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**UNIVERSITY  
OF THE  
YEAR**

# University of the Year

Lancaster is ranked amongst the best in the UK. We're not only The Times and Sunday Times University of the Year, but are ranked 6th in The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018. We are also in the top 10 of The Complete University Guide 2018 and the Guardian University Guide 2018.

Our facilities have won awards, our research is recognised as world-leading and our Teaching Excellence Framework Gold award in 2017 shows that our teaching is of the highest quality found in the UK. Yet the standards we've set are only a starting point – year on year, we're making improvements and doing more.

We think that being exceptional doesn't have to mean being elite. Our founding principle is that 'truth lies open to all'.

# Welcome to Lancaster

With an outstanding combination of academic excellence, flexible study options and a supportive community, Lancaster University is proud to have been named University of the Year 2018 and a triple top 10 ranked university in the UK.\*

We are especially proud of our reputation for student satisfaction and graduate employability, meaning you can have a great time here and graduate with strong career prospects.

Located on our beautiful self-contained campus, the International Study Centre offers pathways for ambitious students from around the world to progress to both undergraduate and postgraduate studies at Lancaster. Our International Foundation Year and Pre-Masters Programme combines academic subjects with the English language preparation and study skills you will need to meet the challenges of study in the UK.

From day one, you will be part of the University, living and studying in our friendly colleges and making Lancaster your home.

\*Named University of the Year in The Times and The Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018 and ranked top ten in The Times and The Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018, The Guardian University Guide 2018 and The Complete University Guide 2018.



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**When you join Lancaster, you will be joining a university which is modern and forward thinking. This means we're quick and nimble in adopting the latest developments in teaching and research to create a truly cutting-edge institution.**

Our campus is one of our greatest assets and manages to combine the best of both worlds – busy and urban, while being surrounded by great parkland and sport facilities. Creating a high-quality study environment is central to our thinking, and we have invested millions in modern facilities like our fabulous library and new laboratories.

We organise ourselves into colleges because we believe this is the best way to support students, to help them make friends outside of their subject areas and create an exciting social scene. Lancaster has a socially diverse and international student body, so whatever your background you'll feel at home here.

## **Professor Mark E. Smith, MA, PhD**

Vice Chancellor  
Lancaster University

**I am proud to welcome you as you prepare to begin an exciting journey as a student in the UK.**

Lancaster University has an outstanding reputation for inspiring teaching, wonderful student life and highly successful graduates. The Lancaster University International Study Centre will give you the support, skills and confidence you need to transition to undergraduate or postgraduate life at a top UK university and a successful career beyond.

I look forward to welcoming you on campus.

## **Sunil Banga**

Head of Centre  
Lancaster University International Study Centre



# Why Lancaster?

Here are just a few reasons why outstanding students choose Lancaster University...



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## Triple top 10

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Lancaster ranks 6th in the UK in The Times and The Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018, 9th in the Complete University Guide 2018 and 9th in the Guardian University Guide 2018.

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## University of the Year

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Lancaster has been awarded the title by The Times and The Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018.

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## 97% graduate employability

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97% of Lancaster graduates are working or in further study within three and a half years of graduation.\*

\*Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education Longitudinal Survey, published in August 2017

\*\*This refers to question 27 of the survey, which asks students whether they are satisfied with the overall quality of their course.



## Happy students

Student satisfaction at Lancaster University is **91%** according to the 2017 National Student Survey, **ranking it 6th among universities in the UK\*\***.

Also our student accommodation has been named Best University Halls for seven out of the last eight years in the in the National Student Housing Survey.



## Great location

The University is close to Lancaster's historic city centre and is surrounded by beautiful English countryside.

The cosmopolitan cities of Manchester, Glasgow, London and Edinburgh are a easily accessible by train.



## World-leading research

Lancaster University's reputation attracts some of the brightest minds from around the world.

Our degree programmes, taught by experts at the forefront of their fields, are informed by the latest research and give you access to our excellent research facilities.



## Excellent teaching

Lancaster University have been awarded the Gold standard for teaching in the Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF) 2017.

This high rating recognises the university's outstanding learning environment and its commitment to delivering excellent employment outcomes for students through excellent teaching.



## College life

Lancaster is one of a few UK universities, including Oxford and Cambridge, to offer a collegiate system where you live and socialise with members of your own college.

All undergraduate students become a member of one of eight colleges – Bowland, Cartmel, County, Furness, Fylde, Grizedale, Lonsdale or Pendle. Plus there is an additional college for post graduate students



## Global opportunities

The University attracts students of over 100 different nationalities.

Lancaster also has a huge number of teaching and research links around the world, which provide exciting opportunities for students to study or work abroad.





## DID YOU KNOW

LANCASTER  
IS INTERNATIONALLY  
RECOGNISED FOR ITS  
**OUTSTANDING RESEARCH  
AND TEACHING FACILITIES**  
REF, 2014

**TOP 10**  
IN THE UK FOR **OVERALL  
STUDENT SATISFACTION**  
NATIONAL STUDENT SURVEY, 2017

FLEXIBLE STUDY:  
OPPORTUNITY TO CHOOSE  
FROM A RANGE OF **MAJOR  
AND MINOR SUBJECTS**

# Studying at Lancaster

We're proud to be one of the UK's leading universities with a reputation for academic excellence and a proven track record in producing well-qualified and independent graduates. Our expert tutors deliver innovative and pioneering programmes that we believe ensure you receive the best teaching possible.



## Our aim

The University works hard to produce graduates who have excellent subject knowledge as well as good leadership skills and a desire to make a positive difference in society. Ultimately, Lancaster graduates are the type of graduates that businesses and organisations want to employ.

Our approach to education is designed to inspire and bring out the best in you. Using a variety of effective learning, teaching and assessment techniques, your tutors will help you explore the very latest thinking within your subject area. You will also develop crucial academic and learning skills such as problem-solving, analysis and critical reflection, and the application of knowledge and modern technologies.

## Research-inspired teaching

Lancaster is internationally recognised for its innovative and cutting-edge research, and the University's reputation attracts the brightest research minds from all over the world.

Our research informs our teaching. This means that we can offer you courses that explore new research findings and current thinking within your subject area.

## Supportive teaching

During your studies at Lancaster, your department tutors will support and guide your academic development and encourage you to achieve the highest grades possible.

## Flexible study approach

We believe that you will get the most out of your studies when you can take responsibility for your own learning and widen your knowledge beyond a core subject. That's why Lancaster is one of the few universities in the UK that allows you to study additional minor subjects alongside a major subject.

This flexible approach offers you the opportunity to pursue other academic interests alongside your main subject area. Not only will you benefit from a wider education, this style of study also encourages independence and autonomy – something employers look for when they are recruiting graduate candidates.

## We divide academic study into two sections:

- Part 1 (Year 1)
- Part 2 (Years 2, 3 and sometimes 4)

In Part 1 you can take up to three subjects. In Part 2 you specialise in one subject (Single Major) or a combination of two or three subjects (Combined Major).

Studying a selection of academic disciplines in your first year provides the opportunity to switch the focus of your degree as your interests evolve and your career aspirations develop. You will have the chance to follow a structured study programme or, depending on your timetable and course availability, the flexibility of studying a combination of subjects aligned to your interests.

Even if you are following a Single Major degree, you can often take courses from other subjects throughout your time here.

Some subjects outside of your main area of study may have specific entry requirements.

## Year 0

International Foundation Year

## Year 1

Study up to three subjects. Depending on the degree, you may be able to choose minor subjects from different departments.

## Year 2-3

Study one subject

Study two or three subjects

## Graduate

Single Honours Degree

Combined Honours Degree

**Please note:** This study plan is for International Foundation Year students progressing to undergraduate degrees at Lancaster University. For information on Pre-Masters progressing to postgraduate study, please see page 22.

# International Study Centre

Lancaster University is based on the University campus and provides international students with the opportunity to prepare for degree study at Lancaster.

## Success starts here

Our programmes are carefully designed to combine academic modules and English language preparation with the independent study skills you will need to progress to successful degree study at Lancaster.

We will also help you to settle into your new environment and encourage you to get fully involved in campus life.

## Join the University community

From day one you will be part of the University – living, studying and socialising within Lancaster's friendly campus community. You will become a member of one of the colleges, getting to know first-year students and getting involved with Students' Union activities. You will also have access to all of the University's excellent facilities such as the library and the sports centre.

## Enjoy living and studying in the UK

Living and studying in the UK is a wonderful experience and we want you to take full advantage of the opportunities on offer. We have many years' experience working with international students, so we know how to help you feel at home, enjoy university life and excel in your studies.

## CareerAhead

At the International Study Centre, we care about your academic success as well as your career once you graduate. With your future career in mind, we have integrated a new careers service into your academic courses, called CareerAhead.

CareerAhead is designed to give you a head start in today's competitive graduate employment market by helping you to become a confident, highly skilled and extremely employable graduate.

## Preparation for the future

During your time at the International Study Centre, you will complete a skills assessment questionnaire to help you think about your skills and aspirations. The results will form the basis of your personal career development plan – a unique set of tasks that are relevant to your chosen career.

We will work with you in the classroom, in small groups and on an individual basis to build your personal career development plan and help you gain key employability skills, such as leadership, teamwork and organisation. You will also learn to write a personal statement that will help you stand out from the crowd.

When you progress to the University, you will continue to develop the goals set out in your personal career development plan, so that you can graduate with a globally recognised degree and the right skills to secure a fantastic job in your chosen field.

## Once you progress to the University, you will:

- Continue to develop your skills for employment or further study
- Gain experience through Lancaster's award-winning work experience and placements programme
- Meet hundreds of employers and organisations through a varied programme of on-campus events
- Gain confidence through our career planning workshops



## What they say

“Each teacher has their own methodology and they are all unique, but I understand all of them and enjoy it.

Moreover, the International Study Centre prepares us very well for entry to the University. We have coursework and reports to do, the kind of work we are expected to do at undergraduate level.”

### **Reem Nasser from Oman**

Studied International Foundation Year  
in Business and Management



## Did you know

# 82%

of International Study Centre students who completed their course were offered a place to study at Lancaster University in 2017.

# International Foundation Year

The International Foundation Year is a programme of academic subjects, study skills and English language preparation specifically designed to provide international students with a pathway to degree study at Lancaster University.

## FOUNDATION YEAR ESSENTIALS

### COURSE LENGTH

Three terms – October to June  
or January to August

### ENTRY DATES

October and January

### AGE ON ENTRY

Students must be at least  
17 years of age

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Academic – good high school  
grades or equivalent including  
mathematics

English language – IELTS 5.0  
(minimum 5.0 in writing)\*  
or equivalent

For tuition fees, term  
dates and country-specific  
entry requirements, visit  
**[lancaster.ac.uk/isc](https://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)**

\*Business and Management Studies, Law  
and Social Studies requires IELTS 5.0  
in all skills areas



## Study structure

During your International Foundation Year, you will study a combination of core modules and subject-specific modules that focus on the academic areas most relevant to your chosen degree.

## We offer the choice of six Foundation routes:

- Business and Management Studies
- Engineering and Computing
- Law
- Life Sciences
- Mathematics and Statistics
- Social Studies

## University-style teaching

You will learn in a university-style environment. This includes participating in group lectures, seminars and tutorials and undertaking independent study.

Seminar groups during the International Foundation Year have around 20 students. This continues when you progress to the University, with around 15 students in seminars during your degree programme. This style of teaching really helps you prepare for degree study and feel confident about progressing to the University.

## Regular assessment

To ensure you make steady progress throughout the International Foundation Year and achieve the grades you need, we will give you regular assessments, including:

- Exams
- Coursework assessment
- Presentations
- Extended essays

## English language preparation

If you do not meet the required level of English language to start the International Foundation Year, you can take our English Language Preparation course first. This course is designed to help you make good progress in each of the core English skills and achieve the level of language proficiency you need.

At the end of your preparation programme, you will not need to retake the IELTS exam. Providing you have achieved the required module grades, you will be able to progress directly to your International Foundation Year.

## Progressing to your degree

Choosing which degree to progress to is a big decision. We will support you during your decision-making process by discussing your options with you. We will also offer guidance for writing your personal statement or preparing for admissions interviews if required.

During your first term at the International Study Centre, you will be asked to nominate three possible progression degrees, based on your Foundation route. You will then receive a conditional offer of a degree place at Lancaster University.

Once you successfully complete your Foundation Year programme and achieve the required grades, you can enter the first year of your chosen undergraduate degree at Lancaster.

## DID YOU KNOW

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POSSIBLE FOUNDATION  
YEAR ROUTES

EXTRA ENGLISH  
LANGUAGE PREPARATION  
AVAILABLE

CAREERAHEAD  
EMPLOYMENT SKILLS  
TAUGHT THROUGHOUT  
ALL PATHWAYS



# Business and Management Studies

The International Foundation Year in Business and Management Studies provides a route to a number of undergraduate degrees at the prestigious Lancaster University Management School (LUMS). LUMS is one of the few business schools in the world to hold quadruple accreditation, and is consistently ranked among the UK's top ten.

## What will I study?

You will study a combination of core modules designed to boost your English language and university-level study skills, along with subject-specific modules.

You will learn how businesses operate, focusing on business set up, leadership, management, marketing and operations. You will study macro and micro economics, how individuals and firms operate in markets, and how the economies of countries work and interact with each other. In accounting, you will learn how to complete and interpret double entry bookkeeping and prepare financial statements.

Throughout your programme, you will develop skills of analysis and evaluation, and you will apply your new knowledge to solve problems relating to real-world situations.

## Core modules

- Academic English Skills
- Project and Research Skills

## Subject-specific modules

- Core Mathematics
- Business studies
- Economics
- Introduction to Financial Accounting



## What they say

"This pathway will give me the theoretical foundation to start my own business in the future. It is an interesting programme, because you learn to mix with new people and experience different learning styles."

### Kishern from Malaysia

Studied International Foundation Year  
in Business and Management

**DID YOU  
KNOW?**

**#6**

LANCASTER IS RANKED  
**6TH IN THE UK** FOR BUSINESS,  
MANAGEMENT AND MARKETING

Guardian University Guide 2018

**#4**

RANKED **4TH IN THE UK** FOR  
BUSINESS STUDIES

Times and Sunday Times University  
League Table 2018

For more information please visit [lancaster.ac.uk/isc](https://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)

## Your undergraduate degree

When you successfully complete your International Foundation Year and achieve the required grades, you can progress to your first year of undergraduate study at Lancaster University Management School (LUMS).

LUMS is one of the top ten management schools in the UK and ranks highly across all levels of study from undergraduate to PhD. LUMS is also one of the few business schools in the world to hold quadruple accreditation from AACSB, EQUIS, AMBA and Small Business Charter.

## Which degrees can I progress to?

The Business and Management Studies International Foundation Year leads to a wide range of undergraduate degrees, including:

Accounting and Economics BSc (Hons)	Management and Information Technology (MIT) BSc (Hons)
Accounting and Finance BSc (Hons)	Management and Organisational Behaviour (Study Abroad) BA (Hons)
Accounting and Management BSc (Hons)	Management and Organisational Behaviour BA (Hons)
Advertising and Marketing BA (Hons)	Entrepreneurship and Management BSc Hons
Business Analytics (Industrial Placement) BSc (Hons)	Management and Organisational Behaviour BA (Hons)
Business Analytics (Study Abroad) BSc (Hons)	Business Administration BBA Hons
Business Analytics BSc (Hons)	Management, Politics and International Relations BSc (Hons)
Business Economics (Industry) BSc (Hons)	Management and Psychology BA (Hons)
Business Management (Study Abroad) BSc (Hons)	Management and Sociology BA (Hons)
Business Management BSc (Hons)	Marketing BSc (Hons)
Economics (Study Abroad) BSc (Hons)	Marketing (Study Abroad) BSc (Hons)
Economics and International Relations BA (Hons)	Marketing and Design BSc (Hons)
Economics and Politics BA (Hons)	Marketing Management (Study Abroad) BSc (Hons)
Economics BSc (Hons)	Marketing Management BSc (Hons)
Entrepreneurship with Management BA (Hons)	Marketing with Psychology BSc (Hons)
Management and French Studies BA (Hons)	Philosophy, Politics and Economics BA (Hons)
Management and German Studies BA (Hons)	
Management and Spanish Studies BA (Hons)	
Finance and Economics BSc (Hons)	
Finance BSc (Hons)	
International Business Management (America) BBA (Hons)	
International Business Management (France) BBA (Hons)	
International Business Management (Germany) BBA (Hons)	
International Business Management (Italy) BBA (Hons)	
International Business Management (Mexico) BBA (Hons)	
International Business Management (Spain) BBA (Hons)	
Management and Human Resources BA (Hons)	

Read more about entry requirements and selecting a degree programme at [lancaster.ac.uk/isc](https://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)

Degrees which include a language require a good proficiency in the language concerned.

Degrees and required grades for progression are subject to change.

**FUTURE  
CAREERS**



- ADVERTISING
- BANKING AND INSURANCE

- BUSINESS CONSULTING
- DIGITAL MARKETING

- MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING
- MARKET RESEARCH

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# Engineering and Computing

The International Foundation Year in Engineering and Computing provides a route to undergraduate degree study in the Faculty of Science and Technology at Lancaster University. Degree options include Engineering, Computer Science and Information Technology for Creative Industries.

## What will I study?

You will study a combination of core modules designed to boost your English language and university-level study skills, along with subject-specific modules.

You will learn pure mathematics, progressing from an understanding of set theory and geometry through to methods of calculus, numerical methods and applications of calculus. Your knowledge of applied mathematics will be developed from an understanding of the mechanics of point masses and the mathematics of vectors to a study of variable acceleration and objects modelled as rigid bodies.

Your physics studies will examine sound and electromagnetic waves, developing into an investigation of electrical current and charge, looking at storing charge and capacitors, electromagnetic induction and inductors, and alternating currents.

## Core modules

- Academic English Skills
- Project and Research Skills

## Subject-specific modules

- Pure mathematics
- Applied mathematics
- Physics

## Your undergraduate degree

When you successfully complete your International Foundation Year and achieve the required grades, you will progress to your undergraduate degree, generally within the Faculty of Science and Technology.

The Faculty offers an impressive range of subjects and has an excellent reputation for conducting high-profile research. Our many researchers work on a range of projects with leading global organisations, including Microsoft.

You will have the opportunity to go on exciting field trips and undertake projects within the industry as well as experiencing traditional laboratory-based work.



## TOP RANKING

**Lancaster is top 20 in the UK for Mechanical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Electrical and Electronic Engineering and Computer Science**

Complete University Guide 2018

**DID YOU KNOW?**



**STATE-OF-THE-ART** ENGINEERING  
BUILDING WITH **SPECIALLY DESIGNED**  
WORKSHOPS AND LABORATORIES

**#8**

LANCASTER IS RANKED **8TH**  
IN PHYSICS AND ASTRONOMY

The Times and Sunday Times  
University League Table 2018

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## Which degrees can I progress to?

The Engineering and Computing International Foundation Year leads to a wide range of undergraduate degrees, including:

Chemical Engineering BEng (Hons)	Physics MPhys (Hons)
Chemical Engineering MEng (Hons)	Physics (Study Abroad) MPhys (Hons)
Computer Science BSc (Hons)	Physics with Particle Physics and Cosmology BSc (Hons)
Computer Science (Study Abroad) BSc (Hons)***	Physics with Particle Physics and Cosmology MPhys (Hons)
Computer Science (with Industrial Experience) MSci (Hons)	Physics, Astrophysics and Cosmology BSc (Hons)
Electronic and Electrical Engineering BEng (Hons)	Physics, Astrophysics and Cosmology MPhys (Hons)
Electronic and Electrical Engineering MEng (Hons)	Software Engineering BSc (Hons)
Engineering (Study Abroad) BEng (Hons)	Software Engineering (with Industrial Experience) MSci (Hons)
Engineering (Study Abroad) MEng (Hons)	Theoretical Physics BSc (Hons)
Engineering BEng (Hons)	Theoretical Physics MPhys (Hons)
Mechanical Engineering BEng (Hons)	Theoretical Physics with Mathematics BSc (Hons)
Mechanical Engineering MEng (Hons)	Theoretical Physics with Mathematics MSci (Hons)
Mechatronics BEng (Hons)	Theoretical Physics with Mathematics
Mechatronics MEng (Hons)	(Study Abroad) MSci (Hons)
Nuclear Engineering BEng (Hons)	
Nuclear Engineering MEng (Hons)	
Natural Sciences MSci (Hons)	
Natural Sciences BSc (Hons)	
Natural Sciences (Study Abroad) MSci (Hons)	
Natural Sciences (Study Abroad) BSc (Hons)	
Physics BSc (Hons)	

Read more about entry requirements and selecting a degree programme at [lancaster.ac.uk/isc](https://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)

\*\*\* Offers for these courses are not guaranteed and an interview may be required.

Degrees and required grades for progression are subject to change.



### What they say

"I am Oladipo and I am from Nigeria. I am studying Engineering and Computing at Lancaster University International Study Centre. I decided to come to the UK after my cousin said that it was nice to study here. The campus is really nice and we have everything on campus. Moreover, it is quiet and I like it.

In the future, I would like to work in the chemical sector. New students who come here have to learn to start studying hard from their first term and keep focused on their studies from the beginning of their foundation programme."

**Oladipo (Ladi)  
from Nigeria**

Studied International Foundation Year  
in Engineering and Computing

**FUTURE  
CAREERS**



- CHEMICAL ENGINEER
- DESIGN ENGINEER
- ELECTRONIC ENGINEER

- NUCLEAR ENGINEER
- RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

- WEB DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT IT FOR CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

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# Law

The International Foundation Year in Law provides a route to a number of Law degrees at Lancaster University Law School. Degree options include Criminology, Law, and Law with Politics.

## What will I study?

You will study a combination of core modules designed to boost your English language and university-level study skills, along with subject-specific modules.

You will investigate key concepts of justice and ethics, including criminal and civil law and contract law. You will learn about important cases and the fascinating history of the law and legal issues. You will also study democracy and key political institutions, and learn about how the economies of countries work and interact.

You will complement your studies with either globalisation, exploring some of the different interpretations of global issues and contemporary events, or core mathematics, developing your knowledge and understanding of mathematical terms and techniques.

## Core modules

- Academic English Skills
- Project and Research Skills

## Subject-specific modules

- Law
- Economics
- Politics
- Globalisation or Core Mathematics

**DID YOU  
KNOW?**



LANCASTER LAW SCHOOL DEGREES ARE  
ACCREDITED BY THE BAR STANDARDS  
BOARD AND THE SRA



LANCASTER LAW SCHOOL HAS A  
NEW STATE-OF-THE-ART  
MOCK COURT ROOM

For more information please visit [lancaster.ac.uk/isc](https://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)

## Your undergraduate degree

When you successfully complete your International Foundation Year and achieve the required grades, you can progress to your undergraduate degree studies at the Law School.

The School has strong links with the legal professions, including reserved work experience placements for students.

## Which degrees can I progress to?

The Law International Foundation Year leads to a range of related undergraduate degrees, including:

Criminology BA (Hons)  
 Criminology and French Studies BA (Hons)  
 Criminology and Psychology BA (Hons)  
 Criminology and Sociology BA (Hons)  
 Law LLB  
 Law with Criminology LLB (Hons)  
 Law with Politics LLB (Hons)

Read more about entry requirements and selecting a degree programme at [lancaster.ac.uk/isc](http://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)

Degrees and required grades for progression are subject to change.

## “Innovative opportunities to learn through practice in our Law Clinic, Miscarriages of Justice Clinic and Street Law Programme.”



### What they say

“The International Study Centre helps you a lot. There is one-to-one tutoring and student feedback sessions where they tell you what aspects you need to improve on and how you're doing right now. It nurtures you, whereas in the first year of university you don't get that.”

#### Akash from India

Studied International Foundation Year  
 in Law and Social Studies  
 Progressed to Law and Politics

**FUTURE  
CAREERS**



• ACADEMIC RESEARCH  
 • BARRISTER

• COMMERCIAL LAWYER  
 • MANAGEMENT

• MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS  
 • SOLICITOR

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# Life Sciences

The International Foundation Year in Life Sciences provides a route to a number of undergraduate degrees in the Faculty of Health and Medicine and in the Faculty of Science and Technology at Lancaster University. Degree options include Biochemistry, Biological Sciences, Biomedical Science, Ecology and Conservation.

## What will I study?

You will study a combination of core modules designed to boost your English language and university-level study skills, along with subject-specific modules.

You will gain an understanding of basic cell structure and function by looking at the flow of information through the cell and the basic principles of metabolism. You will learn about the organisation and integration of physiological processes in animals, placing particular emphasis on mammalian, especially human physiology.

Plant biology, genetics and ecology will also be explored. You will study chemical formulae, equations and moles, learning about equilibria, kinetics, entropy, inorganic and organic chemistry.

You will develop your understanding of mathematical terms and techniques and apply these to solving problems relating to real-life situations.

## Core modules

- Academic English Skills
- Project and Research Skills

## Subject-specific modules

- Core Mathematics
- Cell Biology
- Physiology
- Chemistry
- Further Studies in Biology and Chemistry

## Your undergraduate degree

When you successfully complete your International Foundation Year and achieve the required grades, you can progress to your undergraduate degree studies in the Faculty of Health and Medicine. The Faculty boasts an excellent research and teaching profile with four established and distinguished divisions including Biomedical and Life Science.

**DID YOU  
KNOW?**

**TOP  
10**

IN THE UK FOR **SUBJECTS ALLIED TO MEDICINE,  
BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES AND GEOGRAPHY AND  
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES**

The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018



COMPETITIVE UNDERGRADUATE  
**WORK PLACEMENT  
OPPORTUNITIES**

For more information please visit [lancaster.ac.uk/isc](https://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)



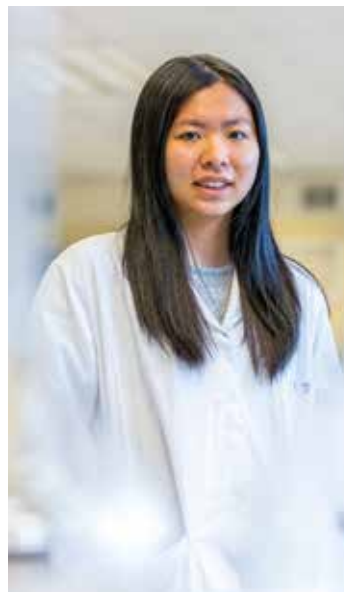
## Which degrees can I progress to?

The Life Sciences International Foundation Year leads to a wide range of undergraduate degrees, including:

Biochemistry BSc (Hons)	Earth and Environmental Science (Study Abroad) BSc (Hons)
Biochemistry (Study Abroad) BSc (Hons)	Ecology and Conservation (Professional Experience) (MSci) (Hons)
Biochemistry with Biomedicine BSc (Hons)	Ecology and Conservation (Study Abroad) BSc (Hons)
Biochemistry with Genetics BSc (Hons)	Ecology and Conservation BSc (Hons)**
Biomedicine MSci (Hons)	Environmental Science and Technology BSc (Hons)
Biomedicine BSc (Hons)	Environmental Science and Technology (Professional Experience) MSci (Hons)
Biomedicine (Study Abroad) BSc (Hons)	Environmental Science BSc (Hons)*
Biomedicine (Study Abroad) MSci (Hons)	Environmental Science MSci (Hons)
Biology BSc (Hons)**	Environmental Science (Study Abroad) BSc (Hons)
Biology MSci (Hons)	Environmental Science (Study Abroad) MSci (Hons)
Biological Sciences BSc (Hons)	Natural Sciences MSci (Hons)
Biological Sciences MSci (Hons)	Natural Sciences BSc (Hons)*
Biological Sciences (Study Abroad) BSc (Hons)	Natural Sciences (Study Abroad) BSc (Hons)
Biological Sciences with Biomedicine BSc (Hons)	Natural Sciences (Study Abroad) MSci (Hons)
Biology with Psychology BSc (Hons)**	Psychology BA (Hons)
Biomedical Science BSc (Hons)	Psychology BSc (Hons)*
Chemistry MChem (Hons)	Sports and Exercise Science BSc (Hons)
Chemistry BSc (Hons)**	
Chemistry (Study Abroad) BSc (Hons)	Read more about entry requirements and selecting a degree programme at <a href="http://lancaster.ac.uk/isc">lancaster.ac.uk/isc</a>
Earth and Environmental Science BSc (Hons)*	
Earth and Environmental Science MSci (Hons)	
Earth and Environmental Science (Study Abroad) MSci (Hons)	

\* These degree programmes are delivered/jointly delivered by the Faculty of Science and Technology.

Degrees and required grades for progression are subject to change.



### What they say

"I am Cecilia from China. Before I moved to England, I went to an international high school in China. Lancaster is a famous university for sciences, which is why I chose to study here.

Since I arrived at the International Study Centre, my level of English has improved, as have my skills in science. We have practical classes and do a lot of experiments.

This enables us to communicate with our partners and learn how to work in groups.

After my International Foundation Year, I would like to study Biological Sciences at Lancaster University. My dream job is to become a doctor."

#### Tingxi (Cecilia) from China

Studied International Foundation Year in Life Sciences

**FUTURE  
CAREERS**



- CHEMICAL AND PHARMACEUTICAL INDUSTRIES
- CONSULTANCY

- ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND CONSERVATION
- GOVERNMENT / NGO SCIENTIST

- RESEARCH
- TEACHING

For more information please visit [lancaster.ac.uk/isc](http://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)



# Mathematics and Statistics

The International Foundation Year in Mathematics and Statistics provides a route to a number of undergraduate degrees in the distinguished Department of Mathematics and Statistics at Lancaster University. Degree options include Mathematics, Statistics, Mathematics and Philosophy, Accounting, Finance and Mathematics and Financial Mathematics.

## What will I study?

You will study a combination of core modules designed to boost your English language and university-level study skills, along with subject-specific modules.

You will study pure mathematics, progressing from an understanding of set theory and geometry, through to methods and applications of calculus, mathematical induction, topics in number theory, graph theory and group theory.

Your knowledge of applied mathematics will be developed from an understanding of the mechanics of point masses and the mathematics of vectors to the study of variable acceleration and objects modelled as rigid bodies. You will also learn about descriptive statistics, probability and probability distributions, leading to a study of correlation and hypothesis testing.

## Core modules

- Academic English Skills
- Project and Research Skills

## Subject-specific modules

- Pure Mathematics
- Applied Mathematics
- Statistics

**DID YOU  
KNOW?**

**#11**

LANCASTER IS RANKED **11TH IN**  
**THE UK FOR MATHEMATICS**  
Complete University Guide 2018



**BACHELORS AND  
INTEGRATED MASTERS**  
DEGREES AVAILABLE

For more information please visit [lancaster.ac.uk/isc](https://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)

## Your undergraduate degree

When you successfully complete your International Foundation Year and achieve the required grades, you can progress to your undergraduate degree studies in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics.

The Department is an exciting, innovative and friendly place to study. We have a well-deserved reputation for top-quality teaching and world-class research.

**“The Department is an exciting, innovative and friendly place to study.”**

## Which degrees can I progress to?

The Mathematics and Statistics Foundation Year leads to a wide range of undergraduate degrees, including:

Accounting, Finance and Mathematics BSc (Hons)

Accounting, Finance and Mathematics (Industry) BSc (Hons)

Computer Science and Mathematics BSc (Hons)

Economics and Mathematics BSc (Hons)

Financial Mathematics BSc (Hons)

Financial Mathematics MSci (Hons)

Financial Mathematics (Industry) BSc (Hons)

French Studies and Mathematics BA (Hons)\*

French Studies and Computing BSc (Hons)\*

German Studies and Mathematics BA (Hons)

German Studies and Computing BSc\* (Hons)

Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics and Economics (MORSE) BSc (Hons)

Mathematics BSc Hons / MSci (Hons)

Mathematics (Study Abroad) MSci (Hons)

Mathematics and Philosophy BA (Hons)

Mathematics with Statistics BSc (Hons) / MSci (Hons)

Mathematics with Statistics (Study Abroad) MSci (Hons)

Spanish Studies and Mathematics BA (Hons)

Spanish Studies and Computing BSc (Hons)

Statistics BSc (Hons)

Statistics MSci (Hons)

Statistics (Study Abroad) MSci (Hons)

Read more about entry requirements and selecting a degree programme at [lancaster.ac.uk/isc](http://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)

\* French, German or Spanish language may be taken as a beginner - grade A required in language at GCSE level.

Degrees and required grades for progression are subject to change.



# Social Studies

The International Foundation Year in Social Studies provides a route to a number of undergraduate degrees in the Faculty of Arts and Social Studies at Lancaster University. Degree options include International Relations, Philosophy, Sociology, Media and Cultural Studies and Film.

## What will I study?

You will study a combination of core modules designed to boost your English language and university-level study skills, along with subject-specific modules.

You will explore some of the different interpretations of global issues and contemporary events including business, culture, politics and the environment. You will also be introduced to the main approaches to psychology and explore key psychological theories.

You will examine a range of theories and practices related to how the media works within modern society by looking at advertising, branding, social media and popular culture. You will also investigate the British political and judicial system, and complement your studies with a choice from further modules from Law, Economics or Business Studies.

## Core modules

- Academic English Skills
- Project and Research Skills

## Subject-specific modules

- Globalisation
- Politics
- Media and Culture
- Psychology

## Your undergraduate degree

When you successfully complete your International Foundation Year and achieve the required grades, you can progress to your undergraduate degree studies at the Faculty of Arts and Social Studies\*. The Faculty is one of the most prominent in the UK, with 4 subject areas featuring in the top 100 in the 2017-18 Times Higher Education (THE) World University

Rankings, and the largest at Lancaster University.

We are home to the Lancaster Institute for Contemporary Arts, which offers courses in traditional arts subjects as well as contemporary cultural subjects. Our Department of Politics, Philosophy and Religion, and Department of Linguistics and English Language all have excellent research reputations and offer students opportunities to explore the challenges of the modern globalised world.

\* Degrees in Psychology will be taught at the Faculty of Science and Technology

**DID YOU  
KNOW?**

**#5**

LANCASTER IS RANKED **5TH IN THE UK**  
FOR COMMUNICATION AND MEDIA STUDIES

The Complete University Guide 2018

**91%**

**OVERALL STUDENT  
SATISFACTION**

National Student Survey 2017

For more information please visit [lancaster.ac.uk/isc](https://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)



## Which degrees can I progress to?

The Social Studies International Foundation Year leads to a wide range of undergraduate degrees, including:

Drama, Theatre and Performance BA (Hons)

English Language (Study Abroad) BA (Hons)

English Language BA (Hons)

English Language with Chinese BA (Hons)+

English Language and French Studies BA (Hons)\*

English Language and German Studies BA (Hons)\*

English Language and Linguistics BA (Hons)

English Language in the Media BA (Hons)

English Language in the Media (Study Abroad) BA (Hons)

English Language and Spanish Studies BA (Hons)\*

Ethics, Philosophy and Religion BA (Hons)

Film Studies BA (Hons)

Film and Philosophy BA (Hons)

Film and Sociology BA (Hons)

Film and Theatre BA (Hons)

Film, Media and Cultural Studies BA (Hons)

French Studies and Linguistics BA (Hons)\*

French Studies and Film BA (Hons)\*

French Studies and German Studies BA (Hons)\*

French Studies and History BA (Hons)\*

French Studies and Philosophy BA (Hons)\*

French Studies and Psychology BA (Hons)

French Studies and Politics BA (Hons)\*

French Studies and Theatre BA (Hons)

French Studies and Spanish Studies BA (Hons)\*

French Studies with Chinese BA (Hons)+

French Studies with Italian BA (Hons)\*

German Studies BA (Hons)\*

German Studies and Film BA (Hons)\*

German Studies and History BA (Hons)\*

German Studies and Philosophy BA (Hons)\*

German Studies and Psychology BA (Hons)\*

German Studies and Theatre BA (Hons)\*

German Studies and Politics BA (Hons)\*

German Studies and Spanish Studies BA (Hons)\*

German Studies with Chinese BA (Hons)\*

German Studies with Italian BA (Hons)\*

German Studies and Linguistics BA (Hons)\*

History BA (Hons)

History and Philosophy BA (Hons)

History and Politics BA (Hons)

History and Religious Studies BA (Hons)

History, Philosophy and Politics BA (Hons)

International Relations BA (Hons)

International Relations and Religious Diversity BA (Hons)

Linguistics BA (Hons)\*

Linguistics (Study Abroad) BA (Hons)

Linguistics with Chinese BA (Hons)+

Linguistics and Philosophy BA (Hons)\*

Linguistics and Psychology BA (Hons)\*

Media and Cultural Studies BA (Hons)

Medieval and Renaissance Studies BA (Hons)

Modern Languages BA (Hons)\*

Modern Languages and Cultures MLang (Hons)

Peace Studies and International Relations BA (Hons)

Philosophy BA (Hons)

Philosophy and Politics BA (Hons)

Philosophy with Chinese BA (Hons)

Philosophy and Religious Studies BA (Hons)

Politics BA (Hons)

Politics and Sociology BA (Hons)

Politics with Chinese BA (Hons)

Politics and Religious Studies BA (Hons)

Politics and International Relations BA (Hons)

Psychology BA (Hons)

Psychology BSc (Hons)

Religious Studies BA (Hons)

Religious Studies and Sociology BA (Hons)

Religious Studies with Chinese BA (Hons)

Sociology BA (Hons)

Spanish Studies BA (Hons)\*

Spanish Studies and Film BA (Hons)\*

Spanish Studies and History BA (Hons)\*

Spanish Studies and Philosophy BA (Hons)\*

Spanish Studies and Psychology BA (Hons)\*

Spanish Studies and Theatre BA (Hons)\*

Spanish Studies and Politics BA (Hons)\*

Spanish Studies with Chinese BA (Hons)\*

Spanish Studies with Italian BA (Hons)\*

Spanish Studies and Linguistics BA (Hons)\*

Read more about entry requirements and selecting a degree programme at [lancaster.ac.uk/isc](http://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)

\* French, German or Spanish language may be taken as a beginner - grade A required in language at GCSE level.

+ Study of Modern/Classical language required at GCSE or A/AAS level.

A student with brown hair, wearing black safety goggles with orange lenses, is focused on adjusting a complex optical setup. The setup includes various lenses, mirrors, and metal mounts. A bright green laser beam is visible, reflecting off the components. The background is dark, with some laboratory equipment and cables visible on the left.

# Pre-Masters Programme

The Pre-Masters Programme enables international students to progress to postgraduate study at Lancaster University. The programme combines specialist academic skills as well as English language preparation for postgraduate study.

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## PRE-MASTERS ESSENTIALS

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**COURSE LENGTH**  
3 terms – October to June  
or January to August

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**ENTRY DATES**  
October and January

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**AGE ON ENTRY**  
Students must be at least  
20 years of age

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**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**  
Academic – Successful  
completion of first graduate  
qualifications

English language – IELTS 5.5  
in all four components  
or equivalent\*

For tuition fees, term  
dates and country-specific  
entry requirements, visit  
**[lancaster.ac.uk/isc](http://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)**

\*If you do not need a Tier 4 visa, or are  
exempted in another way, we can accept  
equivalent proof of English

## Study structure

During your Pre-Masters Programme, you will study a selection of core modules designed to prepare you for the level of academic, language and study ability necessary for a Masters degree at Lancaster University. You will also benefit from subject-specific modules to develop your understanding of your chosen subject area.

## We offer a choice of two pathways:

- Business, Law and Social Sciences
- Engineering, Computing, Mathematics and Science

## A choice of departments

Our two pathways allow you to progress to a variety Masters degrees offered at Lancaster University. You can choose from degrees such as:

- Biomedical and Life Sciences
- Computing and Communications
- Economics
- Engineering
- Entrepreneurship, Strategy and Innovation
- Environmental Science
- Law
- Leadership and Management
- Management Science
- Mathematics and Statistics
- Politics, Philosophy and Religion
- Psychology
- Sociology

## Regular assessment

Throughout your programme, we will give you regular assessments in each of your modules. Assessments will help you track your progress and ensure that you are prepared for postgraduate study at the University. Our assessments include:

- Coursework
- Exams
- Presentations
- Research proposals
- Portfolios
- Reflective logs

## Progressing to your degree

By studying this programme, you can progress to a Masters degree at Lancaster University. We will support you throughout this process, offering specialist advice when discussing your study options. We also provide guidance during the application process.

Once you successfully complete your Pre-Masters Programme and achieve the required grades, you can begin your chosen postgraduate degree at Lancaster.

## DID YOU KNOW

STUDYING FOR A MASTERS DEGREE CAN ALLOW YOU TO CHANGE THE FOCUS OF YOUR STUDIES. READ STORIES FROM SOME LANCASTER STUDENTS WHO HAVE DONE JUST THAT

[WWW.LANCASTER.AC.UK/STUDY/POSTGRADUATE/STUDENT-STORIES/](http://WWW.LANCASTER.AC.UK/STUDY/POSTGRADUATE/STUDENT-STORIES/)



# Business, Law and Social Sciences

The Pre-Masters Programme in Business, Law and Social Sciences is a pathway to a number of Masters degrees at Lancaster University, including the opportunity to study at the world-leading Lancaster University Management School (LUMS).

## What will I study?

You will study a mix of core modules, as well as modules specific to your chosen progression degree. Through these modules, you will improve your English language capabilities to the level needed to study a Masters in the UK. You will also develop your study skills, including how to prepare a research proposal, write academically, and present your findings in both written and verbal assessments.

Throughout the programme, you will explore contemporary themes of the modern world and discuss their significance. Your modules will address key issues such as education, leadership and health epidemics. You will gain a working knowledge of

functions, vectors, calculus, statistics and other mathematical concepts, as well as how to apply them to your subject area.

You will also have the opportunity to complete a Critical Appraisal Project, undertaking independent research and developing your ability to write long pieces of academic work.

## Core modules

- Academic English Skills 1, 2 & 3
- Academic and Personal Development Planning
- Applied Academic Writing Skills
- Research Evaluation and Critical Appraisal Project

## Subject-specific modules

- Advanced Research Methods for Business, Law and Social Sciences
- Global Perspectives
- Quantitative Methods and Skills for Business, Law and Social Science

## Your Masters degree

Once you successfully complete your Pre-Masters Programme and achieve the required grades, you can progress to your chosen Masters degree from the Lancaster University Management School (LUMS) or the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences.

Please note that these stats relate to Undergraduate degrees.

**DID YOU  
KNOW?**

**#2**

LANCASTER IS RANKED **2ND IN THE UK**  
FOR SOCIAL WORK  
The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018

**8th**

IN THE UK FOR POLITICS  
The Times & The Sunday Times  
University guide 2018



## Which degrees can I progress to?

The Pre-Masters Programme in Business, Law and Social Sciences leads to a variety of postgraduate degrees at Lancaster University, including:

Entrepreneurship Innovation and Practice MSc

International Business and Strategy MSc

E-Business and Innovation MSc

Logistics and Supply Chain Management MSc

Business Analytics MSc

Marketing Analytics MSc

Project Management MSc

Human Resource and Consulting MA

Human Resource Management MSc

Information Technology, Management and Organisational Change MSc

Economics/Money, Bank and Finance MSc

Criminal Justice and Social Research Methods MSc

Criminology and Criminal Justice LLM

Criminology and Criminal Justice MA

Criminology and Social Research Methods MSc

Diplomacy and International Law LLM/MA

International Business and Corporate Law LLM

International Human Rights Law LLM

International Human Rights and Terrorism Law LLM

International Law LLM

International Law and International Relations LLM

International Law and International Relations MA

Law LLM

Conflict Resolution and Peace Studies MA

Conflict, Development and Security MA

Diplomacy and Foreign Policy MA

Diplomacy and Religion MA

International Relations MA

Philosophy MA

Philosophy and Religion MA

Politics MA

Politics and Philosophy MA

Politics, Philosophy and Management MSc

Politics, Philosophy and Religion MA

Religion and Conflict MA

Religious Studies MA

Gender and Women's Studies MA

Gender and Women's Studies and English MA

Gender and Women's Studies and Sociology MA

Media and Cultural Studies MA

Social Research MA

Social Work MA

Sociology MA

Read more about entry requirements and selecting a degree programme at [lancaster.ac.uk/isc](https://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)



### What they say

"Studying in the ISC helps me to increase my results which I am now really proud of. I received a lot of help from the tutors, and the Study Centre provides many programmes and materials for study so I can get better marks in my exams. We have access to special rooms where we can meet with our work group and discuss about our courses, and programmes. Moreover, the teachers here are really nice and helpful as we can understand clearly what they are talking about."

#### **Ka (Karen) from Hong Kong**

Studied International Foundation Year in Business and Management  
Progressed to BSc (Hons) Marketing

**FUTURE  
CAREERS**



- BUSINESS ANALYSTS
- RESEARCHERS

- SENIOR MANAGERS
- HR MANAGERS, CONSULTING

- BANKING & FINANCE
- LAW



# Engineering, Computing, Mathematics and Science

The Pre-Masters Programme in Engineering, Computing, Mathematics and Science is a route to postgraduate study at Lancaster University, leading to degrees in science and technology.

## What will I study?

You will study core modules designed specifically to prepare international students for postgraduate study in the UK. You will improve your university-level English language and study skills, as well as developing your knowledge of your chosen subject.

The course covers programming, and how it can be used by statisticians, data analysts and engineers. You will be introduced to a programming language and have opportunities to develop your coding skills in relation to your subject. You will also develop your understanding of theoretical concepts related to your subject area, such as probability, statistics, linear algebra and vector calculus.

You will also complete a Critical Appraisal Project based on your subject, where you will develop your independent research ability to create longer pieces of academic work.

## Core modules

- Academic English Skills 1, 2 & 3
- Academic and Personal Development Planning
- Applied Academic Writing Skills
- Research Evaluation and Critical Appraisal Project

## Subject-specific modules

- Advanced Research Methods for Engineering, Computing, Mathematics and Science
- Coding Skills for Engineering, Computing, Mathematics and Science
- Quantitative Methods and Skills for Engineering, Computing, Mathematics and Science

## Your Masters degree

After successfully completing your Pre-Masters Programme and achieving the required grades, you will progress to your Masters degree of choice. By studying this pathway, you can progress onto postgraduate degrees from the Faculty of Science and Technology and the Faculty of Health and Medicine.

Please note that these stats relate to Undergraduate degrees.

**DID YOU  
KNOW?**

**#2**

LANCASTER IS RANKED **2ND IN THE UK**  
FOR GRADUATE PROSPECT IN  
COMPUTER SCIENCE

The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018

**#3**

LANCASTER IS RANKED  
**3RD IN THE UK** FOR  
MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

The Guardian University Guide 2018

## Which degrees can I progress to?

The Pre-Masters Programme in Engineering, Computing, Mathematics and Science leads to a wide range of postgraduate study options, including:

Computer Science MSc

Cyber Security MSc

Computer Science (by research) MSc

Data Science MSc

Communication Systems (by research) MSc

Wireless Communication Systems MSc

Electronic Engineering MSc

Engineering (by research) MSc

Engineering Project Management MSc

Mechanical Engineering MSc

Mechanical Engineering with Project Management MSc

Quantitative Finance MSc

Statistics MSc

Conservation and Biodiversity MSc

Ecology (by research) MSc

Environment and Development MSc

Environment and Development MA

Environment and Law LLM

Environment, Culture and Society MA

Environmental Management MSc

Environmental Science (by research) MSc (research)

Human Rights and the Environment LLM

Plant Sciences (by research) MSc (research)

Sustainable Water Management MSc

Volcanology and Geological Hazards MSc

Developmental Disorders MSc

Developmental Psychology MSc

Psychological Research Methods MSc

Psychology of Advertising MSc

Biomedicine MSc

Read more about entry requirements and selecting a degree programme at [lancaster.ac.uk/isc](https://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)



### What they say

“The learning environment is very different here. The classes are very small and the teacher adjusts to the students’ needs rather than just teaching the course itself. I find the teachers here are very genuine and caring in terms of how they approach each student. This helped boost my confidence when it comes to learning and the environment, it made me feel much happier studying here than in Canada.”

**Janis from Canada**

Studied International Foundation Year in Life Sciences  
Progressed to Biomedical Science

**FUTURE  
CAREERS**



- ENVIRONMENTAL  
SCIENTISTS
- ENGINEERS

- CYBER SECURITY  
SPECIALISTS
- PSYCHOLOGISTS

- FINANCE ANALYSTS

# On campus facilities

Set over 560 acres of green parkland, our campus has a close and friendly community, which provides a safe and supportive place to live, study and socialise.



## It's all on campus

Everything you need is right here on campus, including academic departments, the library, banks, shops and the sports centre, making student life easy and convenient.

There is a wide choice of places to eat and drink across the campus, including many cafés and restaurants. The campus also has plenty of culture and entertainment on offer, including its own theatre and art gallery, as well as nine college bars.

We also offer a multi-faith Chaplaincy Centre with facilities for many different religions, an NHS doctor's surgery, pharmacy and a private dentist.

You can look around our campus without leaving your chair. Watch our virtual tour on YouTube:

**[youtube.com/lanasteruniversity](https://www.youtube.com/lanasteruniversity)**

## University library

Our Library building has recently undergone a full refurbishment, which has delivered a unique study space with more than 1,300 technology-enabled workspaces, including training rooms and group study rooms.

The library has a huge range of resources that you can use for research and independent study. You'll have access to more than 30,00 e-journals, 300,000 e-books and 800,000 print books.

## Sports Centre

The £20 million Sports Centre is open to everyone, whatever your fitness level.

We offer traditional sports, personal fitness, relaxation activities and world-class facilities, including:

- 25-metre 8-lane swimming pool
- 8.5-metre high climbing wall
- Health suite with sauna and steam rooms
- Gym with cardiovascular equipment, free and machine weights, personal training and stretch areas
- Sports hall with 8 different courts
- Dance studio offering martial arts and dance classes, spinning, tai chi, pilates and body conditioning
- 11-hole golf course, situated in the beautiful grounds of Forrest Hills.





## DID YOU KNOW

MORE THAN  
**£500 MILLION**  
HAS BEEN INVESTED IN  
THE CAMPUS SINCE 2003  
WITH A FURTHER £200  
MILLION PLANNED

**13,000**  
STUDENTS FROM OVER 100  
COUNTRIES STUDY HERE

**8**  
UNDERGRADUATE  
COLLEGES ARE THE  
HEART AND SOUL OF  
THE UNIVERSITY

### Cinema

Lancaster is one of the few universities with its own 3D cinema on campus. Run by students, we show the latest Hollywood movies, classics and international films.

### Arts and culture

If you enjoy arts and culture, Lancaster Arts brings UK and international artists to Lancaster every year for theatre, dance, exhibitions and concerts.

Three Lancaster Arts venues are right here on campus: the Great Hall, the Peter Scott Gallery and the Nuffield Theatre.

### Clubs and societies

Joining one of our Students' Union societies is a great way to meet new people, pursue your interests or try something new. With more than 250 different groups ranging from ballroom dancing to hiking and photography, there's something for everyone.

### College life

Our nine undergraduate and postgraduate colleges are the heart and soul of Lancaster University. Your college will be based on campus and offer you a ready-made circle of friends, welfare support, accommodation and leisure facilities.

Our college communities enjoy a close and friendly environment. Each college is home to around 1,000 undergraduates from all over the world, including the UK. You will meet people studying other subjects and there are many opportunities to get to know members from other colleges too.

The colleges run a wide range of fun and social events such as Christmas balls and summer parties. If you enjoy sports, you can also represent your college in various games, matches and events.



### What they say

"When I need to go grocery shopping or to see a movie or to go out with friends for dinner, I can find everything that I need here on campus."

**Elba from Angola**

Studied International Foundation Year  
in Life Sciences

# Support and settling in

Coming to Lancaster and starting life in a new country is an experience full of exciting challenges. Our comprehensive support network provides all the guidance you need during your time here and helps you to prepare for life beyond university.



## Support at the University

Lancaster University has a wide range of support services, and our close community atmosphere encourages strong relationships between staff, tutors and students.

## Support at the International Study Centre

While you are studying at the International Study Centre, a team of dedicated staff, from the Head of Centre to the Student Welfare Officer, is on hand to guide and support you. Everyone here is friendly and helpful. We can offer you help and advice, or direct you to the relevant University support service.

## The Base

The Base is the University's one-stop enquiry centre, which is located in the reception of University House. If you need advice on any student matter, come to the Base. Our friendly enquiry desk staff will help you, or arrange an appointment with a specialist adviser.

## Student' Union Advice Service

The Students' Union offers an independent advice and support service for all students. If you need help with academic issues, accommodation problems or anything else the union's advisors are on your side and ready to help.

More information at  
[lancastersu.co.uk/advice](http://lancastersu.co.uk/advice)

## Chaplaincy Centre

The Chaplaincy Centre is an independent body within the University containing a Catholic chapel and an Anglican and Free Church chapel. The Jewish community has its own rooms, including a kosher kitchen and a synagogue room.

The Centre is also used for worship by the Society of Friends and for meditation by Buddhist and other groups. A large Prayer Room, with all facilities, is also available for the Muslim community on the campus.

## Your home away from home

In 2017 we were awarded 'Best University Halls' in the National student Housing Survey, an award we have won for seven out of the last eight years.

We are one of only four landlords nationwide to achieve the International Student Accommodation Quality Mark, awarded where satisfaction among overseas students is 90% or higher.

## On-campus accommodation

We have more than 6,000 individual rooms on campus and the majority have been recently refurbished or newly built. This means we can offer you a range of high-quality, safe and comfortable accommodation that you will soon call home.

Split between the colleges, our rooms come in different types and grades - from standard rooms with shared facilities, to rooms in townhouses, en suite rooms and even self-contained studios that come complete with their own kitchens.

Student accommodation at Lancaster is divided into different bands to suit a range of budgets. For more information on available rooms and rates visit [lancaster.ac.uk/isc](http://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)

## Off-campus accommodation

The Students' Union housing provider, Living is our one-stop shop for Lancaster students who want to live off campus. Providing access to a huge choice of accredited private properties across the city, we can help you to find a house.



### What they say

"I live in a Town house with a lot of English people, and I love everybody. Here everybody is like, 'You are my family' on the first day of meeting."

**Alina from Russia**

Studied International Foundation Year in Business and Management



### What they say

"People here are really nice, especially at the International Study Centre. When you travel overseas you might get homesick, but with like-minded people on the course you're really not lonely."

**Cynthia from Hong Kong**

Studied International Foundation Year in Social Studies

# City, coast and countryside

Students tell us they love living in Lancaster because it offers the perfect combination of lively city living and easy access to the beautiful English countryside and coastline.

## The perfect location

Lancaster is situated between two of England's most famous visitor destinations – the Lake District to the north and Blackpool, the UK's biggest holiday town, to the south.

To the west lies the beautiful Lune Estuary and Morecambe Bay, and to the east you will find the dramatic moorland of the Forest of Bowland.

## City

The historic and attractive city of Lancaster is only a short bus ride away from campus. There's so much to do here, while still being small and safe enough to explore on foot.

The city's commercial and cultural centre offers cafés, cinemas, restaurants, pubs, small boutiques, well-known high street shops and a local market. If you enjoy the arts, there's a great music scene, theatre and an annual literature festival.

If you want a night out with your friends, there are plenty of pubs and bars where you can relax and have fun. The Lancaster Students' Union owns and runs The Sugarhouse nightclub in the city centre, which is exclusively for students.

Away from the commercial centre, you can discover the city's fascinating history. Lancaster's ancient castle dates back to the 12th century and there are several local museums to visit.

## Coast

Lancaster is only a few miles away from the coast and there are many places to enjoy the sand and seaside. Morecambe Bay is a wonderful stretch of coastline and home to a variety of birds and wildlife as well as many charming British seaside towns.

Blackpool, famous for its bright lights (known as 'illuminations'), sandy beach and fun rollercoaster rides, is also within easy reach.

## Countryside

The nearby Lake District has recently been awarded UNESCO World Heritage Site status, it's stunning scenery in the country is only 40 minutes away from campus.

You can also catch a ride on a barge on the Lancaster Canal and discover the countryside by water.

Closer to campus, there are many other places to explore with excellent walks, cycle rides, fishing, bird watching and horse riding.

## Exploring the UK

The cosmopolitan cities of Manchester and Liverpool are around an hour away by train, while the sights of central London are less than two and a half hours away by train.

For air travel, Manchester International Airport is just one hour away. You can find other regional airports close by, including Leeds and Liverpool.

## DID YOU KNOW

### 3 MILES

LANCASTER'S LIVELY CITY  
CENTRE IS ONLY 3 MILES  
FROM CAMPUS

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IN THE CITY CENTRE IS  
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## Typical costs...



Loaf of bread – 75p



6 eggs – £1.09



Bag of rice (1kg) – £1.10



Litre of milk – £1.00



Washing up liquid – 92p



Toilet rolls x4 – £1.75



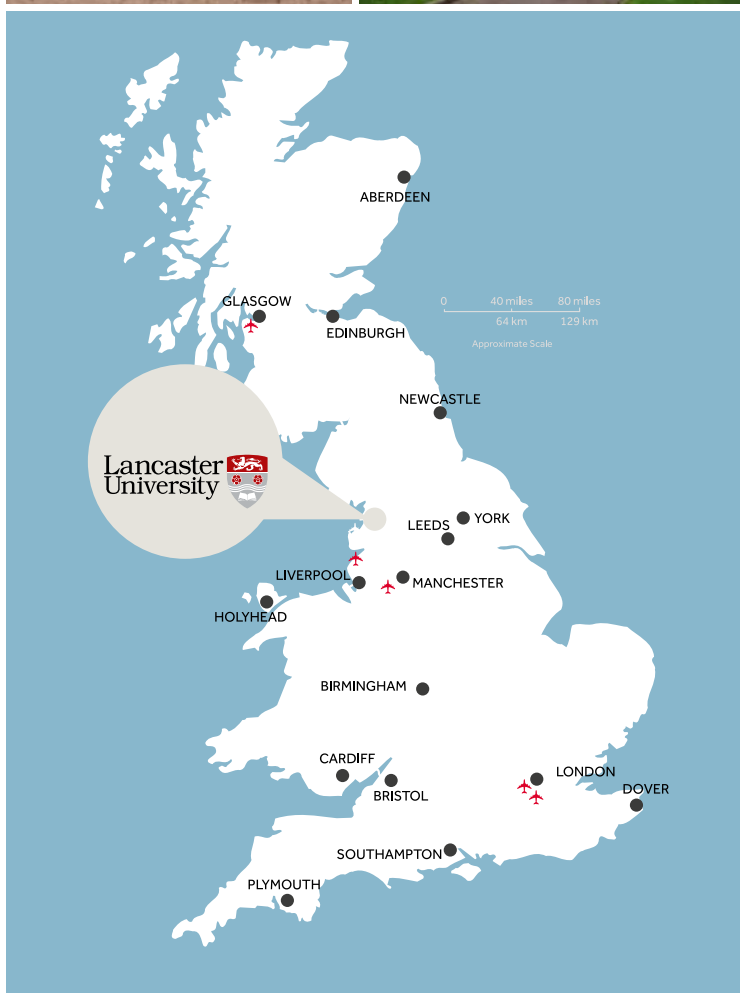
Toothpaste – £1.20



Load of washing – £2.40



Tumble drying – £1.20



## What they say

"I wanted to be near the countryside. I think Lancaster is really beautiful. It's very quiet and really good for studying, while not being too far away from town."

**Robyn from Hong Kong**

Studied International Foundation Year  
in Life Sciences

# How to apply

If you would like to apply to study at Lancaster University International Study Centre, you will need to complete an application form and submit the relevant documentation.

You can either apply through your local education agent or directly via our website.

If you are applying directly and have a question, our Student Enrolment Advisers will be happy to help. They speak a variety of languages and understand several more.

Call **+44(0) 1273 339333**

**Your journey begins here...**

For full application information visit **[lancaster.ac.uk/isc](https://lancaster.ac.uk/isc)**

## **Student insurance**

We strongly recommend that international students have the protection of personal insurance whilst in the UK. To cover you as a student at the International Study Centre, you may wish to purchase our "StudyCare Insurance Plus" insurance cover. This policy will cover you for loss of personal possessions, travel delay, as well as providing medical insurance until the end of your International Study Centre academic programme. You can purchase StudyCare Insurance Plus as part of the application process. If you prefer, you may take out insurance cover with another provider.







## About Study Group

The International Study Centre programmes are provided by Study Group in collaboration with Lancaster University.

Programmes at the International Study Centre are delivered by Study Group.

Study Group is a global leader in preparing students for international academic success and rewarding careers through a life-changing learning experience.

We offer customised programmes across higher and language education starting from high school to lifelong learning. Study Group taught more than 60,000 students from more than 150 countries across the UK, Europe, USA, Canada, Australia and New Zealand in 2017.



To apply, or for further information, please contact:

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In such circumstances we may have to alter the timetable, change the teaching location of the programme or, in extreme cases, cancel or substantially amend the content of the programme. Should any of these changes become necessary, we will give you as much notice as possible before they come into effect and ensure that any disruption to your studies is minimised.

If your programme is cancelled, we will work in consultation with you to offer a suitable alternative, subject to meeting the admission requirements for that programme or the opportunity to obtain a refund of any advance payments you have made for the programme. The alternative programme may not be at the same International Study Centre as the original offer.

Study Group reserves the right, where applicable, to amend the regulations governing programmes at Lancaster University International Study Centre. We therefore strongly recommend that immediately prior to making any application to - or accepting any offer from - us, you refer to the most up-to-date version of the programme descriptions and specifications and the regulations on Lancaster University International Study Centre website.

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