

SPECIAL FEATURES OF BAU PROGRAMS

DISTRIBUTION OF HOURS OF STUDY (FULL-TIME STUDENTS)

The hours of study for **Full-Time students** at the British American University have been broken down as follows:

Lecturer room attendance:	At least 70% required.
Classroom lectures:	2 hours for a 2 units course and 3 hours for a 3 units course per week per course.
Practicals:	1 hour per week per course.
Independent studies:	Encouraged as Library Attendance, Home Study and Term/Research Papers.
Term Papers:	At least 2 per course in a Semester.
Seminal/Presentations:	At least 2 per course in a Semester.
Challenged semester examinations:	2 hours for a 2 units course and 3 hours for a 3 units course once per course in a Semester.
Transfer of credits from other recognized Universities:	Not exceeding 60 credits per Bachelor's program and 24 credits per Master's or Doctoral program.
Tutorial:	1 hour per week per course.
On-line lectures:	2 hours per day, 2 days per week.
Credit for prior experience:	Not Allowed.
Sports:	Once per week (12.00am to 4.00pm) on Wednesdays.
Industrial attachment/internship:	3 months once per program in some programs and 1 session (2 semesters) in some other programs like Computer Science, Engineering and Medical Related Programs.
Teaching practice (Education students only):	3 months twice per program.
Capstone/Final year project:	Number of hours is left to the discretion of the Supervisor.

NOTE: Part-Time students also carry the same workload and spend the same number of hours of study with their Full-Time counterparts and that is why they spend more years to graduate.

WORKLOAD FOR STUDENTS IRRESPECTIVE OF MODES OF STUDIES

1. For a 4 years Bachelor's degree program entring with O/level papers, the final academic units granted on completion of the hours of study are as follows:

Number of Units:	170
Total credits:	Depends on the ability of the student
Cumulative GPA required:	1.00 to 4.00
Certificate awarded:	Bachelor's Degree

2. For a 3 years Bachelor's degree program entring with the US High School Diploma, A/level, National Diploma (ND), National Certificate of Education (NCE), Advanced Diploma, etc, the final academic units granted on completion of the hours of study are as follows:

Number of Units:	120
Total credits:	Depends on the ability of the student
Cumulative GPA required:	1.00 to 4.00
Certificate awarded:	Bachelor's Degree

3. For a Postgraduate Diploma program, the final academic units granted on completion of the hours of study are as follows:

Number of units to be taken:	45
Total credits:	Depends on the ability of the student
Cumulative GPA required:	1.00 to 4.00
Certificate awarded:	Postgraduate Diploma

4. For a Master's degree program, the final academic units granted on completion of the hours of study are as follows:

Number of units to be taken:	60
Total credits:	Depends on the ability of the student
Cumulative GPA required:	1.00 to 4.00
Certificate awarded:	Master's Degree

5. For a Doctoral degree program, the final academic units granted on completion of the hours of study are as follows:

Number of units to be taken:	60
Total credits:	Depends on the ability of the student
Cumulative GPA required:	1.00 to 4.00
Certificate awarded:	Doctoral Degree

GRADING SYSTEM

As a fully American institution, the British American University makes use of the American grading system. The model is of the 4 points scale and the minimum passing grade is 60%.

SCORE	LETTER GRADE	CREDIT POINT	INTERPRETATION
90 - 100	A	4	Excellent
80 - 89	B	3	Good
70 – 79	C	2	Upper Credit
60 – 69	D	1	Lower Credit
00 – 59	F	0	Fail

Meanwhile, the BAU degrees are classified into First Class, Second Class (Upper), Second Class (Lower), Third Class and Pass grades as follows:

CGPA	CLASSIFICATION OF DEGREE
3.00 - 4.00	1st Class Honors
2.50 - 2.99	2nd Class Honors (Upper Division)
2.00 –2.49	2nd Class Honors (Lower Division)
1.50 - 1.99	3rd Class Honors
1.00 –1.49	Pass
0.00 – 0.49	Fail (No Certificate)