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# thinking about your future

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# A closer look..... at our international talent

Where do our international students come from?



|              |       |
|--------------|-------|
| China        | 4868  |
| Malaysia     | 901   |
| India        | 448   |
| Saudi Arabia | 423   |
| Hong Kong    | 314   |
| South Korea  | 224   |
| Singapore    | 209   |
| Kuwait       | 185   |
| Indonesia    | 181   |
| Nigeria      | 173   |
| Grand Total  | 10812 |

# Boost your experience levels.....



# What's available?

- Internships – usually 3 months. Vacation time. Popular with major organisations. Usually want pre-final year of study.
- Placements – usually 1 academic year of study.
- Project work – part of course / vacations. Set up by student or course.
- Part-time work – applied for by student.
- Volunteering – or unpaid experience?

# Jobs!

## *Every year...*

Over 11,500 vacancies on CareersLink  
Both graduate jobs and work experience  
Including approx. 700 overseas

Start looking?..... **Now!**

[www.manchester.ac.uk/careers/](http://www.manchester.ac.uk/careers/)  
[www.manchester.ac.uk/careers/careerslink/](http://www.manchester.ac.uk/careers/careerslink/)

**“We cannot find you a job, but we will help you to find out about what jobs are available, how to apply for them, and how to make things happen for you”.**

# **Working as a student –**

## **Part time work, placements, internships**

- Your careers service advertises hundreds of these jobs from now onwards
- <http://www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/findjobs/workwhilestudy/>

## **Part time jobs/opportunities using your language skills**

- Register your language ability on CareersLink

# Working as a student -

## Things you should know:

- **Minimum wage**

| Year                            | 25 and over | 21 to 24 | 18 to 20 | Under 18 | Apprentice |
|---------------------------------|-------------|----------|----------|----------|------------|
| April 2018<br>(current<br>rate) | £7.83       | £7.38    | £5.90    | £4.20    | £3.50      |

- **National Insurance number**

You will need to obtain a National Insurance number if you are going to work. Ring the National Insurance Contact Centre on 0845 6000 643 to apply for one

More about these at:

<http://www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/findjobs/workwhilestudy/>

**Make the experience count!**



“ Excellent English language fluency, cultural adaptability and communication skills are often important criteria for recruiters”

“We expect international students to take active steps to make the most of their UK experience”

“Employers are increasingly looking for a global mindset”

*(Comments from employers )*

# What do UK employers look for?

- Skills – eg) Leadership, Team working, Initiative,
- Experience of work & commercial awareness
- Confidence & communication
  - Ability to market yourself to employers
  - English language development
- Cultural exposure - Real involvement with others
- Proactive job hunting & making things happen
- Motivation & careers insight

*An increasingly global perspective amongst recruiters*

# Employability

## what do employers want to see?

### Interpersonal skills –Team-working / leadership

-group projects, other interests, active in societies, MLP

### Business / Industry Commercial awareness

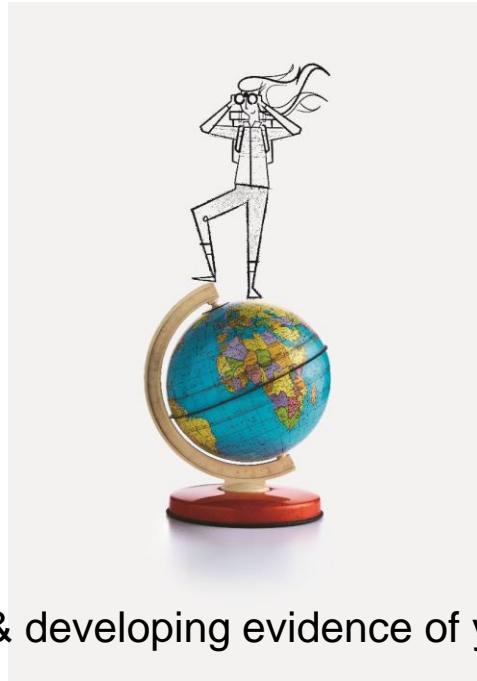
- Follow industry developments,
- Network with employers,
- Online communities

### Relevant experience

- volunteering, networks,
- Project work, employment

### Job Search Strategies

- Marketing yourself effectively & developing evidence of your skills
- Professionalism, networks



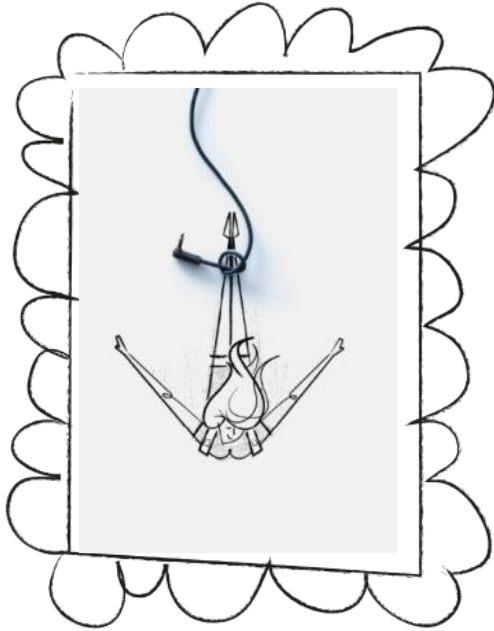
### Self awareness

- Career insight,

### International mindset

Language development, experience  
cultural integration, international  
experience

# International employability?



## UK study can develop:

- Language fluency
- Confidence
- Effective communication skills
- Business & working experiences
- Cultural awareness / open mindedness
- Independence, motivation & adaptability

We can help you..... But it's up to you to make this happen!

**Market yourself effectively.....**

# Applications / interviews

“It can mean re-thinking your approach to CVs... it is your marketing document of evidence and relevant experience”.

We offer:

- Advice on your CV, covering letter, application form - quick query advisers through to employer sessions.
- Just for international students:  
[www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/international/](http://www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/international/)
- Interview, testing & assessment centre support available too

# Finding out about yourself & making decisions

- Appointments available with careers specialists (book in advance )
- Consultants specialising in your degree subject/ career area of interest
- A range of take away literature, computer packages and information about different careers

<http://www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/findjobs/workwhilestudy/>

**Get to grips with work visas.....**



# Can I work in the UK?



- As a Student? – YES
  - with a restriction stamp in your passport you can work while you are registered as a student.
- **Undergraduates** can work 20 hrs p/w term time on their UK visa in the UK, f/t in holidays in the UK or Home country
- **Postgraduates** can work 20 hrs p/w term time on their UK visa, f/t Easter/Xmas in the UK or back in Home country but NOT summer
- **PhD students** can arrange up to 8 weeks leave per year.... *and extend their leave for 1 year!*
- You can do most type of work on a Tier 4 Visa, but self-employment and business activity is not allowed

- After graduation can I work? – Not automatically!
  - Need an employer-sponsored work visa under Tier 2 (or a short term internship visa under tier 5).

### Conditions:

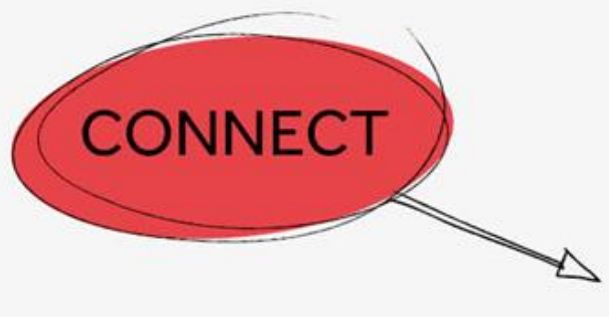
- The employer must be on the Sponsor Register
- Minimum salary for the post (£20,800 or more ) (check minimum for the job)
- Tier 2 visa requires a minimum salary for the role, or the 'new entrant' salary given in the Codes of Practice for NVQ level 6, whichever salary is higher
- “Graduate level” job (defined by UKBA)
- No need for a labour market test – if job offer before student visa expires
- Some employers are not up to date!

# Want to know more?

- General guidance for students  
[www.manchester.ac.uk/careers/international](http://www.manchester.ac.uk/careers/international) and  
[www.employers.manchester.ac.uk/recruit/recruitinternationalstudents/](http://www.employers.manchester.ac.uk/recruit/recruitinternationalstudents/)
- UKCISA website for plain English regarding working after studies  
<http://bit.ly/1LMiDh1>
- The Careers Service pages for international students  
<http://www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/international/> - a good starting point

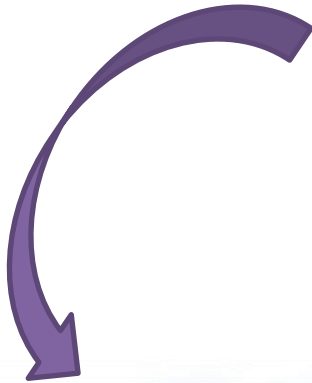


**Make the most of what's on offer  
and stay flexible**

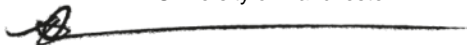


# The Careers Fairs

- Finance, Business & Management Fair – Tuesday 9 October
- The Little Careers Fair – Wed 3 October
- Engineering, Science & Technology Fair – Weds 10 October
- Postgraduate Study Fair – Wed 14 Nov



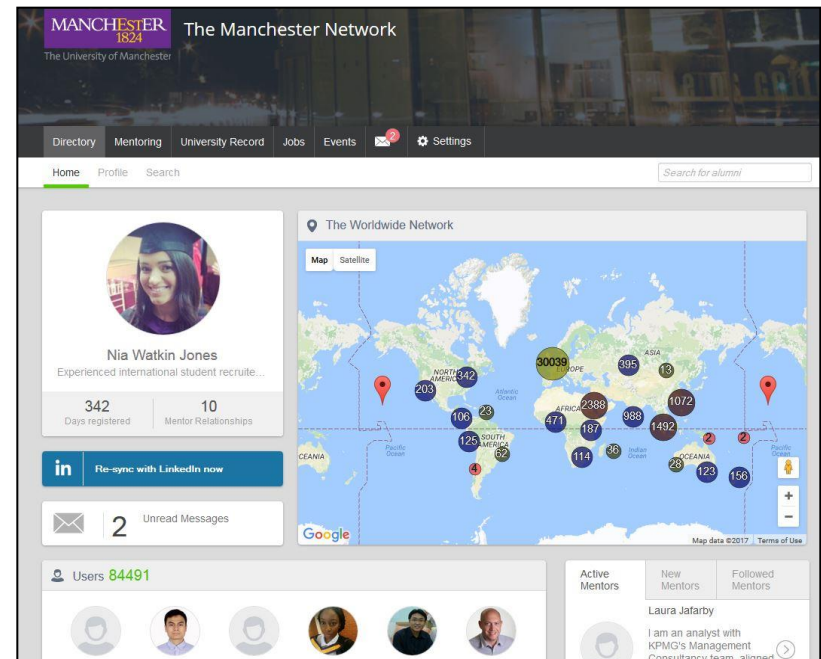
- For more information on fairs see [www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/events](http://www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/events)





# The Manchester Network

- [www.network.manchester.ac.uk](http://www.network.manchester.ac.uk)
- [www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/experience/mentoring](http://www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/experience/mentoring)
- Manchester Gold Mentoring – 6 months mentoring, apply now and in January
- “Ask me about”- one-off enquiries, open all year round
- 2,500 mentors ready to answer careers-related questions!
- Use your UoM log-in to register on the Manchester Network





# Volunteering & part-time jobs - Vacancy service & advice

- Volunteering and Community Engagement Team
- Advertise hundreds of volunteering opportunities across Greater Manchester
- Provide one-to-one advice to help you with volunteering queries
- Keeping you up to date with the latest volunteering news and events
- <http://www.volunteers.manchester.ac.uk/>

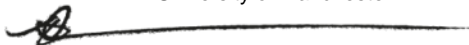




# Passport Career

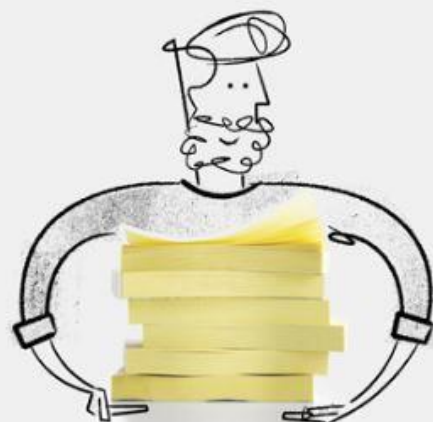


- Online platform to explore jobs, internships, study abroad and volunteering around the world
- Over 80 country profiles, webinars on global job searching topics, Global Careers Network, USA H1b Employer Database
- UoM students and eligible graduates can register an account using our institution registration code
- [www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/findjobs/where/overseas/passportcareer](http://www.careers.manchester.ac.uk/findjobs/where/overseas/passportcareer)





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NATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES ON  
CAREERSLINK



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### I don't know what I want to do

What career direction is right for me and how do I get there?

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### Using your CareersLink account

Find out how search for vacancies and events and set up email alerts.

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### Internships

Opportunities for first and second year students.

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Graduate jobs in Manchester

Looking for graduate job ads?

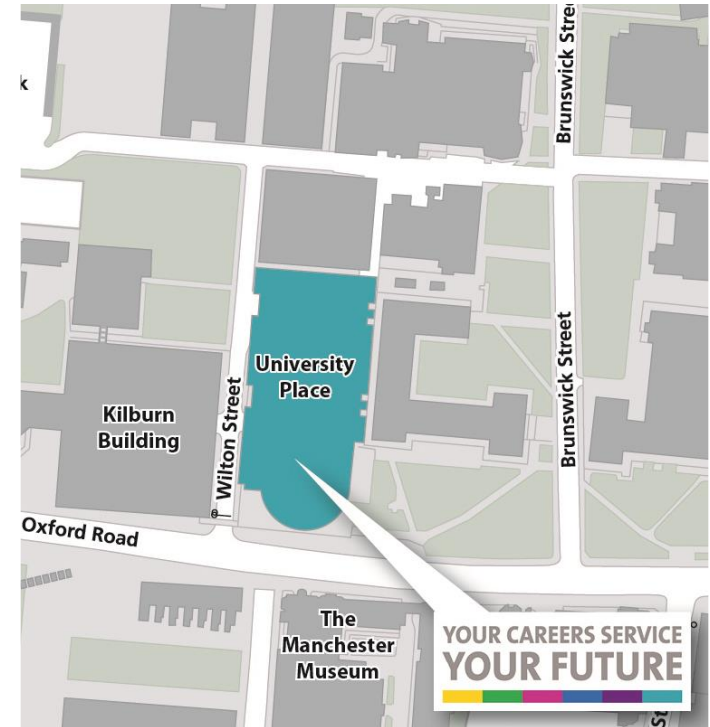
Psychometric test preparation

# Careers Service Access for students

## The Careers Service

The Atrium,  
1st floor, University Place  
Oxford Road, Manchester

- Open all year round
- Graduates have access for up to 2 years after graduation by phone, in person or Skype



# Get in touch

## THE CAREERS SERVICE

[manchester.ac.uk/careers](http://manchester.ac.uk/careers)

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[careers.info@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:careers.info@manchester.ac.uk)



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