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# Introducing Glasgow

If you're thinking about postgraduate study, one thing is clear – you're focused on your future. And so are we.

With more than 550 years' experience in producing academic excellence, the University of Glasgow has an impressive past. However, we're always looking ahead and our role is to pass on our knowledge and expertise so that you can make the world a better place for yourself and for others.

You've got the talent and we're here to nurture it. Once you join our community, you'll be taught by dedicated and passionate academics, renowned for their leading-edge research and driven by the desire to see you succeed. If you share our commitment to achievement through honest hard work, then whatever your goal we'll help you reach it.

Whether you live locally or are thinking of coming here from afar, Glasgow offers an open and warm welcome. The people here are genuine and approachable, so you'll find plenty of like-minded people to share your ideas and interests with.

Taking your first step towards the start of a memorable and rewarding experience is easy. Browse our prospectus, pick the programme for you and get in touch.

We look forward to greeting you on campus.





Our students report high levels of satisfaction.

Last year our international students gave Glasgow one of the best scores in the UK for student satisfaction – 91.6%, placing us third in the UK – and ranking us as:

- best in Scotland for learning, student support and library facilities;
- top in the UK for sports and social facilities.

For an outstanding student experience – choose Glasgow.



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## About us

The University of Glasgow is the fourth oldest university in the English-speaking world. Since opening our doors in 1451, we've dedicated our time to inspiring great minds, from the father of economics, Adam Smith, to outstanding physicist Lord Kelvin. Over the years we've created a learning environment that fosters wisdom and respect. So we understand that when you're thinking about where to study you'll want to take your time and choose wisely.

We know that you'll be looking for a university that provides a broad choice of subjects, excellent teaching standards and superb facilities. You'll also want to study somewhere with an international reputation, high graduate employment rates and a top-quality student lifestyle in a special location.

These things are important and, because we respect the needs of our postgraduate students, you'll find they all form part of the Glasgow experience.

So if you choose to study with us, you'll

- be part of a university ranked in the top 1% of the world;
- learn from pioneering academics whose research is internationally recognised;

- join a student population made up of over 20,000 people from more than 120 countries;
- find first-class facilities for sport, one of the best libraries in Europe and a new student services building where you can get advice on everything from careers to council tax;
- benefit from living in the UK's third largest city – and Scotland's largest – with a renowned music scene, excellent shopping, a wealth of arts and cultural venues, and friendly nightlife, all on your doorstep.

These are some of the reasons why the International Student Barometer ranks us third in the UK and best in Scotland for overall student satisfaction.

For an outstanding student experience – choose Glasgow.

‘Our main piece of advice is, if you come, be prepared to fall in love with it: the buildings, the unions, the atmosphere and, most of all, the people.’

Virgin Guide to British Universities 2011



## A leading research centre

The University of Glasgow has more than 2,000 active researchers, and an impressive 75% of academic staff contribute to subjects where the majority of research is rated world-leading or internationally excellent. Our total earnings for research and related services are £180m and we're in the UK's top 10 earners for research.

### Don't just take our word for it

The Research Assessment Exercise aims to provide the most thorough and reliable reflection of the quality of research being conducted by universities across the UK. Here are just some of the subjects at Glasgow that have received the RAE's seal of approval:

- History of Art is the most highly rated in the UK, while our Vet School has been rated the joint best in the UK.
- Both Accounting & Finance and Cancer Studies are rated in the UK top five. The University's Paul O'Gorman Leukaemia Research Centre, led by Professor Tessa Holyoake, carries out vital studies on cancer stem cells, and was heralded by the RAE panel as 'a flagship model of integrated, basic, translational and clinical research'.
- In addition a further 14 subjects at the University are rated in the top ten in the UK and 14 subjects are rated top in Scotland.

### Strength in numbers

Glasgow is a member of the prestigious Russell Group of the top 20 research universities in the UK. The group aims to ensure that this elite fellowship continues to thrive and make a real difference to society through pioneering research and teaching.

Glasgow is also a founder member of Universitas 21, an international group of universities setting worldwide standards for higher education, and a member of IRUN (International Research Universities Network), a global group of broad-based research universities.

‘The education we provide is hugely supported by our research environment. That’s one of the key attractions to the students who come here. They want to be taught by world-leaders and they want to be challenged.’

Professor Andrea Nolan, Senior Vice-Principal & Deputy Vice-Chancellor









## Learn from our experience

We offer an inspiring range of postgraduate taught programmes, which can help you to further your career by advancing your skills and providing a platform for further research.

### Our taught programmes

Our programmes draw on the renowned research strengths of our academics and are designed to meet the needs and expectations of students who have a determination to succeed.

### Working beyond boundaries

Many of our postgraduate taught programmes allow you to work beyond traditional subject boundaries in order to address important questions – such as the ecological and sustainability issues facing the planet today and building knowledge of our rapidly changing social and political environment.

### Join us

The combination of an international reputation for research and a range of high-quality facilities means you'll get the learning experience you deserve.

Join our postgraduate community and you'll:

- be taught by academics who are leading experts in their disciplines
- benefit from our vast information resources and have access to state-of-the-art equipment
- discover a way of learning that develops your critical thinking, analytical abilities and curiosity.

We are constantly revising and expanding our postgraduate taught programmes provision. See [www.glasgow.ac.uk/postgraduate](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/postgraduate) for up-to-date information on new programmes for 2012.

### Making connections

One thing we've learned from experience is that the key to moving forward is working together. We've been making connections with leading academic establishments around the world, so that you can reap the benefits. Here are just some of our partnership institutions:

- Universidad del Salvador, Argentina
- Universiti Brunei Darussalam, Brunei
- University of British Columbia, Canada
- Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Chile
- Fudan University, China
- Xi'an Jiaotong University, China
- Nankai University, China
- Tianjin University, China
- Huazhong University of Science and Technology, China
- Southwestern University of Finance and Economics, China
- Sun Yat-Sen University, China
- Universidad de los Andes, Colombia
- University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong
- Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong
- Indian Institute of Technology Ropar, India
- Indian Institute of Science Education and Research Pune, India
- University of Delhi, India
- University of Tokyo, Japan
- Hitotsubashi University, Japan
- Korea University, Korea
- Al-Fateh University of Medical Sciences, Libya
- University of Malaya, Malaysia
- Universiti Putra Malaysia, Malaysia
- Tecnológico de Monterrey, Mexico
- Hazara University COMSATS, Pakistan
- Quaid-i-Azam University, Pakistan
- St Petersburg State University, Russia
- King Saud University, Saudi Arabia
- National University of Singapore, Singapore
- Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
- King Mongkut's Institute of Technology, Thailand
- Makerere University, Uganda
- Columbia University, USA



## Your campus

The University is located in the West End of Glasgow, within easy reach of the city centre by public transport or on foot. Whether you're looking for a grassy spot to read and relax or a lively café to catch up with your classmates, our campus in this friendly area of Glasgow makes the perfect environment for work and play.

Aside from studying, you'll find yourself spoilt for choice with things to do and see around the University campus and the West End.

- Catch the latest film in one of the cosy leather seats at the Grosvenor cinema, then grab a drink and a bite to eat in one of the many bars and eateries on Ashton Lane.
- Hunt for hidden treasures in the boutiques and vintage shops dotted along the cobbled side streets lying off Byres Road.
- Wander through the tranquil cloisters and quadrangles of the University's neo-gothic Gilbert Scott Building and then take in a panorama of the city from the ultimate viewing point at the Gilmorehill flagpole.
- Enjoy a music gig at the Queen Margaret Student Union, where big-name bands and breakthrough acts take to the stage all year round.
- Take a stroll along the river through Kelvingrove Park and drop in at the Kelvingrove Art Gallery & Museum – one of Glasgow's many cultural assets.
- Follow the parade at the West End Festival or celebrate all things Indian at the Glasgow Mela – just two of the many festivals and events held every summer on the University's doorstep.

### World-class collections

On campus you have the Hunterian, one of the leading University museums in the UK, with world-class collections.

### Our other campuses

A second campus located on the Garscube Estate, on the north-west boundary of the city, contains the University's Vet School. Here, there is ample space to house our Small Animal Hospital, the Weipers Centre for Equine Welfare and a range of outdoor sports facilities.

These urban campuses are complemented by the University's School of Interdisciplinary Studies in Dumfries, housed in a beautifully refurbished Victorian building within 85 acres of parkland and gardens.

‘There's everything for you here – whether you want a good night out, a cultured wander around the museums and galleries or a chilled sit in the Botanic Gardens. It's all around the corner from our beautiful campus and you know you'll be helped along the way for every day you call Glasgow home.’

Matilda Lomas, Geography & Public Policy student



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## Your city

The Glaswegian reputation for friendliness means that, wherever you come from, it's easy to treat Glasgow as your second home. While our campus provides the perfect haven for study, the city is only a stone's throw away and offers plenty of ways to enjoy your spare time.

### Music

Every week the city hosts on average 130 music events, more than any other Scottish city. From classical to rock and pop, jazz to opera, and Scottish dance to world music, all tastes are catered for. No wonder Glasgow's been named the UK's first UNESCO City of Music and is one of four international Cities of Music along with Seville, Bologna and Ghent.

### Festivals

If you like celebrations, you're in the right place. The Glasgow International Comedy Festival, Celtic Connections folk music festival, Glasgay, Glasgow Film Festival, Aye Writel, the city's book festival – the list goes on. And you're only 50 minutes away from Edinburgh's International and Fringe Festivals by train.

### Shopping

Many consider Glasgow the best shopping destination outside London's West End. Try the Italian Centre in Merchant City for designer wear, the West End for vintage, and the city centre for the best in high street shopping.

### Culture

Glasgow's outstanding cultural diversity means that you'll never run out of things to see and do. The Scottish Opera, National Theatre of Scotland, Scottish Ballet and the Royal Scottish National Orchestra are all resident here, and theatres include the famous Citizens, the Tron, the Arches and the Tramway. The city's art and museum collections are impressive too, with 17 museums and galleries displaying some of Europe's finest collections.

### Sport

Glasgow is the host city for the Commonwealth Games 2014, and home to the world-famous Celtic and Rangers football clubs. The city also has a network of 29 sports centres, with facilities for all types of activities and abilities – making it easy for you to enjoy keeping fit. So whether you're into watching or playing sport, there are plenty of ways to get involved in the action.

'A few minutes on the subway takes you into the city centre, which has everything you could possibly want from Scotland's greatest city – Glasgow has it all. The city's musical reputation is internationally renowned, and its status as a UNESCO City of Music reflects this.'

Stewart Gray, Music student



## Our campus in Dumfries

The University's School of Interdisciplinary Studies is based in Dumfries, in the heart of one of the most scenic regions in Scotland. Here you'll join a small and friendly community of students of all ages and backgrounds, while enjoying the facilities of our world-class University.

### About the campus

Your lectures and tutorials will be in the historic and beautifully refurbished Rutherford/McCowan building, set in 85 acres of parkland and gardens. Our stunning campus also offers state-of-the-art library and IT facilities as well as quiet space in the Henry Duncan Room. You'll also have access to the extensive library facilities at our main Glasgow campus.

Our class sizes are small so you'll receive individual attention. You'll be able to get your ideas out there more easily – building confidence and critical thinking. Our lecturers, who are top researchers and publishers in their fields, are always happy to give you support and feedback when you need it.

### About the town

Located approximately two hours' drive south of Glasgow and less than an hour from Carlisle, Dumfries is a friendly place surrounded by stunning Scottish countryside. You can either enjoy the restaurants, pubs, cinemas, shops and sports facilities in town or venture out into the wild and go mountain biking, hillwalking, climbing, diving, sailing or canoeing.

If you're looking for culture, you'll find an impressive arts and live music scene in Dumfries & Galloway. The area is steeped in literary history, too, being the final resting place of Scotland's national bard, Robert Burns, and host to the internationally acclaimed Wigtown Book Festival.

### What can I study at Dumfries?

- Applied Carbon Management
- Managing Health & Wellbeing
- Tourism, Heritage & Development

### How to get here

Dumfries is in the south-west of Scotland. The town is well connected and there is a variety of ways to get here, including by air, train, boat, bus or car. For full travel details visit [www.glasgow.ac.uk/dumfries/howtofindus](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/dumfries/howtofindus).





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## Your Scotland

While you could easily spend all your free time enjoying the attractions and entertainment that the campus and city have to offer, don't forget there's a whole country out there just waiting to be explored.

Glasgow is your gateway to some of the most awe-inspiring scenery and rugged landscapes in the world. Whatever your mode of transport, you could be hitting the great Scottish outdoors in no time.

From Glasgow, you're just

- 25 minutes from the Clyde coast
- 40 minutes from Loch Lomond, the heather-clad peaks of the Trossachs, and routes to the Highlands and the Cairngorms
- three hours' drive from skiing and snowboarding slopes in the right conditions
- within a few hours' drive of some of the best hillwalking, climbing, mountain biking, sailing and golf courses in the UK
- less than two hours away from an abundance of wildlife including whales and dolphins, red deer, golden eagles more.

### How to get here

#### By air

Glasgow International Airport is 7 miles away.  
Prestwick International Airport is 33 miles away.  
Edinburgh International Airport is 42 miles away.

Approximate flying times:

Glasgow to London – 1 hour 20 mins  
Glasgow to Bristol – 1 hour 15 mins  
Glasgow to Amsterdam – 1 hour 40 mins  
Glasgow to Geneva – 2 hours 15 mins.

#### By train

Two train stations in the city centre link to all major stations in the UK.

Journey time to Edinburgh – 48 minutes  
Journey time to London – under 5 hours.

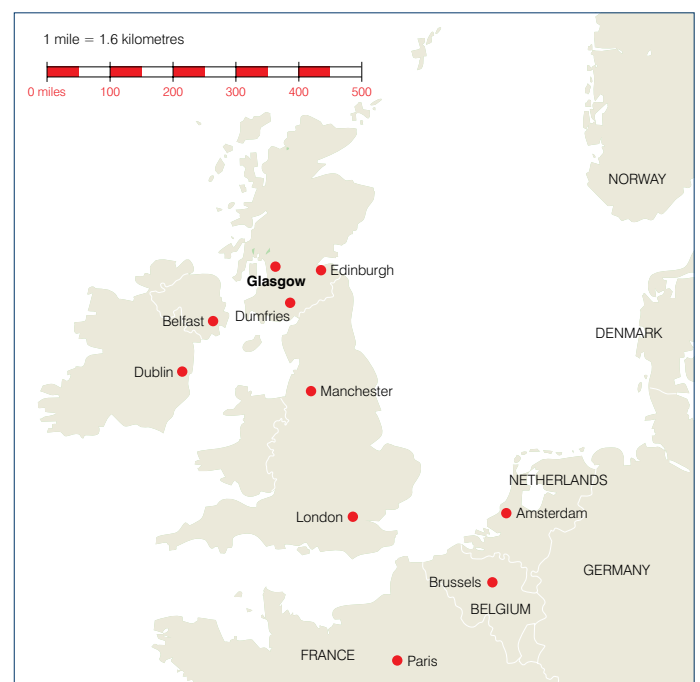
#### By boat

Ferries link Larne (near Belfast) in Northern Ireland to Cairnryan, approximately 90 minutes south of Glasgow by car. There is also a Belfast to Stranraer sailing and a high-speed service from Larne to Troon between March and October.

#### By road

Motorway links provide quick access to major cities throughout the UK. Approximate journey times:

Glasgow to Manchester – under 4 hours  
Glasgow to Birmingham – under 5 hours  
Glasgow to Cardiff – under 7 hours  
Glasgow to London – 7 hours.



# Our world-class facilities

There's a wealth of facilities on offer at Glasgow. From our outstanding library – one of the biggest academic libraries in Europe – to our rich and diverse collections at the Hunterian Museum & Art Gallery, our world-class facilities are right on your doorstep and can be accessed by you as part of your postgraduate study.

## Your library

Open 18 hours a day and with online access 24/7, our library is here for you around the clock. Our long opening hours mean you can settle in, forget about the time and lose yourself in a world of words.

To say our library is well stocked would be an understatement. With 2.5 million books and journals and over 30,000 electronic journals, you'll find all the background material you need to complement your postgraduate studies.

Our library has enough bright and modern study spaces to accommodate more than 2,500 students. Whether you need a desk to read in peace or a room to discuss your ideas, you'll find plenty in supply throughout our library's 12 Wi-Fi enabled floors. And did we mention the impressive city views from the top?

A wide range of services are available including:

- Welcome Desk to help you get started
- Library OnDemand and How Do I? online videos
- an extensive range of online library resources available 24/7
- group study rooms
- multiple copies of important books for essays and projects
- over 800 student PCs
- café on Level 3 – relaxed learning and study space
- specialist libraries for students in chemistry, dentistry, law and veterinary medicine in addition to the main library
- subject librarians who can help you find the right sources of information and show you how to use our electronic resources.

## Special Collections

In our library's Special Collections you'll find an extensive range of rare books, manuscripts and early photographs, covering most branches of the arts, sciences and medicine.

Over the past 500 years we have accumulated more than 200,000 manuscript items and around 200,000 printed works, including over 1,000 printed before 1500. Among these you'll find material about Scotland's history and culture, along with items reflecting many aspects of European scholarship over the past 700 years. These exceptional collections are internationally renowned and attract the interest of scholars from around the globe.

## Archive Services

If you're looking for an insight into the history of the University and the city, Archive Services offers a unique heritage resource open to students, staff and members of the public.

Among the collections are University records dating from our foundation in 1451 to the present day, and one of the biggest collections of business records in Europe. Whether you're looking for information about academic life in days gone by or the many industries that make up Glasgow's history, our archives tell our story.

With over 1,000 collections spanning more than seven centuries, Archive Services is your gateway to learning more about the academic and corporate heritage of Glasgow and the west of Scotland.



## The Hunterian

Founded in 1807 and encyclopaedic in its scope, the Hunterian is one of the leading university museums in the UK and one of Scotland's greatest cultural assets.

The Hunterian works closely with our academic colleagues in colleges and schools across campus to offer a range of opportunities for postgraduate students. We offer excellent work-related learning that supports course objectives and develops a wide range of transferable skills. The Hunterian offers you the chance to work with leading museum professionals and add a professional dimension to your studies. Credit-bearing work placements are offered in a wide range of interesting areas relevant to our collections – art, archaeology, palaeontology, geology, zoology, entomology, ethnography and numismatics.

The Hunterian collections are world class. The Art Gallery is home to one of the most distinguished public art collections in Scotland, particularly famous for Whistler, Mackintosh and its internationally recognised holdings of Scottish art. You will also find some truly amazing and unique objects on display in the Museum. If your course doesn't bring you into direct contact with our collections, the Hunterian also offers a lively exhibition and events programme – we look forward to welcoming you.



Flesh-coloured Justice – Curtis's Botanical Magazine 1787:  
University Special Collections





# Accommodation

From halls of residence to self-catering flats, the University can offer you a wide range of safe, comfortable and affordable accommodation. We have around 3,500 residential spaces, about a quarter of which are specifically for postgraduate students.

Benefits include:

- fully trained wardens on site
- free halls-to-campus minibus service during term time
- group insurance cover for possessions
- internet and telephone access in most rooms
- bed linen and access to laundry facilities.

Families and couples

We offer a small number of fully furnished self-contained flats suitable for couples or families.

## How to apply

As soon as you've accepted your offer of study, you can apply for accommodation online at [www.glasgow.ac.uk/accommodation/postgraduatelateryear/onlineapplication](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/accommodation/postgraduatelateryear/onlineapplication).

## Accommodation guarantee

Most new students, including international students, are guaranteed accommodation (subject to our admissions policy).

## If you have a disability

There is accommodation available in a number of our residences for students with disabilities. It is always best to discuss any special requirements you may have with us as soon as possible. You can contact us direct (tel: +44 (0)141 330 4743, email: [accom@glasgow.ac.uk](mailto:accom@glasgow.ac.uk)) or, if you prefer, you can get in touch with our team of Student Disability Advisers (tel: +44 (0)141 330 5497, email: [studentdisability@glasgow.ac.uk](mailto:studentdisability@glasgow.ac.uk)).

For further information about types of University accommodation, fees, application deadlines, our admissions policy and more visit [www.glasgow.ac.uk/accommodation](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/accommodation).

## Private accommodation

If you'd prefer to find private accommodation in the city, we can offer advice and also help you in your search. Register online to search our private accommodation database at [www.glasgowpad.org](http://www.glasgowpad.org).

‘University halls are located in a clean and calm environment where you can concentrate fully on your work.’

John Daudi, MSc Aerospace Engineering



## Student services

The University has created a one-stop shop for a wide range of student services right in the centre of our main campus. Whether you want to grab a bite to eat, see a doctor, obtain a new Student ID card or discuss employment opportunities, our staff in the Fraser Building will be able to help.

### Chaplaincies

[www.glasgow.ac.uk/chaplaincy](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/chaplaincy)

### Childcare

[www.glasgow.ac.uk/nursery](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/nursery)

### Student Counselling & Advisory Service

[www.glasgow.ac.uk.uk/counselling](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk.uk/counselling)

### Student Disability Service

[www.glasgow.ac.uk/studentdisability](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/studentdisability)

### Student Network

[www.glasgow.ac.uk/studentnetwork](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/studentnetwork)

### Students' Representative Council

[www.glasgow.ac.uk/src](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/src)

### Student Unions

At Glasgow you have the choice of not one but two University unions.

#### Glasgow University Union

[www.guu.co.uk](http://www.guu.co.uk)

#### Queen Margaret Union

[www.qmu.org.uk](http://www.qmu.org.uk)

### Sports

[www.glasgow.ac.uk/sport](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/sport)

We run one of the largest student sport and activity programmes and have one of the highest participation rates of all UK universities. So whether you're into endurance training, club sports or exercise classes, you'll have all the facilities, services and expertise you need to keep you motivated.

### Don't just take our word for it

Become a member for a small annual fee and you'll have access to our two excellent sports facilities, open early until late seven days a week with a comprehensive range of services:

- health and fitness – over 50 exercise classes per week, inductions and the opportunity to get advice from our qualified staff
- recreation – courses, drop-ins, ladders, leagues and recreational bookings in a variety of activities
- University club sport – 46 clubs to choose from. Represent and support your University in local, national and even international competition.



## What sports can I do?

Aikido  
Athletics  
American football  
Badminton  
Basketball  
Boat (and rowing)  
Boxing

Canoe  
Cheerleading  
Cricket  
Curling  
Cycling  
Fencing  
Football

Gaelic football  
Golf  
Hares and Hounds  
Hockey  
Judo  
Karate  
Kendo

Lacrosse  
Mountaineering  
Muay Thai  
Netball  
Potholing  
Riding  
Rifle and sporting gun

Rugby  
Sailing  
Shinty  
Shorinji Kempo  
Ski and snowboard  
Skydive  
Squash

Sub aqua  
Surf  
Swimming and waterpolo  
Tennis  
Trampoline  
Ultimate Frisbee  
Volleyball

# International students

Each year we welcome around 3,000 international students from over 120 different countries; our international students make up 13% of our student population. We also attract many leading academics from around the world. So no matter how far you travel to be here, you'll find a rich cultural, social and educational community waiting for you when you arrive.

Glasgow's reputation for being a welcoming and friendly city is as well known as the University's reputation for being a centre of academic excellence. You can rest assured that living and studying here will be a memorable and enjoyable experience.

We have a dedicated team of international advisers who are here to help you settle in and offer any help and advice you may need. Along with our other student services on campus you will not have to go far if you need to speak to someone.

## In your country

Members of our International Office team travel throughout the world to attend exhibitions, organise information sessions for prospective students and interview candidates. They'll be more than happy to answer any questions you may have. If you'd like to find out where they will be visiting please see [www.glasgow.ac.uk/international/country](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/international/country).

## International scholarships

The University is committed to helping students achieve their academic dreams and is continually investing money into scholarships and funding for our international students. You can find out more information on the scholarships we offer at [www.glasgow.ac.uk/scholarships](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/scholarships).

## The International Society

The International Society is the largest society at the University with over 2,000 members every year representing over 100 different nationalities. They organise many events, outings and parties throughout the year and it is a fantastic way to make new friends and enhance your time at Glasgow. For more information please see [www.isu.org.uk/isoc](http://www.isu.org.uk/isoc).

## English language requirements

If your first language is not English then you'll need to prove your competence in English before being admitted to the University. You can find out more about the general English language requirements for the University at [www.glasgow.ac.uk/international/englishlanguage/requirements](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/international/englishlanguage/requirements).

## How we can help

We provide courses to help you reach a proficiency level equivalent to the required IELTS score through our English as a Foreign Language (EFL) Unit based at the University's Language Centre.

These courses have a study skills component to help you adapt to the style of learning and teaching at the University. They also focus on subject-specific vocabulary. This approach will prepare you well for your academic studies. Pre-sessional EFL courses can last 5-40 weeks depending on your entry level.





If you'd like additional English language tuition once you have started your academic programme, we also provide part-time language support classes, which are free of charge if you pay the full international student fee. For further information please see [www.glasgow.ac.uk/efl](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/efl).

### Deadlines for applications

You can find out more about the deadlines for postgraduate taught programmes in the 'How to apply' section further on.

### Glasgow International College

If you're an international student, but not quite ready to study at the University of Glasgow, you may wish to consider a pre-Masters course at our partner institution – Glasgow International College. Located on the main University campus, the college offers flexible pathway programmes to enable you to achieve the required standards for admission to a range of one-year Masters programmes at the University.

Pre-Masters programmes are available at Glasgow International College for business, engineering, law, science and the social sciences. For more information about how to apply please contact:

Glasgow International College  
Email: [gic\\_admin@kaplan.com](mailto:gic_admin@kaplan.com)  
[www.glaic.org.uk](http://www.glaic.org.uk)





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# International student support

We offer a full range of support services for our international students to help you settle in and enjoy your time at the University.

## Before you leave home

So you know what to expect at Glasgow, it's a good idea to be prepared before you leave. To help you do this we have an International Student Handbook full of useful information. Visit [www.glasgow.ac.uk/international/internationalstudentsupport/internationalstudenthandbook](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/international/internationalstudentsupport/internationalstudenthandbook) to download a copy.

## When you arrive

We know it can be daunting to arrive in a new city for the first time. This is why our Welcome Team will also help you when you first arrive at Glasgow Airport and on campus in September.

Our International Student Advisers run an orientation programme to introduce you to student life. It includes information on welfare, immigration, accommodation, health, employment, finance and other non-academic matters. The programme includes a range of social events too, giving you the chance to meet new people and get to know Glasgow and Scotland.

## Confidential, practical advice

If you'd like to speak to someone in person or get help with a specific enquiry, our friendly team of International Student Advisers offers pre-arrival information on non-academic matters, along with confidential and practical advice throughout your studies. Email: [internationalstudentsupport@admin.glasgow.ac.uk](mailto:internationalstudentsupport@admin.glasgow.ac.uk).

## A year-round social programme

We run a full programme of events and activities throughout the year for students and their families, so you'll have plenty of opportunities to make new friends and share your own experiences and ideas.

## Your student visa

There have been major changes to UK immigration recently. To keep up to date with the latest information on UK visas, visit [www.ukvisas.gov.uk/en](http://www.ukvisas.gov.uk/en). Our International Student Advisers can also help you with queries about your student visa.

## Work opportunities for international students

As an international student (non-European Economic Area) you can work for up to 20 hours a week during semesters and full-time during vacations, provided it does not state otherwise in your UK visa.

‘The International Office’s services are great. Activities included first-time welcome from the airport and straight down to the International Office, organised seminars and comedy/freshers’ nights. This is good as it gives new students that sense of belonging.’

James Essien, MSc in Mechanical Engineering graduate

# Planning your career

We want you to be a success, both now and in the future. That's why the University has a wide range of services to help you make the most of your postgraduate experience and prepare you for life after university.

Today's job market is getting more and more competitive. So as well as having a good degree it's important to build up your skill set. Whether you're planning a career in business, industry, academia or the public sector, or simply keeping your options open, we can provide you with:

- a qualification from an internationally recognised university
- one-to-one support from professionally trained careers advisers
- access to thousands of potential employers offering jobs and internships
- training and coaching in job-hunting techniques.

## Our Careers Service

You may already know what career path you'd like to take, or you may be looking for a little guidance. Either way the University's Careers Service can help you make the most of your options and enhance your employability.

We're centrally situated in the Fraser Building, next to the library, making it easy to drop in for a quick chat or to arrange a full consultation with a specialist adviser.

You'll find a wide range of services available, including:

- opportunities to meet global recruiters on campus
- help with identifying gaps in your CV, mock interviews and job applications
- an online career management system, which alerts you to events, jobs and information straight to your email account so you don't miss out.

We also host specialist recruitment events for our postgraduate students, including:

- Internship Fair held every October
- Financial, Engineering and Science Fairs in November
- Spring Graduate Fair in Scotland in March.

These will bring you face to face with hundreds of global recruiters.

## Tailored support for international students

The Careers Service recognises the particular challenges facing international students who come with aspirations of working in the UK but who may also be attempting to maintain a job search in their home country. Resources have been put in place to help international students increase their awareness of recruitment processes in the UK and also to keep in touch with graduate labour markets elsewhere in the world. These include:

- an online career planning and job search manual designed specifically to help international students and graduates job hunt in the UK
- job hunting seminars with recruiters exclusively for international students
- a hugely popular interview academy with state-of-the-art technology and advice from recruiters
- a careers blog to provide up-to-date details of events, jobs and news items of interest to international students and graduates
- an ongoing programme of live chat events with employers in other countries
- social networking groups to assist international students to link with Glasgow alumni in a careers context
- virtual international careers fairs to put you in touch with vacancies and recruiters across Asia.



## Key facts

Our postgraduate students go on to a variety of careers in the private and public sector as well as seeking further education. A survey of our 2010 graduates found that almost 80% were in employment while 12% were pursuing further education.

### Examples of our graduates' destinations

#### College of Arts

Morgan Stanley, Victoria & Albert Museum, Sunday Herald, Kelvingrove Art Gallery & Museum

#### College of Medicine, Veterinary & Life Sciences

NHS, Bio Reliance, Clyde River Foundation, R-GENETICS

#### College of Science & Engineering

BAE Systems, Doosan Babcock, Halcrow, IBM, Microsoft, Randox labs, Subsea7, UK Met Office, University of Cambridge

#### College of Social Sciences

Accenture, European Parliament, Forestry Commission, Honeywell, Jones Lang LaSalle LLP, Ryden LLP, World Wildlife Fund

'After a couple of years in the electronics industry and a couple of years as a postgraduate, I combined my experience and knowledge to establish my own freelance technology consultancy.

'I guided a home audio networking start-up company from their market-driven functional specification through to readiness for production, then moved on to my next career goal, which was to join an international consultancy that majored in finding IT solutions for client organisations.

'I applied to join Accenture and, after a successful first-round interview, sought out the Careers Service's help on how to prepare for the assessment centre. They shared some insights and gave me a mock interview that focused on the skills that Accenture was seeking. This helped me prepare and I was able to work out exactly where my evidence was going to come from for areas such as decisiveness, creativity, communication and business awareness.

'I have worked for Accenture as an analyst for the past 18 months and the working environment and professional challenges are exactly what I was seeking.'

Doug Wylie, European MEng Electronics & Electrical Engineering graduate, MSc System Level Integration graduate



# How to apply

Before starting your application we strongly recommend that you visit the University of Glasgow's website and review any relevant information for prospective postgraduate students on the appropriate school web pages.

## Apply online

The online application is the quickest and easiest way of applying to the University. The system allows you to fill out the standard application form online and submit this to the University immediately.

[www.glasgow.ac.uk/postgraduate/howtoapplyforataughtdegree/applyonline](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/postgraduate/howtoapplyforataughtdegree/applyonline)

You can also attach supporting documents including references, certificates and a transcript of previous studies. There are instructions throughout the online form to help you complete your application. You may save and return to your application as many times as you wish before submitting it.

## Essential documents

- Final or current undergraduate degree transcript
- Degree certificate
- Two references on headed paper (academic or professional)
- A copy of your passport (photopage) – non-EU applicants only.

Please check individual programmes for details of any additional documents.

Note: We may request original documents at any point in the application process in line with the new UK visa regulations.

If you are unable to upload your documents contact [pgadmissions@glasgow.ac.uk](mailto:pgadmissions@glasgow.ac.uk).

## Entry requirements

Applicants for the majority of postgraduate taught programmes should have obtained at least a 2.1 Honours degree (or equivalent) unless otherwise stated. In some cases work experience is also taken into account.

## English as a foreign language

If your first language is not English, the University sets a minimum English Language proficiency level.

General English Language requirements

- IELTS 6.5 (with no subtest less than 6)
- TOEFL 580 in the paper-based test with a TWE (Test of Written English) of at least 4.5
- iBT TOEFL 92 (with no less than 21 in listening and writing, 22 in reading, 23 in speaking)
- Cambridge ESOL Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) – B minimum or Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE) – C minimum
- Pearson Test of English (Academic) – PTE minimum score of 60 with minimum 59 in all subtests
- The University accepts evidence of satisfactory language level from the Language Centre in pre-session courses.

## Exceptions

Law programmes

- IELTS 6.5 (with no subtest less than 6.5) (Note: Medical Law requires IELTS 7.5 with no subtest less than 7.0)
- TOEFL 580
- iBT TOEFL 92 (with no subtest lower than 24)
- Cambridge ESOL Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) – B minimum
- Pearson Test of English (Academic) – PTE minimum score of 68 with minimum 60 in writing

Arts and humanities programmes

- IELTS 7.0 (with no subtest less than 7.0) (Note: Media Management, Textile Conservation and all art history programmes require IELTS 6.5 with no subtest less than 6)
- TOEFL 610
- iBT TOEFL 100 (with no subtest lower than 24)
- Cambridge ESOL Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) – A minimum or Certificate of Proficiency in English (CPE) – B minimum
- Pearson Test of English (Academic) – PTE minimum score of 68 with minimum 60 in writing



For further information about English Language courses, please contact the English as a Foreign Language Unit – [www.glasgow.ac.uk/efl](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/efl).

### Important visa information

It is a visa requirement to provide information on your level of English based on an internationally recognised and secure English language test.

All test reports must be no more than two years old. A list of these can be found on the UK Border Agency website, [www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/sitecontent/newsfragments/45-new-list-of-english-language](http://www.ukba.homeoffice.gov.uk/sitecontent/newsfragments/45-new-list-of-english-language). If you have never taken one of these tests before, you can get an initial idea of your level by using the Common European Framework self-assessment grid which gives you a level for each skill (eg listening B1/writing B2 etc). However, please note that this is not a secure English language test and it is not sufficient evidence of your level of English for visa requirements. For further information about English language qualifications, please see [www.glasgow.ac.uk/postgraduate/howtoapplyforataughtdegree/englishlanguage requirements](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/postgraduate/howtoapplyforataughtdegree/englishlanguage requirements).

Once you have accepted your unconditional offer, if you wish to make an application for a Tier 4 (General) Student Visa from inside or outside the UK, you must obtain a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS), a unique online reference number. The University, as your Tier 4 Licensed Sponsor, will issue you with your CAS.

There have been major changes to UK immigration recently. Please check the UK visas webpages regularly in case of any further changes: [www.ukvisas.gov.uk/en](http://www.ukvisas.gov.uk/en).

### When to apply

Deadlines have been introduced for applications to our postgraduate taught programmes.

- International applications (non-EU):  
Friday, 20 July 2012
- UK and EU applications:  
Friday, 24 August 2012

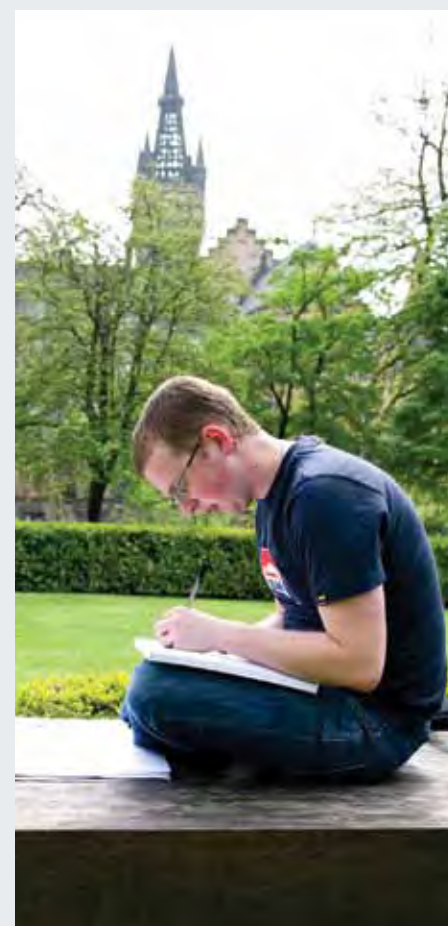
Classes start on 17 September 2012 (provisional date) for most programmes and you'll be expected to attend induction sessions the week before.

- Master of Veterinary Public Health
- International applications (non-EU):  
Thursday, 30 June 2012
  - UK and EU applications:  
Friday, 10 August 2012

Classes start on 1 September 2012 (provisional date).

Some science and engineering programmes also have a January intake.

- International applications (non-EU):  
Friday, 30 November 2012
- UK and EU applications:  
Friday, 14 December 2012



# Funding your studies

We realise that financing your studies and living costs can be a concern for many postgraduate students. To find out what support is available, and to get tips and tools to help your money go further, visit [www.glasgow.ac.uk/studentfinance](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/studentfinance) which includes sections on financial aid, budgeting, paying tax and setting up bank accounts.

## Finance and scholarships

It's important that you arrange funding for your tuition fees and living costs before your studies begin. At Glasgow, we aim to provide our students with as much financial support and assistance as possible. That is why we continuously strive to expand our range of scholarships and bursaries for both home/EU and international students. We offer a wide variety of scholarships ranging from £500 (eg the GU68 Engineers Trust Scholarship) to £10,000 (eg the University Trust International Leadership Scholarship). You can find a full list of scholarships including eligibility criteria and how to apply at [www.glasgow.ac.uk/scholarships](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/scholarships). You should also check your graduate school website for subject-specific scholarships.

Some key scholarships available include

- Glasgow Alumni Scholarship – 10% fee discount for all alumni
- University Trust International Leadership Scholarship – 52 scholarships ranging from £5,000 to £10,000 each
- University of Glasgow Country Scholarships; 50 scholarships at £3,000 each
- Under the Scottish Government's Students' Allowances Scheme (PSAS), tuition fee support for a number of our taught programmes is available. See [www.saas.gov.uk](http://www.saas.gov.uk) for more information.

## Cost of living

If you're a single student we'd recommend allowing around £8,900 per year to study in the UK, and for married couples a minimum of £13,000. For each child add £2,000 per year. The following is an approximate breakdown of costs per month for a single student in self-catering accommodation.

### Average cost per month

Accommodation	£350*
Food	£170
Clothes	£60
Travel in Glasgow	£30
Laundry/stationery etc	£30
Entertainment	£60
<b>Total</b>	<b>£700</b>

### Additional costs per year

Books	£300
UK travel	£200
<b>Total</b>	<b>£500</b>

\* Please note that University accommodation costs require an initial deposit and then eight monthly instalments.

## Part-time work during study

When you're studying, you may wish to work part-time to help with your tuition fees and living costs. Part-time employment is a great way to gain some real-life work experience and make yourself more employable. The Careers Service advertises details of part-time work opportunities on their website at [www.glasgow.ac.uk/careers](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/careers).





## Tuition fees

All students pay an annual tuition fee to the University which covers registration, supervision of research or study, and examination and recreational facilities. Some laboratory-based and clinical departments may require payment of an additional bench fee: your destination college or graduate school will be able to advise. See [www.glasgow.ac.uk/scholarships/fees](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/scholarships/fees) for further information.

Tuition fees vary between schools. To find up-to-date fees for 2012-13 please visit [www.glasgow.ac.uk/scholarships/fees](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/scholarships/fees).

Below are the 2011-12 standard\* annual tuition fees for postgraduate study. Please note that fees for 2012-13 will differ and that these costs are illustrative only.

### New programme discount

The University will apply a discount to the international fees for new one-year full-time postgraduate taught Masters programmes in 2012-13. For a full, up-to-date list of new programmes please see [www.glasgow.ac.uk/postgraduate](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/postgraduate).



## Tuition fees 2011-12

### Home (UK/EU)

Full-time taught programmes in the Colleges of Arts, Social Sciences and Science & Engineering, and non-clinical programmes in nursing, medical, veterinary and life sciences	£4,500 (Band 4)
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### International (Non UK/EU)

Taught programmes in the Colleges of Arts and Social Sciences	£11,500 (Band 2)
Taught programmes in the College of Science & Engineering and non-clinical programmes in nursing, medical, veterinary and life sciences	£15,000 (Band 5)
MBA	£19,500 (Band 7)
MVMS programme	£21,000 (Band 8)
Medicine/Dentistry/Veterinary Medicine (clinical)	£27,000 (Band 9)

\* There are a number of exceptions to these fees: please see [www.glasgow.ac.uk/registry/students/fees/tuitionfees.html](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/registry/students/fees/tuitionfees.html) for further details.

# Important information

This publication is intended to help you choose your programme of study at the University of Glasgow. It does not replace the University Calendar as a statement of the University regulations. All students will be required as a condition of registration (matriculation) to abide by, and to submit to the procedures of, the University's rules and regulations, as amended from time to time. A copy of the current regulations is available, on request, from Student Services, or the University Calendar can be viewed online at: [www.glasgow.ac.uk/senate/calendar](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/senate/calendar).

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information contained within this publication but it is subject to alteration without notice. The University will use all reasonable endeavours to deliver courses in accordance with the descriptions set out in this publication. The University, however, reserves the right to make variations to the contents or methods of delivery of courses, to discontinue courses and to merge or combine courses, if such action is reasonably considered to be necessary by the University. If the University discontinues any course, it will use its reasonable endeavours to provide a suitable alternative course. In the event of industrial action or other circumstances beyond the University's control interfering with its ability to provide these courses or services, the University will undertake to minimise disruption as far as is practicable.

Published admissions requirements are subject to alteration and may differ from those listed in this book.

## Equality and diversity

The University of Glasgow is committed to promoting equality in all its activities, and aims to provide a work, learning, research and teaching environment free from discrimination and where difference is positively valued.

The University's equality policies and other useful sources of information are available on the website at [www.glasgow.ac.uk/equalitydiversity](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/equalitydiversity).

## Data Protection Act

The University collects and processes information, including images, about its students, applicants and potential applicants, for academic, administrative, management, pastoral, and health and safety reasons.

Some of this information is considered as sensitive personal data in the terms of the Data Protection Act 1998. The information is provided by a student, applicant or potential applicant or on his/her behalf. It is not possible to become, or remain, a registered (matriculated) student, or to process an application without agreement to provide this information. The information is processed in accordance with the University's Notification with the Information Commissioner under the Data Protection Act 1998, and is disclosed to third parties only with students' consent, or to meet a statutory obligation, or in accordance with the University's Notification with the Information Commissioner, or in accordance with the terms of the Act.

## Smoking policy

In line with legislation throughout the UK, smoking is not permitted in any University building, department or official vehicle.

## Additional fees

In common with other universities, students on certain courses at the University of Glasgow may incur additional expenditure on items such as fieldwork, specialist materials and supplementary instrumental tuition; although some assistance from University funds may be available to meet such expenditure, responsibility for payment will rest with the student. In addition, small charges may be made in some subjects for such items as course materials, photocopying and laser printing; detailed information may be obtained from the University's schools or colleges.

## Refund of private fee contributions

For the University's refund policy, please see [www.glasgow.ac.uk/scholarships/fees/refund](http://www.glasgow.ac.uk/scholarships/fees/refund).

## General Council registration fee

All first-time graduates from the University of Glasgow must, prior to graduation, pay a registration fee to become a member of the University's General Council. Payment of the fee means that your name will be entered in the Register of Graduates and you will be entitled to attend the twice-yearly statutory meetings of the Council and vote in its elections. You will also receive regular mailings from the Council which will include the University's Annual Review.

## Associated institutions

The University is proud of its associations with two other highly regarded seats of learning in Scotland: The Glasgow School of Art and the Scottish Agricultural College. Both are independent higher education institutions.

If you apply for a programme offered by either institution, you will pursue your studies at that institution but your final degree will be conferred by the University of Glasgow. Applications should be made to the institution and not to the University.

The University has made separate arrangements with each institution for access to University facilities. The institution concerned will provide guidance on these arrangements. For further information: [www.gsa.ac.uk](http://www.gsa.ac.uk) and [www.sac.ac.uk](http://www.sac.ac.uk).

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