

# BIMM

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## To apply for any of our awards you will need the following:

- Student number
- Photo ID
- Proof of income (P60, Tax Return etc)
- Mortgage statement or letting agreement
- **Three months** bank statements for **all** accounts held in your parent's name or **five months** bank statements for **all** accounts held in your name if you are applying as an independent

You may also need your UCAS reference number and further evidence for other income or any assets you may have. If you are unsure of how to obtain any of these then please contact the admissions team on **08442 646 666** or [admissions@bimm.co.uk](mailto:admissions@bimm.co.uk).

*A link to your application will be sent to your email so you will be able to complete your application in sessions. Please be aware that this will not save attachments and we highly recommend that you complete your personal statement within a Word document before copying and pasting within the form. This will avoid any timeout errors that may occur when completing this within the form.*

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When completing the application, please be as explicit as possible and complete **all** fields that apply to you as this will strengthen your application.

# Achievements & Personal Statement

## Presentation

- The statement should be well written and articulate
- Spelling and accuracy of grammar are extremely important
- Consider your use and diversity of vocabulary
- Consider your word count and what is requested within the application

## Things you may want to include:

- What you want to study at BIMM and why
- Specific aspects of the courses that interest you
- Where you hope a degree in this subject will take you in the future
- Musical experience, work experience or voluntary work in this area
- Community and charity work
- Asdan Award, Duke of Edinburgh Award, World Challenge, Young Enterprise, debating societies and what you have gained from these experiences
- Details of your personal circumstances and experiences





# Means Test

## Parents/Guardians

Applicants who have lived with or have been financially reliant on their parents in the past three years **must** apply as a dependent. If you are in contact with both parents/guardians you will have to declare both their details and supporting evidence.

**If you are in contact with both parents/guardians but only declare one of them then your application will not be considered.**

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## Income of Household

If you are applying as a dependent and are in contact with both parents/guardians then you will need to declare the total income for both your parents/guardians. The evidence you provide should reflect this and the gross income of your household before tax. Evidence provided can include the likes of a P60 or a tax return but this must be from the last tax year.

If you are applying as an independent then you will need to provide the same evidence but this will need to reflect your own finances.

If your household is in receipt of any benefits then please declare the total sum of this for the year. Evidence should be in the form of the most recent entitlement letter which will state how much you will receive and the frequency of this payment. If you are in receipt of Tax Credits then you may also provide a screenshot of your entitlement from your Government Gateway.

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## Capital Assets and Liabilities

Homeowners must declare the market value of their house. Evidence to support this can be in the form of a mortgage statement or a recent Zoopla estimation. You must also provide this evidence for any properties that you own but do not occupy.

If you rent your house then you must provide a copy of your letting agreement. You do not have to provide the full agreement however we will need to see the pages that confirm the property address and who's name it is held in. If you are claiming housing benefits then please declare this within the benefits section of *Income of Household*.

When declaring the approximate value of possessions, you will only need to include anything that is covered by insurance. This may include computers, televisions or vehicles. The evidence you provide can be in the form of an insurance statement or in the case of vehicles, you may also provide a V5C. If you provide a V5C then this will need to show full details of your vehicle.

### Bank Statements

If you are a dependent you **must** provide three months bank statements for **all** accounts held in your parent's/guardian's name or names. If you are an independent then you will need to provide five months bank statements for all accounts held in your name. These statements will need be up until the current month and must show all transactions. When completing the *cash at banks* field, please provide a negative balance if you are in your overdraft.

If you are unsure of how to access your bank statements, please visit your local branch or click [here](#).

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### Dependent Children

If you are applying as a dependent, please include any children under the age of 18 who live with or are financially dependent on your parents/guardians.

If you are independent, please only include your own children. **Do not include your siblings.**

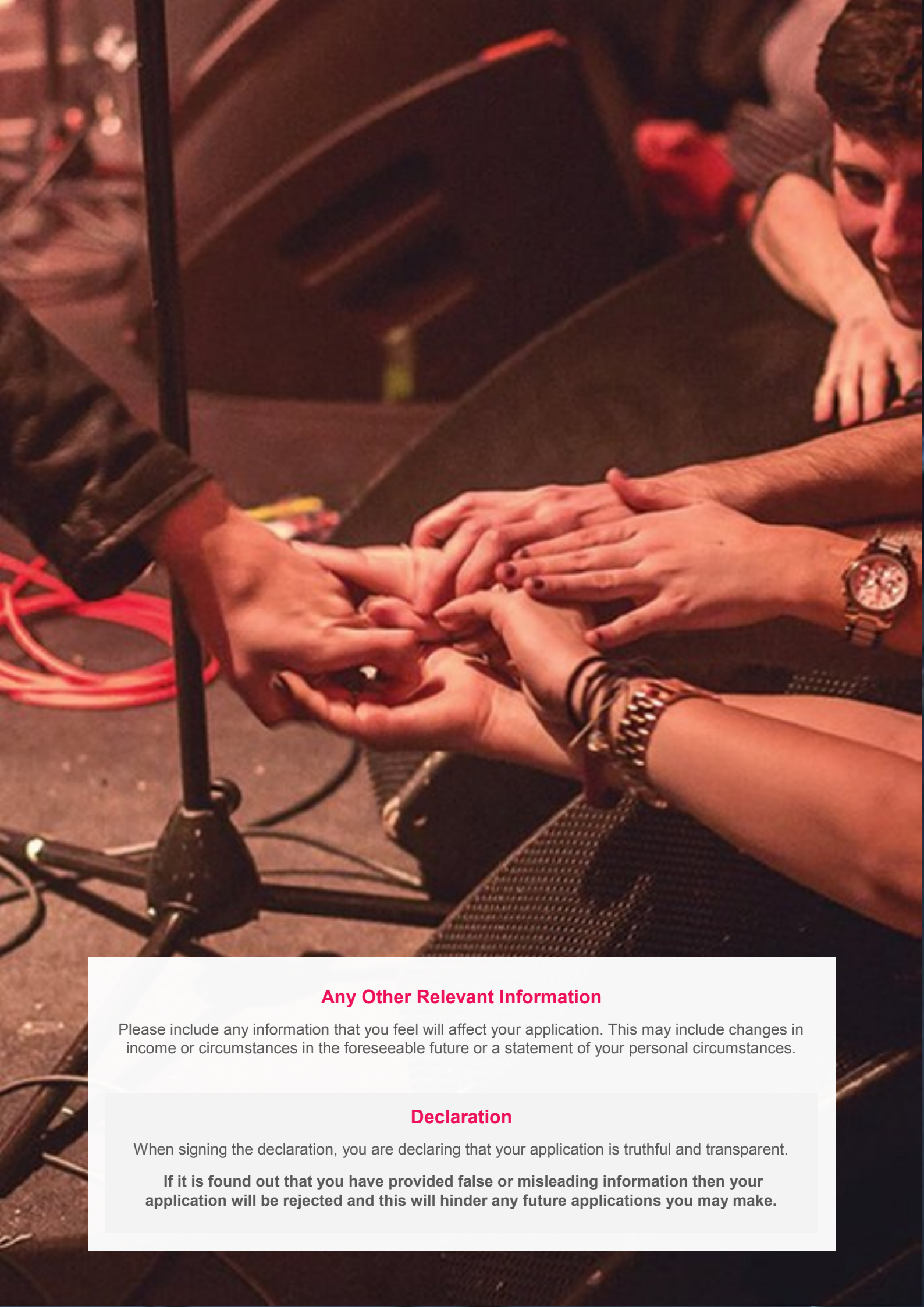
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### Other Dependents

When completing the other dependents section please state your circumstances as explicitly as possible including whether you receive carers allowance. If so you will need to declare this within *Income of Household*. As a dependent applicant, other dependents may include grandparents, grandchildren etc. As an independent applicant, please include your siblings if they live with you, are under the age of 18 and are financially reliant on you.

**Dependents must receive frequent physical or financial care from you or your parents/guardians.**





### **Any Other Relevant Information**

Please include any information that you feel will affect your application. This may include changes in income or circumstances in the foreseeable future or a statement of your personal circumstances.

### **Declaration**

When signing the declaration, you are declaring that your application is truthful and transparent.

**If it is found out that you have provided false or misleading information then your application will be rejected and this will hinder any future applications you may make.**