

Course Specification

Course Summary Information				
1	Course Title		FdSc Rehabilitation Work (Visual Impairment)	
2	BCU Course	UCAS Code	UF0506	B931
	Code			
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

Become a specialist in enabling people who are blind or partially sighted to be as independent as possible in their day to day lives, by studying this foundation degree in Rehabilitation Work (Visual Impairment). As one of the only courses of its kind in the UK, teaching weeks for this rehab course will be based at our newly extended £71 million campus in Edgbaston, Birmingham.

What's covered in the course?

Visual impairment is a life changing experience and very often you will be working with people who are at a crisis point in their lives. A qualified Rehabilitation Worker's strength is to be a problem solver and to respond to a person's unique and complex situation. You will develop individual training courses based on the person's needs and aspirations.

Your initial learning focuses on the individual and the impacts of visual impairment on all aspects of life. You will look at how to work in partnership with your clients and their families, and how to work inter-professionally to promote the needs of experiencing sight loss.

You will also learn how to enable people with a visual impairment to become independent in their daily lives. This may be through teaching orientation and mobility skills, safety and independence in the kitchen and the home, techniques to overcome communication barriers and making the best use of a person's strengths and any remaining vision.

You will attend the University's City South Campus for block learning weeks that are spread throughout each academic year. During these weeks you be involved in lectures, simulation sessions and a range hands on group activities on this practical course.

You will benefit from learning from an experienced teaching team and specialists from the sector as well as using our specialist resource rooms and training kitchens. In between teaching weeks you will be able to access extensive online materials and take part in valuable work based learning placements.

Students who successfully complete this course have the opportunity to progress their studies to achieve a full BSc (Hons) degree by joining on of our two part-time top-up courses:

BSc (Hons) Habitation Work- Working with Children and Young People (Top-Up Degree)

Specialist Complex Needs Rehabilitation Work Visual Impairment (Top-Up)



7	Course Awards		
7a	Name of Final Award	Level	Credits Awarded
	Foundation Degree Sciences Rehabilitation Work (Visual Impairment)	5	240
7b	Exit Awards and Credits Awarded		
	Certificate of Higher Education Visual Impairment Studies	4	120

8	Derogation from the University Regulations	
	1. For modules with more than one item of assessment, all items of assessment must be passed	
	in order to pass the module	
	2. Compensation of marginally failed modules is not permitted	
	3. Condonement of failed modules is not permitted	

9	Delivery Patterns			
Mode(s) of Study		Location	Duration of Study	Code
Full Ti	ime	City South	2 years	UF0506

10 Entry Requirements

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.

11	Course Learning Outcomes
1	Reflecting on their own behaviour, resilience, practice and limits to competence and seeking
	further advice and support for development and improvement.
2	Demonstrating academic skills such as critical evaluation, theoretical insight and evidence of
	effectiveness to apply theory and evidence in improving their work.
3	Demonstrate and apply the use of theoretical concepts within their own rehabilitation work
	practice.
4	Analyse and apply strategies and resources to problem solve rehabilitation work approaches,
	issues and environments.
5	Demonstrate competence and reflect upon the delivery of specialist rehabilitation work
	assessment and training with people who have a visual impairment.
6	Demonstrate critical awareness of diversity in culture and lifestyle amongst colleagues and the
	public.
7	Promote social inclusion as an essential aspect of rehabilitation interventions.



8	Communicate information and ideas; and develop problems and solutions with a range of both		
	specialist and non-specialist audiences.		
9	Reflect on their personal and professional skills to enhance their lifelong learning potential.		
10	Describe global dimensions of rehabilitation and identify areas where these are becoming more		
	significant		

12	Course Requirements
12a	Level 4:

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete all the following CORE modules (totalling 120 credits):

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
SPR4042	Visual Impairment and Professional Practice	40
SPR4041	Orientation and Mobility Theory and Practice	40
SPR4040	Independent Living Skills	40

Level 5:

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete all the following CORE modules (totalling 120 credits):

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
SPR5042	Professional Rehabilitation Work Practice	40
SPR5041	Orientation and Mobility for Complex Environments	40
SPR5040	Independent Living Skills and Low Vision Therapy	40



12b Structure Diagram

Level 4

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO	
Core		
Visual Impairment and Professional Practice (40 credits)		
Orientation and Mobility Theory and Practice (40 credits)		
Independent Living	g Skills (40 credits)	

Level 5

Core

Professional Rehabilitation Work Practice (40 credits)

Orientation and Mobility for Complex Environments (40 credits)

Independent Living Skills and Low Vision Therapy (40 credits)