

UNION MEMBER DISCOUNT 2022/23: STUDENT FAQ

How can I apply for the discount for 2022/23?

Details of the eligibility criteria and steps to follow to apply for the 10% discount for members of a TUC-affiliated trade union for 2022/23 can be found on the [Discounts page of Birkbeck's website](#). 2022/23 will be the last academic year **new undergraduate students** will be eligible for the 10% discount.

How do I get my membership status verified?

A contact from your union will need to email feesinv@bbk.ac.uk within 28 days of enrolment with your: full name, membership status, membership number, and length of membership so that your discount can be applied. If you are applying for the discount for the first time this year, they will also need to confirm that to the best of their knowledge, you do not have a degree level qualification already.

Members are responsible for contacting their union themselves to make the necessary arrangements. Anyone from within your union who has access to its membership systems can do this for you, and the confirmation email must come from a recognised union email address in lieu of a signature. Your union's Head Office may be best placed to assist if you do not have a contact at your union. Details are available on the TUC's website.

If I apply for the discount, what information is shared between Birkbeck and my union?

When applying for the discount, you are asked to give consent for your union to share the relevant information required by Birkbeck to confirm your membership and authorise your discount, as some unions require your explicit consent in order to pass this information on. Some unions also request from Birkbeck data on the learners who have taken up the discount in order to monitor the impact and uptake of the discount, and as evidence of the learning opportunities their members are taking up.

With consent, we may share the following with a designated contact at your union for the above purpose: Full name; Membership number; Programme of study; Mode of study (full-time or part-time). When you complete the form for the discount, we will ask for your consent to share this with them, but you do not have to give your consent for this information to be shared in order to receive the discount.