HISTORY

SCHOOL OF ARTS, LANGUAGES AND CULTURES
Undergraduate courses 2020

www.manchester.ac.uk/history
At Manchester you’ll experience an education and environment that sets you on the right path to a professionally rewarding and personally fulfilling future. Choose Manchester and we’ll help you make your mark.

Manchester is a living history book – from Peterloo to the anti-slavery movement, from Roman and Anglo-Saxon forts to medieval monuments.

Ranked 7th in the UK for history (QS World University Rankings 2019).

Graduates go on to a range of careers, from finance and marketing, to teaching and the civil service.

Exclusive access to special collections of the John Rylands Library, including collections of military, diplomatic and colonial history.

Study the arts, languages and cultures – Manchester gives you the flexibility to combine subjects in a range of different ways.
HISTORY AT MANCHESTER

Our courses cover almost all of human history, including British, European, American, Asian and African history, and range from the classical era (Greece and Rome) through the medieval and modern periods, to the late 20th century. We offer a wide variety of approaches to history, from political and economic history, to gender, social, cultural, and colonial history.

As a student in this historically rich city, you’ll have the opportunity to draw on the abundant library, archive and museum holdings of the local area, including Chetham’s Library, The Museum of Science and Industry, The People’s History Museum and The Working Class Movement Library. You’ll also have access to one of only five National Research Libraries, including the special collections of the John Rylands Library, as well as the exclusive holdings of Manchester Museum.

Study at Manchester and you’ll experience an exciting learning environment, with teaching from committed and passionate experts who embrace dynamic and forward-thinking strategies to enhance learning.

Find out more:
www.manchester.ac.uk/history
PETE’S  
MANCHESTER

Pete, a third year student, shares his favourite spots around Manchester

ZIFERBLAT ☺
Found in the Northern Quarter, Ziferblat is a cafe like no other. Pay 8p a minute and get loads of things thrown in—including coffee, cake and wifi! With stacks of board games, Ziferblat is a lounge, co-working and social space with a lovely communal feel. Watch that you don’t get lost in time!

MARTIN HARRIS CENTRE, LUNCHTIME CONCERTS ☺
Home to our Music and Drama department, the Martin Harris Centre is bursting with musical activity. Drop by on Thursday or Friday every week at 1.10pm to hear a free concert performed by professionals and students alike. You’ll experience all kinds of new music you didn’t even know you loved until now!

WHITWORTH ART GALLERY ☺
This is a perfect spot to relax and work while still only being a four-minute walk from the main campus. Sit in front of the huge glass windows looking into Whitworth Park, grab a drink in the cafe or take a look around the exhibitions; the Whitworth offers some valuable headspace.

MANCHESTER MUSEUM ☺
Based directly on the main campus, the Museum offers a unique study space, and is equally a great location to explore during time out from work. Explore their vast collections of ancient artefacts or make friends with the rare amphibians in their vivarium. You can easily keep going back without getting bored!

CHORLTON WATER PARK ☺
Wish you could get away from the big city and head to the countryside? Take a trip to Chorlton Water Park, a local nature reserve with a lovely lake and river to walk along. Filled with dog walkers and runners, it’s a great way to get out of the busy city for a relaxing walk.

Chat to Pete about life at Manchester: www.manchester.ac.uk/salc-unibuddy
OUR COURSES

History BA (3 years)
Ancient History and History BA (3 years)
History and American Studies BA (3 years)
English Literature and History BA (3 years)
Modern History with Economics BA (3 years)
Politics and Modern History BA (3 years)
History and Arabic BA (4 years)
History and French BA (4 years)
History and German BA (4 years)
History and Italian BA (4 years)
History and Portuguese BA (4 years)
History and Russian BA (4 years)
History and Spanish BA (4 years)
History and Sociology BA (3 years)
Archaeology and History BA (3 years)*
Art History and History BA (3 years)*
Film Studies and History BA (3 years)*

*Please see the Archaeology, Art History and Film brochures for more information about these subjects.

HOW TO APPLY

www.manchester.ac.uk/how-to-apply

This brochure was printed in 2019 for the purposes of the 2020 intake. It has therefore been printed in advance of course starting dates and for this reason, course information may be amended prior to you applying for a place. There are a number of reasons why changes to course information and/or published term dates may need to be made prior to you applying for a place – more details can be found on our website. Prospective students are therefore reminded that they are responsible for ensuring, prior to applying to study, that they review up-to-date course information by searching for the relevant course at:

www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/courses

Chat to Vendula about studying at Manchester
www.manchester.ac.uk/salc-unibuddy

“I chose Manchester because of the flexibility it offers to students. There are barely any compulsory units in History, so everyone can focus on what they like and explore new areas and periods of history.”

Vendula Hoppe
BA History with French BA
UCAS code: V100

Duration: 3 years

Typical A-Level offer: AAA–AAB, including History

For full entry requirements, including IB requirements, please see our website: www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate

• History at The University of Manchester covers almost all of human history, from ancient and medieval times through to modern, economic and social history. We also look at the history of science, technology and medicine.

• Tailor your degree to your interests; pick up free choice units that specialise in your areas and periods of interest.

• Specialised study topics in your final year span periods of British, European, American, African and Asian history.

STUDY ABROAD

YEAR ONE
Your first year will introduce you to key conceptual and methodological issues in relation to studying history. All students take History in Practice, where you’ll learn important skills in research and writing.

YEAR TWO
Benefit from increased choice and flexibility as course units become more specialist. You’ll write a History ‘Long Essay’, which is an extended piece of coursework supervised on a one-to-one basis, on a topic of your choice.

YEAR THREE
Specialise in the periods and subjects you’ve found most interesting. You’ll write a History dissertation, which is an extended piece of coursework based on independent primary research on a topic of your choice. You’ll receive one-to-one support from our teaching staff during your dissertation.

STUDY WITH A LANGUAGE

INDUSTRIAL PLACEMENT

SAMPLE COURSE UNITS

YEAR ONE
| History in Practice | An Introduction to the Medieval World | From Reconstruction to Reagan: American History, 1877–1988 | Modern China: from the Opium Wars to the Olympic Games |

YEAR TWO

YEAR THREE

These are examples of the course units offered in 2019/20 and are subject to change. For the most up-to-date information, please visit: www.manchester.ac.uk/study-history
HISTORY AND SOCIOLOGY BA

UCAS code: VL13
Duration: 3 years
Typical A-Level offer: ABB, including History or Sociology

For full entry requirements, including IB requirements, please see our website: www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate

• Study past and present societies from both a historical and a sociological perspective and use your knowledge of both to understand human civilisations.
• Get a thorough induction into studying the past, alongside the approaches and theoretical frameworks relating to the study of society.
• Study a wide historical and geographical range of periods and cultures.

YEAR ONE
Get to grips with the key conceptual and methodological issues in relation to History and Sociology. You’ll take History in Practice, in which you’ll learn important skills in research and writing to equip you for historical study.

YEAR TWO
Units become increasingly specialist. You’ll choose between a History or a Sociology ‘Long Essay’, an extended piece of coursework supervised on a one-to-one basis, on a topic of your choice.

YEAR THREE
Begin work on your History or Sociology dissertation; specialise in the periods and subjects you have found most interesting. You’ll conduct your own independent research project under supervised guidance.

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MODERN HISTORY WITH ECONOMICS BA

UCAS code: V136
Duration: 3 years
Typical A-Level offer: ABB including History, plus Economics or Maths
For full entry requirements, including IB requirements, please see our website: www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate

• Study modern history, economic history, economics and political economy.
• Benefit from interdisciplinary study, such as employing elementary economics to the formulation and analysis of historical problems.
• Develop skills in critical analysis and logical argument by applying them to historical interpretation.

STUDY ABROAD
STUDY WITH A LANGUAGE
INDUSTRIAL PLACEMENT

YEAR ONE
Explore the main issues in modern history and economic history through course units delving into the history of globalisation and Britain’s economic development. You’ll also undertake core units which will introduce you to the basic principles of modern economic theory.

YEAR TWO
Acquire a deeper understanding of specific areas of historical studies and their methodologies, as well as having the opportunity to explore techniques and debates connected with modern economic theory and/or political economy.

YEAR THREE
Take specialist courses in economics, modern history and/or economic history, as well as working on an independent research project.

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<td>Financial Economics</td>
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POLITICS AND MODERN HISTORY BA

UCAS code: VL12
Duration: 3 years
Typical A-Level offer: AAB, including History*

For full entry requirements, including IB requirements, please see our website: www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate

• Gain unique insight into how societies work in both the past and present.
• Study the workings and history of political systems, international relations, conflict and co-operation in Britain, mainland Europe and beyond.
• Engage with a broad range of themes in both subjects, ranging from Globalisation in Historical Perspective to the Politics of Modern China.

YEAR ONE
Study key conceptual and theoretical issues in relation to Politics and History. You’ll take History in Practice, in which you’ll learn important skills in research and writing.

YEAR TWO
Enjoy increasingly specialist course units. You’ll be able to choose between History or Politics for your ‘Long Essay’, which is an extended piece of coursework which will be supervised, on a topic of your choice.

YEAR THREE
Begin a History or a Politics dissertation, which is an extended piece of coursework based on independent research on a topic of your choice. You may also select units that specialise in the periods and subjects that you have found most interesting.

SAMPLE COURSE UNITS

YEAR ONE
- History in Practice
- Introduction to Comparative Politics
- Introduction to International Politics
- State, Nation and Nationalism, 1750–1920

YEAR TWO
- Ideals of Social Justice
- Crisis and Prosperity in Twentieth-Century Europe
- Making of the Modern Mind: European Intellectual History in a Global Context
- History or Politics ‘Long Essay’

YEAR THREE
- American Politics: Why Do They Do That?
- Terrorism and Political Violence in Europe
- Curating War and Human Rights: methods in cultural and public history
- History or a Politics dissertation

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* This should include grade A in either History, Government or Politics.
HISTORY AND A MODERN LANGUAGE BA

(ARABIC, FRENCH, GERMAN, ITALIAN, PORTUGUESE, RUSSIAN OR SPANISH)

UCAS code:
For specific UCAS codes and full entry requirements, please visit our course finder:
www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate

Duration: 4 years

Typical A-Level offer: AAB including History, plus English Language at A2 or a GCSE in a modern foreign language

- Study a wide range of historical, literary, linguistic and cultural subjects and periods as part of a four-year course.
- Spend your third year abroad, immersing yourself in the language and culture of a country appropriate to the language you have chosen.
- In your final year, take a menu of course units that reflect the development of your interests over your time at university.

YEAR ONE
There is an even balance between History and your language. Choose from units in medieval, modern, and economic and social history, and in the language and culture you are studying.

YEAR TWO
Choose to maintain an equal weighting between the two subjects or devote more time to either history or your modern language. You’ll write an individual ‘Long Essay’ with one-on-one supervision, as well as choosing from a range of optional courses.

YEAR THREE
You’ll spend your third year abroad in a country appropriate to your chosen language, either as a language teaching assistant, studying at a university, or in paid employment.

YEAR FOUR
In your final year you’ll select specialist course units in both History and your language. You’ll also write a dissertation based on your own personal research.

Find out more about the course www.manchester.ac.uk/study-history

“I’ve just returned from Venice where I conducted some archival research in the Archivio di Stato di Venezia as part of my history dissertation. It was one of the highlights of my course and a completely new experience for me. I got to work with 16th century hand-written documents which was so exciting and challenging.”

Vendula Hoppe
History with French BA

Find out more about your year abroad:
www.manchester.ac.uk/residence-abroad
A degree from The University of Manchester will open doors to a wide range of careers.

All of our History courses have your future in mind – whether that is further study, or starting a career. Our degree programmes will equip you with strong critical analysis skills and the ability to place information in a wider context, providing you with versatile skills that are highly desired by a wide range of employers.

Our award-winning careers service provides a wealth of tools, advice, development opportunities and industry links. You’ll have access to dedicated, subject-specific support throughout your studies and for up to two years after graduation.

Our undergraduate courses are designed to provide an easy transition into postgraduate study, if desired. We offer a wide range of specialist master’s within the University and even offer fast-tracked enrolment to high-achieving undergraduate students.

Our students can take part in our Stellify programme alongside their degrees, developing professional and leadership skills while contributing to their local and global communities through volunteering.

Alumni destinations:
• Teaching and academia
• Heritage and museums
• The civil service
• Policy and think tanks
• Media and journalism
• Marketing and public relation
• Law and accountancy

Our History graduates have gone on to work in a variety of industries, including the BBC, KPMG, Deloitte, Marks and Spencer, Aviva, Accenture and Barclays.

Where could your degree take you? Find out more: www.manchester.ac.uk/history-careers

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The University of Manchester is the most targeted university in the UK for top graduate employers (High Fliers Research, 2019)

“...A degree from The University of Manchester is sure to give me a good start for my career. My course has been invaluable in giving me the opportunity to figure out what I enjoy and what I want to do in the future. I came to university not knowing where that would take me and I believe I’ll graduate with a plan and renewed motivation for success.”

Radina Dobreva
Undergraduate Student
School of Arts, Languages and Cultures

PROFESSIONAL PLACEMENT YEAR

Most of our courses offer you the opportunity to undertake a placement year in your third year of study, before returning to complete your studies. Enhance your employment prospects, clarify your career goals and build your external networks as part of your degree.

Find out more: www.manchester.ac.uk/salc-placements

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MAKE YOUR MARK WITH STELLIFY

To help you find your unique path to personal and professional success, you’ll need opportunities to develop and grow.

At Manchester, we call this process Stellify: to change, or be changed, into a star. Stellify offers you opportunities to develop and grow at a university leading the way in social responsibility. Here’s how:

- **Learn without boundaries**
  Enjoy interdisciplinary, international and entrepreneurial study options outside your course.

- **Understand the issues that matter**
  Become ethically, socially and politically informed on some of humanity’s most pressing global issues.

- **Make a difference**
  Contribute to and learn from local and global communities through volunteering.

- **Step up and lead**
  Gain confidence and experience by assisting and inspiring your peers.

- **Create your future**
  Explore countless opportunities for professional career development.

www.manchester.ac.uk/stellify

FLEXIBLE HONOURS

Our Flexible Honours scheme may offer you the opportunity to study an additional arts, languages or cultures subject, allowing you to create a unique blend of knowledge, experience and transferable skills to suit your needs.

To find out more visit www.manchester.ac.uk/flexhons
As a History student, you’ll have the opportunity to travel across the world to explore your subject in an international setting.

THE BENEFITS OF STUDYING ABROAD

• Improve your language skills and cultural awareness
• Experience the subjects of your study first-hand
• Gain a new perspective on your subject area and on higher education
• Give context to your academic studies with an improved international understanding
• Enjoy the opportunity of a lifetime!

At University of Manchester students have the chance to study abroad during the second semester of their second year – in Europe, Australia, Canada, USA, Hong Kong, or Singapore – through the Worldwide Exchange Scheme. Students do not generally incur any additional tuition fees for taking part, and the credits obtained while abroad contribute towards your degree.

Please note that Joint Honours Languages students are not eligible for this scheme, as they will instead spend an entire year abroad as part of the Residence Abroad scheme. Please see the Modern Foreign Languages brochure for more information.

Find out more about what it’s like to study abroad through our social channels, including our blog, Manchester on the Road, written by students currently abroad:

www.manchesterontheroad.wordpress.com
/TheUniversityOfManchesterStudyAbroad
@UoM_GoAbroad

www.manchester.ac.uk/salc-study-abroad
“History is a broad degree, it can take you into any career. In terms of why I chose it, though – the most important thing is that I enjoy it.”

Dane Massey
History BA

WANT TO DISCUSS YOUR APPLICATION WITH US?

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SPEAK TO A STUDENT

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VISIT US AT AN OPEN DAY

Friday, 21 June 2019
Saturday, 22 June 2019
Saturday, 28 September 2019
Saturday, 12 October 2019
Register to attend an Open Day at www.manchester.ac.uk/opendays
THE SCHOOL OF ARTS, LANGUAGES AND CULTURES

The School of Arts, Languages and Cultures is one of the largest groupings of arts, languages and humanities scholars and students in the UK. Study with us and you’ll benefit from multidisciplinary learning opportunities, world-renowned cultural resources, and the ever-evolving creative scene of Manchester itself.

www.manchester.ac.uk/salc-our-story