

Bachelor's Degree



Your Gateway to
International Education
In Bahrain



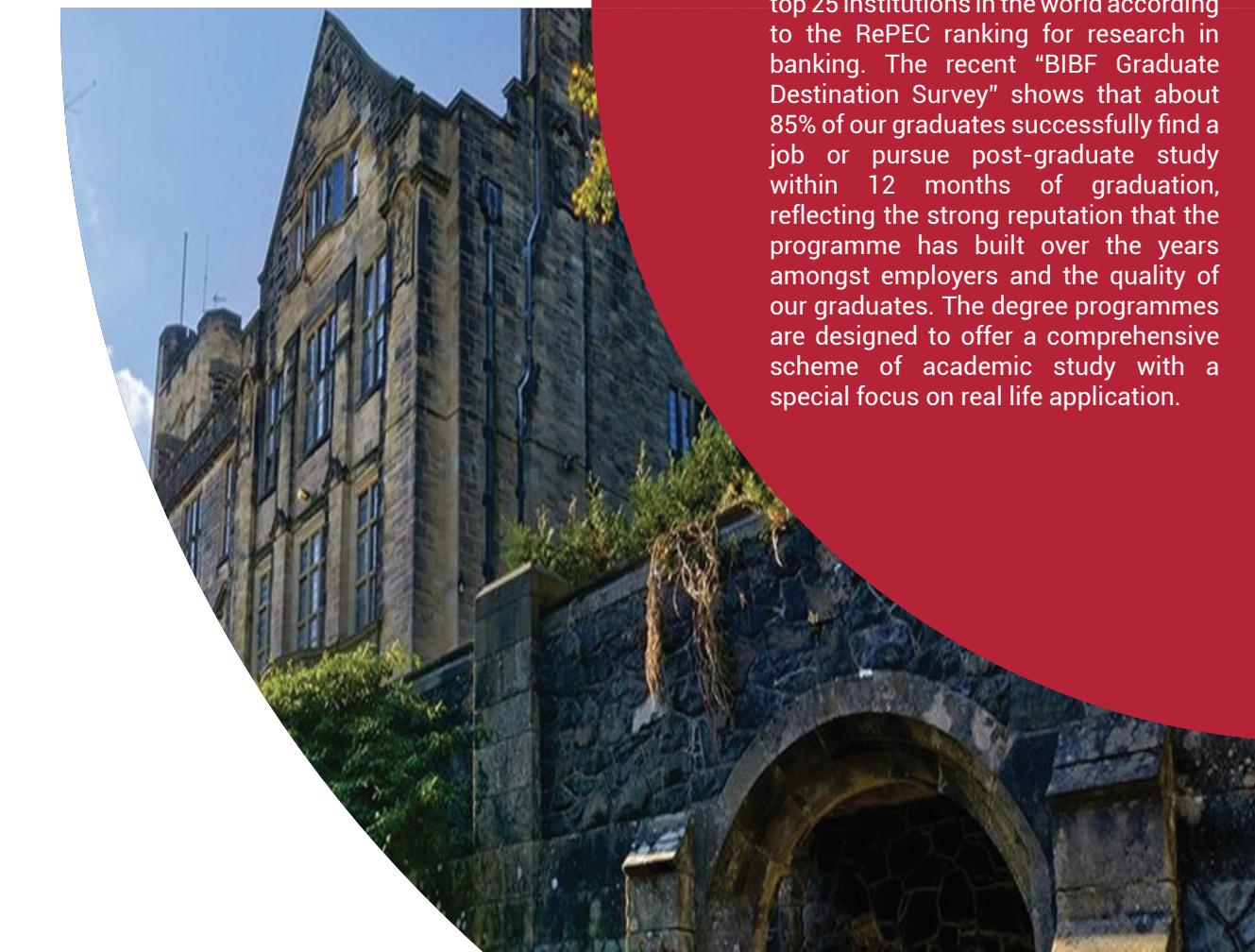
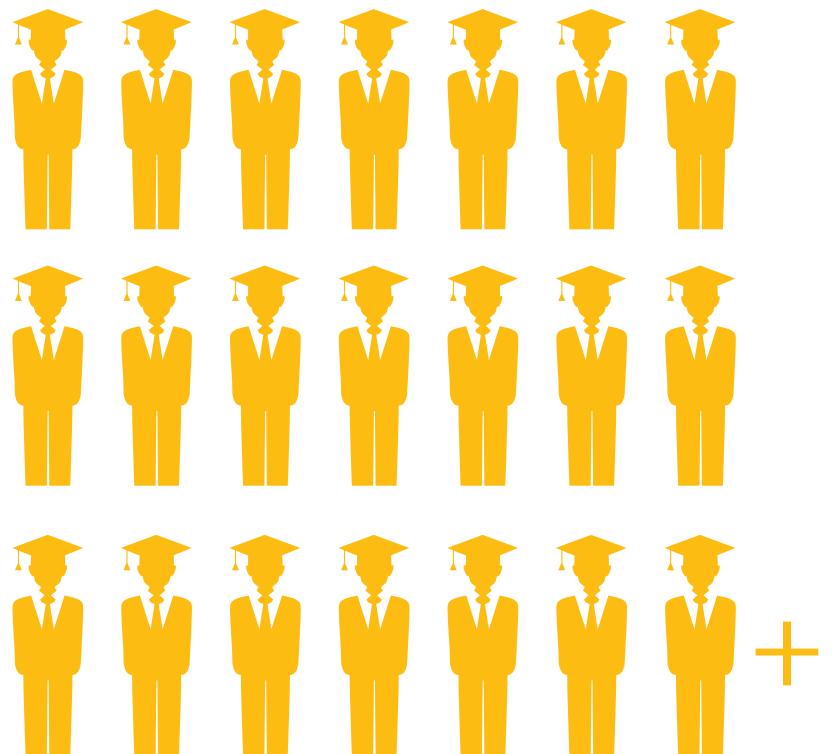
The BIBF plays a vital role in the training and human capital development in the region.

The BIBF qualifies over **20,000** learners a year across all major business disciplines and economic sectors.

The BIBF has delivered training to over

360,000

students in **63 countries** since its inception in 1981



BANGOR UNIVERSITY

The Bangor University programmes give participants the opportunity to graduate from one of UK's most respected and well established institutions. Bangor has an excellent international reputation for research, particularly in the fields of Banking and Finance. It is ranked in the top 25 institutions in the world according to the RePEC ranking for research in banking. The recent "BIBF Graduate Destination Survey" shows that about 85% of our graduates successfully find a job or pursue post-graduate study within 12 months of graduation, reflecting the strong reputation that the programme has built over the years amongst employers and the quality of our graduates. The degree programmes are designed to offer a comprehensive scheme of academic study with a special focus on real life application.



The BIBF offers three Bachelor Degree streams in partnership with Bangor University-UK. The programmes aim to offer students in Bahrain the opportunity to gain internationally regarded and vocationally relevant degrees.

The three streams offered at BIBF include:

- BSC Accounting and Finance
- BSC Banking and Finance
- BSC Banking & Finance with Diploma in Islamic Finance

The Final year of the programme can be completed at Bangor University, UK, or Bahrain.



Dear Applicant,

I am delighted to introduce the University of London BSc in Economics and Management, with academic direction from the London School of Economics and Political Science. As a Registered Centre of the University of London, the BIBF is proud to bring this internationally renowned programme to Bahrain.

The University of London is one of the oldest and most distinguished universities in the world and LSE, one of its constituent colleges, has a global reputation for excellence in the fields of economics, management, finance and the social sciences.

Thanks to the BIBF's relationship with the University of London, students in Bahrain are able to study for this prestigious degree without leaving Bahrain and for a fraction of the cost of undertaking their studies in the UK. As one would expect of a degree from one of the world's top universities, this programme is demanding and successful completion requires a high level of effort and dedication.

The BIBF's highly qualified and experienced faculty members provide students with all the support and guidance they need to achieve maximum success. Previous graduates of this global programme have gone on to hold senior positions in both public and private sectors and have gained admission to some of the world's leading graduate schools, including University of Oxford, University of Cambridge and LSE itself. I am confident that our future graduates of the programme will go on to make a significant mark and will contribute positively to the economic life of Bahrain and beyond.

I look forward to welcoming you personally to the BIBF.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Ahmed Abdul Hameed Al Shaikh
Director, BIBF



With great pleasure, I welcome you to the Diploma programme offered by the Bahrain Institute of Banking and Finance (BIBF). Our programmes are validated by Bangor Business School of Bangor University, United Kingdom, with whom BIBF is in partnership to run this unique programme. This programme is one of the most prestigious business qualifications available in the Kingdom of Bahrain.

An attractive feature of this programme is its flexibility. Successful students will receive the award of a Diploma after two years' study with opportunity to complete honours degrees in BSc Banking and Finance or BSc Accounting and Finance either at Bangor University or at BIBF in Bahrain. Living and studying in the UK offers many benefits. Bangor University commits to delivering the best possible university experience. The University achieves high levels of student satisfaction and attracts large numbers of students from countries worldwide. Bangor staff are leading academics with an international reputation for research that informs teaching. With an exceptional standard of teaching, your programme will be challenging and exciting. Alternatively, you may continue to the final year of the BSc at BIBF and gain a Bangor University degree. BIBF offers state-of-the-art facilities contribute significantly to the learning process. In addition, BIBF's highly qualified and diverse faculty are ready and willing to enhance your learning experience through close personal contact.

Our programme offers education of international quality that will serve you well in your future careers in the financial sector in Bahrain and beyond.

We look forward to working with you and helping to support you on this unique learning experience.

Prof Jon Williams
Head of School / Professor of Banking and Finance

Students have the option to choose one of the following structures:

- 1 year in Bahrain & 2 years at Bangor (UK); or
- 2 years in Bahrain & 1 year at Bangor (UK); or
- 3 years in Bahrain

Course Structure:

- Takes three academic years to complete
(2 years for the Validated Diploma + the final year)
- Two semesters (from Sep-Jan & from Feb-June).
- Four modules per semester
- A combination of guided-learning and self-study is required
- Sessions are conducted in small groups allowing for maximum support and interaction
- Receive training in the only "Dealing Room" simulation in the region
- Access to internship opportunities and extracurricular activities
- You will be assessed through a mixture of continuous assessment and written examinations.
- You will complete assignments such as collecting and analysing information from commercial databases or the internet, preparing business case studies, writing essays and completing problem-solving exercises.

Study Options:

Fees:

BD 2000 per semester (excluding books and lab fees)
Final Year **BD 3000** per semester (excluding books and lab fees)



BSc in Accounting & Finance

Description:

This programme offers students a comprehensive understanding of how the design, operation and validation of accounting systems affect, and are affected by, individuals, organisations, information technologies, markets, society and the environment. The programme provides a strong foundation for numerically focused careers such as accountancy, financial analysis, insurance, tax, and banking. The first year gives students a broad understanding of the role of accounting and its context in the business world. It also encourages them to think about the internal and external factors that shape organisations through modules like Principles of Management and Money and Macroeconomics. The second and third year will cover accounting and financial theories and techniques in more details, going from intermediate to advanced stages in financial and management accounting, and exploring modules such as Corporate Finance, Auditing and Taxation. The programme will encourage students to think about the practical challenges that surrounds the application of accounting standards at work, through the discussion of Business and Professional Ethics; and it will give students a hands-on experience in using Accounting Information Systems including the "Sage" software. Some modules cover material from professional accounting examinations, which means that students may receive exemptions from accounting bodies including the ACCA (the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants).

Programme Aims

- Develop comprehensive understanding of the conceptual and applied aspects of the study of accounting and finance, and its relation to other relevant subject areas including management and economics.
- Develop an appreciation of the legal, ethical and social contexts within which accounting and finance are applied.
- Develop ability to provide and analyse information for a variety of decision making, accountability, managerial, regulatory and resource allocation purposes.
- Develop a range of transferable and intellectual skills that will allow graduates to undertake a career in accountancy, finance or wider business and successfully study for professional accountancy or other qualifications.



What will you study?

YEAR 1

Code	Semester I	Code	Semester II
ACC1101	Introductory Financial Accounting	ACC1103	Financial Markets & Institutions
QM1100	Quantitative Methods for Accountants	ACC1104	Introductory Management Accounting
ECO1102	Money & Macro Economics	ACC1105	Audit and Assurance I
MGT1101	Principles of Management	ACC1106	Accounting Information System I

YEAR 2

Code	Semester I	Code	Semester II
ACC2107	International Financial Accounting & Reporting	ACC2109	Business & Professional Ethics
ACC2108	Management Accounting & Control	ACC2110	Financial Statement Analysis I
LW2201	Business & Commercial Law	ACC2111	Accounting Information Systems II
FIN2101	Corporate Finance	OPTIONAL	

OPTIONAL SUBJECTS YEAR 2

Code	Semester I	Code	Semester II
N/A		ACC2112	Audit and Assurance II
N/A		MGT2102	Management & Organization

YEAR 3

Code	Semester I	Code	Semester II
ABB3103	Financial Accounting	ABB3105	Advanced Corporate Finance
ABB3104	Financial Statement Analysis II	ABB3106	Advanced Accounting Theory & Practice
ABB3101	Taxation		
ABB3102	Company Law for Business	ABB3107	Advanced Audit

BSc in Banking & Finance

Description:

This programme offers students comprehensive theoretical and practical knowledge of how the banking and financial sector operates. It provides learners with the specialised knowledge, analytical, quantitative and communication skills required by leading employers in the commercial and investment banking sector, as well as other financial and business institutions.

The first year will give students an overview of finance and the way financial information is reported and used in decision making. It will also shed light on the internal and external factors that shape banking and financial institutions through modules like Principles of Management and Money and Macroeconomics. The second and third year will cover finance and investment theories and techniques in more depth and allow students to explore modules such as Corporate Finance, Bank Lending, Risk, International Banking and Econometrics. The programme allows students to use trading terminals and simulated markets to advance their understanding of the interaction between economic policies and the stock market.

Programme Aims:

- Develop comprehensive understanding of the conceptual and applied aspects of the study of banking and finance, and its relation to other relevant subject areas including management and economics.
- Develop an understanding of the structure and activity of national and international banking and financial services and the interaction between capital markets and various economic units, including households, firms, financial institutions and governments.
- Develop ability to provide and analyse information for a variety of decision making, accountability, managerial, regulatory and resource allocation purposes.
- Develop a range of transferable and intellectual skills that will allow graduates to undertake a career in banking, finance or wider business and successfully study for a postgraduate degree in finance or other qualifications.



YEAR 1

Code	Semester I	Code	Semester II
ACC1101	Introductory Financial Accounting	ACC1102	Financial Reporting & Analysis
QM1101	Quantitative Methods I	QM1102	Quantitative Methods II
MGT1101	Principles of Management	IT1101	Managing Information
ECO1102	Money & Macro Economics	ECO1103	Managerial Economics

YEAR 2

Code	Semester I	Code	Semester II
FIN2101	Corporate Finance	LW2101	Banking Law
MKT2101	Principles of Marketing	BAK2102	Risk Analysis
BAK2101	Bank Lending	MGT2102	Management & Organization
OPTIONAL		OPTIONAL	

OPTIONAL SUBJECTS YEAR 2

Code	Semester I	Code	Semester II
IF2103	Islamic Commercial Banking	IF2104	Islamic Investment Banking
IF2108	Accounting, Auditing & Governance for Islamic Financial Institutions	ACC2109	Business & Professional Ethics

YEAR 3

Code	Semester I	Code	Semester II
ABB3108	Advanced Inv. Theory & Practice	ABB3105	Advanced Corporate Finance
ABB3109	Investment & Investment Banking	ABB3112	Comparative Banking
ABB3110	International Banking	ABB3113	Econometrics
ABB3111	Money & Banking		

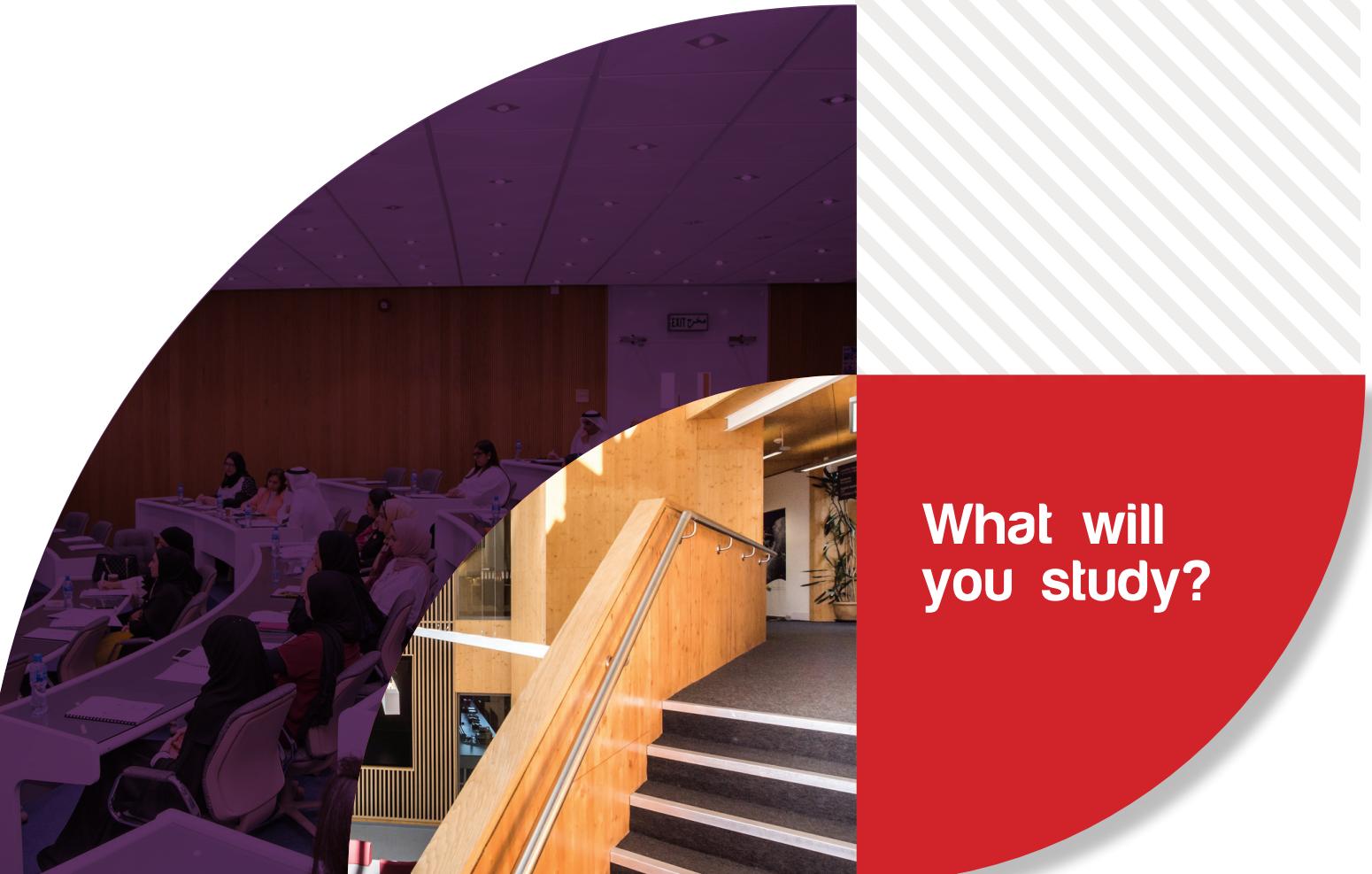
BSc in Banking & Finance (with Diploma in Islamic Finance)

Description:

The programme is designed to offer a qualification addressing the needs of financial institutions providing Islamic Banking services and products. The main subject groupings in the programme are: Islamic Commercial Jurisprudence, Islamic Economic Thought, Islamic Investment Banking, Islamic Insurance (Takaful), Risk Management for Islamic Financial Institutions and Shari'a Audit and Compliance. In these subject offerings, there is a natural progression from one year to another. During the year I & II Students will focus on the study of Islamic Finance while they will build on their knowledge of conventional banking during the final year of the programme.

Programme Aims:

- To provide students with an understanding of the jurisprudential and theoretical fundamentals of Islamic Banking and Finance
- To provide an appreciation of the investment regulations relating to the banking industry and to Islamic banks in particular
- To ensure that in completion of the programme the students would have developed the skills and confidence required to take the responsibilities of junior banking positions particularly in the area of Islamic Finance
- Develop a range of transferable and intellectual skills that will allow graduates to undertake a career in both conventional or Islamic Banking and Finance



What will you study?

YEAR 1

Code	Semester I	Code	Semester II
ACC1101	Introductory Financial Accounting	ACC1102	Financial Reporting & Analysis
QM1101	Quantitative Methods I	IF1101	Islamic Commercial
MGT1101	Principles of Management		Jurisprudence
ECO1102	Money & Macro Economics	IT1101	Managing Information
		IF1102	Islamic Economic Thought

YEAR 2

Code	Semester I	Code	Semester II
FIN2101	Corporate Finance	IF2104	Islamic Investment
IF2108	Accounting, Auditing & Governance for Islamic Financial Institutions	MGT2102	Banking Management & Organization
IF2103	Islamic Commercial Banking	IF2107	Banking Business & Trust Law
OPTIONAL		OPTIONAL	

OPTIONAL SUBJECTS YEAR 2

Code	Semester I	Code	Semester II
BAK2101	Bank Lending	BAK2102	Risk Analysis
MKT2101	Principles of Marketing	ACC2109	Business & Professional Ethics

YEAR 3

Code	Semester I	Code	Semester II
ABB3108	Advanced Inv. Theory & Practice	ABB3105	Advanced Corporate Finance
ABB3109	Investment & Investment Banking	ABB3112	Comparative Banking
ABB3110	International Banking	ABB3113	Econometrics
ABB3111	Money & Banking		

A Supportive Environment

Academic advice and support for individual students:

- Individual Math tutoring will be available to all students on request
- Support and remedial sessions also available as needed
- Student extracurricular activities through student council
- A wide range of activities are made available to students

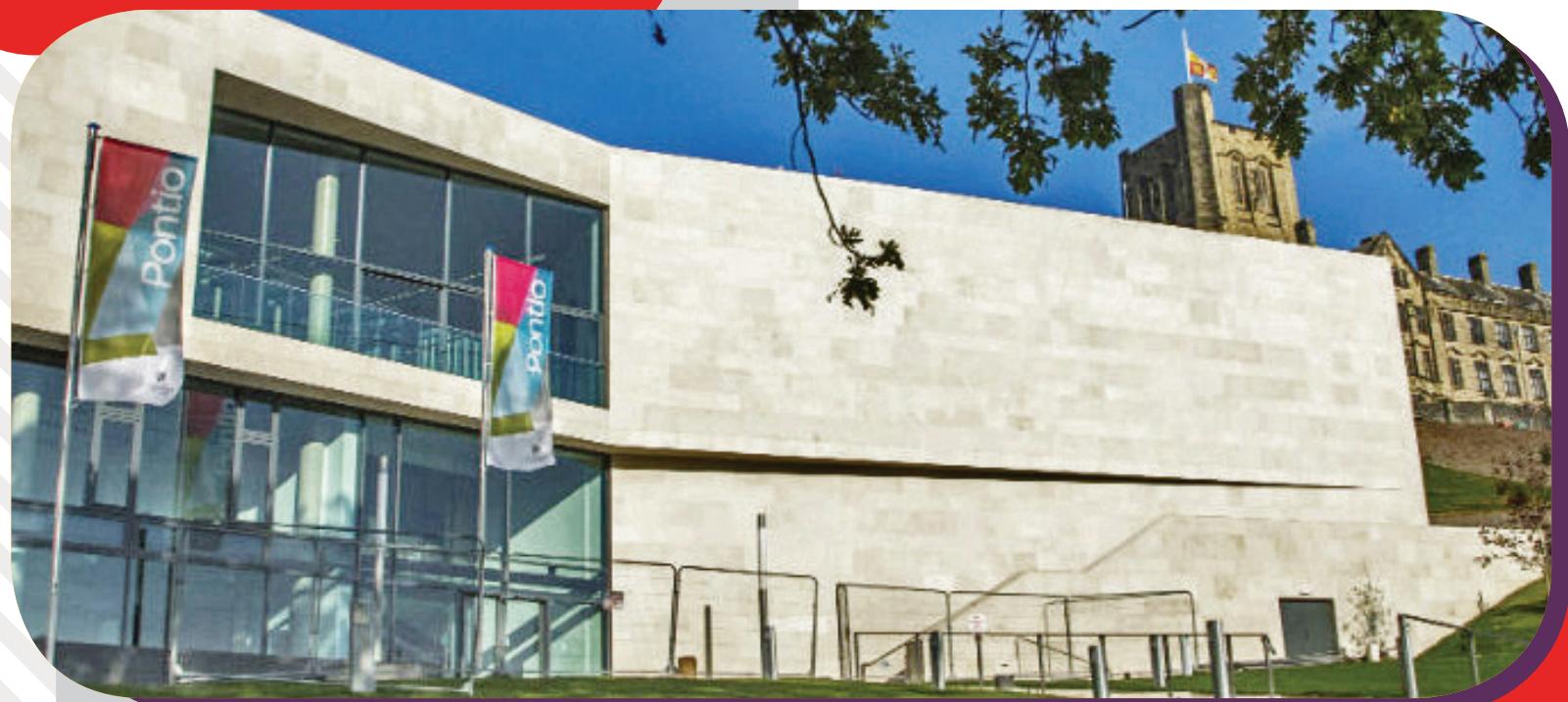


Employability

Being the main training hub for the Banking and Financial sector, BIBF has extensive links with the industry. Our recent graduate destination survey shows that about 85% of our graduates find a job within 1 year of graduation. It also shows that our graduates are very likely to find a job that is relevant to the degree programme that they completed with us, which is evident in the table below.

Graduates	Within 6 months of graduation	Within 1 year of graduation
Employed full time	56%	80%
Employed part time	8%	5%
Studying full time	6%	0
Seeking a job	29%	10%
Working & Studying at the same time	35%	26%
Already Obtained a MSc or Professional Certificate	-	27%
Sector Distribution		
Banking and Finance	54%	59%
Audit Firms	13%	9%
Education & Training	6%	9%
Others	27%	23%

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Testimonials



It was two years ago when I joined the BIBF to study Banking and Finance. With the help of the exceptionally supportive staff, fitting in was expeditious. Throughout my time at the BIBF, I have developed a lot of skills like interpersonal, communication, and presentation skills just to name a few. I have also gained a tremendous amount of knowledge that will surely benefit my professional career, and give me the confidence to tackle any problem that may arise in the future. I personally had a wonderful time at the BIBF and I think that it is an excellent choice for all students as the overall experience cannot be found elsewhere.

Ahmed Aljazeeri



"I have acquired new skills and knowledge throughout this programme. It has provided me with clear guidance and has made the accounting course far more enjoyable. I was presented with interesting topics and professional lecturers that enabled me to grasp the concepts with full ease."

— Reema Mohamed