Course Outline



About the Course

Basic Course Information

Course Title	Band B	Band Bootcamp: from studio to stage							
Course Type	Short Course								
Award on CompletionThis course is not externally accredited. However, it can contribute to a BIMM Music Institute or BIMM Professional Certificate when taken in conjunction with other short courses (see below)									
Length of Course	2 weeks								
Location	Berlin	Birmingham	Brighton	Bristol	Dublin	Essex	Leeds	London	Manchester
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	For further information about our campuses click <u>here</u> .								

Teaching and Learning

The delivery of BIMM Music Institute's programmes is tailored to the particular learning goals of the individual course. Specific details vary from time to time in order to maximise student experience. Indicative calendars are issued at the start of each course.

Delivery of this course will be within these parameters:

Teaching

- Your course averages 25 hours of teaching time per week.
- Teaching on BIMM Music Institute's full-time short courses is usually scheduled between the hours of 10am and 5pm, Monday to Friday, excluding bank holidays.
- BIMM Music Institute's *Band Bootcamp* is a practical course which is taught largely in person.
- We have also found that some experiences (such as tutorials) are better delivered digitally. Any online sessions will be noted clearly in students' timetables. In addition, where public health considerations or other matters outside our control limit access to the campus, this *mixed teaching* approach will ensure that students can continue their learning journey.
- Throughout this course students will be given formative feedback from their tutor and through peer review. However, this course is not formally assessed academically, and no grades are given at the end of the course.

The information included in this pack is provided to enhance your understanding of the course. Please note that some details may vary depending on the cohort.

Summary

Band Bootcamp is designed to improve your understanding, knowledge, and practice in the following core areas:



- Recording
- Brand development and identity
- Social media strategy and content creation
- Live performance and stage presence
- Finance management for musicians

The course outline below describes the key craft areas and skills you will cover during your course.

Applying for this Course

Application for this course can be made on the BIMM Music Institute website <u>here</u>.

In order to apply for this course, students must be 18 years old or over and have sufficient spoken & written English. The course is suitable for beginners and those with basic skills. There are no specific academic entry requirements for the *Band Bootcamp* course.

Course Structure and Delivery

BIMM Music Institute Mission

Our mission is to inspire the next generation of industry professionals through the creation of inclusive and creative learning environments, that remove barriers and create opportunities for equal participation in the creative industries and provide the highest standard of industry-led education built on a foundation of collaboration, inclusivity and an entrepreneurial spirit, preparing our students for a sustainable career within the creative industries.

Band Bootcamp

As an educational institution, BIMM Music Institute's mission is to provide students with a practical, highquality learning experience grounded in professional industry practice and preparation.

Through our course provision we equip students with the knowledge, skills and mindset to prepare them for successful careers within the screen industries.

We seek to foster an inclusive environment in which creative, mature, focused, and considerate individuals are valued as members of a dynamic community.

We believe collaboration is the bedrock of professional practice that is reflected across the creative industries, and students are required to treat each other with respect and to work together in a professional manner.

BIMM Music Institute's key policies and documents can be found here: Key Policies

Students explore the following key areas of study during the *Band Bootcamp* Course:

Music Production and Brand Development

In this section, bands will be introduced to the process of recording a track. Working with industry professionals, bands will learn about how to record a song in a professional way.

Social Media Strategy

Students will gain practical knowledge in building a strong social media presence, learning the basics of creating a month-long content calendar for platforms like Instagram, TikTok, and YouTube. This will include different types of posts, engagement strategies, and tips for growing a following and connecting with fans.



Live Performance Preparation

The live performance component focuses on improving stage presence, refining song arrangements, and perfecting the overall performance. Workshops will cover techniques to build engaging stage dynamics, including audience interaction, technique, and confidence in live shows.

Finance Management

A key part of the course is understanding financial management as a musician. This workshop will introduce bands to budgeting, accounting, and basic financial self-assessment, teaching how to manage income, taxes, and business accounts effectively.

Final Performance and Networking

The course culminates in a live performance at a local venue, where bands will showcase their work in front of an audience that includes industry guests such as record label representatives, booking agents, and journalists. This final performance is a chance for bands to gain exposure and create valuable connections that could help propel their careers forward.

Sample Indicative Timetable

specific details may vary from cohort to cohort

Day	Session
Week 1 Monday	Begin your Performance Mastery: what is your band / artist identity and what sets you apart in industry; understand the importance of pre-production and laying the foundations for a successful recording and performance journey.
	Expressing your Musical Identity: live pre-production and rehearsal and an in-group, relaxed performance
Week 1 Tuesday	Refining and Developing your Live Arrangement: refining your arrangements to create dynamic and engaging musical performances.
	Content Creators Toolkit: expert tips for effortlessly capturing high-quality audio, images and video for social media.
Week 1 Wednesday	Amplifying your Online Presence and Brand: developing an effective personalised social media strategy to engage and connect with your audience.
	Navigating your Path: Live Performance and Artist Development Session
Week 1	Polishing your Performance for a Successful Demo Recording: preparing your live track for
Thursday	demo recording, ensuring its ready to be captured with clarity and precision
	Essential Steps for a Successful Studio Session: capturing a demo recording in the rehearsal space. Microphone set up and crafting a strategic studio session plan.
Week 1 Friday	Building Your Professional Online Music Profile: create a polished and professional online presence that effectively showcases your music and personal brand; essentials of building an Electronic Press Kit (EPK), writing a compelling music bio, and assembling a professional
	portfolio to sell yourself to potential fans, collaborators, and industry professionals. Live Performance - Enhancing Stage Presence and Visual Engagement: honing your stage presence and engaging your audience visually; techniques for effective body language,
	movement, and interaction with your audience.



Week 2 Monday	Transform Your Demo into a Full Track - Recording Live Musical Parts in the Studio: take your demo to the next level by recording live musical elements in the studio. We will guide you through the process of capturing each instrument, refining your sound and ensuring the energy and authenticity of your performance is preserved in a professional-sounding track.
Week 2 Tuesday	Creating Visually Engaging Performances: exploring Lighting, Visuals, Props and Stage Design
	Perfecting Your Track - Editing, Comping and Refining Arrangements: techniques to edit and refine your recorded track; comping and selecting the best takes from multiple recordings; timing and tuning techniques to correct any issues and make sure everything is in sync.
Week 2 Wednesday	Mixing Essentials - Balancing, Enhancing & Evolving Your Track: experience the core principles of mixing to bring your track to life; balancing levels between tracks to ensure clarity and cohesion; adding additional effects like reverb, delay, EQ and compression to enhance recordings; discovering the power of automation, learning how to adjust levels and effects dynamically to keep your mix evolving. By the end of this session, you will have a mixed track to take with you showcasing your creative vision and technical skills.
	Final Performance Preparation 1: prepare for your final performance by combining everything you have learned about performance techniques, stagecraft, song arrangement and visual elements
Week 2	Managing your Finances as an Independent Artist: learn the basics of budgeting, accounting
Thursday	and managing your finances as an independent artist/freelance musician.
	Final Performance Preparation 2: continuing from yesterday afternoon
Week 2 Friday	Final Performance Preparation 3: Tech and Dress Rehearsal
	Final Performance and Networking Opportunity
	The course ends with an exciting live performance, offering you the chance to showcase your growth and progress to an audience of your family / friends and other students and tutors

Please note that this is an indicative calendar. Specific details including the order of modules may vary from cohort to cohort. Students will be issued with a more detailed schedule at the start of the course.

Being at BIMM Music Institute

Teaching and Learning

The *Band Bootcamp* course forms part of the non-accredited course delivery run by BIMM Music Institute. The course structure comprises of a range of teaching and delivery patterns: lectures, workshops, and practical exercises. Transferable skills are encouraged, and students are given the opportunity to learn and participate through practice.

Course details are contained within the Student Guide which students will be given when they start the course. The Student Guide is the core course document containing specific learning outcomes for each weekly session in line with the overall objectives of the course.



BIMM Music Institute encourages independent learning and reflective learning, and students may be given structured homework to complete, encouraged to practice their skills independently or challenged to network and consider key industry contacts.

Tutors

BIMM Music Institute works with a large team of teaching staff across its full portfolio of courses, profiles of many of whom you can find on our website <u>here</u>.

Student Support

BIMM Music Institute is committed to providing and supporting a diverse and inclusive environment that promotes and develops equality of opportunity for all students and staff. We seek to continually improve our standards across the student lifecycle encompassing access and admission; support and progression; and graduate employability and entrepreneurship.

We seek to provide a caring, supportive environment that recognises each student as a unique individual and fosters their personal and professional development. We are committed to each student's wellbeing, and there are a range of support mechanisms in place to aid student progression through their course of study.

Our <u>Key Policies</u> section on the website gives guidance on the support structures open to students at the School.

Formative Feedback

Throughout this course students will be given formative feedback from their tutor and through peer review. However, this course is not formally assessed academically, and no grades are given at the end of the course.

In addition, BIMM Music Institute provides regular opportunities for students to give each other feedback through the learning system, which encourages feedback within peer-to-peer sessions. Being able to critically reflect on your own work and the work of your fellow students in a constructive, meaningful way, both verbally and in written form, demonstrates good practice and enhances your learning experience.

Evaluative Feedback

BIMM Music Institute is committed to continual improvement, and student feedback – both informal and formal – is an important part of the evaluative feedback we use. Students are therefore invited to complete a feedback form at the end of their course.

Professional Certificate (ProCert)

At the end of this course, you will receive a Certificate of Completion for the course (subject to successful completion of the course).

Whilst courses are not formally assessed and are not credit bearing, part time and short courses of 2, 4 and 8 weeks taken independently over a period of 3 years across all subject matters amounting to 20 weeks full time can be taken together to achieve a BIMM Music Institute / BIMM Professional Certificate or ProCert as follows, subject to successful completion of the courses:

Course Type	Full Time Equivalent		
Foundation (12 week evening course)	1 week		
Part Time (20 weeks of teaching)	8 weeks		



Two Week (full time)	2 weeks
Four Week (full time)	4 weeks
Eight Week (full time)	8 weeks
Three Month (full time)	12 weeks
Certificate	20 weeks

Costs

Tuition Fees can be found on the course page on the BIMM Music Institute website here.

