

ADMISSIONS POLICY

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Introduction

This programme is designed for students who are passionate about the art of circus and physical theatre and are committed to pursuing a career in this field. Our goal is to create a diverse and inclusive community of students who are dedicated to excellence in their craft.

Our admissions policy should be read in conjunction with the Bath Spa University admission policies which apply to the FdA, BA and MA programmes.

Admission Requirements

- UCAS Application: All applicants for the FdA and BA must register with UCAS and complete and submit the UCAS application form by the specified deadline. This form includes personal information, academic background, and a statement of purpose. Applicants to the MA must apply using the [form](#) on the Bath Spa website. https://evision.bathspa.ac.uk/urd/sits.urd/run/siw_ipplgn.login?process=siw_ippl_app&code1=MADC&code2=0004
- Academic Qualifications: Applicants will hold English and mathematics GCSE at grade 4 or above and hold or be working towards A levels, BTEC Advanced

Diploma or other level 3 qualification and predicted grades of DD or PMM respectively (or 48 UCAS points). If you do not hold the required level 3 qualifications but are over 23 and can demonstrate suitable depth of work or other experience you may be able to submit an application that accredits your prior experience, this process is called APEL (accreditation of prior experience and learning).

- **Audition:** All applicants for the BTE, FdA and BA programmes must attend an audition in person or via video submission. The audition will assess the applicant's physical ability, creativity, and potential as a performer. Auditions for FdA are usually in person and usually take place over 2 days, BTEC auditions may be carried out virtually.
- **Interview:** Applicants who are invited to the audition stage will also be invited for an interview with the programme leader or faculty members. The interview will assess the applicant's motivation, passion, and commitment to the programme.
- **English Language Proficiency:** Applicants whose first language is not English must provide proof of English language proficiency by submitting CEFR or IELTS scores.
- **Circomedia does not hold UKVI sponsor status** which means that we cannot accept applications from any student who requires a visa to study in the UK. Only students who are UK nationals, Irish nationals, settled or pre-settled EU nationals or [some listed groups on the UKVI website](#) may be accepted onto one of our accredited programmes of study.

Selection Process

The selection process is highly competitive and is based on a combination of academic qualifications, audition, interview, and English language proficiency. The programme admits a limited number of students each year.

Admission decisions are made by a panel of faculty members based on the following criteria:

1. Artistic potential and talent in circus and physical theatre.
2. Motivation, passion, and commitment to the programme.
3. Academic qualifications and potential for success in the programme.
4. Fitness and stamina to cope with a physically demanding programme
5. Diversity and inclusion.

Notification

Applicants will be notified of their admission status by email within three weeks of the audition and interview.

Acceptance and Enrolment

Accepted students must confirm their acceptance by the specified deadline. They must also submit all required documents, including transcripts, test scores, and proof of physiotherapy assessment and health insurance.