

## Your Right to Study at Belfast Met – Academic Year 2021/22

All students at Belfast Met are asked to provide evidence of their identity and citizenship when they enrol for a course.

This is done for a number of reasons, for example:

- ✓ to confirm your identity for any qualifications you will be taking;
- ✓ to check your right to study in the UK; and
- ✓ to work out any fees you might have to pay.

### What Evidence is Needed?

**Your Identity** - You must provide proof of your identity when you enrol on a course with us. If you use non-photographic evidence to enrol, you will be required to produce photographic ID **on or before** the first day of class, e.g. photo card driving licence, Blue Badge, Youth Club ID etc.

**Your Right to Study in the UK** - The table below shows the documents or evidence you will need to provide to prove you have the right to study at Belfast Met. This is for all enrolments from 1 July 2021 onwards.

If you have any queries or cannot provide any of these documents, please contact our International Office at [InternationalOffice@belfastmet.ac.uk](mailto:InternationalOffice@belfastmet.ac.uk) for more advice.

Right to Study	What documents/evidence do I have to provide for Belfast Met?
British or Irish citizen born in Northern Ireland	British or Irish passport <b>OR</b> British birth certificate if you were born in the UK before January 1, 1983* <b>OR</b> Full birth certificate and evidence that one of your parents is British or Irish citizen <i>(For more information, please click <a href="#">here</a>)</i>
Irish citizen	Proof of Irish citizenship, e.g. Irish passport or Irish birth certificate
EU, EEA or Swiss citizen  <i>What are the EEA countries? Iceland, Liechtenstein &amp; Norway</i>	Any <b>one</b> of the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Student Visa</li><li>• EU Settled/Pre-settled Status:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- <b>Share Code</b> from the <a href="#">View and Prove Gov website</a> <i>We will not ask you for this information until 1 July 2021. However, it will speed up your enrolment process if you can provide this before 1 July 2021.</i></li><li>- Evidence of an <b>application for EU Settled Status</b> before 30 June 2021 <i>(Applications beyond this date can also be accepted in certain circumstances. Contact our International Office for further advice).</i></li></ul></li><li>• <u>Biometric Residency Permit</u></li></ul>

<p>A close relative of an EU, EEA or Swiss citizen.</p> <p><b><i>What is a close relative?</i></b>  <i>A husband, wife or civil partner, child, grandchild under 21, dependent parent or a grandparent.</i></p>	<p>Any <b>one</b> of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Student Visa</li> <li>• Passport endorsed with study visa details (vignette)</li> <li>• British or Irish Passport</li> <li>• EU Settled/Pre-settled Status <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Share Code</b> from the <a href="#">View and Prove Gov website</a>  <i>We will not ask you for this information until 1 July 2021. However, it will speed up your enrolment process if you can provide this before 1 July 2021.</i></li> <li>- Evidence of an <b>application for EU Settled Status</b> before 30 June 2021  <i>(Applications beyond this date can also be accepted in certain circumstances. Contact our International Office for further advice).</i></li> </ul> </li> <li>• <u>Biometric Residency Permit</u></li> </ul>
<p>UK Residents with Indefinite Leave to Remain</p>	<p>Proof of indefinite leave to remain such as</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A stamp or sticker in your passport</li> <li>• Letter from Home Office confirming status</li> <li>• <u>Biometric Residency Permit</u></li> </ul>
<p>Non-EU/EEA national</p>	<p>Existing Visa and Immigration Rules. If you need more information or help, please email our International Office at <a href="mailto:InternationalOffice@belfastmet.ac.uk">InternationalOffice@belfastmet.ac.uk</a></p>

\*[\(Extract from: Section 11 British Nationality Act 1981 Section 1\(1\) British Nationality \(Falkland Islands\) Act 1983 Sections 3 & 6 British Overseas Territories Act 2002 2.2 The Law 2.2.1 Section 11 of the British Nationality Act 1981 explains which people born before 1 January 1983 acquired British citizenship automatically on that date. 2.2.2 Under s.11\(1\), a person automatically became a British citizen on 1 January 1983 if immediately before that date he or she:](#)

- [was a citizen of the United Kingdom and Colonies; and](#)
- [had the right of abode in the United Kingdom under s.2 of the Immigration Act 1971 as then in force\)](#)