

Societies and Opportunities:

Joining the German Society is a great way to get involved in the department and meet people from different years. Regular socials give everyone an opportunity to get together, while annual events such as the German Play and the Great German Bake off are well worth getting involved in.

In addition to the German Society, there are lots of societies which enable you to get involved with other aspects of the university. The music society offers the chance to play in several auditioned and non-auditioned ensembles. There are also lots of sporting opportunities, from University teams to Halls teams. If you're interested in politics, debating, different genres of music or international cultures, there are lots of societies you could join. Don't forget to check everything out at the fresh-



Welcome to the University of Manchester!

Congratulations! Your place to study German at the University of Manchester has been confirmed and we're delighted to welcome you to the department. There's lots going on in Manchester, both at the university and around the city itself, from lectures to society events and department socials; museums and galleries to bars and club nights. We hope you're looking forward to making the most of some of the opportunities available, and that we can help you to do so.

It can be a little daunting coming to a new city, making new friends and getting used to a new way of studying all at once, so you'll have a personal peer mentor who will be on hand to help you with any questions or problems you might have, not just in welcome week but throughout the year. In the meantime we've put together this booklet to prepare you for the start of your uni-

Welcome Week

During your first week in Manchester you'll have the opportunity to meet lots of new people, including your course mates, the peer mentors and your lecturers. To help everyone on the course to get to know each other from the start, the mentors are organising a number of activities in welcome week. We would encourage you to come to as many as you can as this will be the perfect

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
Ice-breaker tour of buildings followed by trip to a bar/restaurant in peer mentor groups—this will be after your German welcome talk from the lecturers	Evening drinks at Font—we're happy to meet and walk with anyone who isn't sure of how to find it and we'll be done in time for freshers wristband events!	Afternoon picnic in Lime Café (food and drinks provided)				German film night—to recover after freshers! (Movie snacks provided)
Feel free to get in touch with any of the mentors to ask questions or just for a chat; just because there are no planned events Thu-Sat doesn't mean						

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Studying at UoM

The first year course

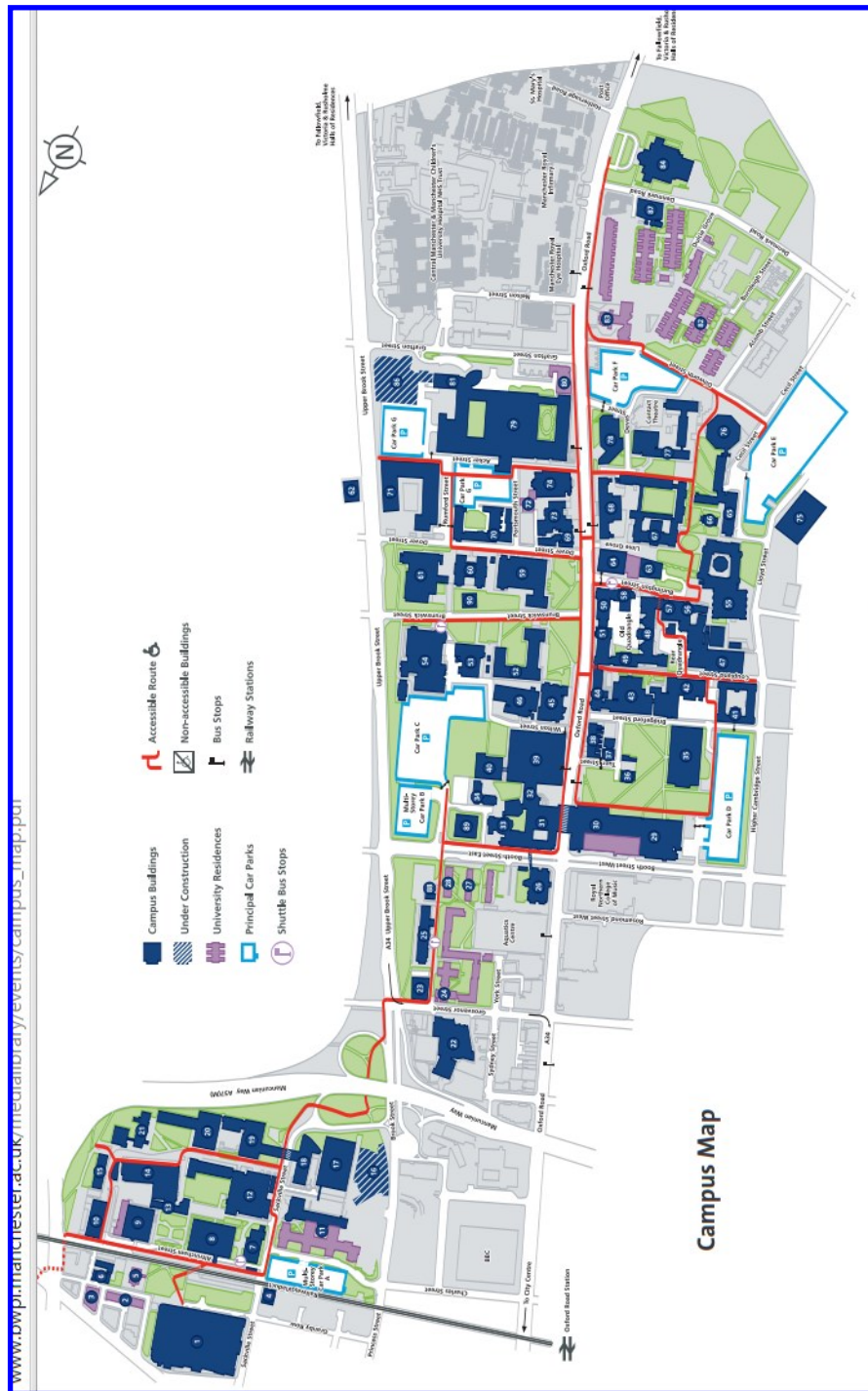
In first year you have to take modules worth a total of 120 credits. How many of these modules are German depends on whether you're doing single or joint honours, and how many credits the subject you're combining German with requires. Which modules you take also depends on whether you are post A-level or a beginner at German. Some modules are open to both post A-level and beginners, while others are

German Language Skills J - Ex-beginner:

This course is a core language module compulsory for all post A-level German students worth 20 credits overall. You must pass this module to progress into second year. It is divided into three strands:

- Grammar and Translation
- Sprachpraktischeübung (reading, writing, listening and speaking)
- Landeskunde (general knowledge about Germany)

An hour a week of teaching (in German) is given to each strand. Students are also expected to carry out regular independent work to develop language skills. Assessment



German Cultural Studies:

This is an optional module worth 20 credits, available to German students of all levels. Teaching is in English and consists of one hour-long lecture and one hour-long seminar per week. The module involves studying a range of German texts, spanning a timeline from the middle ages to the present day. The assessment is largely based on essays, however a

Introduction to German Linguistics:

Also an optional module worth 20 credits, linguistics is a technical study of how the German language works. You'll have one hour-long lecture a week and a total of five one-hour tutorials across a fortnight, all conducted in English. Assessment is largely exam based, with a written exam at the end of each semester providing 70% of your

Language, Culture and Society:

LCS is a mandatory module worth 20 credits. Like the cultural studies, teaching is in English and consists of a lecture and a seminar each week, both an hour long. The module involves learning how to analyse a variety of cultural objects, from poems to paintings, with a focus on how language shapes culture and vice versa. You'll be assessed through four pieces

Languages Study Project:

Available only to single honours students and some joint honours students, this module is also worth 20 credits. It runs in parallel with the LCS unit, allowing students to analyse more independently and develop a deeper understanding of German culture. Teaching takes the form of lectures and seminars, as well as workshops containing tutor- and student-led activities. A large amount of independent work is also expected. The assessment is

Timetable: Fill in when you get given your timetable online.

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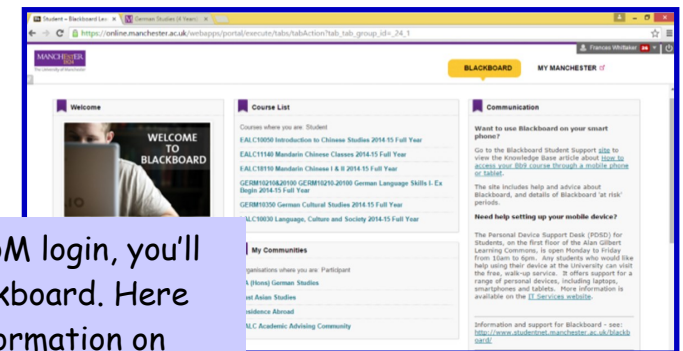
How to budget - top tips:

- ♦ Being given a huge chunk of money at the start of the year can give you a false sense of security, but it has to last you a while. Work out how much money you have per month, and stick to that amount.
- ♦ Make sure you know when money comes into your account and when any payments are due to avoid nasty surprises.
- ♦ Allocate certain amounts of your monthly money to different things - decide how much you'll need for food, and set a limit on how much you'll spend on nights out or treats like new clothes.
- ♦ Only buy things you really need - make a meal plan for the week, and work out how you can use the same ingredients to make several dishes. This will reduce the likelihood of buying food which goes to waste.
- ♦ Batch cook and freeze meals—another way to reduce food shopping costs.
- ♦ Cancel any subscriptions or direct debits

Where to study and learning support

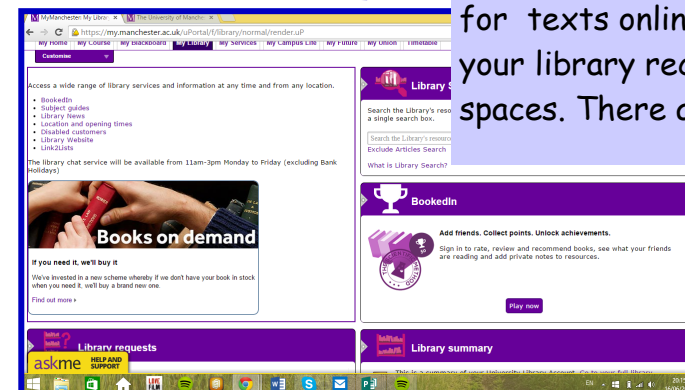
There is a huge range of study resources available at Manchester to support you in your learning. If you need somewhere quiet to study, there are a number of locations on campus. If it's a little extra help with the work you need, there are free learning development classes from the library, course-specific information on Black-

Online:



Once you have your UoM login, you'll be able to access Blackboard. Here you'll find detailed information on each of your course units. Your teachers will also share useful resources

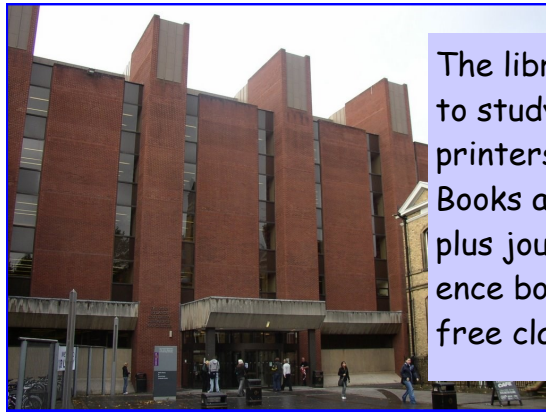
The library page is really useful for checking which books the library has available for you to borrow, searching for texts online, keeping track of your library record, and booking study spaces. There are also a number of



On Campus:



The basement of the south wing of the Samuel Alexander building is home to the language library, which holds books and learning resources for all the languages. There is also a computer cluster where you can study with Lime Café next door if you need a break! You will also be able to book out television rooms to



The library is of course a great place to study in peace, with computers and printers available and lots of space. Books are obviously in abundance here, plus journals, newspapers and reference books. The library also offers free classes to help improve various



The Alan Gilbert Learning Commons provide a comfortable, modern space to work in. It's fully equipped with large screen computers and desks, as well as softer seating areas with sockets for you to plug in your own laptop. There are also private study

Things to do at night:

- ♦ **Music** - famed for its brilliant music scene, Manchester is definitely the city to catch a gig. There's sure to be something you love, on whether it's the Halle at Bridgewater Hall, an indie band at Manchester Academy or an intimate club atmosphere.
- ♦ **Theatre** - The Palace, The Lowry, the Opera House, the Royal Exchange and Contact are all great venues for shows, from contemporary theatre to musicals fresh from the West End. HOME is an exciting space showcasing a variety of new theatre and film, worth exploring.
- ♦ **Bars& Pubs** - there are lots of options for a drink out in Manchester. The Font is a fun bar with a long list of cocktails starting at just £2, while Revolution is always lively. For an exciting twist try The Alchemist, where the cocktails come to life. The SU bar is much more relaxed - cheap, friendly and cheerful, a good choice for a relaxed night.
- ♦ **Clubs** - Manchester's nightlife has huge variety and is always exciting. Student favourites include Deaf Institute, Factory, Lightboxx on a Saturday at the Ritz, and Sankeys Full Moon Party. Deansgate Locks is a slightly more expensive area, but always a fun

Things to do in the day:

- ♦ **Art Galleries** - the recently refurbished Whitworth Gallery is an impressive space filled with modern art, while the beautiful Manchester Art Gallery has everything from pre-Raphaelite paintings to 18th Century portraits. Both are worth a visit, and absolutely free!
- ♦ **Museums** - whether you're interested in science, history, or even football, there's a museum in Manchester. The Manchester Museum on Oxford Road and The Museum of Science and Industry on Liverpool Road both have a range of interesting, interactive exhibitions. The National Football Museum and the Imperial War Museum North are both highly renowned museums in Manchester. Once again, they're all free.
- ♦ **Parks** - if you need to get away from the bustle of the city, there are plenty of green spaces in Manchester to relax in. Plattfields park, Whitworth Park and Birchfields park are all relatively near student accommodation, perfect for a walk or picnic.
- ♦ **Cafés** - there are endless places to take a coffee break in Manchester. Northern Quarter is a great place to find unique cafes with atmosphere, such as

Extra Support and Wider Opportunities

The Student Services Centre, located at Burlington Street (campus map 57), is on hand to help with any administrative or financial questions you may have during your time at Man-

The Atrium on the first floor of University Place hosts a number specialist advisers who are on hand to offer careers advice, information on volunteering opportunities and international programmes, and general support for your well-being.



The university also offers a free and confidential counselling service if you feel like you need help from a professional. You can book an appointment online for a personal session or attend workshops channelled towards helping people overcome a variety of problems, including

Living in Manchester

What to expect in halls:

Although student accommodation isn't exactly glamorous, living in halls is a great way to meet people when you first arrive, as well as being a relatively secure, safe place to spend your first year living away from home. All the student halls have their own unique character, but there are some basic services and facilities you can expect to find wherever you end up:

- A laundry room with washers and dryers
- A gym and sports equipment - some halls are locations for free sports classes for all ability levels.
- A student bar (either on your accommodation site or one nearby)
- Flat tutors - you'll have regular meetings with your tutor to keep you aware of things taking place on site, to answer any questions and to help resolve any problems you have in halls.
- Security and wardens on site, meaning student accommodation areas are some of the safest to live in with the lowest crime. They're also on hand if you've lost your keys and need letting in, or to help in emergency situations
- Maintenance service, to contact when things in the

Shopping & Retail:

In a big city like Manchester, there is no shortage of places to shop. The city centre is home to the Arndale, a large shopping centre with almost every high street shop. St Anne's Square is the location for more exclusive brands and designers, while Northern Quarter holds a range of quirky independent stores and vintage shops. The famous indoor market, Afflecks, is located in Northern Quarter and contains a number of independent stalls and boutiques—definitely the place to find something unique. The other principle shopping location in Manchester is of course the Trafford Centre. As this is in Greater Manchester, outside of the central circle most students frequent, you'll probably need to take a bus out there, but it's worth it for the huge range of shops all in one place.



Sports:

The Armitage centre is the university's main sports facility, offering gym memberships, fitness classes and a range of sports teams and activities throughout the year. Some accommodation sites also have on-site gym facilities. If you still wish to join a private gym, there are a number located centrally and in Fallowfield.



The Manchester Aquatics centre on Oxford Road is a great swimming venue, with a 50m pool and a diving pool. There are a range of sessions available for all abilities, as well as group exercise sessions.

Daily Life:

Transport:

There are lots of public transport services available in Manchester, from trains to buses to trams. The service you'll probably use most often is the magic bus (143 or 142), which you can take from the city centre to Didsbury, passing the University and Fallowfield. Other bus routes and trams take you all over the city. If your accommodation is in Fallowfield, it's a good idea to get a bus pass, as you're likely to be taking the bus more regularly and this will save you money. There are several train stations



Health Services:

It's important to get registered at a local health centre as soon as you arrive so that you have health care on hand if and when you need it. You'll be given a form to fill out when you collect your keys to move in - make sure you hand this in and you'll be registered at your nearest practice. There are several NHS practices local to student accommodation, so you'll be able to access a doctor quickly and easily. For most practices you will need to call in advance to book an appointment, and you may be asked to have a phone consultation with a doctor before you get a face-to-face appointment. The Manchester Centre for Sexual Health at the Hathersage centre is located on Upper Brooke Street and offers a number of confidential services relating to sexual health. Appointments operate largely on a walk-in basis, so it's best to arrive early to be sure of being seen that day.

Things to Bring:

It's difficult to know exactly what you'll need for your first year before you arrive, so here are a few things it's a good idea to bring to uni with you:

- Bedding, sheets and towels - you'll definitely want those right away.
- Photographs and posters - these will really help to make your room feel more personal from the start.
- Kitchenware - if you're in self-catered halls don't you'll need a couple of sets of standard crockery and cutlery, a good pan or two, a chopping board and knife and a wooden spoon/spatula. Don't bring more than you need, or you may find your things get extensively 'borrowed'...
- Laptop - this is more or less essential for keeping up with work and assignments, as well as being great for entertainment. Also have some kind of storage device such as a memory stick to back up all your files; a broken laptop isn't an excuse for a late assignment.
- Pens and paper - even if you prefer to use a laptop or tablet to take notes in lectures, the old fashioned tools will always come in handy sometimes.