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TOP GRADUATE DESTINATIONS

UK China

Greece **Pakistan**

Bangladesh

Sudan

Taiwan

Cyprus

Kazakhstan

Ghana



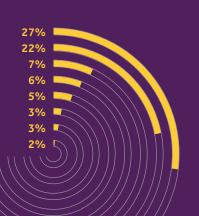


MOST TARGETED UNIVERSITY BY THE UK'S TOP EMPLOYERS

(HIGH FLYERS 2022)

JOB SECTORS

Further / Higher Education Banking / Finance Local / National Government Consulting Accountancy **Government Administration** Primary & Secondary Education Law / Legal Services



EMPLOYERS

World Bank

HM Treasury

NHS

PwC

J.P. Morgan

Deloitte

African Union

Bank of China

JOB TITLES

Economist

Analyst

Accountant

Auditor

Consultant

Manager

Company Director

Researcher

UNDERGRADUATE STUDY DISCIPLINES

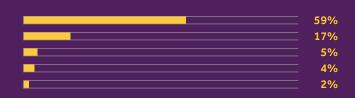
Economics

Economic Science

Economics and Social Studies

Politics and related courses

Administration



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GRADUATE PROFILE

NAME: Osman Faisal
COURSE: MA Economics
YEAR OF GRADUATION: 2018

ROLE: Data Science Manager

EMPLOYER: Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy

INTERVIEW

Hi Osman! Tell us a bit about why you chose to study a postgraduate degree in Economics at The University of Manchester?

Learning from academics who deliver regular and impactful publications, as well as the amazing history it had in economics with great minds like Sir Arthur Lewis, were some of the main reasons for my applying to the UoM. I also felt I would be challenged as I desired to level up my knowledge and test my resolve to compete with the best of the best, but also be welcomed, even as a student without a background in A level maths.

What have you done, career-wise, since leaving the university?

I have worked for the Government Economic Service for 4 years now. I currently lead a team of data scientists focussed on building insights for key UK government priorities. In this time, I have delivered publications such as the £150m Overseas Development Aid programme called Mobilising Finance for Forests which was announced at COP26. I also published the UK's Report on Energy Efficiency Policy progress as part of EU national targets at the time of EU Exit.

I am also the chairman of a crossgovernment network of over 500 analysts called Coffee and Coding which serves to improve the data science capabilities across the professional spectrum in the Civil Service.

How did your course set you up for your career path?

My course gave me the confidence but also a sense of humility which has served me well ever since. At Manchester I learned that I could compete with some of the most talented young people in the country whilst also discovering just how great the potential could be when collaborating with those who live and breathe passion for their study. This meant that when I entered the workforce, I was equipped with the self-belief to get into the nitty gritty technical work whilst

also feeling capable to use my skills in collaborating and envisioning impacts to secure great opportunities.

What was the most surprising takeaway from your course that's helped you in later life?

For me it was just how small this world really is, I was pleasantly surprised to see that my assumption that I may never see any of my course mates again proven wrong. I interact with several now on a semi regular basis in the Civil Service and have maintained strong connections with the same people who helped me, and I them, during the immense time pressure environments of exams and mid-terms.

What advice would you give to a new student about to start a postgraduate degree at Manchester?

My advice would be to jump in and soak up as much as you can, be brave and speak to the new people who surround you and do not hold back from joining all the great events which the university puts on.



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