

Course Specification

Course Summary Information			
1	Course Title		BSc (Hons) Real Estate with Foundation Year
2	BCU Course Code	UCAS Code	US0714F N23F
3	Awarding Institution		Birmingham City University
4	Teaching Institution(s) (if different from point 3)		
5	Professional Statutory or Regulatory Body (PSRB) accreditation (if applicable)		

6	Course Description
	<p>Want to enter the exciting world of property? Discover our BSc (Hons) Real Estate with Foundation Year course. This degree is for you if you are interested in the study of the built environment and in the acquisition, disposal, management and valuation of land and buildings.</p> <p>The Foundation Year course option enables you to study for our BSc (Hons) degree over an extended full-time duration of four years by including a Foundation Certificate (year one of four). The Foundation Certificate provides a broad study programme that underpins the follow-on degree. In order to progress to the next year of your degree, it is necessary to achieve a pass in all of the modules of the Foundation Certificate.</p> <p>What's covered in the course?</p> <p>You will gain a detailed understanding of real estate, alongside learning to make an expert analysis of the processes of its ownership, development, occupation, valuation and management. You'll also examine economics and finance, property valuation and management, development, construction, urban planning and law, ensuring you are equipped with the attributes you'll need for a successful career.</p> <p>The course integrates technological, financial, legal and management issues, and you will connect the theories and practice of real estate to a range of real-life case studies, helping you understand the complex world of property.</p> <p>We will prepare you for a career in real estate, developing your collaborative skills and ensuring you are not only able to practise effectively within the global real estate industry, but that you are also sensitive to the needs of the diverse cultures that you come into contact with in your work.</p> <p>Especially relevant for the would-be chartered surveyor, this course offers a detailed study of the built environment alongside an expert analysis of the acquisition, disposal, management and valuation of land and buildings.</p> <p>Benefitting from our staff's close links with industry, the course thoroughly prepares you for the enormously varied work of a general practice surveyor.</p>

7	Course Awards		
7a	Name of Final Award	Level	Credits Awarded
	Bachelor of Science with Honours Real Estate	6	480
	Bachelor of Science with Honours Real Estate with Sandwich Year	6	480
7b	Exit Awards and Credits Awarded		
	Foundation Certificate Built Environment	3	120
	Certificate of Higher Education Real Estate	4	240
	Diploma of Higher Education Real Estate	5	360
	Bachelor of Science Real Estate	6	420

8	Derogation from the University Regulations
	Not applicable

9	Delivery Patterns		
	Mode(s) of Study	Location	Duration of Study
	Full Time	City Centre	4 years
	Sandwich	City Centre	5 years

10	Entry Requirements
<p>The admission requirements for this course are stated on the course page of the BCU website at https://www.bcu.ac.uk/ or may be found by searching for the course entry profile located on the UCAS website.</p>	

11	Course Learning Outcomes
Knowledge and Understanding	
1	Develop an awareness of key concepts and techniques within the built environment (L3 outcome).
2	Recognise the legal, ethical and practical requirements within the built environment and wider society (L3 outcome).
3	Identify the principles of property law and their impact on property and business valuation, and property and investment management.
4	Identify and apply the key features of individual and portfolio property management and agency.
5	Identify and apply the principles of the inspection and measurement of land and property.
6	Select and apply appropriate valuation techniques across a wide range of property and land types.
7	Develop business and managerial approaches and skills that enable the successful implementation of appropriate real estate techniques and technologies.
Cognitive and Intellectual Skills	
8	Demonstrate problem solving techniques through the application of theoretical and technical skills (L3 outcome).
9	Locate and analyse from a range of appropriate sources & information to support a coherent argument (L3 outcome).
10	Argue rationally and draw independent conclusions based on a rigorous, analytical and critical approach to demonstration and argument.
11	Synthesise theory and practice to design, develop and implement a range of real estate solutions.
12	Interpret and critically evaluate knowledge, concepts and ideas and / or forms of creative expression in a suitably professional manner.
13	Apply interdisciplinary frameworks to the analysis and solution of complex valuation, investment and property management issues.
Practical and Professional Skills	
14	Apply quantitative methods to solve practical problems in a general context (L3 outcome).
15	Demonstrate competence across relevant RICS education outcomes.
16	Undertake a variety of surveys in a professional and competent manner with due regard for own and others' health and safety.
17	Access information from a range of sources, such as the internet, journals, books, research papers, and appraise its suitability for undergraduate and industry research.
18	Demonstrate the ability to work effectively, both autonomously and as a member of a team, and accept responsibility for actions taken.
19	Recognise and apply professional values and ethics in informing property development and planning excellence.
Key Transferable Skills	
20	Manage time, prioritise activities and work effectively as an individual and as part of a group (L3 outcome).
21	Reflect constructively on your own practice and that of others (L3 outcome).
22	Manage your time effectively and prioritise workloads.
23	Use multiple forms of communication and expression, employing them selectively, appropriately and effectively according to the specifics of the task.
24	Access and make appropriate use of relevant information and data for a specified purpose.
25	Manage conflict appropriately in professional situations.
26	Diagnose problems and identify solutions (individually and collectively).
27	Work effectively in a team.

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Level 6:

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Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
BNV6127	Property Marketing	20
BNV6123	Applied Valuation	20
BNV6126	Property Fund Management	20
BNV6125	Professionalism and Citizenship	20
BNV6200	Individual Honours Project	40

12b Structure Diagram

Level 3

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core BNV3003: Built Environment Context and Practice (20 credits) BNV3001: Academic and Personal Study Skills (20 credits) BNV3004: Foundation Computing (20 credits)	Core BNV3006: Building Technology (20 credits) BNV3005: Quantitative Methods (20 credits) BNV3002: Independent Practice (20 credits)

Full Time

Level 4

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core BNV4106: Introduction to the Built Environment (20 credits) BNV4108: Law (20 credits) BNV4103: Built Environment Technology 1 (20 credits)	Core BNV4107: Introduction to Valuation (20 credits) BNV4105: Introduction to Property Markets (20 credits) BNV4110: Professional Environmental and Materials Science (20 credits)

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Core BNV5112: Design and Development in the Built and Natural Environment (20 credits) BNV5110: Building Pathology (20 credits) BNV5116: Property Law (20 credits)	Core BNV5109: Advanced Valuation Methods (20 credits) BNV5115: Property Asset Management (20 credits) BNV5111: Data and Decision Making (20 credits)

Level 6

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO
Core BNV6123: Applied Valuation (20 credits) BNV6126: Property Fund Management (20 credits)	Core BNV6127: Property Marketing (20 credits) BNV6125: Professionalism and Citizenship (20 credits)
BNV6200: Individual Honours Project (40 credits)	

13 Overall Student Workload and Balance of Assessment

Overall student *workload* consists of class contact hours, independent learning and assessment activity, with each credit taken equating to a total study time of around 10 hours. While actual contact hours may depend on the optional modules selected, the following information gives an indication of how much time students will need to allocate to different activities at each level of the course.

- *Scheduled Learning* includes lectures, practical classes and workshops, contact time specified in timetable
- *Directed Learning* includes placements, work-based learning, external visits, on-line activity, Graduate+, peer learning
- *Private Study* includes preparation for exams

The *balance of assessment* by mode of assessment (e.g. coursework, exam and in-person) depends to some extent on the optional modules chosen by students. The approximate percentage of the course assessed by coursework, exam and in-person is shown below.

Level 3

Workload

% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	288
Directed Learning	432
Private Study	480
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	87%
Exam	8%
In-Person	5%

Level 4

Workload

% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	288
Directed Learning	400
Private Study	512
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	86%
Exam	0
In-Person	14%

Level 5

Workload

% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	288
Directed Learning	414
Private Study	498
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	84%
Exam	8%
In-Person	8%

Level 6

Workload

% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	324
Directed Learning	366
Private Study	510
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	80%
Exam	0
In-Person	20%