

# **Course Specification**

Cou	Course Summary Information				
1	Course Title	Master of Science in International Sport Management			
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2	Course Code	PT1289			
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

KPMG states that the entire global sports market – including infrastructure, events, training and sports goods – is estimated to be worth between \$600-700 billion a year, and the industry growth outpaces most countries yearly GDP. Over the past decade there has been a huge increase of career opportunities in the global sport sector that require graduates with the skills, attributes and experience to thrive in such a dynamic industry. According to Deloitte, sport business related activity will significantly outpace the average rate of growth in the wider economy well into the next decade. In terms of industries, sport now ranks among the top 15 mainstream activities in the UK economy including telecommunications, legal services and utilities.

The MSc International Sport Management course will provide the academic expertise and contacts to help you develop an exciting professional future in this growing industry. Combining theory and practical application this course will draw heavily from executive international sport leaders, such as Manchester City Football group, Edgbaston, Birmingham City FC and ESL to name a few, to cover multiple aspects such as crisis and risk management, technology and digital innovation, marketing, events, operations and analytics.

Given the aforementioned, and input from industry, this course is designed with the scientific (MSc) nature to enhance you with the necessary numeracy and analytic skills to see you excel and progress in the global sports industry.

Underpinning the philosophy of the course are the following purpose and objectives:

#### Purpose

To inspire and equip you with further expertise to develop a high level of academic skills leading to experienced employment and career development within the fast growing 'International Sports industry domain'

#### **Objectives**

- Technical: to furnish you with the practical skills and expertise to add high value within the Sports industry
- Behavioural: to nurture the appropriate levels of energy and internal/external 'customer-centric' behaviours to create innovative products and services
- Cognitive: to provide you with high levels of critical reasoning and problem-solving capabilities that will ensure you stand out among your competitive set
- Be truly international: to provide you with international experiences, making this course unique in the marketplace



All modules balance a range of relevant theory and concepts with practical application and throughout the course you reflect and apply this content into real life scenarios – enabling you to enhance and critique your learning. In short, this is a course designed to be the catalyst for you to forge a hugely successful career in the international sports industry.

### Why Choose Us?

- The course provides and immerses you in the true international nature of the industry through course content, assessments and visiting out in the field (practice).
- You will gain a professional outlook and real-world experience by interacting with a multitude of sporting professionals and international sport organisations
- You will learn from academic experts of BCU across the department of Strategy Management and Marketing (SMM)
- Birmingham will be hosting the 2022 Commonwealth Games and you will be ideally placed to take advantage of all the opportunities this will bring in the lead up to and during the event
- You will be provided with access to and support while using essential resources, such as journals and academic databases as well as training in relevant IT applications (SPSS and EXCEL).
- You will study in our state-of-the-art City Centre Campus in the UK's second city
- Birmingham City University has just launched the UK's first Centre for Brexit Studies, and the recent researching all aspects of the UK's vote to leave the EU, including the impact it has on the sports industry.

Where appropriate to the individual topics covered during the course, implications for sustainability will be identified that relate to the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

7	Course Awards		
7a	Name of Final Award	Level	Credits
			Awarded
	Master of Science International Sport Management	7	180
7b	Exit Awards and Credits Awarded		
	Postgraduate Certificate International Sport Management	7	60
	Postgraduate Diploma International Sport Management	7	120

8	Derogation from the University Regulations
	Not applicable

9	Delivery Patterns			
Mode(s) of Study		Location(s) of Study	Duration of Study	Code(s)
Full Time		City Centre	12 Months	PT1289
Part-Time		City South	24 Months	PT1290



# 10 Entry Requirements

The admissions requirements for this course are stated on the course page of the BCU website at <a href="https://www.bcu.ac.uk">www.bcu.ac.uk</a>.

11	Course Learning Outcomes
K1	Synthesis and apply the theories concepts and principles of practice from the generic
	management areas of operations, finance, leaderships, and marketing to international sport
T1	Employ strategic planning and development skills in analysing and evaluating the development needs and intentions of sport organisations and communities
K2	Summarise the application of the environment (macro and micro) attached to sport and the impact on management and regulation
T2	Critically appraise insights into the organisations and structures responsible for sport and the
	political ramifications arising from these
T3	Evaluate critical issues in the sport industry and revise strategies in a strategic responsive
	nature
K3	Apply knowledge, skills, behaviours, attitudes and attributes for successful working in the
and	industry and working with others in a professional manner
<b>T4</b>	
T5	Interpret and construct strategic views of sport management emphasising the complexity and
	dynamics of the international contexts
T6	Assemble, calculate and interpret comprehensive data sets to provide strategic enquiry and
	insights into the international sports industry



12 Course Requirements

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### Level 7:

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete all the following CORE modules (totalling 140 credits):

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
MAN7096	International Sport Marketing and Sponsorship	20
MAN7095	Managing Finance and Budgets in International	20
	Sport	
MAN7097	Strategy and Leadership in International Sport	20
MAN7088	Big Data Analytics	20
MAN7089	Managing International Sport Events	20
BUS7048	Major Project	40

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete at least 40 credits from the following indicative list of OPTIONAL modules.

Module Code	Module Name	Credit Value
MAN7091	Crisis Management in International Sport	20
MAN7092	Critical Issues, Law and CSR in International Sport	20
MAN7093	Managing Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in International Sport	20
MAN7094	Esports Management	20
MAN7044	Strategic Brand and Communications Management	20



## 12b Structure Diagram

Please note list of optional modules is indicative only. Students' choice will not be guaranteed for optional modules but a fair and transparent process will be adopted and shared with students.

Include a structure diagram for each mode of study. Level 4 is completed as an example including modules which extend the whole year.

### **Level 7 Full-Time**

SEMESTER ONE	SEMESTER TWO	SEMESTER THREE
Core	Core	Core
International Sport Marketing and	Big Data Analytics (20 credits)	Major Project (40 credits)
Sponsorship 1 (20 credits)	Managing International Sport	
Managing Finance and Budgets in International Sport (20 credits)	Events (20 credits)	
Strategy and Leadership in International Sport (20 credits)		
Optional	Optional	Optional
Year 1 – N/A	Strategic Brand and Communications Management (20 credits)	Crisis Management in International Sport (20 credits)
	Critical Issues, Law and CSR in International Sport (20 Credits)	Managing Equality, Diversity and Inclusion in International
	Esports Management (20 credits)	Sport (20 credits)

### **Level 7 Part-Time**

SEMESTER ONE (Year 1)	SEMESTER TWO (Year 1)	SEMESTER THREE (Year 1)
International Sports Marketing and Sponsorship 1 (20 credits) Managing Finance and Budgets in International Sport (20 Credits)	Big Data Analytics (20 credits)  Managing International Sport Events (20 credits)	One choice option from:  Crisis Management in International Sport (20 credits)  Managing Equality, Diversity
		and Inclusion in International Sport (20 credits)
SEMESTER ONE (Year 2)	SEMESTER TWO (Year 2)	SEMESTER THREE (Year 2)
Strategy and Leadership in International Sport (20 Credits)	One choice option from:  Strategic Brand and Communications Management (20 credits)	Major Project (40 credits)



Critical Issues, Law and CSR in International Sport (20 Credits)	
Esports Management (20 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 7

### **Workload**

15% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	270
Directed Learning	224
Private Study	1306
Total Hours	1800

### **Balance of Assessment**

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	53%
Exam	18%
In-Person	29%