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Visit Durham University

Don't just take our word on how amazing Durham is – come and experience it for yourself.

Our pre-application Open Days are the best way for you to get a feel for the University, explore our colleges and departments and picture yourself experiencing life in the city. You'll have the chance to chat to our academics about your course, see what our current students really think about the University, and find out more about our state-of-the-art modern facilities. You'll get a real feel for what life could be like for you at Durham.

Booking is essential!

OPEN DAYS 2020

Monday 29 June
Saturday 4 July
Friday 18 September
Saturday 19 September

TOP TIP

Read the Open Day guide and plan your day!

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"Coming to an Open Day confirmed that for me Durham could be both a home and an exciting place to learn something new!"

Carina Font
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There are plenty of ways to keep in touch and find out more:

Follow us on social media to keep up to date with our latest news and find out more about student life at Durham.

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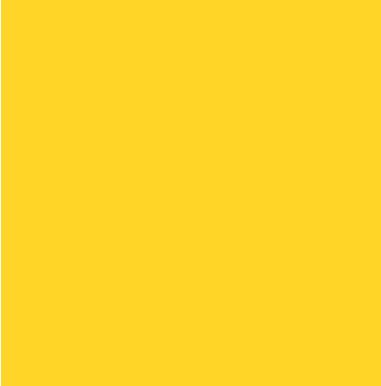


Extraordinary Opportunities

Choose from a huge range of fascinating courses and enjoy our world-class facilities.

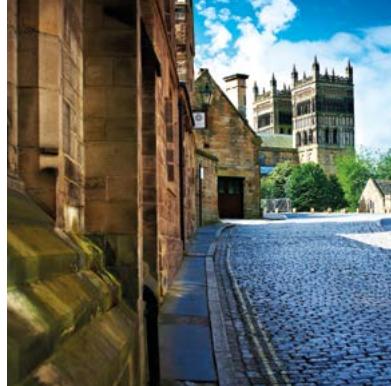
Durham Cathedral and the River Wear
Durham University is situated in the beautiful and historic city of Durham.

Durham
A globally outstanding centre of teaching and research excellence, a collegiate community of extraordinary people, a unique and historic setting – a university like no other.



**Our
17**

colleges provide a sense of community and belonging.



Awarded TEF Gold for the quality of our teaching.



Top 10

UK university, ranked 5th in the *Guardian University Guide 2020* and 6th in *The Complete University Guide 2020*.

**World Top
40**

in the *QS World University Rankings 2020* for employer reputation.

98%

of Durham graduates were in work or further study three and a half years after graduation. DLHE 2016/17.



Study with us

Prepare to be inspired.

Prepare to achieve something extraordinary.

Choose from a wide range of fascinating courses, taught by world-leading experts in first-class facilities. And it's not all academic. Whatever you study, you'll also have the chance to develop key personal and professional skills, through extracurricular activities, a placement year and studying abroad.

Embrace innovation. Inspire change. Answer the big questions.

Delivering cutting-edge, research-led education is at the very heart of everything we do.

Our academic staff are so much more than lecturers teaching from books. They carry out ground-breaking research that shapes our departments, inspires our courses, and directly informs our teaching.

You'll actively benefit from the world-class research taking place right here in the University.

You'll have the opportunity to develop:

- The ability to think and to understand ideas and information beyond the classroom
- Enhanced skills for employment
- The ability to learn independently and problem-solve
- Creative and critical thinking skills
- Confidence and motivation
- The ability to become involved in research.

Wide range of study options

Whatever your interests, whatever your passion, we've probably got a course for you. We currently have 27 departments and schools, offering over 200 undergraduate courses, not to mention postgraduate degrees, both taught and research. We think you'll be spoilt for choice.

You can focus on one subject with a Single Honours degree, develop your interest in two areas with a Joint Honours degree, or take a broader approach with a Combined Honours degree in Liberal Arts, Social Sciences, or Natural Sciences.



92%
of our graduates
have achieved a 2.1
or above.
HESA 2017/18.

Study abroad

Most of our degrees currently offer the chance to spend a year abroad, discovering new cultures, learning in new surroundings, and experiencing a new way of life. A year abroad will not only enhance your student experience, but it also looks great on your CV.

It has been agreed in principle that the UK will continue to benefit from all EU programmes, including Erasmus+, until the end of 2020. We are awaiting further information about funding beyond this point in time.



What I would say is so special about Durham is the opportunities it gives its students.



James Hua
Classics



Extraordinary Place

Enjoy life in one of the UK's most beautiful and historic cities, in the heart of a vibrant region.

University College (Castle)

One of Durham University's 17 colleges.



Our location

World-class education and living in a magnificent city.

The historic city of Durham is compact, yet varied. Easy to get around, it offers a wide range of cultural and sporting pursuits, and also a huge number of places to eat, drink and meet friends. So whatever your interests, you are certain to find your place here.

Durham City

Durham is a friendly and welcoming city, with the famous Cathedral and Castle at its very heart.

In the ancient, cobbled streets, you'll find shops and boutiques, cafés, bars and restaurants, and plenty of culture. From walks and boat trips along the River Wear, to street markets and museum visits, there's no shortage of things to do!

No matter where you are in the City, you'll never be far from one of our colleges, academic departments, or facilities. The historic city also offers a huge range of attractions, places to visit and activities, including:

- Sports and Wellbeing Park
- Botanic Garden
- Oriental Museum
- Palace Green Library and Gallery
- Assembly Rooms Theatre
- Gala Theatre and Cinema
- The Riverwalk leisure complex.

Just 17 miles from Newcastle upon Tyne in North East England, it's also easy to hop on a train to London, Edinburgh, or Manchester. Newcastle International Airport is also close by if you want to explore the rest of the UK and beyond.



Approximate travel times by train

Durham to Newcastle - 12 minutes
Durham to London - 3 hours
Durham to Edinburgh - 1 hour 45 minutes
Durham to Manchester - 2 hours 10 minutes

Want to find out more?

View our online 360s to see what Durham University and Durham City have to offer and to give you a real feel for student life at Durham.

Discover Durham city

Durham might be small in size,
but it's big on things to do!



1. Durham Castle and Cathedral
2. Saddler Street in Durham
3. Durham Castle, home to University College
4. Lumiere light festival
5. Rowing boats on the River Wear
6. Coffee shops and restaurants offer high-street names as well as local independents
7. Crook Hall and Gardens



Student guide to Durham

Read our students Sunita and Carina's top tips on what to do in Durham!



#1

Visit the Cathedral and see if you can spot movie scenes from the Harry Potter films and *Avengers: Endgame*.

#2

Have a tour around the Castle (guided by your fellow students).

#3

Shop local – browse the indoor market for everything from regionally sourced food to home essentials.

#4

Get your coffee fix at one of the many independent cafés in Durham.

#5

Find peace in the Botanic Garden and visit the bluebells in the woods nearby – the perfect location for an insta snap.

#6

Tick off a visit to every college bar – from the Hill to the Bailey.

#7

Take a day trip – it's only 12 minutes on the train to Newcastle.

#8

Attend a formal dinner in college.

#9

Hire a rowing boat.

#10

Climb the Cathedral tower (wait till you graduate if you are superstitious!).



Explore North East England

A vibrant region full of exciting things to do and beautiful places to explore.



Extraordinary Campus

To achieve the extraordinary, you'll need access to exceptional facilities.

Sports and Wellbeing Park
We have recently invested £32 million in our sports provision, to make sure that our world-class facilities enable us to remain one of the UK's foremost universities for sport.



A campus for the future World-class students. World-class facilities.

At Durham, you'll find purpose-built lecture theatres and seminar rooms, as well as state-of-the-art labs and well-stocked libraries.

IT facilities

Technology evolves at an incredible rate and we ensure you've got access to the very latest in digital technology.

Our IT facilities include:

- Durham University Online (duo) – this is where you'll find those all-important course, college, and department materials
- Encore – replay lectures so you can learn at your own pace
- A free Microsoft Office 365 account – giving you access to your University email, Microsoft Office, and 1TB of cloud storage with OneDrive
- Wireless coverage across campus.



Teaching and Learning Centre

We believe education should be challenging, enabling, research-led and transformative. The state-of-the-art facilities in our Teaching and Learning Centre ensure we achieve this.



University Library and Collections

We offer you an incredible range of resources and study facilities:

- The Bill Bryson Library, Palace Green Library, the Oriental Museum, and Durham Castle are all home to our extensive collections
- Over 1.6 million printed books and more than 400,000 online resources, including e-books, e-journals, and databases
- Extensive collections of archives and artefacts, including over 70,000 pre-1850 books, 100 medieval manuscripts, more than 30,000 maps and prints and 100,000 photographs
- Oriental Museum houses over 33,000 objects relating to Egypt, the Near and Middle East, China, Japan and the Himalayan region.
- Flexible study spaces that work around you
- IT facilities include PC areas, WiFi, laptops, and printing
- Friendly, knowledgeable staff are always on hand to provide advice and support
- The Bill Bryson Library has 24/7 opening hours – so you can study at a time that suits you.

From the past

From Ancient Egypt to modern China, our Oriental Museum is home to a huge range of fascinating artworks and archaeological artefacts.

Investment in our estate Continual development of our state-of-the-art campus.

We believe that our students deserve the best teaching, the best opportunities, and the best facilities. We provide an environment where you can innovate, inspire, and create a positive impact in the world.

Ongoing investment

We are committed to delivering a student experience that will rival the greatest in the world. We are continuously investing in our facilities and environment to ensure we are the best we can be, both now and in the future.

New state-of-the-art building for Computing and Mathematics

This brand new, £40 million building will provide cutting-edge learning, teaching, and study spaces for Mathematics and Computer Sciences staff and students – ensuring they're always at the forefront of innovation.

New home for Durham University Business School

We are planning on relocating our triple-accredited Business School to the heart of Durham City for 2022. This £70 million new building will create a world-class learning experience for students, and facilitate the delivery of cutting-edge research. The new development will keep the focus on sustainability, improving its riverside location while complementing the site's historic features and natural surroundings. A truly inspiring environment to study in.

Computing and Mathematics
Here we have an artist's impression of the £40 million new building for Computing and Mathematics.



Extraordinary Learning

Go beyond classroom learning through our global research and industry placements.

Bill Bryson Library
is open 24/7 so you
can study at times
that suit you.

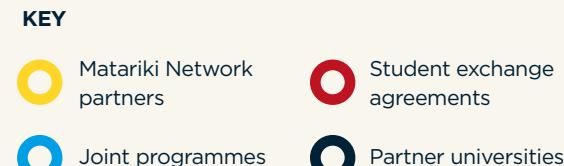


Global impact

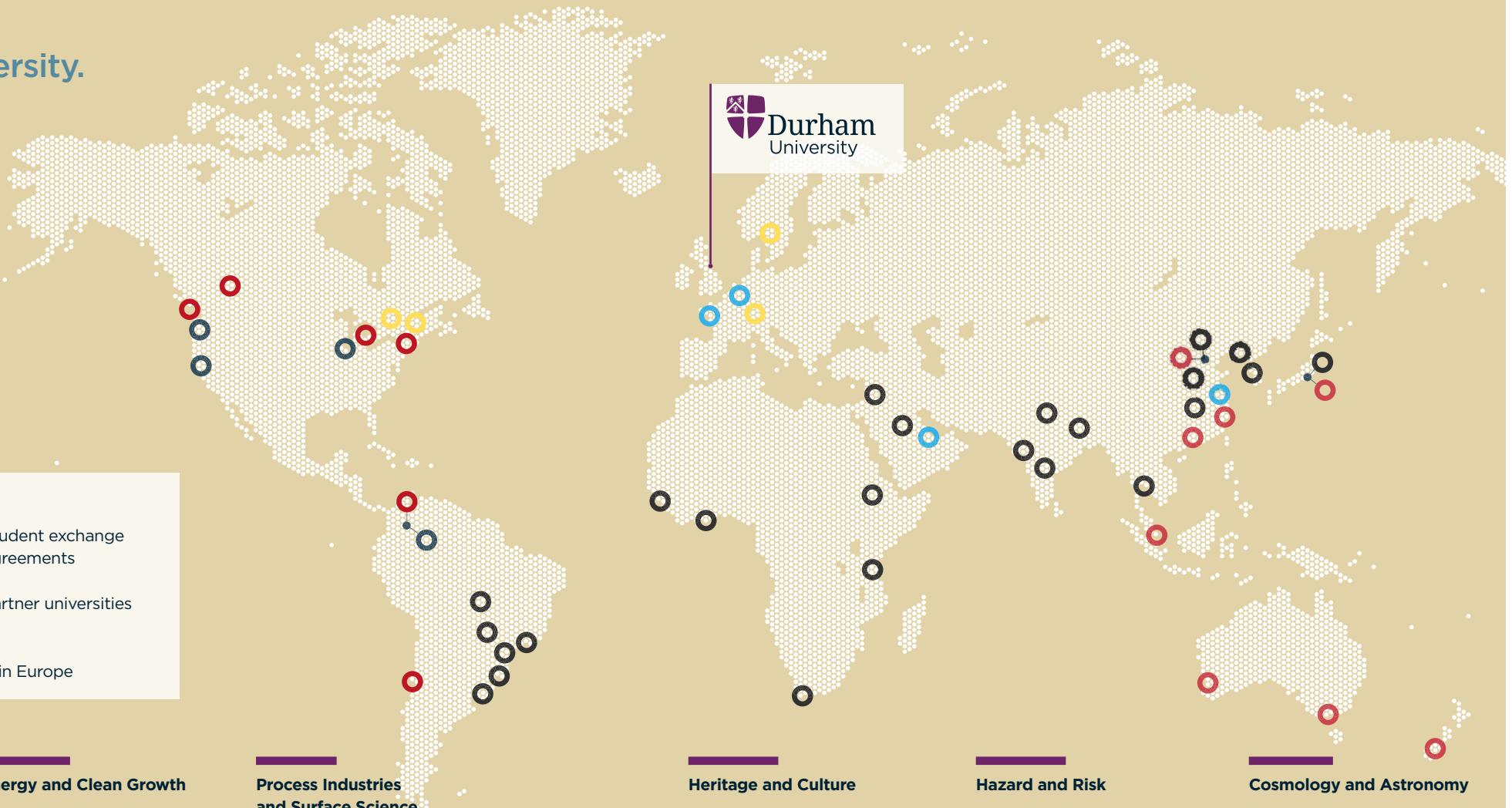
Join a truly international University.

Here are just a few examples of the huge range of research activities that we are involved in and the positive effect that they are having on the world around us.

To find out more, see durham.ac.uk/study/ug/research



Plus over 200 Erasmus agreements in Europe



Heritage and Culture

Reviving the music of great composers

We're bringing the forgotten music of two great classical composers back to life. Unpublished works by Sir Charles Villiers Stanford and Sir Hubert Parry will be heard for the first time thanks to our Department of Music.

Energy and Clean Growth

Shaping the future of energy

Our researchers are helping to address the world's energy challenges as we switch from fossil fuels to clean energy sources.

Process Industries and Surface Science

Developing a simple mesh to clean up oil spills
Our surface scientists have developed a coated mesh, which could be a faster and more eco-friendly way to clean up oil.

Heritage and Culture

Exploring the Forbidden City

A new collaboration with China's Palace Museum means that our archaeologists are the first UK university team to work inside the walls of the Forbidden City.



China

Hazard and Risk

Giving women a voice in disaster risk reduction

Women in Nepal are having a say in how to reduce the risk of disasters such as fires and landslides, thanks to Durham research.



Nepal

Cosmology and Astronomy

Increasing our knowledge of the universe

Our astrophysicists, cosmologists and space scientists are searching for answers to some of the biggest questions in physics today.



Universe

Enhance your employability

Inspiring you to achieve something truly outstanding.

When you study at Durham, you'll graduate with so much more than a degree. You'll have the chance to develop your skills, explore your career options, and ensure you've got the best possible start to your future.

How do we know? Our graduate success rates speak for themselves! Our graduates have found work in a range of roles in national and international companies, including finance, technology, media, health, government, social enterprises, and charities. Where will your degree take you?

Develop vital skills

When you're applying for future jobs, employers are looking not just for a degree, but for that little bit extra, something that proves you've got core skills and are ready to hit the ground running. We'll help you build on the key skills that will enable you to stand out in the jobs market. For example:

- Communication
- Teamwork
- Business skills
- Problem-solving
- Leadership
- Project management
- Time management
- Initiative
- Adaptability
- Innovation.

World TOP 100

in the *QS World University Rankings 2020* for graduate employability.

98%

of our 2016-17* UK undergraduates were in work and/or further study within six months of graduation. Our graduates continually demonstrate that, throughout their time at Durham University, they build the skills that are highly valued by a range of employers.

*DLHE 2016-17.

Our graduates work in a variety of organisations, which include IBM, the United Nations, Saatchi & Saatchi, Deloitte, the NHS, EDF Energy, the BBC, *The Times* and the Civil Service, to name but a few.



The best thing about my placement was the opportunity to delve into an industry that is very different from my degree.



Shoaib Ahmed
Geography



Our inspirational graduates

If you decide to join Durham University, you'll be in good company. Many of our graduates have gone on to achieve incredible things in law, science, academia, business, the arts, government, journalism, and athletics.

Get work experience with a Placement Year

Work experience will help to ensure that your CV is distinctive, showing employers that you've not only got a wide range of skills, but you can put them into practice.

A Placement Year is a great chance to spend time working in an organisation, developing real-world experience. You might even be offered a job at the end of it.

Our placement students are always in high demand and have worked in a range of top companies, including Procter & Gamble, Jaguar Land Rover, J.P. Morgan and GlaxoSmithKline.

We will assist you throughout the placement process, from finding the best placement opportunities and supporting you whilst out on placement to fitting back into University life when you return.

You might have heard of George Alagiah, Kate Silverton, Gabby Logan, Jeremy Vine, Nish Kumar, Charlotte Riley, Tim Rice, Andrew Strauss, Nasser Hussain, Jonathan Edwards, Sophie Hosking and Norman Foster. They're all former Durham students.

85%

of our students are involved in sport, music, theatre, volunteering or student enterprise.

86

music societies – 28 Music Durham, eight chapel choirs and 50 college societies.

3,000

active student volunteers.

Over

700

college sports teams across 18 sports.

Over

200

student societies to join.

£2.4m

investment in the new Assembly Rooms Theatre.

Extraordinary Student life

Live and learn with people from a diverse range of nationalities and backgrounds.



Extraordinary colleges

Durham's student experience in our colleges and beyond.

Our collegiate system makes Durham exceptional. Here, every student is a proud member of a college, and every college has its own character and traditions. Each is an inspiring and supportive community. Most freshers choose to live in their college because colleges are where Durham's outstanding student experience begins.

College life

Our colleges are full of friends who've got your back. You will feel at home from the moment you step through the door. Colleges are like extended families: safe, supportive, and inclusive.

It can be easy to feel overwhelmed in a large university. But in your college, you'll be surrounded by friendly faces and you'll have the chance to get to know all sorts of extraordinary people.

The college experience

In your college, you can take part in sport, music, theatre or volunteering. You can join clubs and societies, enjoy parties and dinners, and make friends for life. Your college will be your home from home, the centre of your life at Durham and a constant source of opportunities, challenges and the making of memories.

Every college provides:

- A character and spirit all of its own
- Sports, clubs, societies and associations
- Events and activities
- Dedicated student common rooms
- Dedicated staff and support close at hand if you need it
- Accommodation at the heart of the University, either catering or self-catering, or a combination of both.

Discover new ideas

A Durham education doesn't stop with your degree subject. There are opportunities across the University to engage with ideas and learn from others. For example, in your college you might discuss the most pressing global issues with inspiring visiting speakers; you might go along to a dissertation 'open mic' night where your fellow students share their



An inspiring place to live and learn

In your college you'll be surrounded by all sorts of different people, studying a wide range of subjects. So you'll meet people who share your interests, and others who'll inspire you to develop new ones.

Each college includes students at all stages, from newly arrived

undergrads, to graduates and professors. They're strong, supportive, multi-generational communities.

There are 17 colleges in total. Each offers the full range of facilities you'd expect to find at a university and more... That means 17 times as many opportunities to develop your team-working, leadership, problem-solving skills, and initiative. And 17 more chances to get involved in sports, societies, music, arts, associations, and committees.

No two colleges are the same - their architecture and settings are as distinct as their histories and traditions. One thing every college has in common, however, is its commitment to offering

support, challenge, participation, teamwork, and leadership opportunities.

Your college will also have its own Student Support Office, acting as a point of contact for any welfare and pastoral support you might need during your time here.

All that's left is to decide which college you prefer...



Undergraduate colleges	Catered	No. of students living in	Ensuite 1st year rooms*	Shared 1st year rooms*	Gowned formal dinners**	Chapel/multi-faith room	UCAS code***
Collingwood	FC	555	194	16	N	N	1
Grey	FC	466	87	19	Y	Y	G
Hatfield	FC	422	91	66	Y	Y	2
John Snow	SC	351	281	0	Y	N	7
Josephine Butler	SC	553	411	0	Y	Y	9
South College	SC	492	TBC	0	N	Y	K
St Aidan's	FC	397	43	51	N	Y	A
St Chad's	FC	279	54	45	Y	Y	3
St Cuthbert's	FC/SC	470	106	32	N	N	4
St Hild & St Bede	FC	459	0	0	N	Y	5
St John's	FC	233	15	18	Y	Y	J
St Mary's	FC	314	29	0	Y	Y	M
Stephenson	SC	433	155	0	N	N	8
Trevelyan	FC	320	0	20	Y	Y	T
University	FC/SC	538	132	30	Y	Y	U
Van Mildert	FC	524	22	0	N	N	V

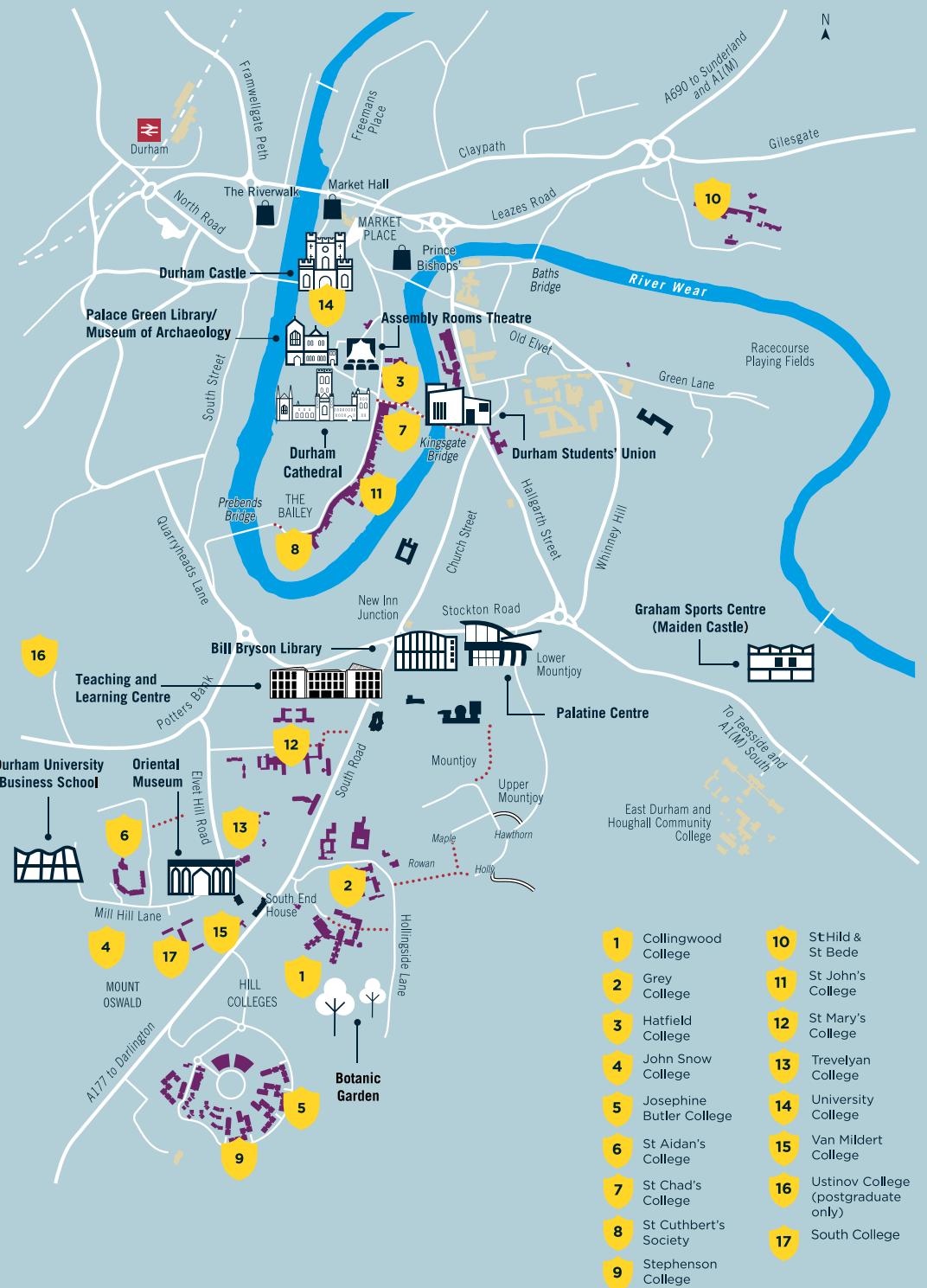
Please note:

* These figures are subject to annual change. A higher proportion of single, ensuite bedrooms are reserved for returning third- or fourth-year students who wish to live in college. Please contact your preferred college for details.

**All colleges have special dinner events throughout the year called 'Formals'. Some colleges practice the long-established tradition of wearing gowns at these events. Others are less formal and do not wear gowns to dine in.

***You do not have to specify a college preference on your UCAS form, if you prefer not to. Instead, you can make an 'open' application.

FC: Fully catered; SC: Self catered.



Wider student experience

Whatever you love doing, whatever you might like to try, you will find support and inspiration.

Sport

Find your place in the UK's largest university sports programme

Sport is at the core of Durham student life. A huge range of sporting opportunities is available. Whether you are looking to keep fit or be part of a team, you will have the chance to join in and give it a go.

From joining college teams to competing at University level and beyond, there is a place for you. Whether you are already experienced or a complete beginner, the University offers exceptional opportunities to get involved. You might even discover a sporting talent you never knew you had.

At Durham, we are committed to your wellbeing too. We offer students every chance to participate in a variety of wellness activities, ranging from fitness classes to outward-bound clubs, and from pilates to movement psychotherapy.

College sport

Our college sport programme is the largest in the UK. Every week and whatever your level, you will have the opportunity to compete in 18 sports across more than 700 different teams. This helps you to keep fit and healthy. It is also a great way to make new friends and have fun.

University sport

Durham has 57 University Sports Clubs, with a collective student membership of over 2,500. Most of our clubs compete in British University Sport competitions. We also have a growing National League programme. This allows many of our most talented students and clubs to compete at the highest level of sport in the UK.

If you're a high-performing athlete, our Athlete Support Programme will help you reach the next level. Support is available through strength and conditioning, performance analysis and injury rehabilitation. Sports psychology and a personal mentoring scheme will help you achieve your optimum performance and we currently support over 50 internationally capped athletes annually. All this while studying for one of the best academic degrees in the country. It really is the best of both worlds.



Playing sport

You can get involved in sport whether you are experienced or a complete beginner.



 Before joining my college rowing team I had never even seen an oar – I can't recommend it enough!

Katie Vause
Liberal Arts



Volunteering

Try something new and make a positive impact in your local community

We encourage our students to volunteer during their time at Durham. Through our student-led, volunteering and outreach programmes, you'll be able to take part in over 80 projects. These cover social inclusion, education, sport, the environment, and global citizenship.

As well as making new friends and enjoying new experiences, you will help to strengthen your local community. You will benefit from outstanding training opportunities and have the chance to earn nationally accredited qualifications.

Outreach

Each individual college also has its own outreach programmes. So you'll be able to get involved in a wide range of volunteering opportunities wherever you feel most comfortable.



Student volunteers

You will have the opportunity to support local, national and international charities.



Song and dance

Durham University Light Opera Group (DULOG) performs *Singing in the Rain*, at the Gala Theatre, Durham.

Theatre

Play a part in one of the largest and most successful student theatre scenes in the country

If you love theatre, Durham is simply outstanding. Here, students produce and perform an unparalleled range of eclectic and inspiring shows every year. You will be welcome whether you have a lot of experience or none at all.

You might like to tread the boards, but you might prefer to help backstage, produce or direct a show. You could even start your own theatre company. Durham Student Theatre (DST) will support you to do what you love doing or want to learn to do.

With 30 theatre companies and its own dedicated 175-seat theatre, DST is always keen to recruit new members with a passion for performance and produces more than 100 shows every year.

Durham Drama Festival

Showcasing the very best that DST has to offer, Durham Drama Festival is an entirely student-run, annual festival, celebrating new student writing and student-created shows.

National Student Drama Festival

Year after year, DST is one of the most successful student theatre scenes of any university at the festival. In fact, for five consecutive years, Durham students have had multiple shows selected for the National Student Drama Festival. This is unprecedented and we are incredibly proud of this achievement. You can be part of it.

Music

The perfect place to embrace your passion for music

Whether you want to compete on an international stage, play for fun, or simply listen and enjoy, we have got a group for you. From chapel choirs to bands, and chamber groups to orchestras, our thriving music scene embraces every style. Here you will find a capella groups and world music ensembles, chamber quartets and rock operas.

As well as local, national, and international performances, you'll also have the opportunity to take part in masterclasses and outreach work, or join Music Durham's student committee to learn new skills in leadership, event planning, and arts management.

Each college is home to a host of ensembles and performance opportunities, while the Students' Union runs music societies ranging from rock to folk music and jazz.

If music production is more your thing, there's even a DJ Society and a student-run record label, DH1 records.



I expected I'd get up to many things upon starting my studies here. A tenor in a Barbershop choir was not on that list.

Adam Smith
Theoretical Physics MSc





The Kingsgate

The Kingsgate Bar and Café, Durham Students' Union, is a popular meeting place.

Durham Students' Union

We're the champion of every Durham student. We care about the things that matter to you. We stand up for your rights. We bring you together. We're your Union.

Our members:

- Run and participate in over 250 student groups, doing everything from stand-up comedy to Quidditch
- Campaign, lobby and advocate for student issues and student rights
- Actively shape your education, by making sure the University hears students' voices.

Durham Students' Union also has a dedicated advice service offering free, confidential and impartial guidance, because life as a student isn't always straightforward.

We make the future better for students. We want to make sure that students have the power and opportunity to transform their time at Durham. Our job is to turn that vision into reality.

Student Fundraising

DUCK (Durham University Charities Kommittee)

DUCK is our very own version of what other students' unions call their 'Raise and Give' societies. Our job is to help students and staff fundraise hundreds of thousands of pounds for local, national and international charities. There's something for everyone, from events like the Santa Fun Run and the Cathedral Sleepout, to expeditions to Cambodia or Nepal, and not forgetting running the London Marathon. It's a great way to get involved and raise money for incredible causes!

Student Media

Palatinate

Published every fortnight and available online, the student-run newspaper *Palatinate* offers students from all degrees the chance to learn about journalism and try their hands at writing, researching, editing, print and web-publishing.

Purple Radio

Our student-run radio station offers plenty of opportunities to try presenting, production, journalism, technical marketing and more.

Durham Inspired

Durham University inspires the extraordinary.

Our outstanding wider student experience is the perfect partner for Durham's world-class degrees. We know the combination works because 85% of Durham students participate, compared with a national average of 55%.

Together, these core features of life at Durham University inspire our students to extraordinary achievements. They give our graduates the edge they need to succeed, that special character and commitment that makes them really stand out. And we go further. Our new Durham Inspired programme instils the skills and experience you need to make your way in the world, and it offers a formal qualification to prove it.

This optional, credit-based programme has three parts:

Think

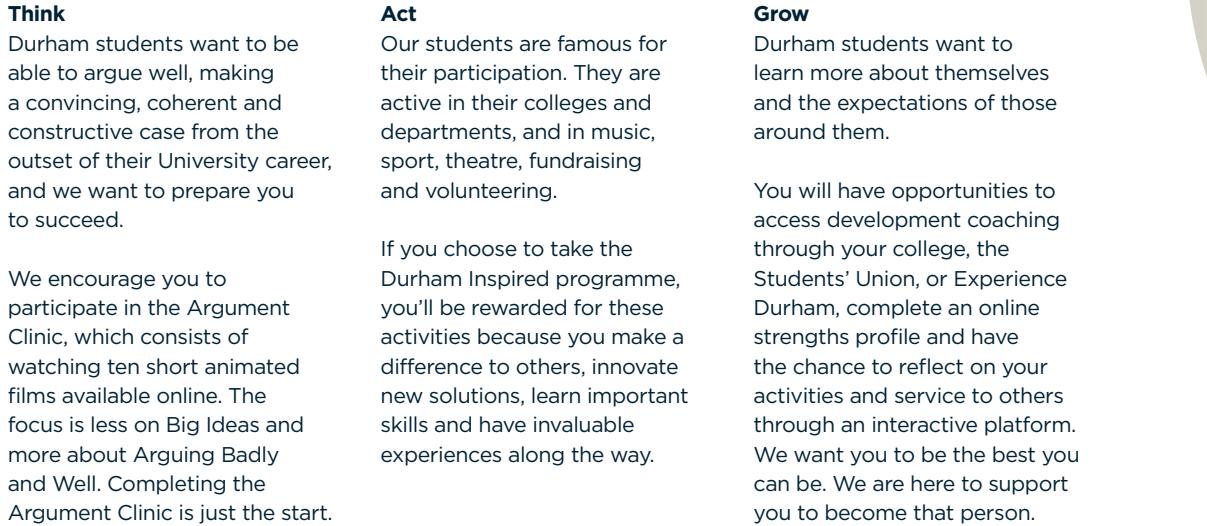
Durham students want to be able to argue well, making a convincing, coherent and constructive case from the outset of their University career, and we want to prepare you to succeed.

We encourage you to participate in the Argument Clinic, which consists of watching ten short animated films available online. The focus is less on Big Ideas and more about Arguing Badly and Well. Completing the Argument Clinic is just the start. You will be able to put what you have learned into action by participation in college lectures, society debates and co-curricular activities run by academic departments.

Act

Our students are famous for their participation. They are active in their colleges and departments, and in music, sport, theatre, fundraising and volunteering.

If you choose to take the Durham Inspired programme, you'll be rewarded for these activities because you make a difference to others, innovate new solutions, learn important skills and have invaluable experiences along the way.



Grow

Durham students want to learn more about themselves and the expectations of those around them.

You will have opportunities to access development coaching through your college, the Students' Union, or Experience Durham, complete an online strengths profile and have the chance to reflect on your activities and service to others through an interactive platform. We want you to be the best you can be. We are here to support you to become that person.

This is for you. Get involved.

We give our graduates the edge they need to succeed, that special character and commitment that makes them really stand out.



Student Leadership Framework

With over 3,500 formal student leadership roles, Durham provides outstanding opportunities for students to work together and lead their communities through our colleges, the Students' Union and Experience Durham.

Designed to support student leaders while at Durham and beyond, the framework provides access to a toolkit, a speaker series, workshops, personal and group mentoring, and immersive training programmes. You don't need to be in a formal student leadership position, many components are designed for those with an interest in leadership theory or who are considering a leadership role at Durham in the future.



Extraordinary Support

Enjoy a supportive environment, and help with everything from your wellbeing to your career.



Every member of staff I've come across has been so lovely and always willing to help!

Rebecca Cabrera
Modern Languages



Supporting your studies

We don't just provide academic support. We care about your personal wellbeing too.

At Durham, you'll have access to an extensive, helpful support network. Your first point of contact will be your College Student Support Officer, who can direct you to a range of professional services and experts to ensure you get the help, support, or advice you need.

Counselling

Throughout your time with us, you'll have access to our Counselling Service. Whatever you might be going through, our team of trained and experienced counsellors will be on hand to offer you support and their expertise.

Disability Support

Whether you've got a disability, a medical or mental health condition, or a specific learning difficulty, our specialist Disability Support Service will be on hand to offer advice and guidance. You'll receive a Disability Support Notification, outlining the support you'll need to ensure that you can fully engage with your studies and live at the University. It's important to let us know your requirements when you apply so we can make sure we've got the appropriate support in place before you start your course.

To find out more, contact +44 (0)191 334 8115 (voice and minicom), email disability.support@durham.ac.uk or see durham.ac.uk/dussd

Health and Wellbeing

A healthy lifestyle and overall sense of wellbeing will help ensure that your time here is the best it can be. Our Student Wellbeing and Community Engagement Office runs a proactive student wellbeing programme of activities, events and campaigns. The Office also oversees the University's Chaplaincy and Faith provision, and supports our Community Engagement agenda.



Supportive environment

Our Student Support services are located at the Palatine Centre.

Chaplaincy and Faith Provision

We're proud to be a multi-cultural, multi-faith community. We celebrate our differences and firmly believe they make us stronger. Our Network of University Chaplains is committed to welcoming and supporting students of all faiths, and those of none. We provide dedicated facilities for our main religious communities, including prayer rooms, events and societies, single-sex accommodation, and kosher and halal dining. If you have any special requirements related to your faith, please let us know.

Childcare

Balancing childcare and study can be challenging. Our day nursery provides high-quality childcare for children aged between 0 and 5. So you can rest assured that your little ones are being cared for in a safe, secure, and stimulating environment, while you focus on your studies.

Places are limited, so contact us as early as possible on +44 (0)191 334 8153 or see durham.ac.uk/university.nursery for more information.

Careers and Enterprise Centre

We will support you in pursuing your career or ambitions.

Whether you're a budding entrepreneur with a ground-breaking business idea, or you want to take the first step towards your dream career, we'll support you all the way.

Expert careers advice

It could be that you know exactly where you want to be when you finish University, or maybe you don't even know where to start. Either way, our careers advisors can help. From career planning, through to applying for internships, placements, and graduate jobs, we'll support you from day one. Wherever you've come from and wherever you want to go, we'll help you develop the necessary skills and experience to succeed.

Explore a world of opportunities

There are countless careers, roles, and employers out there, which can sometimes feel a little bit daunting. But help is at hand.

In the Information Room, you'll find a friendly, professional team ready and waiting to support you with your careers research. You'll also be able to explore a wide range of detailed career sector guides and there are help sheets on everything from preparing your CV and making job applications, right through to what to expect at assessment centres and interviews.

The majority of our resources are also available online, so you'll be able to access them wherever, and whenever, you need them.

Build your network

Employers around the world are always impressed by just how employable our graduates are.

We've got links with many leading graduate recruiters and you'll have access to thousands of work experience and graduate opportunities. Why not visit one of our career fairs or one of the hundreds of employer events we host each year? They are a great way to meet potential employers and graduate recruiters.

So make the most of our connections and give yourself a competitive advantage in the recruitment process.



Enhance your CV with work experience

The graduate job market is increasingly competitive. Whereas once a good degree from a world-class university would be enough to secure you a job, today that's not always enough. You need to ensure that your CV stands out.

For many graduate programmes, work experience is now crucial. Our Careers and Enterprise Centre will help you secure work experience, whether it's a summer internship, a placement year, or part-time work experience during term time.

As well as internship schemes for large graduate recruiters, we also create bespoke work experience programmes that meet the specific needs of individual students. Through 'Explore Work Experience' internships, students have gained experience in the public sector, third sector, arts, media, and heritage sectors, working with small and medium-sized businesses.



Turn a bright idea into a great new business

Today, more and more graduates are starting their own businesses. Whether you've got dreams of starting a freelance career, or you've got a great idea for a new product or service, our Careers and Enterprise team can offer support packages which will help you achieve your goals.

From one-to-one business advice, funding, and workshops, through to our network of established entrepreneurs and business support professionals, we'll ensure that you have every possible chance of success for your idea or business.

We also run the annual Blueprint Startup Challenge, where you'll have the chance to win up to £5,000!

Funding your studies

Empowering you to embrace every opportunity.

We are committed to making the university experience accessible to everyone.

The costs of being a student

Tuition fees

The UK/EU fee for 2020 is £9,250 per annum. Fees for 2021 are awaiting approval. For information on tuition fees for international students, see durham.ac.uk/courses

College costs

College charges vary depending on the accommodation you choose and the duration of the letting.

Loans

There are a number of maintenance options available to support your study.

- Tuition Fee Loans are available to eligible students. You won't need to start paying your loan back until you're earning over £25,000 per year. (Tuition Fee Loans may also be available to EU students for 2020 entry.)
- Maintenance Loans to cover your living costs are also available to UK students. Your eligibility and the amount you

will receive depends on whether you live in England, Scotland, Wales, or Northern Ireland

- If you've got a disability or dependents, you might be entitled to additional funding. Find out more at gov.uk/student-finance/extra-help

Durham University funding

We're committed to supporting students from lower-income backgrounds. A Durham Grant of £2,000 is available to eligible full-time students with a household income of less than £25,000 per annum (as assessed by Student Finance England or equivalent), who don't already have an undergraduate degree. Eligible full-time students with a household income of £25,000–£42,875 are eligible for support at tapered rates, reducing down from £2,000 by £1 for every £10 increase in household income.

Scholarships

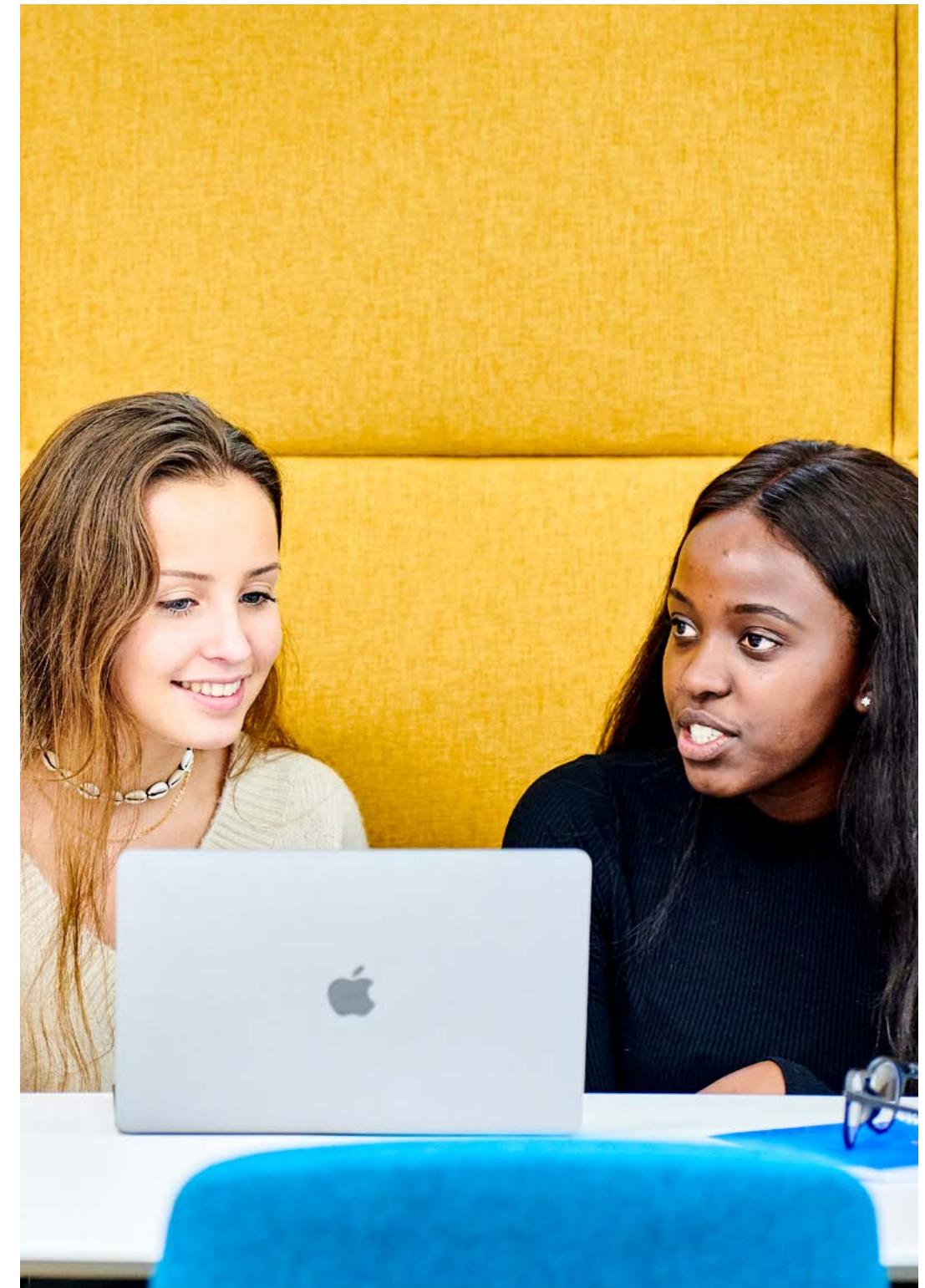
We also offer a number of scholarships to support our students, including:

- Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships for Sport, Music and the Arts
- The Robert Young Scholarship
- Durham Inspired North East Scholarships
- Weldon-le Huray Scholarship – Music, Sport, and Arts and Humanities.

The availability of these scholarships varies from year to year.

Financial support network

When you join a college, you'll become part of a supportive and caring community. So, if money worries are having an impact on your wellbeing or your studies, you'll always have someone to talk to. Your college's Student Support Officer will be your first point of contact if you have any concerns.



Managing your money

Before you head off to university, it's important that you have a good idea of the costs involved.

Generally speaking, the cost of living in Durham is cheaper than in some other cities, especially London. However, you still need to prepare a thorough budget.

Things to think about

If you want to stay on top of your money while you're at university, it's important to take into account all of the costs you'll incur. As well as tuition fees, there are lots of other expenses to think about. These will include:

Accommodation

Whether you choose to live in college, live at home or rent from a private landlord, you'll need to cover the cost of your accommodation as well as any bills and other fees.

College fees

College fees usually range from £5,385 to £8,385, depending on whether you choose catered or self-catered accommodation, a single or shared room, and whether you opt for an ensuite or shared bathroom facilities. All bills are included in your college fees.

Remember – if you're living in a self-catered college, you'll need to budget for the cost of your meals. As a rough guide, our current students spend around £50 a week on food.

Rented accommodation

Of course, not all students live in college. If you choose to live in rented accommodation instead, you'll need to factor in rent, utility bills and food costs.

Living at home

Even if you're living at home, you'll need to budget for transport to University and other expenses such as eating out, entertainment, books and stationery.

Living expenses

Once you've budgeted for your accommodation, it's time to work out how much you're likely to spend on living. On the next page you will find the key factors to think about – remember there are ways of cutting costs if you're savvy!



Saddler Street

With a wide range of shops, cafes and restaurants.

Top budgeting tips

Here is what you are likely to spend money on – and how to reduce those costs!

University isn't all about studying. You'll also have plenty of time for socialising and exploring the city with your new friends.

Entertainment

Here are some typical costs of activities in the city:

- Cinema tickets – approximately £5
- Durham Student Theatre – tickets for students approximately £5
- Meals out – students can dine for as little as £5–£10 with student discounts in local restaurants and bars.

Gym

Many of our colleges have their own gyms or you can enjoy our recently modernised Maiden Castle gym for £140 a year.

Travel

Durham is small so you can walk everywhere but if you use the train fairly regularly over the year, it's worth buying a 16–25 Railcard to save a third on rail fares when you're travelling home or visiting friends.

Clothing and toiletries

Remember to budget for clothes and toiletries, especially as the weather will change with the seasons!

Mobile

A mobile phone contract typically costs between £10 and £50 a month depending on what type of phone you opt for and how many minutes and texts you need.

Books and stationery

You'll need to factor in costs for books, printing and stationery.

Boosting your income

As well as loans, you can apply for one of the scholarships or bursaries offered by the University. Many of our students also rely on their parents' help financially. However, if you're looking for part-time work, there are lots of opportunities in Durham.

Across the University, there are opportunities for working in college bars and cafés, as events assistants and ambassadors, marketing or communications assistants (for example, bloggers, vloggers), library assistants and telephone callers. In Durham itself, there are also plenty of jobs in cafés, bars, restaurants and shops.



#1

Use your own cup and save 20p on coffee – it's better for the environment and your bank balance. Or, fill a flask and take your own.



#5

Check what books on your reading lists are available in the library before buying your own copies.



#3

Lots of the city's attractions are free for students – look out for special deals at Durham Castle, Cathedral, the Botanic Garden, and Oriental Museum.



#6

Avoid wasting food! Plan your meals before you do your shop to avoid overbuying and remember to take your own bag to save buying plastic bags at checkout.



#2

Save your mobile data by using the free WiFi that's available across campus and in the colleges.



#4

Make the most of student discounts! Always ask at the checkout when you are shopping whether they offer student discounts and look out for discounts online too.



Considering a part-time job?

Taking on a part-time job doesn't only allow you to earn extra money, it offers a whole host of other benefits:

- It's a great way of making new friends.
- It allows you to develop key employability skills, including teamwork, communication, punctuality and the ability

to handle stress in a real work environment.

- Stepping out of your comfort zone and working in your local community can really help to build confidence, develop your social skills and teach you how to adapt to new situations.
- Working as a student is an easy way of building networks

and collecting references, especially if your job will be relevant to your career.

- It demonstrates self-motivation, commitment and reliability, all of which will serve to make sure your graduate applications stand out from the crowd in an increasingly competitive market.

Pathways to Durham University

Join our open, inclusive community.

There's more than one route to university. Whatever your age, background, and qualifications, we'll be happy to support your application. We want to ensure that you have the opportunity to reach your full potential, as part of our open and inclusive community.

Contextual offers

Do you know if you're eligible for a contextual offer from Durham? It's definitely worth checking! If you meet our criteria, we'll consider making you an offer that is one or two grades lower than our standard entry requirements.

School. To apply, you'll need to be studying in Year 12 in England or Wales, Year 13 in Northern Ireland, or S5 in Scotland. You must also have attended a non-fee paying school or college in the UK.

Those who successfully complete the Sutton Trust Summer School, and perform to the required standard in the assessed project at the end of Year 12, will then receive a guaranteed, conditional offer for that particular course should they apply to Durham University during Year 13. Offer conditions usually stipulate the grades that must be achieved, including any subject-specific requirements.

Care leavers and care-experienced students

Whether you've just left care or you've experienced care at some point in the past, we'll provide dedicated support both before you join us, and during your studies. Get in touch with us to discuss the support available to you.

Sutton Trust Summer School

Our Sutton Trust Summer School gives students the opportunity to contribute to their entry to the University through an assessed Summer

Mature Students

Are you 21 or over? Worried you don't have the necessary qualifications to apply? Think again! We'll take your experience, skills, and other qualities into account, so there's no need to worry about a lack of formal qualifications. And, if

you don't get accepted for an undergraduate degree straight away, you can also consider a Foundation Programme.

Foundation Programme

We're committed to making our degrees accessible to everyone. Run by the Durham Centre for Academic Development, our Foundation Programme will allow you to study some of our undergraduate degree courses from Year 0, also known as foundation level.

Whether you're a mature student returning to education, or you missed out on higher education the first time round, or you're an EU learner and your qualifications don't meet our standard entry requirements, you might be eligible to apply for a place on one of our foundation courses.

International Study Centre

Based at our Queen's Campus in Stockton-on-Tees, our International Study



With Durham, the emphasis was on potential. Rather than seeing me as a finished product I was able to make mistakes, and learn in the process.

Emily Smith
English Literature

Apply

Are you ready to achieve something truly outstanding?

Durham University is a community of extraordinary people from a huge range of different backgrounds. We believe that diversity is strength and our differences only make us stronger. Our admissions processes actively support diversity and equality. We can't wait to meet you.



How do I apply?

You'll need to apply through UCAS's secure, web-based platform. Visit [ucas.com](https://www.ucas.com) to find out more and start your application.

What happens once I've submitted my application?

Once you've submitted your application, it will be assessed by one of our trained admissions team. They'll look at your achievements to date, as well as your potential, motivation, enthusiasm, and commitment to getting the most out of your studies.

They'll consider your academic profile, the subjects you're studying, and the grades you've achieved so far. But it's not all about grades. We'll also take into account who you are, what you're passionate about, and your goals. That includes any transferable skills you've gained from work experience and your interests outside of education.

How important is my personal statement?

Your personal statement tells us a little bit more about you, what you hope to gain from your degree and, ultimately, why we should choose you. So make sure you tell us why you want to study the course you've applied for and what makes you a good student for that subject. You should also focus on the skills you've learned from employment and work experience, and we'd love to hear about your hobbies, interests, and social activities.

What qualifications do I need for my degree?

We consider a wide range of qualifications from around the world. To find out more, see durham.ac.uk/courses

If you're not sure if your qualifications will be considered, simply complete our enquiry form at durham.ac.uk/study/askus and we'll get back to you.

If your first language isn't English, you'll need to meet a certain level of English language.

We're always looking for enthusiastic students with relevant experience. So we'll be happy to consider your application if you don't meet the standard qualifications but you can demonstrate the motivation and ability to work at degree level. Make sure you use your personal statement

to tell us as much as possible about yourself! We also offer a number of programmes for UK/EU students at foundation level.

The entry requirements listed in this prospectus are correct at the time of publication but they do occasionally change. So make sure you check the UCAS Course Search online or our website for up-to-date information before you apply.

Will I need to come for an interview?

For most of our degrees, you won't need to attend an interview. However, there are some exceptions. If you apply for the BA (Hons) Primary Education, you'll be asked to attend an interview before being made an offer. You'll also need to attend an assessment and interview event if you apply for a foundation year.

How will I know if my application is successful?

You'll be able to track the progress of your application and see our decision on UCAS Track. If we make you an offer, we'll also write to you with further information and let you know which college you've been allocated to.

We usually start allocating colleges in February. Once the process is complete, your college will write to you. In your first year, you'll be guaranteed a room in your college.

Further information

To find out more about Durham University and our admissions process, see durham.ac.uk

Extraordinary Courses

Find out more about the subjects you are interested in.

Our new Teaching and Learning Centre has state-of-the-art lecture theatres, teaching rooms, an education laboratory, learning zones and café.

200
undergraduate courses across 27 departments.

92%
of our students achieve a 2.1 or above.
HESA 2017/18.

90%
of our subjects are ranked in the UK Top 10 in *The Complete University Guide 2020*.



Anthropology and Health

Have you ever really thought about what it means to be human? If you have and you want to learn more, then anthropology could be for you.

Rankings

Joint 1st

in the UK for internationally excellent and world-leading research impact (REF 2014).

Top 50

in the QS World University Subject Rankings 2019.

Top 10

in The Complete University Guide 2020.



Anthropology is the study of all aspects of humanity, from our evolutionary origins to our extraordinary social and cultural diversity. At Durham, we pride ourselves on the breadth of our research, learning and teaching, encompassing all aspects of anthropology, and influencing the wider world through research that has global significance.

Expanding your world

Studying anthropology will expand your world: not only in the academic topics that you study – from the Stone Age to the Digital Age – but also in the skills you acquire and your personal development. Our degrees combine the skills and approaches from the arts, humanities, and the social and natural sciences. You will not only learn many quantitative and qualitative research methods that will stand you in good stead for the rest of your life (and make you very attractive to employers), you will also learn how to think about these research methods critically and how to apply them on our hugely popular residential field schools and in your own final-year original research project.

Our three-year Single Honours degrees (BA Anthropology, BSc Anthropology and BSc Health and Human Sciences) cover the full breadth of the discipline, while allowing you to specialise in social, biological or medical/health anthropology. We also offer Joint Honours degrees that allow anthropology to be combined with archaeology or sociology, and we are planning to introduce a new degree in Psychology and Anthropology in 2021.

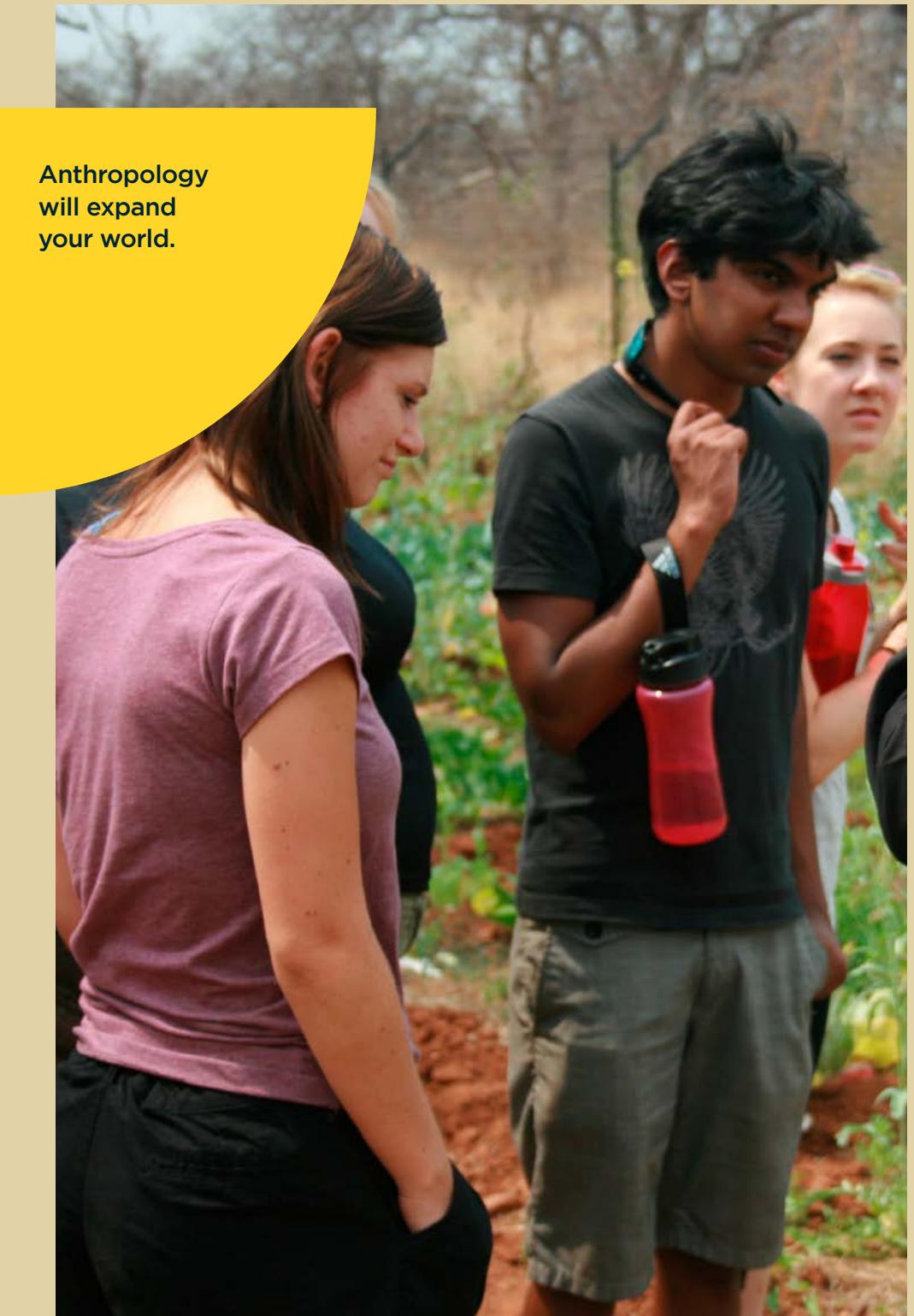
Employment

Our graduates progress into a diverse range of careers and sectors, including research and development, advertising, management consultancy education, and the civil and diplomatic services.

Examples of high-profile employers include:



Penguin
Random House
UK



Course information

Anthropology BA (Hons)

Develop a complex understanding of social and biological anthropology.

In the first year, you will receive a thorough grounding in the theory and practice of anthropology in the broadest sense, addressing the core disciplines of social, evolutionary and health anthropology.

From the second year onwards, you will begin to specialise in social anthropology through core modules in Kinship and Religion, and Political and Economic Anthropology, while still being able to maintain a broader, more integrative approach if you wish. In the third year, you will choose from a wide range of specialist modules led by academic researchers working at the cutting edge of the discipline. You will also undertake a dissertation on a topic of your choice within social anthropology.

Typical course content

- People and Cultures
- Anthropological Theories and Methods
- Health, Illness and Society
- Political and Economic Anthropology
- Kinship and Religion
- Field Course
- Violence and Memory
- Capitalism in Ruins
- Anthropological Skills for Climate Change and Survival
- Dissertation.

Teaching

You will learn through formal teaching sessions, such as lectures and smaller-group teaching in seminars and practical classes. In Year 2, you will have the opportunity to take part in our Field Course module, which includes a two-week stay at one of the Anthropology Department's residential field sites. Potential locations include South Africa, Sri Lanka, Greece and the Hebrides. In Year 3, you will undertake a dissertation on a social anthropological topic of your choice. You will have dedicated one-to-one supervision from a member of staff to guide you through the process of creating and writing up your research project into a dissertation.

Assessment

Assessment varies by module, but may include written examinations, coursework in the form of essays or research projects, and presentations.

Course fact file

UCAS codes

L602 BA (Hons)
L608 (with Foundation)

Course length 3 years

Typical entry requirements

A level offer - AAB

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma/OCR Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma - DDD

IB Diploma score - 36

With 665 in higher level subjects.

Our offers are dependent on context – see durham.ac.uk/contextualoffers

Additional opportunities



Study abroad



Placement year

"Anthropology allowed me to pursue my interest in biological and social anthropology, without having to choose one over the other."

Evie Tabor

Anthropology graduate.

Course information

Anthropology BSc (Hons)

Discover human origins and diversity.

In the first year, you will receive a thorough grounding in the theory and practice of anthropology in the broadest sense, addressing the core disciplines of evolutionary, social and health anthropology.

From the second year onwards, you begin to specialise increasingly in evolutionary anthropology through core modules in Evolution, Variation and Adaptation, and Our Place in Nature, while still being able to maintain a broader, more integrative approach if you wish. In the third year, you will choose from a wide range of specialist modules led by academic researchers working at the cutting edge of the discipline. You will also undertake a dissertation on a topic of your choice within evolutionary anthropology.

Typical course content

- Human Evolution and Diversity
- Sex, Reproduction and Love
- Health, Illness and Society
- Field Course
- Our Place in Nature
- Forensic Anthropology
- Evolution of Co-operation
- Primates in Peril
- Dissertation.

Teaching

You will learn through formal teaching sessions, such as lectures and smaller-group teaching in seminars and practical classes. In Year 2, you will have the opportunity to take part in our Field Course module, which includes a two-week stay at one of the Anthropology Department's residential field sites. Potential locations include South Africa, Sri Lanka, Greece and the Hebrides. In Year 3, you will undertake a dissertation on an evolutionary anthropological topic of your choice. You will have dedicated one-to-one supervision from a member of staff to guide you through the process of creating and writing up your research project into a dissertation.

Assessment

Assessment varies by module, but may include written examinations, coursework in the form of essays or research projects, and presentations.

Course fact file

UCAS codes

L601 BSc (Hons)
L603 (with Foundation)

Course length 3 years

Typical entry requirements

A level offer - AAB

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma/OCR Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma - DDD

IB Diploma score - 36

With 665 in higher level subjects.

Our offers are dependent on context – see durham.ac.uk/contextualoffers

Additional opportunities



Study abroad



Placement year



"I travelled to rural northern South Africa. It was a collection of brilliant experiences."

Guy Forsyth

Anthropology graduate.

Course information

Anthropology and Archaeology BA (Hons)

Gain an understanding of humanity both past and present.

There are several areas of overlap between anthropology and archaeology, making them particularly suitable for combination in a Joint Honours degree. The BA Anthropology and Archaeology course combines modules from the BA/BSc Anthropology degrees and the BA Archaeology degree, providing a comprehensive understanding of humanity both past and present.

Crucially, we also have a 'link' course, taught by staff who have been trained in both disciplines, which compares and contrasts anthropology and archaeology.

Typical course content

- People and Cultures
- Human Evolution and Diversity
- Archaeology in Action
- Discovering World Prehistory
- Debating Anthropology and Archaeology
- Dissertation.

Teaching

You will learn through formal teaching sessions, such as lectures and smaller-group teaching in seminars and practical classes, as well as fieldwork and excavation opportunities.

The Anthropology Department and the Archaeology Department have a large range of resources, to supplement your learning.

Assessment

Assessment varies by module, but may include written examinations, coursework in the form of essays or research projects, and presentations.

Course fact file

UCAS code LF64
Course length 3 years

Typical entry requirements

A level offer – AAB

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma/OCR Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma – DDD

IB Diploma score – 36
With 665 in higher level subjects.

Our offers are dependent on context – see durham.ac.uk/contextualoffers

Additional opportunities



Study abroad



Placement year

Course information

Anthropology and Sociology BA (Hons)

Develop an understanding of humans as social and cultural beings.

With their common emphasis on understanding human beings and societies, anthropology and sociology are naturally complementary fields of study.

Based around a central core of theory and methods, the BA is highly flexible, allowing you to pick subjects across both disciplines. While many students study both subjects with equal emphasis, there is the opportunity to focus more on one or the other in view of your specific interests. The course emphasises the application of theory and concepts to real-world cases. You will carry out a supervised research project and you can choose to take a placement with a local community organisation and make use of your knowledge in an applied setting.

Typical course content

- Anthropological and Sociological Theory
- Research Design and Practice
- Substantive Issues in Sociology such as: Education and Social Inequalities; Health and Healthcare; Violence and Abuse; etc.
- Substantive Issues in Anthropology such as: Kinship and Religion; Human Evolution and Diversity; Sex, Reproduction and Love; etc.
- A Research Dissertation of Your Own Design.

Teaching

You will learn through formal teaching sessions, such as lectures, seminars and practical workshops. You will have the opportunity to study through applied research, as part of the Field Course module, or as part of the Research Methods in Action module. In Year 3, you will undertake a dissertation with dedicated one-to-one staff supervision to guide you through the process of creating and writing up a research project.

Assessment

Assessment varies between different modules. Some modules are assessed via exam but the degree emphasises coursework in the form of essays, research reports, reflections, academic posters and so on.

Course fact file

UCAS code LL36
Course length 3 years

Typical entry requirements

A level offer – AAB

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma/OCR Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma – DDD

IB Diploma score – 36
With 665 in higher level subjects.

Our offers are dependent on context – see durham.ac.uk/contextualoffers

Additional opportunities



Study abroad



Placement year

Course information

Health and Human Sciences BSc (Hons)

Explore the intersections between culture, biology, society and health.

In the first year, you will receive a thorough grounding in the theory and practice of anthropology in the broadest sense, addressing the core disciplines of medical/health, social and evolutionary anthropology.

From the second year onwards, you begin to specialise increasingly in the anthropology of health through core modules in Global Health and Disease, and Sex, Reproduction and Love, while still being able to maintain a broader, more integrative approach if you wish.

In the third year, you will choose from a wide range of specialist modules led by academic researchers working at the cutting edge of the discipline. You will also undertake a dissertation on a topic of your choice within the anthropology of health.

Typical course content

- Health, Illness and Society
- Peoples and Cultures
- Field Course
- Sex, Reproduction and Love
- Global Health and Disease
- Anthropology of Poison, Pollution and the Chemical Anthropocene
- Anthropology of Care
- Anthropology of Physical Activity
- Dissertation.

Teaching

You will learn through lectures and smaller-group teaching in seminars and practical classes. In Year 2, you will have the opportunity to take part in our residential fieldwork module, and will learn how to put interdisciplinary approaches into practice. Potential locations include Sri Lanka, Greece, South Africa and the Hebrides. In Year 3, you will undertake a dissertation on a topic of your choice within the anthropology of health.

Assessment

Assessment varies by module, but may include written examinations, coursework in the form of essays or research projects, and presentations.

Course fact file

UCAS codes

B991 BSc (Hons)
L691 (with Foundation)
Course length 3 years

Typical entry requirements

A level offer - AAB

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma/OCR Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma - DDD

IB Diploma score - 36

With 665 in higher level subjects.

Our offers are dependent on context – see

durham.ac.uk/contextualoffers

Additional opportunities



Study abroad



Placement year



“... this breadth of degree allowed me the space to explore and figure out what I was really interested in.”

Guy Forsyth

Combined Honours

Design your own degree with our flexible courses.

Rankings

90%

of courses are in the UK Top 10 in *The Complete University Guide 2020*.

Top 40

globally for employer reputation in the *QS World University Rankings 2020*.

Top 100

in the *QS World University Rankings 2020*.

Studying a Combined Honours degree at Durham can provide considerable flexibility and choice across Durham University's breadth of world-renowned, research-led education. It allows you to create an academically ambitious degree, suited to your individual interests, strengths and career plans. We offer Combined Honours degrees across the arts and humanities, social sciences and sciences, with our Liberal Arts, Combined Honours in Social Sciences and Natural Sciences courses. These courses provide a flexible, multidisciplinary framework, and include the opportunity to undertake a year abroad or a placement year, preparing you for your career ambitions.

Liberal Arts

Liberal Arts is a flexible, multidisciplinary degree for those who want to specialise in two or more principal subjects. It offers you the opportunity to construct a distinctive programme of study shaped by your particular interests and aspirations, and enables you to make creative connections between your subjects. On the Liberal Arts course, you can take modules in almost any subject in the arts, humanities and social sciences.

Combined Honours in Social Sciences

Our Combined Honours in Social Sciences degree enables you to choose modules from two, three or even four subjects across the social sciences, arts and humanities, enabling you to develop your expertise or to explore new interests.

Natural Sciences

This is a long-standing, challenging and rewarding degree course for science students who wish to study more than one subject. We offer the option of 20 BSc and 6 MSci Joint Honours degrees provided by 12 departments. This gives you the opportunity to design your own BSc or MSci degree, majoring in at least one science, with a wide choice of subjects in science, social sciences and philosophy.

Our Combined Honours graduates have gone on to work for organisations such as:



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Follow your own path
with these highly
adaptable degrees.



Course information

Combined Honours in Social Sciences BA (Hons)

Follow your individual interests with our flexible course.

As a Combined Social Sciences student, you will focus on subjects in the social sciences, but you can take up to half of your modules in subjects in the arts and humanities if you wish (subject to eligibility and timetable compatibility).

Flexible study options

In the social sciences, the subjects currently available to you are:

- Anthropology • Archaeology • Business • Economics
- Education • Geography • International Relations • Politics
- Sociology and Criminology • Sport.

In the arts and humanities, the subjects currently available to you are:

- Classics and Ancient History • English Literature • History
- Music • Philosophy • Theology and Religious Studies
- Visual Arts • Arabic • Chinese • French • German
- Italian • Japanese • Russian • Spanish.

Teaching

You design your own course, so depending on your choices, you will learn through a combination of lectures, seminars, tutorials, practical classes, fieldwork, excavation, informal but scheduled one-to-one support and self-directed learning, such as research, reading and writing. All of these are supported by our virtual learning environment, Durham University Online (duo).

Assessment

Assessment methods vary and depend on your module and subject choices, but typically include examinations, essays, presentations and research projects.

Course fact file

UCAS codes

LMVO BA (Hons)
LVOO (with Foundation)
Course length 3 years

Typical entry requirements

A level offer – A*AA

To study Economics, an A level in Mathematics is required.
To study English Literature, History or Music, an A level (or equivalent) is required in the subject.
To study Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Italian, Russian or Spanish at an advanced level, an A level (or equivalent) in the language is required.
To study Arabic, German, Italian, Russian or Spanish ab initio, an A level (or equivalent) in any modern foreign language is required.
To study Chinese or Japanese ab initio, an A level (or equivalent) in a modern foreign language is desirable but not essential.

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma/OCR Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma – D*DD

And subject-specific A levels (or equivalent) as above.

IB Diploma score – 38

With 666 in higher level subjects.
There are also higher level subject requirements.

Our offers are dependent on context – see
durham.ac.uk/contextualoffers

Additional opportunities



Study abroad



Placement year

Course information

Liberal Arts BA (Hons)

Follow your intellectual interests, wherever these might take you.

As a Liberal Arts student, you will focus on subjects in the arts and humanities, but you can take up to half of your modules in subjects in the social sciences (subject to eligibility and timetable compatibility).

Flexible study options

In the arts and humanities, the subjects currently available to you are:

- Classics and Ancient History • English Literature • History
- Music • Philosophy • Theology and Religious Studies
- Visual Arts • Arabic • Chinese • French • German • Italian
- Japanese • Russian • Spanish.

In the social sciences, the subjects currently available to you are:

- Anthropology • Archaeology • Business • Economics
- Education • Geography • International Relations • Politics
- Sociology and Criminology.

Teaching

The ways in which you will learn will be determined by your choice of subjects and modules, but might typically include a combination of lectures, seminars, practicals, tutorials, research supervision and self-directed study.

Assessment

Your choice of subjects and modules will determine the ways in which your work is assessed, but the assessment methods are likely to include essays, examinations, seminar presentations and a major research project.

Course fact file

UCAS codes

LA01 BA (Hons)
LA00 (with Foundation)
Course length 3 years

Typical entry requirements

A level offer – A*AA

To study English Literature, History or Music, an A level (or equivalent) is required in the subject.

To study Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Italian, Russian or Spanish at an advanced level, an A level (or equivalent) in the language is required.
To study Arabic, German, Italian, Russian or Spanish ab initio, an A level (or equivalent) in a modern foreign language is required.

To study Chinese or Japanese ab initio, an A level (or equivalent) in a modern foreign language is desirable but not essential.

To study Economics, an A level (or equivalent) in Mathematics is required.

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma/OCR Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma – D*DD

And subject-specific A levels (or equivalent) as above.

IB Diploma score – 38

With 666 in higher level subjects.
There are also higher level subject requirements.

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Additional opportunities



Study abroad



Placement year

Course information

Natural Sciences BSc (Hons)

Take a flexible degree and choose your own subject combinations.

The key characteristics of the Natural Sciences degrees at Durham are choice, flexibility and depth. The Natural Sciences course has a wide choice of subjects not limited to the natural sciences, and within most subjects there is a choice of which pathway to follow. This is a very flexible degree, and you can even delay choosing your subjects until you get to Durham.

As part of the BSc Natural Sciences, you may follow one of the following patterns of study:

- The BSc Joint Honours degrees are available in the following approved combinations: **Biology** and one of Anthropology, Chemistry, Geography, Earth Sciences, Mathematics, Physics, or Psychology. **Chemistry** and one of Biology, Earth Sciences, Mathematics, or Physics. **Computer Science** and one of Business, Mathematics, or Physics. **Earth Sciences** and one of Biology, Chemistry, or Geography. **Mathematics** and one of Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Economics, Philosophy, Physics, or Psychology. **Physics** and one of Biology, Chemistry, Computer Science, Mathematics, or Philosophy. **Psychology** and one of Anthropology, Biology, Economics, or Mathematics.
- The BSc Honours Natural Sciences degrees, which offer more flexibility than the Joint Honours degrees, involve students combining 'unapproved' pairs of subjects, three subjects or beginning a new subject in the second year.

Teaching

You will learn through a combination of lectures, seminars, workshops, informal but scheduled one-to-one support and self-directed learning, such as research, reading and writing. All of these are supported by our virtual learning environment, Durham University Online (duo).

Assessment

All subjects are assessed by examinations, but there may be some element of continuous assessment in modules where there is a practical element. In your final year, you will be required to study modules where the content is student driven and involves independent thought and personal management of the work's direction.

Course fact file

UCAS code CFGO
Course length 3 years

Typical entry requirements

A level offer – A*AA

Including at least one Science (Biology, Human Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics or Physics). You will need specific A level subjects to study:

- Biology: Biology or Chemistry
- Chemistry: Chemistry and Mathematics
- Computer Science: Mathematics
- Economics: Mathematics
- Mathematics: either Maths and Further Maths at A level; or A* in Maths plus A in AS Further Maths for students unable to take A2 Further Maths
- Physics: Maths and Physics
- Psychology: grade B or 5 in GCSE Mathematics or equivalent.

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma/OCR Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma – D*DD

And subject-specific A levels (or equivalent) as above.

IB Diploma score – 38

With 766 or 666 in higher level subjects. There are also higher level subject requirements as above.

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Additional opportunities



Study abroad



Placement year

Accreditation

Certain subject pathways through the Natural Sciences degree are accredited by the relevant subject professional body.

Course information

Natural Sciences MSci (Hons)

Take a flexible degree and choose your own subject combinations.

The key characteristics of the Natural Sciences degrees at Durham are choice, flexibility and depth. The Natural Sciences MSci programme has a wide choice of subjects not limited to the natural sciences, and within most subjects there is a choice of which pathway to follow. This is a very flexible degree, and you can even delay choosing your subjects until you get to Durham.

As part of the MSci Natural Sciences, you may follow one of the following patterns of study:

- The MSci Joint Honours degrees are available in the following approved combinations: Biology and Chemistry; Biology and Physics; Chemistry and Mathematics; Chemistry and Physics; Computer Science and Mathematics; and Mathematics and Physics. This involves following a defined pathway.
- The MSci Natural Sciences offers more flexibility than the Joint Honours degrees. You may combine subjects, study three subjects, or even start a new subject in the second year. In your fourth year, the following subjects may be combined or studied alone: Chemistry, Computer Science, Earth Sciences, Mathematics and Physics.

Teaching

You will learn through a combination of lectures, seminars, workshops, informal but scheduled one-to-one support and self-directed learning, such as research, reading and writing. All of these are supported by our virtual learning environment, Durham University Online (duo).

Assessment

All subjects are assessed by examinations, but there may be some element of continuous assessment in modules where there is a practical element. In your final year, you will be required to complete a project where the content is student driven and involves independent thought and personal management of the work's direction.

Course fact file

UCAS code FGCO
Course length 4 years

Typical entry requirements

A level offer – A*AA

Including at least one Science (Biology, Human Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics or Physics). You will need specific A level subjects to study:

- Biology: Biology or Chemistry
- Chemistry: Chemistry and Mathematics
- Computer Science: Mathematics
- Economics: Mathematics
- Mathematics: either Maths and Further Maths at A level; or A* in Maths plus A in AS Further Maths for students unable to take A2 Further Maths
- Physics: Maths and Physics
- Psychology: grade B or 5 in GCSE Mathematics or equivalent.

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma/OCR Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma – D*DD

And subject-specific A levels (or equivalent) as above.

IB Diploma score – 38

With 766 or 666 in higher level subjects. There are also higher level subject requirements as above.

Our offers are dependent on context – see durham.ac.uk/contextualoffers

Additional opportunities



Study abroad



Placement year

Accreditation

Certain subject pathways through the Natural Sciences degree are accredited by the relevant subject professional body.

Student Pledge

Be part of our inclusive, diverse community.

Durham University asks all its student members for their personal commitment to a set of values that underpin life and study here. The commitment is set out in the Student Pledge. The Pledge is not part of the University's formal rules, but we see it as vital to supporting a climate of fairness, cooperation and respectful behaviour, within the University, colleges and wider community.

My pledge to myself

I undertake to:

- Hold myself to the highest possible standards
- Conduct myself with integrity and dignity in all matters
- Demonstrate high standards of personal conduct in my interactions with the University and the wider Durham community.

My pledge to others

I undertake to:

- Respect diversity and the promotion of equal opportunity for all
- Treat other students, staff and members of the wider community with respect and tolerance, irrespective of their race, colour, religion, sex, age, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, nationality or disability
- Promote a culture in which incidents of sexual violence and misconduct are not tolerated
- Be a good and considerate neighbour while living in College or within the wider Durham community.

My pledge to my educational experience

I undertake to:

- Engage with my academic studies to the very best of my abilities both as an independent learner and as part of the community of practice within my academic department(s)
- Conduct myself with honesty and integrity in pursuit of my education, respecting the University's rules on plagiarism, research misconduct, and the use of the IT and Library facilities
- Respect freedom of expression.



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