



A focused mission to help Britain's independent education sector strengthen & grow...

Introducing the official association for BAC accredited colleges of Further & Higher Education in the UK



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What is Study UK?

Study UK is the new official membership association for UK private colleges and educational establishments that are fully accredited by the the British Accreditation Council for Further & Higher Education (BAC).

Why is it necessary?

Whilst in many ways highly successful, the independent education sector in the UK has long been an undervalued and poorly recognised arm of the UK education market. There is an urgent need for a body to represent and promote the sector both at UK governmental level and internationally.

Whilst recognising the need for action, the BAC cannot itself perform this role. It exists to provide an accreditation service and cannot risk compromising the integrity of its inspection activity by being involved in the provision of other services.

The BAC therefore approached English UK (which provides just such a membership and representation service to the UK's British Council accredited English language schools) with a view to establishing a 'sister' body for the BAC accredited independent college sector. The result is Study UK.

Why now?

The ever more competitive world education market, coupled with the impending introduction of the points-based system for student visas, means that it is now essential that the UK independent tertiary education sector can represent itself with a unified voice both internally within the UK, especially to government, and externally as an effective global brand.

Who is eligible to join?

Membership of Study UK will be open to any college or institution that

- Holds a valid British Accreditation Council accreditation
- Agrees to uphold and abide by the Study UK Member's Code of Practice

Members will be entitled to show the Study UK Member logo on their stationery, literature and website, as well as to participate in the Association's activities and take advantage of its benefits and services.



In addition, members will be entitled to become Premier Members if they:

- Have held BAC accreditation for a minimum of four years
- Have completed a minimum of two successful consecutive BAC full inspections
- Are fully accredited by a British university to run either a complete degree programme or final year under official license, having successfully gone through the university's official Quality Assurance process.*



* NB. Colleges and institutions not offering courses at degree level may also acquire Premier Member status by special invitation from the Study UK Board.

What are the benefits?

Study UK seeks to benefit its members in four key ways:

- Lobbying and representing our industry at a UK governmental and regulatory level
- Helping to raise the profile of UK independent education, establishing a UK benchmark quality brand worldwide and providing joint marketing opportunities for our members
- Offering joint bulk buying opportunities and discounts with English UK, which could represent significant cost savings and even potentially cover individual membership fees.
- Providing opportunities for peer discussion, professional development and training within the sector so as to continuously advance standards within the sector.

How do colleges join?

Applying to join Study UK is a straightforward process. The only admission criteria are those listed opposite. Inaugural Annual Membership fees are set according to the college's size on the following annual scale:

1 - 100 full-time equivalent students p/a	£500
101 - 450 full-time equivalent students p/a	£750
450+ full-time equivalent students p/a	£1000

Premier Members pay a £500 annual supplement.

Take a look at our website or contact us at info@study-uk.org for more details.