

## FACTSHEET FOR EXCHANGE STUDENTS 2017-18

GENERAL INFORMATION		
Name of Institution:	Newman University UK BIRMING 08	
Country:	United Kingdom	
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General background	<p>Founded in 1968 as a Catholic Teacher Training College we are named after our patron, Blessed John Henry Newman, who was a Cardinal of the Catholic Church and Beatified in September 2010 by Pope Benedict XVI.</p> <p>Newman University College offers a range of programmes at both undergraduate and postgraduate level.</p> <p>Along with Teacher Training our School of Human Sciences have many subjects including; Accounting &amp; Finance, Drama, History, Computing &amp; IT, Creative Arts, Criminology, English, Education Studies, Health &amp; Social Care, Mathematics, Psychology, Sports Studies/Science, Theology, Early Childhood Education &amp; Care, Youth and Community Work, Counselling, Theology and Working with Children, Young People and Families.</p> <p>Our vibrant campus provides a learning and social environment that enables you to experience a British education in a multicultural setting and with our small numbers integration into British life is much easier.</p>	
Type of Institution:	Public	
Location and Campus Map:	<p>Situated on the outskirts of south west Birmingham, Newman's campus is based in Bartley Green, some 12 kilometers from the city centre and overlooks Bartley reservoir and the Worcestershire countryside beyond.</p> <p>Student accommodation is on campus, conveniently adjacent to the teaching areas and well-stocked library. A new halls of residence with en-suite bathrooms will be</p>	

	completed December 2017.
	Over £20 million has been invested on improving the campus for students, including a vibrant new-build entrance and state-of-the-art library.
Student Enrollment:	Undergraduate: 2359 Postgraduate: 625 Exchange/International Students: 100
Staff Strength:	No of Academic Staff: 129 No of Support Staff: 170

ACADEMIC INFORMATION			
Academic Calendar	<b>Important Dates</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> (Autumn) Semester 2017-18</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> (Spring) Semester 2018</b>
	Arrival Dates	11 <sup>th</sup> September 2017 onwards	22 <sup>nd</sup> January 2018 onwards
	Orientation Programme	<b>13<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> September 2017</b> <i>Freshers 18<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept</i>	<b>24<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> January 2018</b>
	Teaching period starts	25 <sup>th</sup> September 2017	29 <sup>th</sup> January 2018
	Teaching period ends	26 <sup>th</sup> January 2018	25 <sup>th</sup> May 2018 (PGCE: 6 <sup>th</sup> July 2018)
	Holidays	18 <sup>th</sup> December 2017 – 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2018	26 <sup>th</sup> March – 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
	Examination period	8 <sup>th</sup> January – 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2018	14 <sup>th</sup> May – 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2018
	Relevant website:	<a href="http://www.newman.ac.uk/term_dates">www.newman.ac.uk/term_dates</a>	
Language of Instruction	English		
Exchange Duration	One semester / one academic year Either 1 <sup>st</sup> or 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester		
Study Load for exchange students per <u>Semester</u>		No. of credits / Courses per semester	
	Minimum study load	3 modules	
	Maximum study load	4 modules	
Credit Equivalence		<b>Newman</b>	
	No. of credits per course	20 credits single module / 10 ECTS 40 credits double module / 20 ECTS	
	For each credit, number of contact hours in a week	1 credit = 10 hours workload. Contact time or directed learning.	
	No. of teaching week in a semester	12 weeks	
	For each course, total number of contact hours in a semester	Depends on the course	
Grading System	<b>Course Grade</b>	<b>Interpretation</b>	<b>Grade Point Equivalent</b>
	70% - 100%	First Class Honours (1)	N/A
	60% - 69%	Second Class (Upper) Honours (2:1)	N/A
	50% - 59%	Second Class (Lower) Honours (2:2)	N/A
	45% - 49%	Third Class Honours (3)	N/A
	40% - 44%	Pass Degree	N/A
	*eg 40% is the minimum required for undergraduate course progression		

Course Information	<a href="http://www.newman.ac.uk/courses-by-subject/736">http://www.newman.ac.uk/courses-by-subject/736</a> Then click on course subject, then click on 'Course Structure' tab for full module details.	
Course Registration (*Please delete as appropriate)	Registration Period:	Semester 1 13 <sup>rd</sup> September 2017 Semester 2 24 <sup>th</sup> January 2018
	Method:	In person

APPLICATION PROCESS		
Entry Requirements	Applications will only be considered through the nomination submitted by a partner institution.	
English Proficiency Requirements <b>(not for Erasmus)</b>	<b>NON-EU Exchange Students</b> If you are not a native English speaker you are required to provide proof of one of the below that is no more than 2 years old.	
	IELTS	TOEFL Internet Based Test
	6.0	90
Application Form	The application form can be downloaded from our website and returned to <a href="mailto:erasmus@newman.ac.uk">erasmus@newman.ac.uk</a>	
Other supporting documents required	Copy of the Picture page of your passport.	
Application Deadline (for 2017-18)	1 <sup>st</sup> (Autumn) Semester:	1 <sup>st</sup> July 2017
	2 <sup>nd</sup> (Spring) Semester:	1 <sup>st</sup> November 2017
<b>Visas for Non-EU Students</b>	Students will require either a Tier 4 Student Visa or a Student Visitor Visa (for period of study of 6 months or less). You must apply for and obtain your visa prior to coming to the UK.  <b>PLEASE BE AWARE</b> that if you have a Student Visitor Visa you will be unable to work (either paid work or unpaid/voluntary work). If you wish to have the option of working in the UK then you <b>MUST</b> apply for a Tier 4 Student Visa.	
Visa Application Procedures	If you decide on a Tier 4 Visa, once Newman University College have confirmed your place, you must pay £100 administration fee and we will generate your CAS enabling you to start the Visa Application process.  The UK Visa & Immigration <a href="#">website</a> has all the required information, application forms, and locations on where to apply.  The processing time is 15 days, although at peak periods it can take longer, so do allow plenty of time.  Along with your visa application you must submit evidence showing that you have the finances to support yourself during your studies. Funds have to be in place for a minimum of 28 days when you make your application.  You can also get useful advice and guidance from <a href="#">UKCISA</a> .	

ACCOMMODATION	
Type of accommodation	<p>We highly recommend that you stay in university accommodation (Halls of Residence).</p> <p>Newman has 202 single study bedrooms in Halls on-campus. Many of our Halls have been recently upgraded and rooms are fully furnished. A new hall of residence will be available in late 2017.</p>
Accommodation Fees	<p><b>New Halls</b> - £2430.00</p> <p><b>Existing halls</b> - En-suite - £2304.00  - Standard room with shared bathroom - £1791.00</p>
Facilities	<p>Standard bedrooms are single study rooms with hand basin and shared bathroom facilities.</p> <p>There are a limited number of en-suite rooms available. The en-suite rooms are single study bedrooms with hand basin and a private bathroom.</p> <p>Students are required to bring their own bedding and any kitchen utensils they require or they are able to purchase a bedding pack at £25.00 each from the Housekeeping Department, with £15.00 being refunded when the bedding pack is returned in good condition.</p> <p>Newman's Halls of Residence are self-catered and there are shared kitchens in Halls of Residence which include a fridge, freezer, cooker, microwave, toaster, kettle, lockable cupboard space and seating area.</p> <p>You can prepare meals and snacks in the communal kitchens or visit the on-campus food court, the Sanctuary (open Monday to Friday), which provides a range of reasonably priced meals, sandwiches and refreshments.</p> <p>There are also a variety of vending machines on campus offering snacks and hot and cold beverages. The launderette in Halls is available 24 hours a day. Wi-Fi is also available in Halls.</p>
Website for accommodation	<p><a href="http://www.newman.ac.uk/accommodation/500">http://www.newman.ac.uk/accommodation/500</a></p>
Application Form and Procedures	<p>Download and complete the form and return by post, fax or e-mail to the Accommodation Manager, <a href="mailto:k.carter@newman.ac.uk">k.carter@newman.ac.uk</a></p> <p>There is a refundable £250 deposit for university accommodation that will be returned at the end of the semester (subject to no damages to the room)</p>
Application Deadline	<p>For Autumn Semester forms must be returned by <b>1<sup>st</sup> July 2017</b>.</p> <p>For Spring Semester forms must be returned by <b>1<sup>st</sup> November 2017</b>.</p> <p>If we are unable to accommodate you in Halls we will make every effort to assist you in obtaining suitable accommodation.</p>

MISCELLANEOUS		
ESTIMATED Living Expenses (for reference only)	Books/Meals/Transport etc:	£200 per month  <b>(Note</b> For a Tier 4 visa you will need to show you have £800 per month to cover living costs and accommodation)
Insurance	<p><b><u>NON-EU Exchange students</u></b> if you are only studying for one semester you will not be entitled to use the National Health Service in the UK. You will therefore need Private Medical Insurance.</p> <p>We also recommend that you purchase travel insurance. Contents insurance is included in your accommodation fee if you are staying in halls of residence.</p>	
Financial Proof	Will be required for your visa application.	
Orientation Fee	Free	
Arrival Pick-up service	Available on request, nominal fee.	
Support for exchange students	The International Office staff are on hand to answer any queries that you may have. You will also have access to all of the <a href="#">Student Support Services</a> and the <a href="#">Chaplaincy</a> .	
About Birmingham	<a href="http://www.visitbirmingham.com/student_birmingham/">www.visitbirmingham.com/student_birmingham/</a> <a href="http://www.visitheartofengland.com">www.visitheartofengland.com</a> <a href="http://www.centro.org.uk/">http://www.centro.org.uk/</a> - Travel information	