

BPP University General Academic Regulations

Section B – Admissions

1. General Entry Requirements

1.1. Admission to the University is based on the following general entry requirements:

- a) Meeting the entry requirements specified for the relevant programme of study which have been approved by the Academic Council through programme approval, re-approval, or modification procedures, and specified in the relevant programme regulations. Details on programmes offered and their specific entry requirements can be accessed through the [Degree Courses](#) section of [bpp.com](#). There may also be additional programme specific requirements as expressed in the Admissions Policy.
- b) Demonstrate English Language requirements for their programme and their ability to apply this in the academic environment, which must be confirmed before registration. Details on these requirements can be found in the Admissions Policy.
- c) Students requiring Sponsored Visa Student Status must meet any requirements by the University. Details on these requirements can be found in the Admissions Policy.
- d) Disclose criminal records in line with the Admissions Policy. Where required, a determination on suitability for admissions on this basis will take place in line with this policy. See also Section 4.2. of these Admissions Regulations.
- e) Where required, applicants may be required to undergo and pass an Occupational Health Assessment.
- f) Where under the age of 18 years on the official start date of the programme, applicants may have to satisfy specific arrangements where required as set out in the offer and as defined in the Admissions Policy.
- g) It is also important to note that the University shall not make admissions determinations as a result of favouring or not favouring particular expressions of freedom of speech/academic freedom. Where a candidate for admission expresses freedom of speech/academic freedom within the Law, the University shall not seek to impede their admission as a result of disagreement with a candidate's lawful exercise of expression.

2. Misrepresentation or Fraudulent Information within an Application

2.1. In cases where an application is discovered during the admissions process to contain misrepresentation or fraudulent information the Dean of School or, by delegation, an admission tutor, will have the authority to reject an application or revoke an offer for admission.

- 2.2. If such evidence of fraudulent information on an application comes to light following the registration of that candidate, the case shall be referred to the University Proctor. Should any subsequent investigation demonstrate admission was sought by fraudulent means or through misrepresentation, the University Proctor will have the authority to recommend the termination of the student's registration.

3. *Admissions Discretion*

- 3.1. The University shall reserve the right to exercise discretion on the admission of applicants to its programmes. Satisfaction of the general entry requirements as set out in 1.1 of these regulations does not guarantee admission to the University. Further information on the exercise of admissions discretion can be found in the Admissions Policy.
- 3.2. The relevant Dean of the School or delegated admissions tutor reserves the right to determine whether an applicant is to be offered a place of admission to the University, and this can be based on academic and non-academic grounds as outlined in the Admissions Policy.

4. *Admissions Regulations for Specific Groups*

- 4.1. **Applicants with Disabilities and/or Learning Difficulties:** The University will make, where possible, and in line with the criteria as set out in the Admissions Policy, reasonable adjustments to accommodate a student's disability and the support requirements to facilitate their effective engagement with study at the University. Where reasonable adjustments can be put in place, a learning support agreement is to be established from the outset, outlining those requirements; the details and procedure of which can be found in the Learning Support Policy, and information on the application of reasonable adjustments can be found in the Reasonable Adjustments Policy.
- 4.2. **Candidates Convicted of a Criminal Offence:** The University recognises the role of education in the rehabilitative process and that a criminal record may not debar an applicant from admission. The Admissions Policy outlines the criteria and procedure under which criminal convictions must be declared and assessed as part of the application process, and the particular courses of action to be taken when a criminal conviction of concern is declared. The following principles are used to determine non-admission of a candidate with a criminal offence:
- a) the nature and seriousness of the criminal offence in question is incompatible with the programme applied for; and/or,
 - b) the ultimate professional or vocational goal is incompatible with the criminal offence (inclusive of incompatibility with eventual eligible professional or statutory body membership following qualification); and/or,
 - c) the criminal offence may cause concern with respect to participation in an academic and social setting; and/or,
 - d) the criminal offence may cause concern with respect to the University's responsibility for maintaining a safe and neutral environment for students and employees.
- 4.3. **Admissions with Credit:** The University permits students to accredit a proportion of prior certificated and experiential learning and gain exemptions at

admission. The Recognition of Prior Learning section of the Admissions Policy provides details of the policy and procedure to be followed. Such exemptions are permitted provided that such accreditation and exemption meet the following criteria:

- a) Accreditation and exemption is consistent with the terms of recognition of the programme by a professional body, and where an award is accredited, accreditation and exemption is consistent with the terms governing the programme and award.
- b) Minimum exemption granted is one module with a value of ten (10) credit points, and the maximum exemption is two-thirds (2/3) of the programme.
- c) No exemption may be granted in respect of a module forming any part of the final one-third (1/3) of a programme prior to the terminal award available, and no exemption granted on a programme may count towards an interim programme award.
- d) Exemptions from requirements of a programme may be granted where, and only where, the prior learning demonstrated is equivalent to that gained on an identified module or modules and the exemption will apply to the particular module or modules.
- e) Where exemption is granted from a module(s) on the strength of prior learning, the exempted and accredited module(s) will be recorded with a credit rating but not a grade. The overall grade of result on the final award will be determined by the marks on modules completed and assessed on the programme.

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