### WHO IS THIS COURSE FOR?

- Those currently working the field of internal audit who wish to further their knowledge of the area and obtain an academic and professional qualification.
- Those currently working in a business environment who wish to progress towards a career in Internal Audit.
- New graduates who have an interest in the area of Internal Audit and wish to continue their studies in relation to risk management, governance and business consulting.

#### WHY CHOOSE US?

- We are an established centre of learning for Internal Audit with over 20 years of experience of delivering IIA accredited courses and now under the **Dual Award scheme**.
- The Centre has the highest success rates of all IIA accredited learning centres with pass rates for first time entrants consistently exceeding 90 per cent.
- When registering for Dual Award, all IIA admission, subscriptions and examination fees are made under a single annual fee to the University, allowing student membership of the IIA for the duration of your study under the group scheme.
- We offer three modes of study:
- Full time, in which case you will attend the University continuously and obtain your MSc qualification in one year.
- Block release, in which case you attend the University for a week at a time and study a single module at a time in with intensive delivery. It will take approximately three years to achieve the full MSc qualification.
- Flexible distance learning, in which case the learning materials are made available to you, and you are provided with distance tutorial support by email, telephone or Skype to align with your individual study needs. It will take approximately three years to achieve the full MSc qualification.
- We are a dedicated and friendly centre with experienced and professional tutors supported by a range of Visiting Practitioners and Visiting Professors who add value to the programme by bringing recent and relevant experience of events in the economy.
- We get to know our students on an individual basis and provide both academic and pastoral support as required.
- We see ourselves as a community of learners working towards a common goal, and as such encourage interaction between students as well as between lecturers and students.
- Competitive pricing:
  - Full time fees £7,500 (Home), £10,500 (International)
    Annual Stage fee for part time study £3,500
    Dual Award Fees £1,000 (year 1), £1,000 (year 2), £250 (year 3)

### REACHING OUT

The Centre now has an active social media programme with contacts being made through the Centre website www.bcu. ac.uk/audit supported by further facilities within LinkedIn where there is a Centre Group, Twitter (@bcuauditcentre) and the Centre Blog (tinyurl.com/bcuauditblog) which will reflect an active commentary of relevant issues.

The Centre is particularly encouraging past students to join the Centre's LinkedIn group as this provides an active source of contacts for research, information and advice.



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#### **COURSE FACTS**

Faculty	Birmingham City Business School
Enquires and Applications	Please contact the Centre direct T: +44 (0)121 331 6595/6935/5623 E: mscaudit@bcu.ac.uk
Attendance	Full-time (one year), part-time (three years) - block release or flexible distance learning



### ABOUT BIRMINGHAM CITY UNIVERSITY

With around 23,500 students from 80 different countries, Birmingham City University is a large and lively university and our popularity has grown significantly in recent years.

Our six academic faculties offer over 300 courses, from foundation level, through undergraduate degree programmes, to taught Master's courses and research doctorates. About a quarter of our students study part-time, combining employment with our professionally relevant courses, improving their career prospects.

Situated in Birmingham, the UK's second city, we're proud of our strong links and close collaboration with the region.

#### ABOUT BIRMINGHAM CITY BUSINESS SCHOOL

Birmingham City Business School is one of the longest established and most respected Business Schools in the UK. With over 3,200 students, it is also now one of the largest. Students can choose to study for professional qualifications such as those offered by the Centre for Internal Audit, Governance and Risk Management as well as more general courses in finance, international business, marketing or management.

The School is internationally recognised and provides practice-based learning alongside links to services and business. Where appropriate placements can be arranged with organisations in many sectors in order to maximise on the benefit of the learning experience through practical application.

www.bcu.ac.uk/audit

#### ABOUT THE CENTRE

The Centre for Internal Audit, Governance and Risk Management was established by Birmingham City Business School in 1990 and is internationally recognised as a leading Institution with regard to learning and research. The Centre's principal aims are to ensure that practitioners and trainees alike:

- Realise their full potential as professionals and can progress to the highest posts within their organisation
- Are able to practise at the leading edge and excel in any type of organisation national, multi-national, commercial, public or not-for-profit
- Develop deep insights into the contemporary challenges faced by organisations and management and are able to assist them in their resolution
- Become lifelong learners and researchers in order to keep their knowledge and expertise up-to-date in the light of the rapidly changing environment.

Consultancy

Dissertation\*\*

• Strategic Management<sup>^</sup>

Financial Management<sup>^</sup>

Postgraduate Diploma in Audit Management and

Risk Assurance and Audit Management\*

MSc in Audit Management and Consultancy

Advanced Internal Audit Case Study<sup>^</sup>

Consultancy and Applied Research\*

#### COURSE STRUCTURE AND MODULES

### Postgraduate Certificate in Audit Management and Consultancy

- The Internal Audit Environment^
- Information Systems Auditing^
- Internal Audit Practice\*
- Financial Risks and Controls<sup>^</sup>
- Corporate Governance and Risk Management\*

### Notes:

- ^ Assessed by three hour closed book examination
- \*Assessed by assignment
- \*\* Assessed by a 15,000 word dissertation on a relevant subject of your choice

Full details of the course structure can be found at www.bcu.ac.uk/audit.

**ENTRY QUALIFICATIONS** 

To register for the master's degree you should normally hold a recognised Bachelor's degree of a good standard. Applicants with suitable work experience and/or qualifications other than those above may be considered for entry. Credit (exemption) may be given on a case-by-case basis for individual modules on the basis of prior learning and practice based experience against a standard list of exemptions which can be provided.

#### ENROLMENT

Applications for entry to the Centre's programmes in MSc Audit Management and Consultancy are now being taken throughout the year. Interested students can apply through the Centre website or by email to mscaudit@bcu.ac.uk

Students can register to start study full-time programmes in September each year and study through block release or flexible distance learning modes commencing in either September or January.

The Centre has an exemptions programme which recognises previous academic or professional success (including in recognised IIA examinations) and provides access to the relevant level of study within both programmes, including admission of professionals directly to the MSc stage subject to submission of a detailed CV.

Students can also contact the Centre directly on +44 (0)121 331 6595/5623/6292 for an informal discussion regarding the programme.

#### PROFESSIONAL ACCREDITATION

- This course is accredited by the Chartered Institute of Internal auditors UK (IIA) and is currently the only course which gives full exemption from IIA examinations at both PIIA and CMIIA levels.
- On successful completion of each stage of the PG Certificate and PG Diploma stage of the course you
  will be eligible to apply for professional member status of the IIA subject to completion of the relevant
  professional experience journal (PEJ).

#### WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY ABOUT US

This course provides good grounding for new entrants and for experienced assurance professionals, it is certainly a level above.

Gaurav Mann, Former Student

It is an amazing course which gives you a deep inside knowledge and understanding of the core concepts of Internal Audit, Corporate Governance and Risk Management. The best things about this course is the students from different backgrounds and culture through which you can learn many practical things about the Internal Audit management in the world.

Salman Awan, Current Student

Thanks for the module last week, I found it both interesting and inspiring. I studied business at degree level and one of the modules was on CSR/Sustainability, so I find the whole changing way that business operates a thorough internal audit very interesting.

Joseph Johnson, UNIAC

Many thanks for the course last week, it was a really enjoyable few days.

James Lucas, Heineken plc

The study support provided by the University and the visiting practitioners helped me to pass all of the CMIIA exams first time round with only one-and-a-half years' internal audit experience. To enable an auditor to pass these management level examinations with very little practical experience shows the level and depths the programme goes into. There are also very few people who are as enthusiastic about the profession as Professor Pritchard; to quote him 'if you were to cut me open you would see internal audit running through my veins'.

Rob Scott, West Midlands Pension Fund



