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Choosing the right university

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How many people applied to start university in September 2025?

759,830

applicants

Source: UCAS End of Cycle Data Report 2025

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How many people successfully gained a place to start university in September 2025?

577,725

accepted applicants

Source: UCAS End of Cycle Data Report 2025

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Benefits of going to university

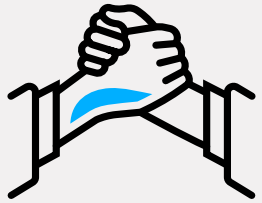
A degree



Skills and qualities



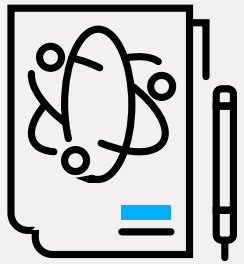
New friends



Personal development



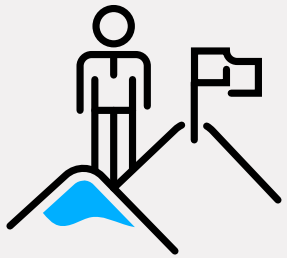
Subject knowledge



Employability



New experiences



Independence



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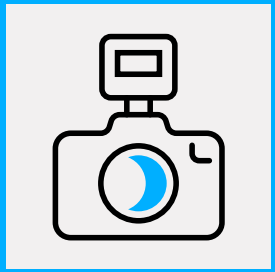
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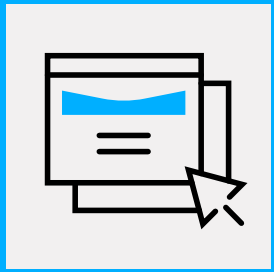
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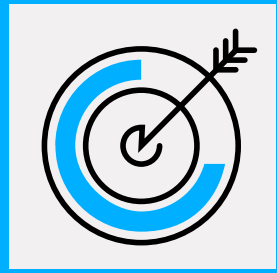
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Think about studying something you enjoy?



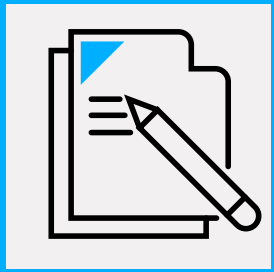
Research courses in detail, including modules



Do you have a career in mind? Would you like industry experience?



Would you like the opportunity to study abroad?

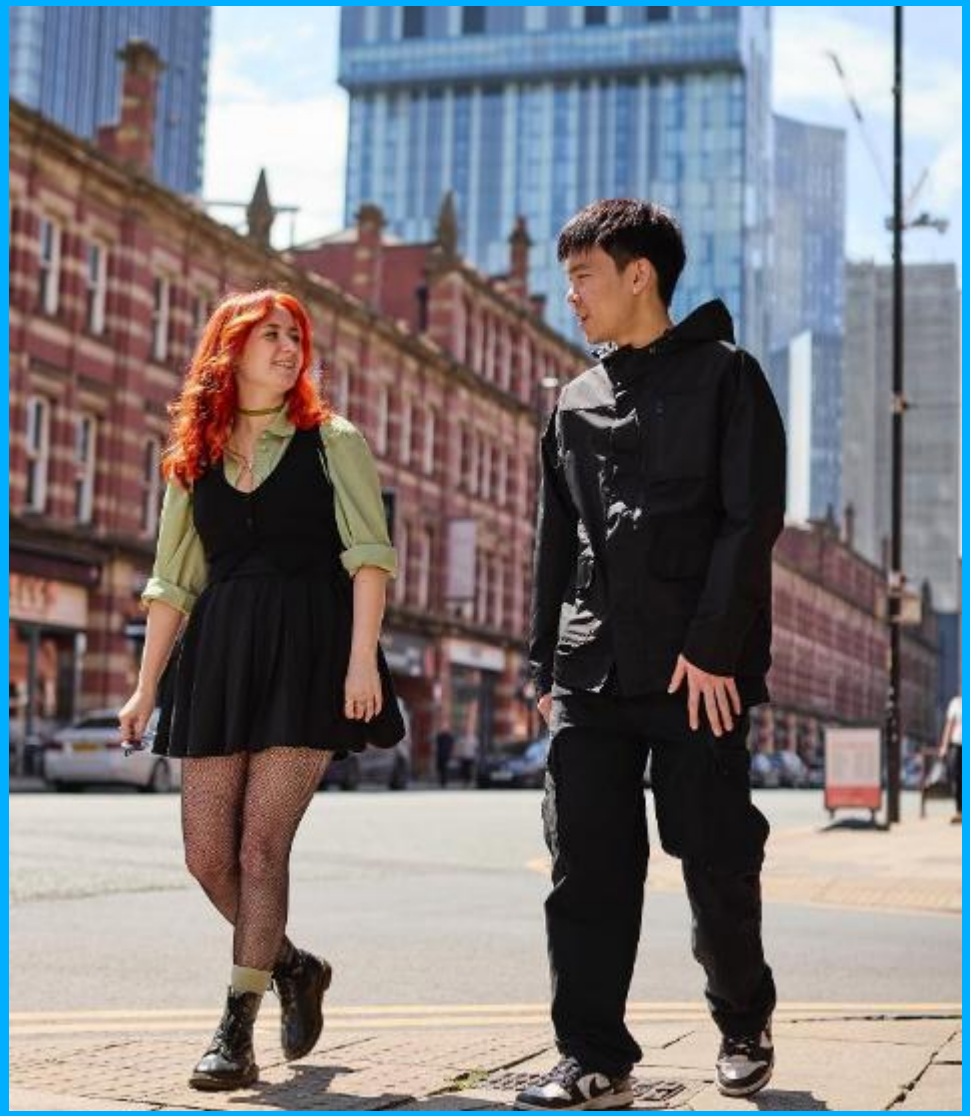


How is the course assessed? What would suit you?



Accredited courses – NHS, BPS, NCTJ and many more.

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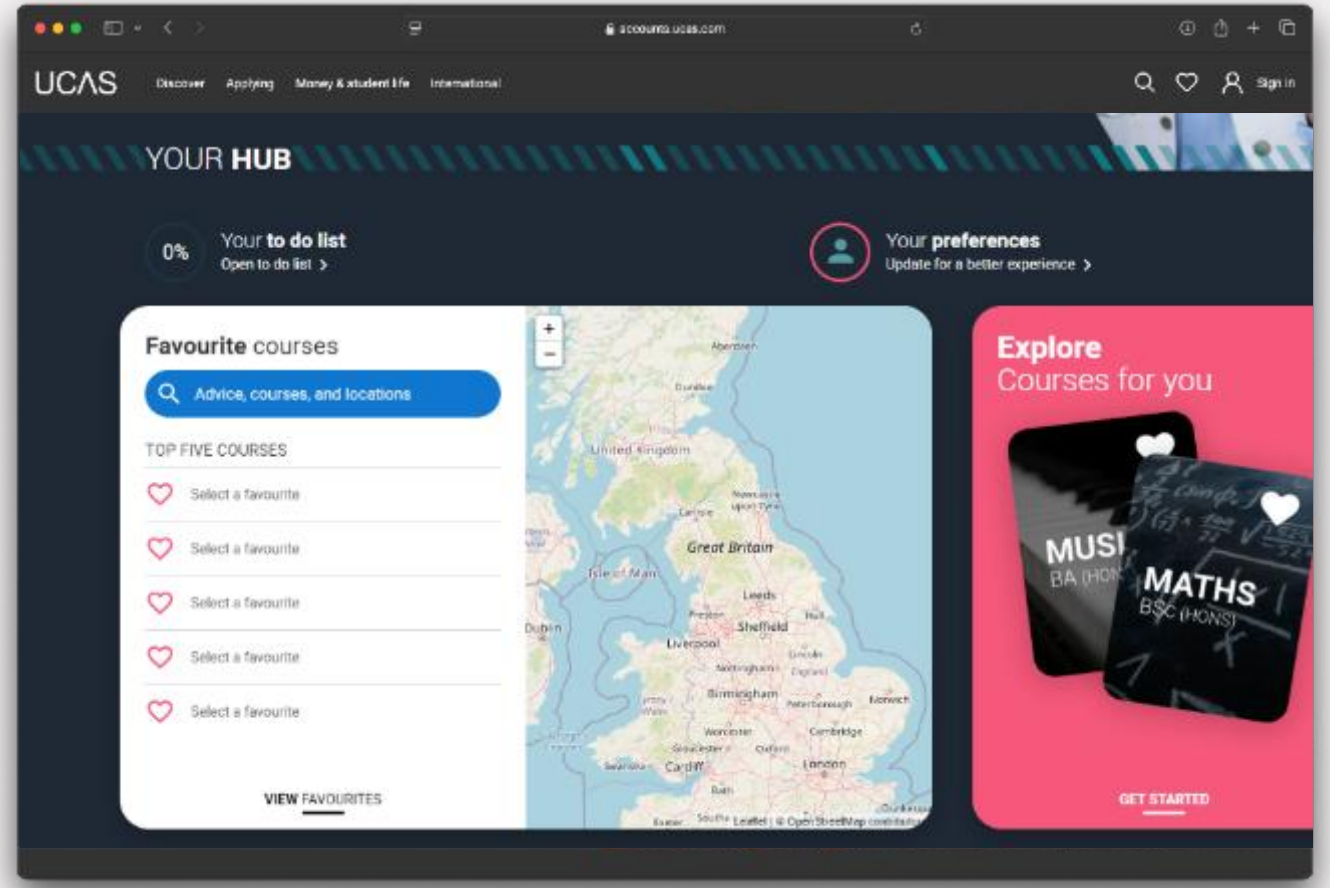
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Courses

- Fine Art
- Biology
- Business Management
- Software Engineering
- Education Studies
- Law
- English and Creative Writing
- Fashion Communication
- Nursing
- Multimedia Journalism
- Languages
- Marketing
- Nutritional Sciences
- Forensic Psychology
- Sports Business Management
- Degree Apprenticeships

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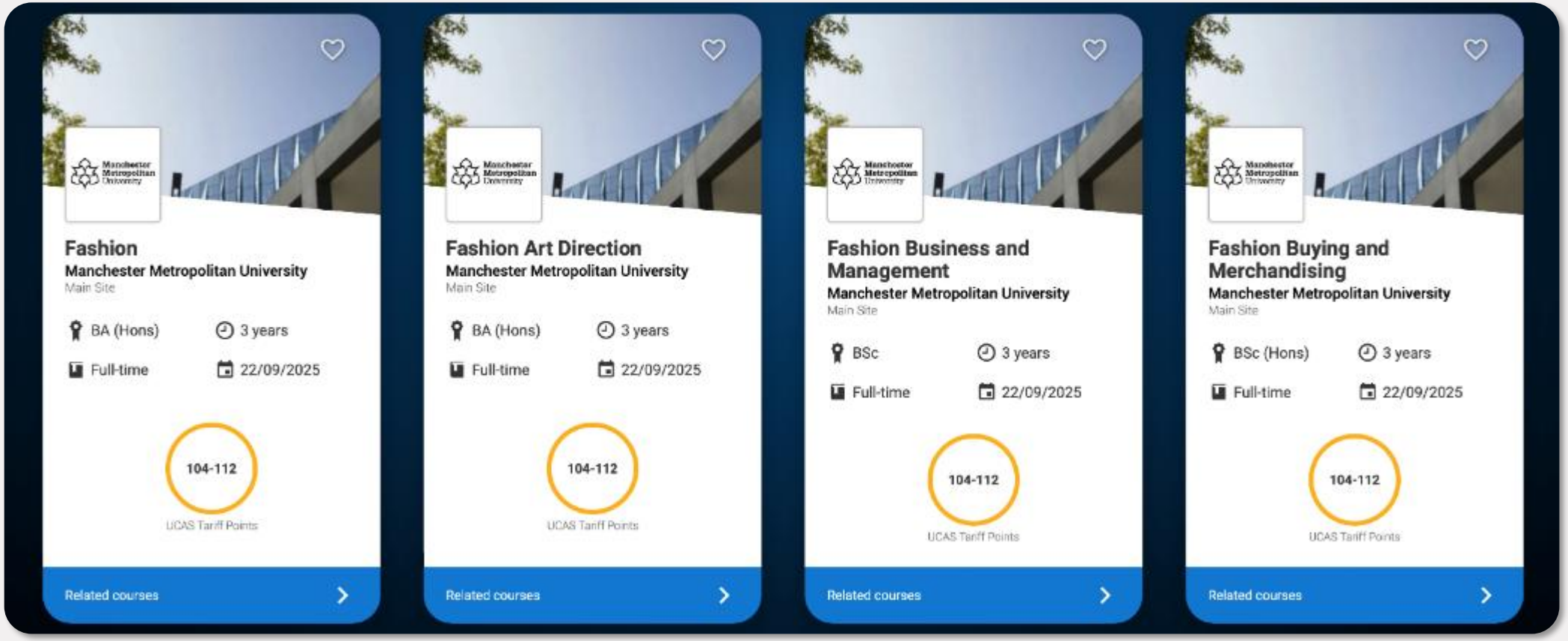




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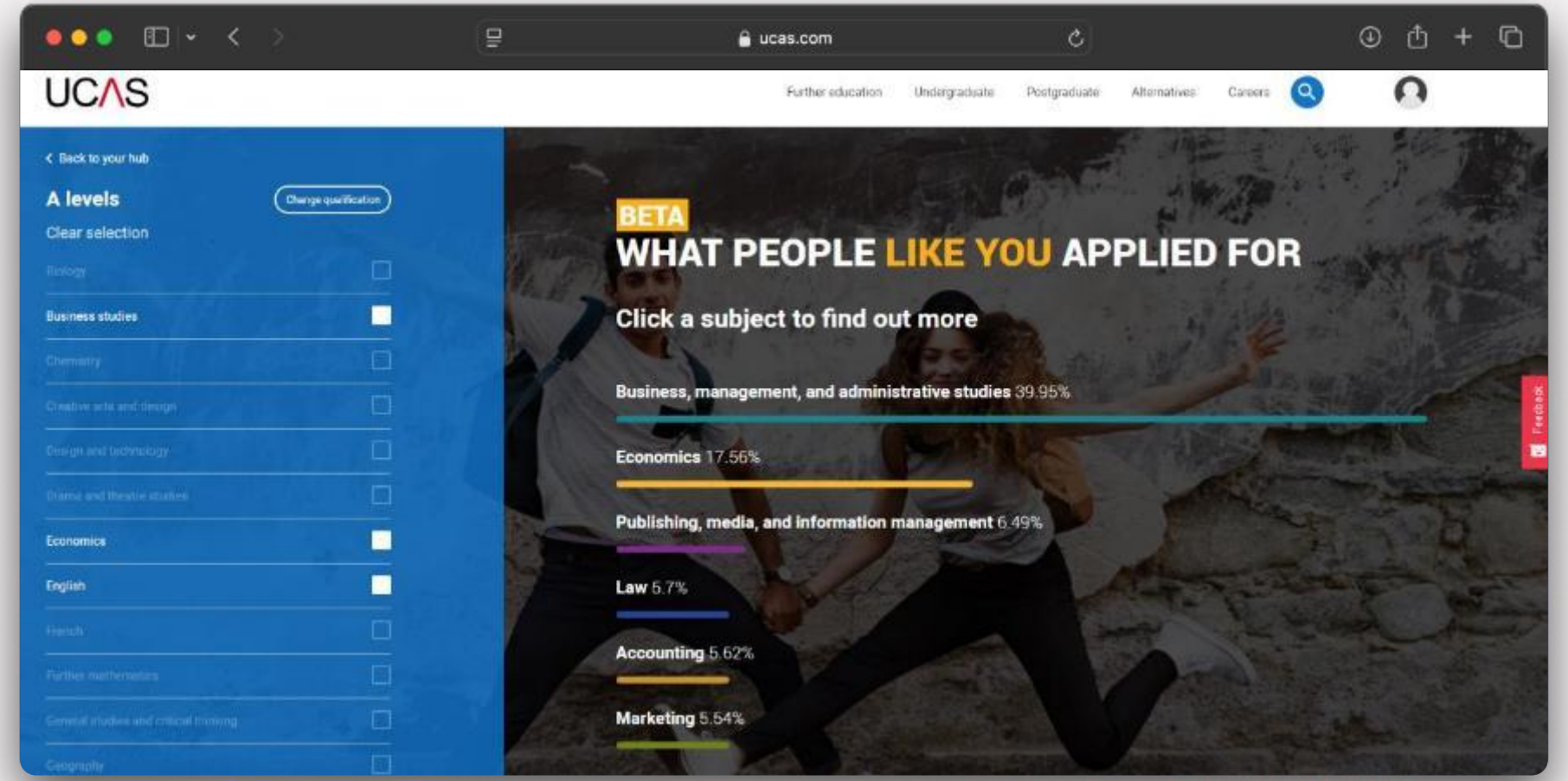
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Entry requirements and UCAS points

All universities have entry requirements for their courses

- **Level 2 qualifications**
  GCSEs or equivalent
- **Level 3 qualifications**
  A Levels, BTEC, T Levels, Access

Level 3 qualifications give you UCAS points

How do you calculate UCAS points?

Example

A level – English – **A**
A level – Business Studies – **B**
A level – Psychology – **B**
UCAS points = 128

BTEC Health and Social Care –
D*DD UCAS points = 152

BTEC Sport – **MMM**
A level – Science – **C**
UCAS points = 128

A level grade	Tariff points
A*	56
A	48
B	40
C	32
D	24
E	16

https://www.ucas.com/applying/you-apply/what-and-where-study/entry-requirements/calculate-your-ucas-tariff-points

BTEC grade	Tariff Points
D*D*D*	168
D*D*D	160
D*DD	152
DDD	144
DDM	128
DMM	112
MMM	96
MMP	80
MPP	64
PPP	48

Additional requirements

- Personal statement
- Interview
- Portfolio
- Audition
- Experience
- Tests
- Recent study
- DBS



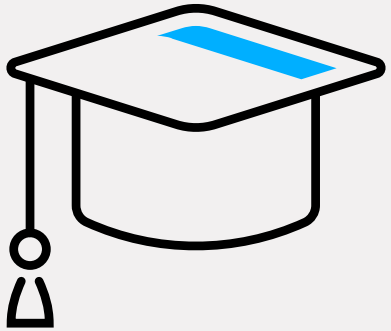
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Types of courses at university

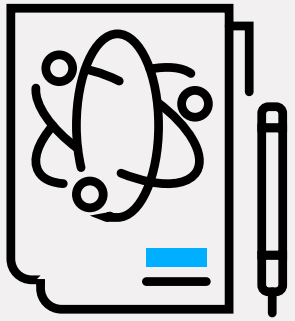
Foundation year



Bachelor's degree



Integrated masters



Degree apprenticeship



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Degree apprenticeships

- Collaborative course, created by employers and universities
- Certain subject areas – tend to be more practical, vocational subjects
- A chance to gain a full honours degree
- A full-time job, no tuition fees and a minimum salary of £16,000
- 80% of your time spend in work and 20% of your time in off-the job training with the university
- Entirely separate to UCAS application

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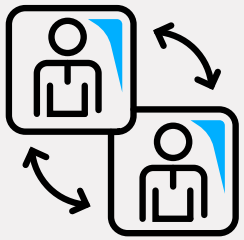
Industry experience

Placements happen in your **3rd year**, making your degree 4 years long.

1st year	studying at university
2nd year	studying at university
3rd year	Industry experience
4th year	final year at university

*NB: You should be covered by Student Finance for your placement year. These additional years in study routes are typically reduced fees.

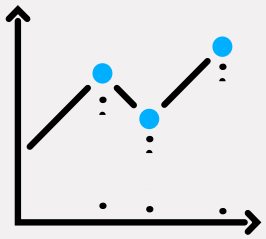
Industry experience



Links with major employers



‘Foot in the door’ after graduating



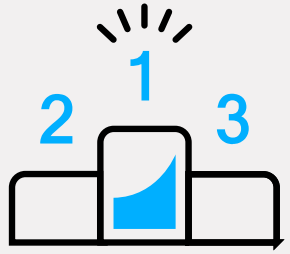
Better performance in your final year



A salary for one year of your academic life



Real-world experience in your chosen industry



Stand out from other graduates

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Studying abroad

Benefits:

- Gain work experience, travel, immerse in other cultures and maybe learn a new language
- Once in a lifetime opportunity
- Stand out from other graduates
- Make yourself more employable – add to your CV

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Campus-based or city-based university?



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Work



Welcome Week



Location



Students' Union



Clubs and societies



Gym and sport



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IT Services

Disability Support

Financial Support

Student Hub

Counselling

Careers and Employability

Peer Mentoring

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Your next steps...

March – September

Get thinking
Take the time to look through all the details available on our website and find out all you can about the course that's right for you.

Summer

Open Days
Find out more about our courses, teaching and facilities. Book your place at **mmu.ac.uk/openday**

September – December

Get personal
Take some time to craft your personal statement. It could make all the difference.

September

UCAS open
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Autumn

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February – April

Applicant Visit Days
When we make an offer, for most courses, we also invite you to an Applicant Visit Day to answer those final questions you might have about the course.

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