

Facts and Figures 2021

Our vision

We will be recognised globally for the excellence of our people, research, learning and innovation, and for the benefits we bring to society and the environment.

Our values

- Knowledge
- Wisdom
- Humanity
- Academic freedom
- Courage
- Pioneering spirit

Our history

- 1824 - The Manchester Mechanics' Institute opens to educate the city's working population
- 1880 - Owens College becomes the first part of the Victoria University, England's first civic university
- 2004 - The University of Manchester is created by amalgamation of the Victoria University of Manchester and the University of Manchester Institute of Science and Technology
- 25 Nobel Prize winners among our current and former staff and students

Our people

- 40,485* students across undergraduate, master's and research
- 12,920 * staff across academia and professional services
- 500,000* alumni in more than 190* countries. Notable alumni include Simon Armitage CBE UK Poet Laureate; Vincent Kompany, Footballer and Entrepreneur; Benedict Cumberbatch CBE, British actor and Dr Winnie Byanyima Executive Director of UNAIDS

Research and discovery

- Research quality ranked 36th in the 2020 Academic Ranking of World Universities and 27th in the QS World Rankings
- Nearly half of our academic and research staff work on interdisciplinary research, showcased by five research beacons: advanced materials, cancer, energy, global inequalities and industrial biotechnology
- Five dual-award PhD programmes with global strategic partners

Teaching and learning

- University of the Year for Graduate Employment (*The Times and Sunday Times* Good University Guide 2020)

- Multi-million pound investment in flexible, blended learning that's accessible, inclusive and international
- Three National Teaching Fellowships awarded over the last year, as well as 436 other fellowships

Social responsibility

- The first British university to set social responsibility as a core goal
- UK's top institution (and 8th globally) for social and environmental impact (*Times Higher Education*), aligning with the UN Sustainable Development Goals
- Access to education: 6,276 students received more than £12.3 million of funding via the Manchester Bursary

Innovation

- Almost £868* million of economic impact contributed by our commercialisation activities since 2004
- Health Innovation Manchester accelerates the benefits of our research for our region's health and social care services
- ID Manchester will transform our North Campus into a world-class innovation district

Civic engagement

- Four celebrated cultural institutions: the Whitworth art gallery, The John Rylands Research Institute and Library, Manchester Museum and Jodrell Bank Discovery Centre
- 18,000 jobs and more than £1.7 billion of economic value a year created for the city region
- More than 1,250 staff and alumni placed into governor roles by our School Governor Initiative since 2012

Global influence

- 23rd most international university in the world (*Times Higher Education* 2021)
- Global partnerships with leading universities, research institutes and industry
- Philanthropic income from global alumni and donors has helped to fund £20.6 million worth of activities including scholarships, research programmes, capital projects and student support packages

*Figures sourced from HESA 2019/20 (numbers rounded to the nearest five).

**Headcount figures as at 31 July 2020 (rounded to the nearest five).