

THE UNIVERSITY

Academic Excellence

Bath has been named '<u>University of the Year</u>' by The Times and Sunday Times 'Good University Guide' 2023.

Overall, Bath has also moved up to eighth position in the national league table, and is the highest ranked university in the South West.

The university is split into 4 faculties offering over 350 undergraduate and postgraduate courses. Bath is home to around 20,000 students, including more than 5,000 international students from over 150 countries.

92% of Bath's research is classed as world-leading or internationally excellent and we also rank first in England for overall student satisfaction.

As well as the overall ranking, I5 subjects are in the top ten by subject ranking. These are:

- Accounting and Finance (4th)
- Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering (6th)
- Architecture (5th)
- Biological Sciences (9th)
- Business, Management and Marketing (4th)
- Civil Engineering (8th)
- Criminology (1st)
- Mathematics (6th)
- Mechanical Engineering (4th)
- Pharmacy & Pharmacology (5th)
- Psychology (8th)
- Social Policy (1st)
- Social Work (7th)
- Sociology (4th)
- Sports Science (2nd)

Claverton Down Campus

Sitting atop a hill overlooking the city, the Claverton Down campus is surrounded by beautiful green-belt land. In the last decade, the university has invested over £450 million into the campus, including new accommodation, academic buildings and sports facilities to support both recreational and professional sporting development.

The sporting centerpiece of this is the £35 million <u>Sports Training Village</u> which is a world-class multi-sport training environment with fitness, coaching, physio and sport science facilities all under one roof. Bath is a globally renowned sporting university bringing back 21 medals from the 2020 Tokyo Olympics.



THE CITY OF BATH

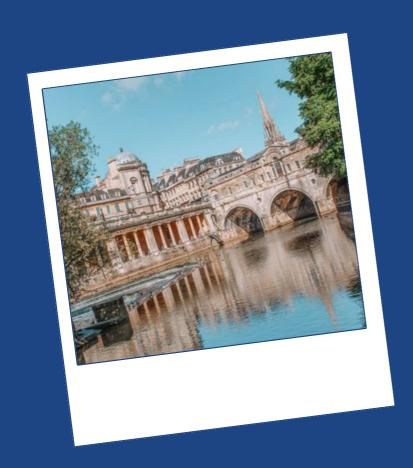
About the city

Bath is a historic city located in the south-west of England in the County of Somerset, 98 miles from London and 15 miles from Bristol. It has a population of around 100,000 with a large percentage of that being students. The entire city is a registered <u>UNESCO</u> heritage site signifying its cultural and historical significance.



History

The city was founded in the 1st century AD by the Romans who used the natural hot springs as a thermal spa. It became an important centre for the wool industry in the Middle Ages but in the 18th century under the reigns of George I, II and III it developed into an elegant spa city, famed in literature and art.



Student Friendly

The city is perfect for students with everything you need within walking distance, and frequent bus services are available for those who don't fancy the walk. Bath is home to a large variety of independent cafes and shops, along with most of the classic chain stores. As well as this, Bath is one of the safest cities in the country, making it a great environment to feel safe when first living away from home.

#belongatbath

THE CLUB

Overview

With over 300 players attending tryouts the University of Bath Basketball Club is one of the fastest growing clubs within the university.

Each year we enter three teams into BUCS (British Universities and Colleges Sport), two men's and one women's.

- Men's First Team Western IA
- Women's First Team Western IA
- Men's Second Team Western IA

Training and Benefits

- 3 Training Sessions a week
- Free court bookings
- Film Sessions
- Strength and Conditioning
- Hydrotherapy
- · Opportunity to play national and local league

There is also a men's development team for those nearing BUCS standards and still seriously looking to improve their skills.

This consists of:

- 3 Coached Training Sessions Weekly
- Local League Opportunities
- Player pathway through development to BUCS

There are also a number of recreational sessions each week attended by over I50 players. Wheelchair basketball is another growing part of the club with weekly sessions and friendlies and the opportunity to take part in varsity!





"I chose Bath for it's strong
School of Management and
continued investment in
the student experience/
athletics. It has a tight
community and social scene
that can accommodate any
interests. Sports are also at
an elite level and the
basketball program is
unlike any collegiate
program I have seen in the
UK"

#2 Aidan O'Flaherty Tokyo, Japan Business



Coach Antonio Wilburn

Antonio Wilburn, originally from Charlotte North Carolina, is currently in his 5th season with Bath as head coach, being named Head Coach in Summer 2018. Prior to Bath, Antonio played professional basketball in Europe. Antonio played collegiately NCAA III and NAIA II in NYC and Vermont.

Antonio brings a strong pedigree and experience after starting his coaching career with Pro Skills Basketball in America. There he developed the knowledge from working with elite youth athletes on strengthening specific skill sets and also bringing an unique coaching concept which has helped Bath be competitive over the years.

In his five years, Bath has always challenged for top position which has seen the Men's 1st team compete for Premiership position in 2021-2022 falling short in the championship. In 2022-23 the Men's 2nd team gained promotion to Western Division I.

Antonio's goal is to continue to build a successful environment for every student athlete to progress within the program.

HIGH PERFORMANCE

If you are a high-level junior player looking for a great university programme to be a part of, then look no further. In addition to outstanding academics, the University of Bath also offers several benefits for elite athletes.

Dual Career

To qualify for the Dual Career program you need to be recognised on your NGB performance pathway (e.g. Basketball England). Dual Career athletes receive support through various means including free access to the TeamBath Gym and Fitness Centre, workshops designed to support a dual career lifestyle and sport support services including physiotherapy. To find out more click here.

Sports Scholarships

There are a number of sports scholarships available at the University of Bath. These come in the form of a bursary, paid each year by the university. If awarded a scholarship you will also receive the Dual Career benefits. To find out more click here.





Sports Performance

At Bath, the Sports Performance course is tailored for talented athletes whose sporting achievements make up a large part of their application. The course covers a large range of sports topics including performance, psychology and management. To find out more click here.

"Due to the nature of the course being sport related and suited for student athletes, the lectures are fitted around team training and matches, thus allowing me to attend all my training sessions, psychology sessions etc. The connections that I have gained over the course of my year-and-a-half of being here are priceless. This course also lets me maintain a healthy work-life balance, which allows me to have a social life and a part-time job alongside my studies and my personal aspirations towards professional basketball."

#4 Josh Ogbanufe London, UK Sports Performance

NEXT STEPS

If you are thinking of applying to the University of Bath and basketball is a factor in your decision-making do not hesitate to get in touch. Here are a few steps you can do to assist your application.

Do your research

Ensure Bath is the right choice for you academically by investigating:

- Courses Available
- Academic Requirements
- Application Deadlines

Visit us

Come along to an <u>open day</u>, or one of our games to see the basketball experience!

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