

Is brunel.ac.uk legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 90/100

brunel.ac.uk

Verdict

90

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

brunel.ac.uk appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-13 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 75%.

What this site appears to be

A Brunel University of London cookies and privacy information page listing cookie categories, purposes, and many third-party providers. Appears to be an institutional informational page with analytics and payment integrations.

Evidence status and limitations

Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN

- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
- Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	28 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Archived since 1998 5000 snapshots	CLEAR
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by Sectigo Public Server Authentication CA OV R36	NOTED

The page as captured

No screenshot is retained for this report.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- Public web-archive history exists since 1998.
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.

Full analysis

Overview

Brunel University of London's website is an institutional informational and user-services platform that presents privacy, cookie-consent, and related operational information, with supporting integrations for analytics, communications, media, and transactional services.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictions were observed across the available evidence: there are no phishing, impersonation, malicious-content, or confirmed blacklist indicators. The observed page identifies the institution as Brunel University of London and provides substantial explanatory privacy content rather than an investment, deposit-taking, or returns-based proposition. The site also has a long-established and continuous web presence, a strong global traffic footprint, and clean external reputation results. These signals support an apparently legitimate institutional website, while the real-world operator identity remains likely rather than independently proven.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage/privacy page is titled "Brunel University of London," is categorized as an informational university page, and contains no login form, hidden sensitive form, or wallet-related interaction.
- Domain continuity dates to 1998, with an authoritative age of 28.487337440109513 years.
- The web archive records 5000 snapshots from 1998-02-15T05:12:03Z through 2025-04-03T14:28:38Z, covering 28 years with a maximum observed gap of 1 year.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The observed business model is institutional and informational, not centered on user deposits, investment returns, or financial promotions. The privacy page explains necessary, preference, statistics, and marketing cookies and identifies integrations including Stripe, Google, Microsoft, Adobe, Airtable, and Cloudflare. No regulatory contradiction is present, but the available page is not a licensing disclosure and the operator's real-world identity has not been independently established; any regulated service encountered elsewhere on the site would therefore require separate confirmation with the relevant authority.

EVIDENCE

- The privacy page contains approximately 59,385 characters of explanatory content covering cookie purposes, consent categories, providers, and tracking practices.
- The site's transport encryption uses a TLS certificate issued by Sectigo Public Server Authentication CA OV R36, with OV validation, subject organization Brunel University London, valid to 2026-11-24T23:59:59+00:00.
- The site's technical endpoint is recorded on AS60885, operated by zengenti - Zengenti Ltd., GB.

What to Verify Next

Before credential or payment interactions, an independent source should be used to confirm that the domain is the institution's official web address and that any relevant service is operated by the stated institution. Transactional pages should be checked for clear service terms, refund or cancellation provisions, privacy disclosures, and payment-protection arrangements; any service that appears regulated should also be matched against the appropriate official registry.

EVIDENCE

- The homepage/privacy page links to institutional subdomains including www.brunel.ac.uk, media.brunel.ac.uk, and my.brunel.ac.uk.
- The observed page describes third-party payment and analytics integrations but does not itself establish the terms of any separate transactional service.

Summary Verdict

Available evidence is consistent with an established, apparently legitimate institutional website and supports a high-trust, low-risk posture. No scam or impersonation contradictions were identified, although the connection between the website and a real-world operator is assessed as likely rather than proven.

Infrastructure Integrity

The infrastructure presents a resolved UK hosting posture, with the endpoint sensor identifying AS60885 and Zengenti, while infrastructure resolution identifies AS786 and JANET - Jisc Services Limited. No CDN was detected; the hosting arrangement is therefore not treated as an additional protective control, but the resolved infrastructure and valid OV certificate provide useful technical consistency signals rather than proof of legitimacy.

EVIDENCE

- Infrastructure resolution records AS786, JANET - Jisc Services Limited, GB, with one resolved IP and one likely origin candidate.
- The endpoint certificate is OV-validated by Sectigo Public Server Authentication CA OV R36 and expires at 2026-11-24T23:59:59+00:00.

Closing Assessment

Ordinary browsing and standard institutional use are proportionate to the assessed posture; independent confirmation of institutional identity, service terms, and payment protections should precede credential

submission or payment activity.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-13 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status	LIKELY
Identity score	79/100
Identity verification confidence	78%

- Identity verified on page
- Trusted social count=3

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of brunel.ac.uk.

- The request stayed on brunel.ac.uk. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- The earliest public archive of this site is from 1998-02-15. CLEAR
- It is hosted on zengenti, from a server in GB. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Not available
Hosting	zengenti - Zengenti Ltd., GB
Country	GB
Server IP	185.18.139.73
Name servers	Not available
SSL issuer	Sectigo Public Server Authentication CA OV R36
SSL expiry	2026-11-24
Domain age	28.49 years (continuous registration)
Domain expiry	Not available
Archive first seen	1998-02-15
Archive snapshots	5000
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about brunel.ac.uk at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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