



textiles

engineering and physical sciences



the facts



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'Manchester is a place for individuals, brilliant kids who like to do their own thing... and if you are ready it will release you to do the same...'

The Virgin Guide to British Universities

With a distinguished history of academic achievement and an ambitious agenda for the future, The University of Manchester offers you a learning experience rooted in a rich educational heritage and boosted by cutting-edge research and innovation – all at the heart of one of the world's most vibrant cities.

the university

Part of the prestigious Russell Group of universities, Manchester has much to offer you. As well as the outstanding facilities, resources and opportunities found within an institution of this calibre, the University is highly respected amongst academic and business communities alike – a respect that is conferred upon its graduates.

Innovative

Our tradition of success in learning and research stretches back over 180 years, encompassing the birth of the modern computer, the splitting of the atom and the founding principles of present-day economics. All these and many more world-changing innovations have their roots here, at The University of Manchester.

Rated third in the UK in terms of 'research power' in the last Research Assessment Exercise, today we enjoy a global reputation for our pioneering research, which informs our problem-based approach to undergraduate learning.

Internationally renowned

Since 2005, the University has risen in the influential Academic Ranking of World Universities Survey conducted by Shanghai Jiao-Tong University, from 53rd to 44th in the world, and ninth in Europe – confirming us as a progressive and world-class teaching and research institution.

Our campus is home to more than 37,000 students from around 150 countries, creating a diverse and inclusive multicultural community.

Ambitious

Our mission is to become one of the top 25 universities in the world by 2015 and the preferred destination for the best teachers, researchers and students.

It's a goal that we're well on the way to achieving, backed by a multimillion-pound investment programme in facilities, staff and buildings. This includes a virtual learning environment that offers you flexible access to study resources 24/7, and the Alan Gilbert Learning Commons, a new £30 million resource centre for students opening in 2012.

Distinguished

More than 5,600 academic and research staff – many leaders in their fields, with international reputations – provide stimulating learning environments and excellent standards of teaching.

As a Manchester graduate, you will join a prestigious hall of fame, including 25 Nobel Prize winners among our current and former staff and students. We have more Nobel Prize winners on our current staff than any other UK university.

Sought after by employers

Employers actively target University of Manchester graduates, giving you excellent job prospects.

Our worldwide community of 240,000 graduates can be found in top positions in every imaginable field, including Sir Terry Leahy, former chief executive of Tesco; former Secretary General of Amnesty International Irene Khan; writer/performer Meera Syal and author Louis de Bernieres.

Full of opportunity

You can take advantage of countless exciting personal development opportunities at Manchester, including career development programmes run by a university careers service that has consistently been voted the best in the UK by graduate recruiters.

Choose The University of Manchester and you will join one of Britain's most forward-thinking universities, which builds on its success year on year – and invites you to do the same.

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textiles at manchester

Textiles and Paper is an integral part of the School of Materials within our Faculty of Engineering and Physical Sciences, which has the largest and most widely based university materials activity in the western world. With an excellent international reputation, well-established industry links and numerous staff and expertise ranging across several disciplines in the School of Materials, The University of Manchester has a lot to offer our Textiles students.

Textiles at Manchester has an excellent international reputation for research and teaching, while close links with industry and the strength of our degree courses mean that we have a superb track record in terms of graduate recruitment. We continually strive to maintain and improve our research and teaching quality by combining modern facilities with a caring and professional approach.

We offer a wide portfolio of undergraduate degree courses, combining textiles with management, design, science, technology and retailing. Designed in conjunction with industry, these courses provide high-quality, relevant education and skills for today's dynamic textiles and clothing industry.

All our BSc degree courses can be extended to four years, giving you the opportunity to spend a year either abroad, or in industry. These combinations are a major strength, reflected in the exciting careers and leading positions that our graduates hold in business and education throughout the world. Please note that in the first instance you will apply and register for a three-year degree course; if you successfully meet the progression criteria in your second year, you can then apply for the opportunity to study abroad or in industry for a year.

There are more than 700 students in the School of Materials, with approximately 500 enrolled on Textiles degree courses. The demand for undergraduate places in Textiles has significantly grown over the past four years and, while we have increased the number of places available on our degree courses, you are strongly advised to apply early in the UCAS application process

Manchester offers you...

- International reputation for teaching and research that attracts funding and sponsorship from industry and the retail sector
- Superb facilities, including well-equipped textile processing, materials testing and chemistry laboratories with a wide variety of apparatus and industrial machinery
- Dedicated creative design studios and computer clusters with access to digital media design and multimedia learning packages
- The world's largest collection of textile books in our University library
- Excellent graduate employment record



Study resources and facilities

Choose to study Textiles at Manchester and you will enjoy great facilities. Our laboratories include materials-testing, manufacturing technology, textile chemistry, information technology and computer aided design (CAD). We also have dedicated creative design studios, state-of-the-art multimedia learning packages and the largest collection of textile publications in the world in our Joule Library.

Our international reputation for teaching and research attracts funding and sponsorship from industry and the retail sector. As well as helping us to maintain an exciting learning environment, this ensures the continuation of our excellent employment record for students after graduation.

Funding

International Excellence undergraduate scholarships

The Faculty of Engineering and Physical Sciences offers up to ten scholarships of £2,000 per year for well-qualified international undergraduate students. The awards will take the form of a scholarship against the tuition fees. All international students who are holding an offer of a place within the Faculty will be automatically considered for a scholarship.

For details of eligibility, see:
www.manchester.ac.uk/eps/intschol

All other scholarships and bursaries

At the time of going to press, the University is unable to announce its full fees and scholarship package until we receive formal approval by the Office of Fair Access (Ofa). However, we are committed to providing everyone with the opportunity to study via a range of scholarships and bursaries, information about which will be on our website over the summer.

We therefore encourage you to keep checking online prior to submitting your UCAS application for sources of funding that may be available to you:

www.manchester.ac.uk/studentfinance



Alice Martin
BSc Textile Design and Design Management

"I like the fact that there is both practical and academic work on the course, as it will become beneficial to me when I work in industry. I feel I benefit from learning about the science behind textiles, it comes in extremely useful when designing textiles as I understand everything about how textiles are made."



Myra Wasim
BSc Management and Marketing of Fashion Textiles

"I am really enjoying studying Management and Marketing of Fashion Textiles because of the blend and fusion of the subjects covered. We don't only get to learn about fabric types and their technical specifications, but also about marketing and management. We also simultaneously explore about the fashion industry and finance sector."



Dorina Kostadinova
BSc Design Management for Fashion Retailing

"I thought I came prepared and I knew exactly what the course was like, but it combines so many different subjects, which complete each other in perfect synchrony, that you can't really predict what follows next. All the lecturers put in a great effort to improve their subject every single day, which is great, and you get to not only learn the theoretical part of the material, but also get a lot of practical training."



Liz Fry
BSc Textile Science Technology with Industrial Experience

"For me the Industrial Year option was extremely attractive when applying to Manchester. I secured a one-year placement with a manufacturer of woven upholstery fabrics. This helped me tremendously with both my personal and academic skills. It also allowed me to build up a number of contacts, which lead to work experience in companies that specialised in textiles for sports cars, military armour and high performance composites."



Sean Jadoon
BSc Fashion and Textile Retailing

"The FTR BSc is perhaps one of the most balanced courses you will do, in all honesty. Design, trend forecasting, business and economics and a healthy dose of science makes what I think is one of a handful of courses in the industry. In the second year you will get a chance to visit Premier Vision in Paris. Don't even think about it; go enjoy Paris and see first-hand what an exciting industry you are going to be part of!"

course details

Design Management for Fashion Retailing BSc 3yrs

UCAS Code W290

Fashion and Textile Retailing BSc 3yrs

UCAS Code JN45

Management and Marketing of Fashion Textiles BSc 3yrs

UCAS Code JN42

Textile Design and Design Management BSc 3yrs

UCAS Code J4W2

Textile Science and Technology BSc 3yrs

UCAS Code JJ49

Textile Technology (Business Management) BSc 3yrs

UCAS Code J4NF

Typical offer

A-level: AAB for Fashion and Textile Retailing, Management and Marketing of Fashion Textiles, Design Management for Fashion Retailing, and Textile Design and Design Management; ABB for Textile Science and Technology and Textile Technology (Business Management)

IB: 35 for Fashion and Textile Retailing, Management and Marketing of Fashion Textiles, Design Management for Fashion Retailing, and Textile Design and Design Management with three subjects at higher level; 33 for Textile Science and Technology and Textile Technology (Business Management)

For full entry requirements, see:

www.manchester.ac.uk/ugcourses

Which course?

The diverse and unique nature of fashion and textiles is reflected in the breadth of degree courses we offer. Management, marketing, design, science, technology and retail subjects are included in a range of courses; all of these can be taken in three years, or over four years to include the opportunity for study abroad in France, Hong Kong, India, Sweden, Portugal, or the USA; or to take a placement in industry.

Degree courses 'with Industrial Experience'

Based on the three-year degree courses, these four-year derivatives allow a year spent in industry.

You would follow the same first and second year as the equivalent three-year degree courses and would initially register for the three-year course. This allows a greater degree of flexibility, as you do not have to commit yourself until the second year. To help you make an informed choice at that stage, you will be provided with information about all options open to you and invited to apply to transfer to an appropriate four-year course, provided you have satisfactory examination results. You will organise your placement during the second year in liaison with the School and the University's Careers Service.

Your third year is spent in one or more placements with companies where the work content can consist of a wide range of activities relevant to the degree course you are following. You will be able to use your skills and knowledge gained throughout your first two years of study. Organisations that have taken placement students include: Debenhams, Marks and Spencer, John Lewis, Selfridges & Co, Hugo Boss, Freeborders, Matalan, Primark, Milliken and Adamley Textiles.

You then return to The University of Manchester for your fourth year to study alongside those on their final year of the three-year degree course.



Degree courses 'with Study Abroad'

These courses follow the same first and second year as the equivalent three-year courses and you would initially register for the three-year course. This allows a greater degree of flexibility, as you do not have to commit yourself until the second year, when you will be provided with information about all options open to you and invited to apply to transfer to an appropriate four-year course, provided you have satisfactory examination results.

Your third year is spent abroad studying in an English-speaking university (currently we have exchange agreements with universities in France, Sweden, Hong Kong, India and the USA). If you choose to study abroad during your third year, you will be able to experience a different culture and make many new friends.

You then return to The University of Manchester for your fourth year to study alongside those on their final year of the three-year degree course.

Professional accreditation

All our courses are accredited by the Textile Institute, with an ATI (Associateship of the Textile Institute) awarded when you are 25 and have completed two years in industry.

course details

Applied Management

BSc (Hons) Management and Marketing of Fashion Textiles

The global fashion textiles industry is dynamic and diverse, and the Management and Marketing of Fashion Textiles degree aims to equip you for a career in this exciting industry. Our course provides you with a thorough understanding of the worldwide fashion textiles industry from a business perspective, taking into account the management and marketing issues from concept to consumer.

The broad range of subjects offered on this course make it ideal for a variety of careers in fashion textiles and beyond. The fashion and textiles industry incorporates a diverse range of products and processes, from fashion apparel and household textiles, as well as highly technical textile products like performance sportswear, through to industrial products like bulletproof vests and specialist fibres, yarns and fabrics.

A particular strength of this course is the opportunity it gives you to study applied management and marketing subjects – such as fashion marketing, branding, international business, fashion logistics and product development – alongside specialist textile technology subjects.

What you study

The course has three broad subject areas: management, marketing and textiles technology. Study opportunities are broadly spread across each of these three areas. Topics relate to all aspects of management and marketing of fashion textiles, from concept or raw material stage, through to the delivery and sales of a final product. Subject areas are updated in accordance with the modern textiles industry; consultation with, and speakers from, industry are a key feature of our subject design and delivery.

This course offers you a robust focus on academic theory through lectures, group activities and seminars, as well as practical lab-based classes. Assessment takes place via a variety of informal and formal methods, such as quizzes, examinations, project work and coursework.

Year 1

Your first year establishes the fundamentals in management and marketing concepts, particularly through the core units of Introduction to Fashion Textiles Management (trade and commerce, globalisation, management theory, economics, etc), and Introduction to Fashion Textiles Marketing (retailing, fashion garments and trends, promotion, global sourcing, etc). You are also introduced to fibres, materials, fabrics and textile production processes.

Year 2

This builds on the principles introduced in your first year by exploring specific aspects of management and marketing in depth. Practical projects help you put theory into practice to develop a marketing strategy for a new branded fashion range concept. In management, you are introduced to fashion logistics and supply chain management, as well as technology and production management, human resources and international business. Further study of textile technology, in particular the performance and evaluation of fabrics and fibres, is a key feature.

Year 3

For those on the standard three-year degree course, this will be your final year (see below). For those on the course 'with Industrial Experience', there is a negotiated placement with a suitable company for a year. For those on the 'with Study Abroad' course, this year will be spent abroad.

Final year

You have the opportunity to consolidate and extend your specialist knowledge in areas of management and marketing studied in previous years. Specialist subjects are introduced, such as strategic marketing, international fashion marketing, creative fashion marketing and advanced fashion logistics. You may choose from a range of specialist options; for example, a themed marketing unit, or a dissertation. Examples of possible project topics for a dissertation could include Fast Fashion in the Global Supply Chain, or Brand Communications of Performance Textiles.



Career opportunities

By developing this technical understanding in areas such as fabric performance and production management, our graduates enter the job market with essential knowledge needed by managers and marketers in the highly competitive fashion textiles industry.

The combination of management and marketing expertise with technical underpinning equips you with the necessary knowledge and skills for a diverse range of jobs in the fashion textile industry, including fashion buying, fashion merchandising, marketing, production management and supply chain specialists, to name just a few.

Companies that have recently employed our graduates include Marks and Spencer, Next, Arcadia Group, Shell and Mercedes.

course details

Design

BSc (Hons) Textile Design and Design Management

Designers and design managers have crucial roles to play in providing the marketplace with the right designs at the right time and price. Awareness of technical, commercial, marketing and fashion aspects of the industry is essential.

The Textile Design and Design Management degree course has a strong emphasis on developing the multidisciplinary skills that are necessary in today's competitive marketplace. You will learn to develop your creative ideas successfully into designs for knitted, woven and printed fabrics, and to take these through into actual fabrics using our unparalleled range of equipment – from hand-sampling looms and knitting machines, to state-of-the-art, computer controlled power machinery.

What you study

You study design within a business and marketing context, underpinned with a strong grounding in the necessary technologies. The degree course aims to develop your creativity, self-reliance and motivation. Ideal for those with a mix of art and science subjects, the course educates graduates who are well equipped and highly sought after for positions in today's global industry. Course units are assessed by both formal examination and coursework.

Year 1

There are studio-based drawing and design projects (covering knit, weave and print) as well as course units where you will learn about CAD. Textile materials and processes are studied through the product supply chain and investigate fibres, yarns and fabrics.

Year 2

We develop management skills and further understanding of technology through a mixture of lectures and projects. The design and drawing projects and fabric production sessions continue, often with the participation of industrial partners. You also take a design enterprise unit where, as part of a group, you will set up and run a 'company'.

Year 3

For those on the standard three-year degree course, this will be your final year (see below). For those on the course 'with Industrial Experience', there is a negotiated placement with a suitable company for a year. For those on the 'with Study Abroad' course, this year will be spent abroad.

Final year

You will undertake a major design project and produce a written report. There is also a course unit that considers legislation and the environmental impact of textiles. There is a choice between further study of technical textiles and the Manchester Leadership Programme with a business unit. Your design work is exhibited at the end of the year at the degree show.

Recent projects include eveningwear, lampshades, car interiors, screens and fabrics for sofa covers. Out of these final-year projects can come the opportunity for postgraduate research.



Career opportunities

This degree course prepares you for a variety of careers. Graduates go into both the manufacturing and retail sectors of the textile and clothing industry as designers, design managers, selectors, buyers, stylists and producers. Some go into other areas, such as teaching and accountancy, while a number will undertake postgraduate courses in areas as diverse as museum studies and textile technology.

Companies that have recently employed our graduates include Marks and Spencer, Gap, Next, Paul Smith, John Lewis, Benetton, Laura Ashley, Matalan, DAKS Simpson and Bhs.

course details

Fashion retailing

Retailing is a dynamic sector with growing employment opportunities for graduates. As design plays an increasingly important part in the lifestyle of consumers, there is a growing demand for professionals within global retailing organisations who can combine an awareness of design and fashion with the necessary retail and management skills.

You can choose from two degrees: **Design Management for Fashion Retailing**, or **Fashion and Textiles Retailing**. These two BSc (Hons) courses run in parallel, but allow specialist subjects to be developed, creating unique exit profiles. They both have, at their core, an extensive range of course units in fashion retailing and textiles, studying subjects from textile fabric production methods and product performance, to trend forecasting and product planning.

The courses are taught via practical studio-based projects, tutorials and lectures, along with problem-based learning. You are assessed via a mixture of examinations and coursework.

BSc (Hons) Design Management for Fashion Retailing

This multidisciplinary degree allows creative individuals to develop expertise in computer-aided design and multimedia design, alongside a sound knowledge of retailing, consumer behaviour, fashion management and design communication. Underpinning the course is the development of a technical language in textile and fashion product development, allowing you to gain subject knowledge in manufacturing processes that are critical in the understanding of the fashion supply chain.

This course produces highly creative managers with multimedia skills, who have the technical and design competencies and the management and marketing knowledge demanded by today's fast-moving fashion retail industry. As retail design managers find themselves facing more diverse roles, this course aims to meet these changing needs in what is currently one of the most rapidly evolving and major growth areas of business. Over your three or four years of study, you will gain a detailed and broad understanding of the fashion retailing sector with design management techniques.

BSc (Hons) Fashion and Textile Retailing

The Fashion and Textiles Retailing degree involves retail, design, management and technology, and offers two specific themes based on business management and clothing.

The business option incorporates marketing and business course units, including logistics and business communication. The clothing option equips you with product knowledge to work and effectively communicate with international fabric and garment manufacturers in the fashion supply chain.

Our courses provide you with the full range of academic and management skills required: from consumer behaviour, to textile testing, and from product performance, to fashion management. You become fully conversant with this exciting industry through studying developments in retailing, the mechanics of fashion and fashion operations management, as well as learning about the processes and materials involved in textile production. This enables you to fully understand the products you retail, and be equally comfortable talking to technical managers about performance requirements as you are analysing consumer behaviour.



What you study

These two interdisciplinary degree courses equip you for careers in fashion retail management, currently one of the most rapidly evolving and major growth areas of business. With the increasingly global nature of retailing, the industry requires managers and strategists who understand consumer behaviour, marketing, and fashion operations.

Many core course units are common across the two degrees. The necessary creative and analytical skills are taught through a problem-based approach to practical work in areas such as trend forecasting, product planning, and fashion management. Theory is taught through traditional lectures and seminars and covers topics such as buyer behaviour, retailing, store design and supply chain strategies, which underpin the practical coursework.

You develop technical knowledge through all three years of the course, studying product analysis, product performance and integrated design, and investigating textile and fashion manufacturing processes and their applications. You also study quality assurance and environmental impacts, critical in today's complex and fast-moving fashion and textile industry.

course details

Fashion retailing

Year 1

Taught through an integrated series of practical projects, laboratory classes, lectures and seminars, the first year of both degree courses gives you a fundamental grounding in a range of subjects, including retailing, product analysis, textile processing and technology, and mechanics of fashion where the trend development process is investigated. Design Management for Fashion Retailing provides specialised course units in the principles of multimedia and CAD/graphics. The clothing pathway of the Fashion and Textile Retailing degree introduces you to the basics of garment construction, including aesthetics and drape, and sewing technology. The business pathway introduces marketing concepts.

Year 2

The fundamentals of your first year are reinforced by a set of core course units designed to develop the specialist aspects of fashion, textiles and retailing in greater depth. Retailing, consumer behaviour, trend forecasting and product planning are all developed using a mix of academic theory underpinned by scenario-based practical projects. Product performance and evaluation, which investigates quality assurance and the role of colour measurement, also plays an important role in this year.

Again, course units in the Design Management for Fashion Retailing course further develop multimedia skills through CAD graphics and digital media. The Fashion and Textile Retailing degree course continues the business units in logistics and business communication for the business pathways, while the clothing pathway involves further study in clothing construction.

Year 3

For those on the standard three-year degree course, this will be your final year (see final year). For those on the course 'with Industrial Experience', there is a negotiated placement with a suitable company for a year. For those on the 'with Study Abroad' course, this year will be spent abroad.

Final year

In addition to developing a more in-depth knowledge and understanding of those areas studied in previous years, studies into fashion management, supply chain strategies, eCommerce and international fashion retailing are introduced, while issues of environmental impact and ethical trade are investigated. On either of the degrees, your final year also provides you with the opportunity to undertake a major research project within your specialism on a particular aspect of fashion, marketing, design management, digital media or retailing.

Previous examples of research topics have included: Ethical Retailing – Fad or Future; A Guide to the Fashion-Buying Process; Deconstruct/Reconstruct; The Virtual Store Environment and The Perfect Shopping Experience. Out of such projects can come opportunities for postgraduate research.

Career opportunities

In addition to giving you a good preparation for careers in fashion retailing, these degree courses help you to develop a broad portfolio of skills that allow you to pursue a wide variety of career paths, as employers seek multi-skilled personnel who are able to work in multi-functional teams.

Graduates from these courses typically go into the fashion and textile industries as buyers, design managers, merchandisers, members of product development teams and retail managers. In addition, they may move into professions such as recruitment and teaching, or pursue careers in research in the UK or abroad.

Companies that have recently employed our graduates include Arcadia (Topshop, Dorothy Perkins), Next, Oasis, Reebok, Charnos, Matalan, Grattans, Levis, Marks and Spencer, New Look, Tesco, Viyella, Debenhams, John Lewis, Benetton, Laura Ashley, DAKS Simpson and Bhs.

Textile Technology

Textiles is a vibrant and innovative international industry, with a consistent demand for top-quality graduates. The continuing evolution of the industry provides exciting opportunities, embracing the high performance technical textiles sector, as well as the apparel and domestic textiles market. Recent innovations include microclimate control clothes, mobile communication platforms and medical textiles.

The multidisciplinary nature of textiles requires high calibre technical managers and researchers with expertise in engineering, chemistry, physics and electronics. With our technical expertise and broad equipment base, our degree courses in Textile Science and Technology and Textile Technology (Business Management) aim to develop graduates with the skills to create and implement the next generation of textiles innovations.



BSc (Hons) Textile Science and Technology

BSc (Hons) Textile Technology (Business Management)

A degree in Textile Science and Technology is particularly suitable if you wish to enter senior technical management, or research and development, while Textile Technology (Business Management) provides a strong background if you're looking for a successful management career in a manufacturing industry. A special feature of these degree courses is the opportunity they give you to study within an industrial context.

What you study

There is a common first year and both degree courses continue to share core course units in textile technology throughout the subsequent years. In the second and final years, the Textile Science and Technology course focuses on developing expertise in science and technology subjects, while the Textile Technology (Business Management) course moves its focus to combine business and management with technical know-how.

course details

Textile Technology

Year 1

Both courses share the same course units in the first year and provide a fundamental basis of fibre, yarn and fabric manufacture, the nature of materials, mathematics, physics, chemistry and computation through an integrated series of lectures, seminars and laboratory projects. In addition, this year introduces you to accounting, textile management and the economics of textiles and clothing operations.

Year 2

Your second year builds on the foundations laid in the first year, with course units in production technology, polymer technology and new product development. For those on the Textile Science and Technology degree course, there is also an introduction to colour science, 'smart' materials and electronics. For those of you taking Textile Technology (Business Management), operations and quality management, costing and economics, and management in a global context are introduced.

Year 3

For those on the standard three-year degree course, this will be your final year (see final year). For those on the course 'with Industrial Experience', there is a negotiated placement with a suitable company for a year. For those on the 'with Study Abroad' course, this year will be spent abroad.

Final year

In addition to advanced concepts in fibre and fabric, you study technical textiles and production management. Those following the Textile Science and Technology degree course will study a range of course units addressing topical areas, such as composites, biomaterials and the impact of textiles on the environment, while those on the Textile Technology (Business Management) course focus on global textile markets and human sustainable strategic management.

During this year, you undertake an extended project, which will enhance your research abilities, analytical expertise and personal skills. Recent projects have covered such diverse areas as medical textiles, ink-jet printing, ethical management and the sale of textiles, and innovative management techniques for the textile industry. Out of these projects can come opportunities for further postgraduate research.

Career opportunities

There is a huge demand for our Textile Technology graduates. Our degree courses prepare you for a variety of career pathways, with graduates entering the research and manufacturing sectors of the textile, chemical engineering and clothing industries.

Companies that have recently employed our graduates include global organisations such as Marks and Spencer, Speedo, Nike, Hugo Boss, Heathcoat Fabrics, Autoliv AB, Clear Edge Filtration, Unilever, The British Museum, Clariant and Heimbach.

In addition, as the textile industry evolves and high-performance, added-value textile-based products emerge, more and more high-tech employers in alternative industries are employing our graduates.



Our University website holds a wealth of information on the many varied aspects of student life. Below are some of the most popular topics – use the web links for full details...

find out more

Accommodation

As long as you apply by our deadline, all first-year students holding an unconditional offer are guaranteed an offer of a place in university accommodation. For international students, this promise is extended to the full duration of your studies. We are proud to offer more spaces in university-managed accommodation than practically any other UK university.

Discover our diverse range of university accommodation, bustling student areas, halls of residence visits, private accommodation options and more:

www.manchester.ac.uk/accommodation
www.manchesterstudenthomes.com

Admissions and applications

We welcome applications from people of all backgrounds, and are fully committed to equality of opportunity. All applications for full-time undergraduate courses in higher education are coordinated by the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS). You must apply online at www.ucas.com. If you are unable to access the internet, contact the UCAS Customer Service Unit on +44 (0)871 468 0468.

Find out more about the application process, policies, procedures and support:

www.manchester.ac.uk/ug/howtoapply

Careers Service

Our award-winning Careers Service will work in partnership with you throughout your degree to improve your employability and prepare you for the competitive jobs market. It will help you find part-time jobs, volunteering and work experience opportunities.

Since Manchester is one of the most targeted universities by graduate recruiters, you will meet many employers on campus. You might also take part in the unique Manchester Leadership Programme, to help you develop skills and boost your CV.

Find out more about careers events, mentoring programmes, accredited course units and a whole range of other services:

www.manchester.ac.uk/careers
www.manchester.ac.uk/mlp

Childcare

There are two centres associated with the University for children between six months and five years of age: Dryden Street Nursery and Echoes Nursery. Find out more about funding options, private nurseries, playgroups and schools:

www.manchester.ac.uk/studentnet/crucial-guide/personal-life/student-parents/student-parents

City of Manchester

One of the great benefits of being a student at Manchester is that all the joys of Britain's number one student city are right on your doorstep. You'll be spoilt for choice for food, drink, culture, music, history, nightlife, festivals, shopping, sport and much more – with the quiet countryside of two beautiful national parks also within easy reach when you want to get away from it all. Find out what one of our current students has to say about the capital of the North West:

www.manchester.ac.uk/ug/studentlife/sociallife/manchester

Disability support/applicants with additional support needs

We welcome applications from people with additional support needs and all such applications are considered on exactly the same academic grounds as other applications. If you have additional needs arising from a medical condition, a physical or sensory disability, or a specific learning disability, you are strongly encouraged to contact the University's DSO to discuss your needs, any arrangements that may be necessary and the extent to which appropriate support is available:

www.manchester.ac.uk/dso

Information is also available from the Students' Union Welfare Officer:

www.umsu.manchester.ac.uk

Funding and finance

The University of Manchester will charge a headline fee of £9,000 per year to UK and EU undergraduates from September 2012, following changes to university tuition fees approved by Parliament in 2010. This fee will enable the University to maintain the quality of a Manchester degree, invest in the wider student experience and offer a range of bursaries and discounts for students from less well-off backgrounds.

However, more than one-third of all students who successfully apply to study here will receive bursaries of up to £3,000 per year – and many will be offered even more generous support. Students who are eligible will be able to choose how they receive this support – either as a cash bursary, or as a discount on their fees or accommodation bill.

For the most up-to-date details, including information on our proposed bursaries, scholarships and fee discounts, see our website:

www.manchester.ac.uk/studentfinance

International students

The University is a multicultural environment and home to more than 9,500 international students from around 160 countries. A range of services is available for international students, to help you both before and during your studies. This includes an airport collection service, orientation courses and specialist student advisers.

Find out more, including information specific to students from your country, such as entry requirements and useful contacts:

www.manchester.ac.uk/international

IT services

As a student at Manchester, you will have access to a huge range of up-to-date IT services, including: online and mobile learning, PC clusters with a wide range of software, extensive WiFi networks, halls of residence internet service, email and technical help and support.

www.manchester.ac.uk/its

Library

The John Rylands University Library (JRUL) is one of the best-resourced academic libraries in the UK and is widely recognised as one of the world's great research libraries, with diverse special collections and electronic resources unrivalled within UK universities.



In 2009, the Main Library underwent a large-scale refurbishment to the ground floor, improving access both to the building and to the collections and also introducing new social and learning spaces to cater for a range of learning styles.

Find out more about the information services and resources available to you:

www.manchester.ac.uk/library

Maps

Get to grips with your future home and take a closer look at our campus, the city and University accommodation by viewing our maps:

www.manchester.ac.uk/aboutus/travel/maps

Prospectus

Our 2012 undergraduate prospectus offers a comprehensive overview of The University of Manchester. You can view a copy online:

www.manchester.ac.uk/ug/courses/prospectus

Religious support

There are two chaplaincy centres for the major Christian churches. St Peter's House provides chaplains for the Anglican, Baptist, Methodist and United Reformed Churches, while the Roman Catholic Chaplaincy is at Avila House. Hillel House provides facilities for Jewish worship. There are prayer facilities on campus for Muslim students and student societies for many religions.

Sport

We have an exciting sport and fitness scene with something for everyone at every level, from complete

beginner to high performance athlete. Discover more than 40 sports clubs; a vibrant 'Campus Sport' programme, allowing you to play in friendly, recreational leagues; a huge variety of health and fitness classes; plus sport volunteering and scholarship opportunities.

Find out more about our superb sport facilities and opportunities to get active in Manchester:

www.manchester.ac.uk/sport

Student support

Whatever the issue – financial, academic, personal, or administrative – we have experienced and sympathetic people, support groups and advice centres to help you. Find out about counselling, academic advice and various other student support services:

www.manchester.ac.uk/studentnet/crucial-guide

Students' Union

The University of Manchester Students' Union (UMSU) is the largest Students' Union in Europe, offering everything from live bands to welfare advice, cheap stationery to student representation. UMSU has some of the largest and most active student societies in the country, as well as support and welfare services, student media, shops and bars and the famous Manchester Academy. Have a look at the SU website:

www.umsu.manchester.ac.uk

Video library

Watch and listen to our students and staff introducing various aspects of student life and The University of Manchester with our selection of online videos:

www.manchester.ac.uk/aboutus/video



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