

Fast Facts for Exchange Partners

The University of Manchester is:

- the largest single-site university in the UK, with the biggest student community (c38,000).
- ranked 52 in the world and 6 in the UK (2024 Academic Ranking of World Universities);
- named as the UK's most sustainable University in 2024, placing top 3 on a global scale.

It's the place where:

- 25 Nobel Prize winners have worked or studied
- Rutherford first split the atom
- Arthur Lewis became Britain's first black professor
- Kilburn and Williams built the world's first stored-program computer – The Baby
- Jevons formulated the principles of modern economics
- Lovell built the largest steerable radio telescope
- Geim and Novoselov isolated graphene for the first time

We have:

- 12,000 staff
- An annual income of £1.01 billion
- more than 1,000 degree programmes
- £345 million external research income
- A £1 billion campus investment over 10 years

The City of Manchester



Greater Manchester:

- has a population of 2.5million, with the biggest student population in western Europe (more than 100,000)
- has the highest number of theatre seats per head of population outside London
- has the UK's third busiest airport (after London Heathrow and London Gatwick)
- has an average annual rainfall of 806.6 millimetres (compared to the UK average of 1,125 millimetres)
- is the third most visited place in the UK and the second in England, after London
- was founded by the Romans more than 2,000 years ago
- is approximately 180 miles from London (approx. 2 hrs 10 mins by train)

Exchange Programme Key Information

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Manchester Application Process:

Students must complete the online application reached via this site:

<https://www.manchester.ac.uk/study/international/study-abroad-exchange/applications/>

Application deadlines are:

- 1 June – for September entry
- 1 November – for January entry

Nomination Process:

Details of nominees should be submitted via the online nomination form:

<https://forms.office.com/e/TgQUcaVZw4>, by 1 May (for September entry) or 1 October (for January entry).

Housing information

An offer of University housing is guaranteed for students joining us for a full year. Students joining for a single semester are not guaranteed an offer of housing, but are almost always made one under normal circumstances. Application for housing is a separate, additional, online process, which students must complete AFTER receiving their offer letter from us - <https://www.manchester.ac.uk/study/experience/accommodation/apply/>. Students should NOT reject any room offer they are made – they will not receive another offer.

Information on the type and costs of accommodation can be found via this link:

<http://www.accommodation.manchester.ac.uk/>

Key academic dates

<https://www.manchester.ac.uk/discover/key-dates/>

Alternative assessment arrangements are in place for almost all disciplines (main exceptions are Engineering and Physical Sciences and Economics) if students joining the University for the Autumn/Fall semester are unable to stay in Manchester for the January Examination period due to conflicting semester dates at their home university. Note that an alternative simply replaces the need for a student to attend an in-person, on-campus exam in late January. If the standard format of an exam is online, no alternative is usually required and students should therefore be aware they may need to sit a synchronous online exam at an inconvenient time if there is a significant timezone difference between the UK and the country in which they will sit the exam.

Course unit enrolment

Students will be requested to submit a Proposed Study Plan shortly after making their online application, indicating the course units they wish to study whilst at Manchester. The Placements & International Programmes Office will then seek academic approval for students to take these units, and will enrol students onto course units where they are accepted. Students must not attempt to enrol themselves onto any course units. The course enrolment process begins no earlier than late July. Available course units can be found here:

<https://www.manchester.ac.uk/study/international/study-abroad-exchange/unit-search/>

Insurance requirements

ALL students **must** ensure they have adequate personal insurance cover prior to travelling to the UK. The University of Manchester does not require that incoming exchange students purchase a specific insurance policy, nor do we have an institutional policy available for purchase. Students must source their own insurance according to their needs/personal circumstances.

Additional costs

Some course units incur additional costs. These include (but are not limited to):

- some course units (such as Geography) which incorporate a fieldwork trip
- some Music course units where additional Music lessons are required
- some lab-based course units

Emergency contacts

The University of Manchester has a 24 hour emergency contact point - **+44 (0)161 306 9966**. This connects to the University's Security Team, who can then contact the relevant staff members for support. The number is available for both partners and students, and for issues relating either to students studying in Manchester, or Manchester students studying at partner campuses.

Additional Support

Support is available via The University of Manchester's Disability Advice and Support Service (DASS). Information can be found here: <http://www.dso.manchester.ac.uk/what-support-can-i-get/>

Orientation

A detailed orientation programme is provided for students joining in each semester. Orientation is a mandatory part of the exchange programme and students must ensure they arrive in Manchester by the date specified in their offer documents to ensure they can participate.

Entry requirements

All students must have a GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale (or equivalent) to be eligible for the exchange programme. Students whose first language is not English and whose degree programme is not taught entirely in English must also meet the English language requirements required by each subject area in which they wish to take course units: <https://www.manchester.ac.uk/study/international/study-abroad-exchange/applications/>

Marking system/Transcripts

Students are graded on a percentage scale. Students joining the programme for semester 1 only will receive an Interim Transcript in March, followed by an Official Transcript in early August. Students joining in semester 2, or for the full academic year, will receive one transcript (Official Transcript) in early August.

Official Transcripts are uploaded to a secure online portal called Digitary Core – students must set up their own personal Digitary account, and give you (and anyone else they choose) sharing permissions so that you can view their Transcript in their portal.

Under NO circumstances are Official Transcripts available earlier than early August.

Exchange Programme website:

<https://www.manchester.ac.uk/study/international/study-abroad-exchange/>

Online Toolkit for Outbound Advisers:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/i977xucl7beugpm/AACl6kiYyouARcRHM84XSjk-a?dl=0>

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