**The University of Manchester Alumni Community**

*At Manchester we are proud to have the largest global alumni community of any campus-based*

*university in the UK, with many of the 398,000 graduates we are in contact with holding top positions in every imaginable field.*

We want to maintain a lifelong connectionwith our graduates, to share experiences and expertise, to tell them about our events, networking and volunteering opportunities and ensure they hear about alumni-exclusiveoffers.

Many of our alumni are actively helping to influence and inspire the next generation of Manchester graduates by volunteering their time and expertise. Our alumni volunteers are available to mentor students, participate in careers events, provide internships and placements, and act as hosts for our Global Graduates programme – all to give you the high-quality experience and transferable skills that are vital in ensuring a return on investment into a degree.

**Access alumni online**

You can access alumni advice on our online professional networking service, the Manchester Network. Including a feature called *Ask Me About*, The Manchester Network, connects students and alumni with 2,500 alumni who want to:

* offer careers advice;
* review CVs and applications;
* or offer work experience, internships and jobs.

Get started by registering for the Manchester Network at [network.manchester.ac.uk](https://your.manchester.ac.uk/manchester-network/), going to the *mentoring* tab and searching by interests and profession.

Some alumni also support the University financially, enabling students and researchers to contribute towards a more progressive, responsible world, and help us offer Access Scholarships to high-achieving undergraduate students who come to us from backgrounds that under-represented in higher education.

Many of our graduates hold positions of seniority in business, academia, politics, industry and the media, including:

*Lord Terence Burns*

*Chairman, OFCOM*

*Professor Brian Cox OBE*

*Physicist and Science Communicator*

*Frances O’Grady*

*General Secretary of the TUC*

*Jesse Armstrong and Sam Bain*

*Writers of television comedies – Peep Show and Fresh Meat*

*Benedict Cumberbatch CBE*

*Actor*

*Gareth Williams and Bonamy Grimes MBE*

*Skyscanner co-founders*

*Chuka Umunna MP*

*Former Shadow Secretary of State for Business, Innovation and Skill*

*Member, Change UK – The Independent Group*

*Parineeti Chopra*

*Actor*

*Professor Dame Sally Davies*

*UK Government’s Chief Medical Officer for England*

*Sophie Raworth*

*BBC News broadcaster*

*Teo Chee Hean*

*Senior Minister & Coordinating Minister for National Security,* *Singapore*

*Toby Jones*

*Actor*

*Orlando von Einsiedel*

*Award-winning film director*

*Professor Danielle George MBE*

*Radio frequency engineer*

*Tom Bloxham MBE*

*Founder of Urban Splash and former Chancellor of the University*