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UNIVERSITY OF WESTMINSTER

POSTGRADUATE COURSES 2019
Home to over 19,000 students from over 169 countries, the University of Westminster is renowned for its commitment to our students – ensuring we support you as individuals who are motivated by making a difference and give you not just a degree but a fully rounded education that will help you stand out from the crowd.

Established as Britain’s first polytechnic in 1838, Westminster has continued to develop as a University that still thrives on delivering transformational education to people from all backgrounds. We foster innovation and creativity, informed by professional practice, inspired by research. Through extremely close links in business, professional and academic life within London, as well as overseas, Westminster seeks to remain relevant and add value to professional practice through our education, research and enterprise offerings.

From a research perspective, what is so distinctive is the way in which our approach is being applied to create impact. Since starting as Vice-Chancellor at Westminster, I have spent time speaking to staff and students and what comes out unequivocally from all the colleagues and postgraduates I have met is their enthusiasm and interest in what they do and their focus on applied outcomes for industry impact and policy development.

Westminster stands for what we deliver by way of impact, especially in the way we support our diverse student body to become global citizens who share our ethos. We strive to create a virtuous interconnection of research, teaching and enterprise. We will continue to build on this.

Welcome to Westminster.

Dr Peter Bonfield OBE FREng
Vice-Chancellor and President
Westminster School, named Law Teacher of the Year in 2016 – the third Westminster teacher to win the prestigious award in the last six years.

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The latest measure of the quality of our research, the REF2014, assessed 90 per cent of Westminster’s research work as internationally recognised, internationally excellent or world leading.

Latest estimates suggest there are more than one million businesses operating within 20 miles of the University of Westminster.

Our global professional network includes 180,000 alumni from over 180 countries with our well-known alumni including; Vivienne Westwood (Fashion designer), Christopher Bailey (former CEO, Burberry), Nick Mason, Richard Wright, Roger Waters (Pink Floyd), Charlie Watts (The Rolling Stones), Sinclar Metcalfe and Julian Beecham (Pret a Manger).

The University of Westminster has been ranked the most internationally diverse university in the UK, USA, Australia and New Zealand (Hotcourses Index 2018), and among the world’s top 15 most international universities (Times Higher Education Rankings 2018).

The number of cities and towns across South Asia where public spaces have been transformed by the Westminster Design Challenge; the Challenge, founded by Urban Design MA student Darshana Chauhan, is part of the Westminster-based Latitudes initiative – a global educational network tackling climate change.

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In 2018 Westminster’s Air Traffic Management Group, led by Andrew Cook, won a €4 million contract to run the European Knowledge Transfer Network for the Single European Sky Air Traffic Management Research (SESAR) project.

SESAR is the technological pillar of Europe’s ambitious Single European Sky initiative, which coordinates the design, management and regulation of European airspace. It is one of the most innovative infrastructure projects launched by the EU, developing and deploying new technologies to meet the expected growth of aviation by 2035 and beyond. The project was conceived to build Europe’s intelligent transport system, connecting cities and citizens, whilst increasing safety and reducing the climate change impact of aviation.

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London tops the Global Financial Centres Index, and for centuries the city has been known as a place of pioneers and entrepreneurs. Today it is home to leading national and multinational companies, corporations and organisations across almost every professional and business sector imaginable.

Our central London campuses are within easy reach of many famous landmarks and institutions, including the Houses of Parliament, the BBC, the London Stock Exchange and the British Museum. If you choose to study in Harrow, you can combine the advantage of a residential green site with easy accessibility to all that London has to offer. Despite the size of the city, travel is usually straightforward with good underground, bus and train networks. London is also well connected by rail and road to the rest of the UK and Europe, and there are global air links through the city’s five major airports.

Importantly, making the most of London doesn’t have to be expensive. With substantial student discounts and many of the city’s attractions being free, you’ll always find ways to make your money go further. And if you want to get away from all the hustle and bustle, don’t worry – 40 per cent of London is green space, with playing fields and parkland covering over 66 square miles – that’s three times the size of Manhattan.

Wherever you look, London is full of life. It’s one of the world’s great cities – from business and finance to fashion, art, music, cinema and sport, London is where things happen first. And as one of the city’s almost 400,000 students, much of what happens in the capital is within your reach.

Few cities in the world can match London as a place of culture and learning. There are four UNESCO world heritage sites, more than 170 museums, and over 800 art galleries. A third of all the UK’s archives are housed here, and among the city’s 300+ public libraries is the British Library, within walking distance of our central London campuses, and home to the Magna Carta. London has more than 250 art and design galleries, over 600 cinema screens (including Westminster’s own Regent Street Cinema) 200-plus theatres, and vibrant music and social scenes.
As a university based in the heart of one of the world’s greatest cities, our close links with industry and professional organisations in London, across the UK and all over the world enable us to attract the highest quality guest speakers and lecturers.

39 separate professional bodies offer accreditation, approval or recognition of our courses, or membership for our graduates.

We are ideally located to build strong working relationships with professional associations and potential employers, and provide great placements, internships, and networking opportunities for our students.

While studying a postgraduate degree at the University of Westminster, you will not only acquire an in-depth knowledge and understanding of the subject you have chosen, you will also develop beneficial transferable skills related, for example, to research and analysis, communication, organising and prioritising, and logical and critical thinking.

Our dedicated Careers and Employability Service works with an ever-expanding network of over 7,000 employers, to provide you with exceptional careers support and guidance. During your time at Westminster you will have access to our comprehensive online vacancy service, where you will find internal and external career opportunities.

Postgraduate students can also benefit from Westminster’s mentoring scheme. Mentoring is a long-term relationship that meets a developmental need, and your mentor will facilitate your personal and professional growth by sharing knowledge and insights, to help you to succeed.

Postgraduate study is a significant investment of your time and money; we are determined to make sure that your investment reaps the best possible rewards for your career, and creates a future for you that is full of prospects.
Upon successful completion of your Pre-Masters course to the required level, you will be guaranteed a place on your chosen postgraduate degree at the University of Westminster.

The following courses are available at Kaplan International College London:

- Pre-Masters in Business, Law and Social Sciences
- Pre-Masters in Science & Engineering

To find out more and apply visit the Kaplan International College London website: kaplanpathways.com/universities/university-of-westminster

We also offer a wide range of additional courses to support you before you arrive and during your studies, including training and study skills, IELTS preparation courses, Academic English, and a range of pre-sessional English courses for both September and January intakes (see p190).

We have plenty of experience in giving international students the help and support you need to make the most of your time with us. Before you arrive, you will receive a full information pack with all the details you need about enrolment, healthcare advice and support services. Once you are here, we have lots of ways to make sure you settle in and feel at home. These include our ‘meet and greet’ service for students arriving on specific dates at Heathrow, and our International Students’ Welcome Programme, which gives you the chance to meet current international students as well as fellow new students and Westminster staff, find your way around the University and London, and learn about our facilities and services.

We also offer a range of pre-sessional English courses for both September and January intakes.

POSTGRADUATE SEMESTER STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMME

If you are a current postgraduate student studying a Masters course overseas, you can join our Semester Postgraduate Study Abroad and choose to study from a range of modules, or combine your study with an internship. You can transfer these credits to your home degree, and embed an international experience into your studies, to enhance your global learning and future employability. For more information on all the opportunities open to you, visit westminster.ac.uk/PG-SA
Our high-quality teaching is informed by our internationally recognised research, and underpinned by our wide-ranging links to industry and professional bodies.

We are committed to offering a distinctive, challenging and inspiring curriculum, designed to give you the skills and knowledge you need to become a highly employable, effective practitioner with a global perspective. We aim to foster learning communities where students, staff and other partners can work together to develop knowledge and understanding, and co-create the curriculum. We also integrate new technologies to enhance learning and teaching, and look to provide the opportunity for students to experience learning through research, inquiry, and engagement with disciplinary and professional practices.

To help us achieve these aims, in 2017 we launched the Westminster Centre for Teaching Innovation (CTI), which supports a university-wide culture of pedagogic reflection, development, innovation, scholarship and research, and champions professional development. The CTI acts as an incubator for staff and students to collaborate on creating the kind of unique learning opportunities that are essential in the ever-changing 21st century, to think critically about the future challenges of higher education, and to explore the big issues that will shape the future of knowledge production both within and beyond academia.

SPOTLIGHT

In 2017 our Architecture staff and students received a series of prestigious awards from the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA), the prominent professional body for British architects.

Westminster Professor of Professional Practice Sadie Morgan’s architectural practice, dRMM, which she co-directs, was awarded the UK’s most prestigious architecture prize, the RIBA Stirling Prize, for designing the new Hastings Pier after the old pier was devastated in 2010 by a fire.

The new Hastings Pier is now open to the public and aims to welcome the community in which it stands. The design reinvigorated the damaged structure of the old pier and integrated original materiel into the new structure to enforce material and functional sustainability.
As a PhD research degree student at the University of Westminster, not only will you belong to an academic school and research group, you will also be a member of a much wider community of doctoral researchers through the University’s Graduate School: a vibrant, high quality and inspiring globally engaged research environment in the heart of London.

Westminster is celebrated for combining world leading research and innovation with practice-led engagement and impact across a wide range of subject areas.

Through the Graduate School, you will have the opportunity to become a highly regarded professional in your field of expertise both nationally and internationally, and to enhance your future professional and career development.

A series of tailor-made workshops and specialist skills sessions (the Doctoral Researcher Development Programme) will support your development into a confident, highly skilled, well rounded professional researcher.

At Westminster, you will thrive within a highly respected research degree programme with an established reputation for delivering world-class research degree outcomes, supported by a supervisory team of subject-leading research experts and dedicated professional colleagues. You will be actively supported as you progress through your degree to achieve timely completion.

Westminster has scored highly in the Postgraduate Research Experience Survey in respect of induction, academic progress and completion of thesis (PRES2017). These results evidence Westminster’s commitment to help you succeed in your doctoral research.

For more information, please visit westminster.ac.uk/research-degrees

Each year, the Graduate School hosts a number of events to highlight the work and wider impact of the doctoral research community at Westminster.

Our Annual Reception celebrates the breadth and quality of the inspiring research carried out by the University’s doctoral researchers. With interactive displays and presentations, the event provides a unique opportunity for research students to discuss their research, and its impact within their field of expertise, with a wide range of professional guests and colleagues.

For the Annual Lecture, a world renowned guest is invited to speak to the research community on a theme related to the wider role of research in the public sphere. Recent lectures have included themes on the importance of public engagement and involvement in research.
LONDON IS OUR CAMPUS

Three of our campuses are under five minutes’ walk from central London Tube stations, and our Harrow Campus in north-west London, is only 20 minutes by Tube from central London.

So, whether you are looking for arts and culture, business networking, shopping or socialising, we are perfectly placed for you to take advantage of everything that London has to offer.

This enviable location also means that your classroom goes well beyond the walls of the University. Your teaching will be enhanced with study visits, guest lectures from key industry professionals or thought-leaders and close proximity to a vast range of employers.
Alongside all of this, we have unique and specialist resources and facilities for our students – available according to course of study – including:

- art, design, photography, film and TV studios
- world-class audio recording studios
- state-of-the-art scientific laboratories
- dedicated Architecture studios
- specialist workshops for a range of media

We are also one of the few universities in the UK to offer access to Bloomberg Financial Markets Suites and a new cutting-edge digital Fabrication Laboratory that offers a range of 3D printers and laser cutters.

See our campuses map, p200.
Our preparatory courses (designed to help you gain a professional or chartered status) include, but are not limited to:

- ACCA
- CILEx
- RICS APC or ARB.

To view the full range of courses, dates, locations, fees and entry requirements please visit westminster.ac.uk/short-courses or call, T: +44 (0)20 3506 6490
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ARCHITECTURE AND INTERIORS

With more than 2,000 students, the University of Westminster is one of the largest providers of built environment education in the country.

The Department of Architecture provides a unique pedagogy based on a triangulation of teaching, research, and professional engagement, with each element informing the other. We offer our postgraduate students a specialist, but experimental, education grounded in continually extending theoretical and technical knowledge, and the chance to develop their ideas through creative and reflective approaches to their chosen discipline.

Our 110-metre long, galleried, day-lit, architecture studios are situated on the roof of the Marylebone Campus, and host a variety of dynamic courses and a vibrant and experimental studio culture. Our computers have a wide range of specialist graphics and design software. The expertly-staffed Westminster Fabrication Laboratory, completed in September 2017, combines the digital and the analogue, and provides the finest facilities of any school of architecture in central London. The Laboratory is equipped with 3D printing and CNC knife cutting, laser-cutters, large-scale CNC routing and milling, rapid prototyping equipment and robot fabrication; and also has extensive wood-, metal-, and casting workshops, as well as material-testing and environmental laboratories.

We have developed strong links with the various professions and future employers, leading to excellent employment prospects for our students. Our graduates have gone on to work with world class organisations including Zaha Hadid, Wilkinson Eyre, Hopkins Architects, Foster and Partners, and Rogers Stirk Harbour and Partners.

Source: QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018

Architecture and the Built Environment at Westminster is ranked among the top 150 in the world.
ARCHITECTURE MA

Length of course: one year full-time or two years part-time, starting in September
Location: Central London (see map p200)
Fees and funding: see course web page and westminster.ac.uk/fees
Entry requirements: see page p192

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/architecture-ma

ARCHITECTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN MSc

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Location: Central London (see map p200)
Fees and funding: see course web page and westminster.ac.uk/fees
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Situated in the progressive intellectual milieu of central London, the Architecture MA offers a flexible programme of study and a unique opportunity to pursue advanced postgraduate research combining high-level theoretical investigation with innovative design approaches.

The Department of Architecture provides first-class facilities such as state-of-the-art digital design/fabrication equipment and a team of lecturers and researchers deeply immersed in the very latest developments in architectural design, theory, historical research, and technology. The course is part of a suite of Masters aimed at graduates looking to further their education and enhance their employability by acquiring new knowledge and skills.

Focused on architectural research, the course also offers a firm grounding for those seeking to pursue further research and/or an academic career.

Course content

The Architecture MA is wide-ranging and flexible, course, facilitating alternative modes of study and a range of options, including the choice of either a written or design-based thesis. The programme also allows for specialisms through its three designated pathways: Architecture (Cultural Identity and Globalisation), Architecture (Digital Media) and Architecture (History and Theory). Alternatively, you can also create your own pathway, under the heading Architecture MA, by selecting and combining relevant modules that meet your individual requirements.

The range of optional and specialist modules offered allows you to develop your individual learning trajectories through the in-depth study of specific subject areas, involving theoretical components as well as practical applications.

A series of theory rich modules will stimulate you to analytically and critically evaluate your research and evidence-based design. In the core design modules you will be able to evaluate existing buildings and design new ones following a combined bioclimatic and building occupant-focused approach. In the core design modules you will follow an evidence-based design approach where the acquisition of specialised software and analytical tools will be directly applied to an evaluation or design project.

This interdisciplinary and international course will provide you with skills that can be applied to diverse building typologies and global climatic, environmental and contextual issues. On completion of this course you will have a thorough understanding of the principles and methodology of environmental design and will develop critical thinking skills to challenge established practices. You will hold the knowledge and the practical tools to better understand existing buildings for retrofit and to design new ones – positively driving change in this field and moving towards a truly environmentally conscious architecture.

The same can be said for the existing built environment which is largely outdated and underperforming, requiring urgent implementation of effective retrofit strategies. This is due to a lack of comprehensive performance prediction and feedback protocols, which are still not common practice in architectural design.

Course content

On this course, you will take a fresh critical look at this subject. Here you will gain the knowledge and tools to make informed design decisions based on post-occupancy feedback and performance analysis, towards a new paradigm of environmental architecture, which is environmentally and energy conscious, yet sensitive to the contextual and socio-cultural landscape we live in.

You will learn environmental design methods which relate to the various stages of architectural design. You will be able to evaluate existing buildings and design new ones following a combined bioclimatic and building occupant-focused approach. In the core design modules you will follow an evidence-based design approach where the acquisition of specialised software and analytical tools will be directly applied to an evaluation or design project.

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This course promotes a dynamic and speculative approach to the design of interior spatial environments and values research that seeks to challenge traditional methodologies. It gives you the opportunity to pursue your particular issues of interest in interior design or specialist areas of three dimensional design, through concise and focused study.

Course content
You will cover a range of issues, both theoretical and practical. Design modules deal with contemporary issues in a variety of interior design typologies, including retail, exhibition, gallery, performance and speculative efforts broadly described as installation.

Careful studies are made in the pursuit of a fresh approach to their design resolution, through analogous and figurative studies, as well as comparison using suitable contemporary exemplars. The thesis can be undertaken as a design project, a dissertation or a piece of research – effectively a hybrid, both a project and a written summary or theoretical proposition.

Core modules
• Decoding the Interior
• Interior Design Case Study
• Introduction to Design Computing
• Major Thesis Project
• Retail Design
• Thesis Development

Associated careers
Former graduates from the Interior Design MA practise in a variety of areas of design. These include interior design, exhibition design, set and lighting design, retail and product design, and interior conservation, as well as multidisciplinary and traditional architectural and design practice. The MA may also form a platform for continuing study with a career in academia or research.

For students who take the course and are interested in further study, we offer suitable applicants the opportunity to study for an MPhil/PhD degree, not only through the traditional research mode, but also through a PhD by design route.

The Master of Architecture (MArch) [ARB/RIBA Part II] is a long-established and highly regarded course that is prescribed by the ARB and validated by the RIBA to give exemption from Part II examination. The emphasis of the course is on innovative design work, and on developing a sensitive and critical approach to the study and practice of architecture.

The course fosters diversity of choice, interpretation and approach, whether in design work or research. The former focuses on sophisticated design projects (in formal, technical, programmatic and urban terms) that demand analytical rigour, criticality and aesthetic resolution. The latter focuses on a major dissertation, an extended piece of academic research into architecture’s historical and theoretical contexts. Both design and research-based work offer students the opportunity to engage in specialised areas of enquiry and creative experimentation.

Course content
Year 1: The MArch course currently has two exchange partnerships in place. These are with:
• The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, China
• École Nationale Supérieure d’Architecture de Paris la Villette, Paris, France

The exchange takes place during Semester 2 in Year 1 of the MArch, allowing incoming students to settle into the course during Semester 1 before engaging in a period of creative, intellectual and intercultural exchange.

Associated careers
Most students who complete the Master of Architecture with ARB/RIBA Part 2 exemption progress to working in architectural practice and, subsequent to taking the Part 3 Examination, become registered architects. Some graduates progress to take Masters or PhD degrees, leading to research and/or teaching positions. Students on the MArch are offered the opportunity to apply for paid undergraduate teaching positions as part of a Peer Assisted Learning programme. In addition to enriching student experience and employability, the skills gained from teaching extend the core transferrable skills gained from taking MArch modules.

Our students are highly employable, with feedback indicating that employers appreciate not only the creativity and critical thought our graduates bring, but also their understanding of how to situate creative ideas in practice in order to pursue them in the most effective manner. The MArch has a large practice network and wherever possible draws upon industry links to provide students with access to practices, whether through lectures, studio reviews, networking opportunities or direct job opportunities.
This third and final adjunct of architectural education is designed to take place during the second period of mandatory practical training after the completion of the Part 2.

The course can be completed in 12 to 24 months, according to employment circumstances. Graduates of the course receive a Postgraduate Diploma in Professional Practice in Architecture and can apply for registration with ARB, and for Chartered membership of the RIBA.

Course content
The Diploma is the final part of an architectural student’s professional training and the culmination of a minimum of seven years’ education and professional development.

The content of the course and each module build on the professional experience and knowledge that you will have gained over this period.

Core modules
- Architectural Practice Management
- English Law, Regulations, Contracts and Procurement
- Professional Case Study
- Professional Development and Experience

Associated careers
The Diploma in Professional Practice in Architecture is a professional qualification leading to registration as an architect with ARB and professional membership of the RIBA.

Students who have successfully completed the course have obtained senior positions or taken greater responsibility in architectural practice, developed their own architectural practice, and also gone on to work overseas. Former students have also developed specialism in construction law.

The Diploma may also form a platform for continuing study in academia and research and may lead to study for an MPhil/PhD degree.
In the creative environment of Westminster’s dedicated arts and design campus, our postgraduate courses in art and design offer a unique combination of professional practice, creative development, skills enhancement, and contextual, specialist and interdisciplinary knowledge.

You will be based in one of the world’s main hubs for design and creative practice: London. The University works with leading professionals and organisations from across various industries to cultivate new talent and foster original, innovative thinking. You will be able to draw upon the skills and expertise of lecturers and students, and will benefit from Westminster’s links to London’s vibrant creative community.

Our Harrow Campus boasts wide-ranging multimedia facilities built and equipped to the highest standards. The University’s three public exhibition spaces Ambika P3, London Gallery West and Regent Street Cinema offer exciting and dynamic year round programmes of cinema, photography and multimedia art.

These courses offer access to the research culture of the Centre for Research and Education in Arts and Media (CREAM) and our internationally renowned Communication and Media Research Institute (CAMRI).

Our graduates go onto a wide range of careers in the arts and design industries: artists, photographers, curators, designers, academics, writers, digital advertising, creative technologists, digital content producers and developers, game designers, new media production and marketing, app development and entrepreneurs.
The Creative Practice MRes is a Masters level course based in the rich research culture of media, art and design at Westminster. Over one year full-time or two years part-time, you will develop and complete a major research project related to your creative practice, culminating in an exhibition presentation and a written reflection on your research.

The Creative Practice MRes is an ideal stepping stone to further practice-based PhD research, as well as a unique opportunity to realise an ambitious creative project with the support of research-led practitioners across the field of the arts and media, as part of the internationally renowned Centre for Research and Education in Arts and Media (CREAM) – the UK’s top-rated general art and design research centre.

In the most recent assessment of the quality of UK universities’ research (REF2014), CREAM excelled with a score of 4.5 per cent as “world leading”, 46 per cent internationally ‘excellent’ and nine per cent ‘recognised internationally’.

The course offers access to the excellent resources of Westminster School of Media and Communication, including the research culture of the Centre for Research and Education in Arts and Media (CREAM), our new Music Research Group and our internationally renowned Communication and Media Research Institute (CAMRI).

Course content
The course enables you to develop your practice and research skills in arts and media towards the completion of your research project, supported by expert supervision from eminent artists, theorists and designers, as part of CREAM’s extensive practice-based doctoral programme.

You will work in close supervision with a researcher practitioner in your field of specialism, to assist you in the development of your individual research project.

You will have the opportunity to select and attend seminar programmes alongside CREAM’s doctorate students and MA students in a range of different art subjects relating to your interests.

Our current range of research expertise includes photography, experimental and documentary moving image, digital art, curation, music and experimental sound, fashion and ceramics.

Core modules
The Creative Practice MRes consists of three modules:
• Research Project in Creative Practice (whole year – 140 credits)
• Research Methods in Creative Practice (first semester – 20 credits)
• Optional Module of your choice (20 credits) selected from our wide range of arts, design and media postgraduate courses

Associated careers
The Creative Practice MRes provides the tools to develop a profession in research and scholarship relating to teaching in higher education, working in archival research and related fields, as well as developing your work as a practicing artist, curator, designer and writer working in your chosen field.

This exciting multidisciplinary programme is fully designed to reflect the needs of contemporary interactive media industries, bringing together creative technologies, interactivity and design practices within digital cultures with the user in mind.

The course combines a wide range of digital creative technologies primarily combining digital literacies design, technology and interaction, through user-centred design for commercial outputs to an industry standard.

The Interactive Media Practice MA places the user at the centre of the experience and focuses on design and content creation in areas such as: mobile app development, wearables, games, rich media websites, interactive guides and installations, immersive VR, next generation advertising augmented reality media, through to social media powerful eMarketing and entrepreneurship through innovation protocol.

The course embraces a hackathon culture with specialist hack labs boasting newly designed flexible learning spaces for students to work more collaboratively on innovation protocols fostering cross-pollination of new ideas creatively. Many students will be working on live industry briefs as well as their own projects independently within and outside our course clusters. This collaborative approach to learning and research often leads to successful projects, which are commercially viable, and quickly gain industry recognition.

Course content
This multidisciplinary course prepares you to work in a wide range of industries combining theory, practice, and bringing together technical, creative perspective on new media systems, interactive technologies and digital culture as well as exploring new emerging creative technologies, producing an industry professional who can produce as well as explore future creative technologies.

Core modules
• Applied Innovation and Interactive Design
• Entrepreneurship and Project Management for Creative Industries
• Hack Lab and Creative Technologies
• Major Project
• Mobile Apps and Wearable Devices
• Social Media and eMarketing
• UX Design and Development

INTERACTIVE MEDIA PRACTICE MA

Associated careers
There are many highly desirable careers that students from this course can go on into such as: interactive media, app development, new media production, interactive development, advanced web producer, content manager, UX designer, project management, media, digital marketing, media design, online branding, interactive game design, web production, game designer, media advertising, information design, digital production, strategic development, online advertising, UX architect, digital SAM, mobile UX, front end development, web development, email marketing executive, ecommerce digital marketing manager, net developer, UX researcher, social media executive, digital designer, digital advertising, SEO consultant, content marketing specialist, interaction designer, digital project manager, optimisation manager and digital content production, digital maker, creative technologist, rich media website developer, games producer, social media manager, museum installation, VR gaming, VR & AR advertising for print and screen.
BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

The Biomedical Sciences MSc degree offers pathways in Cancer Biology, Cellular Pathology, Clinical Biochemistry, Haematology, Immunology, Medical Microbiology and Medical Molecular Biology.

Our graduates have gone on to work in fields as diverse as the biotechnology industry, diagnostic pathology, healthcare management, medicine, medical research, genetics, agriculture, forensic sciences and the pharmaceutical industry both within the UK and across the globe.

We have an active research culture with projects ranging from development of novel strategies for vaccine production and rapid testing for Ebola virus, to finding ways to help prevent and treat cancer, liver disease, obesity, diabetes, neurodegenerative and inflammatory diseases. We are proud of our contribution in the area of biomedical sciences and we hope to get the opportunity to share our excitement with you.

At Westminster you will get the opportunity to hone your practical and professional skills while being taught by and interacting with staff who enjoy an international reputation for professional and research activities. By coming to Westminster you will have the chance to experience the excitement of biomedical sciences first hand. The extracurricular activities in which you can engage are vast and we offer many opportunities for personal and professional development all in a very supportive environment at our central London location.
This course allows you to plan your own taught programme to match your interests and experience by selecting modules from a diverse range of option modules offered by the biosciences masters courses at Westminster with the advice of the Course Leader. For example, you could combine modules on microbiology and molecular biology or those on haematology and clinical chemistry. Alternatively, you can combine basic science with study of the communication or commercialisation of science.

We also offer the opportunity to consider the increasing role of automation in diagnostic laboratories. Those studying part time are free to develop their module choices as they progress. Whatever the combination, you will be able to expand your understanding of human diseases, their investigation and therapy, and develop your competence in the design and execution of a laboratory-based project.

Core modules
- Postgraduate Project
- Postgraduate Research Methods

Option modules
- Advanced Cancer Biology
- Advances in Cellular Pathology
- Automation in Biomedical Sciences
- Cell Signalling and Genetics
- Cellular Haematology
- Clinical Aspects of Microbial Physiology and Chemotherapy
- Clinical Endocrinology and Metabolism
- Communicating Science
- Concepts and Principles of Human Nutrition
- Diagnostic Cellular Pathology
- Diagnostic Clinical Biochemistry
- Extended Postgraduate Project
- Immunohaematology and Haemostasis
- Immunopathology
- Immunochemistry
- Infectious Diseases and Public Health
- Molecular and Cellular Therapeutics
- Molecular Science and Diagnostics
- Principles of Molecular Medicine
- Science, Technology and Commercialisation
- Systems Biology

Professional recognition
The course is accredited by the Institute of Biomedical Science (IBMS).

Associated careers
You will develop a range of transferable skills that will enhance your employment prospects and your research opportunities in the UK or overseas. This course has a diverse intake of both full and part-time home/EU students who range from recent graduates to those working in diagnostic laboratories who wish to gain an additional qualification. Our international students often have experience in biomedical science laboratories and following completion of their studies will return to their home countries to pursue promotion or research opportunities.
This course aims to provide you with the skills and knowledge of theory and practice that will enable you to work as a professional capable of making important contributions in the field of clinical biochemistry. The course aims to further enhance your knowledge of clinical biochemistry, to engage you with contemporary issues and debates within the discipline, and to develop your critical and analytical skills.

Course content
The taught programme contains specific modules in Clinical Biochemistry, such as endocrinology and metabolism and diagnostic clinical biochemistry, which you can apply to diagnostic biomedicine, as well as offering you a choice of modules related to molecular diagnostics or haematology.

Core modules
- Clinical Endocrinology and Metabolism
- Diagnostic Clinical Biochemistry
- Molecular Science and Diagnostics
- Postgraduate Research Methods
- Postgraduate Project

Option modules
- Automation in Biomedical Sciences
- Cell Signalling and Genetics
- Extended Postgraduate Project
- Immunopathology
- Immunotherapy
- Molecular and Cellular Therapeutics
- Principles of Molecular Medicine
- Systems Biology

Professional recognition
The course is accredited by the Institute of Biomedical Science (IBMS).

Associated careers
As a graduate of this course you will possess a range of transferable skills that will enhance your employment prospects and your research opportunities in the UK or overseas. For those biomedical scientists (or international equivalents) undertaking continuing professional development, this course will enhance your knowledge base in your chosen specialist discipline and open up the potential for career advancement or moves towards involvement in research and development.

Successful completion of the course will enhance the career prospects of graduates for entering PhD programmes; you may also find employment in hospital laboratories, academia, research institutes, or in the pharmaceutical and related industries.

Length of course: one year full-time or two to five years part-time, starting in September
Location: Central London (see map p200)
Fees and funding: see course web page and westminster.ac.uk/fees
Entry requirements: see page p192

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/biomedical-sciences-clinical-biochemistry-msc

This course will enable you to enhance your knowledge and understanding of modern cellular pathology through a range of option modules. In addition, the core modules in cellular pathology are designed to deliver a comprehensive overview of contemporary technical practice in the context of service delivery to the pathologist for diagnostic practice, or for the scientist engaged in cell and tissue-based research.

Course content
Our specialist cellular pathology modules are supported by the online use of interactive digital microscopy, for example in pathology case studies, to illustrate the applications of a range of visualisation methods in cellular pathology.

Practical experience in research design and methodology is gained through the laboratory-based research project.

Core modules
- Advances in Cellular Pathology
- Diagnostic Cellular Pathology
- Molecular Science and Diagnostics
- Postgraduate Research Methods
- Postgraduate Project

Option modules
- Automation in Biomedical Sciences
- Cell Signalling and Genetics
- Extended Postgraduate Project
- Immunopathology
- Immunotherapy
- Molecular and Cellular Therapeutics
- Principles of Molecular Medicine
- Systems Biology

Professional recognition
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For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/biomedical-sciences-cellular-pathology-msc
This course will focus on the physiology and pathology of blood and its use as a diagnostic and therapeutic tool. A variety of areas of molecular and cellular bioscience will be covered with an emphasis on new technologies and developments in haematology and related disciplines such as transfusion science.

You will expand your knowledge of the basic science and analytical techniques relating to haematology and gain an up-to-date understanding of the application of haematology in bioscience/pharmaceutical research, as well as in diagnostic and therapeutic medicine.

Course content
There will be an emphasis in the course on development of critical analysis skills in the assessment of scientific literature and laboratory data. In addition you will have the opportunity to design and execute your own research project.

The course team is supported by visiting lecturers who are practising scientists in the field, which helps ensure that taught material is current and relevant.

Core modules
• Cellular Haematology
• Immunohaematology and Haemostasis
• Molecular Science and Diagnostics
• Postgraduate Research Methods
• Postgraduate Project

Option modules
• Advanced Cancer Biology
• Automation in Biomedical Sciences
• Cell Signalling and Genetics
• Communicating Science
• Extended Postgraduate Project
• Immunopathology
• Molecular and Cellular Therapeutics
• Principles of Molecular Medicine

Professional recognition
The course is accredited by the Institute of Biomedical Science (IBMS). Associated careers
As well as gaining specialist knowledge in haematology and related disciplines, you will develop a range of transferrable skills that will enhance your employment prospects and research opportunities in the UK or overseas.

The course is taken by both UK and international students, preferably (but not necessarily) with relevant work experience. It is relevant to career pathways in diagnostic haematology, immunology and transfusion laboratories, research institutions and pharmaceutical companies.

The course will allow you to expand your understanding of immunology, immunopathology and immunotherapy, to further develop skills in analytical approaches to immunodiagnosis and molecular therapeutics, as well as enhance your competence in the design and execution of a laboratory-based project.

You will be able to take a proactive role in research, development, evaluation and implementation of current immunological techniques while perceiving the subject in the broader perspective of health care and scientific progress.

Course content
The scope of the modules included will ensure a breadth of knowledge appropriate for the scientific and professional needs of practising immunologists, at the same time making use of your knowledge and experience. This course is designed so that you can plan your own taught programme to match your interests and experience by combining core and optional modules with emphasis on therapeutics, diagnostics, haematology or public health.

Core modules
• Cell Signalling and Genetics
• Immunopathology
• Immunology
• Postgraduate Research Methods
• Postgraduate Project

Option modules
• Advanced Cancer Biology
• Extended Postgraduate Project
• Immunohaematology and Haemostasis
• Infectious Diseases and Public Health
• Molecular and Cellular Therapeutics
• Molecular Science and Diagnostics
• Principles of Molecular Medicine
• Systems Biology

Professional recognition
The course is accredited by the Institute of Biomedical Science (IBMS). Associated careers
The course has been designed to provide professionals with a broad range of skills in immunology, immunopathology and immunotherapy.

Successful completion of the course will enhance your career prospects in education, in PhD programmes, in academia, research institutes, as well as in pharmaceutical and related industries. UK part-time students are normally employed in hospital or NHSBT laboratories or in research establishments.

You will develop a range of transferrable skills that will enhance your employment prospects and research opportunities in the UK or overseas.

As an international student with experience in biomedical sciences, following completion of your studies, you will be able to return to your home country to pursue research opportunities or promotion, seek employment as a research technician, biomedical scientist, scientific or medical technical officer or research assistant. You may also seek jobs in industry, research or healthcare or apply for further training (biomedical or clinical scientist routes).
This course is designed to give you the opportunity to study and analyse the theoretical and practical basis of medical microbiology and many of the specialist areas within it. You will gain greater insight into the importance and role of medical microbiology, with an emphasis on cutting edge areas such as molecular diagnostics and genomics, emerging pathogens and antibiotic resistance.

Course content
You will study a range of core and option modules that will allow you to tailor studies to your own requirements. You will expand your knowledge of the basic science and analytical techniques relating to medical microbiology and gain an up-to-date understanding of the application of medical microbiology in bioscience/pharmaceutical research, as well as in diagnostic and therapeutic medicine.

There will be an emphasis in the course on development of critical analysis skills in assessment of scientific literature and laboratory data.

In addition, you will have the opportunity to design and execute your own research project. The course team is supported by visiting lecturers who are practising scientists in the field, which helps to ensure that taught material is current and relevant.

Core modules
- Clinical Aspects of Microbial Physiology and Chemotherapy
- Infectious Diseases and Public Health
- Molecular Science and Diagnostics
- Postgraduate Research Methods
- Postgraduate Project

Option modules
- Automation in Biomedical Sciences
- Communicating Science
- Extended Postgraduate Project
- Immunopathology
- Principles of Molecular Medicine
- Systems Biology

Professional recognition
The course is accredited by the Institute of Biomedical Science (IBMS).

Associated careers
As well as gaining knowledge and skills in medical microbiology and other associated subject areas you will develop numerous other skills that are designed to make you competitive in the jobs market. Some students will already be working in healthcare and public health laboratories in the UK and overseas while others will be gaining the skills they need to work as a Biomedical or Clinical Scientist.

The course will also allow you to work in industry including the pharmaceutical and biotechnology sectors as well as regulatory affairs. You will also be well prepared for a career in research including further study at PhD level.
Biosciences teaching at Westminster explores fundamental and applied aspects of the biological sciences, ranging from basic biochemistry through to environmental science, biotechnology and pharmacology. The course is informed and supported by research within the University and in collaboration with researchers at other national and international institutions.

Applied biotechnology is an area of science with immense growth due to the emerging need for bio-products produced using renewable resources which are hence sustainable in the future, leading to a strong bio-economy. These products include biofuels, biopolymers, chemicals, pharmaceuticals, nutraceuticals, food and textiles. These products in turn can have a variety of applications, of which one of the major applications is in the area of medicine. These include applications such as tissue engineering, medical implants, novel drug development and controlled drug delivery.

The Biotechnology research at Westminster aims towards the exploitation of biological resources for the production and development of a range of bio-products and their use for environmental, medical and chemical/biochemical applications.

This research group has international repute in several areas including: biopolymer production, biomaterials, scaling up of bioprocesses, bioprocess optimisation, antibiotic production, green chemistry including environmentally friendly dye remediation, enzyme technology, biofuels, small molecule production including chiral compounds, antibacterial products of natural origin, antibacterial materials, exploitation of plant and algal resources, plant structure, quorum sensing, drug delivery, tissue engineering (cardiac, nerve, bone, cartilage, skin), medical device development and wound healing.
Our established programme in Biotechnology, which has been extensively updated, includes a wide range of modern molecular biology techniques and how biotechnology can be used by today’s society.

You will complement your theoretical studies with hands-on experience of fully controlled fermenters that are up to pilot-plant scale, and are linked to modern monitoring and control systems.

Course content
You will study a range of subjects in considerable depth, including bioactive compounds, industrial bioprocesses, microbial physiology and fermentation technology, microbial production of novel metabolites, monitoring and control of fermentation, topics in biotechnology, and types of bioreactors.

Core modules
- Advanced Molecular Biology
- Fermentation Technology
- Industrial and Environmental Biotechnology
- Postgraduate Research Methods
- Postgraduate Project
- Science, Technology and Commercialisation

Option modules
- Communicating Science
- Extended Postgraduate Project
- Molecular Bioinformatics
- Molecular and Cellular Therapeutics
- Regenerative Medicine
- Systems Biology

Associated careers
The course is aimed at those aspiring to be researchers and managers in the biotechnology and pharmaceutical industries or other biosectors.
The University of Westminster offers expertise in three interlinked subject areas: information management, operations and supply chain management, and project management. They share the common aim of improving organisational performance through the application of new technologies and techniques.

The information management subject area focuses on the application of information and communication technology in organisational settings, particularly the emerging forms of digital technologies now used in social media, e-business and knowledge management.

The operations and supply chain management subject area also encompasses the study of purchasing and logistics. Our areas of expertise include the use of Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) systems, green supply chain management and service operations design.

The project management subject area is concerned with all aspects of project management, including the management of project risk, the management of programmes and international projects. We are an Accredited Training Organization (ATO) for PRINCE2® project management courses and Agile Project Management.

Members of the faculty have wide-ranging expertise in both theoretical and practical aspects of these constantly changing areas. Many are actively engaged in research in their specialist areas, publishing in high-ranked academic journals and other outlets. We are fortunate in being able to supplement the permanent teaching team with a group of visiting lecturers which includes experienced practitioners, trainers and consultants.

The University has strong links with a number of professional bodies, including the British Computer Society, the Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply, and the Association of Project Managers.

As part of the course, our students organise an annual project management conference.
In today’s business environment, effective project management (PM) is an integral influencer of success. Additionally, PM-associated skills such as planning, risk management, quality management and communication management are essential to control the increasingly complex projects that allow top organisations to remain competitive in the global market. A Masters in project management is sought after by many organisations, both in the public and the private sector. The course is suitable for graduates in business, computing and engineering, with an affinity for organising, running or participating in projects.

The course is designed to equip you with a set of tested skills for planning, delegating and monitoring projects. The course gives you the knowledge and tools to help implement strategies for running projects and handle the associated risks. The project management processes that you will learn on this course are aligned with the Project Management Bodies of Knowledge (PMBoK).

Length of course: one year full-time or two years part-time, starting in September
Location: Central London (see map p200)
Fees and funding: see course web page and westminster.ac.uk/fees
Entry requirements: see page p192
For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/project-management-msc

In addition to providing you with an opportunity to attain the much sought after PRINCE2 Foundation and PRINCE2 Practitioner certifications, the course will provide you with an understanding and an evaluation of a number of other popular professional qualifications, such as M_o_R®, MSP® and DSDM Atern.

This course covers and critically evaluates the prevailing project management bodies of knowledge.

Core modules
- Project Management Foundations
- Project Management in Practice
- Management of Risk and Scheduling
- Project Finance and Procurement
- Project Management Project
- Programme and Strategic Management

Option modules
- Managing International Projects
- Project Management of IT

Internship Programme
You can take the internship programme in addition to option modules. The 8-12 weeks accredited internship in a London-based organisation will help you gain invaluable work experience. You will be able to take your internship during the summer period or alongside your studies. You will be responsible for finding your own internship with the support of the Business Experience Team.

Course content
- Project Risk Management
- Project Cost Management
- Project Time Management
- Project Quality Management

Associated careers
The majority of graduates start their career as project team members with a few, depending on their background, becoming project programme managers. Many work for large UK or international organisations as consultants or project managers.

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The course addresses the strategic role of purchasing and supply chain management. It also examines the impact of changes in the regulatory and policy environment, and the effect of new technologies and techniques on current and future problems within the supply chain.

During the course, you will develop your knowledge of best practice in purchasing and supply chain management, and enhance your understanding of the importance of business process and activity integration through our range of modules.

The sectors of purchasing and supply chain are expanding, leaving our Master’s graduates attractive on the job market. Depending on your interests and desired career path, you will have the opportunity to specialise in international law or project management as part of this course.

Course content
- Research Methods and Project Preparation
- Purchasing Management
- Logistics Management in a Retail Supply Chain Context
- Financial Analysis for Managers
- Business Process Integration with SAP

Associated careers
Past students of the course have developed successful careers in both supply chain management and procurement. Course graduates work in both large and small to medium companies all over the world. Examples include Unilever, Puma, and Sony. Areas of work you could consider include purchasing and contract management, supply chain management, operations/ logistics management and supply chain planning and development. Alternatively, you might want to continue onto research or further study. On successful completion of the course, if you have three years’ relevant work experience you may be awarded Member of Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply (MCIPS) status. Alternatively, you can apply to CIPS for MCIPS status at a later date, once you have acquired the necessary work experience.

Core modules
- Business Process Integration with SAP
- Financial Analysis for Managers
- Logistics and the External Environment
- Logistics Management in a Retail Supply Chain Context
- Purchasing Management
- Research Methods and Project Preparation
- Supply Chain Management Project
- Sustainable Supply and Procurement

Option modules
- International Aspects of Business Law
- Project Management

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BUSINESS INFORMATION SYSTEMS

Our Business Information Systems programmes develop professionals who understand business challenges, and conceive and manage solutions which are increasingly ICT-dependent. By examining issues such as security, privacy and ethics in information systems, you will enhance your understanding of societal use of information systems.

All of our Masters teaching is informed by links to industry and supported by up-to-the-minute research conducted by in-house research teams active in the areas like Data and Knowledge Management, Health and Social Care Modelling, Computational Intelligence, Parallel Computing, Distributed and Intelligent Systems, Semantic Computing, and Computer Vision and Imaging.

Our programmes are accredited by BCS – The Chartered Institute for IT as meeting the requirements for Chartered IT Professional (CITP) Further Learning and partially meeting the requirements for Chartered Engineer (CEng).
Data technologies have led to a rapid explosion in the amount of data generated in a variety of domains, including data-driven science, telecommunications, social media, large-scale e-commerce, medical records and e-health. Big data refers to the ability of exploiting these massive amounts of extremely heterogeneous in structure and content data that are routinely generated at an unprecedented scale from an ever-expanding variety of data sources.

This course addresses the need to propel information-gathering and data organisation, and exploit potential information and knowledge hidden in routinely collected data to improve decision-making. The course, which builds on the strength of two successful courses on data mining and on decision sciences, is more technology-focused, and stretches the data mining and decision sciences theme to the broader agenda of business intelligence.

You will focus on developing solutions to real-world problems associated with the changing nature of IT infrastructure and increasing volumes of data, through the use of applications and case studies, while gaining a deep appreciation of the underlying models and techniques. You will also gain a greater understanding of the impact technological advances have on nature and practices adopted within the business intelligence and analytics practices, and know how to adapt to these changes.

**Course content**

Embedded into the course are two key themes. The first will help you to develop your skills in the use and application of various technologies, architectures, techniques, tools and methods. These include warehousing and data mining, distributed data management, and the technologies, architectures, and appropriate middleware and infrastructures supporting application layers. The second theme will enhance your knowledge of algorithms and the quantitative techniques suitable for analysing and mining data and developing decision models in a broad range of application areas.

The project consolidates the taught subjects covered, while giving you the opportunity to pursue in-depth study in your chosen area.

Teaching approaches include lectures, tutorials, seminars and practical/hands-on sessions. You will also learn through extensive course work, class presentations, group research work, and the use of a range of industry standard software such as R, Python, Hadoop, MySQL, and Oracle.
COMPUTER SCIENCE AND SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

The Computer Science and Software Engineering industries move fast and our MSc courses will help you stay at the cutting edge. Our students are well placed to both develop and exploit the emerging technologies that play a key role in defining the way society uses technology. Designers, programmers, systems analysts and project managers – our graduates are flourishing in the business, commercial and entrepreneurial sectors.

All of our Masters teaching is informed by links to industry and supported by up-to-the-minute research conducted by in-house research teams active in the areas like Data and Knowledge Management, Health and Social Care Modelling, Computational Intelligence, Parallel Computing, Distributed and Intelligent Systems, Semantic Computing, and Computer Vision and Imaging.

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The Advanced Software Engineering MSc enables students to extend their knowledge of, and gain valuable experience in, software engineering as it applies to a number of new and important areas of IT and computing. You will be able to follow a flexible program of study designed to lead to, and enhance, a career in software engineering with a focus on new technologies and areas of application, such as cybersecurity, big data, or mobile application development.

The rapid pace of technical change in software development has been accompanied and compounded by an increase in the complexity of the systems that are developed. Recently this has been most noticeable in the increase in mobile computing and the use of sophisticated hardware that require developer knowledge of new paradigms.

The surge in cybersecurity issues and threats facing businesses and organisations that depend on IT systems has meant that software engineers need a thorough understanding of security when building and maintaining software applications and systems.

There is an acknowledged national shortage of IT and computing skills in the workforce. Most obviously, the rate of technological change means that an individual’s specific knowledge frequently becomes out of date. Secondly, many significant technological developments originate in industry rather than academia, and are not yet firmly embedded in undergraduate curricula. Finally, many people enter the software industry without a specific educational background in computer science and acquire much vital knowledge in the workplace in relatively ad hoc ways.

Course content
The Advanced Software Engineering MSc takes into account the emerging needs of industry underpinned by theory and software engineering practices. As a consequence the modules emphasise both the critical conceptual underpinnings as well as the practical skills for each subject.

Core modules
- Advanced Software Design
- Advanced Software Engineering Project
- Concurrency and Parallelism
- Enterprise Development
- Research Methods and Professional Practice

Option modules
- Advanced Big Data Analytics
- Big Data Theory and Practice
- Cloud Computing Applications
- Cybersecurity Threats and Countermeasures
- Data Mining & Machine Learning
- Data Visualisation and Dashboarding
- Internet Security
- Mobile and Ubiquitous Computing
- Mobile Application Development
- Usability and User Experience Design
- Free Choice Module (see course web page)

Professional recognition
This programme is accredited by BCS – The Chartered Institute for IT as meeting the requirements for Chartered IT Professional (CITP) Further Learning and partially meeting the requirements for Chartered Engineer (CEng).

Associated careers
Graduates will typically be part of a team working on sophisticated n-tier applications, as a designer, programmer, systems administrator or systems analyst (among others). Graduates will also find positions within new and established businesses that specialise in mobile applications. Other roles are possible in computer science research for either a commercial enterprise or academic institution. Further PhD study opportunities within the University of Westminster are also an option.

Computers are central to all aspects of our daily lives; as industries ranging from communications to banking have come to rely on them, the need for improved computer security has never been greater.

This course focuses on two aspects of Cyber Security: analysis and assessment of risk plus how to minimise it, and, how to extract and use digital information from a wide range of systems and devices.

The course is structured so that all students cover the same introductory material, but then choose to specialise in either Cyber Security or Digital Forensics.

You will gain an understanding of the nature of the security threats that face computer systems and the type of information that is stored on digital devices (and how it can be extracted from them). You will benefit from a broad and varied array of state-of-the-art technologies, including:
- A dedicated forensics computer laboratory.
- Over 30 computing laboratories with an extensive range of specialist and other software providing access to Linux/UNIX, Windows and Mac OS, all supported by high-bandwidth networks.
- Access to a range of free software titles through a number of academic initiatives for use on home computers for educational and personal purposes.
- Specialised technicians to ensure you can get the most out of these technologies.

Course content
All students take the core modules which are designed to give a comprehensive introduction to this specialist field. They will cover basic digital forensics and network security, and also cover computer system tools and Linux/UNIX operating systems. Dealing with digital evidence in a professional manner (that includes adhering to appropriate legal guidelines) is also covered. You will then follow either the Cyber Security or Digital Forensics pathway within the course (though each lead to the same named degree: the pathways are simply opportunities to specialise within the field). In addition, all students will take a Research Methods module and complete a project module.

The course offers the opportunity to examine a variety of tools available on the open market, and the use of forensic tools to retrieve data from electronic sources. It will also consider the analysis of professional and ethical issues relating to computer security and forensics, and the development of professional competencies, such as report writing and presenting evidence in court.

Core modules
- Fundamentals of Security Technology
- Internet Security
- Cyber Security Evidence and Procedure
- Research Methods and Professional Practice
- Cyber Security and Forensics Project

Cyber Security Pathway:
- Cyber Security Threats and Countermeasures
- Risk Management
- Cyber Security Applications

Digital Forensics Pathway:
- Computer System Tools
- Data Recovery and Analysis
- Advanced Computer Forensics

Professional recognition
This programme is accredited by BCS – The Chartered Institute for IT as meeting the requirements for Chartered IT Professional (CITP) Further Learning and partially meeting the requirements for Chartered Engineer (CEng).

Associated careers
Depending on their chosen pathway graduates of the course are expected to find employment as information security/senior security officers and related cyber security roles or more technical roles investigating threats and safeguarding digital assets their life-cycle. Such roles will range from supporting industry, the public sector in general and the police and law enforcement agencies specifically, while some may focus more on researching new security threats and countermeasures.
ECONOMICS

Economics, as a discipline, is more relevant than ever as a means of understanding contemporary events in the global economy. It provides the tools and techniques for businesses and governments to analyse and interpret the issues and problems they face.

The increased use of economic analysis by private, public and third sector organisations over the past 20 years has led to a greater requirement for economists. Against this background of increasing demand, the supply of economics graduates from UK universities has remained static, resulting in higher salaries and expanding opportunities for those looking to develop careers as professional economists, or for managers, business analysts and consultants with practically focused knowledge of economics.

The University of Westminster has a strong research profile in Economics and Quantitative Methods. We are particularly respected in the area of applied research in labour and education economics. Other areas of research strength include macroeconomics, financial econometrics, international economics and development economics. The University prides itself on innovative approaches to student learning and research-informed teaching.
The International Economic Policy and Analysis MSc has been designed to develop both the knowledge of economic theories and principles and the practical skills that will enable you to enter or develop a career as a professional economist. This programme was uniquely created (and has been maintained) in conjunction with the UK Government Economic Service (GES) since 2012.

The programme, which meets the needs of both private and public sector employers, has a unique focus on developing both the ability to apply an advanced knowledge and understanding of economics to business problems and public policy, and to communicate relevant analysis and advice.

The course aims to provide you with an in-depth knowledge and understanding of the latest developments in economics, with a focus on practical skills and development of the skills needed by a working economist. It is specifically aimed at those with a genuine interest in the application of economics to real-world situations.

Course content
You will gain an understanding of the key concepts in economics that underpin public sector policy and business decision making. This includes the various scenarios where we explore opportunity cost, equilibrium and disequilibrium, strategic interaction, market failure and the related concept of externalities.

You’ll develop your analytical skills by applying these concepts to current challenges that face the profession, at both macro and micro levels, and in both private and public sectors. This will provide you with the latest insights drawn from both the academic and practitioner arenas.

You will benefit from free access to part of the material on the course reading list and an online subscription to the Financial Times. In addition, you will get exposure to a global network of professional economists through a free student membership to the Society of Business Economists.

Core modules
• Economic Evaluation Project
• Macroeconomic Analysis and Policy
• Microeconomic Analysis and Policy
• Research Methods
• Strategy and Appraisal in Economics
• Data Analysis
• Economic Policy Perspectives

Option modules
• Development Economics and Policy
• Global Financial Markets
• International Economics

Internship Programme
You can take the internship programme in addition to option modules. The 8-12 weeks accredited internship in a London-based organisation will help you gain invaluable work experience. You will be able to take your internship during the summer period or alongside your studies. You will be responsible for finding your own internship with the support of the Business Experience Team.

Associated careers
As an economics postgraduate, you can look forward to excellent career prospects. Our students have gone on to successful careers in government and consultancy as economic analysts, regulatory economists and market analysts.

The strong international focus of the course provides an excellent opportunity to develop the knowledge and skills to pursue a career in multinational companies or international organisations. Several of our recent graduates have also found that it has opened up opportunities for PhD study.
ENGLISH, LINGUISTICS AND CULTURAL STUDIES

There is an established and lively postgraduate and research culture in English, Linguistics and Cultural Studies at Westminster, which embraces a range of different subject areas, critical approaches and professional practice.

We offer taught Masters courses in English Literature, Art and Visual Culture, Cultural and Critical Studies, Museums, Galleries and Contemporary Culture, English Language, Linguistics, Creative Writing, and TESOL and we also supervise PhD students working on doctoral projects ranging across the arts and humanities.

Our diversity is our strength. It means that there is always a stimulating interchange of ideas within and across the different fields, and a wonderful range of expertise available in our staff, which includes academics, writers, curators and artists who are all well-known in their fields. We have some great collaborative relationships with universities in Europe and the Americas as well as with cultural institutions closer to home, such as Tate, the Whitechapel Gallery, the Museum of London and the Smithsonian Institute, Washington DC.

All our MA and PhD programmes are intellectually ambitious – perfect for aspiring academics and researchers – but are also geared towards preparing you professionally for life beyond university. Situated in our Central London location, our researchers enjoy ready access to a wealth of scholarly resources in London.

As a cosmopolitan institution in one of the world’s great cities, we offer a uniquely stimulating and productive environment in which to work and study.

In the most recent UK Government’s assessment of Research Excellence, 78% of the published work of our staff was ranked as world-leading or internationally excellent.

Source: REF (Research Excellence Framework) 2014
ART AND VISUAL CULTURE MA

This interdisciplinary, visual theory-based course is established around the belief that visual literacy and the impact of visual forms of thinking and working play significant roles in our society.

On the course, we interrogate visual perception and representation in high and popular culture, explore how these produce meanings, and how such meanings shape societies and individuals. The course introduces you to a wide range of historical and contemporary debates that inform the theories and practices of visual culture, and supports you in developing a conceptual framework within which to evaluate the role of the visual arts, and other forms of visual production, in contemporary society and culture.

The course gives you a solid grounding for careers in the art and cultural sectors as well as academia, and it is also suitable for practicing artists wishing to further their research.

Course content

This MA balances historical and theoretical debates in the field of visual culture studies with a rigorous interrogation of cultural practices across a range of topics, including: activism and popular politics; contemporary visual arts; capitalism and culture; digital culture and new media technologies; theory and practice of archive research; material culture of the city; digital culture and new media technologies; theory and practice of archive research; material culture of the city; and public relations and marketing specialists.

Many others have instead gone on to MPhil/PhD study in fields such as art history and visual culture, and supports you in developing a conceptual framework within which to evaluate the role of the visual arts, and other forms of visual production, in contemporary society and culture.

Associated careers

Many of our students have gone on to pursue successful careers in the creative industries as curators, artists, cultural consultants, events and communications managers, learning producers, art educators, art administrators, media arts project managers, editors, and public relations and marketing specialists.

Many others have instead gone on to MPhil/PhD study in fields such as art history and visual culture, and supports you in developing a conceptual framework within which to evaluate the role of the visual arts, and other forms of visual production, in contemporary society and culture.

Core modules

• Dissertation
• Visual Culture: Production, Display and Discourse
• Visual Culture: Theoretical and Critical Perspectives

Option modules

Choose four from:
• Capitalism and Culture
• Digital Cultures
• Engaging the Archive
• Museum Narratives
• Representing World Cultures
• Urban Cultures
• Work Placements in Cultural Institutions

You also have the option to choose from the modules taught within other selected MAAs in the Department. If you are interested in gaining professional knowledge and meeting curators and museum professionals, for example, you can choose a module from the Museum, Galleries and Contemporary Culture MA.

Assessment methods include coursework portfolios (allowing you to experiment in a variety of genres, reflective logs, essays, and workshop leadership) as well as the 10-12,000-word writing project. There are no formal examinations.

Core modules

• Creative Practice
• Conflict and the City (Drama)
• Portfolio: How to Write Creatively (January starters)
• Tales of the City (Fiction)
• The Writing Business (year-long)
• The Writing Project

Option modules

• Analysing Spoken and Written Discourse
• Digital London
• Language and the Imagination (Poetic Writing)
• Reading Contemporary Culture
• Urban Cultures

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page:
westminster.ac.uk/art-and-visual-culture-ma

CREATIVE WRITING: WRITING THE CITY MA

This course is the first to focus entirely on the city of London. It will allow you to explore the city as subject matter from a range of perspectives and across all genres. It will also give you a theoretical and practical platform from which to develop your understanding and become part of the London writing scene.

Taught by professional writers and researchers, the course offers plenty of opportunities to network with other writers, agents, TV producers and performance poets. You will be based in the University’s Central London campus, which means you will be writing about the city from the very heart of it, with ready access to the capital’s excellent academic, social and cultural opportunities, including the vibrant West End theatre scene.

Course content

The availability of option modules will depend on overall demand and staff availability, but you will normally be told which options are an offer at the beginning of your course. The workshop-based structure of the course will allow you to learn through interactive practice.

Modules are taught by one two-hour or three-hour seminar/ workshop per week, depending on your subject. Teaching will also include visits to selected London institutions to support certain aspects of writing, and you will be encouraged to use various archives, theatres and galleries.

Assessment methods include coursework portfolios (allowing you to experiment in a variety of genres, reflective logs, essays, and workshop leadership) as well as the 10-12,000-word writing project. There are no formal examinations.

Core modules

• Creative Practice
• Conflict and the City (Drama)
• Portfolio: How to Write Creatively (January starters)
• Tales of the City (Fiction)
• The Writing Business (year-long)
• The Writing Project

Option modules

• Analysing Spoken and Written Discourse
• Digital London
• Language and the Imagination (Poetic Writing)
• Reading Contemporary Culture
• Urban Cultures

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page:
westminster.ac.uk/creative-writing-writing-the-city-ma

Associated careers

The course will enable you to develop sophisticated critical and creative skills and a widely applicable knowledge base that can be adapted to various fields of creative practice and writing business. This course is intended to move you to a new level in your career as a writer by developing your skills as a sophisticated critical practitioner, and your knowledge of literature about the city as well as the writing business. You will be encouraged to network with other writers and identify useful opportunities for career development, partly through a wide range of extra-curricular activities, including writers’ events and talks. The critical and practical skills you will acquire by the end of the course will make you a strong candidate in many areas, including arts management, copy editing, education, freelance writing, journalism, media, publishing, theatre and performance-based writing, and research and academia.

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page:
westminster.ac.uk/creative-writing-writing-the-city-ma
This interdisciplinary course offers you the rare opportunity to study contemporary critical and cultural debates across a wide range of fields. Exploring a variety of different visual, textual and popular forms of culture, the course will particularly appeal to those with wide-ranging interests in the arts and humanities, as well as those interested in cutting-edge theoretical debates.

Modules are taught by expert staff from a number of different disciplines, giving you the flexibility to follow particular themes in the areas that most interest you. The published work of our staff is at the forefront of radical and experimental interdisciplinary areas such as memory studies, urban culture, digital culture, and contemporary critical theory. As postgraduate students, you will also become members of the Institute of Modern and Contemporary Culture and enjoy the opportunity to engage with a rich and diverse program of research events.

We also draw upon a long tradition of practical engagement with the applied arts and culture. Our location in the cultural heart of London offers a unique educational experience and as one of the most internationally diverse universities in the UK, you’ll also be studying alongside students from a wide range of different cultural backgrounds.

Course content
The course consists of two main core modules, Capitalism and Culture, and Problems and Perspectives in Cultural Studies. These establish a framework for the close analysis of the locations, products and systems of culture.

A dissertation of 12,000 words, which can be written on an appropriate topic of your choice, will also be completed at the end of your studies. You will also be able to choose four additional modules.

Core modules
- Capitalism and Culture
- Dissertation
- Problems and Perspectives in Cultural Studies

Option modules
Choose four from:
- Engaging the Archive
- Experimental Women’s Writing, Photography and Film
- Queer Now
- Representing World Cultures
- Trauma in American Modernity: The Nation and its Limits
- Urban Cultures
- Work Placement in Cultural Institutions

Associated careers
The course is suitable for you if you have taken English language and/or linguistics modules at undergraduate level, and others who have taken allied disciplines such as psychology, philosophy or TESOL. It is of particular interest if you wish to pursue further study and if you wish to teach English and gain a further qualification and investigate current and recent developments in the field.

Course content
The course is suitable for you if you have taken English language and/or linguistics modules at undergraduate level, and others who have taken allied disciplines such as psychology, philosophy or TESOL. It is of particular interest if you wish to pursue further study and if you wish to teach English and gain a further qualification and investigate current and recent developments in the field.

If pursuing the degree full-time, you will study 180 credits in one academic year; if part-time, you will normally complete 180 credits in two academic years. You will study three core modules (including a 60-credit dissertation on a topic of English language and/or linguistics), as well as two modules from the list of options.

The core modules English Language in Literary Contexts and English Worldwide examine linguistic variation from a wide range of perspectives and many of the options complement this approach. You can explore TESOL issues as part of your options. The teaching is mainly through weekly two- or three-hour sessions for each module, which include tutorials, seminars, practical sessions and workshops.

There is also independent self-directed study, and you will be prepared for the Dissertation via structured sessions in research methodology. Assessment methods include submitted coursework such as essays, reviews and exercises; there are no formal examinations.

Core modules
- Dissertation
- English Language in Literary Contexts
- English Worldwide

Option modules
- Analysing Spoken and Written Discourse
- Current Developments in Language Teaching
- Intercultural Communicative Competence
- Sociolinguistics
- Translation Studies

Associated careers
The English Language and Linguistics MA will provide you with sophisticated analytical skills and a widely applicable knowledge base, which will enable you to study at MPhil or PhD levels with a view to pursuing an academic career.

The course is also particularly relevant to teaching English as a first or foreign language, and to a range of professions involving language and communication.

While studying the MA, you will also benefit from the careers workshops organised by the departmental employability coordinator.
ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE MA

The English Language and Literature MA aims to allow you to explore the interconnections between language and literature. It will provide you with a thorough understanding of the linguistic features of English from a wide range of perspectives (theoretical and applied, synchronic and diachronic), as well as leading you to explore a wide array of texts in connection with the social, historical and political circumstances from which they emerge. Furthermore, the MA will equip you with the intellectual perspectives and the scholarly skills that will prepare you to conduct independent research.

Course content
The MA is suitable if you have taken English language and/or literature modules at undergraduate level, or have taken allied disciplines such as TESOL. It is of particular interest if you wish to pursue further study and if you wish to teach English and gain a further qualification and investigate recent and current developments in the field.

The teaching is mainly through weekly two or three hour sessions for each module, which include tutorials, seminars, practical sessions and workshops. There is also independent self-directed study, and you will be prepared for the Dissertation via structured sessions in research methodology. Assessment methods include submitted coursework such as essays, reviews and exercises; there are no formal examinations.

Core modules
- Dissertation
- English Language in Literary Contexts
- Materialities, Institutions and Contexts
- Themes and Problems in Modern and Contemporary Literature

Option modules
- Analysing Spoken and Written Discourse
- Current Developments in Language Teaching
- Experimental Women’s Writing, Photography and Film
- Intercultural Communicative Competence
- London and Modernism: Manifesto, Literature, Painting and Film
- Social linguistics
- Translation Studies

Associated careers
The English Language and Literature MA will provide you with sophisticated analytical skills and a widely applicable knowledge base, which will enable you to study at MPhil or PhD levels with a view to pursuing an academic career. The course is also particularly relevant to teaching English as a first or foreign language, and to a range of professions involving the study and use of language and literary texts.

While studying the MA, you will also benefit from the careers workshops organised by the departmental employability coordinator.

ENGLISH LITERATURE: MODERN AND CONTEMPORARY FICTIONS MA

This course gives you the chance to study English literature in a modern university environment, while taking advantage of the wealth of resources offered by London’s rich cultural life. You will examine literary texts in the wider context of cultural production and relate them to the social, historical and political circumstances from which they emerge.

The course team consists of academic specialists who make use of the many nearby museums, galleries and libraries in their teaching. The course will be of particular interest to those wishing to prepare for further study at MPhil or PhD level, and those teaching English who want to gain a further qualification and investigate recent and current developments in the field.

Course content
The English Literature: Modern and Contemporary Fictions MA is designed to offer a coherent programme of postgraduate study that allows for both chronological range and specific topical focus. It gives you the opportunity to revisit and reinvestigate the texts, critical practices, institutions and periods that make up the discipline in order to see it in new and exciting ways. It consists of three core modules.

Themes and Problems in Modern and Contemporary Literature examines a range of issues such as truth and fiction, the digital, forms of the novel and subjectivity in reading.

Materialities, Institutions, Contexts looks at the institutional and general interest.

Core modules
- Materialities, Institutions, Contexts
- Themes and Problems in Modern and Contemporary Literature
- Dissertation

Option modules
Choose four from:
- Experimental Women’s Writing, Photography and Film
- London and Modernism: Manifesto, Literature, Painting, Film
- Queer Now
- Trauma in American Modernity: The Nation and its Limits
- Urban Cultures
- Work Placement in Cultural Institutions

Associated careers
The course is particularly relevant to those employed in a range of professions, including English teachers wishing to update their professional skills, and professional researchers. The part-time course would appeal to those interested in studying English literature for career development and general interest.

Length of course: one year full-time or two years part-time, starting in September or January
Location: Central London (see map p201)
Fees and funding: see course web page and westminster.ac.uk/fees
Entry requirements: see page p192

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/english-language-and-literature-ma

Length of course: one year full-time or two years part-time, starting in September or January
Location: Central London (see map p201)
Fees and funding: see course web page and westminster.ac.uk/fees
Entry requirements: see page p192

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/english-literature-modern-and-contemporary-fictions-ma
This course looks at the way that museums, galleries and other cultural institutions are changing to meet the needs of the 21st century. The MA has been designed for students who wish to work as curators, arts organisers, museum professionals and other cultural managers and who want to know in particular how these institutions face contemporary issues. It looks at the changing role of cultural provision and how agencies, festivals and flexible organisations shape, house, fund, and disseminate culture today.

The course also gives you the opportunity to immerse yourself in the contemporary debates about working practices in cultural institutions, and the changing context in which organisations operate. The course concentrates on professional practice and you will work closely with institutions such as Tate Britain and the Museum of London, and conduct case studies into creative projects run by organisations as diverse as the Victoria and Albert Museum, smaller independent galleries and London-based festivals and arts organisations.

Classes are taught off-site at other institutions, and involve professionals from the sector as much as possible to give you an understanding of vocational issues and a close involvement in the workplace.

Course content
You will examine key issues and themes in the museums and gallery sector, and explore how these are dealt with not just in theory, but also on a day-to-day basis by leading institutions. You will learn about the challenges faced by museums and galleries, how they confront them and how they are developing innovative practices in relation to their collections, exhibitions and audiences.

Gaining professional knowledge is an important part of the course and you will be able to meet curators and museum professionals. The University also assists you to gain internships, work placements and to work on professional projects.

The teaching team are curators, museum and gallery professionals, as well as university academics. You will be taught through seminars, tutorials, practical sessions and workshops, together with independent, student-directed study where you develop your own project. If you are interested in studying the broader theoretical context of museum and gallery issues you can also take modules from other courses taught in the Department, such as Art and Visual Culture MA.

Core modules
- Current Issues in Museum and Gallery Studies
- Major Research Project

Option modules
Choose five modules from:
- Art Museums and Contemporary Culture
- Collecting Today: Curating, Presenting and Managing Collections
- Curating Contemporary Art
- Education, Learning and Events
- Exhibiting Photography
- London Museums
- Museum Narratives
- Representing World Cultures
- Work Placement

Associated careers
Graduates will have the skills to work in a variety of positions in the cultural sector, including in the post of curator, consultant, arts and media strategists and advisers, funding officers or education and interpretation officers.

Length of course: one year full-time or two years part-time, starting in September or January
Location: Central London (see map p200)
Fees and funding: see course web page and westminster.ac.uk/fees
Entry requirements: see page p192

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/museums-galleries-and-contemporary-culture-ma

This course provides you with a specialist combination of theoretical academic study and robust practical application and skills development in English language teaching. It provides advanced training for TESOL professionals, and examines the latest developments in TESOL methodology and related issues.

You will develop the practical and professional skills involved in TESOL, along with the ability to analyse and apply theoretical perspectives to practical situations.

The course enables you to develop your skills in argument, synthesis and critical expression of TESOL issues, and apply them in different teaching contexts. You will also enhance your advanced skills of research, presentation and analysis in TESOL contexts.

Nurturing ongoing professional development and skills in pursuing further independent research is an important aspect of the course, enabling you to make a full contribution to professional development in your specialist area.

Course content
The course consists of three core modules and a range of option modules.

The Language and Learning: Description and Analysis core module introduces in-depth exploration of the core concepts in the description and analysis of language and language learning, with specific reference to English language teaching and second language acquisition.

The Current Developments in Language Teaching core module examines a wide range of current practice and developments, including communicative competence in language learning and teaching, language teaching methodology, and discrete and integrated skills. The Dissertations is the third core module.

Core modules
- Current Developments in Language Teaching
- Language and Learning: Description and Analysis
- Dissertation

Option modules
- Analysing Spoken and Written Discourse
- Educational Management in TESOL
- Intercultural Communicative Competence
- Language for Specific Purposes
- Materials Development
- Sociolinguistics
- Testing and Assessment

Associated careers
The course enables you to make substantial progress as advanced English Language Teaching practitioners and managers in a variety of national, regional and cultural educational systems.

You will have the training and preparation to make significant contributions as instructors, managers and researchers.
Westminster has a world-class reputation for producing highly creative fashion professionals - our alumni include London Fashion Week designers Roberta Einer, Claire Barrow, Liam Hodges and Ashley Williams; Stuart Vevers, Creative Director of Coach, and former President and Chief Creative Officer of Burberry Christopher Bailey. The University has led the way in the development of courses devoted to training the next generation of creative industry managers, entrepreneurs and designers, whilst simultaneously cultivating their critical understanding of the fields in which they work.

The university is also home to Westminster Menswear Archive, which consists of over 1500 garments from world-known menswear designers like Alexander McQueen, Massimo Osti, Craig Green, Stone Island, Carol Christian Poell, Jean Paul Gaultier, Kim Jones, Maison Margiela and Vexed Generation. This exceptional resource allows students, researchers and industry to study examples of menswear design covering military uniforms, industrial garments and the designer outcomes from a technical and functional point of view.

In June 2018, the University’s Menswear MA course showed a selection of their graduate collections on the official London Fashion Week Men’s schedule.

Westminster Fashion alumni have been hired by fashion industry leaders such as Versace, Tommy Hilfiger, Burberry, Adidas, Acne and Tom Ford.
This course will equip you with the strategic decision-making, leadership and problem-solving skills you will need to become an entrepreneurial and visionary fashion business leader of the future. It continues the University’s fashion tradition of a commitment to excellence in developing highly effective, talented and committed professional fashion graduates.

Working closely with fashion industry professionals, role models and mentors, you will receive a relevant, well-grounded, high-quality education and skill base that will enable you to have a wider, clearer understanding of the business you are already involved in. The course offers inside knowledge of industry strategies and cultures on a global basis, combined with key business skills and essential fashion industry management knowledge.

Course content
This course equips you for a business management career in the domestic or international fashion industry. Delivered by a teaching team with a wide range of experience both in industry and academia, the course offers an innovative and relevant fashion business curriculum that focuses on preparing your entry into senior roles in business and management within the industry.

We foster and maintain important links with the fashion industry and ensure that our Fashion Business Management MA stays at the forefront of education for the future leaders in the fashion industry. We also invite many prestigious and eminent guest speakers from the industry to participate on all the modules, ensuring that the course remains relevant, informed and up-to-date with current industry practice.

Core modules
- The Fashion Business – Supply Chain Management
- Strategic Fashion Business Management
- Creative Teams and Innovation in the Fashion Business
- The Fashion Business – Retail Buying and Merchandising
- Fashion Marketing, Promotion and Brand Management
- The Fashion Business Plan and Entrepreneurship
- The Fashion Business Project

Associated careers
The course is designed to attract applicants with a recognised design, retail management or distribution/manufacturing background. With guidance from the academics and professionals in this field it is anticipated that you will go on to enter senior management positions and move up the career ladder.

Our alumni can be found working in senior positions all over the world in many fashion roles and include well-known brands such as Aldo, Dior, Dunhill, Harrods, Hermes, Louis Vuitton, Marks and Spencer, Nordstrom, Prada Hong Kong and many more. Several of our alumni have also gone on to study at PhD level and to further academic research. Others have set up their own business or successfully taken over a family run business.

It is essential in this time of creative ambiguity that we develop and empower the individual. Therefore, this entrepreneurial Menswear MA will recruit ambitiously envisioned designers to work on their creative expression through personal research, process development and informed professionalism.

In order for our students to establish their aspirations and to define a sustainable career path within a global design context, the course is delivered by the most inspiring menswear design professionals who provide a learning environment that is supportive, challenging and informed.

Course content
This unique two-year course is the destination for the most creative, driven and original thinkers who will shape the contemporary within menswear and the design-based industries. Entry is based on a combination of formal qualifications, industry experience, portfolio, garments and demonstration of commitment through a considered study proposal.

This taught project-based curriculum has two core modules that progressively develop students’ confidence in an interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary context and encourages imaginative, practical and theoretical knowledge to the highest level of strategic and tactical competence.

Year One: MA Menswear I:
This module is based upon a programme of personal projects aimed at bringing research, design, specialist abilities and thinking to postgraduate level. There will be continuous tutor, peer and self-reflective evaluation with each project feeding into a final synoptic grade-only assessment that champions a diagnostic, reflexive and critical approach.

Year Two: MA Menswear II:
The second-year module is self-directed with essential industry-related work aimed at developing the highest level of creative thinking, specialised process and professionalism aligned to each students’ individual aspirations. This summative module is designed to enable students to generate their own perspective on originality, the creation of the appropriate specialist techniques and a working process and context that establishes them as influential and informed design professionals.
The University of Westminster’s full-time Masters programmes in finance and accounting draw on the teaching excellence and research expertise of our academic and professionally qualified staff.

The Global Financial Services Industry is complex and is facing new challenges. At the same time, accelerated demand for talent has created opportunities for new careers. Our courses have an international focus and provide distinctive skills-sets to meet future needs. The University has invested in a purpose built Financial Markets Suite and continued to nurture strong partnerships with professional bodies (CISI and ACCA).

Our taught programmes are uniquely designed to enhance the value of a Masters academic qualification with professional skills. Developing these critical learning and employability skills is at the heart of our student-centred learning approach to grow talent for the global financial services industry.

If you are studying for the Investment and Risk Finance MSc (MScIRF), you will be automatically registered for the student membership of the Chartered Institute for Securities and Investment (CISI) – a financial services professional body. The CISI has recognised Westminster Business School as a Centre of Excellence. The Finance and Accounting MSc degree offers up to nine exemptions from ACCA foundation level examinations. The University is an ACCA Gold approved learning partner.

The University also offers a Masters in Finance, with pathways to advance specialist learning in areas of International Finance and Banking.
This course has been designed to develop the knowledge, skills, research interests and career prospects of those who work, or wish to work, in finance, treasury management or accountancy. It’s especially useful if you’re a graduate with little or no accounting experience, as it offers the opportunity to study modules which will cover this shortfall.

If you are a graduate member of a UK accountancy body, or an overseas equivalent, you may claim up to four exemptions from this Masters by applying for Accreditation of Prior Certificated Learning, see p192. This would enable you to complete the taught part of the course in one semester.

The course provides exemptions from nine of the papers of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) exams. Westminster Business School is an ACCA Gold approved learning partner and one of the few UK institutions where you can qualify for so many ACCA exemptions on completion of a one-year course. Furthermore, graduates of the course have the chance to enter the Gateway route of the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA). On successful completion of the Gateway examination, you will gain exemptions from 12 of the 17 CIMA examinations.

Core modules
- Financial Accounting Policy and Practice
- Financial Management and Corporate Valuation
- Managerial Accounting
- Project (Finance and Accounting)
- Research Methods in Finance and Accounting
- Taxation Principles and Practice

Option modules
You must choose a total of three options modules. Normally, the three must come from the following list. However, you may choose one module from anywhere within the University subject to the Course Leader’s approval.
- Auditing Assurance and Professional Ethics
- Corporate Governance and Business Ethics
- Data Analysis
- Financial Derivatives
- Financial Information Systems
- Financial Markets and Institutions
- Fixed Income Analysis and Trading
- International Risk Management
- Modern Portfolio Management

Internship Programme
You can take the internship programme in addition to option modules. The 8-12 weeks accredited internship in a London-based organisation will help you gain invaluable work experience. You will be able to take your internship during the summer period or alongside your studies. You will be responsible for finding your own internship with the support of the Business Experience Team.

Associated careers
The majority of our graduates go on to successful careers in accounting, with many having secured employment in a ‘Big 4’ accounting firm. Other graduates have achieved employment in the fields of finance, banking, in the public sector or in general management careers, as well as going on to run their own business.

The Finance MSc (with Banking or International Finance pathway) has been designed specifically to meet the emerging needs of employers in the global financial services sector. This highly flexible course provides you with financial skills that are at the cutting edge of knowledge and developments in our industry, as well as the freedom to specialise in your area of interest.

This unique mode of study will give you the basic theory and analytical skills you need in finance, followed by in-depth learning either in banking or international finance through specialised modules of study.

You will graduate with the skill set needed for a career in global financial services; being able to solve complex problems in a clear and systematic manner; communicate clearly to inform both specialist and non-specialist audiences; and use appropriate software tools and financial databases to solve complex problems using quantitative methods and models.

Course content
- Modern Portfolio Management
- International Risk Management
- Fixed Income Analysis and Trading
- Financial Management and Corporate Valuation
- Financial Accounting Policy and Practice
- Risk Management Principles and Practice

Option modules
- Banking Technology
- Behavioural Finance
- Compliance and Banking Law
- Corporate Financial Strategy
- Investment Banking

International Finance Pathway:
- International Financial Management
- Financial Statement Analysis and Valuation
- International Financial Management

Banking Pathway:
- Global Banking
- Wealth Management
- International Banking

International Pathway:
- Financial Statement Analysis and Valuation
- International Financial Management

The Finance MSc course involves both theoretical and practical content, offering you the chance to build on your first degree and/or work experience with a range of knowledge and skills enabling you to become capable of excelling in your career.

All students on the course will follow a common general set of modules in the first semester of study (September to December), following which you will then choose a pathway to specialise in for the remainder of your studies (January to August).

Core modules
- Banking
- Financial Modelling
- Financial Risk Management
- Project
- Research Methods

Banking Pathway:
- Global Banking
- Wealth Management

International Pathway:
- Financial Statement Analysis and Valuation
- International Financial Management

Length of course: one year full-time, starting in September or January
Location: Central London (see map p200)
Fees and funding: see course web page and westminster.ac.uk/fees
Entry requirements: see page p192

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/finance-and-accounting-msc

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/finance-banking-msc
westminster.ac.uk/finance-international-finance-msc

Location: Central London (see map p200)
This course provides a thorough theoretical and practical grounding in the key aspects of investment and risk finance, delivered in an intensive learning environment. You will learn how to apply the knowledge and theory you have gained in class to real-world problems facing the international financial services industry and the corporate financial management community.

The learning and skills development is integrated with resources available in our Financial Markets Suite (FMS), a state-of-the-art virtual trading room environment, interfaced with the Bloomberg system. Provision of this Bloomberg resource, along with the academic and professional career development opportunities are the main reasons why our students prefer to select this programme.

The Chartered Institute for Securities and Investment (CISI) has recognised Westminster Business School as a Centre of Excellence based on the taught elements of this course. All students enrolled on the course are eligible for the student membership of the institute. Some of the benefits include free attendance at CPD events, accessibility to industry news and online resources.

**Course content**

The course consists of core modules which help you acquire the ability to perform quantitative investment and risk analyses on a variety of financial instruments and structured products. You’ll also learn how to use capital market products in both investment and risk finance applications. As a result you will develop good transferable skills and solve financial problems in a group setting.

The research and project modules are designed to develop your research abilities and create opportunities to explore finance subject areas of your own interest in more depth, applying the analytical and technical management skills you will encounter to real-life situations.

Social events organised throughout the course provide an opportunity for networking with fellow students and alumni.

**Core modules**

- Data Analysis
- Financial Derivatives
- Modern Portfolio Management
- Project
- Research Methods in Finance and Accounting
- International Risk Management

**Sub-core modules**

Choose two or three of the following:

- Financial Analysis and Valuation
- Financial Markets and Institutions
- Fixed Income Analysis and Trading
- Forecasting Markets and Risk Modelling

**Option modules**

If you take two sub-core modules, you then need to choose one from the following:

- Financial Accounting Policy
- Financial Information Systems
- International Financial Reporting
- Managerial Accounting
- Modern Finance

You may also take another module from the postgraduate portfolio, at the Course Leader’s discretion.

**Internship Programme**

You can take the internship programme in addition to option modules. The 8-12 weeks accredited internship in a London-based organisation will help you gain invaluable work experience. You will be able to take your internship during the summer period or alongside your studies. You will be responsible for finding your own internship with the support of the Business Experience Team.

**Associated careers**

Career choices include security and financial analysis, trading and fund management, capital market sales and administration. Our graduates go on to develop careers in treasury and front office positions in investment banks and securities companies. They occupy management positions as financial analysts, finance and sales administrators or similar jobs in the global financial services sector and the corporate finance world.
HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

The University of Westminster is one of the UK’s leading Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development-approved centres and covers a range of specialist areas including employee coaching, employment law, international HRM, management development, managing culture and change and reward management.

Currently we offer two courses, both of which lead to Chartered Institute of Personal Development (CIPD) professional membership. The first is the Human Resource Management MA, delivered on a one-year full-time and two-year part-time basis, aimed at those who are practising human resource management (HRM) or are about to enter the sector. The second is the International Human Resource Management MA, which is a one year, full-time course mainly – but not exclusively – for participants from outside the UK.

Approximately three-quarters of our students are studying part-time while working in business, consultancy, public sector or not-for-profit organisations. The emphasis in the classroom is on blending theory and practice, problem diagnosis and the selection of managerial tools to provide the best fit with the situation. Classes are often run on a workshop basis, giving the opportunity for participants to pool their experience, as well as drawing on the expertise of the tutors. Students also have the opportunity to develop essential HR practitioner skills by attending a series of practical workshops.

Among our academic staff there is a strong combination of specialist business experience as well as academic qualifications, appropriate for delivering learning outcomes in applied aspects of HRM.
This course will suit graduates intending to work in HR, as well as those already working in the field and wanting to advance their careers. Building on your understanding of the theory and practice of HRM techniques, it provides a professionally focused and research informed blend of academic and practical information, encouraging critical reflection on current HRM approaches.

Westminster Business School is a Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD) approved centre. The course has been accredited by the CIPD as meeting the ‘knowledge criteria’ for professional membership. This means that once you have successfully shown the CIPD relevant evidence of your practice in the workplace, you will gain professional level of Chartered Membership, with the joining and initial membership fee paid for by the University.

**Course content**

The emphasis in the classroom is on blending theory and practice, problem diagnosis and the selection of managerial tools to provide the best fit with the situation. Classes are often run on a workshop basis, giving you the opportunity for students to pool their experience, as well as drawing on the expertise of the tutors.

You will also have the opportunity to develop essential HR practitioner skills by attending a series of practical workshops.

**Core modules**

• HRM in a Business Context
• Managing Human Resources
• Project
• Research Methods and Project Preparation
• Skills of the Manager/Consultant

**Option modules**

Choose two of the following CIPD modules:

• Employee Relations
• Learning and Development
• Organisational Analysis, Design and Development
• People Resourcing
• Reward Management

You will also choose two from the following additional option modules:

• Assessment and Individual Differences at Work
• Contemporary Issues in Strategic HRM
• Designing and Delivering Training
• Employment Law for HR Practitioners
• International HRM
• Management Development
• Managing Culture and Change
• Managing Diversity and Equality in Employment

All modules are subject to the CIPD and University of Westminster approval.

**Internship Programme**

You can take the internship programme in addition to option modules. The 8-12 weeks accredited internship in a London-based organisation will help you gain invaluable work experience. You will be able to take your internship during the summer period or alongside your studies. You will be responsible for finding your own internship with the support of the Business Experience Team.

**Associated careers**

After completing the course you can be expected to develop your career within HRM, either in the UK or abroad, or to continue your studies in HR-related fields.

The course will enable you to enhance your career prospects and marketability in the professional practice of HRM. Past students have become consultants (internal and external), HR managers, compensation and benefits managers, change management specialists, HR business partners/operations managers, civil servants and mediators.

Employers of our students include the BBC, Capgemini, Linklaters, PricewaterhouseCoopers and the Royal Household.

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/human-resource-management-ma

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**INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT MA**

The course is designed to appeal to candidates from outside the UK wishing to pursue or enhance a career in HRM that has, or may have, an international dimension. You will study an interesting range of modules focusing on international corporate HRM, international personnel management and organisational analysis and development.

This Masters specifically enables you to build a body of practical skills and theoretical knowledge around the management of organisations within different international contexts, allowing you to acquire a coherent, specialised body of relevant knowledge.

Westminster Business School is an approved centre for the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD) and this course has been accredited by the CIPD as meeting the knowledge criteria for professional membership. This means that once you have passed the degree and given the CIPD evidence of your practice in the workplace, you will gain the professional level of Chartered Membership with the joining and membership fee paid for by the University.

**Entry requirements:**

• Learning and Development
• People Resourcing
• Reward Management

**Internship Programme**

You can take the internship programme in addition to option modules. The 8-12 weeks accredited internship in a London-based organisation will help you gain invaluable work experience. You will be able to take your internship during the summer period or alongside your studies. You will be responsible for finding your own internship with the support of the Business Experience Team.

**Associated careers**

Those completing the course can be expected to find employment within HRM, either in the UK or abroad, or to continue their studies in HR-related fields. Providing a higher degree qualification in a well-established management area, the course enhances your career prospects and marketability in the professional practice of international HRM. Past students have gone on to become consultants (internal and external), HR managers, compensation and benefits managers, change management specialists, HR business partners/operations managers, civil servants, and mediators.

Companies that have employed our students include Capgemini, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Transport for London, and Visa.
JOURNALISM, MEDIA AND PR

Several of the MAs in this subject area are the first of their kind in the UK, and all lead the way in establishing new avenues of practice and disciplinary thought. Taught by international practitioners, theorists, leading researchers and industry professionals, we foster students’ capacities for developing creative media practices and theory together alongside media, industry and academic research.

This is a period of unprecedented change in communication. Our courses teach students to explore and understand media and communication in the context of the individual, organisations, society and globalisation during this time of rapid change. We have an interdisciplinary approach to issues ranging from communication policy to global media, from development to diversity, from social media to social change.

The teaching is connected to research conducted in the University’s Communication and Media Research Institute (CAMRI), one of the world’s leading research centres for media and communication studies, with 52 per cent of its research being assessed as “world-leading” and 35 per cent as “internationally excellent” in the latest UK-wide research evaluation (REF2014).

Our graduates go onto a wide range of careers in the media industries: journalists, campaign communicators, teachers, academics, editors, curators, media practitioners, writers and entrepreneurs, in areas like advertising, publishing, film and television distribution and production, new media production and marketing, app development and a range of public and private organisations and non-governmental organisations.

“Our courses have been the springboard for career and entrepreneurial success in creative industries across the globe. We count leaders in social change, media, communications and public relations amongst our alumni”

Charles Brown, Course Leader
This highly regarded course offers a rigorous analysis of the political, economic, cultural and sociological factors which shape the practices and outcomes of mass media. It will give you the opportunity to study and research the main ways in which social scientists have analysed the role of the mass media and communication, and how to develop, evaluate and apply research to evaluate those theories.

The MA ensures that you will receive a relevant, well-grounded, high-quality education and skill base, and a clear and comprehensive understanding of communication and the mass media. It is designed both for those who already work in or want to work in the media, and for those who want to go on to pursue further academic research in media and communication.

Core modules
- Approaches to Media and Communication Research
- Dissertation module
- Theories of Communication

Option modules
- Chinese Media
- Development and Communication Policy
- Global Media
- Media, Activism and Politics
- Media Audiences
- Media Business Strategy
- Policies for Digital Convergence
- Political Analysis of Communication Policy
- Political Economy of Communication
- Sociology of News
- Study Skills (no credits)
- Technology and Communication Policy

Associated careers
Graduates have found jobs in middle and upper management in the media industries, as well as in the broader private sector (e.g., consulting and advertising firms), the public sector (e.g., government ministries, regulatory authorities), international organisations and NGOs.

Course content
Based on continuous assessment, the course is taught in lectures and seminars by the team from Westminster’s top-rated Communication and Media Research Institute (CAMRI).

You will be part of a bustling, multicultural academic department which boasts a strong research culture.

You will be able to attend the regular talks by outside speakers (academics and practitioners) on a variety of communication and mass media issues.

The Digital and Interactive Storytelling LAB MA (disLAB) is an inspiring fresh and innovative course. It is designed to turn you into formidable digital storytellers making you invaluable for a wide range of industries. The course adopts the popular and emergent media laboratory ethos, which means during the year you will experiment, produce, test, iterate and spearhead a wide range of digital-first projects for multi-platform story formats. This design thinking process underpins a key framework of the course reflected in its five modules. Your work will be supported by theoretical research, expertise on mobile platforms, digital interactive communication and engaging supportive staff.

The course delivers internationally renowned industry-level professional expertise in visual communication from photography to cinema journalism, interactive narratives and apps for change. You’ll be involved in creating content that extends beyond current ideas in multimedia and online productions. The aim is to be progressive in the field of communications and advance storytelling.

Your participation through literature and practical research, group discussions, turn taking, agile problem-solving is integral to maximising the experience of the disLAB. We recognise how competitive the job market currently is, therefore this Masters has been created to develop your skills and knowledge in a way that will enhance your career.

Course content
The Digital and Interactive Storytelling LAB MA prepares you for a range of industries, present and future, as entrepreneurial content creators, mobile and platform producers, cinema and video journalists, interactive factual narratives, social marketers, and project managers.

The content is structured around a knowledge of platforms and three major fields: cinema (video) journalism, photographic communication and interactive factual narratives, which are seamlessly knitted together into five modules.

The course incorporates an agency media LAB approach to learning through knowledge sharing and project completion which is pragmatic. It underpins problem solving by practitioners and cohorts evolving theories and practice. The goal is the production of digital stories and/or interactive factual narrative. The method is through iteration and collaboration.

Core modules
- Creativity, Design and Platforms
- Digital and Interactive Storytelling Core
- Ideas and Concepts in Digital and Interactive Storytelling
- Major Project
- The Business of Digital and Interactive Storytelling

Associated careers
The course is mainly geared at giving you the right support and methodology to develop your interactive project during the course.

The critical awareness and the iterative methodology that you will gain will then serve you to remain competitive in the digital creative industries you might enter in the future, regardless of the technologies they use.
This is an exciting and highly innovative course developed in collaboration with the Diversity Media Institute (an NGO that works for the promotion of responsible and ethical Journalism across the World).

The course seamlessly combines theory and modules providing or containing hands-on practical training in journalism or campaigning and public relations related to social and cultural diversity.

The course will give you the opportunity to study and research the main ways in which social scientists analyse the role of the mass media in the social construction, representation and understanding of difference and social diversity and get a critical understanding of the social and media structures and journalistic practices that impact upon these processes. It will also equip you with practical skills that will enable you to produce your own media project on a topic related to social and cultural diversity.

Course content
The course combines a portfolio of theory modules aimed at developing your knowledge and critical understanding of the processes of managing and making sense of cultural diversity, key issues in intercultural communication and of various aspects of the sociology of news with a number of practice-oriented modules intended to give you first-hand experience in the practice of inclusive journalism.

Drawing upon a unique combination of rigorous theoretical engagement and specialist practical training, this course is designed to equip you with a comprehensive conceptual/theoretical grounding and the practical skills to engage in responsible media coverage of diversity.

Over the years, we have established a programme of internships with our partner institution, the Diversity Media Institute, whereby a number of students from the Diversity and the Media MA are incorporated as interns in the offices of the Diversity Media Institute, an International NGO that works with media organisations, editors and journalists across the world in promoting ethical and inclusive journalism practice. In addition to your final degree and upon successful completion of certain module components we are providing, you can be awarded study certificates by Adobe on Adobe suite modules such as Photoshop, Illustrator and Premiere Pro.

Core modules
• Approaches to Social and Cultural Diversity
• Diversity in the Media: Models, Institutions, Practices
• Dissertation/Final Project

Option modules
Option List A:
• Journalism Practice and Inclusive Society
• Media Production Skills

Option List B:
• Media Production Skills
• Journalism Practice and Inclusive Society
• Issues in Journalism: Freedom of Speech, Ethics and Democracy
• Social Media and e-Marketing
• Planning Campaign Communications for NGOs and Charities
• Media, Activism and Politics
• The Sociology of News

Please note: You can choose other modules offered within the broader Media and Society cluster subject to approval from the module leader of the module that you might want to attend.

Associated careers
Graduates have found jobs in middle and upper management in media industries, as well as the broader private sector (eg consulting and advertising firms) and public sectors (eg government ministries, regulatory authorities), international organisations and non-governmental organisations.
The course has proved successful in enabling students to access both traditional and new jobs generated by the creative industries, which have become key drivers of economic growth across the world.

The International Media Business MA develops students’ creative production skills, specific business and financial skills and their entrepreneurial skills to enable them to work in the full range of large, medium and start-up creative business.

Course content
Whether you are planning a career in a creative or media organisation or seeking to create your own new business startup, the International Media Business MA provides the skills you will need to prosper, in analysing information, identifying business opportunities, planning operations and producing content. The course allows you to take an option module in a range of specialisms from Advertising to Fashion PR to Marketing.

The course is designed to enable you to find and take up work placements and internships at media organisations in London during the course of your studies. The work experience module is taught by the team from Westminster’s Creative Enterprise Centre (westminster.ac.uk/cec) and includes a regular newsletter of creative work experience and placement opportunities. Our students have successfully completed internships at TV production companies like the BBC, technology companies like Google and Youtube as well as many other multimedia, advertising and news organisations in London. Some have continued to work in London after graduation, sometimes successfully starting their own businesses here.

Core modules
• Digital Media Production
• Digital Media Enterprise: Strategy and Entrepreneurship
• Media Markets
• Media Work Experience
• Either Dissertation or Professional Project

Option modules
• Digital Media Development and Production
• A semester 2 Option Module agreed with Course Leader e.g. Consumer PR, Fashion PR, Marketing etc.

Associated careers
Most graduates of the course find work in the creative and media industries, around the world, soon after graduation, some starting at an entry level, others rising quickly to a more senior level. A smaller number of graduates have started their own media businesses or worked in non-media businesses.

MEDIA AND DEVELOPMENT MA

The Media and Development MA is an interdisciplinary course that teaches main theories, concepts, case studies and practical media skills around the theme of media and development and its implications for less developed countries.

The course will provide you with a unique blend of theory and practice teaching, aimed at deepening your knowledge of the history of communications within the development process of emerging economies. It will critically evaluate the impact of international and regional institutions from a critical political economic perspective.

Teaching by academic staff, guest lecturers and other carefully selected staff from development organisations will provide you with an overview of the policies, actions and impact of state and non-state institutions within the area of communication media and development.

Course content
A distinctive feature is its emphasis on the practical role of communication media in development. You will participate in media production workshops and take part in our internship programme, offered in partnership with media and development organisations in London.

As part of the work experience module, students participate in an extensive NGOs and media seminar series featuring experts and panel discussions. The work placement programme is in line with the University of Westminster’s strategy of nurturing of the critical practitioner.

Core modules
• Communications Policy and Development
• Dissertation
• Theories of Communication
• Theories of Development

Option modules
• Approaches to Media and Communication Research
• Approaches to Social and Cultural Diversity
• Global Media
• Journalism Practice and Inclusive Society
• Media, Activism and Politics
• Media Business Strategy
• Media Production Skills
• Media Work Experience
• Planning Campaign Communications for NGOs and Charities
• Policies for Digital Convergence
• Political Analysis of Communication
• Political Economy of Communication
• Reporting Diversity: Gender, Sexuality, Age, Disability
• Technology and Communication Policy
• The Sociology of News

Associated careers
The Media and Development MA is suitable for you if you would value an opportunity to be able to reflect critically on the role of media in the process of development and learn practical skills.

The course will be of interest to you if you have a background in working for governmental, intergovernmental and nongovernmental organisations, and a range of international business organisations, while at the same time providing appropriate preparation for those seeking employment in such fields or, indeed, wanting to prepare for further studies for a higher degree, including a PhD.

While the majority of our graduates will return to more senior posts with improved skills, knowledge and qualifications gained from their year with us, we would expect them to apply for jobs at development organisations such as Internews, BBC Media Action, Oxfam, Save the Children, Red Cross, ActionAid, Panos, DfID, Intermedia, Institute of War and Peace, Christian Aid, WACC, OneWorld and War on Want.
The MA in Media Management provides participants with skills, knowledge and tools required in order to pursue a successful career in media management. It seeks to provide students with an advanced understanding of the challenges facing media organisations and enable them to participate fully in the identification and resolution of both strategic and operational challenges.

The course seeks to develop students’ capacities in problem-solving, creative management and critical thinking. Whether working for media firms or creating their own businesses, our students are well-suited to dynamic environments which require professions to:

- Identify and analyse strategic and operational opportunities and problems;
- Synthesise viable solutions and shape new initiatives;
- Implement plans, winning their acceptance within the organisation and enabling them to participate fully in the organisation and transformation into reality.

The Masters develops students’ abilities to understand and engage with the ways in which media and content companies are responding to economic, socio-cultural, technological and political change.

Course content

Rooted in a solid foundation of media management theory, the modules on the programme combine a number of interconnected strands, allowing students to explore their own interests and specialisms.

Core modules

- Media management: theoretical foundations and application
- Media markets
- Digital media: development and production
- Media innovation and entrepreneurialism

Students also take two optional taught modules in the second semester from a list including:

- Digital media: distribution and marketing
- Media futures: Strategic planning in advertising
- Developing effective leadership within media organisations

All students undertake a major culminating project – either an academic dissertation or a professional project defined in association with their supervisor.

The course is delivered by academic staff with lengthy experience of advising and managing media organisations. Teaching methods are based around practical problems and include in-class exercises and individual and group projects and assessment. Assignments will enable you to develop and apply your skills in creative project development and business planning.

Associated careers

Graduates of the course are working in mid-level and senior positions in analysis and consultancy, business development, content distribution, and creative team leadership. They occupy managerial roles within media organisations and specialise in a range of disciplines including marketing, project management, regulation and policy formation, and strategy development.

Graduates from the Media Management MA have found roles in a wide variety of media organisations including: CCTV, Hunan Television, State Administration of Radio Film and Television (China), the BBC, eBay, BskyB, DigitasLBi. MediaCom, Screen Digest (UK), Deutsche Telekom (Germany), NTV (Russia), MBC (South Korea), NDTV, Hindustan Times (India), Wehoo (Finland) and Globo TV (Brazil). Success in their Masters has allowed many to move into more senior roles within the businesses they have been working in, to transfer to new sectors of the media, or set up their own businesses.

This innovative Masters degree aims to equip you with the skills, knowledge and strategic approach to develop and analyse social change campaigns and activism, with a particular focus on the role of communications and the media.

This is the only postgraduate programme of its kind, and has a flexible delivery to suit both full time and part time students.

The course builds on our close links with leading campaigners and communicators in London’s vibrant social change sector. An advisory panel, with representatives from Amnesty UK, Friends of the Earth, WaterAid, SumOfUs, Advocacy Hub, Campaign Bootcamp, FairSay and The National Council of Voluntary Organisations among others, will ensure we always reflect the skill sets in demand and deliver an exciting learning experience.

A limited number of work placements and internships will be available. The course is aimed at those with some experience or interest in social change, the media, and communications or campaigns within not for profit organisations.

The course will help you improve your practical skills, develop a deep understanding of the theories and frameworks that underpin and shape campaign communications, and enjoy the space to reflect critically on current and past practice. It is designed to help you start, or progress, a career in charity, pressure group or public sector campaign communications. It may also be of interest to those working in corporate social responsibility.

Alumni work in a range of senior campaign and communications roles in charities, NGOs, agencies, think tanks and government departments.

Course content

The three core modules make up the Postgraduate Certificate. Students can take another three modules to complete a Postgraduate Diploma.

Students wanting to take the Masters course also complete either a 15,000-word research dissertation, or a professional practice project (which can be work-based).

Core modules

- Critical Issues in Campaigning
- Media, Activism and Politics
- Planning Campaign Communications
- Dissertation or Professional Project

Option modules

- Approaches to Media and Communications Research
- Approaches to Social and Cultural Diversity
- Critical Theory of Social Media and the Internet
- Development and Communications Policy
- Global Media
- Journalism Practice and Inclusive Society
- Media and Content Strategy
- Media Audiences
- Media Production Skills
- Political Economy of Communication
- Reporting Diversity: Gender, Sexuality, Age, Disability
- Social Media: Creativity, Sharing, Visibility
- Sociology of News
- Technology and Communications Policy
- Theories of Communication

Associated careers

This course is particularly relevant if you want to start, or to progress, a career in communications and campaigning for social change, whether in a charity or non-governmental organisation, in a public sector body, in a political party or election campaigning setting, or even in a corporate social responsibility role. It could also be a stepping-stone towards a PhD and an academic career in this growing field of study.
The course offers a hands-on curriculum that allows you to develop your core journalistic skills. In both pathways, you will learn to master a broad variety of media formats from writing and reporting to social media and video or audio. Besides writing and broadcasting, the course emphasises contemporary digital skills which will place you in high demand in an ever-changing world of content creation and distribution. Being partly taught at our Regent Campus in the heart of London you will get the opportunity to report stories of this dynamic city in walking distance of the BBC or BuzzFeed. You will be given full training in using our up-to-date media resources, ensuring that you graduate from the course as a multi-skilled journalist being competent in digital media and written journalism and in video.

Our teaching staff are highly experienced journalism professionals, and our graduates go on to work with a variety of leading media organisations including BBC TV and Radio, BBC News Online, CNN, ITN, Russia Today, Al Jazeera, the Financial Times and The Guardian, and Radio, BBC News Online, CNN, ITN, Russia Today, Al Jazeera, the Financial Times and The Guardian, and Radio, BBC News Online, CNN, ITN, Russia Today, Al Jazeera, the Financial Times and The Guardian, and Radio, BBC News Online, CNN, ITN, Russia Today, Al Jazeera, the Financial Times and The Guardian, and Radio.

Course content
There’s a strong emphasis on learning through ‘hands-on’ practice, in small class groups, using our professional standard facilities. Most of your assessed course-work will be ‘real’ journalism assignments, a preparation for the world of contemporary journalism. As well as regular classes taught by experienced journalists on our staff, we also invite other media professionals as guest speakers or to critique student work.

You will have the chance to air your work on Smoke Radio, the University’s multi-award-winning internet radio station, or post items onto the MA’s own news site.

Core modules
Broadcast Pathway:
• Broadcast News
• Digital Journalism Production
• Documentary Skills
• Issues in Journalism
• Multimedia Journalism Skills
• Final Project (MA only, 60 credits, to be chosen among: Final Project Emerging Journalism, Final Radio or Video Documentary Project)

Print and Online Pathway:
• Digital Journalism Production
• Issues in Journalism
• Multimedia Journalism Skills
• News and Feature Writing
• Final Project (MA only, 60 credits, to be chosen among: Final Project Emerging Journalism, Final Journalism Project)

Option modules
Both Pathways:
• Emerging Journalism
• Health and Medical Journalism
• Investigative Journalism
• Magazine Project
• Sociology of News
• Specialist Journalism
• Travel Journalism

Professional accreditation
Both pathways of this MA have been accredited by the Broadcast Journalism Training Council (BJTC) which means we provide industry backed journalism training for online, TV and radio. Our students regularly win BJTC awards, and the course has been awarded the BJTC award for excellence in teaching.

Associated careers
Though designed to prepare you for a career in journalism, this course could also lead to a career in public relations, communications, or any other professional pathway which requires effective communication skills, and the use of convergent media.

This course is designed to produce the future leaders of the public relations industry. You will learn the practical skills required to embark on a career in PR as well as the research and analysis skills that will help you get ahead.

You will plan and produce creative content for PR campaigns including videos and blogs, and get to know the respective roles of earned, social and paid media, as well as conducting evaluation, and writing research reports and essays. You will also explore industry issues, such as professional ethics and cultural diversity. Your studies culminate in a dissertation or final professional project.

Course content
The course combines practical skills with theory and analysis, and is highly participative. You will take part in workshops, debates, seminars, presentations and group exercises including making pitches and presenting creative campaign ideas.

There are no formal examinations on this course. You are assessed on course work including essays, presentations, blogs, group work and your participation in class exercises.

Core modules
• Communications Planning and Management (practice module)
• Media and Content Strategy (practice module)
• Persuasion, Propaganda and Influence (theory module)
• Public Relations in Society (theory module)
• Public Relations Dissertation or Final Professional Project (theory or combined theory/practice module)

Option modules
The option modules are taught by leading practitioners and allow you to develop your interest in specialist sectors within the PR industry.

You choose two option modules:
• Brand and Marketing Communications
• Corporate Communications and Reputation Management
• Fashion Promotion and PR
• Planning Campaign Communication
• Strategic Planning for Advertising
The Social Media, Culture and Society MA offers a flexible, interdisciplinary exploration of key contemporary developments in the networked digital media environment. This degree will be of particular interest to those who plan to work in the creative industries, as well as those already working in this field. The MA will also be of interest to students working in non-profit sectors, including NGOs and advocacy groups. It will also provide an excellent preparation for those wishing to continue their studies to PhD level. This Masters degree will benefit those seeking a competitive edge in a careers market that values high-level skills in communication, research and critical thinking.

Course content
The course provides you with the opportunity to focus at postgraduate level on:
• Studying the ways in which social media and the Internet shape and are shaped by social, economic, political, technological and cultural factors, in order to equip students to become critical research-oriented social media experts.
• Developing reflective and critical insights into how social media and the Internet are used in multiple contexts in society, and into which roles social media can play in various forms of organisations that are situated in these societal contexts. The aim is that students are equipped to become reflective and critical social media practitioners.
• Gaining in-depth knowledge and understanding of the major debates about the social and cultural roles of social media and the Internet.
• Acquiring advanced knowledge and understanding of the key categories, theories, approaches and models of social media’s and the Internet’s roles in and impacts on society and human practices.
• Obtaining advanced insights into practical activity and practice-based work that relate to how social media and the Internet work and which implications they have for social and cultural practices.

Core modules
• Critical Theory of Social Media and the Internet
• Social Media Research Project
• Social Media: Creativity, Sharing, Visibility

Option modules
• Study Skills (no credits)
• Theory and Global Political Economy of Media and Communication:
  • Global Media
  • Political Economy of Communication
  • Theories of Communication
• Media Politics, Regulation and Business Strategies:
  • Development and Communications Policy
  • Media, Activism and Politics
  • Political Analysis of Communications Policy
  • Social Media and eMarketing
  • Technology and Communications Policy
• Media, Culture and Everyday Life:
  • Media Audiences
  • Sociology of News
  • Understanding and Managing Diversity in the Media

Another 20 Credit Level 7 module for which the student meets the prerequisites and gains the permission of the course leader(s). The selected module must fit with your timetable and the course’s goals.

Associated careers
You will obtain skills to work as social media experts, either as social media and Internet researchers or as social media professionals in various types of organisations.
LAW

The University of Westminster offers an extremely broad and innovative range of postgraduate academic courses in Law. These are aligned to our research strengths and include business, finance, international, human rights, mediation and entertainment and religion, law and society. All of our postgraduate Masters courses are also orientated to the real world and legal practice and many have substantial input from experts in industry.

All courses are also linked to the University’s research, and many look into law in relation to social context, and this research feeds directly into postgraduate teaching. Students are encouraged to get involved as well as attend research seminars as part of our vibrant postgraduate community. Research output is very high and consistently achieves ratings of international excellence.

Our academic staff are not only qualified educationalists but active researchers passionate about their subject area. They are also experts in their field, actively advising government bodies and courts on the areas in which they research.

Our professional courses, GDL and LPC/LLM in Legal Practice, are taught by dedicated staff with professional legal practice experience. Numbers are kept relatively small with an emphasis on face to face tuition. Students also have the opportunity to participate in the student law (pro-bono) clinic.

Our LPC/LLM Legal Practice course offers a wide range of high street and commercial electives enabling students to tailor their course to either commercial and/or high street practice, and also includes a mentoring scheme.
Knowledge of corporate finance law is essential for lawyers, bankers and financiers who are keen to develop professional skills in corporate fundraising, deal structures and transactional management.

This course offers an enhanced qualification for professionals working or planning to work in a technically demanding and dynamic global industry. It will appeal to both recent graduates and practitioners considering various fields of work, including law, investment banking, corporate finance, private equity, securities, investments, financial regulation, government agencies and international financial authorities.

You will focus on learning how the financial markets work, from the primary markets involving the issuance of equity, debt and derivatives, to the secondary markets involving trading and investments, as well as very large financial transactions in the international capital markets.

Importantly, you will also learn how to take account of legal and regulatory risks facing financiers and bankers, and structure financial instruments to suit commercial priorities and social welfare policies.

**Course content**
This course aims to give you a comprehensive understanding of the practical processes and innovative products of the international corporate finance market, including equity and debt capital, derivatives, structured finance, risk management and investment portfolio products. It also develops the soft skills you will need in this area of practice, including negotiations and network building, conducting meetings with senior lawyers and directors of major companies.

**Core modules**
- Investment Banking Principles and Practice
- Legal Aspects of Corporate Finance
- Postgraduate Dissertation in Corporate Finance OR Project in Law

**Option modules**
- International Banking Law and Regulation
- International Project Finance Law
- Islamic Finance and Securitisation Law
- Legal Project Management
- Money Laundering and Corporate Fraud

Students may also select up to two free choice modules from the courses: Entertainment Law LLM, International and Commercial Dispute Resolution LLM, International Commercial Law LLM, Religious Law & Society MA/LLM.

**Associated careers**
This course will be of benefit if you are seeking to work in any of the range of disciplines involved in corporate finance law, including accountancy, corporate banking, corporate finance, corporate law, investment banking, private equity and venture capital, as well as in related fields.

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This course combines academic analysis and commercial practice elements of entertainment law in an international perspective. The diverse nature of entertainment law will enable you to follow a number of relevant specialisms, all of which are underpinned by issues of contract and intellectual property.

The course will suit graduates from a law background, or those from a non-law background who have significant relevant experience. There have been many successful international graduates on the course from all over the world. It will give you the opportunity to explore new ideas, thoughts and academic experiences within a supportive environment.

**Course content**
The course aims to develop your understanding of how key fields within the entertainment industries operate, to assess the impact of the law upon them, and give you the practical skills necessary to succeed in a career in entertainment and media law.

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**Core modules**
- Intellectual Property in the Entertainment Business
- Postgraduate Dissertation in Entertainment Law
- The Regulation of Relationships in the Entertainment Business

**Option modules**
- Law of Digital Entertainment and Social Media
- Law and Media: Content and Control
- Merchandising in the Entertainment Business
- Sports Law

Students may also select up to two free choice modules from the courses: Corporate Finance Law LLM, International and Commercial Dispute Resolution LLM, International Commercial Law LLM, International Law LLM, Religion, Law & Society MA/LLM.

**Associated careers**
As an entertainment law graduate you will be able to develop a career in a whole range of professions within the entertainment industry. Perhaps the most popular of these are roles in sports, music, and media and communications law. The subject gives a modern edge to traditional law subjects and is well respected by employers.
GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN LAW

This intensive course is designed for non-law graduates of any discipline, or overseas law graduates who wish to qualify as either barristers or solicitors.

The course begins with a two-week introduction to the English legal system and the legal profession. You will then study the seven foundation subjects. If you successfully complete the course you will be eligible for entry on to the LLM in Legal Practice Course (LPC) or the Bar Professional Training Course (BPTC).

We have been successfully running this conversion course since 1977 and our students have taken a variety of first degrees at a wide range of universities.

Our teaching team contains a rich mix of those who are professionally qualified and others who are active researchers. The course therefore provides a stimulating learning experience. This is reinforced by our small class sizes and the supportive atmosphere at Westminster.

Course content
The Graduate Diploma in Law will enable you to develop your knowledge and understanding of basic legal principles, their application to the formulation and resolution of legal problems, and an enquiring, logical and critical approach to legal analysis. It builds upon the academic and professional expertise previously acquired by graduate students and develops the relevant skills needed to demonstrate competence in legal practice.

By the end of the course, you will have a greater understanding of the areas of law studied, of the legal process and the inter-relationship between different areas of law in a national and European context.

You will also be able to identify, find and use a range of sources of legal information to assist in legal research, analyse legal information and apply it to the solution of problems.

Option modules
Arbitration:
• Comparative Commercial Arbitration: Law and Practice
• Foreign Direct Investment Arbitration
• International Commercial Arbitration

Comparative Law:
• Comparative Law

Corporate Law:
• Multinational Corporate Entities and Foreign Investment

International Public Law:
• International and Transnational Dispute Processes
• Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes

Mediation:
• Restorative Justice: Cultures, Integration and Law

Negotiation:
• Negotiation: Theory, Disputes, Contexts, Practice

Students may also select up to two free choice modules from the courses: Corporate Finance Law LLM, Entertainment Law LLM, International Commercial Law LLM, International Law LLM, Religion, Law & Society MA/LLM.

Associated careers
The LLM course is designed to benefit a wide range of individuals who are committed to developing their knowledge, skills and insights into contentious international and commercial dispute resolution.

The range of individuals who can benefit include: experienced practitioners such as potential judges, arbitrators, and mediators; other professionals who need to have advanced appreciation of international and commercial law, such as civil servants, diplomats, directors, insurers, journalists, linguists, and managers; and paralegals and newly qualified practitioners who need to fill in the gaps left by their existing qualifications and experience to date. The course is also ideal if you want to progress towards a PhD programme. The course will also be beneficial for you if you are taking a gap year between career stages.

GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN LAW

Length of course: one year full-time or two years part-time, starting in September.
Location: Central London (see map p200)
Fees and funding: see course web page and westminster.ac.uk/fees
Entry requirements: see page p192

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/graduate-diploma-in-law

INTERNATIONAL AND COMMERCIAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION LAW LLM

The course is intended for anyone wishing to demonstrate a commitment to contentious law in public and private international and commercial legal contexts. The taught part of the programme includes modules which reflect the three main forms of dispute resolution process, namely adjudication (litigation and arbitration), alternative dispute resolution (ADR – principally mediation), and negotiation.

This course differs from the International Commercial Law LLM course which is primarily concerned with non-contentious aspects of commerce (modules include competition law, trade, and insurance). Class sizes are, in general, quite small, and you will be able to mix with students on other Masters courses in law.

Course content
The course provides an opportunity for in-depth study of the substantive and procedural issues involved in the field, and also the acquisition of skills involved in some of the processes. It is centrally concerned with law and other rules (international and commercial) which are applicable in adjudication and also in the other dispute resolution processes.

In addition to taught modules, there is also the Dissertation module which provides an opportunity for developing a specialist knowledge of a small area of the field, which might lead to a publishable article.

Core modules
• Perspectives on Peace, Conflicts and Disputes
• Postgraduate Research and Dissertation

The full-time course also enables overseas students to gain an English law qualification in one year.

INTERNATIONAL AND COMMERCIAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION LAW LLM

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Entry requirements: see page p192

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/international-and-commercial-dispute-resolution-law-llm

Option modules
Arbitration:
• Comparative Commercial Arbitration: Law and Practice
• Foreign Direct Investment Arbitration
• International Commercial Arbitration

Comparative Law:
• Comparative Law

Corporate Law:
• Multinational Corporate Entities and Foreign Investment

International Public Law:
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• Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes

Mediation:
• Restorative Justice: Cultures, Integration and Law

Negotiation:
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Students may also select up to two free choice modules from the courses: Corporate Finance Law LLM, Entertainment Law LLM, International Commercial Law LLM, International Law LLM, Religion, Law & Society MA/LLM.

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The range of individuals who can benefit include: experienced practitioners such as potential judges, arbitrators, and mediators; other professionals who need to have advanced appreciation of international and commercial law, such as civil servants, diplomats, directors, insurers, journalists, linguists, and managers; and paralegals and newly qualified practitioners who need to fill in the gaps left by their existing qualifications and experience to date. The course is also ideal if you want to progress towards a PhD programme. The course will also be beneficial for you if you are taking a gap year between career stages.

INTERNATIONAL AND COMMERCIAL DISPUTE RESOLUTION LAW LLM
This course balances the best of a rigorous, traditional legal education with a contemporary perspective. Our areas of specialisation address today’s most important business and legal challenges, including the study of commercial relationships in the international arena, the role and impact of electronic commerce, and the gradual harmonisation of international commercial law.

Course content
This Masters is not merely about what you learn in the classroom, it is also about actual practice in today’s world of globalisation and international commerce. That is why the LLM provides, in addition to a strong academic dimension, a concentrated, real-world-oriented legal education.

The course offers you the opportunity to develop strong academic and practical skills in a highly competitive and intellectually satisfying area of law. It is ideally suited to those who come from a commercial law, international business, management, or economics background.

You will have the opportunity to explore your own ideas, gain knowledge and enhance transferable skills in a supportive environment. You will benefit from a strong programme of visiting speakers, excellent online materials and learning resources, top-quality instruction and a professional and practical focus in a department with a strong research profile.

Core modules
- Dissertation
- Foundations in International Commercial Law

Option modules
- Corporate Social Responsibility Issues in Business and Law
- Intellectual Property
- International Banking Law and Regulation
- International Economic Law
- International Taxation Law
- Law of International Sales
- Legal Aspects of Electronic Commerce
- Multinational Corporate Entities and Direct Investment

Students may also select up to two free choice modules from the courses: Corporate Finance Law LLM, Entertainment Law LLM, International and Commercial Dispute Resolution LLM, International Law LLM, Religion, Law & Society MA/LLM.

Associated careers
Former students have found employment in accountancy, banking and finance, commodities, corporate and commercial law, export-import, insurance, international and national trade and marketing bodies, international organisations, IT, shipping and freight, tax, and the public sector.

With globalisation, international law is becoming increasingly important and this course prepares you for a future career in the international arena.

Our LLM is one of the oldest and most popular courses in international law in London. It attracts students from every nationality and background, not only those who have previously studied law, but also those with a degree in political science, international relations, or other relevant discipline. This creates a uniquely vibrant and stimulating learning environment in which to study international law.

The International Law LLM at Westminster is taught in our central London campus, just a short distance from most major British institutions and international organisations. The course can be taken full-time or part-time, and we have both a September and a January start each year.

Our teaching team is composed of world-renowned scholars that are leading the way in their respective subjects, including - but not limited to - international human rights law, the law of armed conflict, development law, energy and climate change law, international cyber security law, refugee law, the law of the sea, international courts and tribunals. In past years, the teaching team organised study visits to international organisations and to international courts in London and The Hague.

We also have a Research Group, International Law at Westminster, which conducts important research projects on topical international law issues. These projects have received external funding because of their importance and their potential impact. The Group also regularly organises events in which students are invited to participate. Every year, the Oxford University Press Prize is awarded to the best LLM International Law student.

Course content
The course will enhance your understanding of the key principles of public international law, the main developments within the public international law framework and the process of globalisation and its significance for international law.

Core modules
- Postgraduate Dissertation in International Law
- Public International Law

Option modules
- International Criminal Law
- International Energy and Climate Change Law
- International Humanitarian Law
- International Human Rights Law
- International Law and Development
- International Law of the Sea
- Peaceful Settlement of International Disputes
- United Nations Law

Students may also select up to two free choice modules from the courses: Corporate Finance Law LLM, Entertainment Law LLM, International and Commercial Dispute Resolution LLM, International Commercial Law LLM, Religion, Law & Society MA/LLM.

Associated careers
International Law LLM graduates have worked for organisations such as Amnesty International, the United Nations, EU organisations, law and consultancy firms such as Deloitte, professional associations like the European Banking Federation, or in legal departments within governments.

After being awarded the LLM, some graduates have undertaken further academic study by doing a research (PhD) degree.
If you want to practise as a solicitor in England and Wales you will need to complete the Legal Practice Course (LPC) – the vocational stage of training that bridges the gap between academic studies and life in a law firm.

The University of Westminster has a well established reputation for the delivery of solicitors’ vocational training and our LLM in Legal Practice (which incorporates Stages 1 and 2 of the LPC) equips you with the skills and knowledge needed to be a successful 21st-century lawyer.

Distinctive features of the course include:
• Highly experienced and approachable lecturers who are all qualified solicitors or barristers.
• Small, interactive group work, allowing you to benefit from individual guidance and help.
• All sessions are set within a balanced timetable to replicate the tasks undertaken in practice.
• A broad range of Stage 2 electives, reflecting areas of practice from high-street to city firms.
• The opportunity to undertake real client legal work under the supervision of tutors working in the Student Law Centre. The focus is on experiential learning through reflection, analysis and planning.
• A mentoring scheme which pairs you with mentors working in an area you are interested in. Our mentors are predominantly former Westminster LPC students who are now working in an area of legal practice.

The course is taught at our premises in the heart of London’s West End and within the vicinity of many law firms.

Course content
LPC Stage 1:
• Core Practice Areas of Business Law and Practice, Criminal and Civil Litigation and Property Law and Practice
• Professional Conduct and Regulation, Wills and Administration of Estates, Solicitors Accounts and Taxation
• Skills – Practical Legal Research, Interviewing and Advising, Writing, Drafting and Advocacy

LPC Stage 2: electives subjects:
Private client electives:
• Employment Law
• Family Law
• Housing Law
• Immigration Law
• Personal Injury and Clinical Negligence

Commercial electives:
• Commercial Law
• Commercial Litigation
• Commercial Property
• Private Acquisitions
• Entertainment and Media

LLM in Legal Practice: Dissertation and Research Modules
• Social Research Methods
  (2 x 1,000 word assignments)
• 8,000 word Legal Practice dissertation

Associated careers
The course is designed for law graduates who wish to qualify as a solicitor in England and Wales; or overseas students to secure a professional qualification within the local jurisdiction. Students go on to work ‘in-house’ or for local authorities and law centres or within financial services.
This is a highly flexible programme of studies if you do not wish to enrol on an LLM course initially.

Most LLM modules can be taken on an individual basis. You can study any particular module that you are interested in, up to a maximum of 40 credits, as long as you meet the minimum entry requirements for the course hosting that module.

This is ideal for you if, for various reasons, you are unable to attend the full LLM course. For example, if you wish to study Law of International Sales but cannot enrol for the full International Commercial Law LLM because of work commitments, you can sign up as an occasional student for that module and attend classes.
MANAGEMENT AND LEADERSHIP

At Westminster Business School we use the best in real-world applications combined with conceptual knowledge and academic theory to produce leading-edge practitioners who can make a real impact on their businesses.

We offer a friendly, supportive and exciting atmosphere in the heart of London.

We will equip you with the skills you need to work in an international business environment. Our management programmes are designed with current business demands in mind and are in line with our high academic standards.

“Throughout both the Postgraduate Diploma and Masters, the Professor used examples of how management theory and models can be applied in publicly-funded health and social care settings, helping me to realise their relevance to my workplace environment. I have been encouraged to use examples of real workplace situations within my assignments, which have enabled me to apply my learning to the workplace.

I have, therefore, been able to transfer my knowledge and skills into real-life processes and areas of service development within my team to the benefit of the organisation for which I work. The programme has enabled me to meet and work with peers from other areas of health and social care and build networks across a variety of services in the community and cross-boundary sectors.”

Julie Butler, Management MA

“I was a team leader when I started the training and during the course of my studies I have moved from one position of authority to another and currently I am a commissioner. All this happened and continues to happen because of the training.”

Christiana A. Solanke, Management MA

We work with you on developing a strong business background and harnessing your leadership skills.
The Digital Business MSc will allow you to develop the digital capabilities, theoretical background and management skills you need to pursue a career in digital business. The course responds to the increasing market need for degree holders who combine digital with business management knowledge and skills and is open to graduates from any subject area planning to acquire the digital competencies sought by the labour market. It is particularly aimed at graduates who want to enhance their skills and career prospects by becoming business orientated but with sufficient understanding of the latest technology capabilities to envisage, plan and manage digital initiatives.

The course draws on the University’s established expertise in the area of digital business and offers a stimulating and innovative knowledge platform that will enable you to manage digital business challenges and lead at the forefront of digital transformation.

Course content
The following modules are indicative of what you will study on this course. All modules in the course are core modules. Each contributes to the development of the core knowledge, subject-specific capabilities and transferable skills of digital business.

Core modules
• Tools and technologies for digital business
• Big data analytics and business intelligence
• Contemporary issues in the delivery of digital business
• Customers and competition in the digital era
• Cybersecurity and blockchain technologies
• Digital innovation and disruption
• Leading the digital transformation
• Project

Associated careers
Upon successful completion of the course, graduates will have the skills and knowledge to pursue a career in digital business, working at the crossroads of business and technology as digital business analysts, consultants and innovators. Should they wish to, our graduates will have the necessary knowledge to pursue further qualifications and professional certification through professional bodies such as the Digital Marketing Institute (DMI), British Computer Society (BCS), SAS Global Certification Programme and Mendix University.

We provide aspiring entrepreneurs and people who want to create value to their workplace by becoming enterprising individuals (even in a corporate environment) with the opportunity to gain a broad understanding of entrepreneurship and innovation theory and enterprise development, and put this into practice within a supportive, creative and challenging entrepreneurial environment.

This MSc is suitable for you if you simply wish to explore entrepreneurship as a subject and practice, without the need to have previous knowledge or experience in entrepreneurship. All our modules are designed in such a way that can be taken by any student with various backgrounds and levels of knowledge in a variety of subjects. All the modules in the course have no pre-requisites for accessibility.

Course content
The programme is highly practice-led and this reflects in the variety of practical activities that provide a well-rounded, fully experiential training through classes, international and local business challenges, fieldwork, engagement of experts from the industry, external visits, and project-based assessments. This will help you develop your own business project with the full support of expert supervisors, coaches, mentors with experience in the industry, and entrepreneurs in residence pulled from our extensive business networks.

You are expected to travel abroad with the team for the international business challenge and the cost of travelling is covered in the fees.

Core modules
• Analytics for Business
• Creativity and Innovation Management
• Enterprise Development
• Entrepreneurial Marketing
• Entrepreneurial Mindset and Opportunities Creation
• Entrepreneurial Project
• Innovation and Digital Platforms in the Sharing Economy
• Innovation through Design Thinking

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/digital-business-msc
The International Business and Management MA and the International Business and Management MSc are two separate courses which are designed to advance your knowledge and develop the analytical and evidence-based skills that are needed in your future professional life. In terms of knowledge, the focus is on a range of business and management disciplines. In terms of skills, you will be helped in building up critical thinking, presentation, negotiation and communication skills, sound decision making and evidence based problem solving skills, all of which are desirable for effective business personnel and leaders in a fast changing global business context. A highlight for many students is the study trip and company visits. The course team will continue to develop this kind of experiential learning that fosters an application-orientated approach.

Course content

The courses place much emphasis on the integration of theory and practice within an international environment and this is reflected in the teaching and learning strategies. A variety of teaching methods aim to enable you to master the key concepts in the business and management field and to achieve a deeper understanding of these. You will be encouraged to be proactive in your approach to learning, by undertaking research and working in teams. You will also be expected to spend an appropriate amount of time in private study.

You will be supported via the Virtual Learning Environment accessing study materials and supporting resources on the Blackboard site. You will have a personal tutor, who will provide you with academic support and guidance throughout your university journey so that you can achieve full academic and personal potential.

We also provide additional support for dyslexic and disabled students. The MA and the MSc are differentiated by one core module and options. The MA and MSc Project modules are distinguished by the focus of topic, the type of research method(s) and the type of data analysis applied in the project.

Core modules

MA and MSc

- Business Research Methods
- Financial Analysis for Managers
- International Economics
- International Marketing and Communications Management
- International Business Strategy
- Leading and Managing in a Global Context
- Project – MA
- Project – MSc

MA:

- HRM Strategies for the International Manager

MSc:

- Digital Information Management

Option modules

MA:

- Digital Information Management
- Marketing Creativity and Innovation

MSc:

- Global Financial Markets
- Modern Finance
- Organisational Behaviour and Human Resource Management
- Quantitative Analysis for Marketing Management

Internship Programme

You can take the internship programme in addition to option modules. The 8-12 weeks accredited internship in a London-based organisation will help you gain invaluable work experience. You will be able to take your internship during the summer period or alongside your studies. You will be responsible for finding your own internship with the support of the Business Experience Team.

Associated careers

Employability and career development is an important part of both courses. Our graduates have developed their careers in a wide range of multinational corporations, management consultancies, financial services, government institutions and also family businesses around the world. A number of our graduates have moved onto PhD study, developing a research-focused career in academia.

This course will give you a firm understanding of development theory in an international context, with a particular focus on how to bring theory into practice and build your practical expertise in range of development disciplines.

The course aims to enhance your capacity to critically evaluate economic, political and social factors that are affecting the development policy environment; on a national and international level. Throughout this Masters degree, you will develop management techniques and skills, and the ability to apply them in a development context. Through empirical research and analysis, you will have the opportunity to develop specialist expertise in a particular aspect of development management.

Course content

Our regular contributors to teaching and learning activities include experienced field practitioners drawn from international development organisations and NGOs. Active and enquiry-led learning is a central learning method on the course. Learning is based studying on real-world case studies with official project materials and survey data from the World Bank, International Monetary Fund (IMF) and other development agencies.

As part of this course, you have the opportunity to obtain a PRINCE2® Foundation certification in project management. A highlight for many students are the field trips and social events organised throughout the course which provide an opportunity for networking and extending learning in new environments.

Core modules

- Current issues in International Development
- Development Economics and Policy
- Human Resource Strategies for the International Manager
- International Development Finance
- Managing Data
- Managing Development Interventions
- Project
- Research Methods

Option modules

You can choose one option module from the University’s postgraduate programme, subject to approval by the Course Leader.

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Associated careers

The course will particularly suit those seeking to work within NGOs and the international development community (including the World Bank, IMF, central and development banks, and government economic planning directorates), as self-employed development specialists or consultants, or as trade attaché in foreign diplomatic offices. Should you wish to complete the PRINCE2® project management qualification, this will also enable you to work with multinational corporations where, alongside good technical skills, an awareness of global development issues and challenges and the ability to think critically about the world are valued. Graduates from the programme are currently working as development consultants, microfinance specialists and as advisors on United Nations-sponsored projects.
This course is designed to develop the general management skills you need in the rapidly changing economic environment. As well as giving you the underpinning knowledge and understanding required to operate effectively in a managerial role, the course will develop your analysis, problem-solving and proactive-thinking skills. As the course progresses, the emphasis evolves from operational to a strategic approach.

Studying the Management MA will give you opportunities to gain immediately applicable skills and managerial awareness; whilst learning about other organisations’ processes and practices from peers and case study analysis.

Course content
You will be supported via the Virtual Learning Environment accessing modules on the Blackboard site and availing of current journals and e-books as well as podcasts and other supporting resources. If you are onsite you can make appointments with librarians for specific search support or attend speaker’s evenings or study skills ribbon workshops. You will have a personal tutor and we also provide additional support for dyslexic and disabled students.

You will benefit from free access to part of the material on the course reading list.

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Digital marketing is embedded in our degrees.

The University of Westminster hosts the Marketing Management MA/MSc and the Marketing Communications MA, as well as three undergraduate Marketing degrees.

We focus on delivering research-informed teaching across more than 20 marketing and strategy modules at postgraduate level and have strong links with the Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM), The Digital Marketing Institute, The Institute of Direct Marketing and the Promotional Marketing Institute. This is reflected in the high level of guest speakers from the marketing and marketing communication industries who regularly contribute to our courses.

Our dedicated, multicultural staff bring academic and real-world practitioner expertise to the learning experience.
Marketing communications covers the selection and application of the main communication tools available to an organisation in pursuit of its marketing goals. This work is often carried out by specialist agencies, and involves both strategic thinking and the development of creative solutions. It calls for a blend of research-based knowledge with the practice of high-level, often extremely creative, skills.

The course includes a study of the tools that underpin the development of a marcomms strategy and the media platforms to deliver a marcomms campaign. As part of the course, you will have the opportunity to study digital marketing which makes up the syllabus for the Certified Practitioner in Digital Marketing. This will prepare you to hone your capacity for analysing complex marketing and business situations and reaching decisions on appropriate courses of action. You will also improve your career prospects in marketing and general business areas.

Core modules
- Contemporary Issues in Marketing Communications
- Buyer Behaviour for Marketing Communications
- Marketing and Brand Strategy
- Marketing and Media Research Management
- Summer School
- Advertising Management
- Direct Marketing and Social Media in the Digital Age
- Promotional Marketing and Event Management
- Public Relations and Reputation Management
- Integrated Marketing Communications Campaign Planning Project

Internship Programme
You can take the internship programme in addition to option modules. The 8-12 weeks accredited internship in a London-based organisation will help you gain invaluable work experience. You will be able to take your internship during the summer period or alongside your studies. You will be responsible for finding your own internship with the support of the Business Experience Team.

Associated careers
Graduates of the course are employed throughout the world in marketing, media and communications organisations. These include advertising and digital agencies such as Mind Share and J.W.Thompson; media organisations including television, publishing, and Google; and large companies such as Procter and Gamble, and Coca Cola.

Our students take up posts such as marketing managers, marketing planners, brand managers, corporate communication managers and social media community managers.

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/marketing-communications-ma

Core modules
- Distribution and Price Management
- Integrated Marketing Communications in a Digital and Global World
- Marketing Creativity and Innovation
- Marketing Dissertation
- Marketing Research Insights
- Product and Brand Management
- Strategic Marketing in an International Context
- Using Consumer Psychology to Understand Buyer Behaviour

Fast-track marketing management MA/MSc
A fast-track route to the Marketing Management MA qualification is available for holders of the CIM Postgraduate Diploma in Marketing (or equivalent).

Holders of this qualification will be exempt from all but two modules:
- For MA: Marketing Creativity and Innovation Marketing Dissertation
- For MSc: Quantitative Analysis for Marketing and Management Marketing Dissertation

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MODERN LANGUAGES AND CULTURES

The University of Westminster has a rich portfolio of postgraduate courses in modern languages and cultures.

The Specialised Translation MA and the Translation and Interpreting MA focus on professional skills leading directly into careers in the translation and interpreting industry. The International Liaison and Communication MA focuses on liaison, negotiation and intercultural communication.

Our postgraduate courses are delivered by highly skilled professionals in the field of translation, interpreting and international liaison. Their practice-led approach is complemented by theory informed lectures and seminars, taught by academics, whose research lies in the field of translation studies, intercultural communication and cultural studies.

95% of students say that staff are enthusiastic about what they are teaching

Source: Postgraduate Taught Experience Survey (PTES) 2018
Our Diploma in Translation (DipTrans) preparation course aims to support students in working towards the Diploma in Translation exam. It is delivered in a ‘blended learning’ mode and comprises a series of Saturday workshops throughout the year as well as regular online translation assignments.

The DipTrans is the oldest professional qualification of its kind, widely recognised by employers in the UK and around the world, and is intended for working translators and for those who wish to embark on a career in professional translation. It is a postgraduate-level professional qualification offered by the Institute of Linguists Educational Trust (IoLET).

Who is the course for?
Our Diploma in Translation preparation course is for you if you:
• are a native speaker of the target language (the language you will be translating into in the exam)
• have degree-level (or equivalent) proficiency in the source language (the language you are translating from in the exam)
• want to gain a professional qualification to embark on a career in translation

Course content
Our Diploma in Translation preparation course runs for one calendar year and gradually builds your translation competence to exam level. From January to May and again from September to December, you will be attending monthly on-site workshops, which will cover important translation and exam basics as well as topics such as effective subject research and terminology management, text analysis for translation purposes, translation and revision strategies and, towards the end of the year, targeted exam skills training. Each of these topical sessions will be followed by language-specific sessions with your translation tutor*. In addition, you will, throughout the year, complete a monthly translation assignment online and will receive tailored feedback on your translations from your designated translation tutor.

You will learn to:
• analyse and assess a variety of texts or text types in the source and target language
• apply practical translation skills to the standard required of a newly qualified translator
• explain and justify translation solutions
• carry out cultural and lexical research relevant to a variety of topics

Teaching methods
The course is taught through a combination of on-site workshops and online translation assignment, on which you will receive individual written feedback. Our lecturers use a variety of both face-to-face and distance learning methods to equip you with the skills needed to further your translation skills, such as:
• sight translation
• group translation
• text analysis for translation purposes
• strategy discussion
• individual written feedback on translation assignments
• research methods for translation purposes
• glossary building and editing
• analysis of past exam papers and reports

Before enrolling on the course, all candidates are required to pass an admissions test. More information can be found on our course page: westminster.ac.uk/diptrans

Exam
The DipTrans exam takes place every January and the University of Westminster is one of several exam centres for the Diploma in Translation. It is important that you are aware that the DipTrans exam fee is not included in the preparation course fee. You will need to register for the DipTrans exam independently of taking the course. You can also register for the Diploma in Translation exam without having taken a preparatory course.

For more information on taking the DipTrans exam at Westminster, see westminster.ac.uk/diptrans

Cancellations
Please also note that all courses are subject to sufficient enrolment. Each course needs to recruit a minimum number of students in order to run. In the event of a class cancellation due to insufficient numbers of students registering, you will be informed in advance and you will receive a full refund of the fees paid for the course.

*Diploma in Translation (DipTrans)
*Languages subject to annual confirmation

Entry requirements:
Fees and funding:
Location:
Length of course:
For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/diptrans

This is a dynamic, pioneering interdisciplinary Masters course which meets the global demand for greater professionalism in interpersonal and inter-institutional bilingual communication.

The course will focus on enhancing your personal skills as a communicator and facilitator of communication. This can be as an advocate, as a mediator, communication strategist, intermediary or communication facilitator. Firmly grounded on the latest international communications theories and using real life simulations, you will learn to locate and analyse resources, pre-empt communications challenges and develop strategies to overcome obstacles to successful interaction.

The course will enrich your knowledge and application of the key paradigms of international communication, information handling and presentation in a range of contexts in the fields of cultural diplomacy, international media, international business, and international NGOs, among others. It also enhances your competencies in handling information across and between languages and cultures, in various professional settings.

You will have the training and preparation to make significant contributions in your chosen profession.

Course applicants typically come from fields such as language studies, translation and interpreting, social work, teaching, journalism and other areas of the media, as well as from public office. However, the course will prove invaluable to anyone with high-level bilingual competence and experience in mediation between peoples from different cultural backgrounds.

Course content
You will take three core modules, two of which are taught and the third is research based. Theories and Practices of Global Communication covers the key underpinning knowledge and analytical tools for the programme as well as your abilities as a presenter of information. International Liaison focuses on your practical communication competences.

In the research component you have the choice of an MA Thesis (the Dissertation module), conducting research into a topic of your choice, or a Professional Project where you apply your knowledge and expertise to creating a communication strategy. In both you are required to demonstrate research competence at Masters level. You then have the choice of four option modules to complete the MA.

Core modules
• International Liaison
• Professional Project OR Dissertation
• Theories and Practice of Global Communication

Option modules
• Intercultural Communication
• International Organisations and Institutional Discourse
• Migration and Cultural Encounters
• Sociolinguistics
• Values, Beliefs and Media Narratives

Associated careers
Course graduates have gained success in communications-related positions in NGOs, diplomatic missions, international divisions of business and international organisations, as well as achieving a step-change in their original professions.

INTERNATIONAL LIASON AND COMMUNICATION MA
Location:
Length of course:
Location:
Fee and funding:
Entry requirements:
For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/international-liaison-and-communication-ma

CENTRAL LONDON (SEE MAP P200)
One year full-time or two years part-time, starting in September or January
For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page and westminster.ac.uk/fees
Entry requirements: see page p192

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133 INTERNATIONAL LIASON AND COMMUNICATION MA
**TRANSLATION AND INTERPRETING MA**

**Course content**

The course emphasis is on practical training in translation and interpreting, developing your skills to a high level and learning about the professional environments. Your core Specialised Translation modules will involve both direct and inverse translation training between English and Chinese, French, German, Italian, Polish, or Spanish. The course will provide you with extensive professional training aimed at the translation and interpreting markets, building on your existing language skills to develop a career in those sectors.

The course involves translation as well as conference and public service interpreting between one main language (Chinese, French, German, Italian, Polish, or Spanish) and English. You will learn how to research specialised subjects for professional translation and interpreting purposes and hone your translation and interpreting skills by extensive practice, applying insights drawn from linguistics and translation and interpreting theory as well as from professional practice. You will also engage with a comprehensive programme of professional development activities and will further complement the knowledge and skills acquired on the core modules by choosing either Translation as Cultural Practice or International Liaison as an option module.

You will benefit from our wide range of resources, including an extensive collection of volumes and electronic materials in our library, state-of-the-art conference interpreting facilities, and additional resources made available through the University’s Virtual Learning Environment. Our teaching staff includes full and part-time lecturers, all with expertise in translation and interpreting and in other specialist fields.

**Option modules**

- Specialised Translation 1 & 2
- Audio-visual and Computer-assisted Translation
- Quality Assurance and Project Management for Translators
- Professional Development
- MA Translation Project or MA Thesis

**Associated careers**

Graduates of the course go on to develop careers as freelance and in-house translators in the corporate sector and in national and international organisations, or as freelance interpreters, editors and revisers, subtitlers, terminologists, translation project managers, and specialists in translation tools.

**Entry requirements:**

- A 2:1 degree in translation and interpreting and in other specialist fields.
- A minimum of two years’ experience in translation and interpreting.

**Location:**

Central London (see map p200)

**Fees and funding:**

See course web page and westminster.ac.uk/fees

**Entry requirements:**

See page p192

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**SPECIALISED TRANSLATION MA**

The Specialised Translation MA is open to native and non-native speakers of English, who combine English with any of the following languages: Chinese, French, German, Italian, Polish, or Spanish. At the heart of the Specialised Translation MA are our weekly practical translation classes between English and one of the languages listed.

If you are studying the Specialised Translation MA with English and one other language, you will also be attending modules that introduce you to audio-visual and computer-assisted translation, revision, editing, post-editing, quality assurance, and project management skills for translators. If you are a native speaker of English and would like to study translation with two of the above languages, you can elect to replace the Audiovisual and Computer-assisted Translation and Quality Assurance and Project Management modules with two further Specialised Translation modules in your second foreign language.

The Specialised Translation MA will prepare you for a career in the translation market. Building on your existing language skills, you will learn how to research specialised subjects to produce, with and without the use of translation memory software tools, commercially usable translations of specialised technical and institutional texts, applying insights drawn from linguistics and translation theory as well as from professional practice. All students will also attend a comprehensive programme of professional development activities and be able to complement the knowledge and skills acquired on the core modules by choosing either Translation as Cultural Practice or International Liaison as an option module.

**Course content**

The course emphasis is on practical training in translation, developing your skills to a high level and learning about the professional environment. Your core Specialised Translation modules will involve both direct and inverse translation training between English and Chinese, French, German, Italian, Polish, or Spanish. All students will translate institutional texts (such as economic, political, legal and EU/UN texts) and technical material, and acquire a wide range of additional skills, including career building and professional development skills, through the remaining core and option modules.

You will also complete a research-based MA Thesis or an MA Translation Project. Your studies are further supported by weekly lectures on the theoretical concepts and principles of translation, introductory workshops to a range of translation memory tools, and guest lectures and workshops delivered by external speakers from industry and international institutions, and the opportunity to take part in a post-graduation mentoring programme.

**Core modules**

- Specialised Translation 1 & 2
- Audio-visual and Computer-assisted Translation
- Quality Assurance and Project Management for Translators
- Professional Development
- MA Translation Project or MA Thesis

**Option modules**

- International Organisations and Institutional Discourse
- Translation as Cultural Practice

**Associated careers**

Graduates of the Specialised Translation MA go on to work as in-house translators within industry, commerce, international organisations and translation companies, as freelance translators, as translation project managers, or as editors, revisers, proofreaders, terminologists, or specialists in translation tools.

*Native speakers of English studying the Specialised Translation MA with two foreign languages will take Specialised Translation 1 & 2 in their second foreign language instead of Audio-visual and Computer-assisted Translation and Quality Assurance and Project Management for Translators.*
Both the Music Business Management MA and the Audio Production MA are internationally recognised. The courses are as exciting and challenging as the music and media sector. They seek to develop the next generation of creative, responsive and critically agile music and media professionals through our approach to our specialist subject: music. Music is at the heart of everything we do and we use it as the lens through which we create, develop and enhance the potential for global creative industries to produce a rich, sustainable, inclusive environment for all.

On the Music Business Management MA we are very proud of the many successes of our students who can be found working around the world at the cutting edge of new music enterprises such as iTunes, Believe Digital, Shazam, Ticket Master, Live Nation, Kobalt Music and also in the global music and entertainment powerhouses of Universal Music Group, Sony ATV, Sony Music Entertainment and Warner Brothers.

The Audio Production MA is accredited by the leading industry bodies, including APRS and James National Regional Centre-London, as well as being an Apple accredited training centre and a Skillset Media Academy. The Harrow Campus is itself globally recognized site of media production education, and includes an array of high quality TV, post-production, radio, film and multimedia facilities and studios.

The Westminster postgraduate music courses are a gateway to a career in the music and media industries.

95% of the Music Business Management MA students say that staff are good at explaining things

Source: Postgraduate Taught Experience Survey (PTES) 2018
This course is highly regarded in both music business education and the industry at large. It will prepare you to become one of the next generation of music industry leaders and entrepreneurs.

All teaching staff on the course are currently working in the music industry, and every week there are a number of high-level industry guests.

You will need to be a self-motivated and open-minded student, as this is an intense course, but one which can help you to progress your career across a wide range of music business disciplines.

**Course content**

Working with music industry leaders and organisations, the course has developed a unique curriculum. You will be able to combine a strong underpinning of key business skills (entrepreneurialism, leadership, organisational management and marketing), with essential music industry management knowledge (strategic innovation, technology, intellectual property and copyright) and academic concepts and theories relevant to the industry today.

The final project (equivalent to three modules) is a report of a minimum of 12,000 words.

**Core modules**

- Artist Development
- Entrepreneurship
- Intellectual Property and Copyright Management
- Live Music Management
- Music Business Management Final Project
- Music Industry Structures
- Music Marketing and Technology

**Associated careers**

Graduates have gone on to work in a wide variety of creative industries, from mobile marketing through to the Arts Council. Many of our graduates are working in the music industry with companies including Apple, Spotify, Universal Music Group, Sony, Pledge Music, Kobalt, Shazam and PIAS.

Our international students are working around the globe in music companies, including EMI Holland, the PIAS European office and Outdustry in mainland China.
State-of-the-art laboratories and the highest calibre teaching staff makes studying Nutrition at Westminster a fascinating opportunity to excel.

Our courses address nutritional issues across a wide range of people, from those with health issues relating to obesity and diet-related diseases to those in countries with issues relating to malnutrition and micronutrient deficiencies (Global Public Health Nutrition MSc) or elite athletes requiring nutritional advice to optimise performance (Sport and Exercise Nutrition MSc).

As a student on our Nutrition courses you will gain the specialist knowledge and practical skills you need to meet your future career challenges. The courses explore the evidence base relating to the relationship between diet, physical activity and health, and the role that interventions can have in promoting health and treating disease. The Global Public Health Nutrition MSc course is accredited by the Association for Nutrition (AfN), therefore graduates are immediately eligible to join the Register as Associate Nutritionists using the direct entry pathway.

The Sport and Exercise Nutrition MSc has been designed to prepare students for certification by an internationally recognised sports body.

Graduates in this exciting field gain employment as nutrition advisors, dieticians, sports nutritionists, teachers and researchers.
Nutrition has long been recognised as a vitally important determinant of health status within both industrialised and industrialising countries. Significant changes are occurring in the profile of nutritional problems. Many countries continue to face problems of malnutrition and micronutrient deficiencies, but countries in economic transition also face the public health challenge of rising rates of diet-related chronic disease, such as obesity and coronary heart disease. Also, many industrialised countries now face problems of food insecurity among low income groups. These challenges have led to growing political resources to address nutrition. There is now an increased need for trained public health nutritionists, to work in a range of contexts, to control and prevent diet related problems.

The United Nations Secretary General has declared 2016-2025 the Decade of Nutrition. What better time to develop your skills in this crucial area? This course will give you the specialist scientific knowledge and practical skills to take an active role in global public health nutrition in a range of different settings.

You will be introduced to policy making, leadership and governance frameworks. You will be encouraged to explore and debate the political and social influences underpinning policy implementation and impact. Your modules will explore the relationship between diet and disease, the nutrition science underpinning these factors, public health nutrition epidemiology, research methods for health science, nutritional assessment tools and how to develop and manage nutrition programmes.

The course will introduce you to stakeholders and skills that can enhance your professional competency, employability and development as a public health reflective professional.

**GLOBAL PUBLIC HEALTH NUTRITION MSc**

**Length of course:** one year full-time or two years part-time, starting in September

**Location:** Central London (see map p201)

**Fees and funding:** see course web page and westminster.ac.uk/fees

**Entry requirements:** see page p192

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/global-public-health-nutrition-msc

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**SPORT AND EXERCISE NUTRITION MSc**

The amazing feats of world-class athletes across the huge range of sports has projected the issues of performance into the public eye, and sports nutrition is now recognised as a key part of supporting training and competition at all levels of participation.

The Sport and Exercise Nutrition MSc offers the chance to study the science behind sports nutrition, and its applications for both the ‘weekend warrior’ and the elite athlete. It also puts the controversies surrounding the use of supplements under scientific scrutiny, looking at the key evidence for and against performance benefits.

The aim of the course is to produce sports nutritionists who are strongly focused on the science behind the subject, but who also have some experience of the practicalities of delivering sound guidance to individuals and teams who are looking to use nutrition as part of their training programmes. To this end, a number of guest lecturers contribute their expertise in key related areas, and students are also given the opportunity of shadowing established sports nutrition practitioners.

**Course content**

The course covers the key principles of sports nutrition and exercise physiology, including the latest research papers, and aims to develop the ability to apply critical awareness to topics across the broad remit of sports nutrition, from measurement of exercise performance to the assessment of mental performance.

The modules studied are designed to underpin the subject, and create a sound base for the development of ideas for the research project, which offers you a wide degree of flexibility to pursue your personal interests. The course can be studied full-time over one year, or in part-time mode over a varying time, up to five years.

**Core modules**

- Advanced Performance Nutrition
- Assessment of Health and Fitness
- Concepts and Principles of Human Nutrition
- Nutrition and Performance
- Nutritional Assessment
- Postgraduate Research Methods
- Postgraduate Research Methods II and Project

**Professional recognition**

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**Associated careers**

Qualified sport and exercise nutritionists find employment in a number of areas, ranging from research, to public health nutrition, to performance training, and many eventually become self-employed and create their own consultancy companies which can be very successful. The course is designed to make transition into any of these areas as smooth and effective as possible.

**Length of course:** one year full-time or two years full-time, starting in September

**Location:** Central London (see map p201)

**Fees and funding:** see course web page and westminster.ac.uk/fees

**Entry requirements:** see page p192

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PHOTOGRAPHY

Photography education at Westminster has a tradition dating back to 1839, and the world’s first photography degree was delivered at our predecessor, the Regent Street Polytechnic. Our courses have always reflected and influenced the state of the art.

In the creative environment of Westminster’s dedicated arts and design campus, our photography courses offer a unique combination of professional practice, critical inquiry, skills enhancement, and contextual, specialist and interdisciplinary knowledge. You will be taught and supported by world leading academics, practitioners and highly experienced technical staff. We make use of the rich resources in central London with regular visits to galleries, studios, production houses and archives.

The Photography Centre offers six large, newly upgraded and professionally equipped studios with top of the range Profoto lighting and Phase One digital camera systems, as well as industry-standard post-production and digital print facilities. We support full analogue workflow with black and white and colour darkrooms and colour film processing service. We also specialise in alternative processes (salt print, cyanotype, wet plate, and photogravure) and offer professional standard print finishing and mounting facilities. You will have access to an enormous selection of photographic equipment from our stores including all formats of analogue and digital cameras and accessories, portable flash lighting and a wide range of specialist equipment. The University’s three public exhibition spaces Ambika P3, London Gallery West and Regent Street Cinema offer exciting and dynamic year round programmes of cinema, photography and multimedia art.

You will be exposed to a rich mix of visiting professionals from across the world of photography (artists, photographers, curators, writers and entrepreneurs). Our graduates develop careers as photographers in the fine art, editorial and commercial sectors, as magazine and picture editors, writers, curators, archivists, advertising creatives and arts administrators.

Our Photography Centre offers six large, newly upgraded and professionally equipped studios
The course explores documentary practices and photojournalism as exciting and developing mediums, through a combination of practice based teaching and discussion of critical contexts.

We take each applicant on their own merit. This can include students of documentary photography or photographers in general who are interested in specialising in this area. Also welcome are artists who wish to focus their activities on a more social practice, and individuals from other disciplines, who wish to explore the subject area at postgraduate level.

The course builds on the international stature of the photographic and journalism departments of the University and is designed to equip you with an awareness of contemporary documentary and photojournalism, drawing on a variety of related media.

**Course content**

The Documentary and Photojournalism MA allows you to explore ideas of society through photographically related practice and within critically informed ways that maintain connections with the issue, yet also consider fresh visual approaches to the subject matter.

We approach photography as a social practice, situated within its own history, but also drawing on various discourses. We explore the idea that documentary practice and photojournalism may take many forms in the 21st Century. Importantly, from your arrival, we emphasise the development of your own practice, through experimentation, critique and theory, and encourage analysis of practice through contemporary perspectives.

The course leads towards the Final Major Project, which is a consolidation of student learning into a high profile event in a central London exhibition space.

You will be taught by practising professional photographers, artists and writers, within a supportive course atmosphere. Technically, the course resources are equipped to the highest professional standards for both analogue and digital production of still and moving image. All modules involve classroom teaching, tutorials, seminars, workshops, group work and your own fieldwork and are designed to equip you with advanced ways of working and negotiating your practice. We take the view that the work you make from the beginning of your studies with us is potentially valid currency for external use.

**Core modules**

- Final major project/Dissertation
- History and Theory of the Published Page
- Independent Practice
- Orientation
- The Photo Book
- Writing Photography

**Option modules**

If you wish, you may also choose one optional module run by the Photography Arts MA (either/or):

- Contemporary Debates
- Photography and Aesthetics

**Associated careers**

Our graduates will be well-rounded and confident individuals with adaptability facilitating new ways of seeing. In addition to the skills acquired of photographers enabling the production of works, this will also involve proficient use of a variety of hardware, software, social media, presentation and production skills.

The course will offer the development of various hardskills such as:

- Curation and Management of large and small scale projects
- Direction (either within film or theatrical modes)
- Advocacy, (such as in educational or community roles)
- Experience of group and collaborative working.

Students will be highly employable as still photographers, documentary film-makers, educators, activists, artists and writers, and much more, as well as having preparation for further doctoral study.

The course is going to be revisited and have a renewed structure, which was not available when this Prospectus went to print. Please refer to our website for the most up-to-date information.
Our postgraduate courses in planning, sustainable development and urban design will equip you with the skills and knowledge to help shape the future of cities and urban life around the world.

Highly regarded by students and employers alike, both within the UK and internationally, the courses are relevant to industry and accredited by professional bodies. The University of Westminster was the UK’s first UN-HABITAT Partner University.

Westminster enjoys an international reputation for these subjects in research and consultancy, and our staff have close links with industry. As a result, our courses are theoretically based but are also informed by the latest developments in practice. They will provide you with the expertise and experience needed to develop your career in planning, urban design, regeneration and international development. We also offer single modules in these disciplines, which enable established professionals to broaden or update their knowledge and skills.

As a postgraduate student you will have the opportunity to develop your own specialist expertise while working collaboratively with students from different disciplines who have gained a wide variety of planning, design and development experiences from across the globe.
This course is aimed at those with a relevant background who wish to gain an in-depth understanding of planning and sustainable development, whether to improve career prospects in their country or enter international practice. Through the course you will examine the growing problems of sustainable development facing cities, regions and urban and rural communities in a rapidly urbanising world, subject to growing climate change and other environmental, economic and social pressures and risks.

Based in London, you will have access to internationally recognised experience of spatial planning for sustainable development, and explore contemporary theories, public policy thinking and good practice in planning in both the developed and developing worlds. We work with UN-HABITAT and like-minded institutions to promote the socially and environmentally sustainable development of towns, cities and regions, in accordance with the UN Millennium Development Goals. The University of Westminster was the UK’s first UN-HABITAT Partner University.

The MA course is fully accredited by the Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI) as a ‘combined planning programme’. Those offered a place are eligible for postgraduate scholarships offered by the University.

Course content
This course addresses the growing problems of sustainable development facing cities, regions and urban and rural communities in a rapidly urbanising world. It explores contemporary theories, public policy thinking and good practice in planning that spans both developed and developing world contexts, and offers you the opportunity to explore one area of specialist in a related field in some depth.

There are two RTPI-accredited pathways through the course. The Spatial Planning Pathway has a strong urban design component and an emphasis on the development planning process. The Urban Resilience Pathway provides a sustainable development-focused route with a core emphasis on climate change mitigation, adaptation and natural hazard risk management.

Core modules

Both pathways:
• Dissertation or Major Project
• International Spatial Planning Practice
• Planning in a Globalising World
• Research Methods and the Built Environment
• Skills for Planning Practice
• Sustainable Cities and Neighbourhoods
• Sustainable Neighbourhood Development and Management

Spatial Planning Pathway:
• Urban Design and Planning Skills

Urban Resilience Pathway:
• Planning for Urban Risk and Resilience

Option modules
• Environmental Policy, Assessment and Climate Change
• Housing and Regeneration
• Master planning
• Public Realm: Significance, Design, Experience

Options from other postgraduate courses that relate to the course objectives may be chosen as agreed with the Course Leader, for example, Land Use, Planning and Transport, offered by the Transport Planning and Management MSc.

Professional accreditation
The MA course is fully accredited by the Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI) as a ‘combined planning programme’.

Associated careers
Graduates from the course may secure promotion within their existing or a new related area of work. Graduates from this course can expect to find employment as planners or urban designers, urban regeneration or environmental management specialists in private consultancy, local and national government, and non-governmental sectors in their own country or internationally, including international development agencies.

Length of course: one year full-time or two years part-time, starting in September
Location: Central London (see map p200)
Fees and funding: see course web page and westminster.ac.uk/fees
Entry requirements: see page p192

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/international-planning-and-sustainable-development-ma
The MA course will give you the knowledge, understanding and skills necessary to practise professionally as a spatial planner. It is designed to meet the growing employer needs for staff who can investigate changes in the natural and built environments, manage the challenges of climate change through sustainable development, and debate and critically reflect upon the knowledge and values underpinning current approaches to land use development. Completion of the MA course is the first step to becoming a full member of the Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI).

The course will support your personal and professional development. You will be able to work in the interdisciplinary and cross-sector environment of urban and regional development, in a variety of private, public and community contexts, and apply your knowledge to practise in specialist areas of planning. The course builds on the University’s experience of delivering postgraduate courses in town planning for more than 60 years.

If you want to gain a greater understanding of spatial planning, but do not want to study for a full Masters course, we also offer an Urban and Regional Planning Postgraduate Diploma and an Urban and Regional Planning Postgraduate Certificate. Visit our website to find out more about these courses.

Course content
The course explores the current context and content of spatial planning. It does so from a UK and European perspective, and also investigates underlying theoretical debates.

For the award of the MA students need to pass modules totalling 180 credits. Parttime Masters students usually take the equivalent of four 20 credit modules (80 credits) plus the field trip in their first year, and the equivalent of five 20 credit modules (100 credits) in their second year. MA students take all core modules and choose one specialist option module.

Core modules
- Dissertation/Policy Implementation Project
- Making and Managing Places
- Planning Field Trip (non-credit bearing module)
- Planning Theory and Practice One
- Planning Theory and Practice Two
- Research Methods and the Built Environment
- Skills for Planning Practice
- Sustainable Cities and Neighbourhoods

Option modules
- Housing and Regeneration
- Land Use, Planning and Transport
- Public Realm: Significance, Design, Experience

Professional accreditation
On successful completion of the MA course students can become licentiates of the RTPI. After two years’ experience in practice, they may make a submission for their Assessment of Professional Competence and, if successful, are then entitled to full RTPI membership.

Associated careers
There is demand from government and the private sector for qualified planners. Recent graduates from the full-time course have gone on to work in local government, urban regeneration agencies and into consultancy.

In an increasingly urbanised world, there is growing international demand for urban design graduates. These courses will equip you with the knowledge and skills you need to participate in this rapidly expanding profession. Urban design involves shaping the physical setting for life in cities. The pace of urban change, and the challenge of making cities efficient, sustainable and meaningful, demands creative solutions to design and management.

The Urban Design courses at Westminster provide a coherent approach to issues that face our cities, combining structured academic study with live design projects, allowing you to develop practical skills, a theoretical understanding and an informed approach to sustainable urban development.

Our Urban Design programme is one of the largest and longest established in the UK. It enjoys an excellent reputation and our graduates are highly respected in the profession. Our students are from a variety of professions and backgrounds, including architecture, landscape architecture, and consultancy in the UK and overseas. They range from recent graduates seeking to expand their skill base before commencing their career or those considering a shift from an allied profession, to established professionals seeking to specialise or develop a more informed critical approach.

Our central London location allows you to interact with a huge variety of practitioners and organisations, as well as drawing on the city’s huge range of resources; you will be at the heart of the debate over the future of cities.

Course content
The course places a strong emphasis on design, practical outputs and a multidisciplinary approach. While focusing on UK examples, the lessons from the courses are applicable to a wide range of international and economic contexts. This flexible and student-centred approach is highly valued by former graduates and their employers.

The course is delivered by staff with many years’ experience in practice, education, training, research, and consultancy in the UK and overseas. Outputs from the course combine into a portfolio demonstrating your ability to deal with the complexities of urban design in a practical and informed manner.
The Department of Politics and International Relations is a place where students and staff come together to help you understand the many opportunities you have for succeeding in academia and beyond.

Antonella Patteri, MPhil/PhD researcher

Based in the very centre of London, we are proud of our diverse student body, non-hierarchical scholarly culture, and our commitment to challenging, innovative research. We are committed to enhancing our student’s learning experience through both classroom teaching and broader intellectual activities.

The University of Westminster has an international reputation for innovative research in politics and international relations and in particular in the study of democracy. Our research is concentrated in six key areas; contemporary democratic theory and governance; critical international theory; identity and political community; post-colonial politics; development and emerging powers; resilience and sustainability; security violence and international relations.

Our research-active staff bring their knowledge and expertise into the classroom, enabling our students to engage with contemporary debates and issues. In addition to research-led teaching, we regularly invite external speakers to take part in our well-established series of seminars, public lectures and conferences.

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The International Relations and Democratic Politics MA provides an advanced critical and comprehensive understanding of the forces shaping state, inter-state relations and global politics.

Drawing on key theoretical interpretations of democratic politics, the course probes into various tenets of democratic thinking (ranging from pluralism and civil society to egalitarianism and human rights), and explores the interplay between theory and practice in old and new democracies and in processes of global governance.

Is democracy a concept limited to a world of territorially-bound national communities? Can democracy still limit power in a global world? How does democratic policy making operate in the face of complexity?

By raising and examining such questions, the course explores the changing and contested understandings of democracy in contemporary thought as well as its application to the international sphere in our increasingly complex world.

Core modules
- Democratic Politics: Key Debates and Issues
- Dissertation and Research Methods
- The Politics of Global Complexity

Option modules
- Corporate Social Responsibility Issues in Business and Law
- Foreign Direct Investment Arbitration
- Global Financial Markets
- International Economics
- Planning for Urban Risk and Resilience
- Policy, Governance and Democracy: International Perspectives

Associated careers
Recent graduates from the University of Westminster who during their studies successfully completed modules that focus on energy and resources secured energy-related jobs in top international energy companies and consulting companies based in London.

The Energy and Environmental Change MA is an interdisciplinary degree that combines international relations, law, business and sustainability studies. As such it provides a comprehensive examination of energy security, energy markets and climate change from global, regional and local perspectives.

The degree will equip you with knowledge of key intellectual frameworks and critical issues.

The course offers a holistic approach to the dynamics governing energy-transition to a low-carbon economy nexus. You are required to complete five interconnected core modules and may select one option module.

Course Content
The course combines multi-disciplinary expertise from across the University.

Core modules
- Dissertation (12,000 words)
- Environmental Policy, Assessment and Climate Change
- Global Politics of Energy and Environmental Change
- International Energy and Climate Change Law
- Regional Dimensions of Energy Security
- Strategy and Policy: Energy and Sustainability

Option modules
- Corporate Social Responsibility Issues in Business and Law
- Foreign Direct Investment Arbitration
- Global Financial Markets
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The question of security now dominates contemporary international politics. Issues such as the ‘War on Terror’, pre-emptive self-defence and humanitarian intervention constitute seminal international concerns that have implications for all states and all peoples.

**Course content**
This course provides you with a detailed understanding of the nature of the contemporary security agenda, its origins, theoretical foundations and future trajectory. You will examine the theories of international security and those key security issues that have dominated security discourse in the post-Cold War era. You will also develop your analytical skills in order to facilitate understanding of the seminal contemporary security issues in a broader theoretical and historical framework.

**Core modules**
- Contemporary Controversies in International Security: Intervention Terrorism and Self-Defence
- Dissertation and Research Methods
- Theories of International Security

**Option modules**
You must choose four option modules from the following list (one of your options may be an approved free choice module hosted by another Masters course):
- Controversies in United States Foreign Policies and Processes
- Democratic Politics: Key Debates and Issues
- Development Theories, Policies and Practices
- Global Change: Toward a New Non-Western Order?
- Global Politics of Energy and Environmental Change
- Globalisation, Democratisation and Post-Authoritarian Transition
- Governance of the European Union
- Islam and Politics in the Middle East
- Policy, Governance and Democracy: International Perspectives
- Postcolonial International Relations: Theories and Concepts
- Regional Dimensions of Energy Security
- The European Union as an International Actor
- The Politics of Global Complexity: Rethinking Governance, Power and Agency
- The State, Politics and Violence

**Associated careers**
This course will provide you with numerous key skills and knowledge that will prepare you for your future career in a variety of different fields.

Our graduates hold posts within various international and national government departments and organisations. Many have also gone on to study for Doctorates at Westminster and at other universities around the world.
The University of Westminster is one of the largest providers of built environment education in the country, and one of the few in the UK to bring together all the disciplines that inform the design and development of our cities.

Our Property and Construction courses provide a professionally oriented education, producing graduates capable of dealing with the technological, managerial and market processes associated with the production and post-construction life of buildings. We use our central London location to great effect, and you will benefit from the strong connections and regular contact with professional bodies, and the leading practitioners involved in the delivery of our courses.

We have had a long association with the main professional bodies for the sector over many years, including the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) and the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB).

Our alumni work in the public and private sectors, for large and small consultancies and for commercial organisations both in the UK and overseas.
The philosophy of the Building Information Management course reflects the increasingly digital, multi-disciplinary and integrated nature of project delivery, influenced by the demand from governments and clients for greater efficiencies on construction projects. These efficiencies can be gained from more accurate prototyping, simulation, costing, planning, design, production and operation, and will be an output of sound information management and data input to Building Information Modelling (BIM) software.

The unique nature of Westminster’s Building Information Management MSc is the focus on ‘Management’, which will create professionals who are able to manage the whole construction process and the information associated with this. The course is accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) and the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB).

The future construction professional requires knowledge and understanding of building information management, as well as how an integrated project team will take a project from inception to completion. Collaborative working and co-ordinated information exchange will increase the efficiency of project delivery and asset performance, leading to better sustainability over the building lifecycle and a satisfied client. This building information management approach is a strategic view of integrated project delivery that encompasses both the demand side (client) and supply side (consultants, contractors and suppliers).

Course content
The programme is mainly aimed at graduates who are already in construction-related employment and who aspire to senior positions in the field of commercial management. The course aims to develop your awareness of the importance of construction projects to clients, and the context and constraints within which projects are procured and undertaken.

Core modules
- Building Information Management and Integrated Practice
- Construction Dissertation or Work-related Project
- Corporate Management
- Economics of the Construction Industry
- Procurement
- Risk Management for Projects

Option modules
- Building Design Management
- Construction Project Planning
- Developing Effective Project Teams

Professional accreditation
This course is fully accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) and the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB).

Associated careers
This course is aimed at graduates who are already in, or have been in, construction-related employment and aspire to senior positions in the field of commercial management.

CONSTRUCTION COMMERCIAL MANAGEMENT MSc

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Course content
You will gain greater knowledge and understanding of the theories, concepts, principles, techniques, and intellectual and practical skills needed for the commercial management of construction projects. You will have the opportunity to plan and implement a personal research project related to commercial management. The course utilises web-based technologies in the delivery and extensive use is made of enquiry based learning to enhance lifelong learning skills.

The blended learning approach offers flexible access to the core content, while still providing the discipline and structure of regular attendance at the University. The design of the part-time course recognises the significant challenges of combining postgraduate-level study with full-time professional employment.

Core modules
- Commercial Management
- Construction Dissertation or Work-related Project
- Construction Law for Contract Management
- Corporate Management
- Economics of the Construction Industry
- Procurement
- Risk Management for Projects

Option modules
- Building Design Management
- Construction Project Planning
- Developing Effective Project Teams

Professional accreditation
This course is accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) and the Chartered Institute of Building (CIOB).

Associated careers
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CONSTRUCTION PROJECT MANAGEMENT MSc

This innovative postgraduate construction course is aimed at graduates who are already in, or have been in, construction-related employment, and who aspire to senior positions in the fields of project management.

This course aims to develop your awareness of the importance of construction projects to clients, and the context and constraints within which projects are procured and undertaken.

Course content
You will gain greater knowledge and understanding of the theories, concepts, principles, techniques, and intellectual and practical skills needed for the project management of construction projects. You will have the opportunity to plan and implement a personal research project related to project management.

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The blended learning approach offers flexible access to the core content, while still providing the discipline and structure of regular attendance at the University. The design of the part-time course recognises the significant challenges of combining postgraduate-level study with full-time professional employment.

Core modules
• Construction Dissertation or Workrelated Project
• Corporate Management
• Economics of the Construction Industry
• Procurement
• Project Management Delivery
• Risk Management for Projects

Option modules
• Building Design Management
• Construction Project Planning
• Developing Effective Project Teams

Professional accreditation
This course is fully accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS).

Associated careers
This course is aimed at graduates who are, or have been, in construction-related employment and aspire to senior positions in the field of project management.

PROPERTY FINANCE MSc

Property Finance is a well-established area of essential expertise within the real estate industry for the purchase and development of properties which may have varying levels of complexity. The finance specialist utilises modern skills, techniques and systems to successfully source and provide an adequate flow of accessible funds to buy, sell and develop land and buildings.

Course content
This course is intended to give you a detailed understanding of property finance and the associated appraisal techniques and processes, encompassing both legal and social aspects. You will analyse investment and development finance situations and respond to particular financial problems with derived solutions. You will also be able to appraise options and independently evaluate alternative courses of action.

The design of the course recognises the significant challenges of providing an educational experience that is practical, relevant and challenging and meets the requirements of the relevant professional bodies. The programme, while still providing the discipline and structure of regular attendance at the University, aims to give a practical educational structure through workshops and projects.

Core modules
• Dissertation
• Finance and Asset Management
• Law for Property Professionals
• Property Finance: Lending and Risk Strategies
• Property Finance: Policy and Practice
• Site Assembly and Development

Option modules
• Development Finance and Funding
• Landlord and Tenant
• Valuation and Law

Professional accreditation
This course is fully accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS).

Associated careers
The course has been designed to be professionally relevant and to produce Masters graduates who are well-rounded and adaptable, with the ability to communicate with people at all levels, and are critical thinkers with inquiring, innovative minds and good research skills.

Successful completion of the course should enhance your career prospects and help you to achieve professional and senior positions in property finance and real estate.

Accreditation of the course by the RICS will enable you to pursue full professional membership of this body.

The attributes detailed above will also provide evidence of a commitment to lifelong learning and continuing professional development. Those wishing to continue their academic studies will have an excellent grounding for Doctoral level research, or a career in academia.
The aim of the course is to provide you with a detailed understanding of the property development and appraisal process, encompassing the financial, physical, legal and social aspects. You will analyse development situations and respond to particular development problems with derived solutions. You will also be able to critically appraise options and independently evaluate alternative courses of action.

The course is accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS). As part of the Development Finance and Funding module, students undertake a study trip to New York.

Core modules
• Development Finance and Funding
• Dissertation
• Finance and Asset Management
• Law for Property Professionals
• Project Implementation Process
• Site Assembly and Development
• Space Strategies and Legislation

Option modules
• Landlord and Tenant
• Property Finance: Lending and Risk Strategies
• Valuation and Law

Professional accreditation
This course is fully accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS).

Associated careers
The RICS accreditation will enable you to take the Assessment of Professional Competence after a period of suitable employment. There are employment opportunities in the public, private and not-for-profit sectors. Some part-time students are employed by surveying firms to receive accredited training while working.
The University of Westminster offers an exciting and distinctive range of postgraduate courses in some of the most interesting areas of applied psychology. Each of our courses has been developed by a team of psychologists who are specialists in their area.

The first course of its kind in Europe, the Business Psychology MSc has established itself as a leader in the field and our graduates can be found all around the world, applying business psychology to a wide range of organisational and interpersonal issues. Our Health Psychology MSc has led the way in its emphasis on the evidence base for the discipline, and for its stimulating practice-related assessments.

The Psychology MSc provides the opportunity for you to pursue postgraduate study and develop a career in psychology, if your first degree was not a psychological discipline. We also welcome MPhil and PhD students, and provide expert supervision towards doctoral qualification.

The University of Westminster has a strong reputation for postgraduate teaching in Psychology. We aim to provide you with a supportive and interactive learning environment that equips you not only with theory and insights, but also with skills that can be applied in a professional setting. We gained the maximum possible mark in the last Quality Assurance Agency review of Psychology teaching, and many of our staff have been recognised for the quality of their teaching, with three winning prestigious national awards.

We believe strongly in maintaining close links between our teaching and research activities. You will be taught by active researchers who are passionate about sharing their enthusiasm for their subject area. Our vibrant research culture is distinctive for its openness, collaboration and interdisciplinary approach. We value and promote the interrelationship of research, enterprise, knowledge transfer and teaching activity.
The aim of the Business Psychology MSc is to prepare graduates who can diagnose and communicate organisational and behavioural needs, design and implement business psychology interventions, and build strategic HR goals and programmes.

The emphasis is on equipping you with theoretical and analytical skills, as well as practical business psychology skills, in areas such as team building, conflict resolution, decision making, facilitation and organisational diagnostics.

Course content
You will gain knowledge and skills designed to enable you to work effectively within a wide range of interpersonal and multicultural situations, while formulating cost-effective solutions to operational and organisational problems.

The course has an outstanding professional development programme, one that runs in parallel with the taught schedule and which will bring you expertise from existing practitioners through workshops, seminars and mentoring.

Core modules
- Conflict Resolution: Negotiation
- Evidence-based Practice and Business Psychology Consultancy
- Facilitated Decision Making
- Organisational Diagnostics: Tools and Approaches
- Teamwork for Effective Organisations
- Business Psychology MSc Project

Option modules
- Assessment for Individual Differences at Work
- Contemporary Issues in Strategic Human Resource Management
- Designing and Delivering Training
- Developing Communication Styles for Professionals
- Management Development
- Managing Change
- Using Consumer Psychology to Understand Buyer Behaviour

Professional recognition
The course is fully accredited by the Association for Business Psychology (ABP). Student benefits include free membership while on the course and attendance at ABP events.

Associated careers
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Health Psychology plays a key role in improving the health and wellbeing of the population.

This course, based in the heart of London, was one of the first Masters in Health Psychology and has been accredited by the British Psychological Society (BPS) since 1999. It includes an innovative portfolio of assessments geared to developing transferable skills, and relating directly to the world of work.

The course also provides the opportunity to gain work experience and apply your knowledge in a health psychology setting, whilst considering future career plans. The course is taught by a core team of enthusiastic and supportive research-active staff, with collaborative links to external institutions in London and beyond. Successful completion of the course (Stage 1) is a prerequisite for the further training (Stage 2) to become a health psychologist registered with the Health Professions Council (HPC).

In addition to the core taught programme, we work with a range of practitioners to provide additional professional training in areas such as resilience, coaching and applied practice.

Course content
The course will give you an in-depth understanding of the theoretical and applied bases of health, illness and disease. The main aim is to help you to develop the theoretical and methodological skills essential for conducting independent research and applying health psychology in practice.

We provide a coherent programme of study covering the content, methods and application of health psychology. In particular, the course emphasises the importance of an evidence-based approach to health psychology, and develops the core skills needed for Stage 2 training. Within the core modules, there is considerable flexibility for you to choose particular areas of study of interest.
This BPS-accredited conversion course is designed for graduates who wish to pursue a career in psychology but need to acquire the Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership (GBC) of the British Psychological Society (BPS).

You do not need to have studied psychology to be eligible for this programme. However, you should note that it is an intensive course and requires hard work and independent study outside the contact hours – full-time study is full-time.

We welcome applications from graduates with Upper Second Class degrees who have either completed a degree in another subject or who have insufficient psychology in their degree to be eligible for GBC.

**Course content**

You will take modules at Masters level in core areas of psychology, as specified by the BPS. You will also take one option module in psychology from a selection available within the department.

We offer a work experience in psychology module as an option for those who would like to gain valuable experience in the work place.

The content of the curriculum of the MSc covers the core areas of psychology stipulated by the BPS for GBC. This consists of Cognitive Psychology, Developmental Psychology, History and Philosophy of Psychology, Individual Differences, Empirical Project, Psychobiology, Qualitative and Quantitative Research Methods, and Social Psychology. In all of the modules there is a strong emphasis on critical evaluation of theory and practice.

**Core modules**

- Biological and Cognitive Psychology
- Developmental and Differential Psychology
- Fundamental Conceptual Issues in Psychology
- Psychology in Practice: Qualitative Research Methods
- Psychology in Practice: Quantitative Research Methods
- Social Psychology and Applied Psychology
- Project for MSc Psychology

**Option modules**

You will choose one from two options:

- Psychology Literature Review
- Work Experience in a Psychological Setting for MSc Students

Or another that may be available within the Department of Psychology (subject to availability and timetable constraints).

**Professional recognition**

This course is accredited by the British Psychological Society (BPS).

**Associated careers**

Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership (GBC) is the first step towards becoming a Chartered Psychologist.

It is the prerequisite for progression to Postgraduate professional training in psychology and subsequent registration as a Chartered Psychologist working in any of the fields of professional psychology – including clinical, counselling, educational, occupational, and health psychology. It is a requirement for Masters and Doctorate courses in Psychology that lead to professional qualifications such as Doctorates in counselling, Clinical and Educational Psychology, and Masters courses in Organisational/Occupational Psychology.
TELEVISION, FILM AND MOVING IMAGE

In the creative environment of Westminster’s dedicated arts and design campus, this course offers a unique combination of professional practice, creative insight, skills enhancement, and contextual, specialist and interdisciplinary knowledge.

Our Harrow Campus boasts wide-ranging multimedia facilities built and equipped to the highest standards. The University’s three public exhibition spaces Ambika P3, London Gallery West and Regent Street Cinema offer exciting and dynamic year round programmes of cinema, photography and multimedia art.

The course has close links with the Centre for Research and Education in Arts and Media (CREAM), the leading research centre in the UK for arts and design, whose members include internationally renowned filmmakers, film and television theorists and historians, and moving image artists and curators. We combine research-enhanced teaching with classes delivered by film and television industry and moving image art professionals, in order to make sure that you develop the skill sets and the full range of critical awareness that is in demand and to deliver an exciting learning experience for you.

Our graduates have found employment in small- and large-scale film and television companies as filmmakers, producers, distributors, and exhibitors. Others have gone on to organise film festivals, or to work in film-related magazines and journals as well as in international arts and culture sectors. Some of our recent graduates have gone on to pursue academic careers as researchers or doctoral students at the University and elsewhere. As the UK’s longest-running postgraduate programme in film and television, several of our alumni are pioneers of the discipline of film and television studies.
Our innovative Film, Television and Moving Image MA builds on its prestigious heritage as the longest running degree programme of its kind in the UK. We aim to equip you with wide-ranging skills, knowledge and critical awareness to meet your career aspirations in sectors in which moving images play a central role.

Our curriculum incorporates an exciting variety of learning and teaching activities designed to foster your capacity for researching and rigorously analysing different aspects of film, television and moving images. You will have the opportunity to develop key skills for communicating about and with moving images across a range of contexts and platforms. You can choose to have a broad-based learning experience in film, television and moving image, or you can specialise in moving image curation and screenwriting via our suggested pathways.

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**Course content**

The design and delivery of our taught modules draw on CREAM’s research excellence in documentary, Asian and European cinema, moving image curation, and television history. You will undertake a substantial piece of independent research as a major part of your MA studies.

In order to provide you with the flexibility to undertake a piece of independent research suited to your career aspiration, the final project module offers you the choice between writing a traditional dissertation or completing a theoretically-informed professional project such as curating a film programme, writing and producing a series of themed blog posts, or writing a long-form screenplay.

The course structure includes two suggested pathways for those wishing to specialise in film programming and moving image curation, or in screenwriting.

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**Core modules**

- Contemporary Issues in Moving Image and Screen Studies
- Key Concepts in Film, Television and Moving Image
- Final Project

**Option modules**

- Advanced Screenplay Preparation
- Asian Cinema: Time, History, Memory
- Cinema Distribution and Exhibition
- Documentary Aesthetics, Sites and Spectatorship
- Film Programming and Moving Image Curation
- Introduction to Screenwriting
- Modern and Contemporary European Cinema
- Television Art: Aesthetics and Quality

**Associated careers**

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For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/film-television-and-moving-image-ma
TOURISM AND EVENTS

Westminster is No 1 for tourism and events in London (Complete University Guide, University Subject Tables 2019; The Guardian University league tables 2019). With more than 20 years of excellence in teaching tourism and events, we can help your career take off at the University of Westminster.

Our courses explore the separate but related industries of tourism and events, developing the skills you need to successfully manage tourism or stage events in host destinations. Events are deeply entwined with place and they play an increasingly important role in drawing visitors and raising the profile of our cities. This is why we put the relationship between events, tourism and place at the centre of our teaching.

The tourism industry is one of the largest employers globally and provides a wider variety of career opportunities for our graduates, while the professionalisation of the events industry has also seen a significant growth in employment options over the past decade.

These courses, updated in 2018 to recognise the important changes taking place in these creative and exciting industries, ensure Westminster remains a leader in the delivery of quality tourism and event management courses.
Event experiences play an essential role in business, cultural, and sporting life on a global scale. In recent years, the role of an event manager has taken centre stage as many organisations from international government to charities and entertainment providers have recognised the vital importance of live experience in delivering business objectives, promoting cause-related messages and reaching audiences in dynamic ways. This exciting new profession encompasses a diverse range of events, taking place in a great variety of destinations and venues across the world.

This course is specifically designed for people who want to enter, or make further progress in, management level careers in the fast-expanding field of events.

London is the ideal place in which to study event design and management. A regular host of world class sports and culture events such as Wimbledon, the London Marathon, Notting Hill Carnival and the London Fashion Week, as well as one-off mega events such as the London 2012 Olympic and Paralympics games and the 2015 Rugby World Cup, London is widely recognised as a world events capital and creative hub for event design. With several hundred conference venues and an abundance of international business and leisure events, London is a world leader in this dynamic industry.

Course content
This course takes a unique design perspective on the management of events, recognising that successful event managers are responsible for more than just the logistics of delivering events.

The course is taught by experienced academics and award-winning industry practitioners, who draw on their research expertise and extensive experience and connections to inspire a creative and critical approach to event management. Site visits, guest speakers and a residential field trip are all integrated into course modules to further enhance the applied design perspective.

Core modules
- Event Concept and Design
- Event Strategy
- Event Planning and Management
- Research and Communication Skills
- Dissertation

Option modules
- Airline and Air Transport Management
- Creating the Attraction and Event Experiencescape
- Delivering the Event Experience
- Global Festivals and Events
- Professional Practice
- Tourism, Culture and Society

Professional recognition
The course has links with a range of professional associations, including ILEA (the International Live Events Association), Meetings Professional International (MPI) and EVCOM (the Event and Visual Communication Association).

The University of Westminster is also a long-standing member of the Association of Event Management Education in the UK.

Associated careers
Students have also followed a more entrepreneurial path, going on to launch event agencies or convention bureaux, while others opt to work as professional conference organisers, event planners and managers or venue promoters. Students have also followed a more entrepreneurial path, going on to launch successful event planning businesses whilst others pursue further Doctoral studies in this emerging academic field.

TOURISM MANAGEMENT MA

Tourism is an increasingly important part of our lives, and the tourism industry is one of the few global industries forecast to grow in the long term. Managing this rapidly growing industry to meet visitors’ demands in a sustainable way is exciting and challenging.

This well-established and highly-respected course will give you the knowledge, analytical abilities and skills you need to make a career as a tourism professional. You will study at the heart of London, one of the world’s leading tourism destinations, with staff whose research has global reach and impact. Site visits and field trips, integrated into the course modules, will allow you to explore a wide variety of aspects of the dynamic tourism industry.

Annual student feedback for the course is very positive, with teaching, staff contact and course content receiving particular praise. This reflects the tourism team’s efforts to provide a valuable and effective course as well as a supportive, friendly and stimulating environment for your studies. Staff teaching on the course are active researchers, and their teaching is informed by both their own research and their engagement with industry.

Course content
You will learn about the nature and characteristics of the tourism industry, and explore how tourism experiences can be marketed, managed and planned, examining cases from around the world.

A range of optional modules allows you to focus on your particular interests, to explore the links between the different aspects of tourism, and to learn more about the inter-relationships between tourism and events. A dissertation gives you the chance to research a tourism topic of your choice in depth.
TRANSPORT
AND LOGISTICS

Our postgraduate courses in Air Transport, Transport Planning and Management and Logistics are very highly regarded by students and employers, both in the UK and internationally, and some are professionally accredited. They will equip you for professional life planning and managing the future of our transport and logistics systems.

The staff delivering these courses enjoy an international reputation in research and consultancy. Our freight and logistics research group conducts UK and EU research in sustainability and supply chains efficiency, while our award-winning Air Traffic Management Research team is recognised as a leader in Europe. Other areas of expertise include public transport and cycling. The expertise of our staff means that your study will be informed by developments in theory and will be up to date on industry trends.

Our postgraduate programmes and research degrees are known for their combination of pure, practice-led and applied approaches. You will be able to develop your own specialist expertise while working collaboratively with students from different disciplines and from across the globe.

Alongside our postgraduate courses we offer individual modules in air transport, logistics and transport planning. Our graduates work as logistics managers, supply chain analysts, transport planners, operations managers, and in a variety of sectors including airport and airline operations, logistics service provision, central and local government infrastructure planning, public transport operation, and consultancy.
This course has been developed to meet the needs of graduates worldwide seeking to gain greater knowledge and experience of the air transport industry, and looking to progress into senior roles in management, operations and commercial planning of airlines, airports, government departments and aviation-related businesses such as aircraft manufacturing, finance and consultancy. It is designed to provide a strong theoretical and analytical basis, coupled with the application of many practical techniques and strategies.

Course content
The course builds on the successful series of aviation short courses that have attracted participants from around the globe to the University each year.

Westminster has a long-established interest in air transport research, consultancy and teaching, having been set up by the renowned aviation academic Professor Rigas Doganis some 40 years ago. The University’s association with aviation goes back much further, however, as it was here in the 19th century that Sir George Cayley first demonstrated the principles of flight.

Modules on this course can also be taken as short courses which are not formally assessed. Students who have followed the relevant short course(s) within the last five years may be able to register at a reduced fee to complete the module on an ‘assessment only’ basis as part of the Masters degree.

Core modules
• Air Transport Economics
• Air Transport Forecasting and Market Research
• Air Transport Management and Operations
• Research Dissertation

Option modules
Three modules chosen from:
• Air Transport Policy and Planning
• Airline Marketing and Business Models
• Airport Finance and Strategy
• Air Traffic Management, Scheduling and Network Planning

As an alternative to one of the above option modules, you have a free choice of one appropriate module from other subject areas in the University (eg transport, logistics, tourism, business). This must be agreed with the Course Leader.

Associated careers
If you are a full-time student without a prior background in the air transport industry you should be well placed on completion of the course to take up a junior position in a planning, management and operational role with airlines and airports. You will also be well equipped for employment as an analyst with consultancies, government bodies and aircraft manufacturers.

If you have a prior industry background you should be able to return to your position with new skills and understanding, plus a greater maturity of approach. You will be well placed to move into senior managerial, policy or research functions. The competitive nature of the industry will also provide many new opportunities for suitably qualified personnel. A strong performance on the MSc provides the opportunity to study further by registering for a research degree in the Department of Planning and Transport. Graduates will also be equipped with the knowledge, understanding and skills needed to participate in the activities of professional bodies such as the Air Transport Research Society.

*The block release mode requires attendance at the University for six blocks, each of five days duration, plus four half day exams spread over a period of 2-3 years. It is therefore suitable for students based both locally and internationally.

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/air-transport-planning-and-management-msc

The Logistics and Supply Chain Management MSc has been designed to develop your ability to carry out advanced analysis and research in the field of logistics and supply chain management within a global context. The MSc course has been running since 1998 and is accredited by the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT). If you are unable to study for a full Masters course, we also offer a Logistics and Supply Chain Management Postgraduate Diploma and a Logistics and Supply Chain Management Postgraduate Certificate. Please see our website for more details. Alternatively, you can also study individual modules from this Logistics and Supply Chain Management MSc course as stand alone short courses.

Core modules
• Freight Transport and Logistics Services
• Logistics and the External Environment
• Logistics Management in a Retail Supply Chain Context
• Purchasing Management
• Research Dissertation
• Research Skills for Logistics
• Sustainability and Freight Transport

Option modules
• Air Travel Management
• Business Process Integration with SAP
• Land Use, Planning and Transport
• Public Passenger Transport
• Traffic and Streets

Professional accreditation
This MSc course is accredited by the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT) and graduates are exempt from the Institute’s exams.

Associated careers
Previous graduates have gained employment with third party logistics providers, the airline industry, manufacturing companies, retailers, shipping lines, etc. Examples of companies that have recruited graduates in recent years are Kuehne + Nagel, DHL, TNT, Norbert Dentressangle, Maersk Logistics, GIST, Volvo Logistics, Honda, GlaxoSmithKlein, Procter and Gamble and IKEA. You will also be equipped for further research (eg Doctoral studies) should you wish to continue in an academic environment.

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/logistics-and-supply-chain-management-msc

LOGISTICS AND SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT MSc
This course develops your ability to initiate and implement advanced analysis and research in transport policy, planning and management. You will learn the techniques and methodologies you need to take decisions, or to provide the necessary information for others to take policy decisions.

The MSc course has been running successfully for many years, is accredited by the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT), and graduates are exempt from the Institute’s exams. The course also forms part of the pathway to the Transport Planning Professional (TPP) qualification.

If you are unable to study for a full Masters course, we also offer a Transport Planning and Management Postgraduate Diploma and a Transport Planning and Management Postgraduate Certificate. Please see our website for more details. Alternatively you can also study some of the individual modules from the Transport Planning and Management MSc course as stand-alone short courses.

Course content
The course will enable you to understand the causes and motivations of personal travel and goods movement; to analyse transport problems and develop, and implement policies and measures for resolving such problems; to evaluate transport projects, plans and policies, taking into account the need for stakeholder participation and recognising the political, social, health, environmental and economic issues involved.

The MSc course balances theoretical and practical applications in the three separate components: core modules, option modules and a research dissertation.

Core modules
• Research Dissertation
• Statistics and Survey Methods for Transport
• Transport Economics
• Transport Policy and Politics

Option modules
• Air Travel Management
• Environmental Policy, Assessment and Climate Change
• Freight Transport and Logistics Services
• Land Use, Planning and Transport
• Traffic and Streets
• Transport Field Trip (non-credit bearing module)

Professional accreditation
The MSc course will give you a full exemption form the examination requirement for membership of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT), and also forms part of the pathway to the Transport Planning Professional (TPP) qualification.

Associated careers
Our graduates find employment in a professional or managerial role, or continue with further studies. Employers ranges from transport consultancies and operating companies, through to planning departments, international agencies and academic research.

Key employers regularly come in to speak to students about new opportunities in transport. Many part-time students are recruited from organisations including local government transport planning, transport consultancies, NGOs and transport operators.

Length of course: one year full-time or two to three years part-time, starting in September
Location: Central London (see map p201)
Fees and funding: see course web page and westminster.ac.uk/fees
Entry requirements: see page p192

For full and most up-to-date information, see course web page: westminster.ac.uk/transport-planning-and-management-msc
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ENGLISH LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT
PRE-SESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC ENGLISH COURSES

The University of Westminster offers a number of pre-sessional English, IELTS Preparation and in-sessional Academic English programmes.

PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH

If you are an international student, you can register on one of our pre-sessional English Language courses which will help you develop the language and study skills you need for academic success on a full-time postgraduate course.

Our pre-sessional English courses at the University of Westminster will enable you to develop the language and study skills necessary to meet the demands of your academic course in an independent and responsible manner. You will also experience student life through our social and welcome programmes. Our aim is to provide you with a solid foundation for when you start your postgraduate course, and to give you the skills, knowledge and experience to make the most of your time at university. The course materials and assessments will also have a disciplinary focus, as a further means of preparing you for your future degree. You will be assessed by a combination of coursework and examinations.

These courses will develop:

- your understanding of what is required on your future postgraduate course
- the accuracy of your English, including academic language
- your range of academic vocabulary, with a focus on collocation and word families
- your ability to apply academic language across a variety of text types in your research
- your essay and report-writing skills through ongoing practice
- effective strategies for reading academic books, journal articles and case studies
- the listening and note-taking skills necessary to benefit from university lectures
- your ability and confidence to participate in group discussions and seminars on academic topics
- your presentation skills, including pronunciation, stress and intonation
- your confidence in being able to follow university-level courses in English.

As a full-time pre-sessional student you will also be expected to do homework which will lead to formal assessments at the end of the course. In addition, you will have access to the University’s extensive facilities, including libraries, computers and the fitness suites.

You can find more information online, at westminster.ac.uk/pre-sessional

ACADEMIC ENGLISH

Our credited Academic English modules have been designed to allow you to consolidate, extend and develop your proficiency in Academic English. During orientation week members of the Academic English Team will give a short presentation to explain the importance of Academic English and the rationale for the modules offered by the Westminster Professional Language Centre.

Assessment of your level of proficiency in Academic English will take place during orientation week and learning week one. The assessment consists of a short writing profile, which will determine whether an Academic English module is appropriate for you.

You can find more information online, at westminster.ac.uk/academic-english
TAUGHT MASTERS

The University of Westminster accepts applications online. To apply, please select the course that you wish to apply for at westminster.ac.uk/courses/postgraduate and follow the ‘Apply’ button. There is no official deadline for postgraduate applications, but we strongly recommend you apply early (by the beginning of April for September start and the beginning of October for January start), especially if you are interested in applying for a scholarship, since you will need to submit a separate application and to send it by post for consideration.

If you require additional guidance, you can contact our Course Enquiries Team: T: +44 (0)20 7915 5511 E: course-enquiries@westminster.ac.uk

International students can find information about entry requirements, representatives in the country and how to connect with us by visiting: westminster.ac.uk/international/countries

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Most courses have the following minimum standard entry requirements:

• a good Honours degree from a recognised university, or qualification or experience deemed to be equivalent, and
• English language competency judged sufficient to undertake advanced level study.

Please visit the individual course pages or westminster.ac.uk/international/full-degree-study/english-language-requirements for further details. For applicants requiring a Tier 4 Visa, we can only accept an approved IELTS (except in exceptional circumstances).

Any specific entry requirements for a course are given on the course page of our website.

If your degree (or equivalent qualification) is from outside the UK please look at westminster.ac.uk/international for information on our requirements from your country.

GAINING CREDIT FOR WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED

Your previous study or experience, whether through paid work or in a voluntary capacity, may mean you can gain exemption from some modules. Accreditation of Prior Certificated Learning (APCL) can be gained based on previous study that has led to a formal certificated qualification and this may include work based experience (CPD).

The Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL) recognises knowledge or skills acquired through life or work experience which have not been formally recognised by an academic or professional certification.

You can make a claim if you think you may be eligible by visiting: westminster.ac.uk/apcl

The process is rigorous and credits will only be awarded for learning that is current and that relates to the aims and content of the course for which you are applying.

NOTES FOR APPLICANTS

While courses are offered as described at the time of going to press, some revisions are made, mainly to ensure our courses are kept up-to-date. We will only cancel a course if it is unavoidable. Should any major change be necessary, applicants will be notified at the earliest point. Some modules might not run if a minimum number of students is not reached. There is no guarantee that courses that are undergoing validation will be approved. Please visit westminster.ac.uk/terms-and-conditions

RESEARCH DEGREES

Separate application and admissions procedures apply for MPhil/PhD research degrees. For more information on our research degrees, please visit westminster.ac.uk/research-degrees
The University of Westminster has one of the most generous scholarship schemes of any British university, and we are able to offer a wide range of scholarships for UK, EU and international postgraduates, and for those studying on either full-time or part-time routes. You can find our latest scholarship funding opportunities online, at westminster.ac.uk/scholarships; please check the site regularly for updates.

Once you have been offered a place (conditional or unconditional) on a postgraduate course you can apply for a scholarship. Scholarships are competitive and have strict deadlines. Details of the application process, and deadlines for full-time UK, EU and international students, can be found by visiting westminster.ac.uk/scholarships. If you would like to apply for a scholarship on a PhD course, you can find information at westminster.ac.uk/graduate-school.

Since September 2016, Student Finance England (SFE) has introduced a loan of up to £10,000 for students starting a postgraduate Masters course. This figure increases yearly in line with inflation, and from September 2018 the total amount of loan available is £10,609. The loan can be used to pay tuition fees or help meet your maintenance or study costs.

Your course must be at postgraduate Masters level and you must meet the eligibility rules that relate to residence, settled status, previous study and qualifications. Eligible courses can be taught or research-based. At the University of Westminster, eligible courses include MA, MSc, LLM and MBA. RIBA Part 2 architecture and integrated Masters do not qualify. The loan is available for full-time and part-time study.

For further information, please visit westminster.ac.uk/pg-student-funding.
Our Course Enquiries Team can provide you with information and advice on a range of issues, including:

- course information
- entry requirements for UK/EU and International students
- the application process
- Undergraduate Open Days and Postgraduate Information Evenings: dates, times and locations
- campus tours: dates and times
- tuition fees and payments
- funding and scholarships.

Call our dedicated Course Enquiries Team from 9am – 5pm, Monday – Friday.
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