## A short guide to University level courses at BMet

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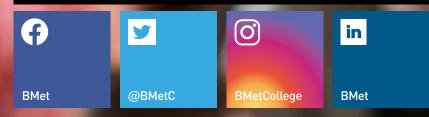
## Welcome to BMet

Our university level courses and apprenticeships break down the barriers of access to professional and higher level study. With lower fees, full or part-time study options, flexible entry requirements, smaller class sizes and colleges local to you, we'll help you discover the graduate in you.

#### Find out more at our virtual Open Event:

James Watt College	Matthew Boulton College	Sutton Coldfield College
Tue 13 October 2020 4pm-7.30pm	Wed 14 October 2020 4pm-8.25pm	<b>Thu 15 October 2020</b> 4pm-8.15pm
Tue 17 November 2020 4pm-7.30pm	Wed 18 November 2020 4pm-8.25pm	<b>Thu 19 November 2020</b> 4pm-8.15pm
Tue 9 February 2021*	Wed 10 February 2021*	Thu 11 February 2021*
Sat 19 June 2021*	Sat 19 June 2021*	Sat 19 June 2021*

\*\*Times TBC, visit bmet.ac.uk for details



# At our colleges we offer

We provide you with everything you need for a higher standard of university level education. Our sites are equipped with leading specialist facilities within an innovative and dynamic learning environment.





- Specialist workshops and laboratories
- State-of-the-art computer and games suites
- TV and radio studios
- Superb art and design studios

- Digital technology centre
- Print and graphic studios
- Libraries and private study areas
- Sports halls and gyms
- Specialist engineering facilities
- Performing arts theatres



# CoSE

#### **Centre of Sporting Excellence**

Brintons Field, Zortech Avenue, Kidderminster DY11 7DY

Based on the outskirts of Kidderminster is our specialist site for our Football Academy, in partnership with Kidderminster Harriers Football Club. The facilities include access to six football pitches, a 'trophy' pitch and a strength and conditioning gym, spread over 40 acres of land. The playing fields are also used by Kidderminster Harriers Football Academy.

Centre of Sporting Excellence offers courses in the field of **Sport** 



#### James Watt College Aldridge Road, Great Barr,

Aldridge Road, Great Barr, Birmingham B44 8NE

Located in Great Barr, just four miles from Birmingham city centre is where you will find James Watt College. The college has excellent facilities for construction, engineering, fitness and games development. Furthermore, it has passionate teaching staff, who help you take your career to the next level.

James Watt College offers courses in the field of

Engineering & Manufacturing, Media

# MBC

#### **Matthew Boulton College College**

Jennens Road, Birmingham B4 7PS

The impressive Matthew Boulton College is nestled in the heart of Birmingham city centre. This outstanding building won accolades when first built and still looks brand new a decade later. Amongst its many outstanding features are specialist workshops, labs, healthcare clinics, study centres and our cutting edge fashion and graphic design studios. All this and amazing shopping only a stone's throw away!

Matthew Boulton College offers courses in the field of Art & Design, Fashion & Retail, Law, Teaching & Learning

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# SCC

#### Sutton Coldfield College Lichfield Road.

Lichfield Road, Sutton Coldfield B74 2NW

Located in the Royal Town of Sutton Coldfield, eight miles north of Birmingham city centre, Sutton Coldfield College underwent a multimillion pound refurbishment - resulting in a state-of-the art library, learning resource centre and laboratory facilities. With excellent transport links to and from the city centre and based in a bustling area of its own, Sutton Coldfield is the biggest of all our colleges, with over 8,000 students and many specialist learning facilities.

Sutton Coldfield College offers courses in the field of Business & Professional, Computer Science & ICT, Childcare & Early Years, Performance, Public Services, Sport, Travel



# Why study at BMet?



#### **Friendly environment**

#### Ready, Respectful, Safe

At BMet, you can expect to study in a friendly, supportive environment. Support will be on hand from your personal tutor, course lecturers and our student services team. Each of our sites also has its own careers advisor and counsellor who are there to provide advice, guidance and support during your studies.

#### Highly qualified staff

At BMet, our record of achievement is outstanding - with pass-rates above the national average every year. Much of that success comes down to expert tuition. Our teachers have worked for many years in industry before joining the college, and they are therefore able to relate the theory they are teaching to the business practices taking place in the real world. This gives you vital practical knowledge to carry forward with you into employment.





#### Small teaching groups

Teaching at BMet also has the advantage of being carried out in smaller, university-style seminar groups - offering you plenty of oneon-one time with your tutor.

#### **Great locations**

All of our sites are conveniently located and are easily accessible by bus or rail (or both). Enjoy the city centre location of our Matthew Boulton College in Birmingham or enjoy the more peaceful and scenic locations of our other sites.





#### Late application

Don't worry if you end up making a late application. BMet understand that sometimes decisions are made last minute or your plans don't quite go the way you had hoped. We will accept and consider your application the same as we would for anyone else.

#### **Flexible entry**

We consider every application individually. Your grades are important to us, but we will also take your other achievements and experiences into account. Our approach is about you as an individual and getting to know you and understanding what motivates and inspires you.

"BMet offers a diverse programme that not only nurtures the technical aspects but also respects and helps the individual gain a high personal standard."

Mark Edwards, Manager at Mondelez, Birmingham





#### **Part-time options**

Part-time study is a flexible and cost-effective way to realise your potential, providing an opportunity to do a university level course that fits in around your lifestyle. You can build upon existing skills, discover a new career path, or pursue your interests. At BMet, we understand how important it is to work around your commitments, to give you the opportunity to enhance your employment prospects whilst managing your busy life.

#### **Skills development**

We're determined you graduate with the skills and knowledge you need to find employment - even in the most competitive of industries. That's why all our university level courses offer opportunities for work-related activities, ranging from work placements with local businesses to simulated or live work-related projects. We even write our programmes in collaboration with local employers to ensure that the skills you develop meet industry expectations.





#### **Competitively priced**

At BMet, you will find tuition fees for many of our university level courses are lower than the maximum fee cap of £9,250 per year. This means that for courses where you may enter the third year of a related degree course, by studying your first two years at BMet, it may cost less whilst still achieving a high quality and well recognised qualification.

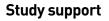
The tuition fees for university level courses starting in September 2021 are subject to government policy and approval. The tuition fees for professional courses will not be available until the Summer Term of the academic year 2020-21.

Additional costs may be added for purchasing compulsory textbooks, a uniform, sportswear or kit, equipment or to take part in educational visits.

When the tuition fees and additional costs have been confirmed, we will display them on our website.

For more information on tuition fees and additional costs visit **bmet.ac.uk/financialsupport** 





At BMet, we provide a wide range of academic and pastoral support which include:

- an assigned personal tutor
- one-to-one tutorials with module lecturers
- a student services team based at each college site offering services such as:
  - advice on enrolment and financial support
  - appointments with a counsellor or careers advisor
- an additional support team to help students:
  - with special educational needs
  - who require additional English and Mathematics support and services.

If the course you choose to study is awarded by one of our university partners, you will have full access to their facilities too.

# Excellent partnerships







## Universities

As we partner up with local universities you can stay at home, save money and still experience university. As most of our university level students enjoy the second or final year of an Honours Degree at one of our partner universities, we actively encourage you to spend time at these sites throughout your course. So, when you choose to study university level courses at BMet, it doesn't mean missing out on the atmosphere of university life.

TEF stands for Teaching Excellence and Student Outcomes Framework which universities in the UK are measured for based on student satisfaction and teaching standards.







# **Applications**

#### Full-time

Applications to study a full-time BA (Hons) Degree, BSc (Hons) Degree, Foundation Degree, Higher National Certificate or Higher National Diploma course at BMet are made via APPLY through the Universities and Colleges Admission Service (UCAS). APPLY is a secure, web-based application system.

If you're applying as an individual, i.e. not through a school, college or centre, you will need to answer a few questions to confirm your eligibility before you can start your application. If you're applying through a school, college or centre, you'll need to obtain a 'buzzword' from the centre you're applying through. This buzzword links your application to your centre, so that your referee can write and attach their reference.

Please click on the 'Apply' icon on the course information page on the BMet website, where it will take you to the UCAS application web page.

For further details on how to apply access UCAS's website at www.ucas.com/undergraduate/applying-to-university



for more information: **bmet.ac.uk/apply** 

#### Part-Time & Apprenticeship Applications

Applications to study a parttime university level course or apprenticeship at BMet, are made via the college or awarding university. For further details, visit the course information page on the college website and click on the 'Apply' icon, where it will take you to the appropriate application web page.

#### Mature Students

We encourage applications from students who do not meet the entry requirements outlined but can demonstrate ability through work experience, portfolio of evidence or successful interview.

If you wish to discuss your entry requirements before making an application please call our student services team on 0121 446 4545 who will arrange for the Admissions Tutor to contact you.

# Access to Higher Education

"I saw far more benefits in gaining real world experience to kick start my journey into the working world. My decision to study AAT has been one of the best I've ever made"

Thomas, Professional Diploma in Accounting Level 4

#### **Our Access to HE courses:**

- Business Access
- Computing Access
- Education Professions
- Engineering & Technology
- Health & Social Care

- Law & Criminology
- Science
- Social Science
- Sport

### Do you have a career in mind that is likely to require university level study?

BMet offers a wide range of Access to Higher Education courses aimed at adults aged 19 and over. Access courses develop your study skills, build confidence and allow you to experience different subject areas within your chosen area of study, to prepare you for university.

Access courses are ideal if you missed out on an opportunity to study previously. Each year, many of our learners gain entry to some of the UK's most prestigious universities, including local institutions like Warwick, Aston and Birmingham.

Visit bmet.ac.uk/access for more info



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