**BIMM UNIVERSITY**

A university for the creative industries

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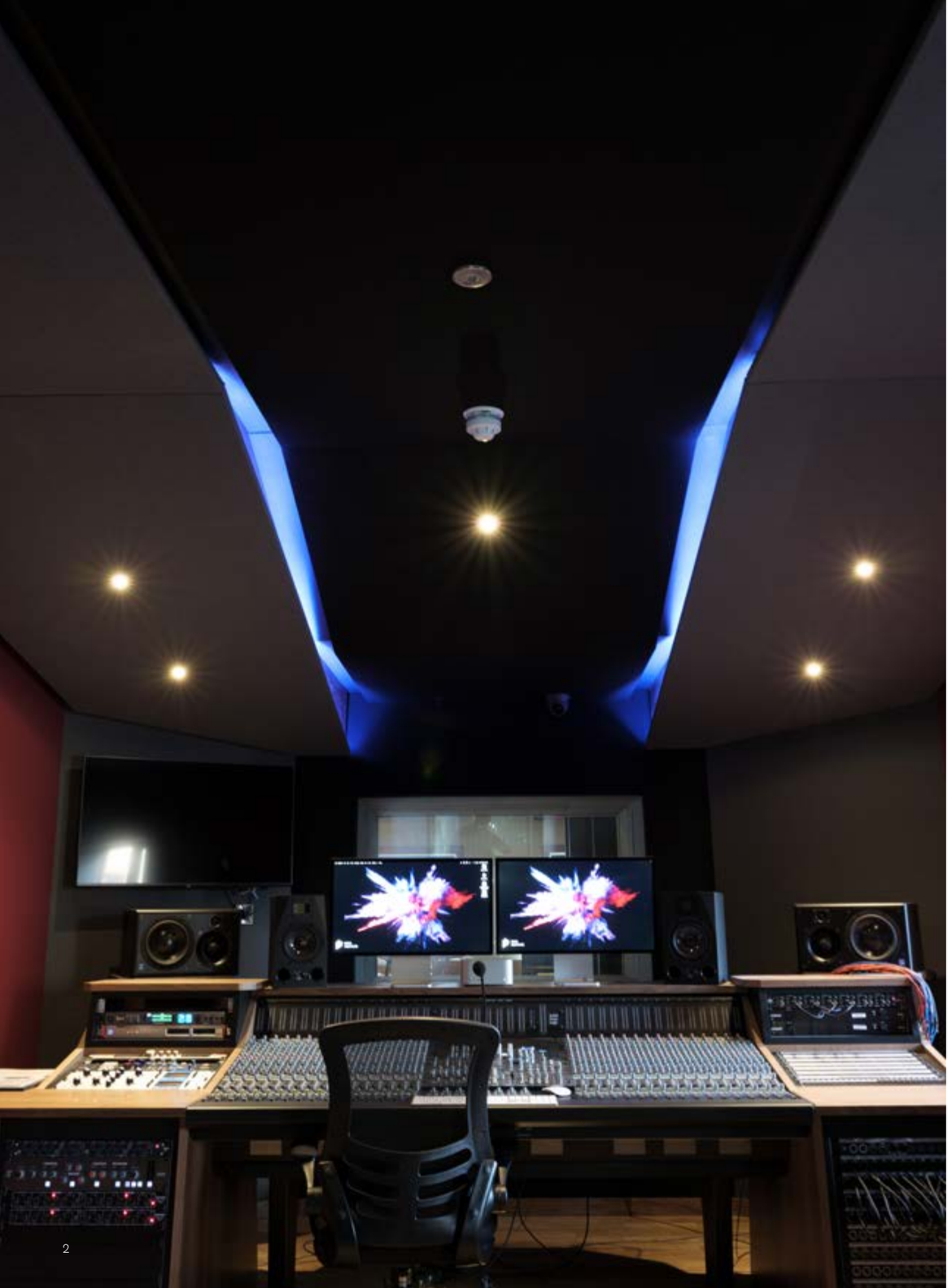
# SHAPING THE FUTURE OF THE CREATIVE INDUSTRIES



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# FOURTEEN SCHOOLS
# EIGHT CAMPUSES
# THREE COUNTRIES
# ONE UNIVERSITY

**At BIMM University, we provide an extensive range of courses in modern music, performing arts, filmmaking, and creative technology to over 8,000 students across 14 schools in the UK, Ireland, and Germany. We have a long-standing commitment to providing the highest quality in creative industries education, allowing students to maximise their career potential.**

**For 40 years, we've equipped our students with the knowledge and skills they need to meet the demands of the creative industries – and graduate feeling industry-ready. Beyond academic life, BIMM University offers a community built on a shared passion, creativity, and belief system. Our inclusive culture is at the core of everything that we do, binding us together and driving us forwards.**

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# WELCOME TO BIMM UNIVERSITY

**Discover your community at BIMM University, where thousands of young creatives gather each year to study at a specialist school on one of our vibrant campuses. They are all driven by a shared ambition to learn and build careers within the creative industries. Whether your passion lies in the performing arts, filmmaking, music or video games, our diverse community is brimming with like-minded students who are dedicated to collaboration and creativity.**

**At our university, you'll not only forge connections with other students but also engage with expert lecturers and industry guests who bring enthusiasm and invaluable experience to the table. Recognising that there is strength in numbers, we will help you expand your professional network to open up a multitude of opportunities for you.**

**We understand the importance of taking the initiative and actively shaping your own path. That's why we provide multiple opportunities for you to build and launch your career with real-world experiences. Our courses incorporate practical work placements, and we have a Creative Futures Team dedicated to getting you connected. Our commitment is to ensure that the knowledge and skills you acquire with us translate into a fulfilling job that you genuinely love.**

**Ultimately, all of these efforts culminate in an extraordinary prospect: the chance to shape the future of the creative industries. You are the driving force, and we encourage you to create something remarkable. Compose melodies that stir hearts, produce films that captivate minds, stage performances that leave lasting memories, and design games that ignite imaginations.**

# Build your network and collaborate

As a BIMM University student we know how important it is for you to build a strong network in order to succeed in the creative industries. For that reason, when you join us, we will present you with opportunities to work with and gain connections with your fellow students, your expert lecturers and a whole range of industry guests. Our unique creative community offers endless opportunities to collaborate across our courses and take you where you want to go.

**Collaboration**
A great example of inter-school collaboration came in the summer of 2022, when students and staff from across BIMM University came together to produce a short film, *Got a vision? Make a scene!* A clue to the reason for creating this film is in the title; one person can have a vision, but it takes a whole host of creative minds to make a scene come to life. Film students stood behind the camera, music students managed the audio, and actors from our performing arts schools took care of the drama that unfolded. You can watch the finished film on the Screen and Film School YouTube channel.

**Expert lecturers**
In order to be the best, you need to learn from the best. At BIMM University, we believe it's important for you to be taught by working professionals from the creative industries who each specialise in their own craft. Our friendly and experienced lecturers will help you develop all the practical skills you need to succeed in your chosen career path.

**Industry guests**
We take pride in inviting leading industry experts to deliver invaluable masterclasses that cover all aspects of the creative industries. We have some of the most inspiring names at our fingertips. Plus, we have the connections to get them in front of you.

**Previous industry guest include**

Phoebe Waller-Bridge
Charlie Brooker
Reggie Yates
Nile Rodgers
Stormzy
Imogen Heap
Vicki Jackson





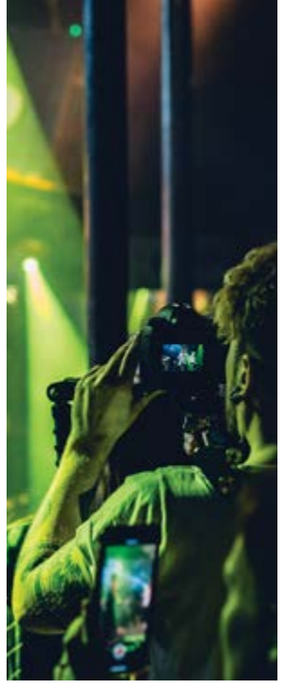




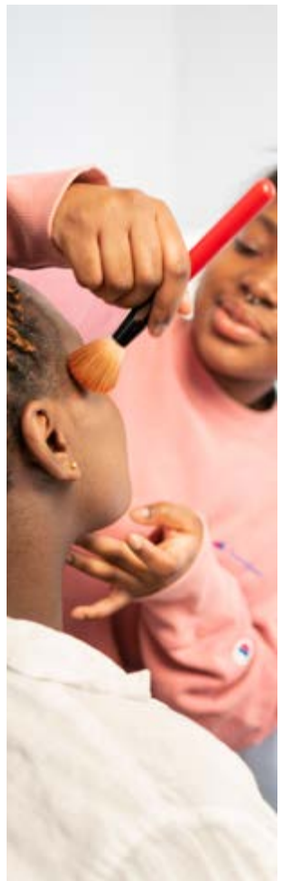
# Facilities

To shape the future of the creative industries, you've got to have the best tools, tech and equipment around you. No matter which course you study, you'll find professional-standard facilities that give you the expertise you need to stand apart from the crowd.

Our facilities are made to let you explore, experiment and refine your skills, and you'll be encouraged to take advantage of the resources available. At each BIMM University location, the spaces and equipment that you have access to are available to book outside of teaching time. So, if you've got a gig coming up, are getting prepped for a short film, need to drill choreography or need to put the finishing touches on your latest video game, our facilities give you the resources you need to bring your ideas to life.









# MUSIC

**Open the doors to your career in the music industry with our specialist music courses. Enjoy creative freedom, real-world experiences and the opportunity to build a unique creative community that spans borders. Our bespoke music courses equip you with the tools and expertise required to develop a fulfilling and sustainable music career.**

**BACHELOR'S DEGREES**

> BA (Hons) Electronic Music Production
> BA (Hons) Music and Sound Production
> BA (Hons) Music Production
> BMus (Hons) Songwriting
> BMus (Hons) Popular Music Performance
> BA (Hons) Music Business
> BA (Hons) Event Management
> BA (Hons) Music Marketing, Media and Communication

**CertHE (1 year)**

> CertHE (Music)

**MASTER'S DEGREES**

> MA Popular Music Practice

Pathways: Entrepreneurship I Composition I Performance I Production

> MA Learning & Teaching in the Creative Industries

Most of our bachelor's courses are also available as joint honours courses.

**BERLIN**
**BIRMINGHAM**
**BRIGHTON**
**BRISTOL**
**DUBLIN**
**LONDON**
**MANCHESTER**

***"BIMM London was a great experience for me. My tutors were all supportive and nourishing of all my ambitions for the work I wanted to create. It really is what you make of it."***

**Bella Unwin**
**BIMM London**

# FILM

**Unleash your creativity, get inspired and become industry-ready by studying one of our filmmaking courses. Taught by film specialists and with the demands of the industry at the forefront, you'll bring your biggest ideas to life with the same tools, tech and equipment used by filmmakers, producers and make-up artists today.**

**BACHELOR'S DEGREES**

> BA (Hons) Filmmaking

> BA (Hons) Film Business and Production

> BA (Hons) Production Design for Screen and Film

> BA (Hons) Hair and Make-up for Screen and Film

> BA (Hons) Filmmaking (TOP-UP)

**CertHE (1 year)**

> CertHE (Screen and Film)

**MASTER'S DEGREES**

> MA Screen and Film Production

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***During my studies so far, I have successfully bridged the gap between myself and the industry. Amazingly, I was on the set of a Lionsgate production featuring Morgan Freeman in 2023.***

**Meagan Hutchinson**
**Screen and Film School**

# PERFORMING ARTS

**Take your passion for the performing arts to the next level at BIMM University. Whether your passion lies in acting, dance or musical theatre, you'll enjoy professional-standard facilities and the expertise of our lecturers as you train for a successful and sustainable career in the performing arts world.**

**BERLIN**
**BIRMINGHAM**
**BRIGHTON**
**ESSEX**
**MANCHESTER**

**BACHELOR'S DEGREES**

> BA (Hons) Performing Arts | Two Pathways

• Pathways: Contemporary Musical Theatre | Acting for the 21st Century

> BA (Hons) Performing Arts (TOP UP)

> Trinity College London Diploma | Professional Dance

> BA (Hons) Musical Theatre and Dance

> BA (Hons) Acting for Stage, Screen and Digital Media

> Trinity Professional Performing Arts Diploma in Musical Theatre and Dance

**MASTER'S DEGREES**

>MA Performing Arts

***"Every day a new challenge awaits you, and there is something so exciting about that. You end up craving more and savouring absolutely every moment. There is such a strong family bond that can't be described better than it can be felt, and I will cherish every memory and moment created during my three years."***

**Emmanuel Kome**
**Performers College**

# CREATIVE TECHNOLOGY

BRIGHTON
BERLIN

**From September 2024, students will be able to study at our brand-new Creative Technology faculty at Screen and Film School as well as BIMM University Berlin. Combining creativity, design and technology, these new courses will allow you to develop innovative experiences in video games, animation, and VFX. Using industry-standard tools, you will be encouraged to explore and master emerging technologies, including real-time rendering engines such as Unreal Engine.**

***"The most fascinating aspect of studying at BIMM is seeing how naturally different creative disciplines come together. We constantly share projects with students across all courses and contribute to making each other's ideas a reality. Through all these experiences, I've learned that we — as creatives — thrive the most when we open up for this kind of collaboration."***

**Mila Kreft-Sietnicka**
**BIMM University Berlin**

**BACHELOR'S DEGREES**

> BA (Hons) Games Art and Technology
> BA (Hons) Games Design and Development
> BSc (Hons) Games Technology

# CertHE

**Immerse yourself in London or Berlin for a year to build your creative network with our one-year CertHE courses.**

If you're looking to explore a career in music or film but aren't ready to commit to a full degree right now, a CertHE course could be the right path of you. Equivalent to the first year of a bachelor's degree, you'll get to explore potential career paths within your chosen subject, start building a network to collaborate with, and explore the creative scene of either Berlin or London.

Just like students on our bachelor's courses, you'll have access to facilities that match those used by creatives working in the industry, plus the guidance and expertise of our lecturers.

And if you fall in love with the subject you're studying and don't want your time with us to end, the CertHE qualification you obtain will enable you to progress on to a full bachelor's degree, starting from Year 2.

**Our CertHE courses**

> CertHE Music (available in Berlin and London)

A one-year, hands-on course made for aspiring performers, songwriters and producers to explore their craft, connect with other creatives and get inspired by London or Berlin.

> CertHE Screen & Film (available in Berlin)

Dive into the world of filmmaking in the city that has inspired directors, cinematographers and producers alike with our one-year CertHE course in Screen & Film.





| Course category | | Campus |
|---|---|---|
| **Foundation Diploma / CertHE** | | |
| Professional Musicianship (Songwriting) (Foundation Diploma) | 1 year | Dublin* |
| Professional Musicianship (Guitar, Bass, Drums, Vocals) (Foundation Diploma) | 1 year | Dublin* |
| Music & Audio Production (Foundation Diploma) | 1 year | Dublin* |
| Music Business (Foundation Diploma) | 1 year | Dublin* |
| CertHE (Music) **(NEW)** | 1 year | Berlin*, London |
| CertHE (Screen and Film) **(NEW)** | 1 year | Berlin* |
| **Undergraduate (bachelor's degree)** Music | | |
| BMus (Hons) Popular Music Performance | 3 years | Berlin, Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, London, Manchester |
| BMus (Hons) Songwriting | 3 years | Berlin, Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, London, Manchester |
| BA (Hons) Music & Sound Production | 3 years | Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, London, Manchester |
| BA (Hons) Electronic Music Production | 3 years | Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, London, Manchester |
| BA (Hons) Music Production | 3 years | Berlin |
| BA (Hons) Commercial Modern Music | 4 years | Dublin |
| BA (Hons) Music Marketing, Media & Communication | 3 years | Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, London, Manchester |
| BA (Hons) Event Management | 3 years | Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, London, Manchester |
| BA (Hons) Music Business | 3 years | Berlin, Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, Dublin*,London, Manchester |
| BA (Hons) Music Business & Event Management | 3 years | Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, London, Manchester |
| BA (Hons) Music Production & Music Business | 3 years | Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, London, Manchester |
| BA (Hons) Popular Music Performance & Event Management | 3 years | Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, London, Manchester |
| BA (Hons) Popular Music Performance & Music Business | 3 years | Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, London, Manchester |
| BA (Hons) Popular Music Performance & Music Production | 3 years | Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, London, Manchester |
| BMus (Hons) Popular Music Performance & Songwriting | 3 years | Berlin, Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, London, Manchester |
| BA (Hons) Songwriting & Music Business | 3 years | Berlin, Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, London, Manchester |
| BA (Hons) Songwriting & Music Production | 3 years | Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, London, Manchester |

| **Undergraduate (bachelor's degree)** Screen and Film | | |
|---|---|---|
| BA (Hons) Filmmaking | 3 years | Berlin, Birmingham*, Brighton, Manchester |
| BA (Hons) Filmmaking (Top Up) | 1 year | Berlin, Birmingham*, Brighton, Manchester |
| BA (Hons) Production Design for Screen and Film | 3 years | Brighton |
| BA (Hons) Hair and Make Up for Screen and Film | 3 years | Brighton |
| BA (Hons) Film Business and Production | 3 years | Brighton, Manchester |
| **Undergraduate (bachelor's degree)** Performing Arts | | |
| BA (Hons) Performing Arts | 3 years | Brighton*, Manchester* |
| BA (Hons) Performing Arts (Top Up) | 1 year | Brighton*, Manchester* |
| BA (Hons) Musical Theatre and Dance | 3 years | Birmingham*, Essex |
| BA (Hons) Acting for Stage, Screen and Digital Media | 3 years | Berlin, Birmingham*, Essex |
| **Undergraduate (bachelor's degree)** Creative Technology | | |
| BA (Hons) Games Design and Development **(NEW)** | 3 years | Berlin, Brighton |
| BA (Hons) Games Art and Technology **(NEW)** | 3 years | Berlin, Brighton |
| BSc (Hons) Games Technology **(NEW)** | 3 years | Berlin, Brighton |

| **Postgraduate (master's degree)** | | |
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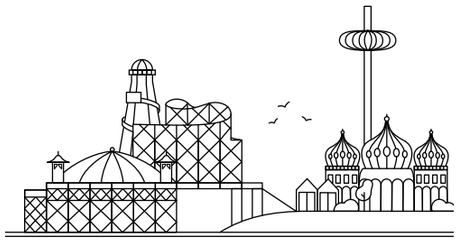
| MA Learning & Teaching in the Creative Industries | 1 year full-time / 2 years parttime** | Brighton, Bristol |
| MA Popular Music Practice | 1 year full-time / 2 years part-time** | Berlin, Birmingham, Brighton, Bristol, Dublin*,London, Manchester |
| MA Screen and Film Production | 1 year full-time / 2 years part-time** | Berlin, Birmingham*, Brighton |
| MA Performing Arts | 1 year full-time / 2 years part-time** | Essex |

*** this course at this site location is not currently available to international students that require sponsorship of a Student Route Visa (correct as of time of publication)**

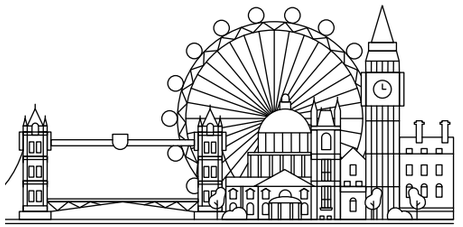
**** Part-time courses are not available to international students that require a student route visa for the UK campuses**

# Our locations



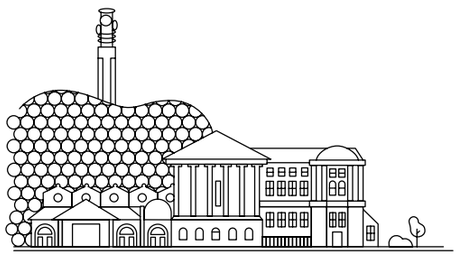
## Brighton

Brighton is an inclusive, forward-thinking seaside city on the South Coast of England that has long inspired musicians, filmmakers and video game developers alike. Located in close proximity to London, Brighton offers incredible opportunities for students to experiment, explore and collaborate with creatives from around the world.



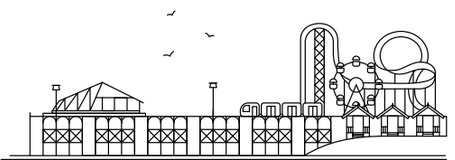
## London

Music is woven into London’s very fabric. From the iconic sounds of The Rolling Stones and Sex Pistols to today's thriving grime and rap scenes led by Stormzy and Dave, the city caters to diverse musical tastes. This rich scene, the plethora of music festival and the concentration of major music companies make it an incredible destination for those looking to make their mark in the industry.



## Birmingham

Bursting with culture, Birmingham is a city on the rise. A city that was once gritty and industrial has undergone huge transformation in recent years, giving birth to thriving music, performing arts and film scenes. Based in the artsy Digbeth neighborhood, our Birmingham campus is a place where you can find inspiration on every corner.



## Essex

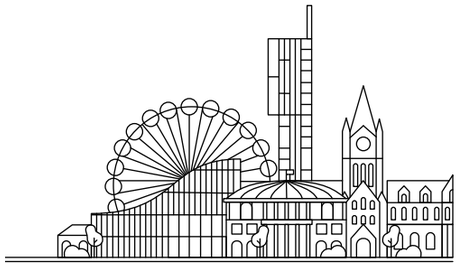
Our specialist performing arts campus puts you in prime position to build a stage or screen career. Set in the heart of Essex, you’ll enjoy an idyllic setting that allows you to completely dedicate yourself to your training. London, with it’s vast range of theatres, venues and creative networks, is also within easy reach. What better place to push yourself to reach the top?





## Bristol

Bristol is a city where music and art collide. This creative community is renowned for its drum & bass, trip hop, and punk scenes, and Bristol's musical landscape encompasses everything from folk to techno and performance art. Notable acts such as Roni Size, Massive Attack, Portishead, and IDLES have catapulted Bristol into the spotlight – both in the UK but around the world.



## Manchester

The North of England’s answer to London, Manchester’s music and film industries are known and respected all around the world. Some of the world’s biggest artists built a name for themselves within the Manchester scene, and the city is also enjoying heavy investment in its film and TV industries and Hollywood productions are regularly filmed on its streets.



## Dublin

Dublin is the Irish capital city with music at its core. Home to hundreds of venues, bars, pubs, and club showcasing musical icons and emerging talent, globally renowned names like Fontaines D.C., AE MAK, Pillow Queens, U2, Thin Lizzy and The Cranberries laid the foundations of their careers in this legendary city.



## Berlin

Home to some of the most iconic cultural institutions globally, Berlin is a city that lets creatives work and play in equal measure. Germany’s capital is teeming with opportunities for musicians, filmmakers, actors and gamers alike. Set in the heart of the European continent, Berlin is a global city that attracts creatives from all over the world.

# Campus life

**Our student community is highly international with students coming to us from over 60 different countries. Each and every one of them brings a wide range of cultural and creative influences. Our campus is a place where everyone can feel safe and free to express themselves.**

**Student wellbeing**
To ensure you get settled in and embrace all of the opportunities available at BIMM University, our Student Wellbeing Team will be on hand to deliver a range of services and activities that promote your personal, social and academic development. These include wellbeing advice and events, mental health services, support for our student associations and creating opportunities for community engagement, life skills and leadership development.

**Student events**
Our Student Events & Community Team build our inclusive and connected campus community. We want our campuses to be vibrant, interdisciplinary creative hubs and community building is central to this. As well as running a year round events programme for you, our local school teams empower and enable students to run their own events, volunteering programmes and activities.

**Masterclasses**
Every year, we hand-pick a selection of industry giants to come and give masterclasses at BIMM University. Hugely popular with our students, these sessions involve Q&A, live performances and workshops.

**Student Associations**
We understand the importance of creating a healthy balance of academic and social life. That's why each campus has student-run societies and groups covering a range of activities that bring people together in an inclusive environment. By joining one of the societies or attending some of the student-led events, you can build valuable skills, and forge new connections and lasting friendships.

**Work experience**
At BIMM University, all our degree courses have been developed on a foundation of industry engagement and employability opportunities. We're dedicated to providing the skills, experience, contacts and confidence needed to thrive in the creative industries. Internships, partnerships and work placements are all an integral part of the learning experience, and we know how crucial it is for you to get hands-on experience in your discipline before you enter the world of work.

That's why we're focused on getting you the right opportunities to put your learning into practice.

Across our campuses, every school has a dedicated Creative Futures Team that offers 1-1 advice, CV support, interview preparation and much more. Each year, the local careers teams facilitate dozens of job opportunities, work placements, internships and connections with the wider industry, through a variety of programmes and recruitment initiatives.



# International students

At BIMM University, we're very proud to welcome students from all over the world. It's what makes our creative atmosphere unique. We currently have hundreds of international students from over 60 different countries studying with us. Our doors are always open, wherever you're from and whatever your background. If you are currently in your final year at school/college, you can begin your application process with BIMM University prior to completing your current qualification.

**Applying to BIMM University**
All international students can apply directly to BIMM with no application fees. Most of our courses require an audition, interview or portfolio review for successful admission. Please get in touch with our International Admissions Team at admissions@bimm.ac.uk who will guide you through the application process.

**Early confirmation discount**
An early confirmation discount of £2,000 or €2,000 is available to all international students applying to study at any of our colleges in the UK, Germany or Ireland.

Please refer to each course page for more information on fees, scholarships, entry requirements and application process.



# How to apply

Is BIMM University the right place for you? Follow our guide below and start your journey in just 15 minutes.



**STEP 1**

**Submit your application**

Start off by creating an account on our handy application portal. Then start the application. You'll be asked questions that help us to better understand you and your creative experience. You will only need to apply once, either directly with our application form, or via UCAS for the UK colleges.



**STEP 2**

**We'll review your application**

Once you've submitted, our team will review your application so we can plan the next steps of your journey. You'll receive more information on what you need to do next (including submitting any documents and completing an interview/audition) in the form of a conditional offer via email.



**STEP 3**

**Book your Interview/audition**

Our Admissions Team will reach out to you to arrange an interview /audition for your chosen course. You'll also receive information on what materials you should prepare and submit in advance.



**STEP 4**

**Complete your Interview/audition**

Your interviewer will review the material you've submitted and use it to guide the conversation with you. This is your time to show us what you know and can do, as well as receive feedback on taking your skills further.



**STEP 5**

**Accept your offer**

You've submitted everything we need, smashed your interview and decided that BIMM University is the place for you. To secure your place, pay your deposit and you'll be with us in no time.



**STEP 6**

**Get ready to start building your creative career**

As soon as you have satisfied all conditions of your offer, you can start preparing for life as a student with us. Our team will be on hand to support with any questions you may have. Don't hesitate to reach out.

# Contact us

**To apply to BIMM University, book a place at an open day or to ask us a question, contact our friendly Admissions Team at:**

**Email: international@bimm.ac.uk**
**Tel: +44 1273626 666**
**Website: bimm.university**

**BIMM Music Institute (UK)**
Locations: Brimingham, Brighton, Bristol, London, Manchester (UK)
Course offer: Music courses
bimm.ac.uk
bimm_stagram

**BIMM Music Institute (Dublin)**
Location: Dublin (Ireland)
Course offer: Music courses
bimm.ie
bimm_dublin

**Institute for Contemporary Theatre**
Locations: Brighton, Manchester (UK)
Course offer: Performing Arts courses
ictheatre.ac.uk
ictheatreuk

**Performers College**
Locations: Birmingham, Essex (UK)
Course offer: Performing Arts courses
performerscollege.co.uk
performerscollege

**Screen and Film School**
Locations: Birmingham, Brighton, Manchester (UK)
Course offer: Film and Video Games courses
screenfilmschool.ac.uk
screenfilmsch

**BIMM University Berlin**
Location: Berlin (Germany)
Course offer: Music, Film, Acting and Video Games courses
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