

Journalism Foundation Degree



Academic Level: 5
Award: Foundation Degree
Awarding Body: University of Bedfordshire
Mode of Delivery: Full-Time
Duration: 2 Years
Location: University Centre Milton Keynes
Start Date: September
UCAS Course Code: P502

Entry Requirements

Under the UCAS Tariff points system a score of 80-120 is required or an applicable access course qualification.

For applicants whose first language is not English, we require one of the following qualifications:

- International English Language Testing System (IELTS) with a grade of 6.0+
- Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) with a score of 580 or above
- Cambridge Advanced with a Proficiency Grade C

- The University's own English Language qualification Test for English Language Assessment Service (TELAS), as a minimum qualification.

How to Apply

Applications should be made through UCAS to the University of Bedfordshire.

Key Features

- Introduction to fundamental journalistic writing skills and news gathering
- Broadcast media techniques studied through radio, television and online media
- Practical and theoretical projects studied within formal classroom settings, workshops, lectures and work-based scenarios.

Course Content

- Journalistic writing skills, research techniques and Teeline Shorthand skills
- Broadcast media production in radio, television and web-based journalism
- Legal and ethical considerations
- History and development of the journalism industry
- Magazine production and visual communication.

Assessment

Assessment methods include: portfolio reviews of written, audio and visual material, essays, contextual reports and journals, group projects and timed examinations.

Next Steps

After successfully completing the Foundation Degree, you will have the opportunity to progress on to the final year of the BA (Hons) Journalism at the University of Bedfordshire or apply to other universities.*

Alternatively, it may be possible to apply for entry into the third year on one of the suite of specialist journalism degrees at the University of Bedfordshire, including, BA (Hons) Broadcast Journalism; BA (Hons) Creative Writing and Journalism; BA (Hons) Journalism and Public Relations; BA (Hons) Magazine Journalism; BA (Hons) Multi-platform Journalism; and BA (Hons) Sports Journalism.

Career Opportunities

Graduates can expect to gain employment in the various areas of the journalism industry, which may include: the print and online industries, magazine and broadcast sectors.

The Journalism Foundation Degree is validated by, and leads to an award of, the University of Bedfordshire.

*Please note that entry directly to the third year is not guaranteed at other universities.

