

## 1 The university

Birmingham City University (BCU) is one of many universities located in Birmingham. It is split over two main campuses: "City Centre Campus" located at postcode B4 7BD, and "City South Campus" located at postcode B15 3TN.

The City Centre campus consists of the following buildings: the "Curzon Building" located at 4 Cardigan Street, "Millennium Point" located on Curzon Street, "Parkside Building" located at 5 Cardigan Street, "Joseph Priestley Building" located at 6 Cardigan Street, and "STEAMHouse" located at Belmont Row.

The City South campus consists of the "Seacole Building", located at Westbourne Road.

## 2 University Emails

Email addresses at the university typically follow the format of "FirstName.LastName@mail.bcu.ac.uk" for students, and "FirstName.LastName@bcu.ac.uk" for members of teaching staff. There may be some cases where email addresses do not follow this format.

## 3 Student Union

BCU also has a Student Union, known as "BCUSU" or sometimes called the "SU". BCUSU are there to improve students' university experience and help them have the best possible time during their university tenure. They are an official independent charity who represent student issues and concerns, and liaise with the university to make positive change. BCUSU is democratically run by students, with elections hosted annually for SU Officer positions.

The current officer team as of April 2025 consists of Shoukat Mehsud as the VP for Academic Experience, Oluwadamilola Iyanda as the VP for Equity & Inclusion, Harshal Srivastava as the VP for Opportunities & Community, and Ashween Kaur as the VP for Student Voice.

BCUSU offer three main things to help university students: Advice from professionally trained advisers on topics like money, health, academia and housing. Representation to allow all voices to be heard, and Societies for students to get involved with and befriend like-minded people with similar interests.

## 4 Societies

Societies are a large part of BCU, where students can find new friends with similar interests. There are 80 active societies as of February 2025 divided over multiple categories. These categories are: "General Interest and Media", "Academic", "Faith and Culture", "Liberation", "Active and Performance", and "Sports".

Most societies have paid memberships of varying cost, excluding Liberation societies which are instead funded directly by the SU and have no cost to join.

The most popular society by member count is currently 'BCU Gaming', with 87 paying members as of April 2025.

All societies have at least four committee members who fill one of four key committee roles. These roles are the President, Vice President, Treasurer, and Participation and Inclusion Officer. The President is generally in charge of the society, with the Vice President acting as second-in-command. The treasurer is in charge of the society's finances, while the participation and inclusion officer is in charge of ensuring that everyone feels welcome within a society regardless of who they are.