



Why choose Belfast Metropolitan College?

We are:

- The largest College in Northern Ireland
- A UKVI Highly Trusted Sponsor
- A Beacon Award winner
- British Council accredited

Belfast:

- Is less than one hour by air from London
- Has a low cost of living and low crime rate
- Has beautiful natural scenery
- A unique experience of both UK and Irish culture

We offer;

- A Levels - Two year course
(students choose three subjects from a list of 18)
- BTEC Diplomas - Two year vocational course, choose one main subject to study
- Higher National Diploma - Two year course
- Foundation Degree - Two year course with a work placement
- Bachelor Degrees available in Fashion Management and Social Work
- Intensive English Language classes (ESOL)



Areas of study

Please note that students who are applying for a Tier 4 Student Visa must be studying an English Language ESOL course or a full-time course at Level 3 or above - a course at Level 1 or 2 will not be suitable for a visa application.

Student studying ESOL may be able to apply for a Student Visitor Visa. Applicants must be at least 16 years old on or before 1 July 2015 to apply to join our College in September 2015.

The academic year at Belfast Met runs from September to June and our courses start in September 2015.

Art, Fashion & Design

Engineering

Hospitality, Leisure & Tourism

Business & Management

Health & Social Care

IT & Computing

Why Belfast?

Belfast Metropolitan College is based in Belfast, Northern Ireland, a 60 minute flight from London. The link below will give you an idea of what NI looks like and answer some questions you may have;
www.discovernorthernireland.com/Common-Questions-A2146



Buildings and Facilities

Belfast Metropolitan College has six main Campuses as well as many outcentres located across Belfast. Each campus is equipped with a library, learning resource centre, Wi-Fi, printing facilities and canteen.

Our International Student Prospectus (pdf file), can be downloaded [here](#)

Our Full-time course prospectus (pdf file) can be downloaded [here](#)

More details about our College and all of our courses are available at www.belfastmet.ac.uk.

September 2015 full-time courses

Belfast Metropolitan College offers over 500 courses (full-time and part-time). We are the largest College in Northern Ireland and we offer courses to students aged 16 or over who have completed high school education (Year 12 GCSE). We also offer courses at Level 2/GCSE as well as Level 3/A Levels, and Level 5/HND/ Foundation Degrees.

Our full-time courses normally require students to attend class for approximately 18 hours per week.

A Levels (Level 3) Two years

This is a two year full-time programme with a minimum of three subjects studied and exams taken at the end of each year. On successful completion of all three AS subjects (first year) you may progress to take the A2 course (second year) in the same subjects. Students achieving passes in two AS subjects may progress to A2 in those subjects as full-time students, providing they also take up an AS subject from a prescribed list.

On successful completion students can apply to study a Bachelor Degree or other higher education course. Subjects include (subject to change): Biology, Business Studies, Chemistry, Creative Writing, Economics, English Literature, Film Studies,

Geography, Government & Politics, History, ICT, Mathematics, Media Studies, Physics, Religious Studies, Sociology.

Entry requirements: Students must be at least 16 years old, have successfully completed at least 11 years of high school education and have the equivalent of GCSEs with at least seven subjects at Grade C or above (or 5 subjects at Grade B or above) (especially in the subjects they wish to study). Some subjects may ask for GCSE Grade C in Maths or Science. Students should also have an English Language qualification of at least IELTS 5.0 (with at least 4.5 in each element) or equivalent; some subjects may ask for IELTS 5.5. International fees are £6480 per year.

BTEC Vocational courses (Level 3) Two years

This is a two year full-time programme where students concentrate on one specialised subject. Subjects include (subject to change): Art, Beauty, Business, Child care, Computing, Engineering, Health and Social Care, Science and Music. Some one year courses may be available. On successful completion students may be able to apply to study a Bachelor Degree or other higher education course.

Entry requirements: Students must be at least 16 years old, have successfully completed at least 11 years of high school education and have the equivalent of GCSEs with at least four subjects at Grade C or above (especially in the subjects they wish to study). Some courses may ask for a previous qualification in the subject area and/or a recent criminal records check and/or GCSE Maths. Students should also have an English Language qualification of at least IELTS 5.0 (with at least 4.5 in each element) or equivalent; some subjects may ask for IELTS 5.5. International fees are £5135 per year.

Higher National Diploma (Level 5) Two years

These are valuable higher education qualifications which can lead to employment or a university degree. This is a two year full-time programme and students who successfully complete the HND can apply to go to university for a top-up to complete their Bachelor Degree. Subjects include: Applied Biology, Applied Chemistry, Business, Creative Media Production, Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Graphic Design, Health & Social Care, Music, Performing Arts (Acting), Sport, Visual Effects & Animation and Web Development Technologies.

Entry requirements: Students must have the equivalent of A Levels as well as the equivalent of GCSEs with at least a Grade C in Maths and three other subjects. Students should also have at least IELTS 5.5 (with at least 5.0 in each element). Some courses may ask for a previous qualification in the subject area and/or a recent criminal records check. International fees are £6300 per year (a discount may be available for students with good IELTS scores).

Foundation Degree (Level 5) Two years

These are valuable higher education qualifications which can lead to employment or a university degree. This is a two year full-time programme and students who successfully complete the foundation degree can apply to go to university for a top-up course to complete their Bachelor Degree. Foundation Degrees offer an industrial work placement with a range of local employers. Subjects include: Accounting, Architectural Technology, Building Services, Events Management, Health & Leisure Studies, Hospitality & Tourism Management, Interactive Design, Marketing, Property Planning & Housing, Software Engineering, Sustainable Construction and Travel & Tourism Management.

Entry Requirement: Students must have the equivalent of A Levels as well as the equivalent of GCSEs with at least a Grade C in Maths and three other subjects. Students should also have at least IELTS 5.5 (with at least 5.0 in each element). Some courses may ask for a previous qualification in the subject area and/or a recent criminal records check. International fees are £6300 per year (a discount may be available for students with good IELTS scores).

Bachelor Degrees (Level 6)

BSc (Hons) Fashion Management. This is a three year, full-time programme, validated by Manchester Metropolitan University. Students will attend practical workshops and theory classes, with talks from visiting practitioners and visits to locally based enterprises in the fashion design, production, sourcing and retail sectors. There may be opportunities to display some of your work publicly and attend fashion industry events.

Entry requirements: Students must have the equivalent of good 250 tariff points as well as a minimum of five GCSEs with a Grade C in Maths. Students should also have at least IELTS 6.0 (with at least 5.5 in each element). Students may be asked for a portfolio or evidence of their interest in Fashion and/ or Art. International fees are £6300 per year (a discount may be available for students with good IELTS scores).

BSc (Hons) in Social Work (Validated by Ulster University) (Level 6). This is a three year honours degree programme. Years one and two are studied at Belfast Met, whilst year three studies are undertaken at Ulster University.

Entry requirements: You must successfully complete a preparation for practice module prior to undertaking practice learning. You will undertake two practice placements - at Level 2 this will last for 85 days and at Level 3 it will last for 100 days. Applications to this course must be made through the UCAS system using code L505. GCSE pass in English Language and Mathematics at Grade C or above. A Level: Minimum of 300 UCAS points to include BB. ILC: A minimum of 300 UCAS points to include Grades BBBB at honours level. An Access NI check will also be undertaken for all students at the commencement of the course.

Although the programme includes underpinning learning in the social sciences, such as social policy, psychology, sociology and law, the focus of the programme is on the development of skills, values and knowledge required for practice.

Belfast Metropolitan College offers over 500 courses (full-time and part-time)

English Language Intensive Course

Courses	No. of Weeks	Dates	Fees	Hours per Week	Start Date
1 Year	30	September - June	£4,500	18.5	September 2015
1 Semester	14	September - December	£2,400	18.5	September 2015
1 Semester	14	January - June	£2,400	18.5	January 2016

Part-time classes - International tuition fees for leisure classes or classes at Level 1, 2 or 3 are £7.56 per hour. International tuition fees for classes at Level 4, 5 or 6 are £11.00 per hour. Some exam fees may also be required. Fees are to be paid in full by the first day of class.

Over 30,000 students from over 100 countries and over 100 years of history and education

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