**UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM**
**ACADEMIC TEACHING YEAR**

### SEMESTER ONE

**KEY FEATURES:**
- Welcome week in Week One
- UoBe Festival is coming in January 2021. A unique and unmissable week of discovery and opportunity, developed alongside, and for, University of Birmingham students
- Assessment period of two weeks at the end of the semester in January
- 11 weeks of teaching, the same as in the current structure

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- **Welcome Week**
- **Teaching Weeks**
- **Assessment Support Week**
- **End of sem 1 assessment period**
- **UoBe Festival**

### SEMESTER TWO

**KEY FEATURES:**
- Based on student feedback that you want more support on your assessments, Assessment Support Weeks will happen prior to the Christmas Break and prior to Summer Exams. These will include support from academic staff and from Wellbeing Services
- Assessment period of three weeks at the end of the semester
- 11 weeks of teaching, the same as in the current structure

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- **Teaching weeks**
- **Easter break (three weeks)**
- **Teaching weeks**
- **End of sem 2 assessment period**
- **Birmingham project and other enrichment**
- **Assessment Support Weeks**

### SUMMER PERIOD

**KEY FEATURES:**
- July Graduation
- Supplementary assessment period
- Summer break for many students

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- **Graduation** (to begin mid wk 42/beginning wk 43)
- **Supplementary assessment period** (two week during Aug)
NATY
Will modernise the student experience, offer new learning opportunities, and ensure our structures are agile enough to meet future demands for change.

KEY DATES

 Semester 1  
21 September 2020 - 22 January 2021

UoB Festival takes place w/c 25th January 2021

 Semester 2  
1st February 2021 - 25 June 2021

NATY STUDENT LIFECYCLE

The majority of modules will be 20 credit modules, taught across one semester and assessed at the end of that semester

Assessment will be more evenly spread out across the year

Assessment will take place closer to the point when content was taught

UOBE FESTIVAL

A unique and unmissable week of discovery and opportunity, developed alongside, and for, University of Birmingham students

Personal and academic enrichment are at the heart of the Festival, centring around five areas:

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Skills – Be Ready
Community – Be Active
Social – Be Involved
Varsity – Be Proud
Wellbeing – Be You

Announcements about the specific programme of events will follow in Spring 2020.

ASSESSMENT SUPPORT WEEKS

Three weeks of dedicated time to consolidate learning and to continue to prepare for assessment

These weeks have been developed in collaboration with the Guild and students from across the University

These weeks will include provision of in person and online Wellbeing and Study Skills support

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