# The University of Bolton: A Holistic Learning and Social Life in a COVID-secure campus

We are committed to delivering a holistic university experience in September 2020 by providing you with a fully operational campus environment supported with virtual and online learning tools. You will have opportunities to study and engage in person with our staff and other students in a Covid-secure environment.

This information confirms how you will learn and be taught when you start your course with us in September 2020. \*

You are likely to be on campus for around two days per week, made possible via a scheduling system that will limit the number of staff and students on-campus at any one time. The amount of time you spend on campus will depend on the type of degree course, subject area and the stage you are at in your course.

# On-campus teaching - maintaining social distancing in a Covid-secure environment

You will continue to take part in lectures and intensive tutorials on campus in smaller groups where possible. Some of the lectures that are suitable for virtual environment will be delivered via video technology such as Zoom and MS Teams. Your personal tutorial sessions will take place on campus face-to-face within the necessary social distancing parameters and also online.

#### Practical work on-campus - maintaining social distancing in a Covid-secure environment

Practical work within the necessary social distancing parameters will take place on-campus in laboratories, arts & creative studios, clinical suites, sports facilities and other specialist facilities. These spaces are being redesigned to provide a safe environment for you to carry out this essential part of your learning.

# **Online teaching**

Our online and on-campus delivery will utilise adaptive teaching and learning techniques while taking advantage of the state-of-the-art learning technologies. This will enable us to customise teaching, learning and personal tutoring to suit your individual learning need. Our online learning tools are already tried and tested with our students and provide materials to allow you to learn in your own time outside the classroom.

#### **Personal tutoring**

When you join the University of Bolton community, you will be assigned a Personal Tutor who will look after your academic journey and welfare. Regular one-to-one sessions will take place both on-campus and remotely via video call.

Our range of outstanding student support services will also be available on-campus and remotely depending on the specific need.

#### Social and peer learning environments

We know that learning also takes place beyond the classrooms or laboratories. That's why we are also creating Covid-secure social learning zones across the campus for you to carry out group work, meet with other students, and make the most of university life.

# **University facilities**

Extensive social-distancing measures will be in place to enable you to utilise our library, computer suites, take-away food and drink services. Student support services will continue to be available to all students. We are also installing temperature scanners in every building, providing face-masks and preparing managed walking zones around campus to make you feel safe so you can make the most of your university experience ....... because that is important to us.

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<sup>\*</sup>The University of Bolton is working to ensure that the current regulations that are in force are adhered to at all times, and that health and safety standards for dealing with the ongoing pandemic and Government advice are followed. Should this change as per

Government, PHE and other regulatory guidelines, we will advise applicants and students as soon as possible. The University of Bolton remains committed to providing accessible learning and teaching for all our students and for those unable to attend on campus for reasons relating to COVID-19, alternative arrangements will be made.

This information applies to the University of Bolton main campus, Institute of Management and Queens Building. Where courses are delivered by one of our off-campus partners, these arrangements may vary. Our partners will communicate with you individually regarding their arrangements.