

Course Specification

Cou	Course Summary Information				
1	Course Title		BA (Hons) Marketing		
2	BCU Course UCAS Code		US0641-05	N500	
	Code				
3	Awarding Institution		Birmingham City University		
4	Teaching Institution(s) (if different from point 3)				
5	Professional Statutory or		The Chartered Institute of	Marketing (CIM)	
	Regulatory Body (PSRB) accreditation (if applicable)				

6 Course Description

Looking for marketing courses in Birmingham? Our BA (Hons) Marketing degree is recognised by the Chartered Institute of Marketing and allows you to take a year-long industry placement.

Businesses value marketing more than ever due to its ability to identify opportunities, shape customer experiences and drive profits. It is an ever evolving discipline, constantly responding to changes in technology, consumer behaviour.

To be successful in his exciting area not only requires a depth understanding of the core principles, but also relies on having the acumen and practical abilities to apply and adapt this knowledge in a wide variety of scenarios. This in-demand course has been designed to give you the practical and professional skills that employers seek through our practice based learning.

What's covered in the course?

Inspiring our students in all aspects of marketing, we put an emphasis on employability, Employability focused means more than securing a role on graduation, it is an enduring principle that ensures that you have the resources and competencies to maximise all of your future career opportunities. You will receive this through every module and through enhanced experiences such as the opportunity to work in our very own student-led marketing agency. Placements are available with numerous companies holding our placement students in high-regard thanks to their real-world practical skills.

This course is also fully recognised by Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM). This helps to ensure content remains fresh, relevant and full of key industry insight making you industry-ready the second you graduate. Plus, on graduation you will receive the maximum possible exemptions from the CIM Professional Diploma

This course is one of six marketing degrees that have been designed to meet the diverse areas of marketing. This suite of courses is distinct in that it offers you a set of pathways that you can choose from irrespective of the course that you entered on. This allows you to develop additional specialist skills of your choice and career aspirations, alongside the core underpinning market concepts you will need in practice.

Each course in the suite has been designed to:



- Equip students with the ability to apply marketing theory and practice in a variety of business situations.
- Develop key transferable skills that are essential to a career in marketing.
- Meet the accreditation requirements of Chartered Institute of Marketing.
- Provide students with the opportunity to develop specialist marketing skills of their choice.

You can switch to a named pathway (or route in the case of professional practice version) after the first year, as all level 4 modules are common to all courses. On successful completion of this level, you will be able to choose a specified degree pathway or route from the following list:

BA Marketing (Advertising and Public Relations)

BA Marketing (Consumer Psychology)

BA Marketing (Retailing)

BA Marketing (Digital)

BA Marketing

BA Marketing (Professional Practice)

Any student not taking a named pathway can select any option modules from any pathway, and graduate in BA Marketing.

7	Course Awards		
7a	Name of Final Award	Level	Credits Awarded
	Bachelor of Arts with Honours Marketing	6	360
7b	Exit Awards and Credits Awarded		
	Certificate of Higher Education Marketing	4	120
	Diploma of Higher Education Marketing	5	240
	Bachelor of Arts Marketing	6	300

8	Derogation from the University Regulations
	Not applicable

9	Delivery Patterns				
Mode(s	Mode(s) of Study Location Duration of Study Code				
Full Time		City Centre	3 years	US0641	
Part Time		City Centre	5 years*	US0851	
Sandwich City		City Centre	4 years	US0641S	

^{*} If you study this course part-time, you will study modules alongside full-time students in daytime hours (not evenings or weekends). The duration of the course will depend on how many modules you take per year, and will be agreed before you commence your studies. To qualify as a PT student you cannot undertake more than 90 credits in any one year.



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	Knowledge and understanding of the major theories, principles, concepts of marketing.
2	Familiarity with the practices of marketing within a wider business context.
3	Acquisition of key transferable skills essential to a career in marketing.
4	Productive use of acquired marketing knowledge and transferable skills within a defined
	marketing environment.
5	Differentiate a range of marketing strategies.
6	Utilise principles of marketing practice in an operational context.
7	Use a range of marketing and business techniques to initiate and undertake critical analysis of
	business scenarios, applying findings to solve a set marketing problem.
8	Effectively communicate and present information, arguments and analysis in a variety of forms.
9	Utilise marketing knowledge, understanding and skills to critically evaluate and formulate
	evidence-based arguments and identify solutions to both defined and uncertain marketing problems.
10	Compose and construct effective methods of communicating marketing concepts and other
	relevant work, accurately and reliably using a range of specialist techniques and practices.
11	Apply professional skills in contexts where the scope of the task and the criteria for decisions
	are generally well defined, but where some personal responsibility and initiative is required.
12	Utilise and apply professional and academic skills to create and justify compelling marketing solutions.



12 Course Requirements

12a | Level 4:

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete all the following CORE modules (totalling 100 credits):

Module Code Module Name		Credit Value
FIN4007	Finance for Managers	20
MKT4015	Marketing Foundations	20
MKT4020	Professional Development	20
MKT4016	Consumer Psychology	20
MKT4017	Introduction to Creative Concepts And Design	20

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete at least 20 credits from the following list of OPTIONAL modules:

Module Code Module Name		Credit Value
MKT4019	Introduction to Digital Media	20
MKT5011	Introduction to Retail Marketing	20
MKT4018 Introduction to Integrated Marketing Communications		20

Level 5:

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete all the following CORE modules (totalling 80 credits):

Module Code	Module Code Module Name	
MKT5023	Marketing Insights and Analytics	20
MKT5029	Service Experience Design	20
MKT5015	Brand Management	20
MKT5022	Marketing Communications Planning	20

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

Module Code Module Name	
Channel Management and Routes to Market	20
Retail Operations	20
Content Marketing Strategy	20
User Experience and Architecture	20
Event Management	20
Visual Communication for Marketers	20
Managing Behavioural Change	20
Neuropsychology	20
	Channel Management and Routes to Market Retail Operations Content Marketing Strategy User Experience and Architecture Event Management Visual Communication for Marketers Managing Behavioural Change



Level 6:

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete all the following CORE modules (totalling 100 credits):

Module Code Module Name		Credit Value
MKT6041	Strategic Marketing Management and Planning	20
BUS6059	Integrated Business Research Project	40
MKT6036	Emerging Themes	20
MKT6046	One Planet Business	20

In order to complete this course a student must successfully complete at least 20 credits from the following list of OPTIONAL modules:

Module Code	Iodule Code Module Name	
MKT6038	Contemporary Advertising	20
MKT6039	Public Relations Planning and Corporate Reputation	20
MKT6034	Cross Cultural Consumer Behaviour	20
MKT6044	Business Development	20
MKT6042	Digital Enterprise	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.

Full Time Course Structure

Level 4		Level 4 HE l	_earner Course (Two weeks	s)
	Semester 1	MKT4018 Introduction To Creative Concepts And Design (20 credits)	MKT4015 Marketing Foundations (20 credits)	MKT 4020 Professional Development (20 credits)
	Semester 2	MKT4016 Consumer Psychology (20 credits)	FIN4007 Finance for Managers	Option Module (20 credits)
		Leve	l 5 Transition Course	
	Semester 1	MKT5023 Marketing Insights and Analytics (20 credits)	MKT5029 Service Experience Design (20 credits)	MKT5015 Brand Management (20 credits)
Level		Ol	ptional International Exchar	nge
5	Semester 2	MKT5022 Marketing Communications Planning (20 credits)	Option Module from any Pathway (20 credits)	Option Module from any Pathway (20 credits)
		O	ptional International Exchar	nge
		Option	al Yearlong Work Placemer	nt
	Level 6 Transition Course			
Level 6	Semester 1	MKT6041Strategic Marketing Management and Planning (20 credits)	BUS6059 Integrated Business Research Project	MKT6036 Emerging Themes (Pathway Specific) (20 credits)
0	Semester 2	MKT6045 One Planet Business (20 credits)	(Pathway Specific) (40 credits)	Option Module from any Pathway (20 credits)
		Professional Practice	route has a specified diet of	of modules

Part Time Course Structure

Year 1	Semester 1	MKT4018 Introduction To Creative Concepts And Design (20 credits)	MKT4015 Marketing Foundations (20 credits)
	Semester 2	MKT4016 Consumer Psychology (20 credits)	FIN4007 Finance for Managers (20 Credits)
Year 2	Semester 1	L4 Professional Development (20 Credits)	MKT5023 Marketing Insights and Analytics (20 credits)
	Semester 2	Level 4 Option Module	MKT5022 Marketing Communications Planning (20 credits)
Year 3	Semester 1	MKT5029 Service Experience Design (20 credits)	MKT5015 Brand Management (20 credits)
	Semester 2	Level 5 Option Module from any Pathway	Level 5 Option Module from any Pathway
Year 4	Semester 1	MKT6041Strategic Marketing Management and Planning (20 credits)	MKT6036 Emerging Themes (Pathway Specific) (20 credits)
	Semester 2	MKT6045 One Planet Business (20 credits)	Level 6 Option Module from any Pathway (20 credits)
Year 5	Semester 1	BUS6059 Integrated Business Research Project (Pathway Specific) (40 credits)	
	Semester 2		



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 4

Workload

% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	264
Directed Learning	120
Private Study	813
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	50%
Exam	27%
In-Person	23%

Level 5

Workload

% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	288
Directed Learning	144
Private Study	768
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	61%
Exam	17%
In-Person	22%

Level 6

Workload

% time spent in timetabled teaching and learning activity

Activity	Number of Hours
Scheduled Learning	252
Directed Learning	240
Private Study	708
Total Hours	1200

Balance of Assessment

Assessment Mode	Percentage
Coursework	100%
Exam	0
In-Person	0