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# Welcome to The University of Manchester.

With so many choices available to you we are delighted that you have chosen the University of Manchester for the next phase in your academic life. In this guide you will find everything you need to know about becoming a student here and also your Orientation programme.

Our Orientation is designed to provide the best possible introduction to studying and living here in Manchester. Adjusting to a new culture and a new education system is stimulating, enjoyable and life enhancing – but it can be challenging, especially when you first arrive. Orientation will support you in settling into our vibrant city and provide opportunities for you to make many lasting friendships.

### How to use this guide

There are some important steps that you need to follow in order to become a registered student and to ensure that you have your place on the Orientation programme. Please read this guide carefully and keep hold of it for future reference.

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# Activate your IT account and register online

## Why activate your IT account?

If you haven't already done so, this is the first step to becoming a registered student. An active IT account will allow you access to all our online resources (including the ones needed to register online and pay your fees) and also allow you access to your University email account.

## How to activate your IT account

1. Once you have met the conditions of your offer, you will receive an email to your personal email address from the University letting you know that an IT account has been created for you. **You cannot proceed until you receive this message.**

2. You can then activate your University IT account at [iam.manchester.ac.uk/activates](http://iam.manchester.ac.uk/activates)

To set up your account, you will need your University of Manchester ID number (the 7-digit number listed in all communications that you have received from our Admissions team).

Once you've activated your IT account, you will receive your own unique login, which you can use to log in to [my.manchester.ac.uk](http://my.manchester.ac.uk). As with all login details, you should protect your personal data by not sharing these with anyone else.

## My Manchester

It's important that you now log into [my.manchester.ac.uk](http://my.manchester.ac.uk) using your new username and password. Here, you will find the next step in your journey to becoming a student.

My Manchester is the place where you can access all the digital services you will need as a student as well as useful information relating to your academic studies, support and student life in general. You can take a look around and explore some of the features as soon as you have activated your IT account.

## Why register?

Until you register you are not a member of the University and can't access any of our services – including attending lectures. Registering online is a crucial part of becoming a student of the University. It's an online process that requires you to confirm your personal details, check course information and pay – or make arrangements to pay – your tuition fees.

## When to register

You can register, at your own pace and at a convenient time, between Tuesday 1 September and the deadline of Tuesday 29 September. If you do not complete registration by this date, you will be liable for a late payment charge of £50. Failure to complete registration by 31 October will result in the late payment charge increasing to £200.

We advise you to register early, before you come to Manchester.

## How to register

Log in to [my.manchester.ac.uk](http://my.manchester.ac.uk) using your central username and password (generated when you activated your IT account) and select 'Registration' from the 'My Services' tab.

You should be able to complete online registration simply by following the instructions as they appear on screen.

A green 'completed' tick will appear as you finish each section. At the end of each step, click on 'Continue with registration' to move onto the next step.

Although the process is relatively quick, you don't need to complete it all at once – log out at any time using the 'Sign out' link in the top right hand corner and all the sections you have already completed will save automatically.

## Ten steps

### Online registration consists of ten steps.

Steps 1-9 require you to confirm and update information about you, your contact details and your course. Step 10 is the payment of your tuition fees. The process is easy to follow but there are a couple of the steps that are worth highlighting:

**Step 9:** The Declaration: Make sure you read the information explaining what the University will do with your personal information and your rights in connection with the Data Protection Act, as well as the University's declaration statements – by ticking the box in step 9, you agree to abide by the University's statutes, ordinances, regulations and by-laws.

For more details see [bit.ly/uomrules](http://bit.ly/uomrules)

**Step 10:** Payment of your tuition fees. The next section of this guide explains this in further detail.



# Pay your fees

The final step of registration is to pay your fees. Depending on how you intend to pay, you may be able to complete this step before you arrive.

## If you're paying your own tuition fees...

### Online card payment

You will need your credit/debit card and your UK bank account details if you wish to pay your fees in instalments.

To pay in full, click 'Pay Now' or to pay in instalments, click 'Pay by Instalments'. If you choose to pay by instalments, you will pay one-third of your fees now, and set up a Direct Debit to pay two more instalments on specified dates. If you prefer to give us this information over the phone, ring the registration helpline (see 'Need Help' on page 7).

### Opening a UK bank account

Please note that you can only set up a Direct Debit from a UK bank account. For more information on setting up a UK bank account see your Arrival Guide or page 13.

### Bank drafts and cheques

If you want to pay by bank draft, cheque, or traveller's cheque (sterling), you will need your University of Manchester ID number, your bank draft or cheque and UK bank account details (if paying by instalments).

You can pay by visiting the Whitworth Hall once you arrive (see Key venues on page 7).

For more details see [bit.ly/uompayment](http://bit.ly/uompayment)

### International Bank Transfer

We have partnered with Western Union to enable anyone who wishes to pay their tuition fees and accommodation charges by bank transfer to do so at a guaranteed exchange rate with no bank charge deductions and in your own currency.

Be advised that it can take up to 10 working days to be received by the University, and even longer to be reflected in your CAS statements from overseas bank accounts. We would advise for a faster payment method that students pay online by credit or debit card.

For more details see [bit.ly/uompayment](http://bit.ly/uompayment)

### If Student Finance England, Student Finance Wales, Student Finance Northern Ireland or Student Awards Agency for Scotland, are paying your fees...

At step 10, your account will be displayed, showing any remaining tuition fees you are due to pay in the 'Student Contribution' box. It will also reflect any sponsorship or school grant you have been awarded (see 'If your employer/government/ sponsor is paying your fees...'). If your student tuition fee loan is not displayed you can email a copy of the 'University or College Payment Advice' letter to [slc@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:slc@manchester.ac.uk) or bring a copy of the letter to the Whitworth Hall once you arrive (see Key venues on page 7). The information will then be attached to your tuition fee account allowing you to complete registration.

It is important to be sure that you have returned your Signed Declaration Form to Student Finance and that they have details of your National Insurance (NI) number and Bank Details. The University cannot claim your tuition fees if you have not done this.

### If your employer/government/sponsor is paying your fees...

If you are a sponsored student, you need to give us details of your sponsor as soon as possible and we will invoice them for your fees. If you haven't already, you should email your sponsorship letter to [sponsorletters@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:sponsorletters@manchester.ac.uk)

To find out more about what information should be included on this document, please refer to [bit.ly/uomsponsorship](http://bit.ly/uomsponsorship)

At step 10, your account will be displayed, showing the tuition fee you are due to pay in the 'Student Contribution' box. It will reflect any sponsorship or school grant you have been awarded. If your sponsorship is not displayed, you should bring a copy of your sponsorship letter to the Whitworth Hall once you arrive (see Key venues on page 7).

## Postgraduate

### If a Professional and Career Development Loan is paying your fees...

PCDL paperwork can be completed as soon as you have completed steps 1-9 of the online registration process. If you have applied for a PCDL, please bring your paperwork to be completed by the Student Payments and Registration team at Whitworth Hall (see 'Key venues') any weekday 10am-4pm between Monday 14 and Tuesday 29 September.

If you have applied for PDCL to cover only part of your tuition fees, you will be required to pay the rest in full during registration (see 'If you're paying your own tuition fees...' on page 6).

## Need help?

If you have any problems while registering, call our registration helpline: **+44 (0)161 306 5544**. It is open 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday throughout September. You can also email [ssc@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:ssc@manchester.ac.uk)

See more information about registration: [bit.ly/uomregistration](http://bit.ly/uomregistration)

For further information about international check-in see page 12



## Pick up your student card

Once you've successfully registered online, all you need to do when you arrive at the University is pick up your student card from one of the venues listed opposite. Make sure you have uploaded your photo in My Manchester by the time you go to collect your card. Check the Welcome website for more details. [manchester.ac.uk/welcome](http://manchester.ac.uk/welcome)

## Key venues

### Student Card Collection only

#### Council Chamber

(Whitworth Building campus map ref 50)  
Monday – Friday, 14 – 29 September 10am-4pm  
Saturday 19 September 10.30am-3pm  
Sunday 20 September 10.30am-3pm

#### Main Library

(campus map ref 55)  
Friday 18 – Monday 21 September 10am-4pm  
Saturday 19 September 10.30am-3pm  
Sunday 20 September 10.30am-3pm

#### Owens Park – Main Hall

(Fallowfield Campus)  
Thursday 17 – Sunday 20 September 9am-5pm

Please note that residents of Owens Park and Richmond Park will collect their student card as part of key collection. Other students based in Fallowfield can collect their student cards from the Main Hall at the times and dates outlined above.

### Fee Payment and Card Collection

#### Whitworth Hall

(campus map ref 50)  
Monday – Friday 14 – 29 September 10am-4pm  
Saturday 19 September 10.30am-3pm  
Sunday 20 September 10.30am-3pm

### International Check-In

#### Whitworth Hall

(campus map ref 50)  
Monday – Friday 7 – 29 September 10am-4pm  
Saturday 19 September 10.30am-3pm  
Sunday 20 September 10.30am-3pm

# Accommodation, Vaccines and GPs



## Accommodation

Most of you who are planning to live in University accommodation will already have applied for your preferred hall of residence. We're looking forward to welcoming you to your new home.

If you have yet to apply, don't delay any longer – we need to receive your application by 31 August in order to guarantee you a place.

You can apply online today at [bit.ly/applyaccommodation](http://bit.ly/applyaccommodation)

Once you have received your offer you will be required to accept this place online and arrange the payment of your accommodation fees. Options are as follows:

- 1) Payment in full (including the £400 pre-payment) – by debit/credit card
- 2) Pay £400 pre-payment by debit/credit card and arrange to pay the balance in installments by Direct Debit. Detailed payment plans for each hall can be found here [bit.ly/hallpayments](http://bit.ly/hallpayments) (Please note that you can only set up a Direct Debit from a UK bank account. For more information on setting up a UK bank account see your Arrival Guide or page 13)
- 3) Pay £400 pre-payment by debit/credit card to accept your place and arrange to pay the balance on arrival.

When you arrive in Manchester you can pay your outstanding Accommodation fees by contacting the Registration Helpline on **+44 (0)161 306 5544** or at your Halls of Residences.

## Postgraduates

Many postgraduate students choose to rent privately-owned accommodation. If this is the case for you but you have not yet found a suitable place, go to [manchesterstudenthomes.com](http://manchesterstudenthomes.com), which provides details of private accommodation approved by the University.

## Find out more...

To discuss any special accommodation requirements, speak to or email one of our advisors (contact details below).

For information on privately rented accommodation options go to [manchesterstudenthomes.com](http://manchesterstudenthomes.com)

For student-run online groups relating to your hall of residence, search Facebook.

## Contact us

The Accommodation Office,  
Grove House, 316 Oxford Road  
tel **+44 (0)161 275 2888**

email: [accommodation@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:accommodation@manchester.ac.uk)  
[www.accommodation.manchester.ac.uk](http://www.accommodation.manchester.ac.uk)

For more accommodation related information for international students, please refer to your Arrival Guide. For information about accommodation during your Orientation programme, please see page 26.

## Check your vaccines

In the last few years, incidences of mumps and measles in teenagers and young adults have increased across the UK. To protect our student community, we advise you to have a second MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella) vaccination before coming to University. Additionally it is recommended that you have a Meningitis C vaccination.

If you are unsure whether or not you are already covered, please check with your doctor or your local Child Health Records Department before coming to university. If you have any difficulty in getting the vaccines, contact the Patient Advice and Liaison Services on **+44 (0)161 219 9451**.

Please note that the vaccines are not recommended if you are pregnant.

## Registering with a Doctor

Whilst it's not something you can do yet, it's worth noting that you will need to register with a doctor when you arrive in Manchester. There will be opportunities to do this through the first few weeks of semester on campus and in University accommodation.

Find out more...  
[bit.ly/uomhealth](http://bit.ly/uomhealth)

# Plan your journey



## University shuttle service to residences

We run a free coach shuttle service for new international students between Manchester Airport and all University accommodation sites. Priority on this service will be given to students arriving on their own.

### Dates and times of the service

The service operates from Tuesday 15 to Sunday 20 September from 8am to 9.30pm and stops at all University accommodation. If you are unsure whether you are living in University accommodation, please check the list of residences on the booking form. We run a very frequent service, which means you shouldn't have to wait more than an hour.

However, at rush hour and very busy periods, buses can take longer to make the round trip so we ask you to be patient. Journey time is between 20 and 60 minutes depending upon where you are getting off. The final destination is usually Whitworth Park.

### How to use the service

The service is free but you must book a place in advance online [bit.ly/bookussr](http://bit.ly/bookussr)

Please note that this is a separate process from booking a place on the Orientation programme.

When you arrive at Manchester Airport, look out for our student ambassadors who will be wearing purple T-shirts or hoodies with the University of Manchester logo. There will be student ambassadors in each terminal who will direct you to the airport bus station from where the Shuttle Service coaches depart regularly. If you do not see the ambassadors in the terminal when you arrive, just follow the signs for 'The Station'.

### Want to know more about the service?

See the video our 2014 ambassadors made for you [bit.ly/ussrUoM](http://bit.ly/ussrUoM)

### Arriving early or late at the airport?

Watch the short film we made about what to expect at the airport and how to use public transport [bit.ly/earlyarrivalUoM](http://bit.ly/earlyarrivalUoM)

## Travelling to your accommodation without using the University shuttle service

### Travelling from the airport

If you are arriving at a time when the service is not running, or if you are travelling with family members or non-student friends, you can use public transport.

Taxis are readily available outside the airport and cost approximately £25 to the city centre. Alternatively, there is a rail link direct from the airport to Manchester Piccadilly railway station in the city centre. The cost of a single ticket is currently £4.20 or £4.90 at peak times. You might want to look at Manchester Airport's own website which gives detailed information about travelling from the airport and also has a taxi pre-booking service available: [www.manchesterairport.co.uk](http://www.manchesterairport.co.uk)

### Travelling to Manchester by train

Manchester has three main train stations: Piccadilly, Victoria and Oxford Road. You can find information on train times and book tickets on [www.nationalrail.co.uk](http://www.nationalrail.co.uk). Trains from London arrive at Piccadilly. It is likely that you will need to take a taxi from the train station to your accommodation so please do have the address in writing to show the driver.

### Travelling to Manchester by coach

Coaches from London to Manchester take approximately five hours. Manchester has two main coach stations, Manchester Central on Chorlton Street and Shudehill Interchange. Coach travel within the UK can be booked online in advance on the Megabus and the National Express websites. Again, it is likely that you will need to take a taxi from either of these stations to your accommodation so please do have the address in writing to show the driver.

### Citymapper app

Manchester is now covered by the citymapper app which makes using all public transport less complicated. Download it before you arrive.



### Advice on travelling to the UK

The Arrival Guide, which you should have already received, contains information and advice on what to pack, what to expect at the airport and how to travel around Manchester. The Guide is also available to download from [www.manchester.ac.uk/arrival](http://www.manchester.ac.uk/arrival)

Please note there are no porters available at Manchester Airport or at University accommodation so you will have to carry your own luggage. Luggage trolleys at the airport cost £1 or £2 to use – this money is not refundable. You may want to check with family or friends to see if they have some coins you can bring with you in your hand luggage so that you can use the trolleys.

## What to Pack in your hand luggage

Valid passport, with your visa/UK immigration permission **and your decision letter**, or for EEA/Swiss citizens, a valid passport or national identity card. If you have been issued with a single entry visa that is valid for 30 days you will need to carry your letter from UKVI with you when you enter the UK as the letter confirms that you have valid Tier 4 immigration permission for the duration of your course. If you have been issued with a single entry visa you will need to collect your biometric residence permit from the UK.

The academic qualification documents listed in your CAS statement as well as evidence of your English language proficiency. You must also include original documents to prove financial support for tuition fees and maintenance and a print out of your CAS statement. You should also include your TB screening certificate if one was required to obtain your immigration permission. (International, non-EEA/Swiss students only.)

If you are eligible to apply for Short Term Student immigration permission on arrival, you should bring the offer letter from your academic School and financial evidence that you can support yourself and pay (or have paid) your tuition fees.

Your travel insurance details. (We advise you take out travel insurance to cover your journey and first two weeks in Manchester.)

Details of your destination in Manchester including address and contact telephone number.

Warm clothing – a sweater or a jacket.

At least two spare passport-size photographs.

Laptop, camera and mobile phone (if you're bringing them).

No more than £200 in cash for your journey, and for your immediate expenses on arrival.

Your Arrival Guide, your Welcome pack, and any other information sent to you from the University.

Credit/debit cards or travellers' cheques amounting to:

- at least £400 if you will be living in University accommodation
  - at least £1,000 if you will be living in private accommodation
- (for more information about the best way to bring money see page 13)

...and don't forget to attach your luggage label!

# Arriving in Manchester

## Immigration Permission

**If you are not from the EEA or Switzerland, you must check before you travel to the UK that you have Tier 4 immigration permission (visa) that allows you to study at The University of Manchester.**

If you used a CAS from The University of Manchester to apply for Tier 4, the immigration permission in your passport should contain The University of Manchester's sponsor licence number: **Q3DK76WN4**. If you have immigration permission with a different sponsor licence number on it, you will not be permitted to register with us until you have made an application to switch Tier 4 sponsors.

If you have been issued with a single entry visa that is valid for 30 days the letter that you received from UKVI will include our sponsor licence number and the conditions attached to your Tier 4 immigration permission. **You must carry the letter in your hand luggage when you travel to the UK.**

If you are overseas and you have immigration permission with a different sponsor licence number on it and you applied with a CAS from a different Tier 4 institution, you should make a new Tier 4 application from overseas. You should not travel to the UK with the intention to study at The University of Manchester if you have immigration permission with a different sponsor licence number on it, as this could lead to problems with immigration when you arrive in the UK.

If you have any queries about this please contact the International Advice Team on: **+44 (0)161 275 5000** (Option 1) or email them at: **iat@manchester.ac.uk**

Please note if you are studying with us for one semester only, you may be eligible to travel here without the Tier 4 visa. You can check the following website for more advice and guidance.

**bit.ly/shorttermuom**

If you are unsure whether you have the correct type of immigration permission to study with us or if your visa or biometric residence permit states a CAS number issued by a different institution, please email us at **iat@manchester.ac.uk**

## Police Registration

**Certain nationalities are required to register with the police within 7 days of arrival in the UK. Please check the conditions on your visa sticker BRP card or letter from UKVI to see if you need to register. If you are required to register, you must make an appointment to visit the International Visitors Registration Office. You should only book an appointment once you have completed steps 1 – 10 of registration and you have collected your student card.**

To provide the most efficient service, registration will be managed using scheduled appointments. You are able to make your own appointment through MyManchester (for more information about My Manchester see page 4).

If you have any questions please email: **ssc@manchester.ac.uk**

You can find more information at **bit.ly/policeuom**

## International Student Check-In

All students from non-EU/EEA countries are required to attend International Student Check-In when they arrive in Manchester. The Check-In process includes verifying that you have correct immigration permission to study at the University of Manchester and taking scans of your passport and visa documentation as per UKVI rules. So you must make sure that you have these documents before arriving at Check-In. Please note that you will not be able to complete Check-In unless you have finished Step 10 of the online registration process.

Once you have completed Check-In you will be issued with your University of Manchester student card.

International Student Check-In is open every day from 7 – 29 September in the Whitworth Hall (Building 50 on your map) from 10am – 4pm.

## Biometric Residence Permit Cards (BPR Cards)

If you applied for your Tier 4 visa outside the UK, you will be granted with an endorsement in your passport (vignette or sticker inside your passport) which is your visa to enter the UK. If your visa is granted for a period of 6 months or more, you will be given a 30-day visa to travel to the UK. You must arrange to enter the UK within that 30 day period. Along with your 30-day visa in your passport, you will also receive a written notification (or decision letter) informing you of where you should collect your full visa which will be in the form of a plastic BRP card.

If you entered our code (2HE372) in the Biometric Residence Permit collection page of your visa application, your card should be available to collect from the University during International Check-In. Remember to bring your passport and your decision letter with you to collect your card.

If you entered the University or your accommodation postcode as the card delivery location in your visa application, you will need to take your passport and decision letter to the Post Office shown in your decision letter to collect your BRP card.

## Opening a UK bank account

All students need a UK bank account in order to manage their money and pay monthly bills whilst studying in the UK. You will also need a UK current account (not a savings account) if you wish to pay your tuition fees or accommodation fees in instalments.

Although this can sometimes be a difficult experience for non-UK students and will certainly take some time, for your safety and security, we strongly recommend that you do not bring large amounts of cash with you to the UK. There are numerous cash machines to enable you to withdraw cash as you need it and the vast majority of shops and services accept credit or debit cards as a form of payment. Alternatively, you could consider loading a pre-paid credit/debit card with cash before you leave your home country and bring that with you instead. Further information regarding these types of card can be found at: **bit.ly/uomprepaidcards**.

While individual banks in the UK may have slightly different account opening procedures they all need to verify who you are and where you live:

- 1. Proof of who you are (your identity)**  
Proof of your identity is relatively straightforward. All banks accept a passport for this purpose (EU nationals can also use their EU member national identity card).
- 2. Proof of address(es)**  
A bank letter from the University which confirms your home address (this cannot be a PO Box or your sponsor's address) and your address in Manchester (this cannot be a hotel).

If you arrive between 7 and 29 September you can collect a bank letter from International Student Check-In, located in the Whitworth Building or the Student Services Centre. At other times you can ask for this letter in the Student Services Centre.

One major difficulty that students encounter is when their names are recorded differently on their passport from their student record so please do make sure that these are identical.

## Bank statements

All of the banks offer online banking and online bank statements. However, for visa purposes, international students are required to have paper copies of bank statements therefore you should ensure that the bank account you choose is able to provide these.

## Shariah-compliant bank accounts.

Most banks will offer Shariah-compliant bank accounts. Please contact your preferred bank for further information.

## Need Help?

If you experience financial difficulties at the start of your course or need further advice, please contact the **University's Student Money Adviser** on **0161 275 2035** or email **studentmoneyadviser@manchester.ac.uk**.

There will also be sessions on money and finance during your Orientation programme (full details of the programme can be found in the next section of this guide)

# Orientation Programme



**We are delighted that you are coming to Manchester and we hope that your life and study here will be successful and enjoyable. To help you achieve this we have created a bespoke and personalised programme of talks and events to welcome you to the city and give you the best start possible for understanding University life, UK study skills and British culture.**

Our events provide you with an excellent opportunity to meet existing international and UK students and to make friends with other new students. All of our activities have been designed with feedback from international students arriving last year to ensure that you receive all the vital information and support you need to make a success of your time with us.

## When does the Orientation Programme start?

The Orientation programme is a comprehensive series of presentations, workshops and drop in sessions which are only for international and EU students and start on Friday 18 September. Full details of the programme can be found on pages 16-25.

Welcome Activities for all new students start on Thursday 17 September with Campus tours, City bus tours and trips to a local supermarket. Our Halls Welcome desks and Students' Union AskMe desks will also be open and in the evening we have a Meet and Mingle event at the Whitworth Art Gallery. These events are part of the Manchester Welcome and you can find full details of all Welcome activities in the What's On Guide that you have received with this publication.

## Is the Orientation Programme free?

Yes, all events are free.

## Is it compulsory to attend the Orientation Programme

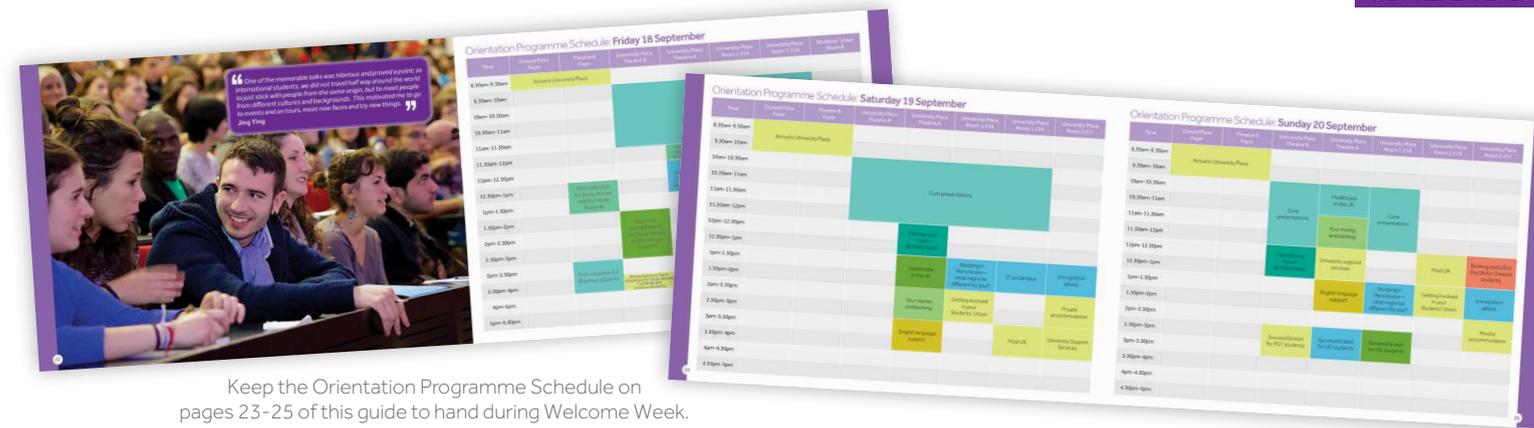
We do strongly recommend that all students attend one of the Core Presentation Sessions on Friday 18, Saturday 19 or Sunday 20. Apart from these sessions, you are free to choose workshops and drop in sessions to suit your interests and questions. Please use our schedule to plan which events you will attend to maximise your time and make sure you get the most out of your Orientation.

Please note that some events are compulsory for Study Abroad and Exchange, ERASMUS and Science without Borders Students.

## Are there any social events as part of Orientation?

The Manchester Welcome includes evening and day social events from Thursday 17 September, including campus tours, evening quizzes, films and performances, a series of distinguished lectures from academic members of staff, coach tours of the city and street food market. It also includes the Start of Year Fair on Tuesday 22 and Wednesday 23. Here, you will be able to meet staff from many of the University's central support services and external health and wellbeing services including GP (doctor) practices.

You will be able to find out more about all the activities from your What's On Guide, the Welcome website and from our student ambassadors when you arrive.



Keep the Orientation Programme Schedule on pages 23-25 of this guide to hand during Welcome Week.

## If I have brought family or friends with me, can they come to Orientation events?

Adult friends or family are welcome at any of the events apart from core sessions, where we need to limit the audience to new students. However, why not recommend that your family members take advantage of a student-led or self-guided tour? You can pick up a copy of our new self-guided tour from one of our Orientation and Welcome AskMe desks. Please remember that our University buildings were built for adult use so it is your responsibility to make sure your children stay safe.

## How should I decide what to come to?

Read through the whole schedule to get a good idea of everything we have planned for you:

- Mark up the calendar with the events you plan to attend
- Use the online booking form to book your place on the University Shuttle Service to Residences **bit.ly/bookussr**
- Use the online booking form to book your place on Orientation **bit.ly/bookorientation**
- Use our Facebook page **forientationuom** or email **orientation@manchester.ac.uk** to ask any questions you have or call us on **+44 (0)161 306 1704**

## Do I need to book and how can I do this?

You do need to book for the core presentations and should use the online booking form at: **bit.ly/bookorientation**. When you book you will be asked to tell us which core session you are coming to. Once you have made your booking, you will receive an email confirming your submission and then later an e-ticket showing whether you have booked for the Friday, Saturday or Sunday presentation. Please make sure that you print this ticket and bring it with you to Manchester. Without a ticket there is no guaranteed access to the lecture theatres. Your seat will be kept for you until 15 minutes before the start of the session, after this time the seat will be released and your e-ticket is no longer valid.

All other events are organised on a first come, first served basis so do come along in good time to be sure of being able to participate.

# A guide to Orientation events

## CORE PRESENTATIONS

- **Friday 18 September at 9:30am**  
(please arrive by 9:15am)
- **Saturday 19 September at 10am**  
(please arrive by 9:45am)
- **Sunday 20 September at 10am**  
(please arrive by 9:45am)

Presentations are given by staff from across the University and the community, covering essential information relevant to all international and EEA students, regardless of your course. They are similar in style to the lectures you will have while in Manchester, and you will usually not have an opportunity to ask questions. All presentations take place in University Place (Building 37 on your map).

### The core presentations include;

#### Welcome

Your formal Welcome to The University of Manchester, from Professor Colin Bailey Deputy President and Deputy Vice-Chancellor of the University on Friday and from another Senior Staff member on Saturday and Sunday. Both speakers will be accompanied by one of our student ambassadors.

#### The University of Manchester Students' Union

The largest student union in the UK offers something for everybody. This presentation gives you an overview of what's on offer, from social events, hundreds of student societies, a newspaper and radio station, to help, advice, and representation. Find out how to get involved.

#### Your Money and Banking

This session provides you with help in adjusting to a new financial system, new currency and the different costs of items in shops. Information will also be available on UK banking, how to open a bank account and managing your money.

#### Living in Manchester

Manchester is one of the most vibrant, exciting and culturally diverse cities you could have chosen to study in. Our student communications team will give you an insight into the range of things to see, do and get involved in during your time here.

#### Staying Safe in the University and in the City

Manchester is a safe and friendly place to study, but some students can experience theft, particularly when belongings are left unattended. This presentation from an officer of Greater Manchester Police, and our Security Service, will equip you with simple ways of protecting yourself from losing your valuables, and of making your time in Manchester as safe as possible.

#### Academic Expectations

Making your studies in Manchester a success requires a partnership between you and us. This presentation by Library Teaching and Learning Staff gives you useful advice on academic matters, including teaching and assessment methods, avoiding malpractice, and getting the most out of our learning facilities.

#### Getting to Know the British

We think living in the UK is fantastic, but we also know it can be confusing when you first arrive. This presentation from the International Society will help you understand your new home better, and show you that we are some of the most welcoming and friendly people on the planet.

#### Who should attend this session?

**Everyone!** These sessions focus on the topics and issues that we know are most critical to our new international and European students. Even if you are not able to attend anything else, we think you should sign up for a core presentation to make sure you have the most crucial information. Space in the core presentations is limited, so you must choose which day you would like to attend using the Orientation booking form and obtain a ticket for your chosen day. You must bring your ticket to this session and arrive in good time (at least 15 minutes before the start). If you miss your day or cannot book in advance then you are still welcome to come along and queue and we will seat you if we can. **The formal sessions all follow the same format, and you need only attend once.**

## PRESENTATIONS FOR SPECIFIC GROUPS OF STUDENTS

All presentations take place in University Place (Building 37 on your map).

#### Chinese Students: Banking and Life in the UK

**Sunday 20 September at 12pm**

Workshop session in Chinese delivered by staff from the Bank of China (UK). Please note that there are sessions on YOUR MONEY AND BANKING for all students on Saturday and Sunday (see page 21) and as part of the core sessions.

#### Chinese Students: Presentation for from Consul General LI Yongsheng

**Saturday 19 September at 4.30pm**

Please check our web pages for updates.

Representatives from the Chinese Consulate will welcome Chinese students to Manchester. After the talks you will have the chance to meet and talk with current Chinese students from the University.

#### Who should attend this session?

If you are a Chinese national, this session will give you personalised information from the point of view of the Consulate staff. The majority of presentations will be delivered in Mandarin and you will have the chance to ask questions.

#### ERASMUS students: Welcome Presentation

**Friday 18 September at 4pm pack collection from 3pm**

This is a specialist session for Erasmus students, concentrating on course registration procedures for your academic programmes, credit and course loads, timetables, work and attendance, assessment, transcripts, and academic support. The briefing is compulsory for all Erasmus students.

#### Science Without Borders students: Welcome Presentation

**Friday 18 September at 12pm pack collection from 11:30am**

This is a specialist session for students joining us for one year under the Brazilian Government's undergraduate Science Without Borders scheme. The session will concentrate on course registration, credit and course loads, timetable, work and attendance, assessment, transcripts and academic support. This briefing is compulsory for all Science Without Borders students.

#### Study Abroad and Worldwide Exchange Students: Welcome Presentation

**Friday 18 September at 1:30pm pack collection from 12:30pm**

This is a specialist session for Study Abroad and Exchange students, concentrating on course

registration procedures for your academic programmes, credit and course loads, timetables, work and attendance, assessment, transcripts, and academic support. The briefing is compulsory for Study Abroad and Exchange students (except Manchester Business School exchange).

#### Tier 4 visa holders session for Study Abroad, Exchange and ERASMUS students ONLY

**Friday 18 September at 3.30pm**

Please note that this is a compulsory session for students studying on these specific programmes and who have entered the UK with a Tier 4 visa.

#### Who should attend this session?

All international or European students studying at the University on our Exchange/Study Abroad programme are required to attend. If you are not studying for your whole degree at The University of Manchester, but instead are completing your degree at a university overseas and are only with us for one or two semesters of undergraduate study, you are likely to be on one of these programmes and must attend. The only exceptions are students on exchanges in the Manchester Business School who should not attend these sessions.

# A guide to Orientation events



## WORKSHOPS

The workshop programme of Orientation aims to equip you with all the tools and information you need as an international or EEA student to get off to a great start. The workshops are specific, practical, and interactive – similar in style to many of the tutorials you will have while studying here – and you are encouraged to ask as many questions as you like. Most workshops take place in University Place (Building 37 on your map) with a couple in the Students' Union (Building 68 on your map).

### Conversation Corner: International Students

**Friday 18 September at 5pm in Room 8 in the Students' Union**

A drop-in area for international students to meet new people and discuss their experiences in a friendly space.

#### Who should attend this session?

Everyone! Come along and make some new friends.

### English language support

**Saturday 19 September at 3pm**  
**Sunday 20 September at 1pm**

An opportunity to find out how the University can help you improve your English and academic skills during your studies.

#### Who should attend this session?

This session is aimed at non-native speakers of English who would like to access support. If you've not studied in the UK before, this session will explain all the support available and how you can access it.

### Getting involved in your Students' Union

**Saturday 19 September at 2pm**  
**Sunday 20 September at 1pm**

Found the Students' Union presentation at the core sessions interesting and want to know more? This workshop with current elected student representatives will explain how you can get involved in the hundreds of activities and societies, in student activism, and in learning how the student rep system operates.

#### Who should attend this session?

Everyone! Whatever level you're studying at you will need a break from your academic work every now and again. Being involved in the Students' Union is an easy way to expand your social life through clubs, societies, events and volunteering.

### Healthcare in the UK

**Saturday 19 September at 1pm**  
**Sunday 20 September at 10am**

This session, led by a qualified health care practitioner from our Occupational Health Service, will explain how the British National Health Service (NHS) works, how to register with a General Practitioner (GP), where to buy medicines and how to call for emergency assistance.

#### Who should attend this session?

Any student at any level who wants to find out more about their entitlements and obligations under the NHS. You will also learn about the role of Occupational Health, about how to access dental and optician services and how to find the best support and care when you are ill.

### HOST UK

**Saturday 19 September at 3pm**

HOST promotes international friendship and understanding by arranging for international students at British universities to meet UK residents in their homes. Come along to one of these sessions to find out how to get signed up for the scheme.

#### Who should attend this session?

Any student who wants to find out how they can take a break from University life and spend time in the countryside or a different British city with a host family.



### Immigration Advice

**Saturday 19 September at 1pm**  
**Sunday 20 September at 1pm**

Staff from the Student Immigration Team run these workshops to give you the chance to find out more about your obligations under Tier 4, and about how we will go about meeting the requirements imposed on us by the UKVI. You will also have the chance to ask any questions relating to your own situation.

#### Who should attend this session?

If you are unsure of your obligations as a Tier 4 visa holder or if you want to know more about how we operate as your sponsor, come along to one of these sessions. Staff from the Student Immigration Team are the only people in the University authorised to give you advice about immigration matters so if you have specific questions relating to your visa this is a perfect opportunity to have them answered.

### IT on campus

**Saturday 19 September at 1pm**

This session will introduce you to the range of IT provision and support here at the University, the ways to keep your online profile secure and will give advice on using social networking sites. There will also be an opportunity to find out more about copyright, malpractice and issues arising from improper use of the web.

#### Who should attend this session?

Any student studying at at any level who would like to know more about the computing facilities on campus.

### Living in Private Accommodation – Drop in Session

**Saturday 19 September at 2pm**  
**Sunday 20 September at 2pm**

Not all of our students choose to live in University owned Halls of Residence, so this workshop offers those renting in the private sector the chance to obtain high quality advice and support on finding and securing your new home.

#### Who should attend this session?

If you are planning to live in private accommodation, this drop-in session with Manchester Student Homes will make the process as simple as possible from finding somewhere suitable and checking your contract, to ensuring the property is safe and living harmoniously with your neighbours.

### Manage your future @ Manchester: getting internships, work experience & graduate placements!

**Saturday 19 September at 12pm**  
**Sunday 20 September at 12pm**

Find out the essential ways that you can make the most of your UK study experience – whether you are looking to stay on in the UK or work elsewhere after graduation. If you wish to take up volunteering opportunities with the University or elsewhere you are likely to need a Letter or Certificate of Good Conduct from your local police force. It will be much easier if you get this while you are still at home. You can find out more from the F&CO website [bit.ly/recordcheckuom](http://bit.ly/recordcheckuom)

#### Who should attend this session?

Any student who wants to explore part-time work or work experience during their study, start thinking about career plans and opportunities or to understand what UK employers look for from international graduates. Any student who would like to learn about the steps they can take during study that will help secure a graduate job offer.

# A guide to Orientation events

## Studying in Manchester – What might be different for you?

**Saturday 19 September at 1pm**  
**Sunday 20 September at 1pm**

Manchester is home to one of the most diverse communities in the UK. This session from the Equality and Diversity Team will explain the values and legal protections that make the UK such a multicultural place to live and study, as well as giving you an opportunity to reflect on your own approach to different cultures.

### Who should attend this session?

If you are interested in finding out more about the varied and diverse community you are now part of and how it may differ from your home country you will want to join one of these workshops. You will have the opportunity to find out more about the positive steps that the University is taking to achieve equality for all in the student experience.



## Successful start for undergraduate students

**Sunday 20 September at 2:30pm**

We know that starting an undergraduate degree can be quite a daunting prospect. Don't worry, it's perfectly normal to feel a little anxious. This session will provide an introduction to studying at degree level, and cover different teaching and learning methods, academic writing and undertaking research.

### Who should attend this session?

This workshop is for undergraduate students studying on any academic programme. If you have questions about studying in the UK at this level this session will offer guidance and reassurance and inform you of the very many other services that are on offer to support you throughout your studies.



## Successful start for postgraduate taught students (PGT)

**Sunday 20 September at 2:30pm**

You've made a big decision to come to Manchester for your Masters. This session will help you make the most of your time here right from the start, covering different teaching and learning issues at Masters level, undertaking research, and writing a dissertation.

### Who should attend this session?

All postgraduate students studying at Masters/PGT/MRes level will benefit from this workshop whatever their academic discipline. One of our senior academics will talk you through the challenges and joys of a Master's year and give you invaluable advice on how to be your most successful.

## Successful start for postgraduate research students (PGR)

**Sunday 20 September at 2:30pm**

We expect a lot from our junior academics, and it's only right that you should expect a lot from us too. In this session, a current PhD researcher supported by a member of staff will give you an outline and lead a discussion on what it means to be a postgraduate researcher at The University of Manchester. They will give you useful and practical advice about our online tool to record and monitor progression, the skills training activity of PGR students, using the library effectively and accessing their courses, having and maintaining a social life, assessment and vivas. You will have plenty of time to ask your own questions.

### Who should attend this session?

All new PhD and MPhil students will benefit from attending this workshop which will give you the information you need to begin this first stage in your academic career and which will equip you to build, and maintain, successful professional relationships with your supervisor and other colleagues in your department.



## University Support Services

**Saturday 19 September at 3pm**  
**Sunday 20 September at 12pm**

An interactive overview of our Support Services available to all students, using real-life case studies to give you the knowledge of where you can get quality advice and guidance on a range of academic and non-academic matters.

### Who should attend this session?

No one starts their studies at university thinking they are likely to have problems, but our lives can become more complicated and more difficult than we expect. If this happens, being able to access appropriate support is crucial in helping you keep on track with your studies. Students at any level and in any discipline will find information and guidance in this session that may be useful to them, or their new friends and flatmates as they progress through their studies.

## Your Money and Banking

**Saturday 19 September at 2pm**  
**Sunday 20 September at 11am**

This session builds on the information from the core presentations and provides you with help in adjusting to a new financial system, new currency and the different costs of items in shops. Information will also be available on UK banking, how to open a bank account and managing your money. Our presenter will allocate time at the end of the session to answer any questions you might have. If a question arises at any point during the session, feel free to tweet **#moneyandbanking** and our presenter will do their best to answer it.

### Who should attend this session?

Good financial management is a key skill for any student and often one of the most confusing aspects of living in a new country. This session will help you start to make sense of this process and give you valuable advice and tips about budgeting and managing your funds.

“ One of the memorable talks was hilarious and proved a point; as international students, we did not travel half way around the world to just stick with people from the same origin, but to meet people from different cultures and backgrounds. This motivated me to go to events and on tours, meet new faces and try new things. ”  
**Jing Ying**

## Orientation Programme Schedule: Friday 18 September

Time	Ground Floor Foyer	Theatre B Foyer	University Place Theatre B	University Place Theatre A	University Place Room 1.218	University Place Room 1.219	Students' Union Room B
8.30am-9.30am	Arrival in University Place						
9.30am-10am			Core presentations				
10am-10.30am							
10.30am-11am							
11am-11.30am							
11.30am-12pm				Pack collection for Science without Borders students			
12pm-12.30pm				Welcome presentation for Science Without Borders students			
12.30pm-1pm		Pack collection for Study Abroad and Exchange Students					
1pm-1.30pm							
1.30pm-2pm			Welcome presentations for Study Abroad and Exchange Students				
2pm-2.30pm							
2.30pm-3pm							
3pm-3.30pm		Pack collection for Erasmus students					
3.30pm-4pm				Presentation on Tier 4 obligations for Study Abroad, Exchange and Erasmus students			
4pm-5pm			Welcome presentation for Erasmus students				
5pm-6.30pm							Conversation Corner

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10am-10.30am			Core presentations				
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11am-11.30am							
11.30am-12pm							
12pm-12.30pm				Manage your future @ Manchester			
12.30pm-1pm							
1pm-1.30pm				Healthcare in the uk	Studying in Manchester – what might be different for you?	IT on campus	Immigration advice
1.30pm-2pm							
2pm-2.30pm				Your money and banking	Getting involved in your Students' Union		Private accommodation
2.30pm-3pm							
3pm-3.30pm				English language support		Host UK	University Support Services
3.30pm-4pm							
4pm-4.30pm							
4.30pm-6pm			Presentation for Chinese Students from Consul General Li Yongshen				

## Orientation Programme Schedule: Sunday 20 September

Time	Ground Floor Foyer	Theatre B Foyer	University Place Theatre B	University Place Theatre A	University Place Room 1.218	University Place Room 1.219	University Place Room 2.217
8.30am-9.30am	Arrival in University Place						
9.30am-10am							
10am-10.30am			Core presentations	Healthcare in the UK	Core presentations		
10.30am-11am				Your money and banking			
11am-11.30am							
11.30am-12pm							
12pm-12.30pm			Manage your future @ Manchester	University support services			Banking and Life in the UK for Chinese students
12.30pm-1pm							
1pm-1.30pm				English language support	Studying in Manchester – what might be different for you?	Getting involved in your Students' Union	Immigration advice
1.30pm-2pm							
2pm-2.30pm							Private accommodation
2.30pm-3pm							
3pm-3.30pm			Successful start for PGT students	Successful start for PGR students	Successful start for UG students		
3.30pm-4pm							
4pm-4.30pm							
4.30pm-6pm							

# Additional Information

## Accommodation

**Accommodation is not provided as part of the Orientation Programme.**

If you have booked and accepted accommodation within the University's Residences we will make every effort to place you in your allocated room for the academic year however this is not guaranteed and therefore it may be necessary for you to stay in a temporary room until your room for the academic year is available. The start date for most University Accommodation Licence Agreements is Thursday 17 September, however, some Licence Agreements do not start until Saturday 19 or Sunday 20 September.

If you are unsure of the date on which your accommodation contract starts, please contact the accommodation office by emailing: [accommodation@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:accommodation@manchester.ac.uk).

If you intend to arrive prior to the beginning of your contract, booking and payment for the additional stay required can be made online from July 2015 via the following link: [bit.ly/uomearlyarrival](http://bit.ly/uomearlyarrival).

If you are going to be living in University accommodation, you might want to order a bedding pack to cut down on your luggage. This should be done in advance at [estore.manchester.ac.uk](http://estore.manchester.ac.uk). Please type the words 'bedding pack' in the search box.

## Alternative Accommodation Arrangements

If you cannot be accommodated within the University's Residences for the period of the Orientation Programme, please make appropriate arrangements with a hotel or hostel. Further information can be found here: [www.visitmanchester.com](http://www.visitmanchester.com).

## Food and drink

No food is provided as part of the Orientation Programme but you can buy meals, snacks and drinks from various outlets across campus. Halal food options are always available. Look out for the vegetarian, vegan and halal food labelling signs to be sure of buying something suitable.

If you have any questions about the food available, please ask a student ambassador or a member of staff at the catering outlet. It is advisable to have some cash with you to purchase food and drink.

## AskMe/Helpdesks

There will be several helpdesks open during Orientation where you can get advice and information. You will find helpdesks in selected University accommodation, the Students' Union on Oxford Road and in University Place. The helpdesks will be staffed by our student ambassadors who are available all around campus to answer any questions you may have, give you directions and make sure you

have a happy, safe and informative welcome to the University. If there is anything you would like to know or if you have any problems, don't hesitate to ask a student ambassador. You can find them by looking for people wearing purple hoodies with the **AskMe** logo on them. You will also see other people wearing badges with **AskMe** on them, these are members of staff at the University so please feel free to ask any questions.



## Photography

A photographer will be taking pictures during Orientation to use in future publicity materials for the University. If you do not wish your photo to be taken then please speak directly to the photographer and let them know.

## Safety and Security

Manchester is a safe place to live, but as in all cities you need to be aware of your own safety and security. Our Security Services have a very useful website on crime reduction bit.ly/crimereductionuom and will also make a presentation to you during Orientation.

## Smoking

Smoking is not permitted in any University buildings, or indeed any public space. Even when you are outside, you will need to check whether you are in a no smoking zone as sometimes these are created outside of buildings to protect people working inside.



# The International Society

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*Super friendly and homey environment with amazing experience of various diverse cultures including food and activities. It offered me the best time of my uni life and I met my best friend there!*  
Ei Ei Moe, Myanmar

*The Society allowed me to have a new family from all over the world! I learn a lot about other cultures and myself.*  
Jules Duberga, France

*Learning, Love, Friendship, Peace and unforgettable memories that will always be cherished!*  
Khalifa AlJabr, Saudi Arabia

*After living at home for much of my life and being coddled, the International Society allowed me to ease into University life. The International 16 helped me to cope better with independent living.*  
Jason Shongwe, South Africa

## Over 6000 members from over 120 countries

**The International Society welcomes you to Manchester! We are here to help you make the most of your student life. Join us!**

**Trips around the UK every weekend** – explore interesting places such as Oxford, York, The Lake District, North Wales and many more.

**Language Classes** – our classes are an informal way to learn a new language – with over 20 languages to choose from.

**Social Events** – join us for events such as our Cultural Evenings hosted by volunteers from different countries. Learn about new countries and meet people from your own as well as from other countries.

**International 16** – this diverse group of 16 students represent their countries with the main aim of cultural exchange and promoting international friendship. The 16 will be chosen through informal interviews at the end of September.

**RocketWorld** – an intercultural learning experience where you can visit school children between 7 – 11 years old to promote international friendships.

**Families' Group** – this friendly group brings students with families in Manchester together so they and their children can make friends and have fun.

**Hospitality Scheme** – experience everyday British family life with a host family.

**Small World Café** – serving freshly cooked international dishes at lunchtime every weekday. Halal and vegetarian options available.

[www.internationalsociety.org.uk](http://www.internationalsociety.org.uk)

# Welcome to your campus

We are right at the heart of things. Our campus reaches into the city centre, but leaves space for you to relax and unwind. With a mix of historic architecture and modern learning spaces, we have everything you need to achieve your best, both in and outside of your studies.

You will quickly find your way around, but you'll find campus maps in the Manchester Welcome Guide to help in your first couple of weeks.

Walking between Oxford Road and Sackville Street takes about 15 minutes, much of it through campus. You can also travel free of charge on the 147 bus between the two areas of campus by showing your student card. Until you collect your student card you can use a temporary bus pass available on the back cover of your Manchester Welcome Guide or you can download it from the Welcome Website.

*Whitworth Building: the historic heart of the University, and where most students graduate*



*Alan Gilbert Learning Commons: our 24 hour study space*



*University Place: the centre of campus and home to The Atrium student support hub*



*William Kay House: home of the International Society*



*The Academy: one of Manchester's best live music venues*



*Manchester Business School: dedicated libraries and learning facilities for business students*



*Alan Turing Building: a centre for Mathematics, Physics, and Astronomy*



*James Chadwick Building: focused on practical learning for Chemical Engineering and Analytical Sciences*



*Main Library: lose yourself in one of the largest university libraries in Europe*



*Central Manchester University Hospital: Manchester's largest hospital, right on campus*



*Samuel Alexander Building: Neo-classical wonder, home to the School of Arts, Languages and Cultures*



*Sackville Street Building: just minutes from the city centre, and home to the Faculty of Engineering and Physical Sciences*



*Arthur Lewis Building: the centre of Social Sciences on campus*



*Students' Union: Student life: Amplified*



# The Manchester Welcome

With the Start of Year and Students' Union Fairs, as well as special events run by your school or halls, Welcome is a great time to find out more about your course and University resources available. It's also the perfect opportunity to get to know your way around the campus and the city and meet lots of new people.

There is something for everyone during Welcome Week, whether you're an extrovert party animal looking for the loudest nights out, or you prefer something a little bit more refined. And if you don't know what you're looking for? Try a bit of everything and see what you like! See your Manchester Welcome Guide for full details of Welcome activities.

Remember there will always be friendly people around to offer help and advice. Look out for the staff and students wearing purple 'Ask Me' badges or sweatshirts to show they are happy to help you out.



## Key dates

- Tues 15 September:** University Shuttle Service to Residences for international arrivals begins
- Thurs 17 September:** Most University accommodation opens\*  
Welcome activities begin
- Fri 18 September:** Orientation presentations for international and EU students begin
- Mon 21 September:** Welcome and induction events in academic schools and halls begin
- Tues 22 September**  
**Wed 23 September:** Start of Year Fair, Students' Union Welcome Fair and Sports Fair
- Sat 26 September:** Pangea Music and Arts Festival begins
- Mon 28 September:** Semester One teaching begins

\*You'll receive the exact opening date and arrival instructions for your hall from the Accommodation office separately.

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## Next steps

Check out the Welcome Website from the beginning of July for specific information about your academic school induction and the most up to date Welcome information.  
[manchester.ac.uk/welcome](http://manchester.ac.uk/welcome)

Follow **@AdmissionsUoM** on Twitter  for up-to-date news throughout the Welcome period.

For any inquiries regarding Orientation or your arrival: **orientation@manchester.ac.uk**  
 **OrientationUoM**

Look out for an email inviting you to activate your IT account and confirm your attendance. This will be sent once you have met the conditions of your offer.



If you require a copy of this Guide, or certain sections of it in an alternative format please contact us on +44 (0) 161 275 2077 or email us at: [orientation@manchester.ac.uk](mailto:orientation@manchester.ac.uk).

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