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The University of Manchester

GEOGRAPHY



Do you want to tackle global challenges such as climate change and sustainability? Are you passionate about geopolitics, urban change, energy and social justice? Or are you fascinated by landscape processes, spatial ecology, carbon cycling, glaciology and environmental restoration?

We've been teaching Geography at The University of Manchester for more than 130 years. Our location offers an ideal setting to study the UK's fastest-growing city region, alongside some of the country's most distinctive and varied landscapes.

Our flexible Geography programmes allow you to study both Human and Physical Geography initially, before choosing to specialise or to continue with a combination of both. This approach enables you to shape a degree that reflects your interests and ambitions, even as they evolve. Throughout your studies, you'll apply your learning in real-world settings through local and international fieldwork. 4-year options also provide opportunities to study abroad or undertake professional placement.

In your first year, you'll build a strong foundation in both Physical and Human Geography, with the option to take a "free choice" unit from outside the subject if you would like to broaden your studies further. This breadth helps you appreciate the diversity of geography we offer while beginning to shape your degree around your interests.

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Studying abroad in Australia was a really exciting opportunity. I was able to travel, experience a different teaching style, meet lots of new people and grow in self-confidence.

*Kate, BA Geography
with International Study*

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PROFESSIONAL PLACEMENT AND INTERNATIONAL STUDY

We offer 4-year Geography programmes with the option to extend your degree through a year of either professional placement or study abroad.

Our Geography with International Study degrees give you the opportunity to live and study abroad for a year at one of our partner institutions in Europe, Australia, New Zealand, the USA, Canada, Hong Kong, Singapore or Mexico. You will gain new perspectives on geography, broaden your horizons, and develop independence and adaptability that will benefit your future career.

FACILITIES

You'll study in one of the best-equipped Geography departments in Europe, with access to world-leading research facilities including extensive Physical Geography laboratories, a Geocomputational Suite supporting work in GIS and remote sensing, a Geography virtual reality lab, and advanced computing resources for social science coding.

Throughout your degree, you'll enhance your employability by developing cutting-edge geographical research skills, including field, laboratory, and computer-based techniques valued across a wide range of careers.

FIELDWORK

Fieldwork is a central part of studying Geography at Manchester and is included in your fees.

You can take part in a pre-course field trip to the Lake District; a long-standing Manchester Geography tradition held before Welcome Week. This provides an early opportunity to build your university support network by meeting staff, making friends and learning key field techniques.

In your second year, you'll take part in a residential overseas field trip, with recent destinations including the Pyrenees, Morocco, Crete, Barcelona, Copenhagen, Amsterdam and Prague.

There are more opportunities for local fieldwork throughout first, second and final year.

EXAMPLE TIMETABLE: GEOGRAPHY

This is an example timetable, your exact timetable may vary

MONDAY	10am - 12noon Lecture: Global Human Geographies	12noon - 1pm Lunch at Kro Bar	1pm - 3pm Introductory reading (Alan Gilbert Learning Commons)	3pm - 4pm Group Mentor Session
TUESDAY	10am - 11am Lecture: Global Human Geographies	11am - 1pm Tutorial	1pm - 2pm Lunch on University Green	2pm - 3pm Tutorial Practical
WEDNESDAY	10am - 12noon Lecture: Environmental Processes and Change	12noon - 1pm Lunch at home	1pm - 4pm Manchester University Geography Society - netball match	
THURSDAY	10am - 11am Discussion session: Environmental Processes and Change	11am - 12noon Human Geography practical	1pm - 3pm Independent study in Student Union	3pm - 4pm Group Mentor Session
FRIDAY	10am - 12noon Independent research in the main library	12noon - 1pm Lunch	1pm - 3pm Group project work	3pm - 4pm Academic skills (writing / data work)