

Fact Sheet Academic Year 2024/25

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The University:

History:

London Metropolitan University has a rich history with strong educational roots dating back to 1848.

The University as it is today was created in 2002 with the merging of London Guildhall University and the University of North London, the first merger between two universities in the UK. Its roots, however, lie firmly in the nineteenth century with the establishment of the Metropolitan Evening Classes for Young Men in 1848.

In 1848 the then Bishop of London called upon the clergy to set up evening classes to improve the “moral, intellectual and spiritual condition of young men in the metropolis”. The Metropolitan Evening Classes for Young Men was thus born and later became the City of London College and then the City of London Polytechnic. In 1992, it was awarded university status and adopted the name London Guildhall University.

2002 London Guildhall University merges with the University of North London on 1 August to form London Metropolitan University. This is the first merger between two universities in the UK.

2003 A ceremony is held at Mansion House in the City of London, attended by the Patron, to launch the University. The Duke of Edinburgh, the then Patron, is awarded London Metropolitan University’s first degree.

2004 Two new buildings opened: the Graduate School, designed by Daniel Libeskind, and the Goulston Street building, designed for the teaching of law courses. Work begins on the science block.

2006 New Science Centre opens containing the largest and most advanced science teaching facility in Europe. It includes a Super Lab with 280 individual workstations and an international quality basketball court made from recycled aircraft tyres.

2008 London Met becomes a London 2012 Pre-Games training facility. His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama is awarded an Honorary Doctorate in Philosophy.

Key statistics and facts:	<p>We had a total of 12,525 UK-based higher education students in 2020-21, of which:</p> <p>87% were studying full-time / 13% were studying part-time 143 distinct nationalities were represented 82% were undergraduate / 18% were postgraduate</p> <p>We have a pair of nesting peregrine falcons on our roof who hatch chicks every year and we have a webcam set up to keep an eye on them (when it doesn't get covered in feathers!) We also have a duck who visits every year to have her babies in our duckpond (complete with duck houses!) and we have two beehives on our roof (away from the falcons).</p>
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Programme details:

Semester dates:	<p>Autumn semester: 16 September 2024 - 31 January 2025 (can leave by Christmas if no exams are scheduled for the chosen classes)</p> <p>Spring semester: 27 January 2025 – 30 May 2025</p>
Link to academic calendar:	http://www.londonmet.ac.uk/applying/academic-term-dates/
Application deadlines:	<p>Autumn semester: 15 August Spring semester: 15 November</p>
Orientation programme:	<p>Welcome week takes place in the week before teaching begins.</p> <p>All study abroad students from around the world are gathered for an induction that covers everything they will need to know about the university, how the classes work, how to submit work, academic guidelines, where to eat, health and safety, student activities, life and transport in London and so on. We have guest speakers from the Business School and from the Library Service as well as an external company that offers day and weekend trips around the UK. We send the students to a sport and gym induction and also send them on a half day tour of London with a boat trip on the Thames included. There are also activities put on by the Student Union such as karaoke, film and pizza night and quizzes.</p>
Application process:	<p>Students are nominated to the study abroad team. London Met will then email the students with the application instructions. It will involve completing a form with personal details and module selection and including a copy of the details page of passport, transcript of results, Bachelor certificate if applying for Masters level modules, and proof of English language ability. We do not expect students to pay for expensive tests like IELTS and will accept tests like DAAD, Cambridge, Institutional TOEFL or a letter from the university testifying that their level is comparable to IELTS 6.0. https://www.londonmet.ac.uk/international/study-abroad/incoming-students/study-abroad-programme/</p>
Language of instruction:	English
Recommended language skills:	IELTS 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component / B2 level
Credit and grading system:	<p>Transcripts are issued showing the percentages attained in each module and whether the module has been passed or failed. The undergraduate pass mark is 40% and the postgraduate pass mark is 50%. Both London Met and ECTS credits are shown. Undergraduate, one semester modules are worth 15 London Met credits (7.5 ECTS) and postgraduate modules, which are all one semester long, are normally worth 20 London Met credits (10 ECTS).</p>

Academic regulations:	<p>Students are bound by the same academic regulations as full degree students which can be seen on our Student Zone web pages. There are some exceptions to the regulations for study abroad students. If students can prove they cannot attend January examinations due to an internship or an early start to their home semester then they can either take the invigilated exam at home, at the same time it takes place in London (for no charge), or they can request an alternative assessment which must be agreed to by the relevant authorities in the School. These options must be considered and agreed to before the start of the semester. Otherwise, modules with no exam component should be chosen.</p>
Schools:	<p>We have six schools at the university, the art school is based in Aldgate and all other schools are based at Holloway campus:</p> <p>The School of Art, Architecture and Design Guildhall School of Business and Law School of Computing and Digital Media School of Human Sciences School of Social Sciences and Professions School of the Built Environment</p>
Facilities:	<p>Accelerator – a business incubator Bloomberg Room Radio station Television production studio Journalism newsroom Magazine Music production studios Mock courtroom Interpreting suite One of the largest science labs in Europe Two libraries Gym and sports hall (free to students) Access to swimming, horse-riding, golf and wall-climbing Cafeterias and coffee shops Student bar</p>
Programme of study	<p>Undergraduate students take 4 modules per semester for a set tuition fee which would give them 30 ECTS if all are passed. The first and second year classes tend to be three hours long and the third year classes are normally two hours long. Most modules are divided into a large lecture for an hour/90 minutes plus smaller seminar groups for the remainder of the time. The smaller groups are where presentations are held or group work done.</p> <p>Postgraduate students are free to choose whether they take one, two or three modules and they pay per module, the prices differ slightly depending on the school/course. Each postgraduate module is normally worth 10 ECTS.</p> <p>At both undergraduate and postgraduate level, modules can be chosen from different courses, depending on the requirements of the home course of study, as long as the student has the background knowledge.</p> <p>There are some modules that are off limits:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Most art and design courses will only allow art students that have submitted a portfolio • Some Social Work and Early Years Teaching modules require a police vetting check and so do not accept study abroad students • Undergraduates cannot take postgraduate modules • Students coming for a semester cannot take year-long modules • Some Theatre modules are off limits and some may require an audition <p>The modules that can be taken by study abroad students are listed on the study abroad website.</p>

Accommodation:	<p>https://www.londonmet.ac.uk/international/study-abroad/incoming-students/accommodation/</p> <p>We hope to have an allocation of rooms in a student hall of residence, not far from the campus.</p>
Tuition fees:	<p>Our undergraduate study abroad tuition fee for one semester is £7,176 for the 24/25 academic year.</p> <p>Postgraduate tuition fees are charged per module taken and the cost can be seen on the course page from which the module is taken, under part-time international in the fees box. Each module usually costs around £2,020.</p>
Internships:	<p>Internships are now offered for credit at London Met. The internship module replaces one of the four undergraduate academic modules and is worth equal credit (7.5 ECTS). The Work-Based Learning team will assist students in their search for a suitable internship which the student will have to apply and interview for. The internship will run for 6 weeks in a semester and will account for 70 hours. Running alongside will be careers advice and training with reflective workshops and reports to be completed. The cost of the internship is £700 in addition to the tuition fee and students will have to supply a curriculum vitae and a cover letter.</p> <p>It should be noted that a Student visa will be required for a student of any nationality participating in an internship (unless a British passport is held) and the cost of this is currently £490. A student staying in the UK for less than 6 months will not be required to pay the Health Surcharge.</p>
Visas and healthcare:	<p>Following the overhaul of the UK immigration system, a citizen of any country not on the visa national list (which includes the European Union) can enter the UK as a Visitor with up to 6 months leave. The purpose of the visit can be for tourism or study but work (including internships and volunteering) is not allowed. Non visa nationals can just enter the UK with their passport (not national identity card) and 6 months leave will be granted with no additional paperwork required.</p> <p>Visa nationals must apply for entry clearance in advance of coming to the UK; this involves an appointment at a visa centre, costs £115 and must be done within 3 months of the course start date. Again, work is not allowed and there are no healthcare benefits.</p> <p>Visitors to the UK from an EU country who become ill or have a medical emergency during a temporary stay in England can use a valid European Health Insurance Card (EHIC), issued by their home country, to access healthcare. An EHIC is not an alternative to travel insurance and we always advise that visitors should have both when travelling to the UK. An EHIC will not cover any private medical healthcare, being flown back home, or lost or stolen property.</p> <p>Visitors to the UK from Norway will be able to access medically necessary care in the UK by presenting a valid Norwegian passport.</p> <p>Visitors from Iceland, Liechtenstein and Switzerland who become ill or have a medical emergency during a temporary stay in England may have to pay for NHS healthcare. Any treatment that has to be paid for will be charged at 150% of the national NHS rate.</p>