re-assessment limit.		
Assessment and Progression Requirements		
For inclusion in Programmes:	BSc Accounting and Business Management	
The following assessment or modular blocks are core NV1601 Interactive Learning Skills and Communication 4 NM1613 Introduction to Accounting and Financial Management	Progression requirements as per Brunel University London Senate Regulation 2 NV1601- Pass at Grade C-/50% NM1613 - Pass at Grade D-/40% In addition -No credit at Grade F -No more than 40 non-core credits in Grade band E (E+, E, E-)	
Reassessment Reassessment entitlements are as defined for Level 4 in Brunel University Senate Regulation 2 except that the ILSC module [NV1601] shall not count in the re-assessment limit.		

Please note: this specification provides a concise summary of the main features of the programme element and the learning outcomes that a student might reasonably be expected to achieve and demonstrate if he/she takes full advantage of the learning opportunities that are provided. More detailed information on the learning outcomes, content and teaching, learning and assessment methods can be found in the modular block, assessment and study block outlines and other programme and block information. The accuracy of the information contained in this document is reviewed by the University from time to time and whenever a major modification occurs.