

The University of Manchester



LIVING IN MANCHESTER 2015

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Manchester is a great place to live and study and we're confident you'll enjoy an amazing student experience if you choose to come to Manchester. Let us share with you the best of our city and what you can expect from the range of University accommodation available.

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Getting toknow the city

514,417 people live in Manchester

600 bus services registered in Greater Manchester

807

millilitres of rainfall a year compared to UK average of 1,125

The second most visited place in England, after London

34 miles to the nearest beach at Southport

200

different

languages spoken

by Manchester's population

Whether you're relocating to Manchester or have lived here all your life, you'll have many opportunities to immerse yourself in exciting new experiences, both at the University and across the city. You'll have plenty of time to explore your surroundings when you arrive but we hope to give you a flavour of the lively and diverse culture that Manchester has to offer.

Citylife

Manchester offers a student life that can be tailored to your own tastes. You'll find a vast number of ways to enjoy yourself, enrich your learning and socialise – all on a student budget. You'll quickly see why this is the most popular student city in the UK.

Manchester's enduring energy and cosmopolitan creativity can be seen in its impressive array of festivals, thriving arts and culture, lively music scene and nightlife, multicultural cuisine and passion for sport. Here are just some of the things you can get up to in your spare time.





Enjoy local and international sport

Manchester has long been synonymous with football thanks to Manchester United and Manchester City – but there's much more to discover. Sportcity is just 3.5 miles from the main University campus and is the largest concentration of sporting venues in Europe offering cycling, tennis, squash and athletics. You'll also find other popular sports including basketball, rugby, swimming and cricket – to name a few.

Explore the entertainment scene

Manchester's many theatres and venues attract major West End musicals, alternative productions, comedy acts, variety performances and shows. The city has numerous cinemas showing both mainstream and independent films and, with a new purpose-built centre for international contemporary art, theatre, film and books opening its doors in spring 2015, there will definitely be enough to keep you entertained.



What I love about Manchester is that there's always something to do or see. There are so many museums, galleries, shops, parks, cinemas and theatres – and I'm still discovering new places all the time.

I regularly use the Visit Manchester and Creative Tourist websites to find out what is happening in and around the city, from new exhibition openings to events like the Manchester International Festival. They also have information in the Students' Union and at the University's Visitors Centre.

I love trying different food from around the world and Manchester is the perfect place to do this. There's an endless stream of restaurants and eateries covering Mexican, Chinese, Indian, Russian, Thai, Turkish – and many more.

I have found the city gives a perfect balance between its traditional values and its multicultural warmth, fusing cultures from across the globe and welcoming the traditions of those who come here.

Anum Azam BAEcon Economics



OURITE PLACE

My favourite place in Manchester is Intu Trafford Centre. It's only a short car journey or bus ride away but there's so much to do – you can easily spend all day there! It's great for shopping and you'll find most of your high-street shops along with a selection of restaurants and fast food places, a cinema, bowling lanes, laser quest, an aerial rope course and miniature golf!

Lauren Jane Taylor BSc Geography with International Studies As Manchester is one of the most culturally and ethnically diverse cities in the UK I'm spoilt for choice finding exciting things to do. I love that the city is compact enough to walk around but that there's always something new to find.

Visiting the Curry Mile is always fun! Here you'll find a variety of South Asian food restaurants, music shops and grocery stores stocking fresh produce. I love it at Christmas when the European markets arrive in the centre of the city letting me sample great food and buy presents for my family. It's always good to treat yourself to some food when you're wandering around.

Living in Manchester is fairly cheap and I can usually find special offers on eating out whenever I need to. The Manchester International Festival is one of the most exciting artist-led festivals you can find and there are lots of free events you can attend. I can really recommend it!

Chen Isaac Tseng MPharm Pharmacy

Go shopping

Manchester city centre is renowned for its shopping facilities, which encompass brilliant British designers, established worldwide brands and quirky independent one-offs. For a retail and leisure experience on a grander scale, take a short bus ride to Intu Trafford Centre, with over 200 stores under one roof.

There is so much to do! From the endless

goes on, be it football, rugby

union and league, cycling at the Velodrome, swimming at

the Aquatics Centre, cricket

at Old Trafford! The city also

has a really vibrant cultural

mix, perfect for me

nightlife to the sport that

Take a walk in the park

Manchester has lots of open green spaces so there's plenty of choice when you need to take a break from the hustle and bustle of the city. Nearby Platt Fields and Heaton Park are great places to walk, jog, picnic or sit and reflect. If you crave the countryside then the national parks of the Peak District and the Lake District are all within easy reach.

Listen to live music

If you love music, then you'll love Manchester. The city regularly welcomes the world's best bands and DJs at venues ranging from the intimate (such as Soup Kitchen, Band on the Wall and the Deaf Institute) to the huge (O2 Apollo and Phones 4u Arena). The Manchester Academy, housed within our Students' Union building, also hosts both well-known and up-and-coming bands.

Visit a museum or gallery

Enjoy the award-winning museums and galleries of Manchester – many of which offer free entry. Covering everything from modern art to classic masterpieces, the campaign for social justice to the history of football, internationally important textile holdings to ancient Egyptian artefacts – there is something for everyone.

Eat out

You'll never be short of food and drink options in Manchester. The city is a multicultural medley of gastronomic delights, with cuisine from practically every nation and to suit any budget. To get started, try the biggest Chinatown in the UK outside of London or the famous 'Curry Mile'.

Find out more manchester.ac.uk/city

James Fraser,

MLBM French

Finding your way



FAVOURITE PLACE

My favourite place in Manchester is The National Football Museum. Whether you are a big fan of football or not it's a fun place to visit. There are lots of different exhibitions and interactive activities and if you want to pick up a memento the gift shop is worth a visit. The building itself is pretty spectacular and, if you get lost, don't worry as the staff are really friendly and helpful.

Nate Lau MPharm Pharmacy

The city centre

Market Street,

comprises several

districts, each with their

own distinct history and

the Cathedral Quarter

At the indoor Arndale mall you can shop until you drop at over

everything from premium

department stores such as

Albert Square

and Manchester Arndale

240 shops and department stores. Stepping outside, you'll be met by

Harvey Nichols and Selfridges to

sure to find what you are looking for.

high street favourites – you are

The impressive 19th-century

Town Hall building dominates

centre of many of Manchester's

Manchester International Festival

biggest festivals, including the

the square which forms the

and the Christmas markets.

unique atmosphere.

Everything is less than a 15-minute bus journey away, whether you want to go shopping, see a football game, see a concert, go for food. You can walk almost everywhere.

Hannah Richards BA English Language



Spinningfields

The business district of the city is home to some of the biggest names in finance and professional services including Barclays, Deloitte and Guardian Media Group. But it's not all about work. You'll also find some of trendiest cocktail bars, restaurants and pricey designer shops here.

Chinatown

One of the most colourful areas of the city, Manchester's Chinatown is an ever popular destination with countless restaurants, Asian supermarkets, events and festivals all year round.

Piccadilly

A great place to start your explorations of the city. You will find the main train, bus and tram stations here as well as the Visitor Information Centre and the Wheel of Manchester.



The Northern Quarter

Vintage fashion boutiques, independent cafes, fashionable bars, music venues and the indoor markets at Afflecks make this the perfect place for chilled-out days and alternative nights out.

Castlefield

An inner-city conservation area where you will find a Roman fort, the world's oldest industrial canal, cobbled streets and brick warehouses – it's one of the most peaceful areas of the city.

Getting to know he hal

One of the best ways to immerse yourself in student life is to move into University halls of residence. With a wide variety of accommodation styles, dedicated support staff and an active social community it's no wonder that every year thousands of new and returning students opt to move into our halls. 24/7 high-visibility security patrols **8,200** beds in our University halls of residence

159 pastoral staff supporting students in halls

100mb free internet connectivity in halls

> **2,000** breakfasts served in catered halls daily

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Make theright choice

It's important that you find the right accommodation to best suit your needs, budget and lifestyle. With 24 halls of residence, ranging from traditional to modern, catered to self-catered, en-suite to shared facilities, single sex to mixed, there are so many options from which to choose.

We try where possible to provide suitable accommodation for everyone, so if you can't find what you are looking for, then get in touch with our Accommodation Office to discuss your requirements (see page 17 for contact details).



Compliance

The University of Manchester is signed up to the UUK Code of Practice. The Code outlines best practice and provides benchmarks for the management and quality of student housing in the Higher Education sector. For more information visit: www.universitiesuk.ac.uk/ aboutus/ AssociatedOrganisations/ Partnerships/ACOP/Pages/ Aboutthecode.aspx

ACCOMMODATION GUARANTEED

The majority of new students coming to Manchester will qualify for accommodation under our extensive guarantee. To check if you are eligible and for more information visit:

www.manchester.ac.uk/ accommodationguarantee

Why choose University accommodation?



COST

Our hall fees

include contents

insurance. Ethemet

connection and

all utility bills.

CHOICE

Catered or

self-catered.

single or mixed-sex

halls, en-suite or

shared bathrooms.

SUPPORT

Help is always at hand from our helpful team of wardens, hall tutors and advisers.

EXPERIENCE

A friendly community atmosphere in halls and there's always something going on. It's the ideal place to make new friends!

FLEXIBILITY

Adapted rooms for students with disabilities, catering for special diets and assistance for other medical conditions.

FACILITIES

Computer clusters, libraries, music rooms, laundrettes and top-class sports facilities.

SECURITY

Comprehensive

CCTV network. 24-hour security and swipe-card access systems.

ENVIRONMENT

Aliving environment conducive to both study and relaxation.

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Your options

In your room

All rooms are single occupancy and contain a bed, desk, chair, wardrobe, shelving and internet access. You're welcome to bring your own TV but you'll have to purchase your own TV licence.

En-suite facilities

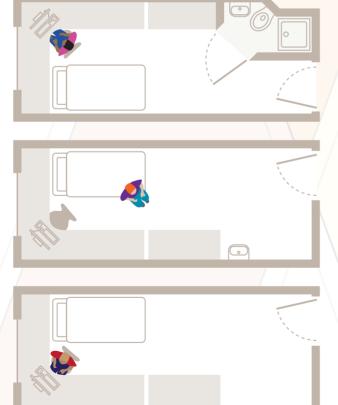
A popular choice but also the most expensive – these rooms have an adjoining pod comprising a shower cubicle, washbasin and toilet.

Standard washbasin facilities

Middle of the road in terms of price – your room will have a standard washbasin and you'll have access to shared toilet and shower facilities at an approximate ratio of 1:4 dependent upon the hall.

Standard facilities

The cheapest option – all wash, toilet and shower facilities are shared with other residents at an approximate ratio of 1:4, dependent upon the hall.





Catered halls

In catered halls your meals are provided, your dishes are washed and the cost is included in the residence fee – one less thing to worry about. Many of our students find it easier to budget in catered halls and with a five-week menu cycle you won't be served the same dishes day in, day out.

The dining style ranges from hall to hall. Some have cafeteria-type facilities, in others meal times are social occasions. One thing's for sure – whichever catered hall you choose you can expect a fantastic dining experience.

Self-catered halls

If you want to choose what and when you eat, then the self-catered option is probably the right choice for you. These halls are typically grouped in shared flats or corridors. You'll get access to communal lounges and fully fitted kitchens. The only thing you'll need to bring is your own cutlery and crockery.

There are supermarkets and shops within walking distance of all halls of residence, so you won't have any problem stocking up on the daily essentials. If you're not in the mood to cook then you can grab something while you're out and about from one of the many FoodOnCampus cafes or order from a nearby takeaway.



Family/partner accommodation

We have limited accommodation specifically for students with families and partners. Demand for our double rooms and for one, two and some three-bedroom self-contained flats typically exceeds supply, so we can't guarantee this type of accommodation (see our quick guide to halls on page 30).

Resident mix

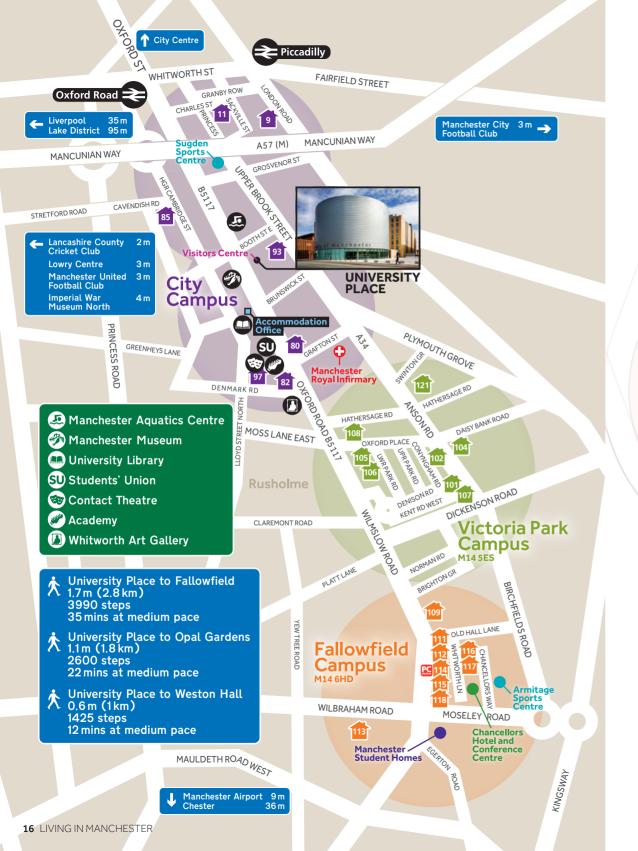
Most halls are mixed sex apart from St Gabriel's Hall (female only) and St Anselm Hall (male only). We can also provide single-sex living spaces within some of our other halls.

Many halls contain a mix of students; however, we do have some undergraduate and postgraduate-only halls available (see our quick guide to halls on page 30).









Accommodation map

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Hall of residence	Postcode 🗕 🗐	City (North) Administration Centre
George Kenyon Hall (PG)	M13 9PY	Wright Robinson Hall
85 Opal Hall (PG)	M15 6BB	tel +44 (0)161 306 3131 email northadmin.citycampus@manchester.ac.uk
11 Weston Hall	M1 3BB	
Wright Robinson Hall	M17JA	
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Hall of residence	Postcode	City (South) Administration Centre
197 Denmark Road	M15 6GQ	Grove House
180 Horniman House	M139NT	tel +44 (0)161 275 4950 email southadmin.citycampus@manchester.ac.uk
182 Whitworth Park	M139WJ	
<u> </u>	2	
Hall of residence	Postcode - 102	Victoria Park (Dalton Ellis) Administration Centre
101 Canterbury Court	M14 5BX	Dalton Ellis Hall
102 Dalton Ellis Hall	M14 5RL	tel +44 (0)161 306 9840 email victoriaparkadmin@manchester.ac.uk
104 Opal Gardens	M14 5ES	email victoriaparkauminkamarichester.ac.uk
107 St Anselm Hall	M145BX	
121 Victoria Hall	M130FZ	
Hall of residence	Postcode 105	Victoria Park (Hulme Hall) Administration Centre
Burkhardt House	M14 5RR	Hulme Hall
105 Hulme Hall	M14 5RR	tel +44 (0)161 306 9880 email victoriaparkadmin@manchester.ac.uk
108 St Gabriel's Hall	M14 5RP	
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Hall of residence	Postcode114	Fallowfield Administration Centre
109 Allen Hall	М146НТ	Owens Park
Ashburne Hall	M146HP	tel +44 (0)161 306 9900 (24hrs) email centraladmin.fallowfield@manchester.ac.uk
Firs Villa (PG)	M14 6YY	
Linton House	M146EQ	The Accommodation Office
Oak House	M146HX	The University of Manchester
114 Owens Park	M14 6HD	Student Services Centre Burlington Street
Richmond Park	M146YY	Manchester M13 9PL
Sheavyn House	M146HP	tel +44 (0)161 275 2888 email accommodation@manchester.ac.uk
118 Woolton Hall	M146WS	www.manchester.ac.uk/accommodation
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City campus

The location of our City campus accommodation appeals to those wanting to be at the heart of the academic campus, within easy reach of the libraries, teaching buildings and the Students' Union.

The city is easily reached, with residents at the north end of City campus only a five-minute walk from the city centre, and others just a short distance on foot or by bus.

It's only a 15-minute walk from one end of City campus to the other, or you can hop on the Oxford Road link bus service for free when you show your student card. There are two sports centres close by – the Sugden Sports Centre and the Manchester Aquatics Centre – both offering great-value memberships to students.





Wright Robinson is a small hall, with only around 150 residents, so everyone gets to know each other.

The common room is really chilled out, with sofas, a pool table, a ping-pong table and more. We have film nights and quizzes in there.

There's about a 50:50 split here between UK and international students, so you get to experience different cultures – you can be living next door to somebody from the other side of the world, which is really nice! Sometimes we teach each other to cook dishes from each other's countries.

The reception staff are fantastic – they get to know every resident. There are tutors to help with any problem and a warden there too – they're really supportive and available to chat.

Jack Lofthouse BAEcon Business Studies and Sociology 66

l like the social aspect of living here – whenever you go to the kitchen you get to stop and have a chat with your friends.

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I love being close to Whitworth Park – it's nice to walk around there in the summer. The University is also very near. It's nice being so close to the Alan Gilbert Learning Commons – I can just walk back after working late.

In our first week, there was pub quiz at a place called The Grove – the prizes were really big. First prize was a 40-inch TV! We didn't win, unfortunately, but it was fun. They have a lot of parties there, including a Christmas ball.

I love the fact that there's a gym here, which is only £10 to join for the whole academic year. There are also rehearsal spaces for musicians and a computer cluster – very handy if your laptop's broken!

Kaprese Douglas Law with Criminology (LLB)

Victoria Park campus

Situated in a leafy conservation area and right in the middle of the City and Fallowfield campuses, the halls here are ideally placed for both academic and social activities.

It's only a 15-minute walk to the University's academic campus, or you can jump on a bus to get you to the University and into the heart of the city within minutes. The popular Curry Mile is also close by, giving you access to a wide range of shops, restaurants and takeaways serving a variety of cuisine and produce including Halal and Kosher foods.





C Opal Gardens is a very peaceful area, while still being a vibrant community, so you're well placed for heading on a night out or having a quiet night in. We're very close to lots of supermarkets here as well, so it's very convenient.

I really like the common room. It's a good place for meeting up – you can play table tennis or table football or watch a movie.

Opal Gardens is self-catered. When I arrived I thought that I'd be on a strict diet of quick food like pasta and noodles, but I quickly discovered that I can actually cook quite well. I try and share my food costs with a friend – that makes things a bit cheaper.

You develop friendships quite quickly as you're living with people who have been thrown into the same experience. This automatically gives you a support network.

Nathan Eldridge BA Management and Leisure



Hulme Hall is based in Victoria Park. I really like how it's so close to sports facilities – it's really easy to get to the Sugden Sports Centre, which is near the University, and the Armitage Sports Centre in Fallowfield.

Hulme Hall is a catered hall so you get the benefit of meals every day of the week – it's so nice to get hot food in the morning! But there are lots of other great facilities: a snooker table, table tennis, a gym and – my favourite – the squash court. You don't get one of those at every student hall!

In Victoria Park we get a good mixture of international and British students – you get to meet people from different places. Before I came I expected that I'd probably stay in my room all the time – but you get to know so many people in your hall. Everyone here is studying different things, and I think that's helped me to broaden my horizons and it's changed a lot of my opinions.

The support you get from the tutors and the warden is excellent. If you ever have an issue, you can talk to them very easily, and they'll come and solve it for you.

Aryanto Aryanto BEng Mechanical Engineering with Management

l'd recommend the Victoria Park area to anyone, as it's so close to the University, and there also buses running 24 hours between here and Fallowfield.

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Fallowfield campus

Fallowfield is two miles south of the city centre. Famed for its social scene, it is the acknowledged student suburb of Manchester.



* Grilled Colsamic * Panfried Chorizo * Chicken & Rosst peg SOUP& SIDES * Soup of the day * Ptato Wedges * Homemade Hummu * Mixed Olives * Mixed Olives * Mixed Side Salad <u>MAINS</u> * Falagel, Rosstveg & * Burger & Wedges * Spiced Tofu Burges * Chicken, Chorizo &

Its innumerable restaurants, pubs, bars, cafes and shops cater specifically for students.

All of the halls are located close to the main bus route to the University and onwards into the city. With excellent sports facilities available at the nearby Armitage Sports Centre, Fallowfield is a great choice if you favour a healthy lifestyle.

There's a real student atmosphere in Fallowfield – everyone's in the same boat as you and is really friendly. Travelling around is easy – there are bus stops in handy locations and the buses come every few minutes.

Richmond Park is nice as I like how the blocks are next to each other – you never have to walk far to visit your friends.

The staff are really helpful here, from building maintenance to reception – if you have any problems you can ring anyone – and they'll be there, straight away.

I had to get used to self-catering – for the first few weeks I ate only food that you could put straight in the oven! But I'm starting to have more fresh food. There are always people in the halls who are good at cooking and they can teach you.

Ciao Sandhu BEconSc Economics

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It's really close to the University and the city, but it has lots of independent cafes and bars of its own. I love going to Fallow Cafe – they do amazing food and coffee.

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Love living in Fallowfield. Everything is really accessible, especially by bus, but I also like to cycle. Platt Fields Park is nearby – I go jogging there every day.

It's easy to get to the heart of things, but you can still get away from it all if you want.

Ashburne Hall is super historic – it was built in the 1920s, and the dining room is beautiful. You have your own space, but you also get to mix with other people. There are three different common rooms, and people are always knocking on your door. We have a more formal dinner once a month, with a four-course meal that everyone dresses up for.

The catering is great, and the cleaning staff are amazing – I talk to them every day. And I really like how secure it is. The Junior Common Room is really active, and they run a 'Mum and Dad' initiative to help new first-years settle in. The warden here, Norman, is the sweetest guy – he's the best friend to everyone!

Isabella Cohen BA History of Art

Welfare and Security

Moving into University accommodation can be an exciting but daunting prospect, particularly if you're moving away from home for the first time. Your welfare and safety is vitally important to us and we have support on hand to help you settle in and feel safe and secure in your new surroundings.

Pastoral care team

Your hall will have a pastoral care team, consisting of a warden and residential tutors, living in house. The team are made up of postgraduate students or members of University staff and are on duty during weekday evenings, as well as over weekends and bank holidays for urgent matters.

The team are there to provide you with guidance and support, particularly if you're living away from home for the first time. They also play a role in developing a strong community spirit, working with residents to organise social and sporting events throughout the year.

Security

We are committed to providing a safe and secure living environment with a combination of CCTV coverage and security patrols operating around the residences. Security staff are available on-call 24 hours a day and we will provide you with advice about keeping safe.

The University of Manchester works closely with Greater Manchester Police and supports initiatives to reduce crime in student areas.



Safe zones

The Students' Union has identified 28 student safe zones from Fallowfield to the City campus. These are businesses – often late-night takeaways – that offer assistance to students who are feeling vulnerable, unwell or want to order a taxi home.

You can download the free Greater Manchester Police Student Safety app to your mobile phone to find your nearest student safe zone based on your location. When I first came to Manchester, I stayed in the halls of residence since it was a new city and an altogether new experience. I found that having a pastoral team looking after the well-being of resident students was pleasant and it prompted me to become one when I found my way and settled in.

The role of residential tutor is challenging and full of interesting experiences. We help the students with moving in and settling into the new environment. While we ensure that our students are well looked after, we're also responsible for maintaining a balance between various interests.

Swoti Gola (Fallowfield campus) – PhD International Trade Law and Human Rights and residential tutor

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Since pastoral care is provided in all University halls it doesn't matter which campus you're in; you're provided with the same level of help and support.

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Living off Campus

If you're considering staying at home or moving into privately rented accommodation, then there's plenty of help and support available to you. Whether it's providing opportunities for you to meet new people, ensuring you are renting from an accredited landlord or providing impartial housing advice – we can help.

Living at home

If you decide to live in your own home while you are studying, you still have the opportunity to take part in an active student life. More and more students are choosing to stay at home for a variety of reasons, so you won't be alone.

There are plenty of ways to make new friends, including joining societies and attending Welcome events. The Students' Union offers the active Students Living at Home society that meets up regularly and provides the ideal platform for those who want to engage with University life from the very first day.

Commuting to and from the University is easy due to Manchester's extensive public transport network and the University's proximity to mainline train stations. The University is served by numerous buses and parking is available in one of our many car parks located around the campus.

Manchester Student Homes

Manchester Student Homes is the University's officially approved housing bureau and



provides information on goodquality, well-managed properties available in the private sector.

All landlords registered with Manchester Student Homes are accredited to ensure they provide good-quality student accommodation that is managed to a high standard.

Manchester Student Homes also provides students with free general housing advice, contract checking and mediation services. A number of landlords and private halls have been awarded the International Friendly Standard ensuring international students receive a fair service in regards to booking and contractual terms.

Find out more manchesterstudenthomes.com

Living at home doesn't mean you miss out on the student experience. I only live about 45 minutes from the University, so I'm just a bus ride away. I'm doing the same things as I would if I'd moved into halls of residence.

I enjoy the comfort of living home, the food, getting your washing done. I like having that family environment and being free from distractions.

Another benefit for me is the financial side. I'm not spending money on rent, so I can save that and put it towards my future.

I found on arrival that many people on my course tended to socialise with the people they lived with. But I made a lot of friends by being involved in societies. I did a lot of work with the Islamic Society and RAG – you get the chance to meet so many people whom you thought you'd never meet, and they'll usually have the same interests as you.

Zainab Ahmed BA Social Sciences

> When I'm making use of the facilities at Manchester, or working in the library, that's when it hits me: I am a Manchester student. You don't need to live in halls to feel part of the University.

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Get involved

From the moment you arrive you'll be able to get involved in a myriad of different hall social and sporting events.



Halls are hugely important to the experience of students in Manchester, particularly in your first year. Remember that halls are more than your home – they provide opportunities for social interaction, sport and organising events, and they're also there to provide a pastoral service when needed. So don't shy away from any of these things!

Ellen Mclaughlin elected Community Officer, Students' Union Exec

Residents' Association

Most University halls have an active Residents' Association (RA) or Junior Common Room (JCR). As a resident you'll automatically become a member and the annual membership fee is included within your accommodation fees. Each RA or JCR appoints a committee, elected by hall residents, to organise many hall socials, trips and sporting events including welcome events, parties, formal dinners and sports days.

Hall sport

All residents in University accommodation get free access to more than 40 hours of sports and activities every week. The hall sport timetable, which is partly funded by Sport England and the National Lottery, is aimed at newcomers to sport or those that want to exercise on a social level. Sessions include body-conditioning classes, badminton, handball, cardio, tennis and much more – so make sure you pack your trainers.

Find out more www.sport.manchester.ac.uk/ sport/hall



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8	OUR STUDENTS ON
S	BUDGETING INCLUDE:
S	GETTING AROUND
S	Buy a bike
S	Buy a bike
B	
S	MAKING MONEY
B	Get a part-time job
M	
W	LIVING
	Make your own lunches
W	
W	SHOPPING
V	
S	Buy from discount supermarkets
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	ENTERTAINMENT
	Attend free events across the city
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Manchester is an affordable place to live and very popular with students on a budget. Student discounts on a wide range of good and services, including transport, fashion and entertainment, are available across the city.

Cost of living 2014/15

Undergraduate							
Accommodation (self-catering)	£4,850						
Meals	£1,495						
Books	£415						
Clothes	£415						
Transport	£540						
Other	£1,540						
Total	£9,255						

Postgraduate

Total	£11,575
Other	£1,930
Transport	£685
Clothes	£505
Books	£505
Meals	£2,025
Accommodation (self-catering)	£5,925

Quick guide to halls

The majority of undergraduate licence agreements are for 40 weeks, which includes Christmas and Easter vacation periods. All our licence agreements enable you to leave your possessions in your room during the holidays. For postgraduates most accommodation is for 51-52 weeks.

Self-catered halls	Location	No of places	UG	PG	Contract length	Average per week (1)	Internet access in room
Burkhardt House at Hulme Hall (4)	Victoria Park	129	\checkmark		40	£128	\checkmark
Canterbury Court	Victoria Park	117	\checkmark		40	£128	\checkmark
Denmark Road	City	344	\checkmark		42	£132	\checkmark
Firs Villa	Fallowfield	4		\checkmark	51	£120	\checkmark
George Kenyon Hall	City	302		\checkmark	40/51	£130	\checkmark
Oak House	Fallowfield	1,088	\checkmark	\checkmark	40/51	£95	\checkmark
Opal Gardens	Victoria Park	408	\checkmark		40/51	£129	\checkmark
Opal Hall	City	91		\checkmark	51	£125	\checkmark
Richmond Park	Fallowfield	503	\checkmark		40	£128	\checkmark
Sheavyn House at Ashburne Hall (4)	Fallowfield	237	\checkmark		40	£129	\checkmark
Victoria Hall	Victoria Park	430	\checkmark		40	£125	\checkmark
Weston Hall	City	521	\checkmark	\checkmark	40/51	£125	\checkmark
Whitworth Park	City	1,245	\checkmark	\checkmark	40/51	£96	\checkmark
Wright Robinson Hall	City	156	\checkmark		40	£101	\checkmark

Catered halls	Location	No of places	UG	PG	Contract length	Average per week (1)	Internet access in room
Ashburne Hall	Fallowfield	171	\checkmark	\checkmark	40/51	£132	\checkmark
Dalton-Ellis Hall	Victoria Park	280	\checkmark		40	£138	\checkmark
Hulme Hall	Victoria Park	323	\checkmark		40	£138	\checkmark
Owens Park	Fallowfield	1,048	\checkmark		40	£131	\checkmark
St Anselm Hall	Victoria Park	126	\checkmark		40	£138	\checkmark
St Gabriel's Hall	Victoria Park	105	\checkmark		40	£131	\checkmark
Woolton Hall	Fallowfield	194	\checkmark	\checkmark	40/51	£132	\checkmark

Family/partner accommodation	Location	No of places	PG		Average per week (1)	Internet access in room
Horniman House	City	39	\checkmark	52	£165 - £185	\checkmark
Linton House	Fallowfield	35	\checkmark	52	£94 - £143	\checkmark



Mixed sex (2)	Single sex	En suite	Standard washbasin	Standard	Adapted facilities (3)
\checkmark		\checkmark			
\checkmark		\checkmark			
\checkmark		\checkmark			
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\checkmark			\checkmark		

Notes

- 1 Fees quoted are indicative for 2014/15 only. You should consult the Accommodation Office website for precise prices. Fees for 2015/16 will be set in April 2015 and may be subject to increase. With the exception of some family accommodation, all fees include contents insurance and utility bills.
- 2 Some mixed halls offer single-sex areas/flats; consult individual hall webpages for details.
- 3 For full details on the type of adaptations in each hall please contact the Accommodation Office.
- 4 Catered packages available.

Mixed sex (2)	Single sex	En suite	Standard washbasin	Standard	Adapted facilities (3)	Catering	
\checkmark			\checkmark	\checkmark		А	KEY
\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	В	A Breakfast and dinner
\checkmark			\checkmark			В	weekdays; cash cafe weekends
\checkmark			\checkmark			А	B Breakfast and
	vМ		\checkmark			В	dinner plus limited weekend catering
	√F	\checkmark	\checkmark			С	C Breakfast and dinner
\checkmark		\checkmark	\checkmark			А	weekdays

The application process

As soon as you receive your offer letter from the University you can complete your application online at: www. accommodation.manchester.ac.uk/applications

Top tips:

- You must submit your application by 31 August in order to take advantage of our accommodation guarantee.
 For visiting and exchange students the date for submission is prior to 31 July.
- Before you submit an application you'll need to create an online account with us.
- We'll keep in touch via email, so make sure your email address is accurate and active.
- If your contact details change after you submit your application, then you should notify us as soon as possible.
- Adjust your email account settings to ensure our emails don't get automatically filtered to your spam or junk folder.



- You should list three preferred halls. The majority of students will be allocated one of their preferred halls.
- If you have special requirements, then let us know and we can take into account your needs when allocating a room.

What happens next?

- You'll receive an offer of accommodation from us as soon as your academic department or School confirms you are definitely coming to Manchester.
- Offers are sent via email, so make sure you check your emails regularly over the summer period.
- You must reply to our email offer immediately, as will be outlined in the email.
- Once you accept the offer you'll be asked to make an online prepayment of £400 by the date in the email.
- If you don't respond as instructed, then you'll forfeit the room and it will be offered to another student. A second offer cannot be guaranteed.

What's next?

Before you make your accommodation selection we suggest you consider your requirements carefully. You need to think about your preferred lifestyle and personality. Some of the factors you might want to consider include:

- Location The map on pages 16/17 gives you a clear idea of the location of the accommodation
- campuses. • Cost En-suite facilities are more expensive than standard and standard with washbasin facilities. Costs for catered halls

and self-catered halls also vary.

- Gender mix We offer both single and mixed-sex halls. If gender mix is important to you, make sure you select accordingly.
- Hall size

Smaller halls of residence tend to be more familial, enabling you to make friends quickly, while our larger halls offer a high level of social activity and provide greater independence.

• Hall facilities If facilities such as access to sports halls or grounds are important to you, then factor

this into your decision.

• Special requirements If you need specially adapted facilities due to a disability, we recommend you contact the Accommodation Office before submitting your application.

• It's your decision Talk to your friends and parents about the options available, but ultimately it is you who'll be living in a hall of residence.

Come and visit us

To get a sense of the accommodation available, why not visit us? Our Open House event, taking place on Sunday, 8 March, is the perfect opportunity to visit our campuses, view the facilities and the bedrooms, and chat with current residents. The Accommodation Office will be available to answer any questions you might have and a free shuttle bus will get you and your family members around.

Don't worry if you can't make it; we offer organised tours of our Fallowfield campus most Wednesdays between January and March. There's also plenty of information on our website.

Contact us

If you have any questions about our accommodation then we'd be happy to help.

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