WHY STUDY LINGUISTICS AND ENGLISH LANGUAGE AT MANCHESTER?

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.

- Study in Western Europe’s most linguistically diverse city – over 150 languages are spoken here
- 5th in the UK for Linguistics (The Complete University Guide 2020)
- Work with internationally renowned experts to promote language diversity through the Multilingual Manchester project: mim.humanities.manchester.ac.uk
- Access cutting-edge resources, including one of the largest holdings of linguistics texts in the UK.
- Benefit from access to psycholinguistics and phonetics laboratories
Linguistics and English Language students study topics such as the ways in which English varies across space, how Old English developed into Modern English, the ways in which children acquire their first language, differences between the speech of men and women, how the sound systems and grammars of different types of language are organised and what happens when speakers of different languages come into contact.

With its diverse local communities, Manchester is an ideal site for carrying out research on linguistic variation and multilingualism. You’ll have access to one of the largest holdings of linguistics texts in the UK, and the opportunity to conduct research using English manuscripts held in our prestigious Special Collections.

We have two laboratories, where you’ll have the chance to use ultrasound imaging, laryngography and eye tracking technology. You’ll also be able to use quantitative methods in the study of large language corpora. This is a skill you will then be able to apply to other fields throughout your life. You’ll also be encouraged to take an active role in funded teaching-enhancement projects. For example, some of our students have developed an online atlas of dialect variation in the UK.

Find out more: www.manchester.ac.uk/linguisticsandlanguage
Pete, a third year student, shares his favourite spots around Manchester

**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!

**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.

**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!

**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.

**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!

Chat to Pete about life at Manchester: www.manchester.ac.uk/salc-unibuddy
SINGLE HONOURS PROGRAMMES:
English Language BA (3 years)
Linguistics BA (3 years)

JOINT HONOURS PROGRAMMES:
English Language and English Literature BA (3 years)
English Language and Arabic BA (4 years)
English Language and Chinese BA (4 years)
English Language and French BA (4 years)
English Language and German BA (4 years)
English Language and Italian BA (4 years)
English Language and Japanese BA (4 years)
English Language and Portuguese BA (4 years)
English Language and Russian BA (4 years)
English Language and Spanish BA (4 years)
Film Studies and English Language BA (3 years)
Linguistics and Arabic BA (4 years)
Chinese and Linguistics BA (4 years)
French and Linguistics BA (4 years)
German and Linguistics BA (4 years)
Italian and Linguistics BA (4 years)
Latin and Linguistics BA (3 years)
Linguistics and Japanese BA (4 years)
Linguistics and Portuguese BA (4 years)
Linguistics and Russian BA (4 years)
Linguistics and Spanish BA (4 years)
Film Studies and Linguistics BA (3 years)
Linguistics and Social Anthropology BA (3 years)
Linguistics and Sociology BA (3 years)

Please see corresponding subject brochures for more information on Joint Honours courses.

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

“I’ve always been fascinated by languages and I wanted to look at them from a more scientific and empirical approach. Manchester has a multitude of different linguistic units so it’s very easy to specialise in areas that you find most interesting.”

Jessica Speed
Linguistics and Japanese BA
Linguistics BA

UCAS code: Q100
Duration: 3 years
Typical A-Level offer: ABB

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

- Study the unique human faculty of language and investigate world languages.
- Explore how languages arise, change and die, how children acquire their first language, how adults learn a second or foreign language, differences between the speech of men and women, how we communicate as individuals and within groups and what happens when speakers of different languages come into contact.
- Develop transferable skills in quantitative methods.

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ENGLISH LANGUAGE BA

UCAS code: Q1Q3
Duration: 3 years
Typical A-Level offer: AAB

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• Investigate the sounds, words and grammar of the English language.
• Discover the origin of English, its development and variation across the UK and beyond, and how it’s used in different situations.
• Get involved in major research projects such as Multilingual Manchester.

YEAR ONE
You’ll study the foundations of English grammar and will be introduced to the history of English and the variations of English in the UK and further afield.

YEAR TWO
Tailor your degree to suit your interests. Choose from a wide range of optional units, from the history of English to variation in contemporary English, from semantics and pragmatics (the study of meaning in and out of context) to psycholinguistics.

YEAR THREE
Have complete freedom of choice among a wealth of different course options spanning subjects as diverse as the history of English, sociolinguistics, and formal semantics and syntax.

SAMPLE COURSE UNITS

YEAR ONE
English Word and Sentence Structure
Histories and Varieties of English
English Corpus Linguistics

YEAR TWO
The Changing Structure of English and psycholinguistics
Language Variation and Change
Societal Multilingualism

YEAR THREE
English Phonology Past and Present
First and Second Language Acquisition
Language and Mediality: From Sand Drawings to Twitter

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-linguisticsandlanguage

“Except for a few compulsory units, the course design is really flexible, and you can therefore pick the topics which interest you most, ranging from studying the old English language to the different dialects of English in the UK today.”

Alex Flowers
English Language BA

STUDY ABROAD
STUDY WITH A LANGUAGE
INDUSTRIAL PLACEMENT

ENGLISH LANGUAGE
Study Linguistics and English Language with us and you’ll develop analytical and problem-solving skills. Often dealing with granular and complex data, your combination of humanities and scientific understanding will allow you to make connections across multiple fields of employment.

The creative economy accounts for 1 in 11 jobs across the UK and employs 700,000 more people than the financial services industry (Creative Industries Federation)

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

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.

Typical professions for Linguistics and English Language graduates:

- Media, PR, Advertising
- Business and finance
- Speech and language therapy
- Lexicography (Dictionary work)
- Translation
- Forensic linguistics
- Teaching English as a first or foreign language

Recent graduates have been employed at companies including The Guardian, L’Oreal, Universal Music Group and Vodafone.

Find out where your degree can take you: www.manchester.ac.uk/linguisticsandlanguage-careers

“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 will graduate with a plan and a renewed motivation for success.”

Radina Dobreva
Linguistics BA

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

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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 Linguistics and English Language student, study abroad is an excellent opportunity for you to see the world, experience new cultures and study overseas.

The University of Manchester students will have the chance to study abroad during the second semester of 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.

**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!

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
You'll access resources that will enhance your learning, including an extensive collection of linguistics texts and our psycholinguistics and phonetics laboratories, with facilities for:

- Signal analysis
- Speech synthesis
- Laryngography
- Electropalatography

Find out more: www.manchester.ac.uk/linguisticsandlanguage-facilities

Our students and staff have access to a wide range of technical facilities, online resources and unique collections at the John Rylands Library.

ALAN GILBERT LEARNING COMMONS
Our Learning Commons provides 24/7 access to 400 workstations, extensive break-out facilities, flexible open plan areas with multimedia equipment, and 30 exclusive learning rooms available for group work.

THE UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER LIBRARY
With more than four million printed books and manuscripts, over 41,000 electronic journals and 500,000 electronic books, as well as several hundred databases, we have one of the best-resourced academic libraries in the country.
“I love phonology so much. This unit amazed me by telling me that letters are not the smallest units of a language, that there are beautiful structures underlying strings of words and that different languages share some invisible common features. It has brought me to a brand new world where I enjoy discovering more secrets about languages.”

Yang Peiying
Linguistics and Sociology BA

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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