

Further Information for Students under the age of 18 on 1st September at the year of entry

Students who have not reached the age of 18 on 1st of September at the year of entry are legally considered to be 'minors' (i.e. not yet adults) under English law.

This guidance note outlines the University's approach to you as a student aged under 18. Although you are under 18, the University will not assume parental responsibility for you.

We request that you show this information to your parent/legal guardian.

You and your parent/legal guardian should be aware that:

- You will be entering an adult environment and we will expect you to behave as an adult. In return, we will treat you as an adult.
- As a student at the University of Manchester, you will be expected to be able to take care of yourself, take the initiative to resolve any problems which you may experience, and take responsibility for fulfilling the demands of your programme of study.
- Until you reach the age of 18, in the event that there are concerns about your welfare (physical or mental) or if you are incapacitated (e.g. have been admitted to hospital) or if there are concerns that you may be missing, the University is obliged to contact your parent or guardian in line with the University's [Student Emergency Contact statement](#).
- Internet and email facilities are provided on the principle of unrestricted access. You will be expected to observe the law in your use of them.
- You will be expected to observe the law in respect of the purchase and consumption of alcohol.
- Until you reach the age of 18, you will not be eligible to be a Course Representative or Peer Mentor, hold office in The University of Manchester Students' Union, or its clubs or societies, or Residents' Associations, or take part in other similar activities/responsibilities.
- Until you reach the age of 18, it may be a condition of your offer that your parents/guardians act as guarantors for any contracts you enter into with respect to tuition fees, accommodation fees etc. Once you have reached the age of 18 you will be personally liable.
- In the rare event that consent for emergency medical treatment may be required before your parent/guardian can be contacted, the University will assume responsibility to act on medical advice in your best interests.
- You may experience restrictions in terms of module choice, participation in placements etc. Your School will inform you if there are any such conditions to your offer.
- You may be allocated to particular tutorial/seminar groups as determined by your School/course leaders.
- You may be required to meet with your academic adviser at more frequent intervals than other students for the purposes of closer monitoring of your attendance, progress and general welfare.
- The range of University accommodation which is available to you may be reduced to ensure that you are allocated to an appropriate Hall of Residence.

If you are aged under 17 on 1st of September at the year of entry

- Your parents/guardian will be required specifically to consent to your admission to the University.
- University accommodation may not be available or it will be restricted to one or two specific Halls of Residence where specific welfare arrangements are in place.

Parent/legal guardian not Resident in the UK

- If you are under 17 on 1st of September at the year of entry you are required to have a UK based guardian until the end of the academic year when you turn 17 (e.g. if your 17th birthday is in November you are required to have a UK based guardian until the end of the last semester in the academic year; usually last semester finishes in the beginning of June).
- Where parents/guardians are not resident in the UK it may be necessary to appoint a UK-based guardian for a student under 18 on entry. Where this is the case the admitting School will inform you about the requirement.

Support for All

- Like all students, you will be provided with information about the wide-ranging sources of support available to you as a student of the University.
- All students living in University of Manchester Halls of Residence have access to a pastoral support team who can assist them with any difficulties they may encounter.

For further information please contact:

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