

BSU Qualifications Credit Framework

	Award Title	Qualification Level (FHEQ)	Minimum credits for the award	Minimum credits at award level	FQ-EHEA cycles	ECTS credit ranges from FQ-EHEA
FHEQ	PhD	8	Not typically credit-rated		Third cycle (end of cycle) qualification	Not typically credit-rated
	Professional doctorates (only if credit based)		120-180 (at FHEQ level 7)	n/a		
	Research master's degrees (eg MPhil)	7	Not typically credit-rated		Second cycle (end of cycle) qualifications	90-100 ECTS credits
	Taught master's degrees (eg MA, MSc, MBA, MRes)		180	150		
	Integrated taught master's degree (eg MA, MMus)		480	180		
	Postgraduate Diplomas*		120	90		
	Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE)		60	60		
	Postgraduate certificates*	60	40			
	Professional Graduate Certificate in Education (PGCE)	6	60	60		
	Bachelor's degrees with honours (eg BA/BSc Hons)	6	360	100	First cycle (end of cycle) qualifications	180-240 ECTS credits
	Bachelor's degrees (Ordinary)		300	60		
	Graduate Diplomas		80	80		
	Graduate Certificates		40	40		
	Foundation Degrees (eg FdA, FdSc)		5	240	100	Short cycle (within or linked to first cycle) qualifications
	Diplomas of Higher Education (DipHE)*	240		100		
Certificates of Higher Education (CertHE)*	4	120	120			
BSU award	Foundation Diploma	F	120	80		
	University Certificate	F	60	60		

*May be available as both entry and exit awards