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Why Lancaster?

From exemplary learning to a campus experience packed with cultural and social opportunities, here are just 10 good reasons why Lancaster is one of the very best places to live, learn and get your future off to a flying start.

Investment

We've invested more than £400 million into our campus since 2002, creating new academic facilities, improved teaching spaces and student social facilities, including a £20 million sports centre.

90%

of final year students were satisfied with their course, according to the National Student Survey 2013. This is higher than the national average of 85%.

Global 1%

In international league tables, Lancaster consistently ranks in the top 1% of universities.

92%

of our research is rated to be of 'international standard'. You can be confident that you'll be joining a world-class research institute.

Award-winning accommodation

Our accommodation retained the 'Best University Halls' title in the National Student Housing Survey 2013 (for the fourth consecutive year).

High levels of graduate employment

Almost three quarters of students at Lancaster get graduate level jobs (Higher Education Statistics Agency).

Vibrant city

Lancaster has been ranked as one of the top most vibrant cities in the UK according to the Experian Vibrancy Report

8 Colleges

We're one of a handful of collegiate universities in the UK. Your college will help you settle quickly into your studies and social life on campus.

12,000+

We have over 12,000 students including 3,000 international students from over 100 countries, offering you a global perspective to your life and learning.

Study abroad

Study, work and volunteer opportunities exist in over 50 universities worldwide.









Lancaster University is one of the UK's top universities, consistently highly ranked in the UK league tables and established as a world player in research and teaching as reflected in our rising global league table position. The entry standard for undergraduates is now at its highest level ever, and Lancaster graduates are performing well in an increasingly competitive job market.

Professor Mark E. Smith, Vice Chancellor

Academic excellence

Lancaster is ranked highly in all major UK league tables and is in the global top 1%.

University league table	Overall ranking
Guardian University Guide 2014	11th in the UK
The Complete University Guide 2014	11th in the UK
Times Good University Guide 2014	12th in the UK
Times Higher Education World Rankings 2013-14	137th in the world



Teaching that inspires

Lancaster University's reputation attracts bright minds from all over the world. Our innovative and pioneering programmes, taught by experts at the forefront of their specialist fields, give you access to the best teaching experience possible.

Our aim

We aim to produce graduates with a strong knowledge of their subject area who are also known for their leadership skills, their willingness to take the initiative and their desire to make a positive difference to society- skills in high demand by employers.

We offer you a variety of stimulating and effective approaches to teaching, learning and assessment. This enables you and your tutors to explore the very latest thinking within your subject and develops your skills in problem solving, analysis and critical reflection, communication, application of knowledge and modern technologies.

Expert tuition

While studying at Lancaster, you will also have an academic tutor who will support and guide your academic development and encourage you to achieve the highest levels possible.

Faculties at Lancaster

Academic subjects at Lancaster are grouped into four faculties. The International Foundation Year programme leads to degrees within all four faculties. You can find out more about each faculty and the degrees available on pages 36-45.







Innovation

Lancaster offers unrivalled opportunities for students to explore new projects relevant to today's world.

Professor Bill Davis and a team of plant biologists at the Lancaster Environment Centre received two prestigious awards for their innovative research into water-saving techniques for agriculture.

The Queen's Anniversary
Prize for Higher and Further
Education and The Sunday
Times Research University of
the Year recognised the impact
their research will have in
helping farmers in some of the
most water scarce regions of
the world.

The research led to new systems for cereal growth in North China, grape vines and fruit in Australia as well as viticulture and vegetable production in the Mediterranean and USA. New water saving techniques for UK horticulture and agriculture were developed and the team trained research biologists who will go on to contribute to global food security.



Studying at Lancaster

During your undergraduate studies we will support you in taking responsibility for your own education. We encourage you to make your own decisions about your courses, but we understand that success depends both on you, and on the excellent support structure we provide.

Flexible study

Lancaster prides itself on having a flexible approach to undergraduate study, particularly in your first year, and is one of only a handful of universities within the UK that allow students to study additional minor subjects alongside their major subject.

We divide academic study into two sections:

- Part 1 (Year 1)
- Part 2 (Years 2, 3 and sometimes 4)

In Part 1 you can take up to three subjects, then specialise in one (Single Major) or a combination of two or three subjects (Combined Major) for Part 2.

Even if you are following a Single Major degree, you can often take courses from other subjects throughout your time here. (Please note that some subjects taken outside of the main area of study may have specific entry requirements).

For example, Cheuk Sze (featured opposite) was able to choose two minor subjects during her first year studying BSc Marketing from any other department at the University. She chose Psychology and another Business subject, and then decided at the end of her first year to combine two of her subjects and is now on track to graduate in BSc Marketing with Psychology.

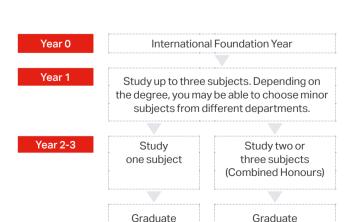
Combined Honours

As well as providing you with the opportunity to widen your knowledge outside of your core subject area, having this flexible approach in your first year at university allows you to make the right decision about your future path of study. By studying a selection of academic disciplines you have the opportunity to switch the focus of your degree as your interests evolve and as career opportunities develop. It can also help to differentiate your degree when you enter the job market and provide you with a study programme that is tailor-made for your specific academic interests.

You will have the chance to follow a structured study programme or the freedom to devise a programme to meet your own needs.

Our committment

At Lancaster we commit ourselves to providing a minimum number of contact hours per week for all students. This commitment includes providing timely feedback on your work and a maximum number of 15 students per seminar group.



Single Honours



Learning opportunities

Students at Lancaster University are more satisfied with their course than the average student studying in the UK, according to the National Student Survey 2013. 90% of final year students at Lancaster were satisfied with their course, compared to 85% nationally.

Computer facilities

www.lancaster.ac.uk/iss

Computer access is crucial to university life, and Lancaster Information Systems Service (ISS) is dedicated to providing the best facilities for our students.

Email addresses, storage space and even personal web space are issued as standard with access to both Windows and Unix provided. Over 1,000 computers are spread throughout the university for students to use in the library, PC labs, departments and colleges.

Students with their own computers can use wireless hotspots across campus and dedicated high-bandwidth connectivity is available in all our accommodation.

Support and assistance is provided by the fully staffed, new and state-of-the-art Learning Zone, as well as through e-learning and via individual departments.

Whatever your course, whatever you want to achieve, ISS has the solution you need.

Library

libweb.lancs.ac.uk

Developing good research skills is essential to your future career. The library has over a million books and other items and offers access to more than 30,000 e-journals, 300,000 e-books, plus a wide range of other electronic resources. There are more than 1,100 wi-fi enabled reader places in the Library, 230 PC workstations and a dedicated Special Collections suite. Library staff are always on hand to help you to use the collections, services and information resources.

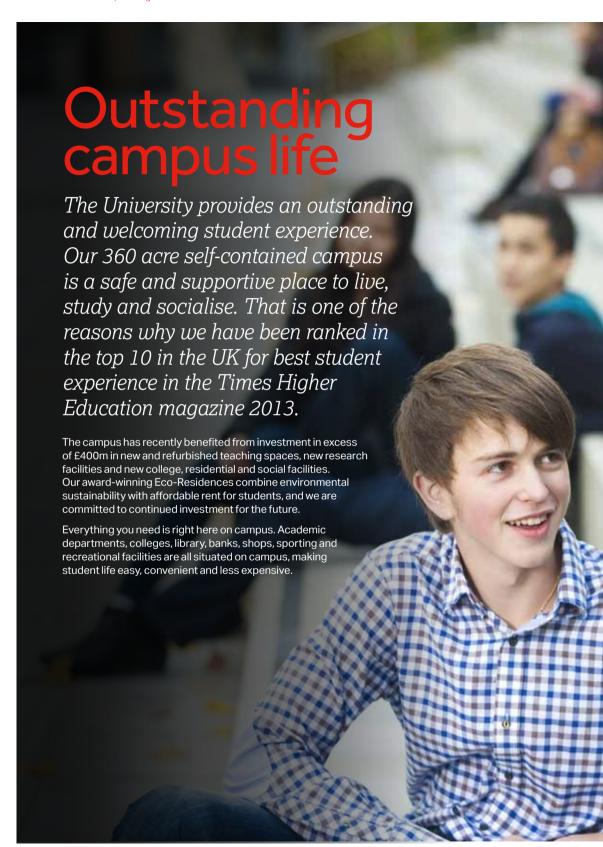
Studying abroad

Lancaster has partnerships with over 50 universities outside the European Union - one of the most developed networks of exchange programmes in UK Higher Education.

You can study abroad for a semester or full academic year. The overall length of your degree scheme stays the same. So, if you are studying for a three year degree with us, you normally go abroad in your second year.

On three year degree courses without a built-in study abroad route, you can usually apply to study in the USA, Canada, Mexico, Hong Kong, New Zealand or Australia during your first year of study on your Lancaster undergraduate degree. The application process begins in November and places are usually for an academic year. The Management School offers one-semester opportunities in Thailand, Taiwan and China.







The colleges and college life

At Lancaster, every student is welcomed to one of our eight undergraduate colleges on campus. From the first day to your last, you'll soon find that your new college becomes your home away from home. Belonging to one of the colleges is an excellent way of making friends.

For students, the colleges are the heart and soul of Lancaster University. Your college will offer vou a ready-made social network. welfare support, accommodation and leisure facilities - helping you to find your feet and settle quickly into your studies. Most college communities have about 1,000 undergraduate student members. including staff members. You'll meet students studying a range of subjects and within your departments you'll meet members from all of the other colleges. It's a great way to develop friendships across campus.

The colleges run social events for their members from Christmas balls to summer parties and you will have the opportunity to represent your college in various sports.

There are eight undergraduate colleges. For full information on each college, you can visit their respective website.



Sowland College

Bowland College

www.lancaster.ac.uk/ colleges/bowland



The County College

The County College

www.lancaster.ac.uk/ colleges/county



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Fylde College www.lancaster.ac.uk/ colleges/fylde



Lonsdale College

Lonsdale College

www.lancaster.ac.uk/colleges/lonsdale



Cartmel College

www.lancaster.ac.uk/ colleges/cartmel



Furness College

www.lancaster.ac.uk/ colleges/furness



Grizedale College

www.lancaster.ac.uk/colleges/grizedale



Pendle College

Pendle College

www.lancaster.ac.uk/colleges/pendle



Award-winning accommodation

Lancaster retained the prestigious title of 'Best University Halls' in The National Student Housing Survey 2013. We are one of only eight student accommodation providers to achieve the International Student Accommodation Quality Mark, awarded where satisfaction among international students is 90% or higher.

On-campus accommodation

Most of our accommodation is en suite which means that you will have your own private bathroom. Rooms are grouped in flats of six to eight students and you will share a kitchen. Other types of accommodation include standard rooms with a washbasin. Most accommodation is self-catering and kitchens are equipped with a microwave, cooker, fridge and freezer. Most rooms are available on a 40 week let.

With 6,600 rooms on campus, the majority of which have been recently refurbished or newly built, we can offer you a range of high quality, safe and comfortable accommodation.

Campus rental rates include:

- utilities (heating, lighting, electricity and hot water)
- network and internet access
- personal possession insurance
- a telephone with free cross campus calls
- a cleaning service which covers all shared kitchens and bathrooms
- 24-hour term time Security presence.

Accommodation costs per week 2013/14 (guide prices)

Colleges	Price range*
Bowland	£82.25-£114.45
Cartmel	£117.95-£125.65
County	£101.50-£125.65
Furness	£106.40-£125.65
Fylde	£96.60-£117.95
Grizedale	£96.60-£117.95
Lonsdale	£117.95-£125.65
Pendle	£96.60 - £117.95

- *Price range depends on type of accommodation:
- Room with private shower/ WC facilities

£101.85-£120.40

 Room with shared showers/ WCs facilities

£78.75-£96.25

for more information.

Catered accommodation is also available to students who would like the convenience of freshly prepared, healthy meals every day. Please see www.lancaster.ac.uk/sleep

Guaranteed* accommodation during your ISC course

Providing you have fully confirmed your place and completed the online accommodation application process by the ISC accommodation deadline, you will be allocated a room on campus. In the event of there being no available on-campus rooms, we will provide you with information about off-campus alternatives.

Off-campus accommodation

LUSU Living is a one-stop shop for Lancaster students who want to live off-campus. Providing access to a huge choice of accredited private properties across the city we can help you to find a house. http://housing.lusu.co.uk

Contact details

For more information, visit
www.lancaster.ac.uk/
studentservices/accommodation

*subject to availability.
See www.lancaster.ac.uk/isc for more information.

I liked the idea of living on campus. The accommodation is brilliant, you get your own private room and a shared kitchen which has everything provided. After class there are societies you can join, excellent surroundings to relax in and brilliant sporting pitches.

George from Zambia
Studying International Foundation Year - Law and Social Studies
Intends to progress to LLB Law



Leisure and sport

Our facilities, cinema, clubs and societies are a great way to get involved and make the most of your time here. All students automatically become an associate Students' Union member on joining the International Study Centre, and a full member on progressing to the University. We can help you to access a whole range of fantastic opportunities and services. Added to this, we have a new £20 million Sports Centre, so you can see why you will never be short of things to do at Lancaster.

Societies

We have nearly 200 societies ranging from ballroom dancing to law and hiking to photography. Whether you want to share your passion for a particular area of academic study or like sport, crafts or culture there's something for everyone.

www.lancaster.ac.uk/socs www.activities.lusu.co.uk.list

Cinema

Lancaster is one of the few universities with its own cinema on campus. Run by students, we show films five nights a week, ranging from recently released blockbusters to classic and international films.

www.lusu.co.uk/cinema

Live at LICA

Live at LICA (Lancaster Institute for Contemporary Arts) brings UK and international artists to Lancaster every year in public programmes of professional theatre, dance, exhibitions and concerts.

Live at LICA venues include Lancaster International Concerts, the Peter Scott Gallery and the Nuffield Theatre. All three are located on campus, and all students are welcome to attend whatever you are studying. www.liveatlica.org The Lancaster International Concert Series is a significant provider of classical music in the north-west of England. Between October and March the series offers a varied programme of music including orchestral concerts by the BBC Philharmonic, chamber music, jazz, world music, opera, musical theatre and new music. The series joins the region's talent with nationally and internationally renowned artists.

Exhibitions

The Peter Scott Gallery is home to a fantastic contemporary art collection and hosts a diverse programme of exhibitions and events from collections across the country. Throughout the season the Gallery presents a series of artist talks and is the venue for the LICA Fine Art graduate show. www.peterscottgallery.com

£20m

The £20 million Sports Centre also offers a dance studio accommodating martial arts, pilates, tai chi, spinning, body conditioning and all classic and contemporary dance classes





Theatre and dance

The Nuffield Theatre presents public performances in theatre, contemporary dance and live art with a focus on new and experimental Practice. The Nuffield presents up to 30 visiting shows each year, plus public performances by Theatre Studies students, our theatre and dance societies, and a range of local community organisations.

www.nuffieldtheatre.com

Sports Centre

The new £20 million Sports Centre offers students the opportunity to take part in their chosen activity in a state-of-the-art building overlooking sports pitches and woodland. From traditional sports, to personal fitness and relaxation activities, the centre caters for everyone. Facilities include:

- 25 metre, eight lane swimming pool, featuring a moveable floor and the latest timing equipment
- 10 metre high climbing wall and bouldering cave
- A health suite with sauna and steam rooms
- Four glass-backed squash courts
- A two floor gym featuring over 100 stations including cardiovascular equipment, free and machine weights, personal training and stretch areas, and vibration training
- An eight badminton court sports hall equipped for all indoor activities

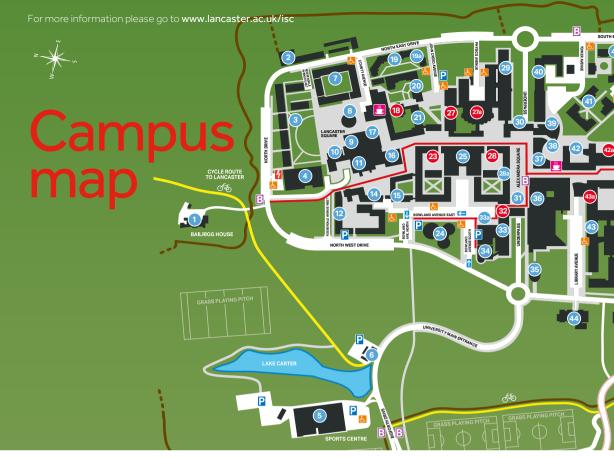
Other facilities include a seminar room, extensive changing facilities and a viewing terrace overlooking the grass pitches.

www.sportscentrelancaster.co.uk

Students' Union sports

The Athletic Union supports 1,500 students competing against other universities in nearly thirty different sports. We provide coaching, kit and transport to make our teams the best!

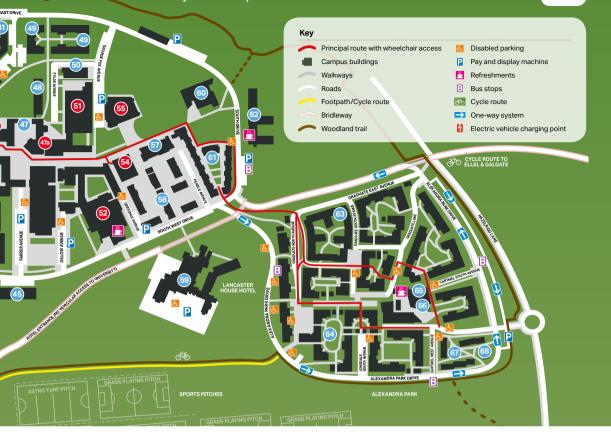
We also run different recreational and inter-college leagues and competitions within the University. www.activities.lusu.co.uk



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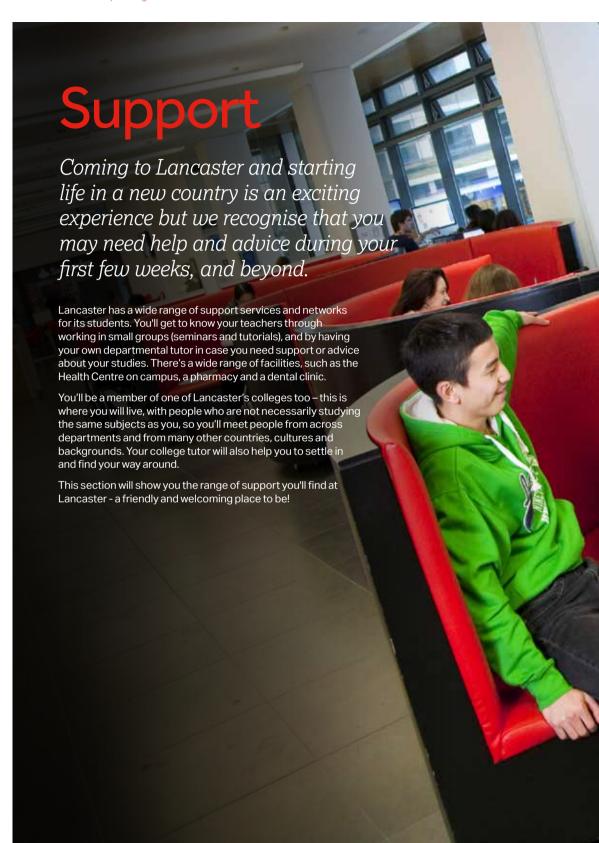
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Supporting you

Lancaster has a comprehensive and proactive support network to enhance your student experience. We can also help you to prepare for life beyond University.





Support at the International Study Centre (ISC)

While you are studying the International Foundation Year at the ISC, you will benefit from the assistance of a team of dedicated staff, from the Head of Centre to the Student Welfare Officer. All can provide help and advice, or direct you to the relevant support service provided by the University.

Student Based Services www.lancaster.ac.uk/sbs

Whilst your college will often be the first point of support, Student Based Services is a campus wide initiative to provide information, advice and guidance on academic and non-academic issues. Pop into The Base in University House and our friendly enquiry desk staff will help you or arrange an appointment with an adviser.

The King Street Surgery and Bailrigg Health Centre

www.lancaster.ac.uk/sbs/health

Offering a full range of National Health services, all students are required to register with a practice on campus or locally.

Chaplaincy Centre www.chaplancs.org.uk

This is an independent body within the University and contains a Catholic chapel and an Anglican and Free Church chapel. The Jewish community has its own rooms including a kosher kitchen and a synagogue room. The Centre is also used for worship by the Society of Friends and for meditation by Buddhist and other groups. A large Prayer Room, with all facilities, is available for the Muslim community.







Careers

www.lancaster.ac.uk/study/ employability/

Securing graduate work experience, a graduate job or postgraduate study demands a wide range of skills and knowledge. One-to-one and group careers guidance from our dedicated, experienced and professionally qualified team of Careers Consultants is all part of our service.

We are here to help you:

- Identify and develop your skills for employment or further study
- Gain experience through our award-winning work experience and placements programme
- Meet hundreds of employers and organisations through our varied programme of oncampus events.

You can talk to employers at our Careers Opportunity Fair which attracts 100+ exhibitors or at our career insight workshops for specific sectors. We also give you opportunities to gain confidence through our career planning workshops and you can benefit from our courses in employability, enterprise skills and career management as part of your degree scheme.

Lancaster Award

www.lancaster.ac.uk/sbs/ceec/ students/lancasteraward.html

The Lancaster Award recognises your extra-curricular achievements and can be taken alongside your degree. The Award requires you to undertake employability/career development courses, campus, community and social development, work experience and additional skills.

The Lancaster Award helps students demonstrate that they have developed and possess the skills that are invaluable to graduate employers in all sectors.

Around Lancaster: City, Coast and Countryside

Lancaster has some of the most unspoilt spots on its doorstep - from country villages, seaside resorts and lush countryside to the historic and vibrant city. There's so much to explore and discover within the city and the local area.

City

Lancaster's city centre is small enough to explore on foot and there are regular bus services linking it with the campus. It has cafés, cinemas, nightclubs, restaurants, pubs and small boutiques, plus well-known high street shops.

A vibrant music scene, live theatre throughout the year and an annual literature festival complete the cultural picture.

Coast

The beauty of studying at Lancaster is that you're only a few miles away from the sea.

The town of Morecambe is a typical British seaside resort and here coastal attractions sit side-by-side with shops and hotels. If you prefer a livelier seaside destination then Blackpool is within easy reach with all the fun of the fair and a whole range of diversions if you need time off from your studies.



It's great experiencing the culture of the UK as well as the cultures of your other classmates. Lancaster is very beautiful and perfect for scenic walks and shopping.

Joanna from Singapore Studying International Foundation Year - Life Sciences Intends to progress to BSc Psychology







Countryside

The Lune Valley marks a stretch of the River Lune and borders the Forest of Bowland and Yorkshire Dales and is ideal terrain for outdoor types with excellent walks, cycle rides, fishing, bird watching and horse riding. Further afield, you can visit the beautiful Lake District with its wide natural lakes and spectacular mountains.

Travel details

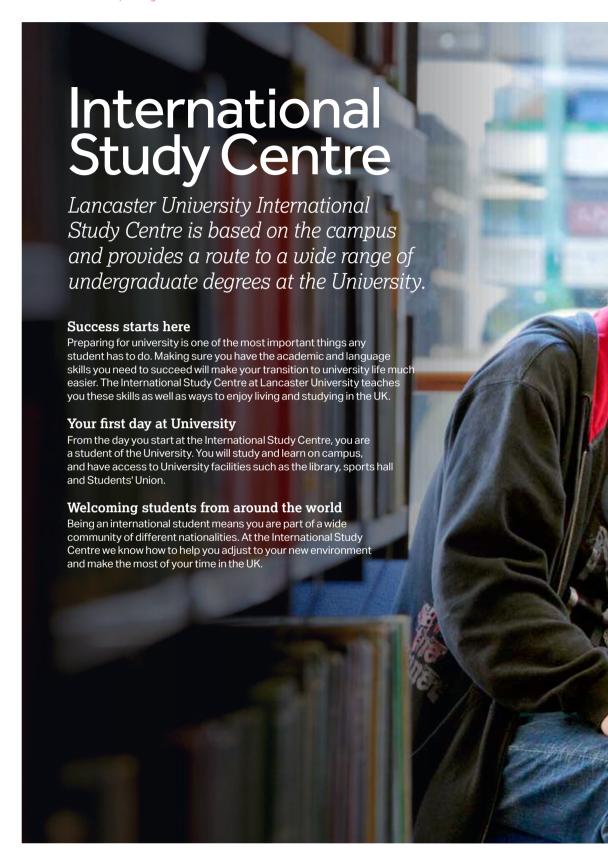
With super rail, air and sea links nearby, Lancaster provides a fast and easy gateway to national and international destinations.

Manchester and Liverpool can be reached in less than an hour and London in less than two and a half hours.

Manchester International Airport is just one hour away, and there are other regional airports close by such as Leeds and Liverpool.

Visit www.lancaster.ac.uk/explore for more information about Lancaster and the region.







International Foundation Year

Developed for international students, the International Foundation Year is an intensive three-term programme of academic subjects, study skills and English language training designed specifically to provide you with a path to degree study at the University.

Study structure

You can choose one of five Foundation routes:

- Business and Management Studies
- Engineering and Computing
- Law and Social Studies
- Life Sciences
- Mathematics and Statistics

All Foundation routes are modular in structure.

You will study core modules common to each route, plus subject-specific modules, each carefully designed to focus on the academic areas most useful to your chosen degree.

Modules may be subject to change. Please visit www.lancaster.ac.uk/isc for up-to-date information.

University-style teaching

The International Study Centre at Lancaster University introduces you to the style of teaching that you will experience on your degree. Taking part in tutorials, seminar-style classes and larger group lectures means you'll be well prepared once you progress to the University.

Assessment

You will be assessed regularly throughout the course. Your development is monitored through continuous coursework and specific assessments at the end of each term or module. You will also be required to complete a series of presentations and extended essays as part of your overall assessment.

Progression to your degree

After starting the International Foundation Year you will apply for your degree place at the University.

From the Business and Management Studies pathway you will be required to nominate four degrees. From all other pathways you will be required to nominate three degrees.

You will be made a conditional offer of a place on one of the degree programmes you have selected. On completion of the IFY and having satisfied the progression criteria outlined at the beginning of your course and in your offer letter, your offer will be made unconditional.

For full details on the progression degrees and grades required, visit www.lancaster.ac.uk/isc

Study plan options



English Language Preparation (ELP)

You will need IELTS 5.0 or equivalent, (with minimum 5.0 in writing)* in order to begin the International Foundation Year.

If you require additional language training before you start your International Foundation Year, you can first join the intensive English Language Preparation course, taught at the International Study Centre. The course will improve your English language skills to the required level equivalent of IELTS 5.0.

If you have an IELTS level of 4.0 in all skills or equivalent you will need two terms of ELP starting in July. If you have an IELTS level of 4.5 in all skills or equivalent you will need one term of ELP. You can either start in July or September – see Study plan options opposite.

At the end of your ELP programme, you will not be required to retake your IELTS, but will progress to the International Foundation Year, providing you have achieved the required module grades.





Course length

Three terms: September to June or January to August

Entry dates

September 2014 and January 2015

Term dates

September start:

Term 1: 29/09/2014 - 12/12/2014 Term 2: 12/01/2015 - 27/03/2015 Term 3: 08/04/2015 - 12/06/2015

January start:

Term 1: 12/01/2015 - 27/03/2015 Term 2: 08/04/2015 - 12/06/2015 Term 3: 22/06/2015 - 21/08/2015

Age on entry

Students should be 17 years of age on entry to the ISC

Entry requirements

Academic: Good high school graduation grades or equivalent

English language: IELTS 5.0 (minimum 5.0 in writing)*, or TOEFL or Pearson Test of English or equivalents

For tuition fees and countryspecific entry requirements, visit www.lancaster.ac.uk/isc

*Business and Management Studies requires IELTS 5.0 (5.0 in all skills) or equivalent.

Business and Management Studies

Leading to degrees in the following fields: Business Studies, Management, Management Science, Accounting & Finance, Economics

Core modules

Core Mathematics

This module contains both algebra and statistics. You will develop your knowledge and understanding of mathematical terms and techniques and apply these to solving problems, frequently drawn from practical and real-life situations.

English and Skills for University Study 1 (ESUS 1)

You will learn to read academic texts, write cohesive texts at paragraph level, write subjective notes, listen effectively and participate in classroom discussions.

English and Skills for University Study 2 (ESUS 2)

You will improve the skills developed in ESUS 1, including planning for extended writing, evaluating source material, and learning how to avoid plagiarism. You will also develop skills for planning and giving an academic presentation.

English and Skills for University Study 3 (ESUS 3)

You will develop the skills acquired in ESUS 1 and 2, improve your use and range of information sources, and prepare comprehensive essays in your own time to given deadlines. You will also develop your lecture listening skills, and be able to participate effectively in academic discussions.

Project Study

You will complete a self-study project on a topic that you will take, in consultation with your tutor, from the academic discipline that you will subsequently study at degree level.

Specific route modules

Business Studies 1

You will gain an understanding of both the operational and strategic problems facing the business enterprise in the modern market economy. The module will focus on two key areas of Human Resource Development and Marketing.

Business Studies 2

You will continue to develop an understanding of the problems facing business enterprise in the modern market economy. This module goes on to further consider the practical aspects of setting up, establishing and running a business and looks at the external influences that could have a major impact on the business's success.

Introduction to Financial Accounting

You will learn about double entry book-keeping, preparation of trial balances, profit and loss statements, depreciation, limited companies, manufacturing accounts and interpretation of accounts.

Principles of Economics 1

You will study economic systems, types of goods, allocation of resources, elasticity, price controls, types of markets, cost and revenue, economies of scale and market failure.

Principles of Economics 2

During this module, you will look at aggregate demand and aggregate supply, economic policies, inflation, unemployment, international trade and development economics.



The International Foundation Year in Business & Management Studies provides a route to a number of undergraduate degrees taught in the prestigious Lancaster University Management School (LUMS). The School is in an elite group of only 1% of universities worldwide that holds the coveted triple accreditation by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AASCB), the European Quality Improvement System (EQUIS) and the Association of MBAs (AMBA). The School is consistently positioned in the UK's top five and is ranked highly across all levels of study from undergraduate through to PhD.

When you join the International Study Centre, you will be fully supported in making your choice of progression degrees in LUMS. You are required to select four undergraduate degree choices from the available degree programmes and will receive a conditional offer of a place on one of your four choices. Progression to your degree is subject to meeting the entry requirements, which may include the submission of a Personal Statement, an interview or aptitude test.

To view entry requirements and details of how to select your degree programme, visit www.lancaster.ac.uk/isc

BSc Accounting and Economics	BA Entrepreneurship with Management
BSc Accounting and Finance	BSc Finance
BSc Accounting, Auditing and Finance	BSc Finance and Economics
BSc Accounting, Finance and Computer Science	BSc Finance and Management Studies
BSc Accounting and Management Studies	BBA Management
BA Advertising and Marketing	BBA Management (Study Abroad)
BSc Business Analytics and Consultancy	BA Management and Entrepreneurship
BSc Business Analytics and Consultancy	BSc Management and Information Technology
(Study Abroad)	BA Management and Organisation
BSc Business Analytics and Consultancy - Industry	BA Management and Organisation
BA Business Economics	(Human Resource Management)
BA Business Economics (Study Abroad)	BA Management and Organisation (Study Abroad)
BSc Business Studies	BSc Marketing
BSc Business Studies (Study Abroad)	BSc Marketing (Study Abroad)
BA Economics	BSc Marketing and Design
BA Economics (Study Abroad)	BSc Marketing Management
BA Economics and Geography	BSc Marketing Management (Study Abroad)
BA Economics and International Relations	BSc Marketing with Psychology
BA Economics and Politics	BA Organisation Studies and Psychology
BA Management Studies and European Languages	BA Organisation Studies and Sociology
BBA European Management (French link)	BA Philosophy, Politics and Economics
BBA European Management (German link)	Degrees and required grades for progression are subject to change and you will be advised of the latest information when you join the ISC. Visit www.lancaster.ac.uk/isc for up-to-date detail
BBA European Management (Italian link)	
BBA European Management (Spanish link)	

Engineering and Computing

Leading to degrees in the following fields: Engineering, Computer Science, Information Technology for Creative Industries, Mathematics & Statistics

Core modules

English and Skills for University Study 1 (ESUS 1)

You will learn to read academic texts, write cohesive texts at paragraph level, write subjective notes, listen effectively and participate in classroom discussions.

English and Skills for University Study 2 (ESUS 2)

You will improve the skills developed in ESUS 1, including planning for extended writing, evaluating source material, and learning how to avoid plagiarism. You will also develop skills for planning and giving an academic presentation.

English and Skills for University Study 3 (ESUS 3)

You will develop the skills acquired in ESUS 1 and 2, improve your use and range of information sources, and prepare comprehensive essays in your own time to given deadlines. You will also develop your lecture listening skills, and be able to participate effectively in academic discussions.

Project Study

You will complete a self-study project on a topic that you will take, in consultation with your tutor, from the academic discipline that you will subsequently study at degree level.

Specific route modules

Pure Mathematics 1

You will study straight lines and linear equations, set theory and probability, statistics, linear programming, indices and logarithms and experimental laws.

Pure Mathematics 2

You will continue by looking at algebra, co-ordinate geometry, trigonometry, differentiation, integration, numerical methods and vectors.

Applied Mathematics 1

You will learn about vectors, forces and equilibrium, relative motion, Newton's Laws of Motion, friction and work, energy and power.

Applied Mathematics 2

As you continue your studies, you will look at advanced vectors, forces as fixed vectors, centres of gravity/centres of mass and particle dynamics.

Physics 1

You will study sound, reflection, refraction, interference, diffraction, electromagnetic waves, strengths of solids, fluids, heat and gases and the structure of the atom.

Physics 2

You will investigate electrical current and charge, potential difference, resistance, capacitance, transistors and amplifiers, electrical fields, gravitational fields, magnetic fields and electromagnetic fields.



The International Foundation Year in Engineering and Computing provides a route to a number of undergraduate degrees mainly taught in the Faculty of Science and Technology. The Faculty covers an impressive range of subjects with high research profiles. The Faculty includes centres of excellence such as the Lancaster Environment Centre with over 300 researchers, and InfoLab21, carrying out ICT research with Microsoft and Nokia. Teaching combines field trips with traditional lab work, computer simulation and industrial-based projects.

BSc Accounting, Finance & Mathematics

BEng Chemical Enginnering

BEng Communication Systems and Electronics

MEng Communication Systems and Electronics (with industrial experience)

BSc/MSci Computer Science Innovation

BSc Computer Science

BSc Computer Science and Mathematics

BSc Computer Science (Study Abroad)

MSci Computer Science (with Industrial Experience)

BEng/MEng Computer Systems Engineering

BA Economics and Mathematics

MEng Electronic and Electrical Engineering

BEng Engineering



BSc Environmental Mathematics

BSc Financial Mathematics

BA French Studies and Mathematics

BA German Studies and Mathematics

BSc IT for Creative Industries

MSci IT for Creative Industries (with Industrial Experience)

BSc Management Mathematics

BSc/MSci Mathematics

BA Mathematics and Philosophy

BSc/MSci Mathematics with Statistics

MSci Mathematics (Study Abroad)

MSci Mathematics with Statistics (Study Abroad)

BEng/MEng Mechanical Engineering

BEng/MEng Mechatronic Engineering

MEng Nuclear Engineering

BSc Physics

BA/BSc Psychology

BSc Psychology and Statistics

BSc Software Engineering

MSci Software Engineering (with Industrial Experience)

BA Spanish Studies and Mathematics

BSc/MSci Statistics

MSci Statistics (Study Abroad)

BEng/MEng Sustainable Engineering

BSc Theoretical Physics with Mathematics

Degrees are subject to change and some subjects may require an interview. Please see page 34 for information on progression. You will be advised of the latest information when you join the International Study Centre and visit www.lancaster.ac.uk/isc for up-to-date details.

97%
satisfaction
for Engineering in the
National Student Survey 2013

Law and Social Studies

Leading to degrees in the following fields: International Relations, Law, Politics, Psychology, Sociology, Media & Cultural Studies, and Film

Core modules

Core Mathematics

This module contains algebra and statistics. You will develop your knowledge and understanding of mathematical terms and techniques and apply these to solving problems, frequently drawn from practical and real-life situations.

or

Globalisation* This module explores some of the different interpretations of global issues and contemporary events, and will help you to develop a range of skills including critical thinking.

English and Skills for University Study 1 (ESUS 1)

You will learn to read academic texts, write cohesive texts at paragraph level, write subjective notes, listen effectively and participate in classroom discussions.

English and Skills for University Study 2 (ESUS 2)

You will improve the skills developed in ESUS 1, including planning for extended writing, evaluating source material, and learning how to avoid plagiarism. You will also develop skills for planning and giving an academic presentation.

English and Skills for University Study 3 (ESUS 3)

You will develop the skills acquired in ESUS 1 and 2, improve your use and range of information sources, and prepare comprehensive essays in your own time to given deadlines. You will also develop your lecture listening skills, and be able to participate effectively in academic discussions.

Project Study

You will complete a self-study project on a topic that you will choose, in consultation with your tutor, from the academic discipline that you will subsequently study at degree level.

Specific route modules

Law 1

You will look at concepts of law, the relationship between law, justice and morality; the sources of law, including British and European Union (EU) legislation and the doctrine of precedent; the Civil and Criminal Courts and the role of the Judiciary.

Law 2

You will study law as it affects the citizen through contract law, including vitiating factors that invalidate the contract; the breach of contract and remedies available when a contract is broken; the sale of goods and services legislation and relevant EU regulations.

Politics

You will investigate the British political system and the British constitution, civil liberties and their relation to the judicial system; how parliament works, including the electoral system, political parties and the legislative process; the composition and functions of the government, the civil service and Britain's relationship to the EU.

Principles of Economics 1

You will learn about economic systems, types of goods, allocation of resources, elasticity, price controls, types of markets, cost and revenue, economies of scale and market failure.

* Globalisation is offered as an alternative to Core Mathematics for students planning to study degrees such as Law. Please note that Core Maths is still required for degrees such as Psychology. Further details will be provided on arrival.

Principles of Economics 2

You will learn to understand aggregate demand and aggregate supply, economic policies, inflation, unemployment, international trade and development economics.



for Communication and Media Studies in the 2014 Times Good University Guide

The International Foundation Year in Law and Social Studies provides a route to a number of undergraduate degrees mainly taught in the Faculty of Arts and Social Studies. This is the largest Faculty at Lancaster, and includes the Lancaster Institute for Contemporary Arts, with courses in traditional arts subjects as well as contemporary cultural fields, and the Department of Politics, Philosophy and Religion where researchers and students tackle the challenges of the modern globalised world.

BA Ethics, Philosophy and Religion

BA Film

BA International Relations

BA International Relations and Religious Diversity

LLB Law

LLB Law and Criminology

LLB Law and Politics

BA Media & Cultural Studies

BA Peace Studies & International Relations

BA Philosophy

BA Philosophy and Religious Studies

BA Politics

BA Politics and Philosophy

BA Politics and Religious Studies

BA Politics with International Relations

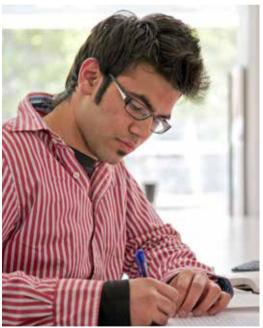
BA/BSc Psychology

BA Religious Studies

BA Sociology

Degrees are subject to change and some subjects may require an interview. Please see page 34 for information on progression. You will be advised of the latest information when you join the International Study Centre and visit www.lancaster.ac.uk/isc for up-to-date details.





Ranked in the global top 50

for Arts and Humanities in the 2013-14 Times Higher Education World University rankings

Life Sciences

Leading to degrees in the following fields: Biochemistry, Biological Sciences, Biomedical Science, Cell Biology, Ecology and Conservation, Environmental Biology and Psychology

Core modules

Core Mathematics

You will study straight lines and linear equations, set theory and probability, statistics, linear programming, indices and logarithms and experimental laws.

English and Skills for University Study 1 (ESUS 1)

You will learn to read academic texts, write cohesive texts at paragraph level, write subjective notes, listen effectively and participate in classroom discussions.

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You will develop the skills acquired in ESUS 1 and 2, improve your use and range of information sources, and prepare comprehensive essays in your own time to given deadlines. You will also develop your lecture listening skills, and be able to participate effectively in academic discussions.

Project Study

You will complete a self-study project on a topic that you will take, in consultation with your tutor, from the academic discipline that you will subsequently study at degree level.

Specific route modules

Cell Biology

You will learn about biological molecules, cellular structure, cell division, movement through cell membranes, enzymes and metabolic pathways.

Physiology

You will look at the cardiovascular system, the respiratory system, the digestive system, osmoregulation, control and coordination, and reproduction.

Chemistry 1

You will study formulae, equations and moles, atomic structure, introduction to redox systems, thermodynamics and bonding.

Chemistry 2

You will learn about equilibria, acid-base equilibria, kinetics and organic chemistry.

Further Studies in Biology and Chemistry

You will develop your understanding of genetics, ecology and plant biology plus inorganic chemistry, oxidation/reduction reactions and transition element chemistry.

8th in the UK

for Biological Sciences in the 2014 Times Good University Guide

The International Foundation Year in Life Sciences provides a route to a number of undergraduate degrees mainly taught in the Faculty of Health and Medicine. The Faculty brings together expertise in teaching, research and outreach from three established divisions, including Life Sciences. A unique blend of biomedical, medical, and social science expertise, the Faculty integrates different disciplines, thereby adding value in its research and teaching portfolios.

BSc Biochemistry

BSc Biochemistry (Study Abroad)

BSc Biochemistry with Biomedicine

BSc Biochemistry with Genetics

BSc Biological Sciences*

BSc Biological Science (Study Abroad)

BSc Biological Sciences with Biomedicine

BSc Biology with Psychology*

BSc Biomedical Science

BSc Cell Biology

BSc Cell Biology (Study Abroad)

BSc/MChem Chemistry

MChem Chemistry (North America)

BSc Earth and Environmental Science

BSc Ecology and Conservation*

BSc Ecology and Conservation (Study Abroad)

BSc Environmental Biology*

BSc Environmental Bology (Study Abroad)

BSc Environmental Science

BA/BSc Psychology*

Degrees are subject to change and some subjects may require an interview. Please see page 34 for information on progression. You will be advised of the latest information when you join the International Study Centre and visit www.lancaster.ac.uk/isc for up-to-date details.

*These degree programmes are delivered/jointly delivered by the Faculty of Science and Technology. See page 37 for information on the Faculty.





100% satisfaction

for Biological Sciences in the National Student Survey 2013

Mathematics and Statistics*

Leading to degrees in the following fields: Mathematics, Statistics, Mathematics and Philosophy, Environmental Mathematics, Financial Mathematics

Core modules

English and Skills for University Study 1 (ESUS 1)

You will learn to read academic texts, write cohesive texts at paragraph level, write subjective notes, listen effectively and participate in classroom discussions.

English and Skills for University Study 2 (ESUS 2)

You will improve the skills developed in ESUS 1, including planning for extended writing, evaluating source material, and learning how to avoid plagiarism. You will also develop skills for planning and giving an academic presentation.

English and Skills for University Study 3 (ESUS 3)

You will develop the skills acquired in ESUS 1 and 2, improve your use and range of information sources, and prepare comprehensive essays in your own time to given deadlines. You will also develop your lecture listening skills, and be able to participate effectively in academic discussions.

Project Study

You will complete a self-study project on a topic that you will take, in consultation with your tutor, from the academic discipline that you will subsequently study at degree level.

Specific route modules

Pure Mathematics 1

You will study straight lines and linear equations, set theory and probability, statistics, linear programming, indices and logarithms and experimental laws.

Pure Mathematics 2

You will continue by looking at algebra, co-ordinate geometry, trigonometry, differentiation, integration, numerical methods and vectors.

Pure Mathematics 3 You will learn about mathematical induction as well as topics in number theory, graph theory and group theory.

Applied Mathematics 1

You will learn about vectors, forces and equilibrium, relative motion, Newton's Laws of Motion, friction and work, energy and power.

Applied Mathematics 2

As you continue your studies, you will look at advanced vectors, forces as fixed vectors, centres of gravity/centres of mass and particle dynamics.

Statistics

This module is about extracting information from data. You will look at descriptive statistics and then study probability and probability distributions. You will study correlation, how to tell whether two sets of data are related to each other, and hypothesis testing.

10th in the UK

for Mathematics in the 2014 Guardian and Complete University Guide

The International Foundation Year in Mathematics and Statistics leads to a number of degrees in the Department of Mathematics and Statistics, an exciting, innovative and friendly department with a well-deserved reputation for top-quality teaching and world-class research. Statistics at Lancaster University is ranked in the world's top 100 by the QS World Rankings 2013.

BSc Accounting, Finance and Mathematics

BSc Computer Science and Mathematics

BA Economics and Mathematics

BSc Environmental Mathematics

BSc Financial Mathematics

BA French Studies and Mathematics

BA German Studies and Mathematics

BSc Management Mathematics

BSc/MSci Mathematics

BA Mathematics and Philosophy

MSci Mathematics (Study Abroad)

BSc/MSci Mathematics with Statistics

MSci Mathematics with Statistics (Study Abroad)

BSc Psychology and Statistics

BA Spanish Studies and Mathematics

BSc/MSci Statistics

MSci Statistics (Study Abroad)

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The Foundation Year develops essential skills such as critical thinking, presentation and time management as well as providing English language preparation. The academic modules taught me the core concept of each subject which also helped me decide what to study. I was then able to start my first year with confidence.

How to apply

Your application will need to include copies of all relevant academic transcripts and certificates of English language qualifications.

Courses are popular and places may be limited, so you are advised to apply and confirm your place as soon as you can.

To apply directly

Simply send your completed application to the address printed at the bottom of the form.

Alternatively, you can apply online at: www.lancaster.ac.uk/isc

To apply through your local representative

Complete the application form enclosed with this brochure and return it to your local educational representative. Further application forms are available from your local representative.

Tuition fees

Full details can be found in the application form or online at: www.lancaster.ac.uk/isc

StudyCare insurance

It is essential that you have the protection of personal insurance whilst in the UK. StudyCare will provide cover for loss of personal possessions, as well as providing accident and medical insurance during your ISC academic course. For full information on StudyCare and a copy of the policy, visit: www.lancaster.ac.uk/isc/studycare

Entry requirements

Students can find detailed entry requirements in the 'Admission' Section at: www.lancaster.ac.uk/isc

Information and advice

If you need further information, our expert Student Enrolment Advisers are available for help and advice.

You can contact an Adviser online or on the number below: Tel: +44 1273 339333

If you are applying through a local representative, please contact them directly with any queries.

About the programmes

All programmes at Lancaster University International Study Centre are approved and run by Study Group, in partnership with Lancaster University. Study Group holds responsibility for the academic standards.

At Lancaster University International Study Centre we work hard to maximise student progression to Lancaster University. Our expert teaching and supportive environment are all geared towards enabling high rates of student progression. Students who do not meet progression requirements for Lancaster University will be supported in exploring alternative options, which may include the possibility of progression to another university that may be within Study Group's portfolio of higher education institutions.

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