The Birmingham Business School blog

The Birmingham Business School Blog gives faculty a platform to share their views and expertise on current affairs and issues surrounding their research. Contributions from Isabelle Szmigin, David Bailey and John Bryson are currently featured, to name just a few and offer a view on the diversity of research that is taking place across the School.

The BBS Marketing team is always looking for new content; if you would like to become a contributor please get in touch, we would love you to hear your ideas and always happy to offer any advice.

Guidance for blog entries

**Audience:** Other academics and the general public

**Title:** Choose a short, engaging title. This should summarise your blog and be appropriate for the audience.

**Blog entry**

- Max 500 - 600 words
- Write in plain English – Keep external readers in mind so it isn’t too ‘wordy’ and is understandable by the average reader
- Avoid using acronyms and academic terms or specific terminology that might not be well-known outside disciplinary circles.
- Write an introduction: make the focus of your blogpost clear, give your readers a good narrative so they’ll want to continue reading
- Be specific, use specific examples and perhaps linking back to current events
- Be concise, don’t repeat unnecessary information, think about what the audience needs to know to make your point
- Be yourself, write in your own voice
- Conclude your piece, include a summary of what you have discussed
- Include pictures and images where possible The Conversation is a good example of the tone and style of blogs we’re looking for. We may even pitch relevant blogs to be featured here too.

**Submitting your blog:**

Submit your blog and any images to Gurpreet Rana, Communications Assistant for the Business School, at g.rana.1@bham.ac.uk.
Advertising your blog

Blogs will be promoted through the College, University and Business School social media accounts as well as featured in the College and School newsletters. For maximum reach and engagement, we would also encourage you to share these on your own social media accounts. We will schedule them into our content plan and this may mean your blog will not be published for a few weeks. If your blog relates to a specific current affair or is related to an outside topic that is date dependent then please do let us know so that we are able to schedule accordingly.

If there are any particular stakeholders (such as charities, potentials funders, community groups) that you would like us to target, please let us know when submitting your blog so we can include this in the communications plan.

Please clearly state the title of the blog and whether you are happy for the Marketing and Communications team to edit your blog e.g. grammar or structure.