

Summer Schools

Applicants FAQ

Sunday 23 - Tuesday 25 July 2023 Wednesday 26 - Friday 28 July 2023

Do I have to pay to attend?

No!

Our Summer Schools are completely free of charge for you to attend. We will provide all food, accommodation and activities whilst you are with us.

How do I apply?

Complete an application form

You can apply via the form on our website, please see the link at the bottom of this page. Part of the application should be completed by a parent or carer so make sure they are nearby when you are completing the form.

When is the deadline?

Thursday, 20 April 2023, at 5:00pm

It's really important that you complete your application by this date so that we can assess your eligibility for the summer school.

Why do you ask for my teacher's details?

We will ask them for a reference

We ask you to supply the name and email address of a teacher who knows you well at your school so that they can share a short support statement to ensure the summer school would be beneficial for you to attend.

How do you decide who gets a place?

Using the answers on your form

The questions you answer help us to assess each application against our targeting criteria. We will prioritise applications from those who are less likely to go to university in the future. Please note if you have attended one of our summer schools before you can not attend a second time.

How will I get there?

We will help you organise your travel

If you are successful in gaining a place on the residential we will contact you to arrange travel to us and back home and we may be able to provide you with travel funding to help you attend

Where will I stay?

Accommodation is included

You will stay with your fellow summer school students in our university halls of residence in Bournemouth. You will have your own ensuite room within a flat with a shared kitchen.

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If you have questions not answered on this document our contact details can be found below.

What activities will we be doing?

Lots! We have a packed timetable for you

Throughout your three days with us you will experience what life is like as a university student and everything that comes with it. You will have the opportunity to work on an academic project using our campus facilities and learning from our staff and students. You will also have time to relax and make friends through social activities such as a Beach BBQ and a party in the Students Union*.

How will I make friends?

Everyone will be in the same boat

You may have a few friends or people you know from your school that are also on the summer school, but you certainly won't know everyone! It's normal to feel a bit nervous at the start of the week but remember that everyone is feeling the same way. To help you settle in, our team will run activities that will help you get to know the other students, student mentors and staff.

What if I have a disability, special educational needs or medical condition?

We will support you

BU is committed to supporting all students, whatever their needs, and to include everyone that wants to attend. This means that the accommodation and timetable will take your needs into account. You should disclose any special educational needs, disabilities or medical conditions on the application form. You can also request to attend as a non-residential participant, which you can request on your application form.

When will I hear if I have a place?

Friday 28 April

After the deadline of 5pm Thursday, 20 April 2023 we will assess all of the applications we have received and select students based on our criteria. We will let you know whether you have a place no later than Friday 28 April so that you can start making your summer plans.

*Social activities are subject to change