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The world is changing fast, and so are our ideas of poverty and development. Now is your time to develop your knowledge, hone your practical skills, and become part of the solution to some of the world’s most complex issues.

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Whether you’re hoping to take your development career to the next level, move into development from another profession, or conduct research to further our understanding of the complex issues surrounding social justice, the Global Development Institute will support you to drive forward new ideas promoting sustainable development and social justice for all.

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With impressive rankings and outstanding academic heritage, a huge multicultural student body and a campus at the heart of the capital of the North, The University of Manchester will set you up for a world of opportunity.

Study at one of the top ten universities for development studies globally*.

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Boost your job prospects by studying at the most targeted university in the UK by the nation’s top graduate employers. An impressive 94% of graduates from The University of Manchester go straight into employment or further study.**

Benefit from courses that are directly influenced by current research taking place at an institution where 83% of research activity has been rated ‘world-leading’ or ‘internationally excellent’.***

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* QS World University Rankings by Subject 2019
** The Graduate Market in 2019, High Fliers Research; Higher Education Statistics Agency, 2018
*** 2014 Research Excellence Framework (REF)
Kwame is an international student studying at the Global Development Institute. He chose to take a year out of his career - in his home country of Ghana - to pursue his master’s degree.

Kwame was awarded one of our GDI Merit Awards, and during his year at the University secured the role of General Secretary at the Students’ Union - the first international student to do so in the history of the Union. He explains why choosing Manchester both as a city to live in and as a university to attend has benefitted his studies.

MUSEUM OF SCIENCE AND INDUSTRY
One place off campus that reconnected me to history was the Museum of Science and Industry. It was in the museum that I got to know that Ghana’s ABC Wax textiles were formally produced in Manchester since the year 1908, before relocating to Ghana in 2007. As a Ghanaian studying trade and industry, this realisation was very important.

ALAN GILBERT LEARNING COMMONS
As someone who gets stressed when I see lots of physical books I have to read through, the Alan Gilbert Learning Commons (AGLC) is my haven. It is a library but without books - instead it comprises of computers with access to uncountable online journals and books.

AMAZON’S MANCHESTER FULFILMENT CENTRE
As a student whose studies focus on trade and development, I got the chance to understand Amazon’s business model and the relevance of their robotics technology. I had the opportunity to visit Amazon’s Manchester Fulfilment Centre which is the only one in the country that is equipped with the Amazon robotics technology to support in the reception, checking, packaging and distribution of products across the UK and Europe.

FOOTBALL STADIUMS
I am not a football fan but there was no way I was going to stay in Manchester without visiting Old Trafford, home to Manchester United, and the Etihad Stadium, home to Manchester City.

EVENTS: GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE LECTURE SERIES
The two lecture series that took my breath away were:

How did the West get China wrong?
This event was the annual Effective States and Inclusive Development Research Centre (ESID) lecture by an award-winning expert on China, Prof Yuen Yuen Ang. The lecture validated my thoughts that China’s development wasn’t because they were autocratic, but rather they ran both an autocracy and democracy in areas of the nation that they found useful.

The Business of Forced Labour in Global Agricultural Supply Chains
This was delivered by a Professor of Politics and Co-Director of Sheffield Political Economy Research Institute (SPERI). A part of her research findings were on cocoa, and a cocoa enthusiast like me had the opportunity to gain new insights and also challenge some of her findings.

Get answers to your questions from our current postgraduate students: uom.link/seed-pg-unibuddy
MAKE AN IMPACT

As a research community, we think critically to tackle issues, big and small. We're always looking to make an impact with everything we do, with a shared ambition to always do better.

You’ll be encouraged to use your skills, expertise and findings to make a difference, whether it be locally – working with communities within Manchester – or globally.

The connections we have with communities, organisations and individuals outside of our campus gives you the chance to form relationships, exchange knowledge and shape your research to have the greatest impact.

Discover the impact our students make: uom.link/hums-phd-impact

Jaime Garcia-Iglesias
PhD student

The University is so connected to the people of Manchester and to different organisations. It’s allowed me to build connections across different institutions outside of academia, enabled me to have an impact with my research and meet those who would benefit from it, and also get a lot of knowledge as to how my research could be applied.
Meet Uma Kothari, Professor of Migration and Postcolonial Studies at our School of Environment, Education and Development.

Uma Kothari is a storyteller and adventurer, which comes as no surprise given that her parents when recently married boarded a steamer from Mumbai to Southampton in the 1950s and spent the next six months traveling overland back to India in a second-hand Morris Minor car. At the time it was unusual for young Indians to go on a road trip purely for pleasure and not for work or for political reasons. Her parents’ desire to explore, and their love of travel inspired her life as a geographer.

Uma feels that Manchester is the perfect place for her research given its colonial and postcolonial history symbolised by the Ship Canal and the legacy of the cotton industry as well as the various forms of progressive politics that emerged here, such as the Suffragette movement. And, she has personal connections to the city as her father came to Manchester in the early 1960s to set up a branch of the Bank of India and they visited regularly to watch the cricket at Old Trafford.

To her, the University is also an inspiring place to work, and it seems appropriate that her office is in the Arthur Lewis Building, named after the first black professor.

For Uma, Geography and storytelling are inextricably linked. Each story reveals encounters between people and places and through these connections she feels that our understandings of the world become deeper and more complex.

“I am enthralled poring over documents in libraries and archives, and realise that in the end it’s all about people and their stories,” she said.

Discover more about our inspirational academics at: uom.link/hums-showcase
The Global Development Institute (GDI) addresses global inequalities through world-class, interdisciplinary research, in order to promote a socially-just world in which all people, including future generations, are able to enjoy a decent life.

Our varied research is split into seven groups: digital development, migration, refugees and asylum, urban futures, growth and distribution, politics, governance and management, global production networks, trade and labour and, agrarian change and political ecology.

Made up of 45 academics, 100 PhD students and more than 400 master’s students, the GDI is the largest provider of development studies, research and postgraduate education in Europe.

- Our research is ranked first in the UK for impact, and second in the UK for quality*
- The University’s Development Studies staff have field experience in more than 60 countries
- We offer scholarship opportunities for outstanding applicants
- Join a multicultural community of students from 30 countries
- Our alumni are recognised for their contributions to global development across the world

Find out how we’re changing things for the better: 
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*Most recent UK Research Excellence Framework (REF 2014)
WHERE WILL YOUR DEGREE TAKE YOU?

The GDI will equip you with the skills for specialist positions in development-related NGOs and public and private organisations, including careers in:

- Policy development
- Project management
- Management and human capital development
- Programme development
- Development consultation
- Development finance advising
- Research
- Academia

Recent employers of our graduates have included global governments, World Bank, WWF Indonesia, Oxfam, Doctors without Borders, Save the Children and the United Nations.

While it is likely you will choose to pursue a career closely linked to your field of study, you may find that your transferable skillset lends itself well to a number of alternative careers at a range of organisations.

Development Studies graduates have gone on to work in marketing, communications, fundraising, environmental consultation and entrepreneurship.

“After graduating, I became a Research Assistant at the Development Bank of Japan, then I moved into a Programme Officer role at the World Food Programme in Mozambique (sponsored by the Japanese government).

“In my current role with the UN, I am in charge of the operational information management for 18 countries, from North Africa to Central Asia. My core work is to prepare various corporate documents and briefs for external audiences, such as donors and partners, and internal senior management.”

Yoko Honda, MA in Development and Economics
Regional Operational Information Management Officer,
UN World Food Programme in Cairo, Egypt

Where will your degree take you?

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Whether you’re ready to take the next steps in your career, want to open the door to a career in research, or simply want to explore a subject you love, there’s no doubt a postgraduate degree will enhance your knowledge, skills and experience and equip you to fulfil your dreams.

Postgraduate courses are delivered in several forms, depending on length and depth of study, and the level of independent research involved.

MASTER’S DEGREES

A master’s degree is a step up from your undergraduate degree, and you’ll delve deeper into your subject, have more freedom to explore the avenues that interest you, and have more responsibility to manage your own time and studies.

A Master of Research (MRes) is a master’s degree involving a significant proportion of independent research and research training, rather than taught units. You may consider an MRes if you have a research idea you would like to explore, or if you are planning to move on to a PhD.

RESEARCH DEGREES

Postgraduate research degrees give you the freedom and power to explore a specific research question in detail through independent study and collaborative research, and get to grips with the context and application of a particular idea.

A PhD (Doctor of Philosophy) is the highest level of academic qualification, and is a very well-regarded and valued asset which requires a great deal of ambition, passion and dedication. You’ll work with world-leading academics, and join them in becoming an expert in your field, fully equipped to go pursue research at institutions across the world, or go into a high-level career or consultancy role in industry.

We offer several specialised programmes that incorporate a one-year master’s with a three-year PhD, enabling you to go from undergraduate to PhD, without applying for a separate master’s course first. There is funding available for the full four-year programme (commonly known as the 1+3).
“Fieldwork was an essential part of our course, and this year we got to visit the lovely city of Cape Town.

“Cape Town is Africa’s leading city for ICT innovations and the next hot location for tech-start-ups, and with many major players from the Silicon Valley trying to set up bases in Cape Town, it is at the forefront of IS development. It was the perfect place for us to compare and see the concepts such as the digital divide, the use of ICTs, and the various frameworks/models that we learn in classrooms, all in play in real life.

“In addition to the visits and talks, we had time to absorb the beautiful city. Some grabbed opportunities to go visit the beaches, while others opted to spend time at the waterfront with live traditional music. The weekend was really special because we got to hike down Table Mountain.

“We came back from our trip as more knowledgeable students and better colleagues.”

Jody-kay Jackson, ICTs for Development MSc
Raghav Mutneja, Management and Information Systems: Change and Development MSc
FEES AND FUNDING

MASTER’S FUNDING

Government Loans
You can take out a non-means tested postgraduate loan of up to £10,280 if you’re an UK/EU student starting a master’s course in the 2020/21 academic year.

The University of Manchester
There are various funding opportunities available to our master’s students, including the Manchester Alumni Scholarship, worth £3,000, available to all University of Manchester graduates awarded a first-class honours degree, and the Manchester Master’s Bursary for students from underrepresented groups.

The Manchester Postgraduate Scholarship of Academic Excellence offers up to 100 fee waiver scholarships worth £2,000 each to high-achieving undergraduates from a UK University.

For details, and to find out if you’re eligible, visit: uom.link/gdi-pg-funding

Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)
Four years of ESRC funding (1+3) is available through the North West Social Science Doctoral Training Partnership (NWSSDTP) for students in certain subjects to pursue postgraduate study through a master’s (1 year) leading into a PhD (3 years).

www.nwssdtp.ac.uk

Search for master’s funding online: uom.link/gdi-pg-funding

PhD FUNDING

Government Loans
The UK government is offering doctoral loans of up to £25,700 to those studying PhDs and equivalent doctoral programmes, including professional doctorates.

UK nationals who are ordinarily resident in England, aged 59 or under, not already receiving funding via a UK Research Council, will be eligible.

Find out if you’re eligible: www.gov.uk/doctoral-loan

The University of Manchester
We are part of two major doctoral training consortia in arts, humanities and social sciences funded by UK research councils – AHRC North West Consortium Doctoral Training Partnership (NWC DTP) and ESRC North West Social Science Doctoral Training Partnership (NWSSDTP).

The Presidents Doctoral Scholar (PDS) award scheme offers over 100 elite postgraduate research studentships per year and is open to students of all nationalities and across all research areas.

Find out if you’re eligible: www.presidentsaward.manchester.ac.uk

Search for PhD funding online: uom.link/hum-phd-funding

TUITION FEES

Your fees will cover the cost of your study, as well as your registration, tuition, supervision, examinations and graduation.

Fees for all master’s courses can be found at: uom.link/gdi-pg-courses

Fees for all PhD programmes can be found at: uom.link/seed-phds
We want to make applying for your postgraduate studies as straightforward as possible, and we’re there to support you throughout the process.

It’s important to make sure you meet the entry requirements before you apply, and you’ll need several documents to complete the application form.

Check your course details carefully online before you start to make sure you have everything you need for a successful application.

We advise you to apply early. Typically, prospective postgraduate students will apply between ten and twelve months before they intend to take up their place.

APPLYING FOR A MASTER’S

[Link to master’s application website]

Email: gdi.admissions@manchester.ac.uk
Tel: +44 (0)161 532 9764

Entry requirements for our programmes vary.

Specific entry requirements for all master’s courses can be found at: [Link to master’s course list]

APPLYING FOR A PhD

[Link to PhD application website]

Email: pgr-seed-admissions@manchester.ac.uk
Tel: +44 (0)161 532 9672

Entry requirements for our PhD programmes can be found at: [Link to PhD course list]
DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS AND POLICY MSC

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

This master’s course provides training in contemporary economic theory, applied economics and quantitative methods relevant to developing and transitional economies. Run jointly by the Global Development Institute and the School of Social Sciences, it is especially appropriate if you’re seeking to practice as a development economist in government, the private sector, a multilateral organisation or an NGO.

- Understand the main economic models and key indicators from which development policies are derived.
- Gain a thorough training in both contemporary macro- and micro- development theory.
- A wide choice of optional units allows you to tailor the MSc to your interests and career aspirations.

This course consists of taught units and a dissertation.

"The entire experience has been amazing. I’ve learned from some of the best researchers in development, interacted with classmates who hold varied development-related jobs all around the world, and gained insight into different working areas of the field through guest lectures from distinguished individuals."

Richard Sean Lobo, India
MSC Development Economics and Policy

Core units typically include:
- Introduction to Econometrics
- Development Macroeconomics
- Applied Development Economics Project
- Introduction to Quantitative Methods in Economics

Optional units include:
- Development Microeconomics
- Anti-Poverty Transfers
- International Finance for Development
- Contemporary Issues in Development Finance
- Poverty, Inequality and Government Policy in Less Developed Countries
- Further Econometrics
- Economics of Environmental Policy
- Global Political Economy
- Industrial Competitiveness and Global Transformation
- Economic Analysis of the Public Sector

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020.

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DEVELOPMENT FINANCE MSC

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Finance-related issues are increasingly important in development, and this master’s will provide you with a thorough understanding of specific aspects of development finance. It will equip you with the necessary skills to make a meaningful contribution to policy formulation and implementation, by focusing on financial development policy and financial management, with specific reference to developing countries.

- Gain a detailed knowledge of the key issues and debates in economic development.
- Study the theoretical approaches concerning development issues.
- Gain an appreciation of the diversity of development policies.

This course consists of taught units and a dissertation.

Core units typically include:
- Research Skills for Economic Development
- Microfinance
- Economic Development
- Contemporary Issues in Development Finance

Optional units include:
- Industrial Competitiveness and Global Transformation
- Public Sector Reform and Management
- Work and Employment in the Global Economy
- Trade Theory and Development
- Development Macroeconomics
- Economic Analysis of the Public Sector
- Financing Projects
- Risk Management

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020.

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Cities in Africa, Asia and Latin America struggle with growth, and urban communities in the developing world are increasingly faced with problems relating to poverty, informality and inequality, climate change, insecurity and lack of social cohesion.

This master’s will improve your understanding of global urban development issues, particularly relating to cities of the global South. It will also suit development professionals seeking to acquire new expertise in dealing with urban issues, and social development specialists working in the voluntary, private or public sector.

- Develop cutting edge conceptual debates in global urban development theory and practice.
- Focus on sustainable and equitable urban development planning in the global South.
- Gain the skills to gather, organise and employ evidence and information from a wide variety of sources.

This course consists of taught units and a dissertation.

Core units typically include:
- Critical Issues in Urban Inequality
- Urban Planning in Cities of the (Global) South: An International Perspective
- Best Practice Case Studies in Urban Development Planning in Cities of the South
- International Planning Fieldwork or Development Fieldwork

Optional units include:
- Poverty and Development
- The Politics and Governance of Development
- Reconstruction and Development
- Political Analysis of Development Policy
- Climate Change, Disasters and Responses
- Citizen-led Development
- Planning and Managing Development
- Planning Powers and Procedures*
- Land and Development*
- Planning for Environmental Change*
- Neighbourhood Planning Project*
- International Planning: Systems and Frameworks*
- Infrastructure Planning*

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020. 

*Students seeking RTPI accreditation must take units marked with an asterisk.
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT) MSC

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

Finance-related issues are increasingly important in development, and this master’s will provide you with a thorough understanding of specific aspects of development finance. It will equip you with the necessary skills to make a meaningful contribution to policy formulation and implementation, by focusing on financial development policy and financial management, with specific reference to developing countries.

• Gain a detailed knowledge of the key issues and debates in economic development.
• Study the theoretical approaches concerning development issues.
• Gain an appreciation of the diversity of development policies.

This course consists of taught units and a dissertation.

Core units typically include:
• Human Resource Development and Leadership
• Organisation Development
• Human Resource Development and Research in an International Context

Optional units include:
• International Perspectives on Equity and Diversity in Education
• Leading Educational Change and Development
• Educating for Sustainability
• Industrial Competitiveness and Global Transformation
• Work and Employment in the Global Economy
• Organisational Change Strategies
• Learning, Training and Development
• Development Practice: International Contexts and Worlds of Action
• E-government

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020.

HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT) MSC

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

This MSc is a practical yet critical introduction to the philosophy, values, policies and practices of human resource management in the context of developing or transitional countries. It is an ideal choice if you are involved in human resources at an organisation in a developing or transitional country.

• Enhance your understanding of contemporary developments in HR, and your ability to critically appraise them in the light of your own professional role.
• Develop an appreciation of the importance of the contextual settings of human resource management, especially in relation to developing countries.
• Develop a range of skills associated with human resource management in public, private and non-profit organisations.

This course consists of taught units and a dissertation.

Core units typically include:
• Human Resource Management: Concepts and Contexts
• Human Resource Practice
• Human Resource Development: Key Concepts
• Human Resource Development: Programmes and Policies in Practice
• Research Methods in Human Resource Management

Optional units include:
• Introducing Information Systems in Organisations
• Public Sector Reform and Management
• International Management
• Organisational Behaviour
• Organisational Psychology, Management and Change
• Managing Quality in Development
• Gender and Development
• Learning, Training and Development
• Development Practice: International Contexts and Worlds of Action
• Human Resource Development and Leadership
• Organisational Change Strategies

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020.
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND MANAGEMENT (INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT) MSC DISTANCE LEARNING

Duration: 18 months minimum, 60 months maximum; 32 months in the normal mode of study

This distance learning MSc offers a practical and critical introduction to the philosophy, values, policies and practices of human resource management and development in an international context.

It is an ideal choice if you are involved in human resources at an organisation in a developing or transitional country.

• Study for an MSc through distance learning without leaving home or interrupting your career.
• Understand the importance of the contextual settings of human resource development and management, especially in relation to developing countries.
• Develop a range of skills associated with human resource development and management in public, private and non-profit organisations.

This course consists of taught units and a dissertation.

Core units typically include:
• Organisational Behaviour
• Organisation Development and Change
• Human Resource Practice
• Core Issues in Human Resource Management
• Human Resource Development
• International Management
• Learning, Training and Development
• Research Methods

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020.

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ICTS FOR DEVELOPMENT MSC

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

ICTs for Development will train you to become an information-and-communications-technology-for-development (ICT4D) champion, possessing the necessary technical and contextual skills to lead ICT4D projects such as telecentres, ICT-enabled microenterprise, public service kiosks and e-government initiatives.

In recent years there has been, and continues to be, a massive expansion in the number of ICT4D projects in developing and transitional economies, with a skills shortage resulting in a high project failure rate. This course satisfies the pressing need for ICT4D champions.

• Benefit from The University of Manchester’s world-leading Centre for Development Informatics.
• Study conceptual frameworks to understand the process of socio-economic development and the role of information and of ICTs in the development process.
• Gain new knowledge and skills to help in the effective planning, development, implementation and management of ICT4D initiatives.

This course consists of taught units and a dissertation.

Core units typically include:
• Development Fundamentals
• ICTs and Socio-Economic Development
• Planning and Managing Development
• Research Skills Development

Optional units include:
• Teaching and Learning Online
• Multimedia Design and Development
• Issues in the Management of Information Systems
• Human Resource Development and Leadership
• E-Government
• eBusiness: Organisation and Strategy
• Development Fundamentals
• Fundamentals of Information and Information Systems

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020.

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INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT MSC

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

This MSc offers a coherent and interdisciplinary grounding in the core aspects of international development theory, policy and practice. It is designed for social science graduates, or for those working in development organisations internationally and within developing countries. It aims to blend theory and practice and seeks to explain policy behaviour through an integrated approach, drawing on a range of disciplinary perspectives.

- Gain the skills necessary to analyse different perspectives on international development.
- Choose from wide range of options for advanced training in areas of specialist expertise.
- Develop critical insights into the key strategies, policies and practices used to promote international development.

This course consists of taught units and a dissertation.

Core units typically include:
- Global Political Economy
- Development Fundamentals
- Understanding Development Research

Optional units include:
- Humanitarianism and Conflict Response: Inquiries
- Industrial Competitiveness and Global Transformation
- Work and Employment in the Global Economy
- Poverty and Development
- Gender Inequality: Theory and Evidence
- Conflict Analysis
- Civil Society and Public Action
- Critical Issues in Urban Inequality
- Climate Change, Disasters and Responses
- Migration and Development

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020.

Fahmida Alidina, Nigeria

The highlight of my course so far has been discovering a particular field that I had no idea about, and it’s wonderful how I am considering pursuing a doctorate in that field now. The most challenging part has been that it’s a bit new to me. The fact that I had to write a critical review early on was a bit overwhelming, but I learnt to adapt. I now feel like “I can definitely do this”.

Faith Adiorho, Nigeria

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INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT: DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT MSC

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

This MSc analyses the management, planning and policymaking aspects of the development process. It aims to blend theory and practice to explain policy behaviour through an integrated approach, drawing on a range of disciplinary perspectives.

It is designed for social science graduates, or for those working in institutions involved in the management of development activities in developing countries, such as central and local government, parastatal organisations, NGOs and multilateral or bilateral aid agencies.

• Deepen your understanding of management, planning and policy-making in economic, social and political spheres of development.
• Develop professional skills related to formulating, investigating and implementing different forms of development management.
• Acquire the practical skills to manage development interventions in an increasingly challenging field.

This course consists of taught units and a dissertation.

Core units typically include:
• The Politics and Governance of Development
• Development Fundamentals
• Planning and Managing Development
• Understanding Development Research

Optional units include:
• Public Sector Reform and Management
• Poverty and Development
• Gender Inequality: Theory and Evidence
• Microfinance
• Reconstruction and Development
• Political Analysis of Development Policy
• Citizen-led Development
• Migration and Development
• Global Inequalities and Social Development
• Characteristics and Skills of Development Practice
• Contemporary Issues in Development Finance
• Urban Development Planning in Cities of the South: An International Perspective
• Best Practice Case Studies in Urban Development Planning in Cities in the South

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020.

INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT: ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT MSC

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

This MSc links environmental understanding grounded in the physical sciences with study of the social and economic bases of planning and managing development. Over the past two decades, environmental considerations have become central to development policy and management. As a result, there is a growing need for policymakers, planners and managers to be fully conversant with the environmental dimension of development.

• Understand the environmental and climate change dimensions of development trends and interventions.
• Gain critical insights into the key strategies, policies and practices employed to promote climate change adaptation, mitigation and sustainable development.
• Options for advanced training in areas of specialist expertise relevant to environment, climate change, and development.

This course consists of taught units and a dissertation.

Core units typically include:
• Development Fundamentals
• Climate Change, Disasters and Responses
• Environment, Climate Change and Development
• Understanding Development Research

Optional units include:
• Economics of Environmental Policy
• Issues in Environmental Policy
• Politics, Economics and Environment
• Critical Environmental Politics
• Cultures and Disasters
• Global Political Economy
• Civil Society and Public Action
• Political Analysis of Development Policy
• Environmental Impact Assessment
• Best Practice Case Studies in Urban Development Planning in Cities in the South
• Climate Change and Carbon Cycling

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020.

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INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT: GLOBALISATION, TRADE AND INDUSTRY MSC

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

This MSc analyses industrial development strategies and international trade policies, and their implications for developmental processes. The changing dynamics of cross-border trade, finance and labour are fundamentally affecting how developed and developing countries relate to each other.

This course will provide critical insight into different theoretical and interdisciplinary perspectives on the political economy of globalisation, trade policy dynamics and industrial development within the wider context of global development strategies.

• Analyse contemporary issues relating to globalisation, international trade policy and industrial development.
• Understand global value chains and production networks, and their implications for trade dynamics.
• Learn from interactions with policy actors and practitioners, factory visits and an international fieldtrip.

This course consists of taught units and a dissertation.

Core units typically include:
• Industrial Competitiveness and Global Transformation
• Development Fundamentals
• Globalisation, Trade and Development
• Understanding Development Research

Optional units include:
• Economies, Peace and Conflict
• Global Political Economy
• Work and Employment in the Global Economy
• Poverty and Development
• Gender Inequality: Theory and Evidence
• Trade Theory and Development
• The Politics and Governance of Development
• Political Analysis of Development Policy
• ICTs and Socio-Economic Development
• Economic Development
• International Finance for Development

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020.

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INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT: POLITICS, GOVERNANCE AND DEVELOPMENT POLICY MSC

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

This MSc examines the obstacles to, and pathways towards, more legitimate, democratic and pro-poor forms of governance at global, national and local levels – a topic that is currently centre-stage on the international development agenda.

It interrogates the discursive paradigms and material interventions in the field of politics and governance. This course is ideal if you are interested in how politics is critical to the success of development, and would like to examine ‘lived’ or ‘real’ politics in developing countries, and the dynamics underpinning change.

• Gain critical insights into different theoretical and disciplinary perspectives on the politics and governance of development.
• Develop professional skills related to formulating, investigating and implementing different approaches to promoting good governance.
• A wide range of options for advanced training in areas of specialist expertise in politics, governance and development policy.

This course consists of taught units and a dissertation.

Core units typically include:
• The Politics and Governance of Development
• Development Fundamentals
• Political Analysis of Development Policy
• Understanding Development Research

Optional units include:
• Global Political Economy
• Public Sector Reform and Management
• E-Government
• Conflict Analysis
• Civil Society and Public Action
• Economic Analysis of the Public Sector
• Planning and Managing Development
• Global Governance
• Critical Environmental Policies

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020.

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INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT: POVERTY, INEQUALITY AND DEVELOPMENT MSC

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

The impoverishment of more than 1.4 billion people, plus growing levels of inequality, presents the world with its greatest moral challenge. This MSc will help you understand and tackle the problems of poverty and inequality in a critical and constructive way. You will learn about the different conceptualisations and characteristics of poverty and inequality through high-level training from leading academics.

- Theoretical and disciplinary perspectives on how poverty, inequality and development can be understood, measured and explained.
- Critical insights into the key strategies, policies and practices currently employed to promote development, equality and poverty reduction.
- A wide range of options for advanced training in areas of specialist expertise relevant to poverty, inequality and development.

This course consists of taught units and a dissertation.

Core units typically include:
- Poverty and Development
- Development Fundamentals
- Political Analysis of Development Policy
- Global Inequalities and Social Development
- Understanding Development Research

Optional units include:
- Poverty, Inequality and Government Policy in Less Developed Countries
- Global Political Economy
- Globalisation, Trade and Development
- The Politics and Governance of Development
- Critical Issues in Urban Inequality
- Citizen-led Development
- Economic Development
- Migration and Development
- Anti-Poverty Transfers
- Planning and Managing Development
- Best Practice Case Studies in Urban Development Planning in Cities in the South

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020.

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INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT: POVERTY, CONFLICT AND RECONSTRUCTION MSC

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

This MSc examines contemporary and established analytical and conceptual frameworks relating to poverty, conflict analysis and the reconstruction of conflict and disaster affected societies.

It looks at policies and practices, by which individuals, communities and organisations seek to reduce poverty, understand conflict and initiate humanitarian interventions.

- Deepen your critical understanding of key theoretical and practical issues relating to poverty analysis and reduction, conflict analysis and reconstruction.
- Develop professional skills related to formulating, investigating and implementing different practical approaches to poverty, conflict and reconstruction.
- A wide range of options for advanced training in areas of specialist expertise relevant to poverty, conflict and reconstruction.

Core units typically include:
- Poverty and Development
- Reconstruction and Development
- Conflict Analysis
- Development Fundamentals
- Understanding Development Research

Optional units include:
- Anthropology of Violence and Reconstruction
- Armed Groups and Humanitarian Aid
- The Arab Uprisings and Revolutionary State Formation
- Peace and Social Agency, Security and Intervention: Theories and Practices
- Critical Issues in Urban Inequality
- Environment, Climate Change and Development
- Planning and Managing Development
- Humanitarianism Protection
- Anthropology of Life-Course in Societies Affected by Violence

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020.

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INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT: PUBLIC POLICY AND MANAGEMENT MSC

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

This MSc provides interdisciplinary training and education that will enable policymakers, economists, planners, managers and researchers to understand current issues of public policy and management in an international development setting.

It will provide you with the conceptual and analytical tools needed to critically review issues relevant to public policy and public sector reform.

- Gain knowledge of a variety of global public policies and how they are implemented.
- Study ‘real world’ examples of public policy and sector reform with perspectives from leading experts.

This course consists of taught units and a dissertation.

Core units typically include:
- Public Sector Reform and Management
- Research Skills for Economic Development
- Economic Analysis of the Public Sector

Optional units include:
- Global Political Economy
- International Management
- Globalisation, Trade and Development
- E-Government
- Microfinance
- Political Analysis of Development Policy
- Development Macroeconomics
- Anti-Poverty Transfers
- Human Resource Practice
- Economics of Governance and Development

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020.

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MANAGEMENT AND IMPLEMENTATION OF DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS MSC

Duration: 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

This MSc is taught by the Global Development Institute, Alliance Manchester Business School and the School of Mechanical, Aerospace and Civil Engineering.

The course combines the strength of the disciplinary excellence of each, exploring international development management focused on both infrastructure capacity and on social and economic development.

- Enhance your competency in functional areas of development management and the specialist roles of development practitioners.
- Gain the knowledge and skills to propose, plan, implement, manage and evaluate development projects.
- Appreciate the core roles of diagnosing, monitoring and intervening when proposing, managing and evaluating projects.
- Get an insight into the people management skills of facilitation, emotional intelligence, conflict management and organisational politics.

Core units typically include:
- Research Methods and Skills in Organisational Contexts
- Dissertation

Optional units include:
- Megaproject Leadership and Strategy
- Public Sector Reform and Management
- Civil Society and Public Action
- Financing Projects
- Organisational Behaviour
- Managing Quality in Development
- Gender and Development
- Planning and Managing Development
- Risk Management
- Development Practice: International Contexts and Worlds of Action
- Strategic Project Organising

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020.

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MANAGEMENT AND INFORMATION SYSTEMS: CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT MSC

**Duration:**
- On-campus full-time: 12 months
- Distance Learning: 18 months minimum, 60 months maximum (24 months in normal mode of study)

This MSc trains ‘hybrid managers’ capable of understanding the job of management in its organisational setting, as well as the role, management and jargon of information, information systems and information technology. It helps close the gap of knowledge, skills, culture and language between functional managers and information systems professionals.

- Understand the role of management of information, of information technology and of information systems in organisations.
- Gain new skills in the effective planning, development implementation and management of information systems.
- Acquire the knowledge and skills to help in the effective management and change of organisations.

**Core units typically include:**
- Public Sector Reform and Management
- Research Skills for Economic Development
- Economic Analysis of the Public Sector

**Optional units include:**
- Global Political Economy
- International Management
- Globalisation, Trade and Development
- E-Government
- Microfinance
- Political Analysis of Development Policy
- Development Macroeconomics
- Anti-Poverty Transfers
- Human Resource Practice
- Economics of Governance and Development

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This course is offered as a distance learning master’s, allowing you to study part-time alongside your careers, from anywhere in the world.

Find out more about studying this course as a distance learning master’s: [uom.link/gdi-dl-mis](uom.link/gdi-dl-mis)

ORGANISATIONAL CHANGE AND DEVELOPMENT MSC

**Duration:**
- 12 months full-time, 24 months part-time

This MSc aims to develop graduates who are capable of contributing to organisational change, and development initiatives/activities, in developing and transitional economies. It will equip you with the skills to contribute positively to organisationally-based initiatives through effective diagnosis, planning, management and implementation of organisational change and development interventions.

- Understand the academic and theoretical basis of organisational change and development.
- Develop realistic HR strategies that contribute to effective organisational change and development interventions.
- Engage in specific specialist processes of organisational change and development.

This course consists of taught units and a dissertation.

**Core units typically include:**
- Organisational Psychology, Management and Change
- Organisational Development
- Organisational Change Strategies
- Research Methods and Skills in Organisational Contexts

**Optional units include:**
- Introducing Information Systems in Organisations
- Public Sector Reform and Management
- Human Resource Development and Leadership
- Human Resource Practice
- Managing Quality in Development
- Gender and Development
- Information Technologies and Human Resources
- Learning, Training and Development
- Development Practice: International Contexts and Worlds of Action

Course units vary from year to year. Above are examples of the topics planned for 2020. [uom.link/gdi-pg](uom.link/gdi-pg)
RESEARCH METHODS WITH INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT MSC

Duration: 12 months full-time

This is a research-intensive master’s designed for those who wish to progress to PhD and/or are considering embarking on a career in research. It has a strong focus on developing research skills combined with further study in global development. The MSc is designed to comply with the research training requirements for two Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) scholarships as administered by the North West Social Science Doctoral Training Partnership (NWSSDTP), the three-year PhD scholarship (commonly termed +3) and the four-year scholarship that covers an eligible one-year master’s and a three year PhD (commonly termed +1+3).*

It is ideal if you want to apply for an ESRC scholarship through the NWSSDTP or a School of Environment, Education and Development scholarship. NWSSDTP approved master’s must meet the minimum research training requirement expected by the ESRC.

Core units typically include:
- Research Literacy and Design
- Qualitative Research Approaches
- Quantitative Research Approaches

Optional units include:
- Doing Environmental Research
- Development Fieldwork
- Independent Research Methods
- Research

You will also select four units from our global development portfolio.

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* The eligibility for NWSSDTP scholarships is pending approval.

- Designed to foster an active and practical engagement with research methods used in the context of global development.
- Develop as a well-rounded researcher who is able to access the full range of research in relation to global development.
- Attend introductory PhD research training lectures, seminars and tutorials, and get a taste of life as a PhD student.
DEVELOPMENT POLICY AND MANAGEMENT PhD

Duration: 3 years full-time, 6 years part-time

The Global Development Institute at The University of Manchester is the largest development-focused teaching and research institute in Europe. Through education, research, and policy analysis, we aim to promote social and economic development and to reduce poverty, particularly within lower-income countries and disadvantaged groups.

We are home to the Rory and Elizabeth Brooks Doctoral College, which aspires to be a world-class community of doctoral researchers contributing to socially-just global development through the research of its members and their progression into leadership roles in public, private and civic institutions.

By choosing to pursue a PhD with the Global Development Institute, you’ll work alongside world-leading academics known for the quality of their research, and you’ll be part of an vibrant and exciting international research community.

Our research themes
- **Global production networks, trade and labour**
  Global production is undergoing a significant evolution, with more polycentric trade, new technologies, and the challenges of sustainable development.

- **Digital development**
  Digital technologies have the potential to catalyse development, but they can also accentuate inequality and fuel injustice. Globalisation is a dynamic and contested process with uneven outcomes.

- **Agrarian change and political ecology**
  Ending extreme poverty and hunger requires a transformation of agricultural production systems and links to the rest of the economy.

- **Migration, refugees and asylum**
  The contemporary world is characterised by a high degree of mobility, making people on the move important political and developmental actors.

- **Politics, government and management**
  Building more effective and inclusive institutions that can deliver development is one of the most significant challenges in the Global South.

- **Urban futures**
  The geography of many cities is characterised by inequality, segregation and fragmentation, with concentrations of poverty and wealth in close proximity.

- **Growth and distribution**
  Poverty and inequality are at the heart of the link between growth and distribution and their alleviation depends on effective political and governance mechanisms.

Explore our PhDs online: [uom.link/seed-phds](uom.link/seed-phds)
During your doctoral studies you’ll develop an original piece of research on a topic of your choice, using a range of methods.

You’ll take the lead on your project, but will also be supported by at least two supervisors, meeting around once a month to discuss your progress.

Our PhD community is home to a diverse and passionate group of researchers from nearly 100 different countries working in a range of disciplines. This brings a real sense of community, with individuals to look to for inspiration, friendship and support.

We encourage interdisciplinary working and the sharing of ideas, and you’ll be respected and valued for your individual contributions, working in partnerships with our wider academic community.

There’ll also be plenty of opportunities to get involved in activities, such as:
- workshops
- seminars
- conferences
- international research trips
- funded fieldwork
- regular opportunities to share your findings with your peers
- the chance to get hands-on teaching experience as a Graduate Teaching Assistant.

Explore our PhD community: uom.link/hums-phd-community

“We have five different disciplines within the department I work in and the good part is that you’re not restricted to just being friends, or interacting with, the people only from your own discipline.”

Amish Sarpotdar
PhD student

Chat to our current students: uom.link/hums-phd-chat
As a doctoral researcher at Manchester, you’ll be encouraged to think about the impact of your research alongside your career aspirations and given opportunities to gain the experience and skills to make your ambitions a reality.

We work hard to provide funded opportunities for personal and professional development throughout your doctoral journey.

Research development support
Our dedicated team offer training sessions to build your skills and confidence, including:

• Writing and presenting
• Viva preparation, thesis submission and preparing for your Review Panel
• Public engagement
• Well-being
• Language training
• Specialist software
• Time management
• Blogging, social media and poster design

You could also become part of our Developing Intellectual Leaders Programme, aimed at postgraduate researchers wanting to make the most of their leadership potential.

An inspiring environment
You’ll be part of a supportive environment that will stimulate intellectual debate and development.

• You’ll be supported to present at international conferences and workshops.
• We will encourage you to publish in high-quality outlets.
• There will be opportunities to independently organise research-related events.
• You’ll have access to excellent facilities and work spaces.

Explore our training and development opportunities:
uom.link/hums-phd-training

As part of my PhD I had the opportunity to engage in a four-month internship in parliament. The placement really helped me to think of myself as an academic in a world of policy making. I also had the opportunity to undertake a one-month overseas institutional visit, which was a funded programme to go and work with an academic at Purdue University in Indiana.”

Anna Sanders
PhD student

Research placements, internships and exchanges
We offer opportunities to work with a variety of external partners, providing a great opportunity to engage in knowledge exchange and develop your professional network.

Our students have been on placements with partners such as the National Trust to do archival research in estates around the North West, to the Cabinet Office in London, to undertake policy placements, as well as HOME, The British Library and the National Football Museum to name a few.

Our global Postgraduate Researcher Exchange programmes include:

• Purdue University, Indiana
• University of Copenhagen
• National University of Singapore (NUS)
FINDING YOUR SUPERVISOR

The relationship you’ll have with your supervisors will be a key part of your PhD – they will develop your thinking, inspire you and encourage you.

Things to consider:
• You’ll have at least two supervisors to support you throughout your PhD, a main supervisor and co-supervisor.
• It’s a close relationship, formed over at least three years, so you’ll need to feel comfortable asking questions and sharing your thoughts and ideas.
• In order to develop your potential as a researcher, it’s best to find a supervisor who works in your specific field, shares your research interests, and believes in your proposal.
• Get in touch with potential supervisors before you apply. Most supervisors will provide support and advice on developing your research proposal, which could increase your chances of securing funding.

Browse our supervisors’ research profiles, and get in touch:

uom.link/hums-phd-supervisor

WRITING YOUR RESEARCH PROPOSAL

As part of your application you’ll need to write a research proposal. This is the main way we can judge whether you have what it takes to excel as a doctoral candidate and for you to share your ideas and interests with us.

• Include a work plan in for your research, with timelines and milestones. This will show assessors you’re confident you can realistically achieve your research aims.
• Give your proposal a clear structure. We suggest: title, abstract, literature review, research questions, methods, work plan, conclusion, references.
• Make sure your proposal is correctly referenced and your bibliography is comprehensive.
• You’ll probably work through several versions before it’s ready to submit so allow time for editing and proofreading as part of the process.

• Give your proposal the time and energy it deserves, and you’ll give yourself the best chance to turn your idea into a realistic research project. The earlier you can start this, the better.

• Make sure you’re aware of the context of your research and anything similar that’s happening out there. But when it comes to your proposal, keep the literature focused and directly relevant to your project.

• Keep your proposal concise, and make sure your title is clear. Typical proposals tend to be around 1,500-2,000 words but do vary by programme, so make sure to check with your programme’s admissions team or prospective supervisor.

Take a look at our guidance on writing your research proposal:

uom.link/hums-phd-proposal
At Manchester, we pride ourselves on supporting you to be the best you can be. That’s why we offer a comprehensive range of services to help you flourish.

- You’ll be assigned an academic adviser for one-to-one support and advice on any aspect of student life, and can chat to lecturers about your course during their office hours.

- The Student Services Centre is your one-stop shop for administrative issues, including registration and fees.

- You can always talk to someone. Services include: The University Counselling Service offering free confidential advice from trained counsellors, the independently run Students’ Union Advice Service, ResLife pastoral teams (in University accommodation) and Nightline, an anonymous telephone helpline run by students.

- Our Disability Advisory Support Service offers help if you have any needs arising from a medical condition, physical or sensory disability, specific learning disability or mental health difficulty that affects your studies.

- Our Students’ Union runs a parents and carers network to offer support for students with children, and there are two excellent nurseries located conveniently on campus.

- Our diverse community offers opportunities for prayer and faith-based activities for all major religions on campus. There are Students’ Union societies for most religions, with strong links to wider faith communities in Manchester.

- We offer a full range of services to our international students before and after your arrival in the UK, including dedicated immigration advice, pre-departure sessions and a tailored Orientation programme.

We’re committed to a positive learning environment for all our students, where everyone is treated with respect and dignity.

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VISIT US

Our guided visits include a presentation on the University, a question-and-answer session with current students, and a campus tour. Take an accommodation tour of some halls of residence, including a guided tour and a viewing of at least one student bedroom.

Alternatively feel free to take an independent look around campus. Our Gift Shop in University Place can provide maps and information. It’s open Monday to Friday, 9am–5pm.

www.manchester.ac.uk/visit-us

SPEAK TO A STUDENT

Get answers to your questions from our current postgraduate students.

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uom.link/hums-phd-chat

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“Having a master’s degree from The University of Manchester and the Global Development Institute is a great way to start a career. It helped me because the research part that the programme has - writing a dissertation - meant I could easily get a job assisting research, or in a consultancy that includes a component of research.

The programme allowed me to have a wider perspective of different issues related to development and poverty, that I could talk about to my tutors. It also helped me think about what I wanted to do for my career, and what areas I wanted to develop more.”

Salma Bouchiba, Poverty and Development MSc graduate

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This prospectus was printed in 2019 for the purposes of the 2020 intake. It has therefore been printed in advance of course starting dates. As such, for a number of reasons, master’s course information, including, for example, details of course content, module availability and/or published term dates, may be amended either prior to or after you apply for a place on a course. These reasons may include, but are not limited to:

• the need to make, for operational and/or academic reasons, reasonable changes to the content and teaching offered in relation to any course;
• the withdrawal of courses due to cohort numbers being insufficient;
• a course not receiving the relevant accreditation required;
• interruption or loss of key services due to circumstances beyond our control, including fire, flood or other operational issues.

Prospective master’s students are reminded that they are responsible for ensuring, prior to applying, or accepting an offer, to study at The University of Manchester, that they review up-to-date course information, by searching for the relevant master’s course at:
www.manchester.ac.uk/study/masters/courses

All information relating to tuition fees and funding is correct at the time of publication. However, this may change for a number of reasons, including changes to government policy.