



UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

# POSTGRADUATE PROSPECTUS 2014





**TOP 10 UNIVERSITY FOR RESEARCH IN THE UK  
(RAE 2008)//TOP 100 UNIVERSITY IN THE  
WORLD (QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS  
2012)//OVER 30,000 STUDENTS FROM 141  
DIFFERENT COUNTRIES//LEEDS UNIVERSITY  
UNION IS ONE OF THE LARGEST AND BEST  
IN THE COUNTRY WITH 250 CLUBS AND  
SOCIETIES//ONE SINGLE CAMPUS, JUST 10  
MINUTES WALK FROM THE CITY CENTRE**

## WELCOME TO LEEDS

Your postgraduate study is a great investment in your future and it is vital that you choose the right university for you.

At Leeds, we provide an inspirational academic experience. Researchers and students work together to create knowledge and influence policy across the world. We work hard to make sure that all our students are made welcome, receive help to settle in and make friends from the minute they arrive. From the moment you accept an offer and throughout the duration of your studies we will be there, offering a range of specialist services to help you make the most of your time at Leeds.

Whether you want to deepen your knowledge of a subject, enhance your career opportunities or take a new direction in life, the University of Leeds has a postgraduate course to suit you.

This prospectus provides information on what it is like to study here, the range of courses that are available, what our students think, and much more to help you decide whether Leeds is the place for you.

For more information, please contact us using the email addresses listed in this prospectus or visit our website [www.leeds.ac.uk/postgraduate](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/postgraduate)

Better still, come and visit us to get a feel for life on campus.

To find out when a University of Leeds representative will be visiting your country go to [www.leeds.ac.uk/visitstoyourcountry](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/visitstoyourcountry)

## POSTGRADUATE OPEN DAYS

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Friday 29 November 2013

Friday 14 February 2014



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# WHY LEEDS

Established in 1904, the University of Leeds is one of the UK’s largest universities, world famous for its teaching and research and located in the heart of a vibrant, affordable and student-friendly city.

## Our reputation

We are a member of the prestigious Russell Group of 24 research-intensive universities and have been placed in the top 100 universities in the world (*QS World University Rankings 2012*).

Our University is internationally recognised as a centre of excellence in a wide range of disciplines, and we are known for the quality of our postgraduate teaching and research. We have more than 5,000 postgraduate students completing Masters and postgraduate diplomas, and 2,000 research postgraduates. Students come from 141 countries to enjoy the benefits of our outstanding resources, including one of the country’s leading academic research libraries, a specialist Language Centre and state-of-the-art laboratories.

In the most recent Research Assessment Exercise (which assesses the quality of research in universities and colleges in the UK) more than half our schools were ranked in the top 10 in the country, including Electronic and Electrical Engineering (ranked the best in the country), Italian, English, Food Science and Education, to name just a few. 61% of our research was judged to be ‘world leading’ or ‘internationally excellent’, with a further 32.5% of ‘national importance’.

For more information about the breadth and impact of our research see page 10.

## Our approach to student education

Integrating research with learning and teaching is at the heart of our strategy. We have been awarded 17 National Teaching Fellowships – more than any other institution in England, Northern Ireland and Wales – reflecting the excellence of our teaching. Study here and you will be taught by academics who are engaged in world-class research and cutting-edge professional practice.

Postgraduate programmes are underpinned by our research, meaning you will have the opportunity to learn about, and contribute to, the creation of knowledge and the research process.

### Join us and you can expect:

- to be taught and supervised by academic staff who are as passionate about your subject as you are
- an interdisciplinary approach to learning and high-quality academic teaching informed by world-leading research; ensuring what we teach is up to date and relevant
- teaching informed by a wide range of internal and external collaboration
- courses that keep in touch with employer needs
- essential training to develop lifelong transferable skills and enhance your employment prospects
- outstanding facilities and services, including one of the biggest and best academic libraries in the UK
- an excellent student experience in a friendly, supportive environment.

## First-class facilities

We are a large, distinguished institution, able to invest in world-class facilities for our students and staff. By 2015/16 we will have spent £157m on new buildings and refurbishment to create an environment to pursue excellence in research and teaching.

Our outstanding facilities and services include an environmentally-friendly Student Services hub and one of the largest fitness centres on any university campus. The brand new St Mark’s Residences provides accommodation of the highest standard exclusively for postgraduate students.

## City campus

Our single campus sits on the edge of the city centre, and a 10-minute walk will take you to the heart of Leeds. Renowned as a centre for arts, sport, leisure and entertainment, Leeds is a cultural and vibrant city.

## What others are saying about us

### The inspectors

The Quality Assurance Agency (QAA) safeguards and helps to improve the academic standards and quality of higher education in the UK. During their most recent audit, the University received the highest category of praise available – a commendation – for the enhancement of student learning opportunities.

### International Student Barometer

Leeds is one of the UK’s top universities for international student satisfaction. We were ranked 1st out of 16 Russell Group universities for:

- arrival and orientation
- virtual learning
- course organisation
- managing research
- internet access
- accommodation office.

(source: ISB Autumn wave 2012)





# POSTGRADUATE STUDY AT LEEDS

## Courses

Postgraduate courses have many benefits: they enable you to enhance your knowledge of a specialist area, update your current knowledge, extend your understanding of a subject or prepare you for a career. Some employers now require a Masters degree as standard. A postgraduate Masters course can also be excellent grounding for further study for an MPhil or PhD.

You will combine traditional seminar and tutorial work with independent project-based investigation. Assessment is through written examinations, essays and projects as well as continuous coursework. Assessment methods can vary between faculties and schools.

All our degrees are fully compatible with the Bologna Framework for Qualifications of the European Higher Education Area (EHEA); the University issues a combined Diploma Supplement and Transcript or Diploma Supplement and Statement to all its graduates.

## Flexible study

Full-time courses last for 12 months. For those who don't wish to study full time there is a wide variety of other options. You can choose web-based distance learning or part-time attendance (subject to residential status) on traditional full-time degree courses.

For further details see [www.leeds.ac.uk/coursefinder](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/coursefinder)

Most flexible programmes enable you to accumulate credits as part of career development plans and work at a level appropriate to your needs.

## Research degrees

Research students can study in all academic areas and we are happy to discuss the options available to you. The vibrant research community at Leeds makes it an ideal choice for students who wish to complete a doctorate. You can find out more by visiting the postgraduate research pages of our website, where you can also download a copy of our postgraduate research brochure.

[www.leeds.ac.uk/pgr](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/pgr)

You may also wish to visit Research Student Administration at [www.leeds.ac.uk/rsa](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/rsa)

For full details about supervisory expertise and research projects available in individual schools, please consult the relevant faculty website. Our nine Faculty Graduate Schools provide support and guidance for postgraduate students. They can provide you with additional training, organise seminars and social events.

[www.leeds.ac.uk/faculties](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/faculties)

International Masters students often progress to PhD programmes and we welcome applications from students who plan to undertake both Masters and PhDs at Leeds.

If you would like any information or advice about research degree study please email Research Student Administration at [rp\\_applications@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:rp_applications@leeds.ac.uk)

## Continuing Professional Development

If you are looking to develop or update your existing skills then we may have a Continuing Professional Development (CPD) course to suit you. CPD courses are short or long training programmes which foster the development of employment-related knowledge, skills and understanding. Some CPD courses have the option of accreditation.

I did my undergraduate degree at the University of Glasgow in Chemistry with Medicinal Chemistry. I want to do a PhD, but it is unusual to go straight from BSc level; one of my lecturers advised me that one of the best places to investigate was the University of Leeds.

I looked at the research being done at Leeds and read about the interesting work Professor Colin Fishwick was

leading in the School of Chemistry. I've ended up doing my thesis with Professor Fishwick, so I've got where I wanted to go. I'm currently applying for various PhD positions, and the initial feedback has been very promising.

The main difference for me between being an undergraduate and a postgraduate is the method of assessment – there's far more emphasis

on coursework at PG level. I've always done better at presentations, coursework, lab work, research and thesis, and this accounts for 80% of my course. There's a lot more contact with your lecturers and because they know that you know your stuff, they're a bit more relaxed and are able to talk about subjects in greater depth. At the same time, it's very focused. If your tutor knows how you learn, how you think,

they can aim what they're teaching to fit with your way of working. It's tailored towards what you want to learn.

Jamie is pictured in one of the labs in the School of Chemistry, May 2013.



**JAMIE INGRAM**  
MSc CHEMICAL BIOLOGY  
AND DRUG DESIGN



# AN INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITY

The University of Leeds is a truly international university. We have links with many leading institutions worldwide and over 5,000 international students study with us each year.

Academic excellence is at the heart of our University strategy, and internationalisation is integral to that. We take an international view of everything we do, whether that is welcoming students from other countries, or developing relationships with other universities and businesses around the world. Where it is relevant, we also incorporate an international dimension in our teaching.

We maximise the impact of our research and innovation through international strategic collaborations. We are a member of the Worldwide Universities Network (WUN) and have developed significant international links through our academic schools and faculties.

### An international experience on campus

Whether you are an international or UK student, if you are looking forward to broadening your horizons at university, there are plenty of opportunities at Leeds. Meet the world over a cup of coffee at the Global Café, explore new global and cultural perspectives at the International Cultural Festival and network with students who share your international interests by joining a choice of 40 international-related student clubs and societies. And if you want to contribute to your University and develop valuable employability skills at the same time, you could apply to be one of the University's Intercultural Ambassadors. Ambassadors create exciting new intercultural projects to enhance the international experience of our global community of students.

### A popular university for international students

The University of Leeds is one of the most popular destinations in the UK for high-quality international students.

Our excellent teaching has a worldwide reputation. It will equip you with expert subject knowledge, based on cutting-edge research, as well as the vital skills employers are looking for in this competitive job market. Our graduates are highly sought after and enjoy successful careers across hundreds of different professions.

### International student support

Leeds has a long history of providing both an inspirational academic experience and excellent student support. We are very familiar with the needs of international students and have developed specialist support to help you make the most of your time with us.

To complement the advice and support on offer from the Student Advice Centre, Careers Centre, Student Counselling Centre and the many other services that provide help at Leeds, the International Student Office offers specialist international student advice. You can get help with issues like preparing for Leeds, immigration, opening bank accounts and UK regulations. You can ask questions or discuss any worries you may have, or just drop in for a friendly chat about how you are getting on.

### International welcome

We know that your first few days and weeks here are really important to the success of your time at Leeds, so we offer specialist arrival and orientation support for international students throughout the year.

The International Student Office runs a free welcoming Meet and Greet Service for international students arriving in Leeds in September. The International Welcome Team will meet you when you arrive in Leeds and give you all the information you need to settle in during your first few days.

If you have a September start date, you should arrive during International Welcome Week (mid-September each year) to attend our essential free International Welcome Week programme of information sessions and social events.

International Welcome Week provides an excellent introduction to Leeds and is a key part of a successful study experience. During this week, you will benefit from a wide programme of events and workshops including:

- social events where you can make new friends
- campus and city tours
- finding accommodation
- opening a bank account
- support services
- safety essentials
- UK study skills
- coping with culture shock.

For more information please visit [www.internationalstudentsupport.leeds.ac.uk](http://www.internationalstudentsupport.leeds.ac.uk) or email [internationalstudents@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:internationalstudents@leeds.ac.uk)

### The Language Centre

If you need extra English language tuition before you start your programme, you may want to think about enrolling on one of the English language courses provided by the Language Centre. (See page 20 for more details.)

I think the most important thing to consider for your Masters degree is the course. My undergraduate degree was in dramatic arts and I wanted to explore more about drama and performance beyond the theatre. I talked to my tutors and they recommended some good universities in the UK. I found that the course here at Leeds was the best match.

I also talked to someone who came to Leeds and he told me that it's a really good place to study.

Everything was new to me when I arrived, but I was given a welcome pack which contained all the essential information and documents I needed for those first few weeks. At first I felt a bit nervous, but when the course began I started to learn and make friends.

There is a real cultural exchange in class – I really enjoy hearing from others and sharing my own perspective with the UK students.

It's been great to meet people from different countries and hang out with them. We eat together and when we eat, we talk about our own country and we also listen to information about each other's cultures.

Sometimes we change our opinions, which is a benefit of learning with people from other parts of the world.

Leeds is a great city for students: you'll have so many experiences. It's the best city to walk, to study, to spend your life in!

Punch is pictured with friends at the Waterside Café on campus, April 2013.



**PUNCH THAMMABOOSADEE**  
MA PERFORMANCE,  
CULTURE AND CONTEXT



# RESEARCH EXCELLENCE

Whichever degree or diploma you choose, you will find that research is at the heart of your learning. Our staff and students are continually striving for academic excellence. Studying here, you will experience an inspirational learning environment and be taught by staff actively engaged in world-class research. This knowledge informs your studies, meaning lectures and seminars are not only highly engaging, but also very relevant to today's world.

## Creating new gateways to research

Our breadth of knowledge and expertise underpins our commitment to ensuring our research has direct economic and societal benefit. For example, the University has implemented a dynamic 'sector hub' approach to working with the wider world, creating interdisciplinary centres of excellence which form a gateway to the University's expertise. Supported by over £10m of investment, the sector hubs provide a more focused and strategic approach to working with industry and other partners, meaning we can advance real solutions to real-world issues.

As a postgraduate student at the University, you will find that the research and outputs of at least one of these hubs relates to what you are learning in your lecture theatres and seminar rooms.

## CLIMATE AND GEOHAZARD SERVICES (CGS)

CGS is an interdisciplinary group at the University of Leeds focused on climate, geohazards and their impact on society. As our climate changes and human and economic losses from natural disasters continue to rise, there is an ever increasing need to understand the driving processes and impacts of extreme events and climatic variation. The hub produces first-class research in climate and natural hazards, mathematical modelling of risk and engineering solutions to mitigate risk, as well as social science tools which help end user groups maximise the impact of the research.

## FOOD SECURITY

The world is facing a potential crisis in terms of food security. The challenge is to produce and supply enough safe and nutritious food in a sustainable way for a growing global population, which is projected to reach nine billion by 2050. The Food Security hub is a trans-disciplinary project delivering solutions across the food supply chain; working with stakeholders and industry to provide sustainable solutions.

## WATER

water@leeds is a large and unique research centre. It comprises a team of over 150 professionals from across the University; drawing on their wide-ranging expertise for world-class multidisciplinary collaboration. This enables us to address contemporary complex challenges in the field of water research and to provide a deeper understanding of, and solutions to, real-world problems. We work on issues including: water quality, flooding, drought, access to sanitation, the value of water in the supply chain, security of supply, and climate change. We also provide undergraduate and postgraduate research-led training and development as well as professional training and consultancy.

## ENERGY LEEDS

Over the next ten years, global energy investments in the order of £4.3tn are needed to diversify existing resources, replace equipment and to cater for challenging and changing energy requirements. Energy Leeds brings together multidisciplinary research and innovation expertise at the frontiers of energy and environmental research to work with regional, national, and international stakeholders in industry, academia and the government.

## HEALTH SERVICES

The Health Services hub aims to facilitate successful translation of research excellence for patient benefit using academic expertise across the University. The hub supports consistent improvement in health outcomes and reduced health inequalities at international, national and local levels, through forging partnerships with those planning, designing and evaluating healthcare.

## MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES

Founded around Europe's largest integrated multidisciplinary medical engineering centre, the Institute of Medical and Biological Engineering, Medical Technologies develops medical devices and regenerative therapies that repair, regenerate and replace diseased or damaged tissues, to help the body restore function. The hub works with key industrial partners that could benefit from accessing innovation right across the medical technology spectrum – from implantable devices through to regenerative therapies that can be enhanced with autologous stem cells.

## STRATIFIED MEDICINE

Stratified medicine, also referred to as personalised medicine, involves the identification of treatments that will be the most effective, or that will cause the fewest side effects, for any given patient. Research at the University of Leeds supports this approach at a variety of levels, from molecular biology studies into the underlying mechanisms of disease, to health economic analyses of specific diagnostic tests or treatment pathways. The hub provides sector-specific expertise to facilitate the translation of this research, engaging with industry to support the development of novel drugs and diagnostic tests.

## SOCIAL CARE

Radical change in social care delivery, including personalisation, privatisation, and new assistive and medical technologies, is already sweeping the sector. The hub draws together a critical mass of interdisciplinary, world-leading and policy-relevant research on social care, establishing Leeds as a unique and distinctive centre of excellence in the field, capturing and communicating the latest thinking and making it accessible to external partners.

## PHARMACEUTICAL AND BIOPHARMACEUTICAL

Despite huge investment and changes in practices over the years, the rate of drug discovery has not increased and the cost of bringing effective drugs to market remains very high. The hub brings together expertise in a range of physical and biological sciences to pioneer innovative approaches to drug discovery and to help the sector discover safe new medicines faster.

## HIGH VALUE CHEMICAL MANUFACTURE

From small and medium enterprises to large international chemical and supply chain companies involved in the research, development, manufacture and sale of raw materials and formulated chemical and polymer products, the hub is the University's gateway to engaging with industry in the high-value chemical manufacture field.

## TRANSPORT SYSTEMS

The Transport Systems hub builds on the work of the Institute for Transport Studies (ITS) in creating new opportunities for a series of successful and long-lasting partnerships with transport-related industries and organisations in the UK and abroad. The hub's role is to facilitate relationships with industry that maximise the contribution and impact of the University's world-class transport systems research and expertise.

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

The hub works to improve collaboration, to enhance knowledge and deliver innovative approaches to ensure that our world-class research has a greater impact for business and society. The hub's expertise covers the established professional services (accountancy, finance and law), the new emerging professions (consulting, the management of shared services) and the transitional professions (those managing radical change in the public sector and working in new forms of mutual and social enterprise). Research collaborations involve working nationally and internationally with a wide range of organisations including businesses, social enterprises, public sector agencies, professional bodies and regulators.

## CULTURAL & CREATIVE INDUSTRIES EXCHANGE

Cultural & Creative Industries Exchange is the sector hub for the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Performance, Visual Arts and Communications (PVAC). The hub provides research services for the development of new products and services for the sector, opportunities for knowledge exchange activities through collaboration and sponsored postgraduate research for archives, museums, galleries, performance arts and corporate partners.

## DIGITAL TECHNOLOGIES

Covering Electronics, Photonics and Electrical Systems (EPES) and Information and Communication Technology (ICT), the Digital Technologies hub brings together institutes and research groups across several disciplines, all of whom are involved in developing hardware and software.

Find out more about our research at  
[www.leeds.ac.uk/research-and-innovation](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/research-and-innovation)



# TEACHING OF THE HIGHEST STANDARD

When you arrive at the University of Leeds, you will join a community of outstanding academics and students who are all passionate about their subjects. You will learn from some of the most respected academics in the world.

Our internationally renowned research is at the heart of campus life. As a student here, you will experience research-based teaching and work alongside academics who are making discoveries and breakthroughs in your subject. You will develop excellent relationships with your lecturers and tutors, and their passion and support will ensure you are at the cutting edge of knowledge creation.

Professor Anne Neville is Deputy Head of the School of Mechanical Engineering at the University, and Leader of the Corrosion and Surface Engineering Research Group. Recipient of the UK's first ever 10-year Royal Academy of Engineering Research Chair in Emerging Technologies, Professor Neville is also course coordinator for the MSc in Oilfield Corrosion Engineering.

“Research and teaching are very intimately linked in the Oilfield Corrosion Engineering course, and I think that's what makes the programme unique. We are teaching from a position of understanding of what the current issues are; we're teaching the science, which is a given, but Leeds is a world leader in this area, so the theory is backed up by pioneering research.

There are so many big challenges surrounding oilfield corrosion engineering, and it's important that these are addressed in our teaching. It's a fairly fast moving field, and one which has huge impact. For example, if the oil price changes, there are consequences for the whole economy – so oil and gas are extremely important. Especially because there's pressure now to reduce the environmental impact, so we have to make sure that we recover it very effectively, and then when we've got it, that we use it very effectively as well. In the School of Mechanical Engineering, we're involved in the recovery of oil and gas, so our students are learning all about how to get oil and gas from under the sea, in a safe and economic manner, while understanding the science of it, which is pretty challenging.

In fact, it's probably as challenging, if not more so, than the space programme. We're going 3,000 metres into the subsea, and then maybe another 2,000 metres into the rock beyond, so we're talking about depths and pressures that are enormous! The technological demands are huge and comparable with what you see in the space programme – it's just that we're going down instead of up.

I think, in every way, our students get an absolutely fabulous experience. Our laboratories are very well equipped – probably the best oilfield corrosion labs in the country. Because we're actively researching in that area, we attract funding which allows us to provide state-of-the-art equipment, which benefits students in the School. Computational facilities and lecture spaces are very good, and there's a lot of great social space in the department too.

We have a particularly good rapport with our postgraduate students – they each have a personal tutor for their research project, so we get to know the students we supervise. For me, that's a really enjoyable part of my teaching; their projects are quite substantial, and I feel I can help them go that extra mile with my knowledge and research in the subject. This year, some of my students got to attend a conference in the USA where they had the opportunity to listen and learn from experts in the field – it was a great experience for them.

Prospective students need to be competent in physical sciences and have a desire to learn. They should be motivated, and interested in engineering, in addition to the science. In return for their hard work, the employment prospects for students in this area are extremely good; about half of my students go onto PhD study and half go into industry. There are lots of jobs in the field of oilfield corrosion engineering – it's not unusual for students to go straight from their Masters to working as an engineer in the UK earning £55,000. I actually make sure I have copies of the CVs of my current students, because I often get requests from companies who are looking to recruit graduate engineers. It's great to know there are so many opportunities for students after their time at Leeds.”

**PROFESSOR ANNE NEVILLE**  
PROFESSOR OF TRIBOLOGY AND  
SURFACE ENGINEERING





# CAMPUS LIFE

Our vibrant campus on the edge of Leeds city centre has all the facilities and services you need to ensure you have the best possible student experience.

### Sport

Whatever your level of fitness, our University provides excellent opportunities to keep healthy and get active. So whether you want to participate for fun, at club level or at the highest national and international standards, at Leeds you will be inspired to achieve your personal best.

The Edge is our flagship indoor facility providing excellent fitness, sport and wellbeing opportunities, all located on campus.

- Facilities include:
- 200 station state-of-the-art gym (the largest in UK Higher Education) complete with Technogym equipment and Sky TV
  - 25m 8-lane swimming pool
  - sauna and steam room
  - squash courts
  - strength and conditioning rooms
  - three studios offering over 130 classes per week covering everything from yoga and pilates to circuits and salsa aerobics
  - climbing wall.

In addition, the University has excellent outdoor facilities at the Weetwood Sports Park, including more playing field space than any university in the UK.

For more information about sport and fitness at Leeds visit [www.leeds.ac.uk/sport](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/sport)

### Help@Leeds

This is a joint project between the University and the students' union, designed to make it easy for you to find help when you need it. The Help@Leeds website has contact details for all the support services on campus and quick links to useful information that may answer your questions. If you get stuck, email [help@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:help@leeds.ac.uk) and we'll find the right person to help you. <http://help.leeds.ac.uk>

### Student Counselling Centre

The Centre helps students to manage stresses, difficulties and emotional problems that might prevent them from achieving their full academic or personal potential. The Centre offers free, professional, confidential consultations, individual counselling, workshops and web-based self-help.

For more information visit [www.leeds.ac.uk/studentcounselling](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/studentcounselling)

### Healthcare

If you have permission to be in the UK as a student for more than six months, you will be entitled to free medical treatment on the National Health Service (NHS). You must register as a patient with a doctor and you will be entitled to free treatment in NHS hospitals (as long as the UK is your main home at that time).

Leeds Student Medical Practice is an NHS practice specialising in all aspects of student health. For more information visit [www.leeds.ac.uk/lsmpr](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/lsmpr)

### Childcare

Bright Beginnings Childcare Centre offers staff and students campus-based childcare which is registered with Ofsted and complies with the EYFS (Early Years Foundation Stage) framework. We provide high-quality care and education for children aged between three months and four years (or to the age at which they go to school) and a 56-place play scheme for school-age children.

For more information visit [www.brightbeginningschildcare.co.uk](http://www.brightbeginningschildcare.co.uk)

### Chaplaincy

The University Chaplaincy offers spiritual and pastoral support to all students (of all faiths and none) throughout their time at Leeds. Whether you're struggling or seeking inspiration, we provide drop-in pastoral and spiritual care, space for meditation and reflection and opportunities for worship and spiritual development. We are based at the Emmanuel Centre, which houses a chapel for quiet contemplation and a common room. There is also a chapel at the Catholic Chaplaincy (at 5, St Mark's Avenue), and a Jewish Chaplaincy and an Islamic prayer room on campus.

For details of our events and further information, please visit [www.leeds.ac.uk/chaplaincy](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/chaplaincy) or phone us on **0113 343 5071**

### Skills@Library

Skills@Library provides workshops, online resources and advice to help develop your academic skills. You can book onto workshops covering topics such as presentation skills, preparing for exams, and finding and managing academic information. Alternatively, you can work through online tutorials and activities at a time and pace which suits you. There are drop-in sessions on offer to give support with maths problems and general advice on issues such as time management and essay structure. Skills@Library also provides rooms you can book free of charge for working on your group projects or presentations.

For more information visit <http://library.leeds.ac.uk/skills>

I've always been really interested in development issues and politics, so I searched online for universities in the UK that offered these subjects and Leeds came up as one of the best.

I love the library here at Leeds; it's one of the best equipped libraries I've ever come across.

There are librarians who specialise in your areas of interest, so if you have a particular query about anything, they help you out. They're there all the time but you can also book an appointment with them, so they can spend more time helping you individually. If you can't find something or you don't know where to begin, you can ask them.

The Careers Centre here is really amazing too. As an international student, I've found it very helpful just for sorting out my CV and getting advice on where to actually begin looking for jobs. Again, they have people dedicated to each subject who can help you to network and connect with relevant employers.

Development is quite a difficult area to get into, but through the Careers Centre I have attended a couple of talks with people already working in the sector. I've picked up some good advice about where to volunteer and how to get internships.

Jessica is pictured studying in the Brotherton Library, April 2013.

JESSICA DRURY  
MA GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT (EDUCATION)



# LOVE YOUR POST graduate AT Leeds

When you study at Leeds, you instantly become a member of Leeds University Union – that is pretty good news, because even if we do say so ourselves, we're one of the best students' unions in the country (don't worry, many other people have said it too!\*) Our building is handy, right at the heart of campus and offers you amazing services, support and opportunities.

We always make sure our vibrant building is buzzing with activity, which isn't hard as we're home to over 250 clubs and societies, lots of places to meet, chill out and study.

Now, we know what you're thinking...students' unions are just for undergraduates – but this really isn't true, we promise! We are here for all our students and postgraduates are some of our favourites! (Shhh, don't tell the undergrads!)

In fact, one of our most popular and active student groups is our Postgraduate Society, who keep themselves busy by running amazing events and activities for their fellow PGs, to ensure there is never a dull moment!

One fantastic example is our recently established Three Minute Thesis contest, where postgraduate researchers and Masters students have a get together and celebrate the outstanding work that is being done on our campus.

Whatever interests and skills you have, from sport to debate, and everything in-between, you'll be able to get involved here in Leeds!

## We're on your side

As for the Union itself, we are so much more than a building. We are an independent charity run by students, for students, so understand exactly what you'll be feeling throughout your studies. We're always ready and able to offer support and advice on a full range of topics, from plagiarism to budgeting. Our independent Student Advice Centre provides confidential and impartial advice on housing, health and wellbeing and much more.

If you're not on campus much, that's fine too. You can chat to us on the phone, through our website, in the Twittersphere or on Facebook. Quite frankly, however you would like to reach us, you can.

## Gigs!

We like to think of ourselves as a little bit rock and roll, and we've played host to some of the biggest names in music, including Ed Sheeran, Frank Turner, Alt-J, Professor Green, Labrinth and Florence & the Machine. Legendary rockers The Who have even graced our stage!

As a student at Leeds, you can access great value tickets to all our events through our very own ticket office, Leedstickets.com.

\*Who else thinks we're great: "By far the best Students' Union in the country (world) as well!" NSS respondent 2012 / "Excellent Students' Union with hundreds of different societies." NSS respondent 2012 / We're the only students' union to win the SUEI GOLD award twice, ever / We scored 90% in the NSS 2012 overall satisfaction rating / We've won Gold in NUS Green Impact Awards this year, plus our bars won a bunch of NUS Best Bar None awards too, NUS green union of the year 2012/13.

Check us out!

if you like what you've heard so far, you'll love the rest. Go on... take a peek at a bit more info at [www.luu.org.uk](http://www.luu.org.uk) or find us on Facebook under 'Leeds University Union'. On Twitter?

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I studied Biomedical Sciences for my undergraduate degree and wanted to do something more specialised for my Masters. I chose to study Infection and Immunity at Leeds because the course is really good; you get a lot of hands-on experience and spend a lot of time in the lab.

Also, because it's quite a small group, you feel like you can talk freely to the

lecturers and other students. We're all on a first-name basis and I like that.

I'd never really played sports before coming to university, so I thought I'd pick something a bit different. I joined the Lacrosse Society at Leeds University Union at the beginning of my first semester. Lacrosse is a team sport a bit like hockey; it's quite fast paced but really good fun! I felt really welcomed by

the society; there is a real mix of people, undergraduates and postgraduates from different backgrounds and everyone was so friendly. I'm part of the beginners' squad now, so I go to the practices twice a week and we have social events too.

The Union itself is really big, with lots of shops, facilities, food outlets; they've got something for everybody basically. And there is always something going on,

like every Monday there is the farmers' market outside.

The Union have over 250 different societies. I would definitely recommend getting involved in them because you never know who you might meet!

Victoria is pictured in Leeds University Union, April 2013.

VICTORIA LEE  
MSc INFECTION AND IMMUNITY



# ACCOMMODATION MAKING LEEDS YOUR HOME

Adapting to life in a new place can be both exciting and challenging. Finding somewhere to live where you feel comfortable will help you settle in quickly. The University of Leeds has plenty of accommodation to choose from: residences large and small, in contemporary or traditional buildings, on campus or off campus, catered or self-catered. All our accommodation is within easy walking distance of campus, or on a frequent bus route. Living in University accommodation is one of the best ways to make new friends and help you settle into university life.

Most of our postgraduate accommodation is in self-catering residences. We provide kitchen facilities that you share with a small number of other residents. All rooms have a bed, wardrobe, desk and chair. Around a third of the rooms are en-suite, and where there is a shared bathroom, rooms may also have a washbasin. All residences have launderettes or provide washing machines. Different residences have different facilities, such as parking spaces, squash courts, pool tables, common rooms, music practice rooms and bars.

Exclusively for postgraduate students, St Mark's Residences is a brand new development conveniently located less than two minutes' walk from the North East of campus, and within 15 minutes' walk of the city centre. A self-catered residence with over 500 en-suite bedrooms, gym, business centre and lounge area, and a 51-week contract length, St Mark's is a great option for postgraduates.

You can find more information about all the different residences on the accommodation website [www.accommodation.leeds.ac.uk](http://www.accommodation.leeds.ac.uk)

We offer a variety of contract lengths and rents to suit all budgets, and for your convenience we offer flexible payment methods. Our rents include all utility bills, internet access and contents insurance – so there are no hidden extras to pay. Most students will also receive membership to the University's flagship sports centre, The Edge.

### Our guarantee

- We guarantee to provide University accommodation to all single postgraduate students paying international fees who return an accommodation application form before the deadline. Late applicants will be allocated University accommodation depending on availability.
- If you are a UK or EU postgraduate, although we cannot guarantee you accommodation, we are confident that we will find you a suitable room.

### Accommodation for students starting mid-session

If you are planning to arrive in Leeds earlier or later than September/October, please apply for accommodation at least a month before you arrive to enable us to make you an offer of accommodation. If you are studying at our Language Centre during the summer, your accommodation during your language course will be arranged for you. You will then have the opportunity to choose your preferred accommodation for the academic year.

### Finding accommodation in the private rented sector

The University offers help in finding appropriate private housing through Unipol Student Homes and the Student Advice Centre in the Students' Union.

For more information, please visit [www.unipol.leeds.ac.uk](http://www.unipol.leeds.ac.uk)

You can find more information on the accommodation website [www.accommodation.leeds.ac.uk](http://www.accommodation.leeds.ac.uk)

My course is very specific, and I could only find it offered in three places. Out of the three, Leeds was the highest ranking university, and also the School of Electronic and Electrical Engineering came top in the last Research Assessment Exercise (RAE), so that's why I came.

I live in Montague Burton Halls which is owned by the University and is five

minutes from campus. It's an ideal location because between lectures I can easily come home for a meal and be back within an hour. It's very convenient.

I am in a self-catered flat, with five single rooms sharing one kitchen and bathroom facilities. There's a mix of undergraduates and postgraduates which is great. I've made friends with all my housemates and we often cook food

for each other. My flatmates are on different courses so if they have friends over, I get to meet them.

Being in halls is great because there's so much going on. During the winter our hall executives organised a trip to go ice skating and managed to get us cheap tickets. We gathered as a group and went to Millennium Square. It was pretty difficult skating on ice but it was the

first time I'd tried it! It was easy to pick out familiar faces because so many people from my halls were there. It's things like that which have made living in halls so much fun. Everyone has been really positive and welcoming.

Zubair is pictured in Leeds, making the short walk back to his halls of residence from the University, May 2013.

**ZUBAIR LUTFULLAH**  
MSc (ENG) EMBEDDED SYSTEMS  
ENGINEERING





# THE LANGUAGE CENTRE

The Language Centre offers academic and general English language programmes to equip students with the skills needed for university study and to provide a useful orientation to academic life and British culture.

If your English language level is not quite at the required standard for entry to your chosen degree programme, an English for Academic Purposes pre-sessional programme can help you to join the University, without needing to retake IELTS or TOEFL.

If you already fulfil the University's English language requirement at the time of application, you may still find the Language Centre's programmes useful preparation for your chosen degree programme.

Services and facilities include a dedicated Self-Access Area for independent language learning with access to materials in over 40 different languages. An extensive collection of foreign language feature films and documentaries, satellite television over the internet and computer-assisted language tuition are also available. In addition, we have a dedicated language learning advisor – always on hand to help.

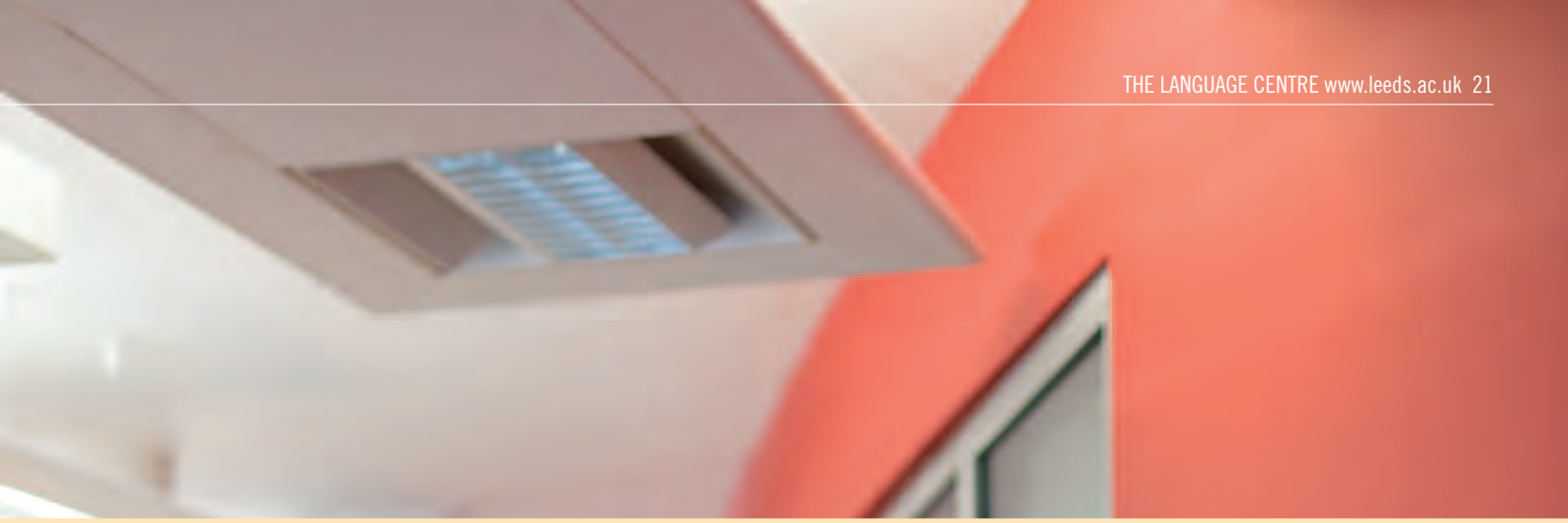
Students may join a programme at any of the term/programme start dates (subject to fulfilling the entry requirements).

These courses are subject to change, so please visit the Language Centre for up-to-date information, tuition fees and course details [www.leeds.ac.uk/languages](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/languages)

Please note that tuition fees DO NOT include accommodation fees.

The following courses are available for postgraduate students:

Course title	What do you plan to study?	Start dates	Length
General English programme	English for everyday communication	30/09/2013 04/11/2013 13/01/2014 10/02/2014 07/04/2014 19/05/2014 07/07/2014 04/08/2014	6-42 weeks
Academic English for Undergraduate Studies pre-sessional	An undergraduate degree after the International Foundation Year or English PLUS Study Abroad (academic English + undergraduate modules in semester 1 or 2)	30/09/2013 13/01/2014 07/04/2014 07/07/2014 04/08/2014	6-42 weeks
Academic English for Postgraduate Studies pre-sessional	A Masters or PhD degree in Engineering, Sciences, Humanities, Arts or Social Sciences	30/09/2013 13/01/2014 07/04/2014 07/07/2014 04/08/2014	6-42 weeks
Academic English for Business and Management pre-sessional	A Masters or PhD degree in Business and Management	13/01/2014 07/04/2014 07/07/2014 04/08/2014	6-32 weeks
InterComm pre-sessional	A Masters or PhD degree in Communication Studies, Journalism, Politics, Development Studies, Translation and Interpreting	04/08/2014	6 weeks



I chose to study the pre-sessional course before doing my Masters as I wanted to improve my English. It has also allowed me to become familiar with the environment here, which has helped me build confidence to learn and to make friends. When I first arrived, it was very hard to communicate with others in English. Now, six months on, I can talk!

They not only teach you English on the course, but other skills such as time management.

The Language Centre also organise social events. For the first two terms we focused on study, but at the end of the course they organise some trips to places like York and Newcastle which adds some fun!

I have a personal tutor who helped me settle in and get used to university life in the UK. It means that if I have a problem, not only limited to the study of English, I can ask them. My personal tutor is also is my class tutor, so it's easy to communicate with him.

I feel more confident now about studying a Masters course, because I've done the pre-sessional course.

I would recommend it to friends in China. You can come here to join the summer course or just one or two terms. It makes a difference – it has made it so much easier for me to live and study here.

Yan is pictured in the Language Centre, at the centre of campus, May 2013.



YAN LI  
MA PROFESSIONAL LANGUAGE AND  
INTERCULTURAL STUDIES



# CITY LIFE

Leeds has all you can expect from a major city and is surrounded by beautiful, accessible countryside. The compact city centre is a short, 10-minute walk from campus with fast, frequent and cheap transport links.

With a population of over 700,000, Leeds is home to people from more than 141 different nationalities. Over the years, communities from all over the world have chosen to settle here. This gives the city a strong multicultural base, and makes Leeds an especially welcoming place for students of all origins and faiths.

Although the city’s roots lie firmly in the textile industry, in recent years Leeds has become a centre for trade and commerce, and is one of Britain’s most important financial, banking and legal centres. Leeds is energetic, fun and student focused – it is one of the largest centres for university education in England. There is so much to explore and discover in Leeds and many of the city’s cultural sights and venues are free or discounted for students.

## Arts and culture

The city has a vibrant cultural life, so whether you are a fan of cinema, opera, concerts or theatre, Leeds has something to suit you. Throughout the year the city is transformed by outdoor concerts in Millennium Square, street theatre and performance art, various European-themed festivals and markets, and even an ice rink in the winter. In and around Leeds you will find many areas of natural beauty and interest, such as Roundhay Park, Temple Newsam, Harewood House and Kirkstall Abbey. Within easy reach of Leeds are the Yorkshire Dales, Peak District and Lake District national parks and historic towns such as York, Harrogate, Ripon and Bradford.

## Sport

Leeds has a proud sporting tradition, and has been chosen as the host city for the start of the 2014 Tour de France. The city is home to famous teams such as Leeds United Football Club, Yorkshire Cricket Club and Leeds Rhinos and Leeds Carnegie rugby clubs. If spectating isn’t enough and you want to get active, one of the country’s biggest real snow slopes is within easy reach, and the city has plenty of gyms and health clubs, including our own pool and fitness complex, The Edge.

## Shopping

One of the UK’s top shopping destinations, Leeds boasts over two miles of traffic-free shopping set in beautiful Victorian and Edwardian arcades. You’ll find an eclectic mix of high street favourites, department stores such as Harvey Nichols, exclusive boutiques and vintage stores. This year the city expanded its shopping opportunities even further, with the opening of Trinity Leeds, an exciting £350m retail and leisure haven in the heart of the city centre.

## Eating out and entertainment

The city offers an extensive choice of places to eat and drink to suit all culinary tastes and budgets. Leeds is famous as a major centre for entertainment and nightlife, and with an international reputation for music excellence, Leeds’ world-class music scene can be experienced in every corner of the city, every night of the week. Live music venues include the new 13,500 capacity Leeds Arena, the O<sub>2</sub> Academy, the Cockpit, Brudenell Social Club and, of course, the University’s Refectory, which has played host to some of the world’s most famous bands including The Rolling Stones, The Who and Kaiser Chiefs.

## Transport links

The city is well served by affordable, frequent local transport with extensive coach and rail services connecting Leeds with the rest of the UK. Leeds is a perfect starting point for trips to London (just over 2 hours by train) or Edinburgh (3 hours by train).

Leeds Bradford International Airport is only 30 minutes away from campus, providing regular flights to an increasing number of destinations. In addition, Manchester Airport is just an hour away by train or road, giving you the opportunity to explore even further afield.

More information can be found at [www.leeds.ac.uk/leedsandyorkshire](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/leedsandyorkshire)



There’s something about Leeds, and I don’t know if it’s the people or the place that makes it what it is. Manchester is under an hour away, and London is only a couple of hours by train. But I’ve become very attached to Leeds – coming back after a trip away always feels like coming home! The city is compact and there are so many cool places to go. It’s definitely geared up for students.

I’m a big fan of the library, and I love discovering places that I might not usually go – the art gallery has become a bit of a habit now!

I like finding out what events are going on – like the Spoken Word series which is really diverse and interesting, or different dance groups. It’s great to meet artists and also to see other students having the opportunity to

showcase their work, be it poetry, art or dance.

I’m actually involved in a play myself – I was commissioned with two other writers by the West Yorkshire Playhouse to write a play based in Leeds Kirkgate Market. The performance will happen after closing hours. There’ll be different characters popping up telling stories about the history of the place and the

people who work there. It’s going to be really interesting and it is such a fantastic location for a performance. I would definitely advise students to visit when they come to Leeds – the market is full of the wonderful and the strange!

Zodwa is pictured in Kirkgate Market, one of the largest covered markets in Europe and open since 1857.



ZODWA NYONI  
MA WRITING FOR PERFORMANCE  
AND PUBLICATION



**3RD LARGEST CITY IN THE UK, SURROUNDED BY CULTURE, HISTORY AND OUTSTANDING NATIONAL PARKS//AN ACCLAIMED NIGHTLIFE AND VIBRANT MUSIC SCENE//ONE OF THE GREENEST CITIES IN THE UK// OVER 2 MILES OF TRAFFIC-FREE SHOPPING AND BEAUTIFUL VICTORIAN AND EDWARDIAN ARCADES FILLED WITH SHOPS OF EVERY KIND//JUST OVER 2 HOURS FROM LONDON AND 3 HOURS FROM EDINBURGH, IT IS THE PERFECT BASE TO TRAVEL AROUND THE UK**



*A view from the top of the Parkinson tower – looking south across campus to Leeds city centre*



# PREPARING FOR YOUR NEXT STEP

Whether you are planning for further study or starting your career straight after your course, a postgraduate degree from the University of Leeds makes you stand out. Our courses look to increase not only your technical or academic knowledge but also develop key transferable skills valued by employers.

Thinking about your future should begin as soon as you start your study. We offer a wide range of services designed to assist you in preparing for your career.

### Encouraging entrepreneurs

One of the things we're most proud of is the opportunity we give every student to get involved in real-world enterprise activities. So whether you want to develop the enterprise skills employers are looking for, or are thinking about setting up your own business after graduation, we can help.

### The Leeds Enterprise Centre

We will help you turn your ideas into opportunities. You can study enterprise at the Centre and choose from more than 12 different elective modules which are designed to enhance your transferable skills. You will develop your teamworking, adaptability, communication skills, leadership and networking; the kind of skills that employers will be looking for and which will serve you well if you decide to start your own business.

<http://lec.leeds.ac.uk>

### Spark – business start-up support

Self-employment is a career choice just like any other. We have helped many of our graduates successfully set up businesses, and research indicates that a third of students plan to start their own business at some stage. The Spark initiative, our innovative business start-up support, is available at the Careers Centre.

A team of specialists will ensure you get the most up-to-date information, and crucially, dedicated support throughout your entrepreneurial journey – from start-up to growth and beyond.

Spark offers you:

- advice and assistance with developing ideas and business plans to help get you started
- free and confidential help with finance and marketing
- an annual business plan competition with prizes of up to £2,000
- 'proof of concept' so you can test your idea before starting to trade
- workshops on the fundamentals of starting a business, with speakers on subjects from intellectual property and market research to social enterprise and website creation
- yearly three-day 'Entrepreneurs' Boot Camp' – including sessions on business planning, finance, legal issues, sales and PR
- business advisors and expert mentors always on hand to provide all kinds of help and advice.

<http://careerweb.leeds.ac.uk/go/spark>

### Enterprising societies

If you are a budding entrepreneur, there are several groups and societies you can join when you get here which will help you on your journey to becoming the next Alan Sugar. Look out for the Student Enterprise Society, Enactus – a community of students, academics and business leaders, and Bright Futures – a uniquely careers-focused national student society.

For my undergraduate degree I did two years in France studying International Trade, and then a third year in the UK studying European Business. My academics advised me to come to Leeds, as everyone was saying that it was a brilliant university.

I decided to set up an importing business while doing my postgraduate studies because there's good support

available from the University. First, you can ask your academics for advice, plus there are lots of alumni with access to a huge network of professionals. The Spark department offers practical skills. They have workshops on things such as networking, which is quite important. If you want to start a business, you need to learn how to do that!

I also got some advice from a business advisor at Spark. I pitched my idea and they were able to help and advise me. Then I applied for the Proof of Concept, which is a £1,000 grant to test your idea in the market. It covers the cost of setting up, your advertising campaign, marketing, business cards, hire of a stall if you need it, paying for samples, internet access, and travel if you want to go to a networking event.

The enterprise community is amazing in Leeds. People try to help me and I really appreciate that. The Careers Centre has been very helpful with my CV and Spark has invested in me by helping me to get my ideas out to the market.

Hugo is pictured in the Yorkshire Bank Lecture Theatre, Leeds University Business School, May 2013.



**HUGO TSAGLIOTIS**  
MSc INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS



# PREPARING FOR YOUR NEXT STEP

## Careers Centre

The Careers Centre is here to help you make decisions and take the next steps towards a bright future. From finding work or further study to working out your interests, skills and aspirations, we can provide you with the expert information, advice and guidance you need. Whether you have no ideas and don't know where to start or know what you want to do and just need some help tweaking your CV, we can help.

## How we can help you

As experienced, qualified careers professionals, we can give you the right advice to help you succeed in taking steps towards your desired future. Our services include:

- Drop-in – start by coming to chat to us about anything you need help with, from CV checking to advice on gaining work experience.
- Guidance appointments – following an initial discussion at drop-in, a lengthier appointment may be needed to give you further advice and guidance that is tailored to your needs.
- Mock interviews – we can give you a trial run and provide you with feedback to help you succeed on the day.
- eGuidance – for students who are unable to make it to the Careers Centre or for graduates who have moved away. This service gives you access to help and support from one of our expert advisors.
- Information resources – we have a wealth of information at the Careers Centre. From 'How to...' books, to takeaway leaflets – you will definitely find something to help you in your career planning.
- Events – we host a variety of workshops, fairs, presentations and other events to enable you to meet with local and national employers and learn key skills to enhance employability.

Graduates from the University of Leeds are highly regarded and the University has close links with many top graduate recruiters including IBM, ASDA Walmart, KPMG, Procter & Gamble, Santander, Unilever and Network Rail.

For further information go to <http://careerweb.leeds.ac.uk>

## Leeds for Life

Developed in response to student feedback, Leeds for Life makes a major contribution to ensuring you get the very best personal development during your time here. From helping you to identify opportunities for skills development alongside your course, to providing you with an online 'Living CV', it will help you to get the most out of university life from day one of your postgraduate course. And if you have decided to stay at Leeds after undergraduate study, your Living CV will continue and you can add your new experiences and skills.

At the heart of Leeds for Life is the personal tutoring process, which ensures you get structured one-to-one meetings to support your professional as well as academic development. This not only helps you to do well in your degree, but also to become a confident, articulate and highly employable graduate. Leeds for Life helps you to reflect on the whole university experience and understand the value of your knowledge and skills so that you can articulate the benefits of being at a world-class university when talking to potential employers. The new Leeds Network gives you access to career profiles of our alumni and an opportunity to contact them to find out more about how they got to where they are now.

For more information visit [www.leeds.ac.uk/leedsforlife](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/leedsforlife)



# OUR GRADUATES

Joining us at the University of Leeds really is just the start of a lifelong relationship. When you graduate from Leeds you will automatically be part of a community of 200,000 Leeds alumni in more than 160 countries. Wherever you end up, we will help you to keep in touch with Leeds and with the friends you make here. You will have access to a range of benefits and services, not least membership of a worldwide professional and social network.

On campus, our alumni benefit from use of our libraries, access to Leeds University Union and even a special rate at our sports facility; you will always be welcome on campus. Our alumni play an important role in the life of the University: by offering advice to prospective and current students, talking about their own careers, offering internships, funding scholarships and other projects to enhance the student experience at Leeds.

Who better to ask about a job than a person already doing it? The Leeds Network gives you the chance to make contact with alumni who have been there, done that and are working in the job that you want. If you want to explore career options, gain tips on entry to specific careers or receive supportive advice on developing your career, you can with the Leeds Network. This opportunity is available both while you are studying at Leeds and after you graduate.

For more information visit [www.alumni.leeds.ac.uk](http://www.alumni.leeds.ac.uk)





# SCHOLARSHIPS, TUITION FEES AND LIVING COSTS

Postgraduate study at Leeds is a major investment in your future, and there is support available to help ease the financial pressure.

### Postgraduate scholarships

The University of Leeds and other funding bodies offer a range of scholarships to UK, EU and international students who are taking our postgraduate courses or research degree programmes.

Centrally funded scholarships are awarded on the basis of academic merit to students meeting the relevant entry criteria. Scholarships generally take the form of partial or full fees and/or maintenance payments. Award values and terms vary so please check the eligibility criteria on the postgraduate scholarships website <http://scholarships.leeds.ac.uk>

### Alumni bursary

If you are a former undergraduate student of the University of Leeds, you may be eligible for a 10% alumni tuition fee bursary for your Masters degree or postgraduate diploma.

Or, if you didn't study for your first degree at Leeds, but decide to come here for your Masters with the intention of staying on to complete a PhD, you may be eligible for a bursary for your research degree. Visit our website for terms and conditions and eligibility criteria [www.leeds.ac.uk/alumnibursary](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/alumnibursary)

### International scholarships

More than 100 scholarships funded by the University, faculties, schools and outside agencies are available to new international students each year (see opposite for an example of an externally funded scholarship).

If you are coming to study here from overseas you should also contact your own government agencies as there may be educational support schemes available which provide funding to study in the UK.

### UK/EU scholarships

In a typical year more than 50 scholarships are available from the University to new students, with additional awards available from our faculties and schools. Scholarships are very competitive and it is important to make enquiries and apply to all possible sources at an early stage in your application for study. You must have applied for admission and received your University ID number to enable you to submit an application by the closing date given for each scholarship.

Every year the University of Leeds receives over £7m from the Research Councils to fund new postgraduate scholarships.

The Research Councils operate a number of grant schemes for UK/EU postgraduate students (Masters and research). UK students are eligible to receive tuition fees and a maintenance grant as well as some training and fieldwork costs.

EU applicants are eligible to receive tuition fees only, except in exceptional circumstances or where residency in the UK has been established for more than three years prior to the start of the course.

Candidates should check the relevant Research Council website for further information [www.rcuk.ac.uk](http://www.rcuk.ac.uk)

Further information about sources of funding for postgraduate study at Leeds can be found on the postgraduate scholarships website <http://scholarships.leeds.ac.uk>

### Other financial support

For information on financial assistance to support your learning, go to [www.direct.gov.uk/adultlearning](http://www.direct.gov.uk/adultlearning) or telephone **+44 (0)800 100 900**

### Access to Learning Fund (ALF)

If you meet the residence requirements for a 'home' student and have commenced study on a full- or part-time postgraduate course, you are eligible to apply for the Access to Learning Fund. This is government funding designed to help students enter and remain in higher education – particularly those who need financial help to meet extra costs which cannot be met from other sources of support, including funding for diagnostic tests such as dyslexia assessment. Money you receive from the fund is usually non-repayable.

For further information please visit [www.leeds.ac.uk/ssc/alf](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/ssc/alf)

I'm on the Rotary International Ambassadorial Scholarship, which I saw advertised, and applied for, when I was at university in Japan. The aim of the scholarship is to enable the students to expand their experiences – so they can contribute to society through service in their specific field. In my case, it's in education.

The purpose of being an Ambassadorial Scholar is that beyond my study, I give presentations about Japan and the Japanese culture. I will take the knowledge and experiences I have gained here back to Japan, so my experience will allow me to improve society in both countries.

I give presentations to introduce myself, my family and my home town, and what I

did in Japan, particularly after the earthquake two years ago. I talk about my activities here and about what my future may hold. The audience is mainly business people, who are funding me, indirectly. If I hadn't had the scholarship, I couldn't have come here and I wouldn't have had the chance to interact with British people, so it's very special.

The last time I did a presentation, a lady came up to me and said that she had always wanted to visit Japan but never did, so my presentation helped her to understand the country. I was impressed and I thought my work as an ambassador was done!

Naoya is pictured at the Cosmopolitan Hotel, Leeds, where he has presented to the Rotary Club on several occasions.

NAOYA MARUYAMA  
MA LINGUISTICS AND  
ENGLISH LANGUAGE  
TEACHING





# SCHOLARSHIPS, TUITION FEES AND LIVING COSTS

### Tuition fees

The cost of a postgraduate degree varies by course and by type and our fees are reviewed on an annual basis.

You are classified as either a ‘home/EU’ or ‘international’ student for the purpose of assessing tuition fees. Where it is not clear from your application form whether you have ‘home/EU’ or ‘international’ status, a fees assessment form will be sent to you for completion.

For further information and advice, you can consult the UK Council for International Student Affairs (UKCISA) [www.ukcisa.org.uk](http://www.ukcisa.org.uk)

The figures below are for 2013-14 as the fees for 2014-15 were not available at the time of going to print (June 2013). These fees are intended only as a guide. For the most up-to-date fees information please check with the relevant school or department before you apply.

Fees quoted are based on full-time study and apply for each year of the course.

### Minimum home/EU fee for full-time Masters programmes 2013-14

Minimum home/EU	£5,100
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This is the minimum fee only. As a number of courses are priced above this, it is important that you check with the school or department for the actual fees for your course.

### Range of international fees for Masters programmes 2013-14

Arts/Social Studies/Law/Education	£13,100
Science/Engineering	£16,500
Business School	£13,500 - £18,000
MBA	£22,500

This information is provided for general guidance only. You will be given details of your specific fees with your offer letter. For more information on fees please visit [www.leeds.ac.uk/pgtfees](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/pgtfees)

### Part-time students

If you are studying part time the fee is normally adjusted based on proportion of the course studied each year, but this is not always the case so please check.

The majority of part-time postgraduate Masters fees are fixed at the point of entry and will not rise in subsequent years of the course. This means you can more easily plan your finances at the outset.

### International students

International students taking programmes of more than one year have their fees fixed at the rates in the year of entry (subject to normal progression). Self-supporting students can pay fees in full, or in two instalments. If paying in two instalments, 50% must be paid when registering and 50% is payable by direct debit from a UK bank account approximately five months after your start date. The academic fee covers normal tuition and examination costs, as well as membership of the Students’ Union. You should check the detailed information sent with your offer letter. Students on some programmes may incur additional expenses or bench fees.

Students who are supported by their governments, employers or other sponsors must provide a letter from their sponsor, stating the amount to be paid and the address for invoicing. The letter must be an original and on letterheaded paper. Sponsors must pay fees in full when invoiced, as no instalment arrangement is available. Sponsored students will not be able to register until the sponsor letter has been received and confirmed by Student Financial Administration.

If you have any enquiries please telephone **+44 (0)113 343 6055** or email [fees@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:fees@leeds.ac.uk)

### Living costs

In addition to academic fees, all students must budget for living costs such as accommodation, food, clothing, books, local travel and entertainment. The cost of living in Leeds is relatively low by UK standards and while costs will vary depending on individual lifestyles, we recommend a living cost budget of £650-£800 per month.

For money advice and tips on budgeting visit [www.leedsuniversityunion.org.uk/helpandadvice/money](http://www.leedsuniversityunion.org.uk/helpandadvice/money)





# ENTRY REQUIREMENTS AND HOW TO APPLY

### Entry requirements

The normal entry requirement for a Masters course is the equivalent of a good honours degree in the British system.

The University of Leeds welcomes a wide range of international qualifications for entry to postgraduate study. Requirements vary between schools so please check the exact requirements for your subject.

### English language entry requirements

If English is not your first language, you will need a recognised English language qualification to be admitted on to any of the University's degree programmes.

Acceptable minimum qualifications include:

- IELTS (International English Language Testing System): an overall band of 6.5 with no less than 6.0 in each component skill
- TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) internet-based test (IBT): a total score of 92 with no less than 21 in Listening and Reading, 22 in Writing and 23 in Speaking
- Pearson Test of Academic English (PTE Academic): a minimum of 64 on PTE Academic, with at least 60 in each of the skills.

Other English language qualifications are also accepted. Please consult our admissions policy for details [www.leeds.ac.uk/admissionspolicytp](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/admissionspolicytp)

Some schools and programmes have higher English language requirements than these so please check with your school when you apply. You are welcome to apply to the University before you take one of these English language tests. If you meet all other requirements, you will receive an offer conditional on reaching the English language requirement before admission.

### Applying for a Masters programme is easy

You can apply for postgraduate courses using the online application system [www.leeds.ac.uk/students/apply.htm](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/students/apply.htm)

Alternatively, you can download a paper copy of the application form at [www.leeds.ac.uk/tp\\_application\\_form](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/tp_application_form)

If you have any enquiries please contact:  
**Taught Postgraduate Admissions**  
**University of Leeds**  
**17 Blenheim Terrace**  
**Leeds**  
**LS2 9JT**  
**UK**  
**Tel: +44 (0)113 343 4044**  
**Email: [tp\\_applications@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:tp_applications@leeds.ac.uk)**

### Professional training in education

Teacher training candidates should note that applications must be made online through the Graduate Teacher Training Registry.

For more information visit [www.gttr.ac.uk](http://www.gttr.ac.uk)

### Worldwide representatives

All across the world the University of Leeds works with overseas representatives who are happy to inform and advise students about Leeds.

Further information, including country-specific advice and details of our international network of country representatives, is available from the International Office at [www.leeds.ac.uk/countryspecificinformation](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/countryspecificinformation)

### Points-based system for visas

Once you have accepted an unconditional offer from the University of Leeds and provided all necessary information to us, you will be issued with a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) which you must use to obtain your visa. For further information about applying for a visa please visit [www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/visas-immigration/studying](http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/visas-immigration/studying)

### Academic Technology Approval Scheme (ATAS)

Applicants outside of the European Economic Area who intend to apply for a Masters in the following subject areas will need to apply for an Academic Technology Approval Scheme (ATAS) Certificate before applying for a visa.

The Masters subject areas are:

- automotive engineering
- advanced mechanical engineering
- medical engineering
- quantum technologies
- chemical process research and development
- chemical engineering
- pharmaceutical science and engineering
- pharmaceutical technology and quality assurance.

Information on ATAS requirements will be included in your offer letter.

For more information visit [www.gov.uk/academic-technology-approval-scheme](http://www.gov.uk/academic-technology-approval-scheme)

The transport sector is a relatively new area of development in my country. I was working in transport planning in Ghana and I wanted to learn more. The University's Institute for Transport Studies has a fantastic reputation internationally, and a friend who studied here spoke very well of the University, so I decided that this was the place I wanted to study.

I researched the courses online and found the application process was very simple. When I needed to contact the University, I had a response within a matter of minutes! It was a fantastic experience. The University's International Office helped me with my visa application. If you're having any problem with your application, there are staff who are ready to come to your assistance, so it's not difficult.

I received a welcome pack from the University, and once I'd read it things were made really easy for me. I knew exactly where I was coming to and how to get here.

Leeds is a very good place to be – the University does everything right and the campus is not very far from the city centre. Whether you want to have fun outside your course, or you just want a

cool place to hang out, whether you want to sightsee, everything is just around the corner.

Maxwell is pictured in the University of Leeds Driving Simulator, April 2013.

**MAXWELL MENSAH**  
**MSc (ENG)**  
**TRANSPORT**  
**PLANNING AND**  
**ENGINEERING**



# HOW TO FIND US IN THE UK

A vibrant city surrounded by countryside, Leeds is at the heart of the UK. In addition to excellent bus and rail services, the nearest international airport is just 30 minutes away.

For full details on how to get here by train, bus, car and air, please visit [www.leeds.ac.uk](http://www.leeds.ac.uk) and click on how to find us.

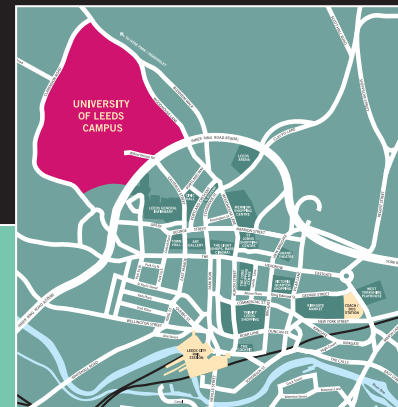
City	Distance	Minimum travel time by train
York	24 miles	22mins
Manchester	42 miles	54mins
Newcastle	96 miles	1hr 27mins
Birmingham	118 miles	1hr 55mins
London	195 miles	2hrs 6mins (King's Cross)
Edinburgh	206 miles	3hrs





## HOW TO FIND US IN LEEDS

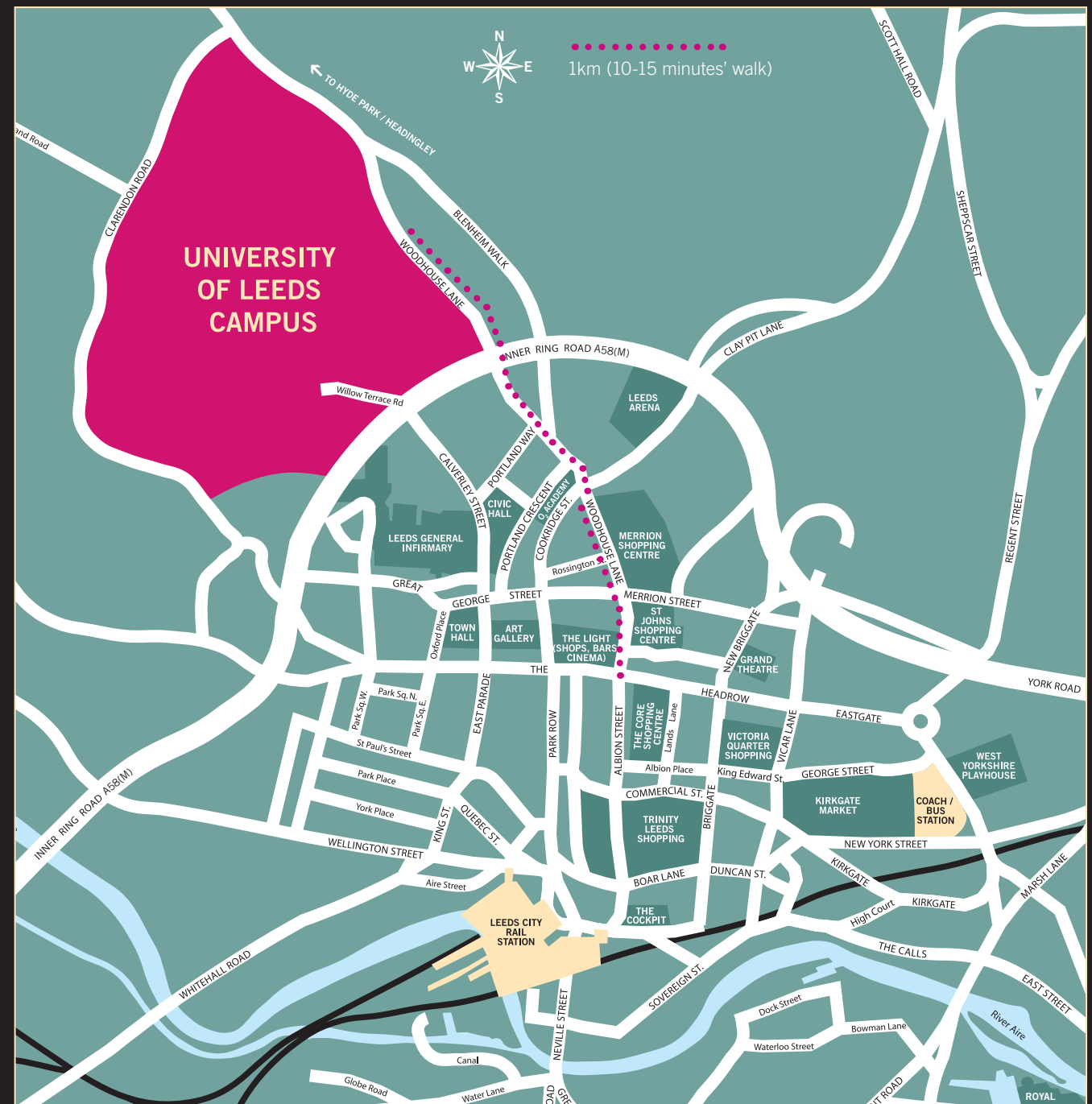
Located at the very heart of the UK, Leeds is one of the country's most accessible cities. The map below shows the areas surrounding the city and pinpoints the location of campus – right in the centre of Leeds.



## The campus and the city centre

As you can see from the map below, our campus is just a short walk from the city centre and all the attractions and amenities it has to offer, including theatres, bars, restaurants, bus and rail stations and more.

[www.leeds.ac.uk/citylife](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/citylife)





# CAMPUS MAP

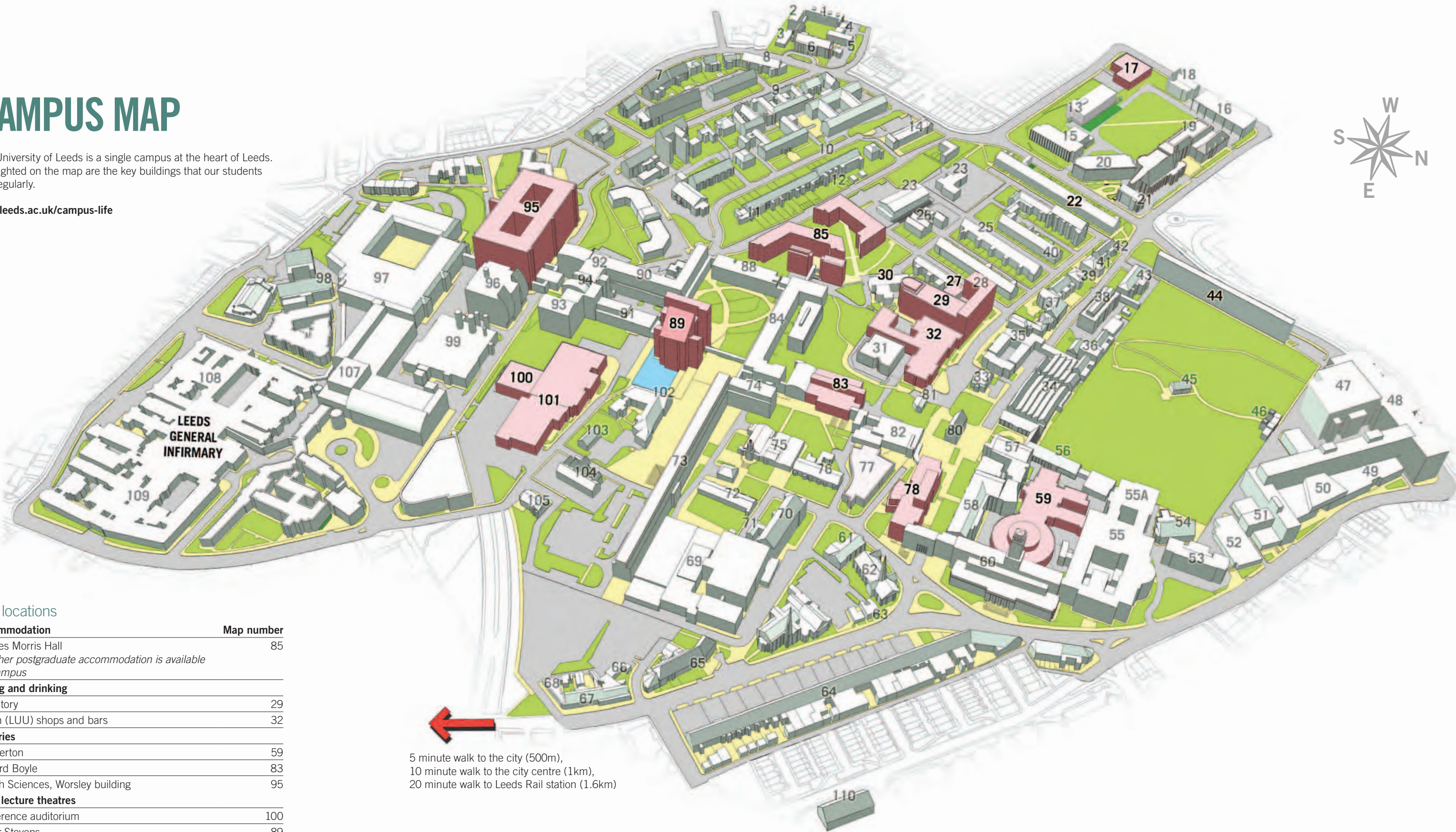
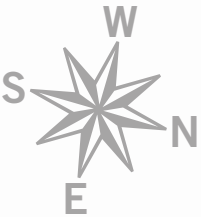
The University of Leeds is a single campus at the heart of Leeds. Highlighted on the map are the key buildings that our students use regularly.

[www.leeds.ac.uk/campus-life](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/campus-life)

## Key locations

Accommodation	Map number
Charles Morris Hall	85
<i>*Further postgraduate accommodation is available off-campus</i>	
Eating and drinking	
Refectory	29
Union (LUU) shops and bars	32
Libraries	
Brotherton	59
Edward Boyle	83
Health Sciences, Worsley building	95
Main lecture theatres	
Conference auditorium	100
Roger Stevens	89
Rupert Beckett (in Michael Sadler building)	78
Sport	
The Edge – swimming pool, gym and sports halls	101
Gryphon – sports hall and squash courts	17
Cromer Terrace studio – fitness studio and therapy	27

  
5 minute walk to the city (500m),  
10 minute walk to the city centre (1km),  
20 minute walk to Leeds Rail station (1.6km)





### Any questions?

If you have any questions about postgraduate study at the University of Leeds, please feel free to get in touch using the contact details below:

### Admissions enquiries

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E: [study@leeds.ac.uk](mailto:study@leeds.ac.uk)

W: [www.leeds.ac.uk/postgraduate](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/postgraduate)

### International Office

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W: [www.leeds.ac.uk/internationalstudents](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/internationalstudents)

If you're looking for an instant response you can ask our virtual advisor – 'Ask Leeds'.

Ask Leeds - get answers to your questions

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ASK

[www.leeds.ac.uk/internationalstudents](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/internationalstudents)

You can also ask your questions through social media:



@UniversityLeeds



[www.facebook.com/universityofleeds](http://www.facebook.com/universityofleeds)

### Important

This prospectus was printed in June 2013 and some of the information in it may have changed. For up-to-date information about our postgraduate courses, visit [www.leeds.ac.uk](http://www.leeds.ac.uk) or follow the contact details for people and websites given throughout this prospectus.

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