Bitesize Uni 2024 - Eligibility Criteria

Bitesize Uni (BSU) is open for applications from any UK-based student currently in Year 12/first-year college (or equivalent in Northern Ireland and Scotland).

BSU is nominated within Newcastle University’s Access and Participation Plan, as part of the Access Intervention Strategy. This intervention aims to support young people on their journey to higher education. We encourage applications from all UK-based students in year 12 who are interested in studying at university.

There are a limited number of places available. If the event is oversubscribed, we may review applications based upon the following eligibility criteria as well as subject strand interest/availability.

We may ask for evidence to support an application and confirm eligibility. We may also request that your teacher/school contact verifies your application.

1. GCSE Results

Preference may be given to students who have achieved at least 5 GCSEs at grades 9 to 6.

2. Widening Participation

As part of the University’s continued commitment to widening participation, places on the summer school may be offered to students from the following underrepresented groups, regardless of their GCSE grades:

- Recognised young carers
- Care experienced students
- Estranged young people (students who live independently with no support from their family)
- Students from a black ethnic group who attend a state school
- Refugees & asylum seekers

3. PARTNERS Programme Criteria

There are 15 eligibility criteria for Newcastle University’s PARTNERS Programme. BSU places may be allocated using these same criteria. The more criteria an applicant meets, the more likely they are to be offered a place on BSU.

- Find out about the PARTNERS eligibility

Applicants will receive a confirmation by email upon submission of an application. All applicants will be emailed with the outcome of their application the week commencing the 15th April.

Applicants must be aged 17 or under on the last day of their chosen dates. (Arts and Humanities: Tuesday 16th July 2024. STEM & Life Sciences: Friday 19th July 2024).

If you have any queries, please email bitesizeuni@newcastle.ac.uk