

# Course **Specification BAH Business Accounting with Finance Course Code: BBAWF** 2024/25

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### **BA (Hons) Business Accounting with Finance**

## Applicant Facing Course Specification for 2024/25 Undergraduate Entrants

#### Confirmed at 01/24

#### **General Information**

Award	Bachelor of Arts with Honours Business Accounting with Finance
Contained Awards	Bachelor of Arts Business Accounting with Finance
	Diploma of Higher Education Business Accounting with Finance
	Certificate of Higher Education Business Accounting with Finance
Awarding Body	Leeds Beckett University
Level of Qualification and Credits	Level 6 of the Framework for Higher Education Qualifications, with 120 credit points at each of Levels 4, 5 and 6 of the UK Credit Framework for Higher Education (360 credits in total).
Course Lengths and Standard Timescales	Start dates will be notified to students via their offer letter. The length and mode of delivery of the course is confirmed below:
	The format is:
	<ul> <li>3 years (full time, campus based)</li> <li>4 years (full time, campus-based, sandwich</li> <li>6 years (part time, campus-based)</li> </ul>
Part Time Study	PT delivery is usually at half the intensity of the FT equivalent course, although there may be flexibility to increase your pace of study to shorten the overall course duration. Some modules may be delivered in a different sequence to that defined within this information set but the modules offered within each level are consistent. Please note that the work placement option is not generally available to PT students.
Location(s) of Delivery	City Campus, Leeds
	Some sessions may also be delivered online or at Headingley campus, where appropriate
Entry Requirements	Admissions criteria are confirmed in your offer letter. Details of how the University recognises prior learning and supports credit transfer are located here: <u>https://www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/student-information/course-information/recognition-of-prior-learning/</u>

Admissions enquiries may be directed to: <u>AdmissionsEnquiries@leedsbeckett.ac.uk</u>.

Course FeesCourse fees and any additional course costs are confirmed in your<br/>offer letter. Fees enquiries may be directed to<br/><br/>Fees@leedsbeckett.ac.uk.

#### **Timetable Information**

Timetables for Semester 1 will be made available to students during induction week via:

- i) The Student Portal (MyBeckett)
- ii) The Leeds Beckett app

Any difficulties relating to timetabled sessions may be discussed with your Course Administrator.

#### Policies, Standards and Regulations (www.leedsbeckett.ac.uk/academicregulations)

This course has specific regulations from which it is exempt:

• Regulation 4.3.12 Modules Which Must Be Passed

To study the optional module Level 5 Performance Management for Decision Making, students must first have passed Level 4 Management Accounting and Data Analysis with a mark of 40 or more.

To study the optional module Level 5 Financial Reporting, students must first have passed Level 4 Financial Accounting with a mark of 40 or more.

**Level 5 Performance Management for Decision Making** and **Level 5 Financial Reporting** are only optional on BAH Business Accounting with Finance but should a student progress from Level 4 to Level 5 carrying a mark of 30-39 in either of the specified Level 4 modules it would limit the number of optional modules available to them at Level 5.

#### **Key Contacts**

Your Course Director	Paul Hampson
Your Academic Advisor	To be confirmed on arrival
Your Course Administrator	Janine Herbert-Niles ( <u>AccountingAdmin@leedsbeckett.ac.uk</u> )

#### Sandwich or Other 'In Year' Work Placement Information

Summary

Placements are recognised and valued by employers and enhance your employability and preparedness for life after graduation. If you choose to undertake a placement, our Placements Teams will work with you to identify an appropriate opportunity either in the UK or overseas. Please contact Placement Team representatives at either City Site or Headingley for further information. Please note that the costs associated with work placements are not funded by the university (e.g. travel/ accommodation).

#### Length

Students have the option to undertake a full placement year between L5 and L6, for 48 weeks, and an optional module at H6, Work Placement, may be taken to report on the placement year.

#### Location

Students may be placed with various companies in the Leeds region, but placements can be undertaken nationally or internationally.

#### Professional Accreditation or Recognition Associated with the Course

#### **Professional Body**

Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA)

Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA)

#### **Accreditation/ Recognition Summary**

#### Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA)

Successful completion of this programme provides conditional exemptions from all Foundations in Accountancy papers as well as Business and Technology, Management Accounting, Financial Accounting and Corporate and Business Law, and conditional exemptions on Audit and Assurance and Performance Management. You must supply documentary evidence to ACCA to convert conditional exemptions into actual exemptions following graduation. A pass mark of 40% is required for some modules.

#### Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA)

Successful completion of this programme provides conditional exemption from CIMA examinations BA1 – BA4, E1, P1, F1 and Operational Case Study exam. You must register with CIMA and supply documentary evidence to verify your eligibility for exemption following graduation. A pass mark of 40% is required for some modules.

#### **Course Overview**

#### Aims

The overall aim of the course is derived from the QAA Accounting subject benchmarks and is:

To enable students to make an effective contribution to the financial management of a wide range of business organisations and produce enterprising, highly employable graduates who are ready to work in a variety of settings, co-ordinating teams, managing projects in an ethical environment, and delivering business strategies

#### **Course Learning Outcomes**

At the end of the course, students will be able to:

1	Construct and analyse financial statements and financial information using a range of techniques and appropriate e-tools in order to critically appraise their value in decision making
2	Critically appraise current developments in accounting and finance including evaluating contemporary theories and empirical evidence in a wide range of business situations
3	Recognise the contribution of accounting and finance to a diverse range of enterprises and society as a whole and be capable of describing and commenting on accounting and finance research using appropriate data and methodologies to solve real world problems
4	Engage in the workplace as an ethical professional and acquire personal competencies including self-confidence, resilience, adaptability and professionally relevant skills appropriate to pursuit of employment or further study
5	Establish strong business acumen skills including accounting, marketing, digital technologies, and sustainability to become a confident high-level, financially literate graduate
6	Demonstrate the capability to navigate uncertainty and complexity and to explore solutions in a range of business challenges taking into consideration social and environmental responsibilities

#### **Teaching and Learning Activities**

#### Summary

The delivery of the course is based on a standard model of lectures (typically 2 hours) followed by seminar (typically 2 hours) (total = 4 hours). Lectures deliver key knowledge. Seminars facilitate enhancement and application of knowledge through use of case studies, simulations, projects, critical readings, and so on. Seminars also bridge the gap from module content to module assessment, helping students to prepare for and engage with summative assessment tasks. Finally, seminars offer guidance on additional independent learning, for example by extension tasks, guide for further reading and additional resources.

Throughout the course students experience a range of learning and teaching activities e.g. lectures, seminars, supervised computer lab workshops, supported by on-line resources. Seminar preparation is also supported by the use of VLE tools e.g. document and web links will direct students to reading materials and additional activities in a range of modules. Students are able to self-check their understanding by completing online quizzes. Additional module support is provided by tutors in their weekly consultation drop in sessions.

Students are guided and encouraged to develop independent study skills. Students are encouraged to value the contributions of their peers, for example in the preparation of group presentations. Students will also participate in activities which enable synthesizing, applying, and reflecting on the knowledge and skills developed throughout the award.

#### **Your Modules**

This information is correct for students progressing through the programme within standard timescales. Option modules listed are indicative of a typical year. There may be some variance in the availability of option modules. Students who are required to undertake repeat study may be taught alternate modules which meet the overall course learning outcomes. Details of module delivery will be provided in your timetable.

Level 4			
Semester 1	Core (Y/N)	Semester 2	Core (Y/N)
Business and Legal Foundations (20 credits)	Y	Financial Accounting (20 credits)	Y
Developing Professional and Academic Skills (20 credits)	Y	Digital Marketing Decisions (20 credits)	Y
Introduction to Accounting Part 1 (10 credits)	Y	Management Accounting and Data Analysis (20 credits)	Y
Introduction to Accounting Part 2 (10 credits)	Y		1

Level 5				
Semester 1	Core (Y/N)	Semester 2	Core (Y/N)	
Business Ethics (20 credits)	Y	Sustainability (20 credits)	Y	
Business Accounting Applications (20 credits)	Y	Financial Management (20 credits)	Y	
Option (see list below) (20 credits)	N	Option (see list below) (20 credits)	N	

#### Indicative option modules:

Performance Management for Decision Making (S1)

Financial Reporting (S1)

Innovation, Technology and the Consumer (S1)

Digital Marketing Planning (S1)

Group Financial Statements (S2)

Managing a Small and Sustainable Business (S2)

Level 6			
Semester 1	Core (Y/N)	Semester 2	Core (Y/N)
Finance and Investment	Y	Accounting Issues	Y
Management (20 credits)		(20 credits)	
Strategic Planning and Control	Y	Option (see list below)	N
(20 credits)		(20 credits)	
Applied Finance for Enterprise	Y	Option (see list below)	N
(20 credits)		(20 credits)	

#### Indicative option modules:

Audit and Assurance (S2) Governance, Ethics and Corporate social Responsibility (S2) International Business Finance (S2) Leadership, Strategy and Change (S2) Corporation Tax, Theory and Practice (S2) Dissertation (40 credits) Work Placement (20 credits) **Course Structure (Part Time)** 

Level 4			
Year 1			
Semester 1	Core (Y/N)	Semester 2	Core (Y/N)
Developing Professional and Academic Skills (20 credits)	Y	Financial Accounting (20 credits)	Y
Introduction to Accounting Part 1 (10 credits)	Y		
Introduction to Accounting Part 2 (10 credits)	Y		
Year 2			
Semester 1	Core (Y/N)	Semester 2	Core (Y/N)
Business and Legal Foundations (20 credits)	Y	Management Accounting and Data Analysis (20 credits)	Y
	1	Digital Marketing Decisions (20 credits)	Y

Level 5			
Year 3			
Semester 1	Core (Y/N)	Semester 2	Core (Y/N)
Business Ethics (20 credits)	Y	Sustainability (20 credits)	Y
Option (see list below) (20 credits)	N		
Year 4			
Semester 1	Core (Y/N)	Semester 2	Core (Y/N)
Business Accounting Applications (20 credits)	Y	Financial Management (20 credits)	Y
		Option (see list below) (20 credits)	N

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Level 6			
Year 5			
Semester 1	Core (Y/N)	Semester 2	Core (Y/N)
Strategic Planning and Control (20 credits)	Y	Accounting Issues (20 credits)	Y
Finance and Investment Management (20 credits)	Y		
Year 6			
Semester 1	Core (Y/N)	Semester 2	Core (Y/N)
Applied Finance for Enterprise (20 credits)	N	Option module (see list below) (20 credits)	N
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#### Assessment Balance and Scheduled Learning and Teaching Activities by Level

The assessment balance and overall workload associated with this course are calculated from core modules and typical option module choices undertaken by students on the course. They have been reviewed and confirmed as representative by the Course Director, but applicants should note that the specific option choices students make may influence both assessment and workload balance.

A standard module equates to 200 notional learning hours, which may be comprised of teaching, learning and assessment, any embedded placement activities and independent study. Modules may have more than one component of assessment.

#### Assessment

Level 4 is assessed predominantly by examinations, with some coursework and practical assessments.

Level 5 is assessed predominantly by coursework, with some examinations and practical assessments.

Level 6 is assessed predominantly by coursework, with some examinations and practical assessments.

#### Workload

Overall Workload	Level 4	Level 5	Level 6
Teaching, Learning and Assessment	276 hours	288 hours	276 hours
Independent Study	924 hours	912 hours	924 hours
Placement			

#### Learning Support

If you have a question or a problem relating to your course, your Course Administrator is there to help you. Course Administrators work closely with academic staff and can make referrals to teaching staff or to specialist professional services as appropriate. They can give you a confirmation of attendance letter, and a transcript. You may also like to contact your Course Rep or the Students' Union Advice team for additional support with course-related questions.

#### **Student Services**

If you have any questions about life at University, call into our Student Services Centre at either campus or contact Student Advice directly. This team, consisting of trained officers and advisers are available to support you throughout your time here. They will make sure you have access to and are aware of the support, specialist services, and opportunities our University provides. They also work on a wide range of projects throughout the year all designed to enhance your student experience and ensure you make the most of your time with us. Student Advice are located in the Student Services Centre in the Leslie Silver Building at City Campus and on the ground floor of the Priestley Building at Headingley Campus. The team can also be contacted via email at <u>studentadvice@leedsbeckett.ac.uk</u>, telephone on 0113 812 3000, or by accessing our online chat link, available on the student homepage.

#### **Support and Opportunities**

Within MyBeckett you will see two tabs (Support and Opportunities) where you can find online information and resources for yourselves. The Support tab gives you access to details of services available to give you academic and personal support. These include Library Services, the Students' Union, Money advice, Disability advice and support, Wellbeing, International Student Services and Accommodation. There is also an A-Z of Support Services, and access to online appointments/registration.

The Opportunities tab is the place to explore the options you have for jobs, work placements, volunteering, and a wide range of other opportunities. For example, you can find out here how to get help with your CV, prepare for an interview, get a part-time job or voluntary role, take part in an international project, or join societies closer to home.