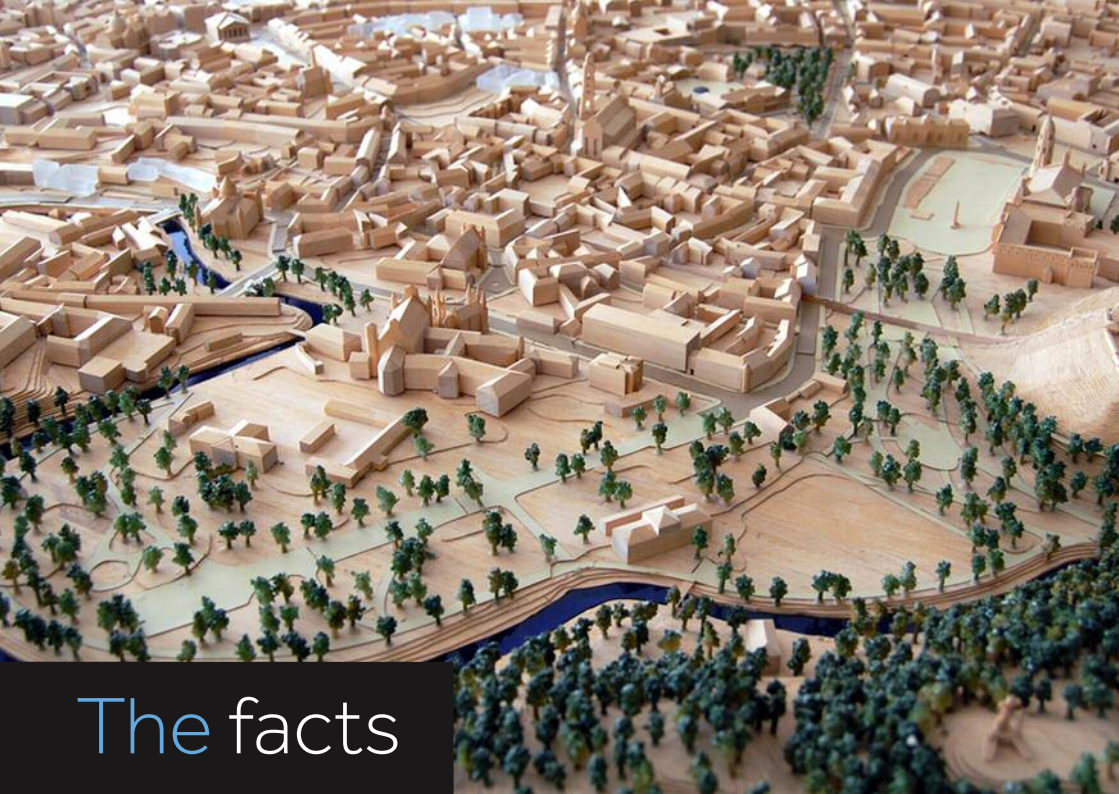




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The University of Manchester

Planning and Environmental Management



The facts



Illustrious history of more than 50 years in the undergraduate study of planning, environmental management and urban studies

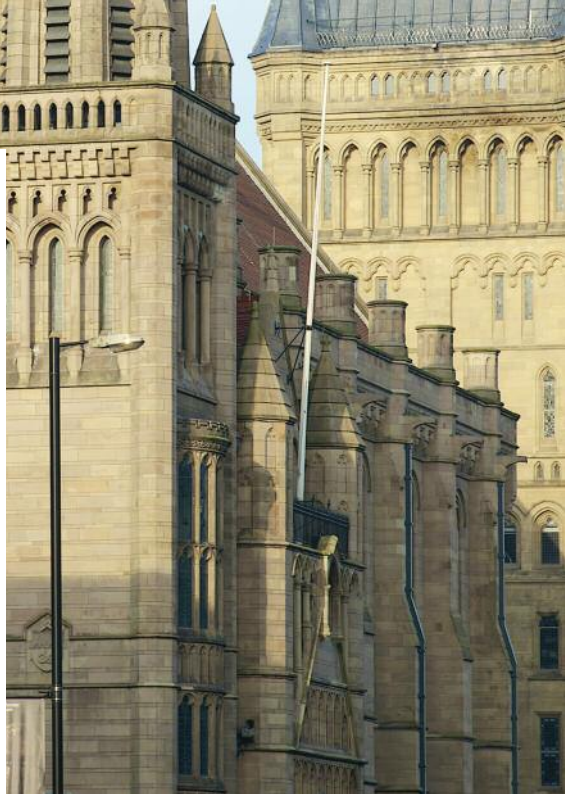
the difficult transition to a post-industrial economy – an ideal base from which to study environmental and urban planning and management issues

Excellent facilities in purpose-built accommodation, including a comprehensive specialist library, project studios and new suites of networked PCs



“ I chose Manchester to study Planning because of its reputation and strong links with the Royal Town and Planning Institute. What I liked most about the course was the variety of working styles, interaction with tutors and other students and the strong links the taught course has with external companies and bodies. ”

Sarah Hine
MTCP



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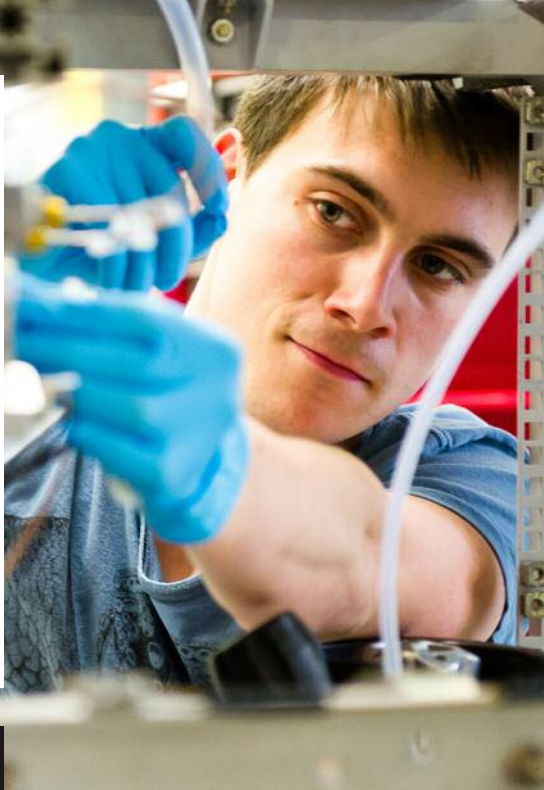
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We accomplish feats of global significance, from splitting the atom to giving the world graphene – the two-dimensional wonder material that is one atom thick but 200 times stronger than steel. With more Nobel laureates on our staff than any other UK university, and strong links to industry and public services, we vitalise our undergraduate courses with pioneering research.

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Introducing Manchester

Our city

Always moving forward

Manchester lives on the edge of tomorrow, ever a step ahead in science, industry, media, sport and the arts. The Mancunian character, exemplified by the city's central role in the industrial revolution, strives for excellence in all walks of life.

This is a city of many accents, having become a cosmopolitan magnet for students and professionals eager to experience its can-do attitude, independent spirit and cultural wealth.

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Your experience

More than just a degree

From the flexible, 24/7 learning environment of the Alan Gilbert Learning Commons to the personal development opportunities and specialist support services we offer, we will empower you to be your best.

We're well underway with the biggest investment programme ever seen in UK higher education, having invested £750 million in our facilities since 2004, with another £1 billion to follow. Away from your studies you'll have access to the UK's largest student union, almost 300 student societies, and excellent sports and fitness facilities.

The only thing you won't experience is boredom.

Hear from some of our students, graduates and staff:

www.manchester.ac.uk/ug/profiles



Your career

On a course to success

We are one of the UK's most targeted universities by employers – 92% of our graduates go straight into employment or further study.

We design our courses with your employability in mind. Our problem-based approach to learning inspires you to think critically, creatively, and independently. You'll also be able to learn new skills through volunteering, personal development programmes and study abroad pathways.

We have the UK's best careers service, providing advice and mentoring services, and connecting you with employers who'll put you on a path to career success.

Take control of your career:

www.manchester.ac.uk/careers



Planning and Environmental Management at Manchester

The planning and management of the environment is becoming increasingly important as governments and societies all over the world struggle to balance the demands of both economic and sustainable development. These problems are the central concern of planning and environmental management at Manchester.

Planning and Environmental Management courses at Manchester enjoy an excellent reputation with employers and students. Our teaching covers a wide range of contemporary topics, including sustainable development, communities and planning, environmental planning and management, and sustainable cities. Teaching styles are varied, including lectures, tutorials, seminars, plus opportunities for group work on design projects and field trips. There are opportunities to take modules from other parts of the School and University too, and to spend a semester overseas at partner universities.

Our graduates take with them a wide range of skills to help them get jobs in a variety of sectors, not just in planning and environmental management. Demand is particularly high for our students from private sector consultancies.

Manchester offers you:

- an illustrious history of more than 50 years in the undergraduate study of Planning and Environmental Management
- a city that was the cradle of the industrial revolution and is a pioneer in the difficult transition to a post-industrial economy – an ideal base from which to study environmental and urban planning and management issues
- a place of major urban change with a new city centre, a regional shopping complex on its outskirts and one of the fastest-growing airports in Europe
- a city which has seen many beneficial effects from the 2002 Commonwealth Games
- plenty of scope to explore urban development pressures and environmental impacts
- a wide variety of rural environments, including three spectacular national parks, new forests and other varied environmental initiatives
- excellent facilities in purpose-built accommodation, including a comprehensive specialist library, project studios and new suites of networked PCs.



I decided to study the MTCP at The University of Manchester because the University has a reputation for being one of the best in the country for undergraduate study and because of the city itself which is really vibrant and a great place to spend your time as a student.



Richard Naylor
Master of Town and Country Planning

Planning and Environmental Management



I have always been interested in the human impact on the environment, and how society can become more sustainable. When I applied to university I was looking for a course that combined environmental knowledge with regulation and social development. What I liked most about the Environmental Management course at the University of Manchester was that it provided me with both the theoretical and practical knowledge about environmental policy and management which has really helped me in my career so far.

Maria Smith
Environmental Management



Introducing Planning and Environmental Management at Manchester

Types of course

We offer four courses with some commonalities in the first year, at the end of which it is possible to switch between courses. We offer three-year Honours courses in Town and Country Planning, Environmental Management and Urban Studies. We also offer a fourth course that entails four taught years leading to an enhanced undergraduate degree at masters level and full professional recognition by the Royal Town and Planning Institute (RTPI).

The MTCP Town and Country Planning course has an important element of postgraduate and 'professional practice' teaching in the final year, and offers very competitive qualifications in the professional marketplace. If you are not seeking full immediate professional qualification, you can take the first three years and leave with a BA Honours degree that is still partially accredited by the RTPI.

Opportunities to study abroad

Planning also has links with universities in other parts of the world. You may elect to study abroad during part of your degree. This study could be in Europe (with one of our partner Erasmus/Socrates institutions), the US, South East Asia or Australia.

For more information about the worldwide exchange possibilities, email goabroad@manchester.ac.uk or visit the study abroad section of the University website: www.manchester.ac.uk/ug/studyabroad



I currently work for the environmental consultancy TEP. I write green infrastructure strategies and advise on environmental planning policy for local authorities. I specialise in ecological networks and have had several such networks and associated policies adopted in LDF Core Strategies. I have also developed Local Wildlife Site selection criteria and provided analysis for the Forestry Commission and the RSPB.

"Recently I returned to the University as a guest lecturer, which I found to be both interesting and, without sounding too full of myself, I felt quite proud to be wanted and trusted enough to be allowed some influence in the education of the students.



Christopher Marrs
BA (Hons) Environmental Management

Excellent career opportunities

Our courses are both academic and professional and lead to a variety of employment opportunities in both the public and private sectors. If you decide not to follow a vocational career, your experience in problem solving, wide knowledgebase and many transferable skills will prepare you for several other careers.

The MTCP is primarily a vocational degree, preparing you for professional posts in local and central government, or in the private sector. The course is accredited by the RTPI, which means graduates are exempt from the Institute's own examinations. In recent years a growing number of graduates have found jobs in other public services or in business, where an ability to analyse and propose policies and implement strategies is vital and a wide variety of generic management and communication skills is appreciated. BA graduates similarly find that a degree from Planning and Environmental Management makes them eminently employable, giving them skills from a discipline that requires the application of knowledge to solve problems and develop opportunities, now and in the future. The transferable skills you develop in strategic thinking, teamwork, creativity and communication fit what most employers are seeking in almost any area in which you may subsequently decide to develop your career.



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It appeared to be the best course on offer at the time and also was far enough away from home! The lecture course appeared well compiled, well rounded and interesting. There was a strong practical focus which was also important and clearly related to the possibility of setting students up for a practical career. Many of the staff were involved in real world projects rather than simply academic, theoretical work, which was a bonus and allowed them to bring up-to-date, cutting-edge ideas to the lecture courses.

“The course was well structured and provided a sound mix of practical work with planning and design theory. The theory was carefully chosen to support and explore some of the practical aspects of the course. It was flexible enough (even within specific modules) to allow you as a student to explore your interests and ideas within a structured framework.

“I then became owner and director of a multidisciplinary design practice, e*SCAPE Urbanists. I work throughout the UK, but mainly in the North West and London on masterplanning projects for urban extensions and brownfield redevelopments, providing the interface between the planning system and urban design. More recently, in 2012 I've set up my own independent consultancy firm to continue this work.

Bob Phillips
MTCP

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Specialist resources and facilities

We are situated in purpose-built accommodation that houses a recently refurbished project studio with drawing facilities, a model-making workshop and a large computer cluster with networked PCs. As well as offering the usual internet and word-processing facilities, our PCs also house specialist design and spatial analysis software for use by all Planning and Environmental Management students.

Our University library has one of the most extensive collections of books, journals and other materials on environmental and planning topics available in the UK. This is complemented by the Kantorowich Library in the Humanities Bridgeford Street building, which is available to all Planning and Environmental Management students. In Planning and Environmental Management, we have always prided ourselves on the close working relationships between students and staff, and a genuinely friendly atmosphere within all courses. In part, this good atmosphere is a result of the type of work our students tackle, including small group projects, and numerous field work visits around the region. This close support is underpinned by a strong tutorial system, in which individual members of staff are responsible for organising and managing each year of the course.

Further study

Following graduation, students who have studied on one of our three-year Honours courses can also transfer on to one of our one-year masters courses in either Urban Regeneration or Environmental Impact Assessment and Management, which give you dual accreditation from the RTPI and the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors. We also offer a new MSc in Global Urban Development Planning, designed for those interested in planning in a predominantly international context, and many of our students also go on to PhDs.

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Course details

Urban Studies Bsc 3yrs

UCAS Code K421

Environmental Management BA 3yrs

UCAS Code K851

Town and Country Planning BA 3yrs

UCAS Code K402

Town and Country Planning MTCP 4yrs

UCAS Code K400

How do you learn?

In order to develop the range of knowledge and skills that we expect of our students when they graduate, we employ a mix of teaching, learning and assessment methods, both staff and student-led. We combine traditional lecture-based teaching with a variety of workshop sessions, in teaching areas as diverse as environmental protection, planning for climate change and urban politics and policy. These workshop sessions open up discussion and allow you to work within smaller groups. Practical subjects, such as Computer-Aided Design (CAD), Geographical Information Systems (GIS), Photoshop and SketchUp, and general computer skills, are taught primarily in the computer suites, with some accompanying group work and the occasional lecture session, giving you an overall hands-on learning experience.

You also acquire a set of more general skills that will serve you well after university, increasing your employability and allowing you to be a more active citizen. For example, you develop skills associated with working in teams, including communication skills, and many forms of skills that allow you to reflect on and affect your own progress. Our assessment strategy is designed to provide you with feedback on your progress in understanding the subject and in developing these skills and abilities.

How are you assessed?

The School's assessment strategy is devised to present you with the opportunity to demonstrate the full range of your abilities and skills. There is, therefore, a mix of assessment types across all years of study that reflects the variety of abilities and skills that you develop and acquire as you proceed through the courses.

The mix includes a dissertation, essays of varying lengths, individual and team projects, coursework assignments, posters, presentations, practical sessions, and unseen written examination papers (long and short essay answers). The mix of assessment types aims to help you in a number of ways. Some of them allow fuller coverage of, and feedback on, knowledge and understanding, which is so important. Some are devised to allow rapid feedback, such as presentations. Others aim to promote the development of argument, such as tutorial and coursework essays, or the skills of teamwork. Some test the extent to which you can carry out work independently, such as coursework essays and the dissertation.

All our assessment methods have been devised to promote in-depth learning and understanding.



I have many happy memories of my time at Manchester and the course has stood me in good stead for a career that now spans 16 years here in South Africa.



Peter, studied Town Planning from 1989-93 and is now working in the Department of Development Planning and Urban Management, City of Johannesburg Metropolitan Municipality.

Planning and Environmental Management

Course Structure

All courses

Year 1: introduces environmental and urban planning and management studies, and gives you a flavour of the sorts of problems and issues faced by professionals dealing with the planning and management of our built and natural environments.

You examine ecological, social, economic and historical aspects of the wider environment, and learn about gathering, analysing and presenting information. In Semester 1 of the first year you study the following modules:

- Cities and Society
- Critical Analysis of Place
- Design Skills
- Environment and Society



Focus on environment and society

You can expect lectures and workshops supported by field trips to the Sefton Coast dune system, nature reserves and woodlands.

We don't drop you straight in at the deep end but you can expect to get your hands, and certainly your feet, dirty from the outset! You will spend some of this course unit in lectures and other weeks in our studio as well.

You will learn all about the complex relationship between the human and natural environment.

In second semester you study:

- History of Planning (for Planners)
- Practical Projects
- Urban and Environmental Economics
- Urban Ecology (for Environmental Managers)

After this first year, you will continue as detailed for each course as follows:

Focus on practical projects: understanding places – the Manchester city region

During Semester 2 you will really get to know the Manchester city region from a social, economic and environmental perspective. You will learn to gather and analyse spatial data using a GIS and learn other practical skills, such as using Photoshop and SketchUp to develop plans and policies.

Environmental Management BA (Hons)

Year 2: covers management aspects of both the built and natural environments.

Final year: allows specialisation in your chosen aspects of environmental management through options and a dissertation.

Urban Studies BSc (Hons)

Year 2: covers management, economic and planning aspects of cities and regions.

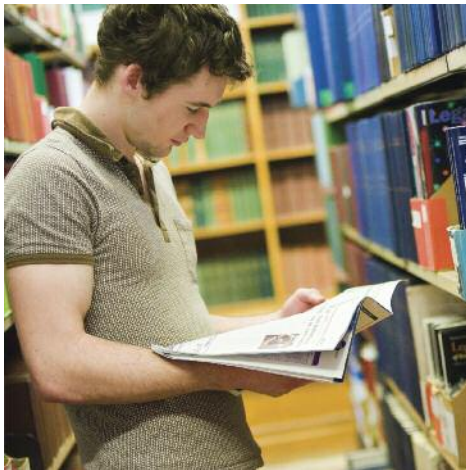
Final year: allows specialisation in your chosen aspects of urban studies through options and a dissertation.

Town and Country Planning BA (Hons) Town and Country Planning MTCP (Hons)

Year 2: examines the role of spatial planning, the development process, countryside planning and sustainable cities, and teaches skills in spatial data analysis. You also start to specialise in areas of urban planning and regeneration, or environmental planning.

Year 3: includes courses in planning theory and law, a dissertation, a field trip to a European city and further specialisation.

Year 4: if you continue to this year, you concentrate on the professional nature of planning work. This leads to full exemption from the professional examinations of the RTPI.



Having studied for A-levels in Geography, Physics and Maths, I chose Manchester after I visited the open day and was very impressed by the course content, available lecturers to speak to, and options for short-term vocational training.

Cassie
Environmental Management



Applying

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GCSE or equivalent

Minimum Grade C in English Language and Mathematics

GCE A-level

BBB

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GCE A-level

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Scottish Advanced Highers

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International Baccalaureate

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For qualifications not listed above, please contact our School's Recruitment and Admissions Office.

Contact details are available on the final page of this brochure.

Student finance

Fees

Your tuition fees will cover the cost of your study at the University as well as charges for registration, tuition, supervision, examinations and graduation. Payment of fees will also entitle you to membership of the Library, the Students' Union and the Athletic Union.

For information on fees for 2014-15, visit:
www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/studentfinance

Funding

As one of the country's leading centres of research and learning, The University of Manchester is committed to attracting and supporting the very best students. If you have the talent and ability, we want to make sure that you have the opportunity to study here regardless of your financial circumstances.

More than a third of our students will receive bursaries of up to £3,000 per year and many will be offered even more generous support. Students who are eligible will be able to choose how they receive this support – either as a cash bursary or as discount

on their fees or accommodation bill. UK students are not required to submit an application for any of the University's means-tested awards. We will automatically identify eligible students on the basis of the household income data provided by the Student Loans Company.

The Manchester Bursary

The Manchester Bursary is available to any student who is registered on an eligible undergraduate course at The University of Manchester and who has had a full financial assessment carried out by Student Finance. This bursary is additional to the government package of maintenance grants.

For further information, visit:

**[www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/
studentfinance/home-eu-2012/
university-scholarships-and-bursaries](http://www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/studentfinance/home-eu-2012/university-scholarships-and-bursaries)**

The McLoughlin Planning and Environmental Management Merit Awards

Information about awards and bursaries given by the School for Planning undergraduate students will be published on our website at:

www.sed.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/fees

As an example, for 2012 entry, around twenty of our highest-achieving new students were awarded £1,000 as a cash bursary in recognition of their hard work and outstanding performance at A-level, International Baccalaureat or equivalent qualification.

Disabilities

Practical support and advice for both current students and applicants is available from our University's Disability Support Office (DSO) and our School Student Experience Administrator.

You should complete the relevant section on the UCAS form if you believe that you have additional support needs arising from a long-term medical condition, specific learning disability (for example, dyslexia), mental health condition, or disability. Our University fully complies with the Equality Act 2010.

Please be assured that ticking the disability box will in no way affect the normal screening of your UCAS form. You will be assessed in the normal way and decisions on calling to interview and offers will be made in accordance with the guidance given here for all candidates. However, if you have ticked the box, our DSO will have access to your application details

so that they can offer assistance with your application and ensure that appropriate support is in place, if required. If you state a need for medical support, the DSO will normally send a referral to our Student Occupational Health Department. You may also independently contact the Student Occupational Health Department for advice (see contact details below). We will assess how the University might best address your support needs.

This process will not influence the academic decisions of our admissions office.

Further information is available from:

Disability Support Office:

The University of Manchester
Oxford Road
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M13 9PL
tel +44(0)161 275 7512
email disability@manchester.ac.uk

Equality and Diversity Office:

The University of Manchester
Oxford Road
Manchester
M13 9PL
tel +44(0)161 3065857
email equalityanddiversity@manchester.ac.uk

Occupational Health:

Oxford Road Site: Occupational Health Services

The University of Manchester
Waterloo Place, 182-184 Oxford Road
Manchester M13 9GP
tel 0161 275 2858
email waterloocchealth@manchester.ac.uk

Sackville Street Site:

Occupational Health Services

The University of Manchester
B22 The Mill, Sackville Street
Manchester M13 9PL
tel 0161 306 5806
email millocchealth@manchester.ac.uk

**[www.studentnet.manchester.ac.uk/
occupational-health](http://www.studentnet.manchester.ac.uk/occupational-health)**

Find out more online



Accommodation

Discover your new home:

www.manchester.ac.uk/accommodation

Admissions and applications

Everything you need to apply:

www.manchester.ac.uk/ug/howtoapply

Alan Gilbert Learning Commons

Take a look around our 24/7,
independent learning space

www.manchester.ac.uk/library/learningcommons

Careers

Take control of your career:

www.manchester.ac.uk/careers

Childcare

Balancing your studies with your caring
responsibilities:

www.manchester.ac.uk/childcare

Disability support

Talk to us about any support you need:

www.manchester.ac.uk/dso

Funding and finance

Get to grips with fees, loans, scholarships and more:

www.manchester.ac.uk/studentfinance

International students

Let us help you prepare for your time here:

www.manchester.ac.uk/international

IT Services

Online learning, computer access, IT support
and more:

www.manchester.ac.uk/itservices

Library

We have one of the UK's largest and
best-resourced university libraries:

www.manchester.ac.uk/library

Maps

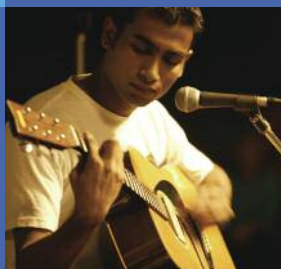
Find your way around our campus, city and
accommodation:

www.manchester.ac.uk/aboutus/travel/maps

Prospectus

Download or order a copy of our prospectus:

www.manchester.ac.uk/ug/courses/prospectus



Sport

Get active with our clubs, leagues, classes
and facilities:

www.manchester.ac.uk/sport

Support

Let us help with any academic, personal,
financial and administrative issues:

my.manchester.ac.uk/guest

Students' Union

Immerse yourself in societies, events,
campaigns and more:

manchesterstudentsunion.com

Videos

Learn more about us on our YouTube channel:

www.youtube.com/user/universitymanchester





Contact details



Disclaimer

This brochure is prepared well in advance of the academic year to which it relates. Consequently, details of courses may vary with staff changes. The University therefore reserves the right to make such alterations to courses as are found to be necessary. If the University makes an offer of a place, it is essential that you are aware of the current terms on which the offer is based. If you are in any doubt, please feel free to ask for confirmation of the precise position for the year in question, before you accept the offer.

For the most up-to-date course information, visit our website:
www.sed.manchester.ac.uk/planning

Want to talk through your decision?
Call or email us for help and advice.

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