



Postgraduate prospectus

2023-24



Why choose us?

Worldwide collaborations

Successful partnerships and sponsorship from governments and industry around the world.

Learn from world-leading experts: we are in the top 25% of UK universities for research

(Times Higher Education, REF overall ranking of institutions, 2022)

University of London degree

A world-recognised qualification that leads to new career opportunities.

A beautiful and safe campus close to central London and scenic local area

(Ranked 1st in 'The 10 most beautiful universities in the UK', Times Higher Education, 2018)

Focus on your future from day one

Prepare for work with our unique employability programme and develop the skills employers look for.

A wide range of courses with flexibility to specialise in areas that interest you.

Top **30**
University
in the UK

(Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide, 2023)



Where we are



Travel directions

By car

Use postcode TW20 0EX; visit our website for parking information.

By rail

Via Egham station, which is on the Reading to Waterloo line. The station is a 20-minute walk from campus.

By bus

University-run buses for students travel regularly between the station and campus (travel time 7–12 minutes).

There is a public bus stop just outside our main entrance.

By air

A car/ taxi will take around 20 minutes to travel between campus and London Heathrow airport; a public bus takes approximately 45 minutes (to Terminal 5).

Welcome



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I'm delighted that you are considering advanced study with us, one of the UK's leading universities*, proud of the dual excellence of its education and research. By choosing Royal Holloway you'll join a close-knit community where you'll have direct contact with world-leading academics and industry professionals.

Through the dedication of our educators, involvement in research discoveries that have the potential to change the world, and the unique Royal Holloway experience, we aim to inspire you to succeed academically, socially and personally. Our close ties with industry and focus on your employability from day one mean that everything you do during your time with us, both inside and outside the seminar room, studio or laboratory, will give you the opportunities you need to succeed in your career and life.

Royal Holloway has always had a strong sense of purpose, and it is this determination, and clarity around what we do and why we do it, that gives us the confidence to challenge ourselves and seek answers to global questions. It's also why we can support you to pursue your own ambitions within your area of interest.

I hope that we will welcome you to Royal Holloway in September 2023.

Professor Julie Sanders, Principal

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Our history, your future

Royal Holloway was founded by two Victorian social pioneers, both of whom established colleges to make a difference in the world. They understood the life-changing opportunities afforded by education, and were inspired to make those benefits available to women, who were excluded from attending university at the time. They championed inclusivity and academic excellence, and those principles still underpin everything we do today.

Find out about our historic discoveries, notable alumni and academic innovation by visiting royalholloway.ac.uk/about-us/our-history

1849

Bedford College is founded by Elizabeth Jesser Reid as the UK's first higher education college for women.

Early students include the novelist George Eliot, famed for *Middlemarch*, and the first woman doctor, Dr Elizabeth Blackwell, who trained nurses in the American Civil War



1860

Sarah Parker Remond, the slavery abolitionist and early African American female physician, is a student

1886

Royal Holloway College, founded by Thomas and Jane Holloway, is opened by HM Queen Victoria

1894

Students include the suffragette Emily Wilding Davison, who died at the Epsom Derby in 1913, the pioneering woman surgeon, Dr Louisa Martindale CBE, and her sister, Hilda Martindale CBE, who argued for equal pay and rights for women

1900

Both Bedford and Royal Holloway Colleges are admitted to the University of London

1912

Margaret Benson becomes Professor of Botany at Royal Holloway College, the first female science professor in the country

1944

Sir William Hunter McCrea becomes Head of Mathematics at Royal Holloway. His discovery that the sun is composed mainly of hydrogen leads to the development of the Big Bang Theory

1985

Royal Holloway and Bedford New College opens following the merger of the two colleges. HM Queen Elizabeth II inaugurates the new College the following year

2012

We are the Olympic Village for Rowing, and our graduate Sophie Christiansen CBE wins three Paralympic Gold Medals. Our particle physicists contribute to the discovery of the Higgs Boson particle



2017

HRH The Princess Royal visits to officially open the Emily Wilding Davison Building, containing our Library and Student Services Centre



2019

Professor Dame Ann Dowling, President of the Royal Academy of Engineering, officially opens the Beatrice Shilling Building, a fantastic technology-led facility designed to develop a creative approach to study, collaboration and research

2020

Royal Holloway wins the Times Higher Education Award for Research Project of the Year: Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences for *Blood Bricks*, research into modern slavery and climate change in Cambodia

Our research profile



“My research explores the transformative impact of how children around the world are taught to read. A key strength has been making a connection between the science behind how we read and actual strategies, policies, and classroom practices, made possible by the enthusiasm of teachers and other professionals working within literacy, and their openness to new perspectives. Learning to read is genuinely life changing, and I’m proud that this work is making a difference to the lives of so many.”

Professor Kathy Rastle, Department of Psychology, recipient of an ESRC Celebrating Impact Prize for Outstanding International Impact 2020 for her research on improving children’s reading.

Research and teaching excellence

Our university community cares about tackling global and community challenges that face our people and planet.

To make a real difference, we focus our expertise around the areas of immersive and digital technologies, climate change, cyber security and quantum sciences. Our work is relevant to all sectors of the arts, humanities and sciences.

Both teaching and research make a difference, because we support our students, staff and communities to build lasting partnerships with education, government and industry.

Independently verified for quality

Our position as one of the UK’s leading research intensive institutions is confirmed by the results of the latest Research Excellence Framework (REF), 2021. The scoring system measures research quality in four categories, with the top score of 4* indicating quality that is world-leading and of the highest standards in terms of originality, significance and rigour.

Top 25%
of all UK universities
for research

(THE, REF, Overall ranking of institutions, 2022)

88%

of research is rated
world-leading or
internationally excellent

(Research Excellence Framework (REF), 2021)

Learn from experts in the field

From Victorian studies to plant sciences, from algorithms and applications to gender research, you'll find others who share your interests.

Our university was founded on principles of excellence and inclusivity and we continue to promote diversity and equality through our events, our culture and our work.

We are able to offer such a wide range of specialisms partly because of our extensive networking and partnerships. We actively seek opportunities to work with organisations and businesses to share our knowledge, support new products and programmes, and advance our communities.

Through our connections, you'll have additional opportunities to learn and connect:

- Knowledge exchange with industry
- Live product development and consultancy opportunities
- Market research and lab research projects
- Masterclasses featuring guest speakers and visiting lecturers
- Industry-led networks and events
- Access to specialised industry equipment and technology

See page 32 for more on funding through our institutes and centres and studentships.

"My PhD, in partnership with the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew, studies the large collections of 18th and 19th-century Cinchona bark, where quinine comes from. I was commissioned by Kew to write a book on the natural and social history of tonic water and the origins of the gin and tonic. *Just the Tonic* was published last November and won *Best Debut Drinks Book* at the Fortnum and Mason Food and Drink Awards 2020. The support from AHRC Techne NPIF and Royal Holloway made this possible, and I really recommend both the scheme and the university, which have been really supportive."

Kim

AHRC Techne-funded doctoral researcher on a National Productivity Investment Fund (NPIF) Studentship



What is postgraduate study?



Our new Department of Health Studies team is strengthening our research and working closely with key partners and organisations, to solve public health challenges

Choose your degree course

At Royal Holloway, we offer several types of taught and research degree courses to meet your needs:

- Taught courses include structured teaching in modules and you'll be assessed in each module as well as for your dissertation or project
- Research courses are designed for you to conduct independent research and contribute original conclusions to your field of study.

Postgraduate diplomas are shorter taught courses, and great for changing to a new career or mastering your knowledge in a specific area.

Taught Masters degrees include teaching modules and require completion of a dissertation or project. These degrees are suitable if you want to specialise in an area, or combine interdisciplinary study in more than one area. Taught Masters degrees are also a great way to acquire new skills for a promotion, or change direction in your current career, and we provide support for study and for your job search on all of our courses.

Masters by Research degrees provide good preparation for study at doctoral level. You'll need to write an extended dissertation of up to 40,000 words to show you can design and deliver an independent research project.

Doctoral degrees typically take three years or more full-time. You'll spend your time researching in your field, collecting and analysing data and writing up your doctoral thesis.

Tailor your learning

- Choose between courses delivered at either our Egham campus or our London Graduate School
- Work around your life commitments by making use of our various online resources or choose to study part-time
- Access other University of London facilities, including Senate House Library
- Boost your skills by opting for a course that includes a year in business or industry.

For international students

International students who would like extra time to settle into the UK, can choose the shorter **Pre-Masters programme**, offered through our partner StudyGroup.

You'll receive support on this short course to develop your English language and academic skills prior to starting your Masters degree, and it is an excellent choice to prepare for postgraduate study in the UK.

Visit [rhulisc.com/programmes](https://www.rhul.ac.uk/programmes) for more information on these pathway options.

Being a research student

Research degrees

Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

A research project in one or more disciplines with a thesis that makes an original contribution to knowledge.

Master of Philosophy (MPhil)

A thesis that is usually a record of original work or an ordered and critical exposition of existing knowledge.

Masters by Research

See page 9

The Doctoral School

The Doctoral School is a hub of activity to support research students as you complete key stages of your academic research. It provides a range of administrative and specialist support, skills training, fees and funding information, and opportunities to create academic and social networks during your degree and beyond.

The Researcher Development Programme, available to all research students, offers training courses to strengthen your transferable skills along with your research, such as ethics training, research methods, academic writing, presentation and leadership skills.

Supervision

You'll have one or more supervisors to support your research, but ultimately, your research is led by you. You'll be supported with regular meetings with your supervisor and will have formal annual reviews, for which you'll be asked to prepare a written submission, including an upgrade review.

Assessment

Typically, in your final year, you'll focus on writing and finishing your thesis, and then present your research at an oral viva voce examination with two

expert examiners working in the relevant field of study. MPhil degrees normally require a minimum of two year's full-time study and PhD degrees take a minimum of three years to complete.

Teaching opportunities

Suitable teaching opportunities are available for research students who may wish to gain experience and build their skills. Some studentships may also require you to teach. See page 32 for more information.

Teacher training opportunities

Teacher training is available and required for students who are teaching without an experienced teacher present. Completion of Royal Holloway's teacher training programme inSTIL leads to associate fellowship of the Higher Education Academy (AFHEA). You can also apply for associate fellowship by being a mentor to new research students.

How to apply

In order to apply to a doctoral research degree at Royal Holloway, you'll need to select a supervisor from one of our departments. To do this,

- View the research information about our departments and research projects in the prospectus and on our website, to inspire and inform you about our research expertise.
- Make informal inquiries to the Director of Postgraduate Education for the subject, to discuss whether your research proposal is suitable and to ask about funding opportunities and studentships, including studentships. Visit royalholloway.ac.uk/PGdirectors

Funding

There are several ways to fund your research degree, including studentships and sponsorship. See page 32 for more information.



"I chose to study at Royal Holloway for its high quality greenhouse gas research in the Department of Earth Sciences. I really enjoyed working with my research group, and I was also given the opportunity to collaborate with a network of European universities and professors, helping to identify what my options are for the future. I really feel

that I made the right choice with my PhD. Not only have I been offered support with my research, I've been encouraged to take advantage of everything offered to me, which has helped to develop soft skills such as presenting, essential for my career development."

Julianne
PhD student, Earth Sciences

Campus map



Davison Building
Our state-of-the-art building houses the library, Union shop, Event and Exhibition spaces, as well as the Volunteering and Enterprise Hubs and our Student Services Centre, a central point for all student enquiries.



International Building
The International Building is home to our Doctoral Hub, an area for postgraduate research students to study and network.



Students' Union Building
Large function hall which hosts events throughout the week, both day and evening. The building is also home to the Advice Centre, where students can get free and independent advice on a range of topics.

Key

-  Academic
-  Social and Sport
-  Accommodation
-  Car park
-  Accessible car parking
-  Steps, not accessible
-  Rough path may not be accessible
-  Accessible car parking
-  Bus stop
-  Pedestrian crossing
-  Café
-  Doctoral hub



Founder's Building
Our beautiful Grade I-listed building is home to 500 students as well as the Chapel, the Picture Gallery which contains Thomas Holloway's collection of Victorian art, the Victorian Reading Room as well as support services; health, wellbeing and our academic skills support team.



Cafés and bars
Each of the 11 eateries on campus has its own style and character, and there's something to suit every budget, taste, mood and dietary need.



Sports facilities
The Sports Centre houses a multi-use sports hall, a 60 station fitness suite, an aerobics area and changing facilities.

We also have world-class, floodlit outdoor pitches and courts, which provide all-weather playing surfaces for a wide range of sports.

Map correct at September 2022

London Graduate School

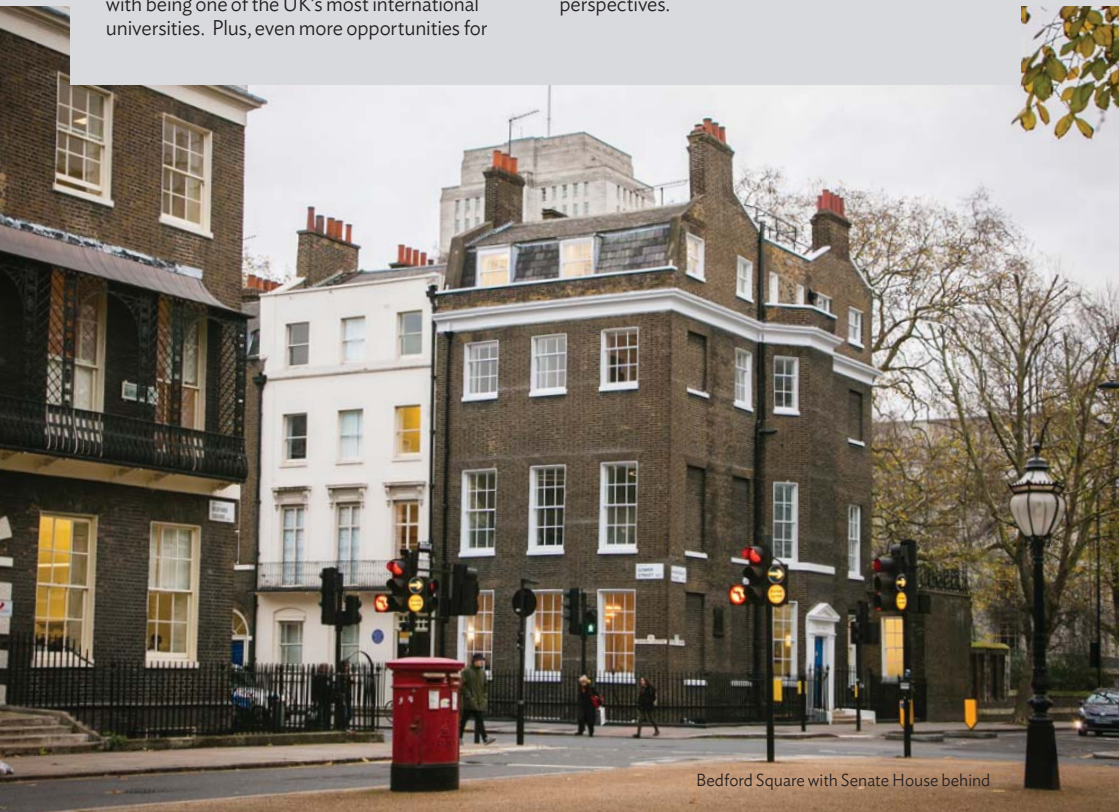
Take your career to the next level with a degree at the Royal Holloway London Graduate School.

We're based in the heart of London's Bloomsbury district, just a few minutes' walk from the British Library and Russell Square; the perfect place to soak up everything the capital has to offer.

Studying one of our London courses means you'll get all the strengths of any Royal Holloway degree - teaching by cutting-edge researchers and practitioners, direct links with industry, a supportive environment, and the diversity that comes with being one of the UK's most international universities. Plus, even more opportunities for

work experience and networking among the rich culture, history and entertainment that's all around you.

Degree options vary depending on the programme to offer you the flexibility to fit your studies around work or other commitments. As well as being taught by our experts we also regularly welcome guest speakers to inspire you with multiple viewpoints and industry-insider perspectives.



Bedford Square with Senate House behind

London-based courses

We offer the following degrees entirely, or predominantly, from our London premises. For more details on each course please see the relevant department's page as indicated.

MSc Advanced Practice (Social Work)
(see page 118)

MA Creative Writing (Fiction Writing, Literary Non-Fiction, Poetry or Poetic Practice)
(see page 68)

MA Digital Documentary (see page 94)

MSc Digital Marketing (see page 38)

MSc Logistics and Supply Chain Management
(see page 38)

MA Producing Film and Television
(see page 94)

MSc Project Management
MSc Cyber Security Project Management

MSc Engineering Management
MSc Software Project Management
(see page 64)

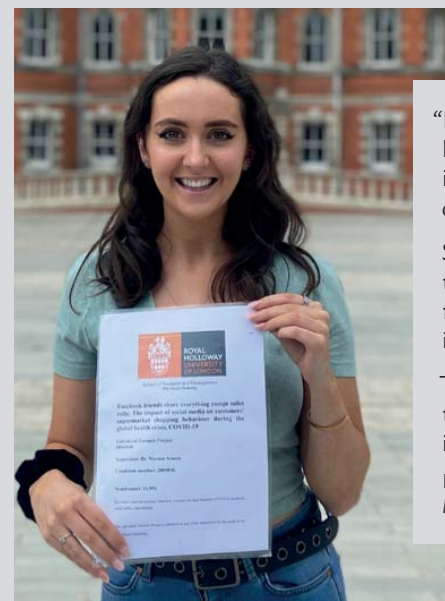
MSc Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism Studies
(see page 88)

MSc Social Work (see page 118)

PGDip Social Work (Step up to Social Work)
(see page 118)



Bedford Square

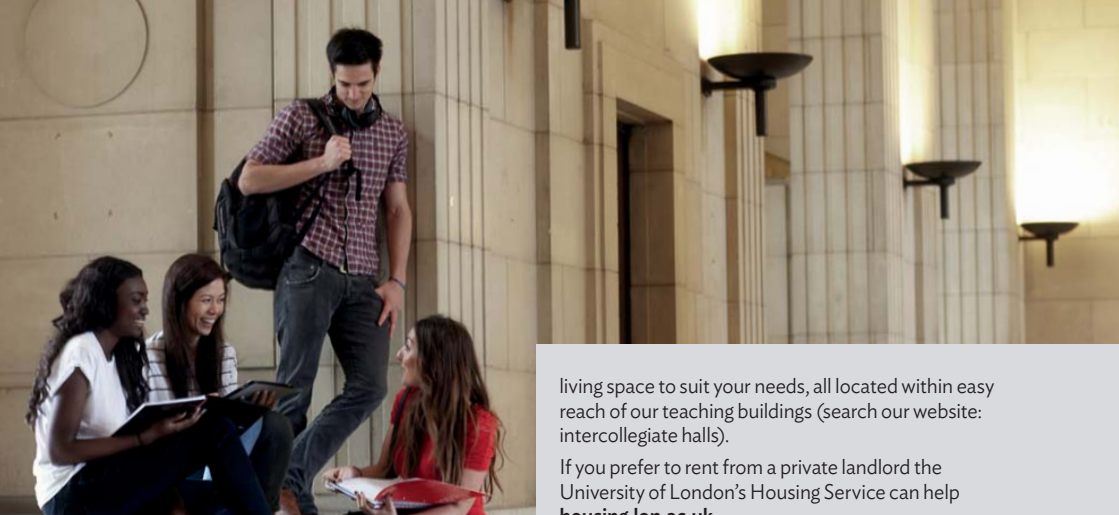


"I made the perfect decision coming to Royal Holloway to study for my Masters in Digital Marketing. London is an exciting, diverse and cultured student city.

Studying here means I can learn the tools, techniques and theory I need to prepare me for success in the dynamic digital marketing industry.

The beauty of my course is that my transferable skills can be applied to any industry or business sector."

Katherine
MSc Digital Marketing



living space to suit your needs, all located within easy reach of our teaching buildings (search our website: [intercollegiate halls](http://intercollegiate.halls)).

If you prefer to rent from a private landlord the University of London's Housing Service can help housing.lon.ac.uk.

You can also apply to live in our halls of residence for postgraduate students on our Egham campus if you prefer to commute to London (see page 20 for more information).

Being a Royal Holloway student in London

Our central London campus benefits from its own dedicated library and numerous other study spaces. There are several coffee shops nearby, ideal for breaks in between lectures, or for study.

The Senate House Library, the central library for the University of London, is a great place to study too and houses more than two million books and 50 special collections. You are of course also welcome to use the library at our Egham campus.

Studying in London means you are entitled to membership of the Royal Holloway Students' Union and its various clubs and societies, see page 25.

Where to live

A number of rooms are available to full-time postgraduate students through the University of London Intercollegiate Halls. They offer a range of accommodation options to help you find the right

Support

As a postgraduate studying in London, you might be balancing your study with work and family commitments, and may be living away from university halls. We know that your support needs will vary. But when you need it, the right help is at hand.

Most postgraduates find their closest contact is with their departmental advisors and supervisors, and there are a range of other academic services on offer to help with your study. Students talk about our friendly and caring community and we'll help you to access personal support and wellbeing services to help you get the most out of your time with us.

As well as your departmental advisors and academic staff we have staff based at our Royal Holloway London Graduate School, who will be able to help you with any enquiries throughout your studies.



"Studying in London is excellent as you're close to industry, you have access to a lot of facilities and it makes it easier to network with people outside the course too.

Everyone on my course was supportive and the tutors all came from film, finance and producing backgrounds. We also had many independent producers coming in who've worked on important films.

I now work for a company called Headgear Films, an active film financier in the independent film space."

Yoav
MA Producing Film and Television



Teaching at Stewart House



Senate House Library

Our Egham campus

As a student you can access main campus facilities and join us for social and cultural events as part of our postgraduate community. This includes taking part in key events during your study such as enrolment, examinations and your graduation ceremony.

Our Egham campus is also an interesting site in its own right, featuring the iconic Founder's Building, only 40 minutes by train from central London (see page 4 for travel information).



“On my course I learned to showcase how project management works across industries - from tech to manufacturing to the creative industry and more, but with enough detail to understand fundamental principles and frameworks as well.

Studying my degree paved the way for my current career path as an IT Product Manager at one of the top agencies in Nigeria. We recently set up a technology division, which I now lead.”

Ebum
MSc Project Management

Our home in London

Our Royal Holloway London Graduate School is made up of three buildings, just a few minutes apart:

- 11 Bedford Square, on one of London's most beautiful and best-preserved historic squares
- Senate House, a dedicated suite of seminar rooms in the University of London's impressive headquarters, opposite the British Museum.

- Stewart House, newly renovated space in 2021
- You'll be taught in modern seminar rooms with access to the University of London's Senate House Library. And if you need somewhere comfortable to relax between teaching sessions, we have breakout areas and common rooms.



Where to live



Living on campus

We have a great range of accommodation options for full-time postgraduate students. Staying in halls can keep you connected to wider university life, while helping you make friends with students at a similar stage of study.

You'll need to apply for accommodation before the closing dates as published on our website, and if you want to remain in halls after your first year, you'll need to reapply. We advise you to read our Allocation Policy on the website for full information on applying to live in halls.

Our halls of residence

Postgraduate accommodation at our Egham campus is close to all our facilities, including academic buildings and the library. Halls are either shared flats or townhouses, with shared or en-suite bathrooms.

Adapted accommodation

If you have a medical condition or disability, we'll do everything we can to make sure you're offered the right accommodation to suit your needs. You will need to register with the Disability & Neurodiversity team as well as submitting an accommodation application. We'll then be able to assess your needs and allocate a room that works for you.

Accommodation fees for 2023/24

Postgraduate Hall Bands	Let type (weeks)	Room type	Total price 2023/24	Weekly price (approx.)	
Band V	George Eliot	50	Single superior standard	£9,335.75	£187
Band W	Penrose Court	50	Single with washbasin	£5,960.92	£119
Band X	Gowar	50	Single en-suite	£9,335.75	£187
Band Y	Highfield	50	Single en-suite	£8,393.45	£168

Please note: All postgraduate halls are self-catered. Availability of rooms, fees, let lengths and terms and conditions may change. See our website for the latest information on accommodation.

Living off campus

Many of our students choose to commute to university, and Royal Holloway is ideally placed if you live in London or the south east of England. We provide free car parking for commuting students and are well served by public transport with regular train services to and from Waterloo. Many of our services are available online, including access to personal and academic support, library resources and academic timetables, and you can also access

other University of London facilities including Senate House Library.

Alternatively, you may choose to live off-campus in private sector accommodation in the local area, for example in Englefield Green, Egham, Staines, Ashford or Windsor. You can find properties in the local area using StudentPad, which is operated on behalf of the Students' Union. rhulstudentpad.co.uk/accommodation

"Before starting my course, I was slightly worried if living at home would impact my student experience, but I soon found that I had no reason to worry. Probably about half the people on my course were living outside Egham or at home, and I found that volunteering on campus was a great way to get involved and meet fellow students."

Michaela, commuting student
MA History



Couples and family housing

We have a small amount of accommodation available for international postgraduates who would like to live with their partner and/or children while studying. The availability of this accommodation varies from year to year, so please visit the accommodation section of our website for current information.

Living in London

If your degree course or research involves work in London you may prefer to live in the capital. Royal Holloway has a small number of spaces for postgraduates in Intercollegiate Halls of Residence in central London, which are issued on a first-come first-served basis. The University of London Housing Services office offers assistance to those looking for private sector accommodation in London. Further information can be found at royalholloway.ac.uk/intercollegiate-accommodation and housing.london.ac.uk

Study facilities



Our library is located inside the flagship Emily Wilding Davison Building, at the heart of our campus. It contains helpful services and facilities to support you as a student at Royal Holloway, such as the library, shop, café, Student Services Centre and Enterprise Hub.

Library services and study space

You can access a wide range of digital resources, most of which are available on and off campus. The library on campus also contains printed books and journals, archives, rare books and special collections, some of which are nationally significant.

There are also enquiry and advice services to help you use the library, whether you're on campus or studying remotely. Your subject's Information Consultant will provide tailored information skills training and advice in discovering, referencing and evaluating relevant resources. IT Services also provide laptop and mobile device support.

In the library there is a range of seating options to accommodate different styles of study. Further study space on campus is available in the original Victorian Reading Room in the Founder's Building.



Beatrice Shilling Building

The Beatrice Shilling Building provides additional core working space and seminar rooms as well as research and collaborative areas.

You can also use other libraries in the University of London, including Senate House Library, for free, and explore a wide range of digital and print resources.

Academic support

Taught postgraduates benefit from a range of useful services to support your study.

Academic skills development

As a postgraduate student, your closest contacts are likely to be your departmental advisors and supervisors. Additional support is available from the Centre for the Development of Academic Skills (CeDAS), a dedicated service to ensure your academic success. Our friendly Learning Developers offer a range of useful services with you in mind:

- tailored sessions embedded within your academic modules to help you tackle the challenges, e.g. researching for and writing a dissertation
- bookable 1:1 advice on writing within your discipline, and on maths, stats and numeracy
- workshops, courses and self-study resources on key academic and language skills.

English language preparation

If English isn't your first language and you are looking to boost your language skills prior to studying your Masters with us, we have programmes to help you adjust to studying in an unfamiliar academic setting.

Our Pre-session English Language Programme will improve your academic English and help you gain a better understanding of the key skills you need to successfully study at Royal Holloway. For more information, please visit royalholloway.ac.uk/pelp

Alternatively, our Pre-Masters Programmes, which are delivered by our partner Study Group, help you prepare for your chosen Masters course by covering relevant subject knowledge in addition to improving your language and academic skills. For more information, please visit rhulisc.com

“As an international student, academic English was the first difficulty I had. CeDAS helped me build on my foundation and offered me opportunities to improve. At the beginning of the first term, I attended a variety of workshops, including how to structure essays, how to reference, and presentation courses. When I started my degree assignments, I booked the one-to-one tutorial to help brainstorm and format the argument. CeDAS is really beneficial to students whether local or international.”

Chen-Ju
MA Marketing



Personal support and wellbeing

Our dedicated services and friendly and caring community will help you get the most out of your time here.

Wellbeing support & guidance

Our triage service provides advice and guidance for all students to support a balanced lifestyle and positive personal wellbeing. Advisors provide support on a wide variety of wellbeing issues and will signpost students to specialised services internally and externally.

Disability & Neurodiversity

We support students with disability, neurodiversity, chronic medical conditions and dyslexia and are accredited to supply DSA support. We're here to advise on reasonable adjustments that can be made to ensure you can access services (including accommodation) and your academic course. If you think you may need provision like this, we recommend you seek advice from us before enrolment.

Mental health

We have advisors who specialise in supporting both students with an existing mental health condition and those who have emerging mental health challenges. We work closely with local NHS teams to provide holistic support.

Counselling

Our professionally accredited service offers personal, emotional and psychological support in a confidential, non-judgmental and friendly setting. We help with a range of issues including stress, anxiety, cultural issues, relationships, sexuality, alcohol and drugs following the 'one at a time' model of counselling.

GP surgery on campus

We have an NHS-managed service available to students living in halls or the local area. The medical team provides all standard NHS GP services.

Hall Life team

The team promotes a happy residential experience for students living in Royal Holloway accommodation and organises social events.

Money & funding advice

Our advisors provide guidance on budgeting, loans and working while you study. They can also provide financial assistance through the Study Support Grant.

International student advice

The team supports students who come to the UK to study at Royal Holloway, providing advice on living and studying in the UK and visa and immigration advice.

Multi-faith Chaplaincy

We are a multi-faith community with many different beliefs represented on campus and excellent cooperation between faiths. Our team is available to everyone regardless of faith or belief and can provide information about student-led faith societies and provision for worship. On campus we have a beautiful ecumenical Chapel and a Muslim Prayer Room.

Students' Union Advice Centre

The SU has Student Support Advisors available to provide housing and academic information and advice to students.

"I was supported by the Disability & Neurodiversity team, who assessed my needs and made specific exam access arrangements to make sure I had an equal chance to succeed in my assessments. I've since become a Specialist Mentor alongside my studies, helping other students to navigate challenges in their university experience."

Deon

PhD student, Criminology and Sociology and Specialist Mentor



Student life



"The range of opportunities on offer is impressive, whether it's student engagement, volunteering or societies/sports clubs.

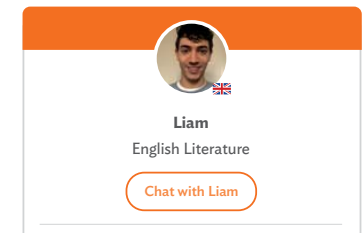
At Royal Holloway, I've had the chance to meet people in all sorts of roles from different backgrounds and parts of the world, which is great because this exposure helps grow my perspective and broadens my views of the world."

Maciej

MSc Global Futures: Justice, Development and Sustainability

Chat to a current student

You can find out more about being a student at Royal Holloway by chatting directly to one of our current postgraduate students online. They'll be happy to talk to you about everything from studying in their academic department and their experience of living in halls to the best places to eat on campus. To start a conversation, visit royalholloway.ac.uk/chat



We also run a range of activities and events throughout the year to give you a taste of Royal Holloway life, either face-to-face at our Egham campus or London Graduate School, or online. Visit royalholloway.ac.uk/pgevents

Student life

Community

We have a vibrant postgraduate community with around 1,400 postgraduate taught and 700 postgraduate research students.

Perfectly placed

You get the best of open space and city when you study here. The location of our 135-acre Egham campus means you are surrounded by Surrey's beautiful countryside. On the other hand, we're close to Staines-upon-Thames, Windsor and Kingston and just 40 minutes by train from central London. Some of our postgraduate courses are based at our London Graduate School, where you can fully experience life in the capital.

Active lifestyle & sport

There are lots of ways to keep active at Royal Holloway, from gym membership, general

fitness and exercise classes and recreational sport through to competitive clubs. For full details visit royalholloway.ac.uk/sports

Social scene

If you're looking for a break from study, the campus social scene centres on the Students' Union (SU) and its many clubs and societies. It runs entertainment seven days a week throughout term-time and regular market days selling fruit and veg, clothes and books. The main SU building has a large function hall, two bars and a coffee bar. The SU also operates a smaller bar on campus, Medicine, as well as The Packhorse, a family-friendly pub offering a wide range of great value food and drink.

Cultural life

The whole community benefits from the rich and varied cultural life at Royal Holloway.



Public lectures, plays, dance and film, concerts, campus tours and other events are held throughout the year.

The Students' Union has around 130 sports clubs and societies, which also host their own events. From fashion or film to cheerleading and ultimate frisbee, there's something for everyone.

Volunteering

There are hundreds of different volunteering activities for you to choose from, taking place during the day and evenings, on weekends and in the holidays. Volunteering is a great way to keep up your transferable skills and employability, and to have fun meeting new people – all while making a big difference in the local community. In 2017 our Community Action team was awarded The Queen's Award for Voluntary Service – the highest award given to volunteer groups across the UK.

Architectural gems and modern developments

The first thing you'll notice as you step onto campus is the spectacular Founder's Building. As well as housing 500 students, a dining hall, and a café, Founder's is home to the beautiful Chapel and the Picture Gallery, which contains Thomas Holloway's collection of Victorian paintings. Our state-of-the-art Emily Wilding Davison Building complements Founder's, which it sits opposite. The building provides an innovative environment including a library, study spaces and our student services centre. Elsewhere on campus you'll find academic buildings, halls of residence, the Students' Union and all the facilities you'd expect from a top class university – a shop, cafés, bars, theatres, health centre, sports centre and playing fields.

Your employability

Career planning and development

Our friendly and experienced staff offer tailored support to help you boost your employability and prepare you for your career ahead.

You'll be supported to build your employability through our unique, research-driven programme, CVstac. It identifies the skills that employers are looking for, which you gain through your course and other activities, and helps you articulate your achievements as you search for graduate employment.

The Careers Service is available Monday to Friday during term-time and vacations. Students can book one-to-one sessions, CV and application checks and practice interviews, as well as attend skills workshops.

You don't need to be on campus to get advice from our team - you can make use of many online services. And, we will continue to support you for two years after graduation.

We have strong links with a number of high-profile employers, including GCHQ, Wellcome Trust, the Environment Agency, Dell, KPMG, Invesco and Accenture. With our Careers Fairs, Employer Drop-ins, Skills Sessions and Alumni Panels, you will gain an invaluable opportunity to network with potential future employers and get ahead of the crowd.

84% postgraduate taught students in graduate level employment or further study 15 months after leaving Royal Holloway.

(Graduate Outcomes Survey (students graduating in 2019) data from Heidi+, the Higher Education Statistics Authority (HESA) data analytics service)



"I learnt so many skills at Royal Holloway that I use now in my role as a Heritage Officer and will use when I become a social worker. One of the most important was collaboration, as in my previous working life I was good at working in a small team. I also learnt how to focus my creativity, and a lot of other skills like how to prioritise emotionally. I'd been out of education for a long time so I also picked up IT skills that help me navigate my way around the different systems used in social work.

Royal Holloway also made me recognise the value of a CV. Employers seriously do read them and each little section communicates something about yourself. I didn't value it as highly before but I consider it as important as my clothes now!"

Gaverne
MSc Social Work graduate

Our global alumni community

95,000+ ALUMNI IN 165 COUNTRIES



Continuing opportunities and benefits

By joining Royal Holloway you will become part of a family of over 10,000 students, over 1,500 expert staff and over 95,000 alumni working in every field imaginable across the globe. This community is a valuable source of support for your future career. Fellow students and staff are there to support you during your studies and graduates are a valuable network to help you forge ahead in your career, when the time comes. By being part of our lifelong, global network a number of opportunities and benefits will be available to you:

- Access to careers support and resources for two years after graduating
- University and alumni updates and news via newsletters and social media
- Invitations to global events and reunions, including concerts and informative lectures
- Lifelong access to the university library
- Access to exclusive Royal Holloway and University of London services and discounts
- Access to alumni mentoring opportunities.

Working while you study



“I always look forward to days I work as a student ambassador. It’s a great role which gives you the opportunity to take part in varied activities, and is a fantastic way to meet fellow students outside your department. Being able to choose when I work fits perfectly around my studies.

It’s expanded my skillset, like doing group presentations, helping me to get the most out of my studies. I can’t imagine my time at Royal Holloway without being an ambassador.”

Taylor
PhD student, Biological Sciences

There are many opportunities for work on campus and in the local area. Full-time students are encouraged to work no more than 20 hours a week during term-time. Students who are studying in the UK on a Student Route visa are able to work up to 20 hours a week in term-time and full-time during vacations.* If you have any questions please contact the International Student Support Office at internationaladvice@royalholloway.ac.uk

Our Careers Service runs a range of fairs throughout the academic year, including two part-time jobs fairs. The fairs are great places to meet employers, find out about opportunities and get a job that fits in with your studies.

There are also lots of opportunities to work with one of Surrey’s 50,000 businesses (the campus is within 10 miles of multinational companies such as

Toyota, Nestle, Samsung, Pfizer, BA, Unilever, Proctor & Gamble, amongst 300 others, and Egham is a 40-minute train ride from central London).

Alternatively, if you would like something even closer to home, there are a large number of job opportunities directly on campus every year. A variety of roles exist, from Sports Centre Assistants to Library Assistants, while the Students’ Union alone employs more than 250 students in a range of roles from bar work and catering through to graphic designers and social media coordinators.

There’s also the opportunity for PhD students to take on some teaching responsibility, supported by a skills training programme.

Whatever you decide, these opportunities not only provide an income but also the chance to develop a range of skills that you can add to your CV.

How much does it cost?



Tuition fees

These cover all academic-related costs from teaching and supervision, plus use of library and IT facilities, to assessments (excluding resit, repeat and deferred examinations or assessments) and administration.

Tuition fees vary from course to course and whether you’re a UK resident, or live overseas. For eligible EU students starting a course with us in 2023/24, we will award a fee reduction scholarship equivalent to 30% of the difference between the UK and international fee for your course.

Students studying part-time are charged a pro-rata tuition fee.

Up-to-date information on tuition fees for all postgraduate courses and any additional costs relating to your chosen course can be found via our website at royalholloway.ac.uk/courses

Information on the fee for your particular course will be included with your offer letter.

Living expenses

Living costs during your time with us as a postgraduate student will vary, depending on your individual needs and lifestyle. We estimate it costs between £12,500–£17,000 for a single person living on campus per year to cover accommodation, food, personal expenses, study-related costs and some limited travelling. International students will also need to take into account various settling-in expenses including arrangements for travel to and within the UK, visas and travel and health insurance.

For more information visit royalholloway.ac.uk/pglivingcosts

Funding your studies



There are many potential sources of funding for your postgraduate studies, so it's a good idea to review your options early. Most funding agencies and bodies operate strict deadlines and there is a lot of competition, so ensure you allow plenty of time to apply for any funding you require. The majority of postgraduate students don't gain funding to cover both tuition fees and living expenses, so it's important to think about how you'll support your studies. A good starting point is to visit our website.

Funding for taught postgraduate degrees

There are a range of scholarships, grants and other funding available to apply for if you're looking to study a postgraduate taught degree. See page 34 for more information about Royal Holloway's portfolio of postgraduate scholarships.

External scholarships are also available, with some exclusively for international students. Full details are available on our website but opportunities include:

- Chevening
- Fullbright
- Marshall
- US Federal Student Aid

Other sources of income include:

- postgraduate student loans
- professional and career development loans
- sponsorship from an employer
- part-time job alongside your study (see page 30).

Royal Holloway and other University of London graduates

If you completed your undergraduate degree at Royal Holloway you will receive a 15% discount on your fees for a taught postgraduate degree. If you graduated from another institution within the University of London you will receive a 10% discount on your tuition fees.

Funding opportunities for research students

We recognise that funding can be a barrier for students looking to progress their academic careers via research, so we offer a variety of funding opportunities.

College studentships

These provide funding for fees, maintenance or both (depending on the studentship awarded) and are usually awarded for 3.5 years for full-time students and seven years pro-rata for part-time students.

Studentships are selected by academic departments and if you would like to be considered you will need to speak to your supervisor or the Director of Postgraduate Education in your chosen School.

External studentships

Postgraduate Research students who apply to Royal Holloway may also be eligible to apply for a studentship from one of the following DTPs (Doctoral Training Partnership) or CDTs (Centre for Doctoral Training):

- AHRC (Arts and Humanities Research Council): Techne
- BBSRC (Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Council): LI Do (London Interdisciplinary Doctoral Programme)
- EPSRC (Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council): CDT in Cyber Security for the Everyday
- ESRC (Economic and Social Research Council): SeNSS (South East Network for Social Sciences)
- NERC (Natural Environmental Research Council): London DTP and ARIES (Advanced Research and Innovation in the Environmental Sciences)

More information on funding for research degrees is available at royalholloway.ac.uk/researchfunding or you can email doctoralschool@royalholloway.ac.uk

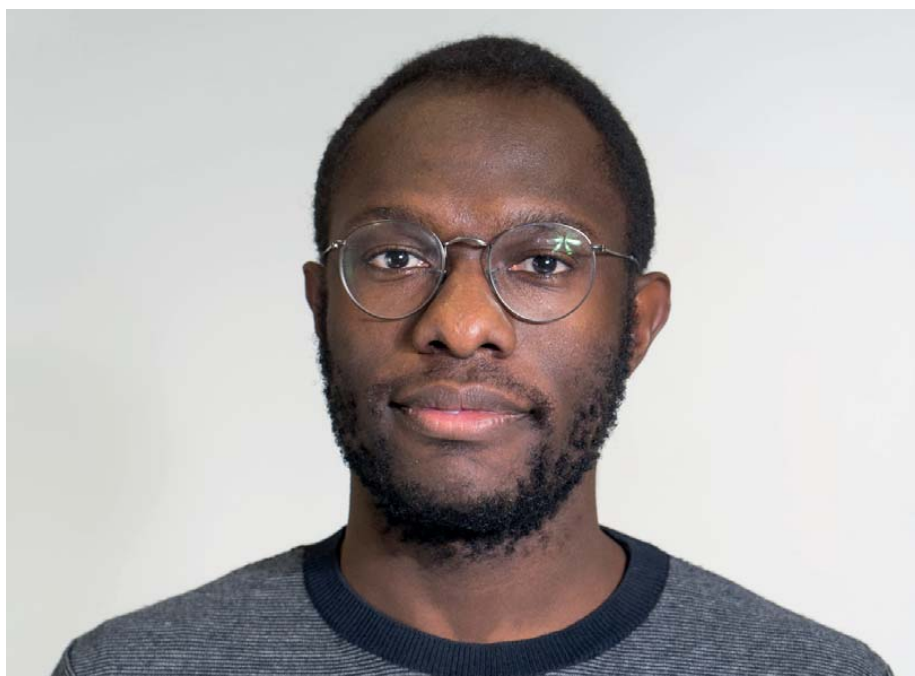


Scholarships

There's a generous package of scholarships available for postgraduate students which are awarded for academic achievement or based on your personal circumstances. Some scholarships cover all or part of your tuition fees while others make a contribution towards the costs associated with being a postgraduate student. The majority of our scholarships are competitive; you will need to explain how a scholarship could help you achieve your academic goals. There are also a number of externally provided scholarships available.

You can apply for one of our scholarships once you have received an offer to study with us. Most require you to apply using our online portal, where you will be able to submit an application statement, explaining why you should receive the scholarship, as well as upload any relevant information such as references or academic transcripts.

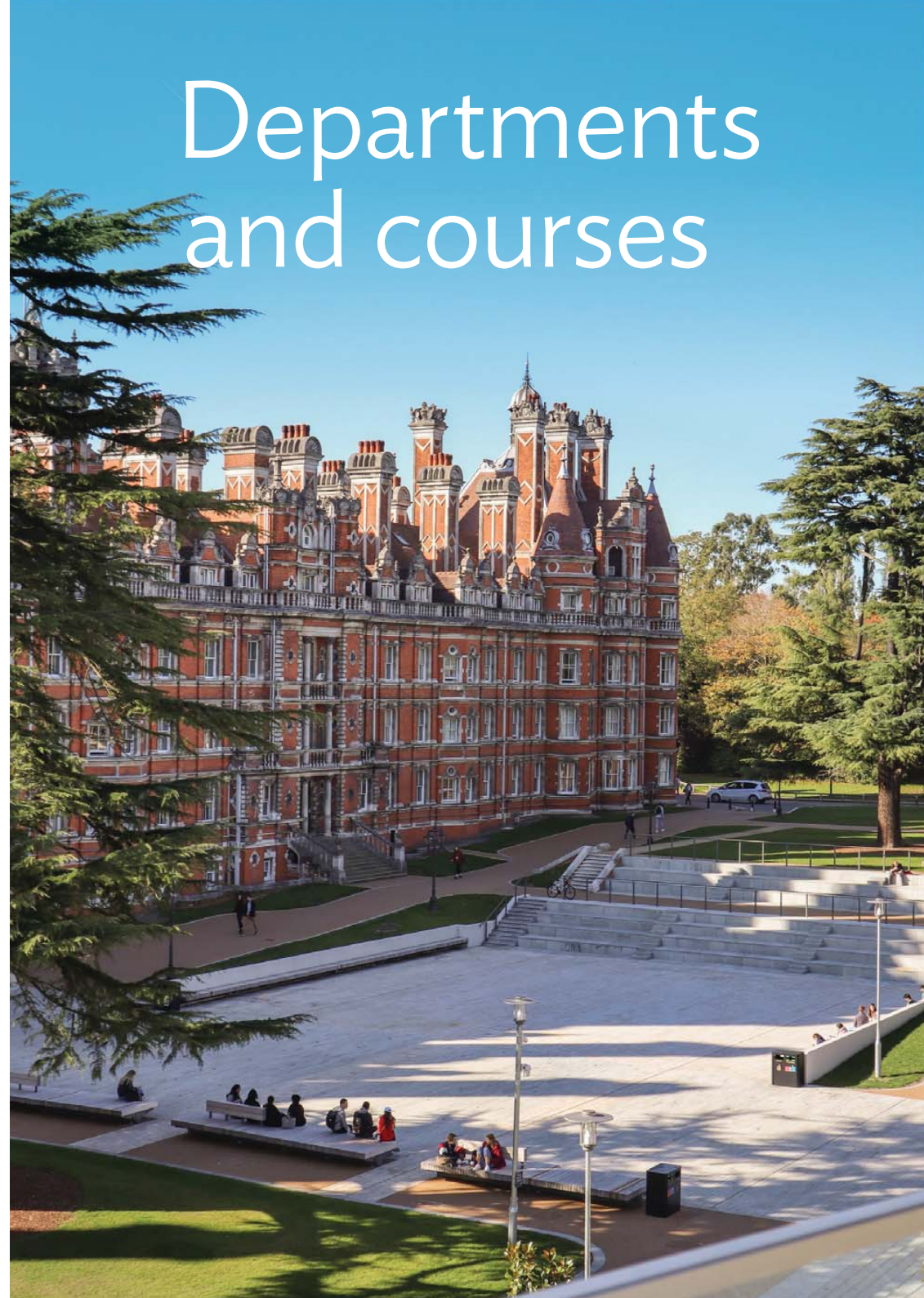
Visit our website for full details of which scholarships we have available for 2023 entry and information on how and when to apply.



“I was delighted to receive the scholarship, so much so that my first reaction was a squeal of joy on reading the acceptance email! The scholarship has eased the financial pressure that comes with pursuing a Masters degree which means I can focus more on my study. It was a sign that Royal Holloway truly recognises those with drive and a desire to succeed in their field.”

Roy
MSc Computer Science student,
Principal's Masters Scholarship

Departments and courses



Biological Sciences

Internationally recognised for world class research excellence, our department has an active research programme based on three research centres: Biomedical Sciences; Ecology, Evolution and Behaviour; and Plant Molecular Sciences.

Profile

- We are a vibrant scientific community and a major centre for research in the University of London.
- Our academic staff are working at the forefront of knowledge in their subjects. They frequently appear in the media talking about the latest ideas and action to address global challenges.
- We exchange research knowledge and expertise across the whole department, and through research collaborations with other leading universities and organisations in the UK and internationally.
- You'll join a close-knit and supportive community with continuous investment in new equipment.
- Our research funding comes from the European Commission, major UK Research Councils, medical research charities, wildlife and environmental organisations, commercial sector and government agencies.
- We're part of the School of Life Sciences and the Environment, advancing knowledge and changing lives.

MSc Biological Sciences Research

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

Our MSc degree is suitable both for graduates who would like to undertake original research and students who want to gain a research-based Masters before embarking on a PhD. It offers students with a good first degree in Biochemistry, Biology or related disciplines the opportunity to develop research skills and also acquire advanced research techniques through a one-year research project carried out under supervision. There is a minor taught element, with classes covering a wide

range of generic research-related topics. Projects within any of our three research centres are offered, please see our website for details.

Research opportunities

Applicants are invited for postgraduate research places leading to a PhD. We invite you to email academic staff with whom you are interested in working to discuss potential projects. We have a number of PhD studentships available each year, with funding from UK Research Councils, institutional sources, companies and charities.

Research facilities

The department has a wide range of research facilities including cutting-edge molecular and biochemical tools and we are located on a beautiful campus with extensive areas of natural habitat for fieldwork. We are also a short distance from Sites of Special Scientific Interest, with sites of national scientific importance right on our doorstep such as Windsor Great Park and Chobham Common, and Box Hill nearby.

Your future career

Many of our graduates progress towards a research career in a variety of sectors. A close-knit graduate network means you'll benefit from the knowledge and connections of our alumni.

Recent employers include Natural England, Royal Free Hospital, Natural History Museum, London Zoo, Syngenta, Defra and Plantlife International.

"I chose to stay at the Department of Biological Sciences at Royal Holloway for my Masters degree and PhD because I found that the research interests here were in line with my own. The level of support and training I've received has been so valuable in helping me to prepare for a career in research."

Stacey

Former MSc and current PhD student



Courses

MSc Biological Sciences Research

MPhil/PhD


100%
research impact is
rated world-leading
or internationally
excellent


(Research Excellence
Framework 2021)

26th
in the UK for
world-leading and
internationally
excellent research

(THE, REF Institutions
ranked by subject, 2022)

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Tuition fees 2023/24

UK students*: £7,596 per year

International students*: £28,000 per year

EU students: fee reduction scholarship for 2023/24**

*Fee includes a £3,000 bench fee. 2023 UK course fee not yet confirmed. Please check website for updates.

**See page 31 for more details

More course information and contacts

royalholloway.ac.uk/courses

More department information

royalholloway.ac.uk/biologicalsciences

Entry requirements and how to apply

See page 122.

Business and Management

We are an intellectually rigorous, research-led and AACSB-accredited School of Business and Management, highly ambitious for the success of our students and staff. We support today's graduates to become tomorrow's business leaders, by offering a truly international learning experience to reflect the global nature of modern business.

Profile

Our first-class reputation for internationally excellent and cutting-edge research, coupled with the extensive industry experience of our academics from around the world, feeds directly into our postgraduate degrees.

Our degrees combine academic knowledge with practical insights into international business, providing you with knowledge, skills and expertise to progress your career.





Business and Management students on their presentation day

Courses

- MA Consumption, Culture and Marketing
- MA Marketing
- MSc Accounting and Financial Management
- MSc Business Analytics
- MSc Digital Innovation and Analytics
- MSc Digital Marketing
- MSc Entrepreneurship and Innovation
- MSc Entrepreneurship and Innovation with a Year in Business
- MSc Human Resource Management
- MSc International Business Management

- MSc International Business Management (Marketing)
- MSc International Business Management (Strategy and Leadership)
- MSc Logistics and Supply Chain Management
- MSc Sustainability and Management
- MPhil/PhD

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"I really liked the community feeling when I arrived here, as it was on a really nice campus and it felt like a very close-knit community. I also enjoyed meeting people from all over the world because our cohort was so diverse!"

The fundamental skills I learned during my time at Royal Holloway are invaluable to me, particularly teamwork, public speaking and leadership. All of those skills are things that I use on a daily basis and have helped me so much to succeed."

Nishka
MSc Human Resource Management



Tuition fees 2023/24

See website for more details

More course information and contacts

royalholloway.ac.uk/courses

More department information

royalholloway.ac.uk/management

Entry requirements and how to apply

See page 122.

MA Consumption, Culture and Marketing**Egham campus, FT, 12 months**

This is an interdisciplinary degree course that draws together content and teaching from both marketing and sociology. It is aimed at individuals who want to think intellectually about the world, enjoy being challenged and are curious about business practice.

Example modules

- Consumers and brands
- Consumption research methods
- Marketing communications
- Arts marketing

MA Marketing**Egham campus, FT, 12 months**

This degree caters for those with a keen interest in developing an intellectual understanding of the theories underpinning marketing concepts and processes. You will build a sound knowledge and understanding of the contemporary issues relating to marketing, consumers and culture. This is a research-led course, based on contemporary theory and case material.

Example modules

- Marketing – a critical introduction
- Consumers and brands
- Introduction to marketing concepts
- Digital media marketing
- Marketing communications

MSc Accounting and Financial Management**Egham campus, FT, 12 months**

This course develops your understanding of the theory and practice of accounting and financial management. You will study financial accounting, management accounting, financial management and other important topics in accounting and finance.

Example modules

- Financial accounting and reporting
- Foundations of financial management
- Management accounting for decision-making
- Topics in finance and investment management
- Sustainability and accounting

MSc Business Analytics**Egham campus, FT, 12 months**

New for 2023, this course provides students with cutting edge and high demand digital skills from industry leading software systems, to make real-world analytical business decisions.

You will develop several areas including research, writing, story-telling, problem solving, teamwork, to help bring interpreted data to life, to provide solutions to modern-day business problems.

Example modules

- Business intelligence and data analytics
- Machine learning and predictive analytics
- Data-driven storytelling: Marketing
- Business problem solving: Curiosity pod
- Cloud computing for business

MSc Digital Innovation and Analytics**Egham campus, FT, 12 months**

This course will equip you with an in-depth understanding of how to integrate digital technologies such as mobile computing, enterprise systems, social media, and data analytics tools to innovate business practices.

Example modules

- Business intelligence and data analytics
- Consultancy in the digital era
- Digital business and innovation
- Leading online collaborations
- Social media and digital platforms

MSc Digital Marketing**Central London, FT, 12 months**

Study our dedicated digital marketing degree course in the centre of London. You will gain a broad perspective of digital marketing, from digital branding and advertising to the consumer journey and metrics. The course teaches you how to create and analyse digital strategies, to make informed tactical and strategic decisions.

Example modules

- Digital brand storytelling
- Digital consumer in online culture
- Advertising in a digital era
- Search and metrics

MSc Entrepreneurship and Innovation**Egham campus, FT, 12 months (with additional 12 months for Year in Business option)**

This degree course provides you with an in-depth understanding of entrepreneurship and innovation research, an appreciation of the impact of entrepreneurship and innovation and the processes and practices at every level. You will look at contemporary issues such as family business management, entrepreneurship and consultancy, and social entrepreneurship.

Example modules

- Venture creation and financial planning
- Entrepreneurial marketing
- Family and small business management
- Business ethics and social entrepreneurship

MSc Human Resource Management**Egham campus, FT, 12 months**

This degree course will provide you with a rigorous analytical approach and overview of the major areas of human resources and employment relations policy.

You will examine how organisations learn, exchange knowledge and compete in a globalising knowledge-based economy. The course will also enable you to improve your social, communication and presentation skills.

Example modules

- Principles of human resource management
- Organisational learning, knowledge and work
- Human resource management in global contexts
- Strategic human resource management
- Comparative human resource management

MSc International Business Management**Egham campus, FT, 12 months**

This course will provide you with a comprehensive understanding of organisations, their management and the environment in which they operate, and knowledge of how international marketing and information and operation management fit into the organisation and running of a company or multi-company corporation.

Example modules

- Operation management
- Economics, finance and accounting
- Strategy and ethics in international business management
- Digital business and marketing

82% research rated world-leading or internationally excellent

(Research Excellence Framework 2021)



INTERNATIONAL COHORT

**MSc International Business Management (Marketing)****Egham campus, FT, 12 months**

This course is an intensive and rewarding programme, for ambitious and self-motivated individuals. It is ideal if you wish to pursue a postgraduate degree in general management and marketing with an international orientation and will prepare you to enter the competitive world of work.

Example modules

- Marketing communications
- Economics, finance and accounting
- Strategy and ethics in international business management
- Digital business and marketing



The School of Business and Management's building

MSc International Management (Strategy and Leadership)

Egham campus, FT, 12 months

This new International Business Management pathway will allow you to gain a comprehensive and integrated knowledge and understanding of organisations, their management, approach to leadership and the environment in which they operate.

Example modules

- Leadership and business transformation
- Economics, finance and accounting
- Strategy and ethics in international business management
- Digital business and marketing

MSc Logistics and Supply Chain Management

Central London, FT, 12 months

Accredited by The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport and taught in central London, this

course will provide you with the knowledge and skills in logistics and supply chain management needed to make a significant contribution in an international marketplace. Advised by leaders from industry, this contemporary course equips you with the tools necessary to make future supply chains more sustainable, resilient and responsive in an increasingly digital and unpredictable world.

Example modules

- International logistics and supply chain strategy
- Digital supply chains
- Transport and network design
- Customer service and omni channel retailing
- Circular economy and sustainable supply chains

MSc Sustainability and Management

This course is taught in partnership with the Department of Geography. See page 72.



“The MSc Logistics and Supply Chain Management course has been both enjoyable and intellectually stimulating, with modules designed around modern business practises and industry challenges. Utilising traditional academic methodologies within industry focused topics and assessments, I feel equipped to enter the industry and challenge traditional approaches as I start my career.”

Alex
MSc Logistics and Supply Chain Management



MSc Digital Marketing students on a field trip to Tate Modern, London

Research opportunities

We undertake agenda-setting research on management and organisation theory, policy and practice, addressing pressing cultural, social, economic and business challenges. We frequently collaborate with industrial and commercial research partners, as well as academic colleagues at other institutions (both in the UK and internationally) and in other departments at Royal Holloway.

Our research centres:

- Centre for Critical and Historical Research on Organisation and Society (CHRONOS)
- Digital Organisation and Society Research Centre (DOS)
- Centre for Research Into Sustainability (CRIS)

Our research theme groups include:

- Intercultural and international perspectives on management
- Knowledge and organisational learning
- Working life

Your future career

Our postgraduate business and management degrees can help grow your employability for success throughout your chosen career. Accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB), this means your qualification is recognised in industry, giving you a competitive edge when applying for jobs.

As well as employability-focused teaching, we also have dedicated support through our Careers Services including CV support, interview training and one-to-one consultations.

Classics

Our internationally-recognised Classics department has a vibrant research culture and a thriving and diverse graduate community. Enjoy a distinctive and rewarding postgraduate experience with our innovative Classicists.

Profile

- We offer a full coverage of the subject range, with core strengths in oratory, theoretically-driven approaches to Classical literature, digital archaeology, and Classical reception. Our research and teaching is embedded in the contemporary world, seeing Classics as both part of contemporary culture and offering a critical distance from which we can engage with global challenges.
- We run three intercollegiate taught MA courses in partnership with King's College London and University College London, with a wide choice of modules. We also offer MRes programmes in Classical Reception and Rhetoric, drawing on the expertise of our research centres in the Reception of Greece and Rome and for Oratory and Rhetoric.
- Our courses provide ideal preparation for PhD work or an additional year of advanced study to enhance your undergraduate qualification.
- Part of the interdisciplinary School of Humanities, championing active engagement in a diverse world.



The colonnaded street in Apamea, Syria photographed in 2004 by Dr Zena Kamash

Courses

- MA Ancient History
- MA Classical Art and Archaeology
- MA Classics
- MRes Classical Reception
- MRes Rhetoric
- MPhil/PhD


Take MA courses
at Royal Holloway
UCL or King's

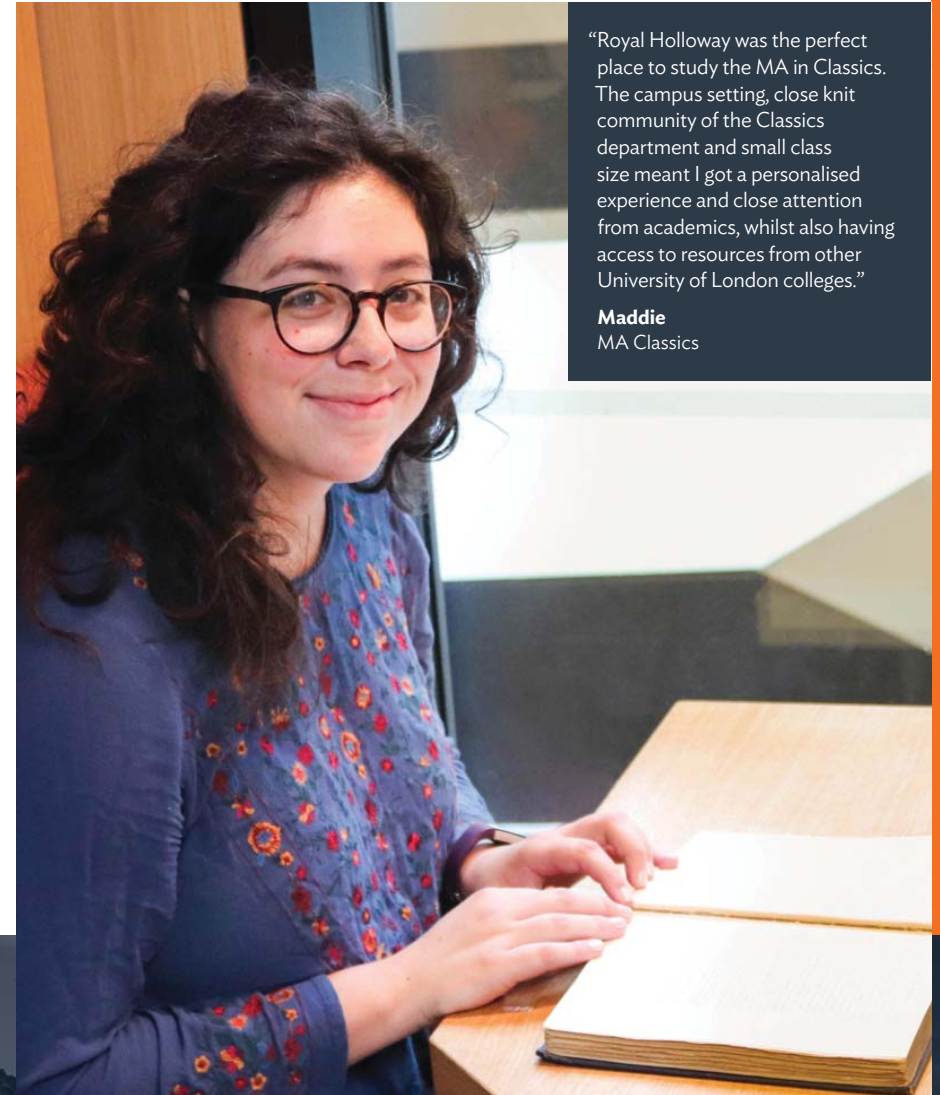
Top 10
in the UK for
student satisfaction

(Complete University
Guide, 2023)

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“Royal Holloway was the perfect place to study the MA in Classics. The campus setting, close knit community of the Classics department and small class size meant I got a personalised experience and close attention from academics, whilst also having access to resources from other University of London colleges.”

Maddie
MA Classics

Tuition fees 2023/24

UK students: £8,600 per year
International students: £18,200 per year
EU students: fee reduction scholarship for 2023/24*

*See page 31 for more details

More course information and contacts

royalholloway.ac.uk/courses

More department information

royalholloway.ac.uk/classics

Entry requirements and how to apply

See page 122.

MA Ancient History**Egham campus/central London, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

This course offers you the opportunity to specialise in the history of the ancient Greek, Roman and Near Eastern worlds. Covering the historical period from Classical Athens to Christian Byzantium, we offer modules which allow you to examine many aspects of the ancient history of Greece, Rome and the Near East. The core 'Sources and methods in ancient history' module will introduce you to the disciplines, methodologies, and problems encountered when doing research in the field of ancient history.

Example modules

- Sources and methods in ancient history
- Alexander the Great: texts, contexts and criticisms
- Household and empire: the Roman family from Augustus to Justinian

MA Classical Art and Archaeology**Egham campus/central London, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

This Masters is designed for those who want to deepen their understanding of the ancient world through advanced study of the art and archaeology of the Greeks and Romans. You will be able to choose modules exploring a wide range of Greek and Roman art and archaeology from all parts of the Mediterranean world, and develop your skills in the techniques of art history and archaeology.

Example modules

- City of Athens
- Understanding Pompeii and Herculaneum
- Who owns the Roman past?

MA Classics**Egham campus/central London, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

This MA offers the chance to study the full range of Classical literature and language, and strengthen your understanding of ancient literary culture. You will be able to improve your ancient languages or learn new technical skills such as papyrology, epigraphy or palaeography. You can choose from a range of modules covering Greek and Latin literature from Homer to late antiquity, ancient philosophy and Classical reception.

Example modules

- Theatre in the Roman world
- The ancient novel
- Tacitus on being Roman: defining identity

MRes Classical Reception**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

Are you fascinated by the continuing use and influence of the ancient world in modernity? This research-focused course allows you to explore an aspect of the Classical legacy in depth through a 30-35,000 word dissertation on a subject of your choice. A core course in the autumn, 'Making the Classical past', introduces you to the broad range of approaches to Classical reception, and prepares you for the challenges of defining and completing a major piece of independent research work under the close supervision of staff who are experts in this area.

MRes Rhetoric**Egham campus (with optional modules in central London), FT/PT, 12/24 months**

This research-focused course provides an overview of oratory and rhetoric in both the ancient and modern periods. You will receive a grounding in the principles of rhetorical theory and practice based on Classical principles, and develop your skills in articulating and presenting your own arguments at the same time as analysing how others have used rhetoric to their advantage. Through two substantial independent projects and a dissertation, along with a year-long core module. 'Problems and methods in oratory and rhetoric', and a further course chosen from the department's MA menu, students receive a thorough grounding in how to strengthen oral and written communication.



Study the frescoes of Pompeii on MA Classical Art and Archaeology



Participating in a drawing workshop at the Great North Museum, Newcastle, looking at alternative ways to respond to museum objects

Research interests and opportunities

Applications are invited for places on our MPhil and PhD research programmes. Academic staff are happy to discuss research projects in advance of a formal application. Please contact our Director of Postgraduate Research Education or write directly to your proposed supervisor.

The department has a wide-ranging research profile. Our literary interests cover Homer, the epic tradition, Greek drama, the ancient novel, Greek literature under the Roman Empire, ancient rhetoric and oratory, Latin epic and elegy, and Roman Stoicism. In ancient history, we specialise in the history of Greek law, Athenian political and social history, the Roman army, ancient shipping and shipsheds, ancient urbanism, and the economic, political and social history of Rome. In Classical art and archaeology, we have strengths in Greek architecture, quantitative methods in archaeology, ancient water systems and management, the Roman Near East, the city of Rome, and the archaeology of the Roman Empire. In Classical reception, we have expertise in political and literary philosophy, urbanism, literary receptions, science fiction, and popular culture.

Research facilities

Alongside the Royal Holloway library, our postgraduate students have access to the world class library resources of the Institute of Classical Studies, the Warburg Institute, the

British Library, Senate House Library, and other specialised libraries in the School of Advanced Study. The Centre for the Reception of Greece and Rome, the Centre for Oratory and Rhetoric, and the Humanities and Arts Research Institute have their own programmes of events. The department runs research seminars and colloquia days, offers students dedicated training events, and, as part of the University of London, participates in one of the most extensive programmes of research seminars and events offered by any institution.

Your future career

Our MA students emerge with high-level research, analytic, and writing skills which equip them for a wide range of careers in, related to, and beyond academia. Recent graduates have gone on to careers in teaching in the UK and internationally, in museum and heritage sector work, and in social and governmental research, as well as in the cultural, media, and creative sectors, legal and financial professions, and tech and information industries.

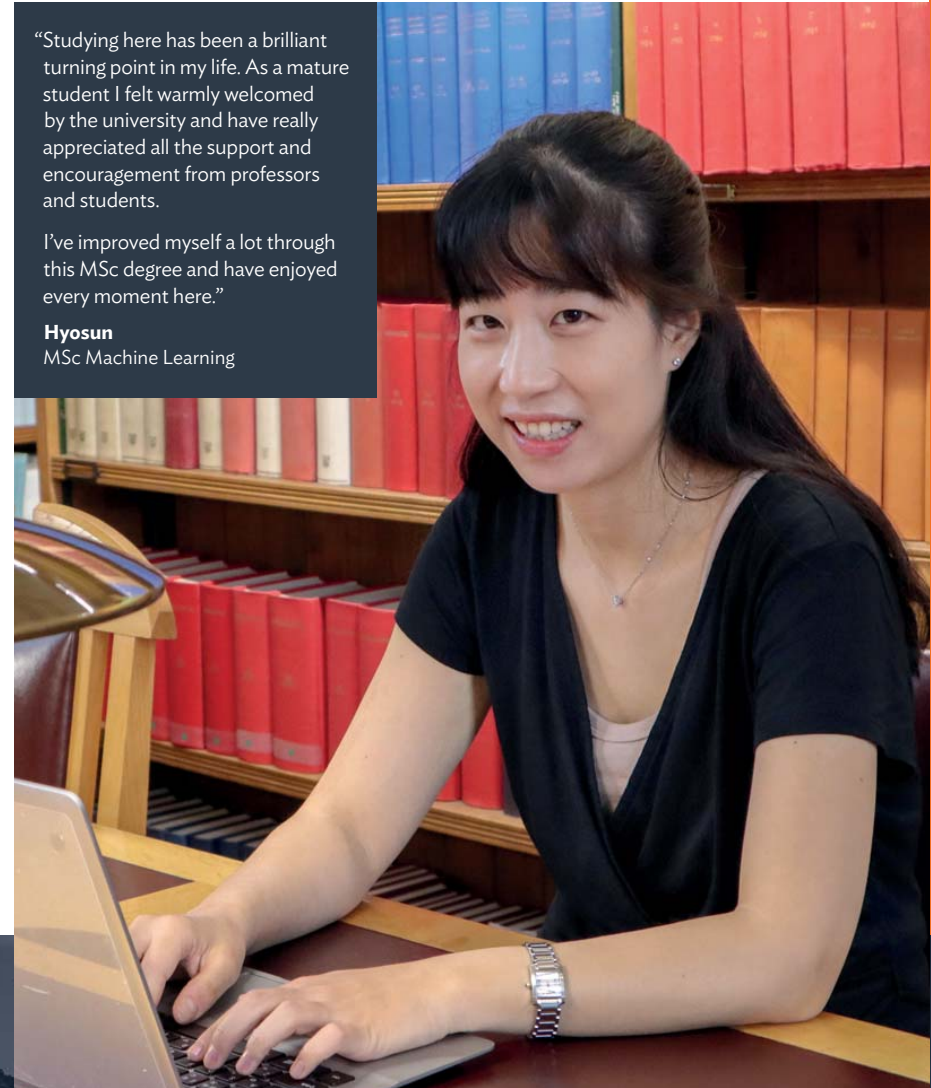
Career-focused events and training include skills sessions, alumni showcases and Q&As, as well activities run by the School of Humanities and the wider university.

Computer Science

An elite department with world-leading researchers, the theories we develop lead to the design and building of novel practical computing systems, and their application in the real world.

Profile

- Our research is particularly strong in Algorithms and Complexity, Artificial Intelligence, Bioinformatics, Machine Learning, Programming Languages & Systems, and Type Theory.
- We collaborate with many research groups as well as with companies and organisations worldwide including AstraZeneca, Centrica, Facebook, Google and IBM.
- With the exception of Computational Finance, all of our Masters courses can also be taken part-time in day-release mode, allowing students to complete a degree by coming to campus only once a week on fixed days.
- We host talks by visiting academics and industrial partners, which address research topics in emerging areas and the way companies and businesses exploit cutting-edge technologies.
- We're part of the School of Engineering, Physical and Mathematical Sciences, delivering world class fundamental research and impact.



“Studying here has been a brilliant turning point in my life. As a mature student I felt warmly welcomed by the university and have really appreciated all the support and encouragement from professors and students.

I've improved myself a lot through this MSc degree and have enjoyed every moment here.”

Hyosun
MSc Machine Learning

Courses

- MSc Artificial Intelligence
- MSc Computational Finance
- MSc Data Science and Analytics
- MSc Machine Learning
- MSc Computer Science by Research
- PhD Computer Science

17th
in the UK for
world-leading
research

(THE, REF Institutions
ranked by subject, 2022)

100%
MSc Taught
programmes offered
with optional one year
industrial placements

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 RHULComputerScience

Tuition fees 2023/24

UK students: £12,600 per year
International students*: £22,800–£27,100 per year
EU students: fee reduction scholarship for 2023/24**

*Fees may vary per course, see website.

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More course information and contacts

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More department information

royalholloway.ac.uk/computerscience

Entry requirements and how to apply

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MSc Artificial Intelligence

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/60 months

Equipped with Artificial Intelligence techniques, today's systems can teach themselves to perform tasks almost as well as humans can. This degree provides you with the foundational knowledge and the practical skills required to operate with these disruptive technologies.

Example modules

- Autonomous intelligent systems
- Deep learning
- Natural language processing
- Experimental design

MSc Computational Finance

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/60 months

Jointly delivered with the Department of Economics, this degree allows you to specialise in modern quantitative finance and computational methods for financial modelling.

Example modules

- Data analysis
- Programming for data analysis
- Investment and portfolio management
- Fixed income securities and derivatives

MSc Data Science and Analytics

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/60 months

This degree prepares you for a career in Big Data. You will be taught both the foundational aspects and the practical skills that prepare you for handling and analysing different types of data in different fields.

Example modules

- Data analysis
- Large-scale data storage and processing
- Business intelligence systems, infrastructures and technologies
- Visualisation and exploratory analysis

MSc Machine Learning

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/60 months

This degree gives you a deeper understanding of the science of systems that can learn from data, including Deep Learning, which is at the heart of the revolution that Artificial Intelligence is bringing to all sectors of the economy and society.

Example modules

- Machine learning
- Online machine learning
- Deep learning
- Natural language processing

Year in Industry

All taught Masters degrees are offered with an optional paid industrial internship that can take up to one year.

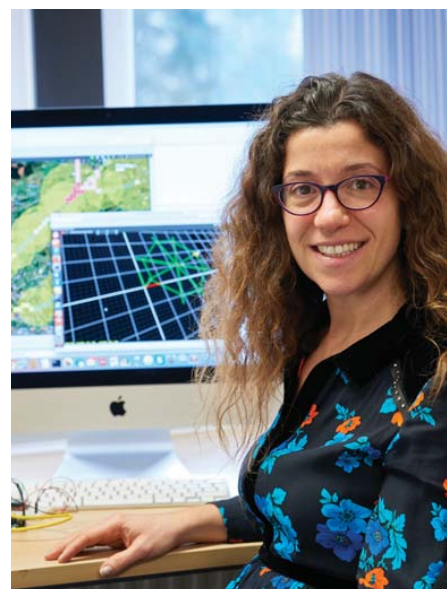
Companies where our students have been placed include Autilla, Axonix, BGL Group, Cartesian, Centrica, Choosic, Data Reply, D4t4 Solutions, Disney, Foward3D, Gamesys, HACT, Hokodo, I. S. Solutions, Jacobs, Jaguar Land Rover, Lindgreen Labs, Microlise, Neural Technologies, ONS, QuintilesIMS, Rolls Royce, Shell, Société Générale, Standard Chartered, Statiq, Thomas Cook, Triometric, UBS, VMware, World Remit, and the Z/Yen Group, among others. The large majority were offered jobs at the end of their placement.

Research opportunities

MSc Computer Science by Research

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

The Masters by Research provides substantial, supervised research experience and intensive teaching of research skills and techniques. It offers students a unique chance to take their first steps into scientific research, and to progress to more advanced studies or into employment in research intensive companies or organisations.



Professor Sara Bernadini's research covers AI task planning, specialising in autonomous surveillance technology.

PhD/MPhil Computer Science

We invite you to email academic staff with whom you are interested in working to discuss PhD/ MPhil opportunities. A full list of staff and their research interests is on our website. Each year the department has a number of scholarships that are awarded on merit. Teaching assistantships are also available. We provide regular training sessions on research skills and postgraduates enjoy a lively intellectual environment with regular contact with their supervisors, research seminars, and weekly social events.

Code Groovers

Code Groovers is the commercial software development arm of the Department of Computer Science at Royal Holloway. Staff and students work together to conceive and develop proven software solutions for our clients using state-of-the-art technologies and methods. Our goal is to unleash the capacity of younger computer scientists to create high-quality, innovative software, and to offer excellent value for money solutions to our clients.

Research interests

Our research is structured into six centres, some of which are interdisciplinary.

Algorithms and Applications: focusing, from a theoretical perspective, on parameterised algorithms and computational complexity and, from applications, in access control in information security.

Bioinformatics: addressing areas within Bioinformatics including gene prediction, protein-DNA interactions, reconstructing biological networks from transcriptomic data, and identifying markers in human serum using proteomic data.

Intelligent Systems: spanning theory and practice, from resilience and security of IoT systems, formal modelling and analysis of cyber-physical systems with applications in security and medicine, to cognitive and autonomous agent systems; and automated planning, scheduling and search control with applications in surveillance, disaster response missions, and space operations.

Machine Learning: focusing on fundamental research and commercial industrial applications,

including universal prediction, Support-Vector method, probabilistic reasoning, the theory of Kolmogorov and predictive complexity, online prediction with expert advice, transductive inference, reinforcement learning, and computational finance.

Robust Inference in a Digital Economy: addressing the opportunities and challenges resulting from the digitalisation of society, from robust inference as the basis for robust decision-making in finance, economics, and other social sciences, to data collection, processing and analysis and big-data technologies.

Software Language Engineering: focusing on the theory and application of grammar-based techniques, on verification of automata, on automatic assessment of the reliability and security of software, and on type theory and applications.

Research facilities

We have state-of-the-art networked computer facilities that can be accessed from off campus using VPN. Students have access to a dedicated state-of-the-art computing cluster HP DL380 comprising 32 processors, 32 Terabytes of disk storage, and GPU. The cluster is currently running the full-fledged Hortonworks Hadoop distribution (HDP) as well as the PostgreSQL and MongoDB servers. It also serves as a repository for massive data sets provided by our industrial and academic partners.

Your future career

Our graduates enter into successful careers in academia or in companies or organisations operating in highly competitive areas, including Amazon, American Express, BGL Group, Bupa, Capita, Centrica, EY, Facebook, Google, Hortonworks, JP Morgan, Microsoft, ONS, PWC, QuintilesIMS, Rolls Royce, Shell, UBS, VMware, Xerox and the Z/Yen Group.

In addition to the support provided by The Careers Services, the department has a dedicated administrator and an academic who coordinates and oversees placements and job opportunities.

Drama, Theatre and Dance

We are a lively and diverse community of researchers highly recognised for our international focus, working at the cutting edge in many different aspects of drama, theatre and performance.

Profile

- Our research explores the way theatre and performance articulates questions of social justice, on engagement with the public sphere, on understanding the present through critical engagement with the past, on international perspectives and on developing new forms of creative practice.
- Our research informs our teaching and learning at all levels, and aims to connect people within and across diverse disciplines, publics, cultures and communities.
- We are committed to theoretically informed research throughout our research strands: applied and participatory theatre, contemporary theatre, dance, performance practices, theatre history and transnational performance.
- Many academics have professional experience as theatre makers, and their research is informed by their practice as directors, writers, performers, dramaturgs and choreographers.
- Part of the interdisciplinary School of Performing and Digital Arts, which encourages diverse and collaborative creativity.



Multimedia performance in the Caryl Churchill Theatre

Courses


- MA Theatre Directing
- MA by Research
- MPhil/PhD

95%
research impact is
rated world-leading or
internationally excellent
(THE, REF rankings by
subject, 2022)

2nd
in the UK for
research quality
(Complete University
Guide, 2023)

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“Working with Katie Mitchell provided a strong foundation for directing, and understanding of the theatre industry and community. There were so many opportunities to explore our personal interests and set up professional contacts - my time spent interning with Complicité taught me so much about running a theatre company and the world of physical theatre. Through classes and community, the MA has expanded my mind, improved my skills, and helped me to put ideas into action.”

Chessie
MA Theatre Directing

Tuition fees 2023/24

UK students*: £10,100 per year
International students*: £22,800 per year
EU students: fee reduction scholarship for 2023/24**

*2023 fee for MA by Research not yet confirmed, check website for updates.

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More department information

royalholloway.ac.uk/drama

Entry requirements and how to apply

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MA Theatre Directing

Egham campus, FT, 12 months

This is a leading specialist intensive course led by world-renowned director Katie Mitchell, introducing you to the practical and intellectual challenges of preparing a script and actors for performance. You will be encouraged to approach the rehearsal room in a new light, with multiple opportunities to direct including directing in our Caryl Churchill Theatre. In the module, 'Theatre directing' you will develop an understanding of how to take a prepared text into the rehearsal room before translating it into legible performance. In 'Making performance' you will take directing skills into contemporary

theatre-making processes including immersive & site-based practices, new writing and collaborative work. 'Contemporary British theatre' explores major themes in current British playwrighting through key texts and writers, whilst 'Concept and dramaturgy' examines the role of these two elements in theatre directing through encountering the work of major European & international directors. Composition & Director's log introduces you to research processes & practice as research (PAR) in preparation for your own final directing project.

Example modules

- Theatre directing
- Making performance
- Contemporary British Theatre
- Concept & Dramaturgy
- Composition & Director's log: production and process

MA by Research

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

The MA by Research (Drama and Theatre Studies) is a flexible course that allows you to undertake in-depth study (both full and part-time), under the supervision of international experts, on a broad range of subjects, including cultural studies, drama, theatre studies, dance studies, performance studies or comparative topics. The core of the MA by Research is a 30,000 word dissertation on a subject of your choice, so you can explore your area of interest in



Student performance



Caryl Churchill Theatre

real depth and to develop sophisticated critical and analytical research and writing skills.

Research opportunities/ departmental research interests

Applications are invited for places on our MPhil and PhD research programmes. Academic staff are happy to discuss research projects in advance of a formal application. Please contact our Director of Postgraduate Research Education or write directly to your proposed supervisor. The department has research specialisms in a broad range of international performance contexts including contemporary British theatre, Asian theatre and performance, applied theatre and social engagement, museum and gallery contexts, as well as dance and new technologies. We also support practice-based research and offer workshops across disciplines in the creative arts and humanities. We have a large and dynamic group of doctoral researchers in the School of Performing and Digital Arts, so you'll always feel supported as part of our future-facing research community.

Research facilities

Research facilities are supported by excellent holdings in the library and archival collections. You will be able to extend your creative practice in a range of professional-standard rehearsal

studios that include the substantial Victorian Boilerhouse, and the Caryl Churchill Theatre, a purpose-built 178-seat studio space. You will also benefit from our partnerships with the wider cultural sector and collaborations with artists and theatremakers. Workshops, lectures and platform discussions are regularly offered to postgraduates featuring leading playwrights, directors, choreographers and practitioners. In the recent past, these have included Kwame Kwei-Armah, Katie Mitchell, Vicky Featherstone, David Greig, Winsome Pinnock, Simon Stephens, Tim Crouch, Oliver Frlijić, Lola Arias, Martin Crimp, Mark Ravenhill and Chris Goode.

Your future career

Our graduates have an excellent record of employment, and the training programme offered by our MA Theatre Directing has enabled them to achieve their ambitions. Recent students have entered careers including Assistant Director at the BBC, Assistant Director at Schauspielhaus Hamburg, Script Editor at Scottish Media Group, and lecturing posts at universities in the UK and USA.

Earth Sciences

As one of the leading centres of Earth Science research, our reputation and collaborations span the globe. Our multidisciplinary research activity investigates the past, present and future of Planet Earth – from its building blocks to its natural resources to its inhabitants.

Profile

- Our research falls into three broad areas: Global Environmental Change, Physics and Chemistry of Earth, and Geodynamics and Sedimentary Systems. They represent a framework to encourage and promote multidisciplinary activity, while allowing great flexibility to research groups and individuals.
- 84% of our research is rated world-leading or internationally excellent in the most recent Research Excellence Framework (REF 2021).
- Our extensive facilities include world-class laboratories for geochemical analysis, sedimentology and palaeontology, and specialist analogue modelling laboratories for recreating earth structures.
- We offer high quality fieldwork, in some of the best geological locations in the UK and overseas.
- Through our teaching and research we maintain vital links with industrial and commercial partners, providing research support and employment for our graduates.
- We're part of the School of Life Sciences and the Environment, advancing knowledge and changing lives.



Fieldwork develops important skills for earth scientists



“What I loved about this course was dipping a toe into the world of environmental consultancy, from Environmental Impact Assessments to waste management. Working with leading industry professionals has developed my analytical and practical skills which I can apply to many different disciplines. I was able to choose where I completed my thesis and this gave me work experience, industry contacts and real insight into the professional realm.”

Rosie
MSc Environmental Diagnosis & Management

Courses

- MSc Energy Geosciences
- MSc Petroleum Geoscience (Distance learning)*
- MSc Environmental Diagnosis & Management
- MSc Engineering Geology and Hydrogeology
- MSc Earth Sciences by Research
- MPhil/PhD

* Degree under development


100%
research environment
is rated world-leading
or internationally
excellent

(Research Excellence
Framework 2021)

88%
research output is
rated world-leading
or internationally
excellent

(Research Excellence
Framework 2021)

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Tuition fees 2023/24

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International students*: £20,700–£22,800 per year
EU students: fee reduction scholarship for 2023/24**

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More department information

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Entry requirements and how to apply

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MSc Energy Geosciences

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

The MSc in Energy Geosciences provides you with the ideal training for a career in the hydrocarbon and renewable industry and growing low carbon energy industry. The flexible course structure enables you to select from a range of course modules to tailor your learning to your own preferences and ambitions on the Petroleum Geosciences or the Sustainable Georesources pathways. The course covers different aspects of basin formation and subsurface characterisation and it is partly taught by, and closely associated with, a large number of international energy companies as well as many local consultancies. A PG Certificate in Energy Geosciences is also available for direct entry.

Example modules

- Reservoir geosciences
- Sedimentology and stratigraphy
- CCS and subsurface energy storage
- Geothermal energy
- Petroleum systems



Students visit fieldwork locations in the UK and further afield

MSc Petroleum Geoscience by Distance Learning*

Distance learning PT, 24/60 months

Royal Holloway's internationally-renowned Petroleum Geoscience Masters (by Distance Learning) is being redeveloped with the University of London External programme to relaunch as a sustainable energy geoscience course. Please check the website for latest details.

Visit london.ac.uk/courses

MSc Environmental Diagnosis & Management

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

This internationally acclaimed Masters addresses global environmental and ecological issues of contaminated land, water quality, air pollution, and waste management, mitigated by legislation to reduce impacts on health and climate. Through modules, case studies, study visits and a research project you can develop critical scientific understanding involving practical training in the field and geochemical analysis and computing laboratories, with significant training and/or supervision by senior professional practitioners. Outstanding links with the environmental sector, together with the excellent training provided, has yielded an exceptional record of graduate employment and research training. The Atkins Prize for best research project, Syngenta Prize for most improved performance, and Arup Prize for best performance overall, are awarded annually.

Example modules

- Contaminated land case study
- River Thames basin case study
- Royal Holloway campus air quality case study

MSc Engineering Geology and Hydrogeology

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

This Masters provides the scientific knowledge, tools and skills needed to combat the effects of climate change and align your career with 'New Green Deal' recovery programmes in an area of growing demand from key industry employers. You will benefit from research-led teaching and holistic training that combines the disciplines of Engineering Geology and Hydrogeology, applying geological information in solving practical problems and harnessing natural resources sustainably.

Example modules

- Site investigation (including GIS training)
- Rock and soil mechanics
- Hydrogeology and fluid flow

Research opportunities

Applications are invited for postgraduate research places leading to either the MSc by Research (one year), MPhil (two year), or PhD (three year) degree. We offer a wide range of projects falling within the general remit of our three main research themes. Research projects may be fully supported by industry funding or research councils, Royal Holloway scholarships or self-funded. All staff can accept suitably qualified research candidates who qualify for scholarships or who have alternative means of support. We invite you to email academic staff with whom you are interested in working to discuss potential projects. A full list of staff and their research interests is available on our website.

Research facilities

Research facilities include atmospheric monitoring and isotope laboratory, thermal ionization mass spectrometer laboratory, IsoProbe-multi-collector, laser ablation ICP-MS laboratory, stable isotope laboratories, ICP-AES facility, X-ray fluorescence, a Sea Ice Simulator, X Ray Diffraction, two analogue modelling laboratories, as well as industry-standard seismic and potential field processing and software.

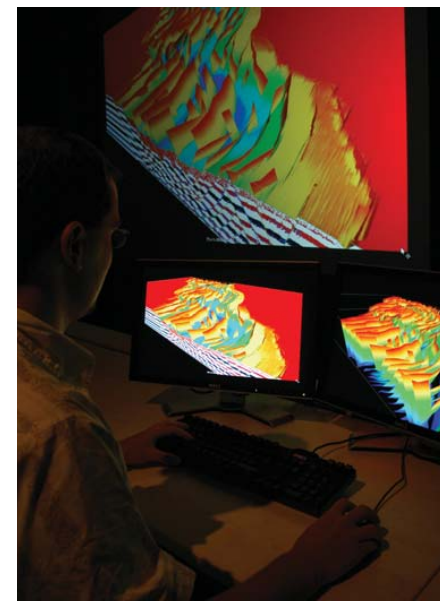
Research partners include UK and international universities, organisations, and very strong links with multinational energy companies. We also have close links with the Natural History Museum and Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew.

Research interests

Global Environmental Change researchers focus on issues such as methane as a greenhouse gas, Arctic change, snow chemistry, environmental geochemistry and microbiology, modern and ancient sedimentary processes, Phanerozoic environmental change and associated biotic responses on land and in oceans, the biogeochemistry of Archaean ecosystems and the evolution of life through geologic time.

Physics and Chemistry of Earth research explores georesources and uses world-class techniques and facilities in radiogenic (Sr-Nd-Pb-Hf-U-Th) and stable (C, H, O, S) isotopes to examine the nature and rate of processes in the atmosphere, hydrosphere, crust and mantle, as well as the history of Earth and solar nebula.

Geodynamics and Sedimentary Systems research integrates structural geology, geophysics, sedimentology and modelling to tackle key problems in the evolution of rift systems and passive margins, tectonics of mountain belts, landscape evolution and neotectonics.



Extensive research facilities

Your future career

Our Masters degrees have earned a strong reputation in industry for premier training, making our graduates highly employable within the sector. Our MSc Energy Geosciences programme has been taught since 1985, and we are recognised worldwide as one of the energy industry's excellent training facilities, having helped graduates from across the world progress into rewarding careers. There is huge demand for well-qualified energy geoscientists, and you'll graduate as a highly desirable candidate for employers in a variety of energy sectors. Our MSc Environmental Diagnosis & Management has outstanding links with the environmental sector through the contributions of professional practitioners, case studies, study visits, and research projects. We have new employer placement links each year and particularly strong links with Arup, Atkins, CEH Wallingford, and Syngenta. The MSc offers excellent vocational and research training and career preparation for environmental jobs, research or academia. Graduate destinations include Arup, Atkins, AECOM, Golder and WSP.

Economics

In the Department of Economics at Royal Holloway, world-class research and innovation bring a global perspective to our postgraduate programmes. Students are taught by internationally leading experts in a stimulating, nurturing and inclusive environment. Informing our teaching, our research is focused on many of the global challenges facing the world today, and we work closely with industry, government, business, and charities to ensure its relevance and impact.

Profile

- Featured in the top 10 UK universities for research output (THE, REF institutions ranked by subject, 2022).
- Strong links to government, business and the banking and finance sectors.
- All students benefit from dedicated employability training.
- Students benefit from considerable individual attention from our staff.
- We are part of the School of Law and Social Sciences, focusing on social inquiry, democracy, justice, human rights and economic development.



London - just 40 minutes away by train - and its financial district

Courses

- MSc Computational Finance
- MSc Computational Finance (Year in Industry)
- MSc Corporate Finance
- MSc Economics (1 year)
- MSc Economics (2 year)
- MSc Finance (1 year)
- MSc Finance (2 year)
- MSc Global Health: Economics and Policy*
- MPhil/PhD

98%
research output is
rated world-leading or
internationally excellent

(Research Excellence
Framework 2021)

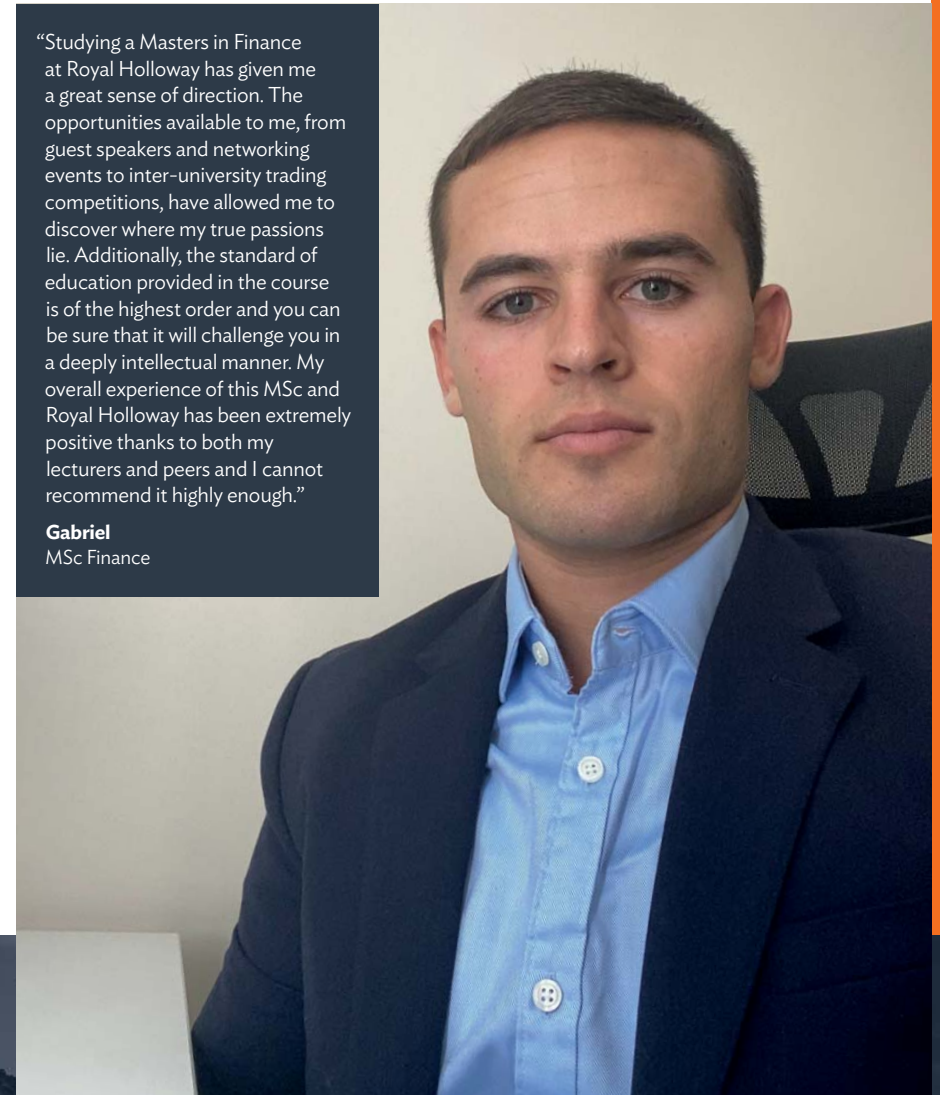
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“Studying a Masters in Finance at Royal Holloway has given me a great sense of direction. The opportunities available to me, from guest speakers and networking events to inter-university trading competitions, have allowed me to discover where my true passions lie. Additionally, the standard of education provided in the course is of the highest order and you can be sure that it will challenge you in a deeply intellectual manner. My overall experience of this MSc and Royal Holloway has been extremely positive thanks to both my lecturers and peers and I cannot recommend it highly enough.”

Gabriel
MSc Finance



Tuition fees 2023/24

UK students*: £8,400-£12,600 per year
International students*: £13,800-£20,700 per year
EU students: fee reduction scholarship for 2023/24**

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More department information
royalholloway.ac.uk/economics

Entry requirements and how to apply
See page 122.



MSc Computational Finance

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

This innovative course is offered jointly by the Department of Computer Science and the Department of Economics. The course introduces you to modern finance theory and methods for data analysis applied to financial modelling and predictions. You'll acquire skills demanded by jobs in asset pricing, risk management and quantitative trading.

Example modules

- Data analysis
- Foundations of finance
- Business intelligence
- Machine learning

MSc Computational Finance (Year in Industry)

Egham campus, FT, 24 months

Refine your skills and knowledge by electing to spend a year in industry where you will be able to integrate theory and practice and gain real business experience. In the past, our students have secured placements and benefited from strong industry connections.

Example modules

See above and royalholloway.ac.uk/courses

MSc Corporate Finance

Egham campus, FT, 12 months

This course provides you with a critical understanding of corporate finance and entrepreneurship finance, as well as innovation research and the processes and practices of new venture finance. A particular focus will be on understanding the different roles and financial functions in venture capital and private equity firms, in entrepreneurship, consultancy and mergers and acquisitions.

This degree is designed to help you prepare for the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) exam.

Example modules

- Corporate finance
- Financial accounting and reporting
- Corporate risk and governance
- Fixed income securities and derivatives

MSc Economics (1 year)

Egham campus, FT, 12 months

This Masters is designed to equip you with the tools of a modern economist, including quantitative skills, understanding of advanced economic theory and the ability to conduct independent research. On this course you will be able to study a variety of topics including macroeconomics, public policy evaluation methods and game theory. On completion of the 12 months, you will be ready for your chosen career path, whether in the private sector (e.g. banking or consulting), in government, or further research in economics.

Example modules

- Microeconomics theory
- Macroeconomics
- Econometrics
- Decision theory and behaviour

MSc Economics (2 year)

Egham campus, FT, 24 months

This course is designed for students who would like to study economics but who have an undergraduate degree in a different subject. The first year consists of advanced undergraduate-level modules which provide the foundations of microeconomics, macroeconomics and quantitative methods, as well as some optional modules. Having passed the first year you will progress to the MSc Economics (above).

Example modules

See above and royalholloway.ac.uk/courses



MSc Finance (1 year)

Egham campus, FT, 12 months

This course will equip you with the skills required for a career in the broad area of finance, including financial analysis and management, insurance, management consultancy, mergers and acquisitions, risk control, and sales trading. It will provide you with training from a practical as well as a theoretical point of view with the aim of enhancing your employability.

Through your studies you will gain a strong grounding in core areas of finance and have the flexibility to specialise in areas such as fixed income securities and derivatives, investment and portfolio management or private equity.

Example modules

- Foundations of finance
- Corporate finance
- Quantitative methods for finance
- Private equity

MSc Finance (2 year)

Egham campus, FT, 24 months

This degree is ideal if you have graduated from disciplines other than Economics, Finance, or other quantitative disciplines, but wish to work in a finance-related area. In the first year you will study advanced undergraduate-level courses that provide the foundations for the modules in MSc Finance. Having passed the first year you will progress to the full degree (above).

Example modules

See above and royalholloway.ac.uk/courses

MSc Global Health: Economics and Policy

Egham campus, FT, 12 months

This new course delivers training in modern health economics from a global perspective, covering topics such as inequality, development, environment, public health-care delivery, among others. You'll receive training in health- and public policy that will prepare you for working for

international organisations, government, NGOs, consultancies and think-tanks.

Example modules

- Economics of health
- Quantitative methods for health economics
- Inequality, development and health
- Behavioural health economics

Research opportunities

Our department produces world-class research across the main fields of the discipline and has a particular strength in applied work. Our MPhil and PhD programmes will provide you with rigorous training and experience in economic analysis in a small selected community, thus ensuring high levels of interaction and support between research students and staff.

Our research areas include

- Centre for Robust Inference in a Digital Economy (RIDE)
- Centre for the Economics of the Household (EcHo)
- Centre for Macroeconomic and Labour Economics (MaLEc)
- Centre for Mathematical and Theoretical Economics (MATE)
- Centre for Research in Economics Education (CREEd)

Your future career

A postgraduate degree in economics has the potential to send your career soaring, and so we make it our priority to ensure that you are fully prepared before entering the job market. We provide a dedicated module on finding a job in the financial industry, advise all students on employability and organise a series of talks where professionals discuss what their job is really about, so that whatever career you choose you will have direction, conviction and the requisite knowledge to succeed.

Electronic Engineering

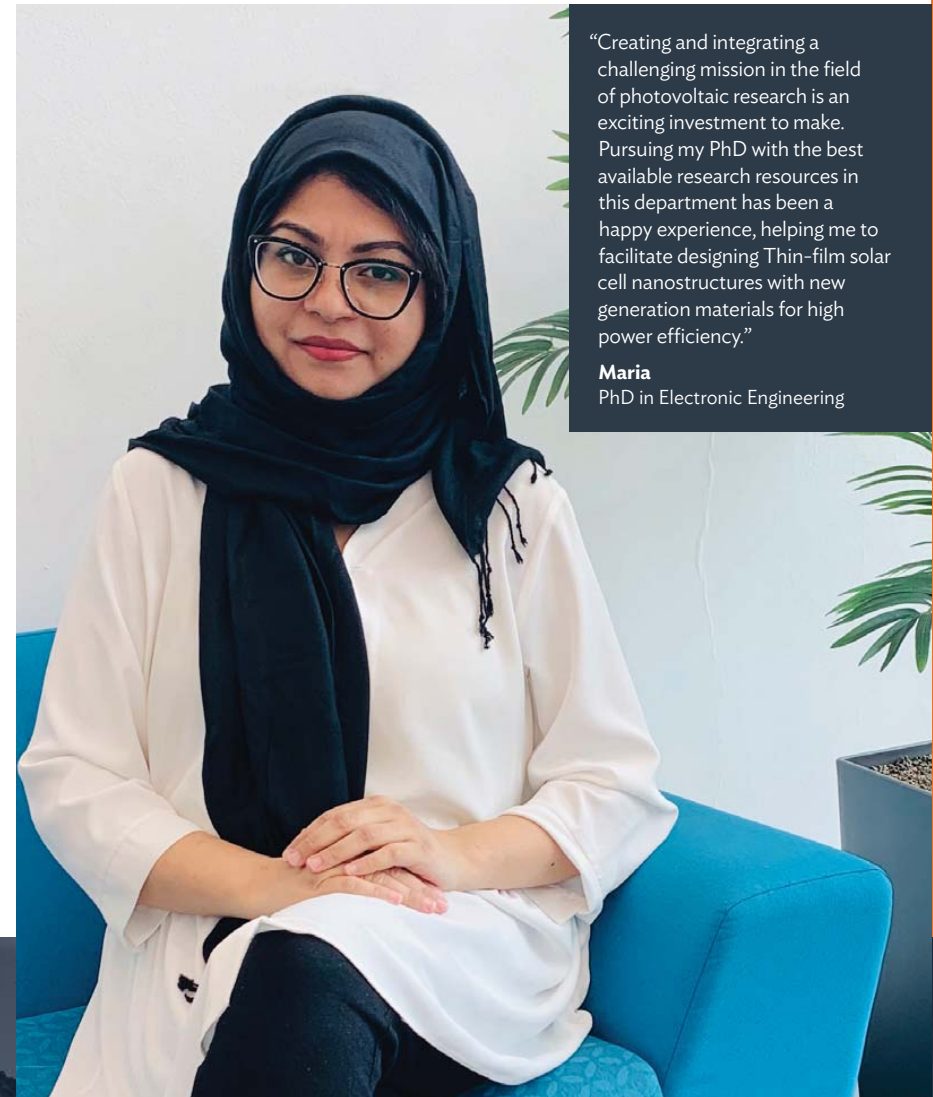
Electronic Engineering links excellent engineering with the ingenious application of creativity as the starting point for invention. Our stimulating environment for research and training equips graduates with the critical tools and qualifications needed to address the technological advances and challenges of global business and industry.

Profile

- We research current and emerging electronic engineering trends in four main groupings: Voice, Audio and Biosignals; Nano-Electronics; Power Systems; Microwave Photonics and Sensors.
- Our purpose-designed new building has advanced electronic engineering equipment.
- The department has an equality ethos, attracting a greater than UK average proportion of women students, within an inclusive environment.
- Our excellent location in the South East places us near many leading UK-based electronics companies.
- Our courses are taught by experienced practitioners and academics drawing on academic theory, latest thinking and industry experience.
- Our Masters degrees have a strong focus on employability, helping you to develop your skills to succeed in your chosen career.
- We're part of the School of Engineering, Physical and Mathematical Sciences, delivering world class fundamental research and impact.



The Beatrice Shilling Building



“Creating and integrating a challenging mission in the field of photovoltaic research is an exciting investment to make. Pursuing my PhD with the best available research resources in this department has been a happy experience, helping me to facilitate designing Thin-film solar cell nanostructures with new generation materials for high power efficiency.”

Maria
PhD in Electronic Engineering

Courses

- MSc in Engineering Management
- MSc Project Management
- MSc Cyber Security Project Management
- MSc Software Project Management
- MSc Project Management (Distance Learning)
- MSc Advanced Electronic and Electrical Engineering *
- MSc Biomedical Electronic Engineering *
- MSc Microwave and Optical Fibre Communications *
- MSc Smart Power Systems *
- MSc by Research in Electronic Engineering
- MPhil/PhD in Electronic Engineering

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Creating technical
solutions for an
evolving world

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 RHUL ElectronicEngineering

Tuition fees 2023/24

UK students*: £12,600 per year
International students*: £20,700–£22,800 per year
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“My experience at Royal Holloway has been truly amazing. I’ve loved every second of it and the lecturers were extremely helpful. I would definitely recommend this MSc degree to any new budding scientists or engineers who are looking to get into a management position within a company, as you’ll be taught life skills through this MSc.”

Natasha
MSc Engineering Management

MSc in Engineering Management Central London, FT/PT, 12/24-60 months

This degree addresses current and emerging engineering project management issues and the principles that underpin effective business strategies and outcomes. It balances academic theory with practical opportunities, and the tools to manage sophisticated large, complex and multi-disciplinary projects with an emphasis on scientific and engineering advances, from the science behind renewable energy to the world of modern consumer technology design for the home.

MSc Project Management Central London, FT/PT, 12/24-60 months

This degree is suitable for graduates from a range of backgrounds interested in a career which involves managing projects, from fashion and film to the charity sector and from scientists to government employees. Industry connections have informed the design and content of the course to meet the demands of employers across competitive global markets. The course will equip you with practical tools and skills, together with an understanding of the academic theories underpinning them. You will learn about basic and advanced project management concepts, strategy and ethics, the funding of projects and risk management, finance and accounting and gain an understanding of the challenges of managing projects in different industries.

MSc Cyber Security Project Management Central London, FT/PT, 12/24-60 months

This Masters is taught by experienced practitioners from the digital and information security sector. There is a growing global demand for graduates with specialist cyber security projects expertise and capabilities to address

the emerging threats to digital and information security sectors.

You’ll develop an understanding of a broad range of cyber security and digital threats and project practices in industry ready for a career in modern digital and cyber security project-based environments.

MSc Software Project Management Central London, FT/PT, 12/24-60 months

This software industry-focused degree opens up digital sector job opportunities to students with non-technical backgrounds. You’ll explore software project management issues and how to address challenges with advanced skills, and be well equipped to meet the growing demand from multi-sector organisations seeking a software and digital project management skills set.

MSc Project Management by Distance Learning Distance Learning, PT, 24-60 months

The MSc Project Management by Distance Learning is available to enhance your career development without the need for full-time study. There are also two pathway specialisms available in Software Development or Sustainability. Applications for Distance Learning must be made through the University of London International Programmes website.

Visit london.ac.uk/courses/msc-project-management.

MSc Advanced Electronic and Electrical Engineering *

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months
This MSc provides a varied and flexible curriculum informed by innovative research and current industrial needs with numerous optional modules so that the course can be tailored to suit your

career aspirations. You will have the opportunity to integrate software, hardware, electronic and electrical engineering systems; VHDL to programme FPGAs; and sustainable power generation to meet future carbon neutral targets.

MSc Biomedical Electronic Engineering * Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

This MSc has a focus on the electronic aspects of biomedical engineering, ranging from embedded electronic systems to machine learning. Using open-source tools for biosensing and neuroscience, you will work in a creative space with the aim of making brain-computer interfacing and other biosensors more accessible for rapid prototyping and quicker delivery of products in the consumer landscape.

MSc Microwave and Optical Fibre Communications *

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months
Microwave and optical fibre communication systems enable high-speed communication, used in our everyday life from high-speed home-based internet, smart mobile phones, machine-to-machine communication systems, and ‘Everything Connected’. We are one of the few institutions in the UK with the skills and resources to provide hands-on experience in this area.

MSc Smart Power Systems *

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months
This MSc examines the crucial changes in modern power systems today, as well as developments for a sustainable energy future. It will prepare you for the large variety of jobs in the Power System sector, from smart meters and demand side management, to load forecasting, distribution and transmission, to energy generation, renewables and energy storage.

MSc by Research in Electronic Engineering Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

We welcome applications from prospective students wishing to work on projects of research interest to our academics, and applicants wishing to propose their own projects in conjunction with industry and our research interests.

MPhil/PhD in Electronic Engineering

Academic staff and doctoral research students all play an active role in our dynamic research culture, and many are working at the frontiers of knowledge in their research area, creating collaborations with industry and across departments to facilitate novel research.

We invite you to email our academic staff who are active in the research area you are interested in to discuss potential MPhil/PhD opportunities or an MSc by Research. Staff lists are available on our website.

Research Groups

Our research is structured into four main groups:

- Audio, Biosignals and Machine Learning
- Nano-Electronics
- Microwave Photonics and Sensors
- Power Systems.

Our research groups provide a lively and interactive environment for our postgraduates, and researchers across other departments and industry.

Research facilities

The rooftop of our building features a wind turbine and solar panels for research students to conduct relevant projects. Our Microwave Photonics and Sensor (MPS) laboratory is equipped with the latest Microwave and Fibre Optics Communication systems and devices, and measurement equipment. Nano-Electronics research benefits from close proximity to the National Physical Laboratory, and other national laboratories.

Your future career

Electronic Engineers are highly valued by employers for their technical knowledge, transferable skills and analytical as well as practical training.

Graduates of our Project Management courses have pursued successful careers across a range of industries. Roles in project management require professionals who can oversee the completion of a project, as well as those who take ownership for a specific aspect of a project, delivered to all stakeholders’ satisfaction.

Our alumni have successfully entered into a wide range of professions and industries, making substantial contributions to multidisciplinary project teams and the financing, execution and delivery of projects. This has helped them progress through their organisations and into senior management positions or change career paths.

English

Offering expert teaching across the full chronological and specialist range of English literary study, the department has forged a reputation as one of the most dynamic departments of English in the country.

Profile

- All staff in the department are highly regarded scholars, writers and critics and the quality of our research was recognised in the most recent Research Excellence Framework where 98% of our research was found to be of world-leading or internationally excellent quality.
- You'll enjoy a varied and lively research culture in our department, whatever you study. The Centre for Victorian Studies and the London Old and Middle English Research Seminar (LOMERS) host international scholars presenting on their current research. Then there's the Paper Stage - an informal dramatic reading group where students and staff read Shakespeare's plays aloud together. The 19th Century reading group, the Old and Middle English reading groups, along with readings from our Creative Writing students all give you the chance to engage with your new community and share experiences with others as passionate as you.
- We are part of the interdisciplinary School of Humanities, championing active engagement in a diverse world.



The library in the Emily Wilding Davison Building

"I absolutely loved my time studying my MA. The course was exciting, engaging, and challenging. The seminar leaders were second to none: exceptionally knowledgeable, encouraging, supportive and inspiring. I enjoyed my time so much that I stayed on to develop my MA thesis into a PhD. To anyone interested in Victorian literature and history: choosing Royal Holloway for my MA was one of the best decisions I ever made."

Jen

MA Victorian Literature, Art and Culture



Courses

- MA Creative Writing
- MA English Literature
- MA Medieval Studies
- MA Victorian Literature, Art and Culture
- MA by Research
- MPhil/PhD

1st

in the UK for world-leading or internationally excellent research


(THE REF rankings by subject, 2022)


6th

in the UK for Creative Writing

(The Times & Sunday Times Good University Guide, 2023)

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MA Creative Writing

Central London, FT/PT, 12/24 months

Develop your work as a writer to a professional level, going beyond the personal and writing with an engaged sense of literary culture, its social role and contemporary practices. This MA is designed for poets, fiction writers and those interested in experimental non-fiction prose who are dedicated to their writing and want to see it in print. You will take one of four distinct pathways: Fiction, New Narrative Writing, Poetry or Poetic Practice, working in small groups and with extensive individual attention. You will submit critical and creative coursework, and will undertake a final practical project and critical dissertation.

Example modules

- Supplementary discourses
- Reading as a writer
- Fiction pathway
- Poetry pathway
- Poetic Practice pathway
- New Narrative Writing pathway

MA English Literature

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

This course is ideal if you are interested in more than one period of English literature, or if you want to combine or juxtapose the literatures and genres of different periods. With a wide range of expertise in the department, you have the option to choose modules in Medieval literature, Shakespeare, Victorian literature, Modernism and contemporary literature. You will be taught by highly regarded scholars, writers and critics who are engaged in research, writing ground-breaking books, talking to or writing in the national media, and providing expert advice to national and international bodies.

Example modules

- Arthurian literature and tradition in England
- King Lear and The Tempest
- Victorian London
- The Pre-Raphaelite revolution
- Modernist and contemporary literature

MA Medieval Studies

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

This wide-ranging interdisciplinary course is taught by medievalists from the departments of English, History, and Modern Languages. It offers an opportunity to explore the events, texts, objects, and culture of the Middle Ages from many different angles and critical perspectives.

You will develop your interests and expertise in the study of the Middle Ages, working with source material including artefacts and manuscripts as well as archives and printed sources. The course emphasises the skills that are required for postgraduate research in this vibrant scholarly field, regardless of the area in which you choose to specialise.

Example modules

- Medieval narratives
- The literature of Medieval London
- Arthurian literature and tradition in England
- Byzantium and the Fourth Crusade
- Pilgrimage in the Medieval world

MA Victorian Literature, Art and Culture

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

This cross-disciplinary MA fosters a critical understanding of the Victorian era through study of all its major cultural forms. The age's literature, visual arts and history are addressed by the course's four taught modules to produce a comprehensive overview of the period from high Victorianism to the *fin de siècle* while the dissertation allows you to explore specialist research interests.

Taught in one of the most flamboyant and beautiful buildings of Victorian Britain, and housing one of the finest private collections of Victorian art, you can enjoy a true immersion in a vibrant 19th-century atmosphere, supported by the exciting guest lectures and symposia of the Centre for Victorian Studies.

Example modules

- Victorian London
- The Pre-Raphaelite revolution
- Aestheticism and decadence
- The 19th-century novel: contexts, theories, readers

MA by Research

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

We also offer an MA by Research, which can serve as an alternative to the traditional taught MA, whether as a pathway to PhD study or as an independent research qualification. In the course of this one-year (or two-year part-time) degree, you will work towards a dissertation of up to 40,000 words. This is an extended independent research project pursued with the support of a dedicated supervisor who has expertise in the area that you choose to research. You will receive training in research skills, and have access to the wide range of other training opportunities

available at Royal Holloway, including the Researcher Development Programme (RDP). While in this choice of degree pathway you will be working independently, you will have many opportunities to meet other MA students and to engage in the lively and dynamic research culture of the department both in central London and on our Egham campus in Egham.

Research opportunities

Applications are invited for places on our MPhil and PhD research programmes. Academic staff are happy to discuss research projects in advance of a formal application. Please contact our Director of Postgraduate Research or write directly to your proposed supervisor.

Research interests

Research supervision is provided in all the main areas of literary study, from Old and Middle English to 21st century world literature, critical theory and creative writing. The department's major strengths are in Old and Medieval English, the Early Modern, the 18th, 19th and 20th centuries, and creative writing with particular specialisms in Shakespeare, Swift, Sterne, Dickens, Browning, Hardy, George Eliot, Joyce, Beckett, in world and contemporary literature, critical theory, and the environmental and digital humanities. There are also thriving research interests in American and African-American literature, modernism, postmodernism and contemporary poetic theory and practice. Practice-based PhDs in various genres of creative writing and poetic practice are also available.

Research facilities

As well as the facilities available to our large postgraduate community on campus and in central London, the Institute of English Studies at Senate House is also a venue for conferences, research seminars and lectures by the world's leading English scholars.

In addition, the Humanities and Arts Research Institute, the Royal Holloway Picture Gallery with its magnificent collection of Victorian art, and research centres for Victorian Studies and Poetics add to the vibrancy of the department. Students are given training in research methods and information retrieval. Teaching for the MA Creative Writing takes place at 11 Bedford Square, Royal Holloway's London home, in the heart of Bloomsbury.

Your future career

The department has an impressive record for placing Masters graduates in academic jobs and in prominent positions outside the academy including internships in institutions such as the British Library, the Museum of London, the Dickens Museum, and the Victoria and Albert Museum. Other postgraduates have recently secured positions at major UK universities, Shakespeare's Globe and the National University of Ireland. The English department also prepares postgraduates for successful careers in a variety of other areas such as teaching, education, writing and journalism, the creative sector, art curatorship, publishing, administration and marketing.



Boilerhouse Theatre

Geography

As a leading centre for world-class research, knowledge exchange and public engagement, we address the challenges facing contemporary culture, the economy and the environment.

Profile

- Geography is in the top tier of UK departments, consistently identified as one of the highest-performing departments in successive research assessments.
- We have been praised for our 'world-leading intellectual vision' and 'excellent record of PhD completion...and employability'. Our research has been singled out as overwhelmingly of 'internationally excellent' and 'world-leading' quality (REF 2021).
- We have over 30 members of academic staff and notable research concentrations in Quaternary science, social, cultural, and historical geography, the GeoHumanities, development studies, sustainability, and geopolitics.
- Ours is a vibrant postgraduate community of over 120 students, including some 80 PhD candidates, drawn from across the world.
- We're part of the School of Life Sciences and the Environment, advancing knowledge and changing lives.



Environmental and social sustainability research

Courses

MSc in Global Futures:

- MSc in Global Futures: Culture and Creativity
- MSc in Global Futures: Geopolitics and Security
- MSc in Global Futures: Justice, Development and Sustainability

MRes in Cultural Geography

MRes in Geopolitics, Development, Security and Justice

MSc/Diploma Quaternary Science

MSc/Diploma Sustainability and Management

MSc Gender Studies and Global Futures (see page 110)

MPhil and PhD in all aspects of Geography

100%
research impact is
rated world-leading
or internationally
excellent


(Research Excellence
Framework 2021)

5th
in the UK for
research

(THE, REF Institutions
ranked by subject, 2022)

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"This Masters felt like a natural progression after I studied Geography here as an undergraduate. There's a close community and many of the lecturers are actively researching the areas of Cultural Geography I'm interested in. The coursework is so broad, with freedom to write about what interests you, and debates in class around themes I hadn't considered before. It definitely opens up your mind to new ways of thinking, both about our current world, and its possible futures."

Georgia
MSc Global Futures: Culture & Creativity

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MSc in Global Futures**Egham campus/central London, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

This Masters explores the geographies of the changing world around us. You will examine the relationships between place, space, identity, and activism and how they are evolving in response to the social, political, and environmental challenges we face. Combining core concepts from human geography and related disciplines with advanced humanities and social-science research methods training, the course will equip you with the ability to navigate a changing world and to shape its future. In addition to its strong conceptual and methodological curriculum, the course also offers innovative placements and research engagements with some of London's top cultural institutions and third-sector organisations.

Eligible for ESRC 1+3 funding.

During your Masters you can choose to specialise in one of three degree pathways, each of which offers a distinctive lens, and subject-specific modules, through which to examine our changing world, explore its fundamental challenges, and develop advanced research and analytical skills.

MSc in Global Futures: Culture and Creativity:

We focus on key concepts in cultural and creative geographies, and how they illuminate the changing world around us. This pathway encourages you to reflect on how everything from technology and mobility, to politics and contested ideas of history and heritage, raise fundamental questions about our cultural identities and lives. On completion you will be equipped with a foundational understanding of how culture and creative practices can be deployed to tackle global issues and shape our shared future.

MSc in Global Futures: Geopolitics and Security:

We focus on geopolitical issues, and how they impact upon the security of individuals, cities, nations, and regions. You will consider how era-defining issues such as political polarisation and global terror, and infrastructural and economic failure, might be understood and mitigated against using creative and critical geopolitical approaches. You will work with the leading researchers based in our Geopolitics, Development, Security and Justice (GDSJ) research group, and departments of Politics and International Relations and Information Security.

MSc in Global Futures: Justice, Development and Sustainability: We focus on key issues of sustainable development in the Global

South, and how they relate to ideas of social and environmental justice. This pathway puts questions of development into global context and examines the relationship between development and planetary-scale challenges to the environment and society. You will build a sound knowledge and understanding of how the concept of justice can help us shape a fairer and more sustainable future.

MSc/Diploma Quaternary Science**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

This Masters degree provides critical understanding of long-term and abrupt climate and environmental changes during the Quaternary period via specialist analytical training in the classroom, laboratory and field. You will develop a thorough understanding of how high-precision, global palaeoenvironmental records and Quaternary data are utilised to understand Earth's changing climates, environments, and land systems.

MSc/Diploma Sustainability and Management**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

This interdisciplinary Masters degree is taught jointly with the School of Business and Management (see page 38) and provides an advanced-level introduction to principles of environmental sustainability and corporate social responsibility. You'll develop the knowledge and skills to communicate with experts across a variety of backgrounds, helping you to become an expert in sustainability and an attractive prospect for business, governmental agencies and NGOs.

Eligible for ESRC 1+3 funding.

MRes in Cultural Geography**Egham campus/central London, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

This Masters draws together world-leading cultural geography research and teaching. You will have the opportunity to develop a deep and engaged research agenda through a longer-form dissertation, an excellent pathway to doctoral study. The degree combines core conceptual training in cultural geography and related disciplines with advanced research methods training designed to equip you to become an effective and professional researcher.

The course also offers innovative placements and research engagements with some of London's top cultural institutions.

Eligible for ESRC 1+3 funding.

MRes in Geopolitics, Development, Security and Justice**Egham campus/central London, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

Interest in issues of sustainable development, environmental justice, and geopolitics and security has never been so intense; these are the cornerstones of so-called 'global challenges' research. This degree is ideal for graduates looking to progress to PhD study in these vital areas. The course combines core concepts with intensive research methods training in the form of a long-form dissertation. Reflecting the collaborative nature of our research culture, the curriculum also includes the potential for innovative placements and research engagements with external partners.

Eligible for ESRC 1+3 funding.

Research opportunities

For postgraduate research places leading to a PhD degree, we invite you to email academic staff with whom you are interested in working to discuss potential projects. A full list of staff and their research interests is available on our website.

We have an excellent record in securing postgraduate funding from the AHRC, EPSRC, ESRC, Leverhulme Trust, and NERC doctoral training centres/partnerships. Please contact the department as early as possible to discuss funding opportunities.

Centre for Quaternary Research

The CQR was established in 1990 and has become one of the leading international research centres in Quaternary science. The CQR promotes interdisciplinary research based on three themes of major importance for understanding Quaternary environmental change: the dynamics of global change; the human dimension of environmental change; and advances in geochronology.

Geopolitics, Development, Security and Justice Research Group

GDSJ works on vitally important issues across political, development and social geography and has interdisciplinary connections to international relations, development studies, anthropology, sociology, disaster studies; health and gerontology. It is committed to research both in and across the Global North and Global South including the UK and Overseas Territories, the

Arctic and Antarctica, South and Southeast Asia, and Latin America.

Social, Cultural & Historical Geography Research Group

SCHG has earned a distinctive record of research in the arts and humanities as well as the social sciences. SCHG has supported influential research projects on place, landscape and mobility, creative and collaborative geographies, transnational material cultures, visual cultures of exploration, print culture and travel, sacred spaces, and multi-culturalism.

Centre for the GeoHumanities

Royal Holloway Centre for the GeoHumanities is a major initiative linking arts and humanities scholars and practitioners, geographers and the creative, cultural and heritage sectors.

Research facilities

Postgraduates have access to excellent research facilities on campus, including a suite of well-equipped laboratories (containing a Geospatial and Visual Methods Laboratory and state-of-the-art geochronology facilities), computing resources, and libraries, as well as world-class research facilities in London and a varied programme of workshops and events.

Your future career

Our research links and collaborative studentship projects engage with a wide range of organisations, including London's major museums, the Body Shop, the British Geological Survey, the British Library, the Commonwealth Telecommunications Organisation, Natural England, the Ordnance Survey, the Royal Geographical Society (with IBG), the Royal United Services Institute, StreetInvest and WaterAid.

Our graduates have entered into a wide range of careers, within academia and beyond, including the British Library, the Department for International Development, commercial consultancy, NGOs, and the Royal Geographical Society (with IBG).

Health Studies

The Department of Health Studies is advancing new and established areas of teaching and research excellence allied to healthy communities. By focusing on the wellbeing of people and the environment, we can engage with fundamental challenges and build healthy and resilient societies.

Profile

- Our young and dynamic department builds on world-class research and interdisciplinary collaborations between Health Studies and a number of departments and schools at Royal Holloway. We also work with leading health and environmental organisations, including Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew and the Harvard-led Planetary Health Alliance (the Northern European Hub is coordinated from Royal Holloway).
- We offer a portfolio of closely-related Masters courses designed around supporting healthier populations and healthier environments.
- Our students will become leaders, innovators and influencers across boundaries, equipped to address the equity issues in our global community with a robust understanding of the links between healthy environments and healthy people.
- Our transdisciplinary approach will develop nature-based approaches to society's most pressing challenges through behavioural, technical and evidence based solutions that outline the value of good health to national and global economies.
- We're part of the School of Life Sciences and the Environment, advancing knowledge and changing lives.

MSc Global Health: Food Security, Sustainability and Biodiversity

(in partnership with Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew)

MSc Global Health: Human Health and the Environment

MA Global Health: Society, Culture and Behaviour

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

These exciting new degrees connect knowledge

to global health-related challenges, and solutions based around creative and flexible thinking and interdisciplinary education. Each course includes experiential learning and placement-based trial and error experiences, independently and in teams, including interdisciplinary settings. You'll develop the relevant skills for a rewarding career promoting the value of health for communities and our environment. For course descriptions visit our website.

Courses

MSc Global Health: Food Security, Sustainability and Biodiversity

MSc Global Health: Human Health and the Environment

MA Global Health: Society, Culture and Behaviour

MPhil/PhD

Top
20%
in the UK for
world-leading
research impact

(Research Excellence Framework 2021)

Royal Botanic Gardens **Kew**

Research opportunities

Applicants are invited for postgraduate research places leading to a PhD. We invite you to email academic staff with whom you are interested in working to discuss potential projects. You will find staff details on our website.

Research facilities

The department has a wide range of research facilities and we are located on a beautiful campus with extensive areas of natural habitat for fieldwork. We are also a short distance from Sites of Special Scientific Interest.

Your future career

You will graduate with the knowledge, transferable research and employability skills that will make you a highly desirable candidate for work in a variety of sectors.

From roles in public health advice, voluntary services, wellbeing counselling, and community development projects to planetary health organisations and ecology, your degree can lead you to a rewarding career in a diverse world.



"Our students join an ambitious department which is well connected and integrated into close and far communities. You will benefit from individual attention, stimulating teaching to inspire and challenge you, and the flexibility to explore your own interests."

Professor Alex Palombi
Head of Department

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History

The Department of History at Royal Holloway is a vigorous community of students and internationally recognised academics at the forefront of research and methodological innovation. Our innovative programme of taught and research degrees is designed to inspire and challenge.

Profile

- We are one of the largest and liveliest History departments in the UK, yet our size doesn't mean that you'll get lost in a crowd. We are committed to giving individual attention to all members of our postgraduate community.
- There are currently over 40 full-time academic staff in the department, a number of research fellows, and a postgraduate community of almost 200 students.
- We have a strong research tradition; the international quality of our research has been recognised in all of the UK's research excellence exercises, and teaching in the department is consistently rated as excellent.
- The department boasts a vast range of research expertise, with particular strength in social, cultural, and gender history, the history of ideas, as well as a notable range of countries, periods, and approaches.
- We are part of the interdisciplinary School of Humanities, championing active engagement in a diverse world.



MA Public History students on the rooftop of Hampton Court Palace during a field trip.

Courses


MA Crusader Studies
MSc Gender Studies and History*
MSc Gender Studies and History and Law*
MA History
MA History: Gender Histories
MA History: Hellenic Studies
MA History: Histories of Conflict and Violence
MA Holocaust Studies
MA Late Antique and Byzantine Studies
MA Medieval Studies
MA Public History
MA Victorian Literature, Art and Culture
MA by Research
MPhil/PhD

100%
of research impact
is world-leading or
internationally excellent
(Research Excellence
Framework 2021)

Top 20
in the UK for
research quality
(Complete University
Guide, 2023)

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“What I've really loved is how much I feel I've grown as a person and as an academic. The skills I've learnt and the relationships I've developed with peers and tutors, across both departments of History and English, have been above and beyond all expectations I had before I began my course.”

Daniel
MA Medieval Studies

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MA History**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

This course provides a thorough training in the study of History across a wide range of periods and themes. Modules cover gender and cultural history, British, European and World history, as well as Hellenic studies. You will also take wide-ranging methodology and skills modules which provide instruction in historical research and develop transferable skills, and complete a supervised dissertation.

Example modules

- (Micro)Histories of race in North America
- Culture Wars: a genealogy of the European civil wars, 1917-1947
- Looking at the Victorians: visual and material culture in Britain, 1837-1901

MA History: Gender Histories***Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

Taking advantage of Royal Holloway's longstanding research specialism in gender and women's studies, the MA History: Gender Histories offers you the opportunity to gain a detailed insight into many aspects of gender history across a variety of periods. You will also take methodology and research skills modules and complete a research-based project.

Example modules

- Women, the Crusades and the frontier societies of medieval Christendom
- Breaking Waves: histories of feminism in Britain
- Narrating queer gender and sexuality in the 20th century

MA History: Hellenic Studies***Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

Unique in the UK, the MA History: Hellenic Studies offers you the opportunity to acquire a comprehensive overview and appreciation of Greek history and culture embracing Antiquity, Byzantium and the modern period, working with experts in Royal Holloway's Hellenic Institute. You will also take methodology and research skills modules and complete a research-based project.

Example modules

- Economy of Classical Athens
- Hellenistic encounters with Egypt
- Diasporas, minorities and refugees in 20th century Europe and the Mediterranean
- Engaging Greece: experiencing the past and responding to the present

MA History: Histories of Conflict and Violence***Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

The MA History: Histories of Conflict and Violence examines history across a range of centuries and cultures with a particular focus on conflict and violence. You will also take methodology and research skills modules and complete a research-based project.

Example modules

- Recording the Crusades: the memory and legacy of the Crusades
- Transnational Holocaust
- The Infidel within? Muslims in the West
- History of terrorism

MA Crusader Studies**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

The MA in Crusader Studies is designed for students who want to pursue an advanced interest in crusading history. The course offers you an understanding of the context, and the ideology that underpinned the Crusades as well as its modern day resonances. In addition to taught modules you will complete a supervised dissertation.

Example modules

- Louis IX, the Mamluks and the Mongols
- Recording the Crusades: the memory and legacy of the Crusades
- Women, the Crusades and frontier societies of medieval Christendom, 1000-1300
- Byzantium and the Fourth Crusade

MA Public History**Egham campus/central London, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

On the MA in Public History you will engage with museum curators, public archivists, publishers and television and radio producers whilst gaining practical skills of historical interpretation and communication. This is a unique gateway to the heritage sector and popular media, with an emphasis on applied practice underpinned by rigorous historical research and analysis. You will also take methodology and research skills modules and complete an innovative and public-facing research-based project.

Example modules

- Pathways to the past: public history in theory and practice
- Nothing about us without us: the power of oral history
- Communicating History: radio, podcasts and social media

MA Holocaust Studies**Egham campus/central London, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

This is a globally unique interdisciplinary MA, taught out of our Holocaust Research Institute, which will appeal to students from a wide range of disciplines including History, English, Modern Languages, Media Arts and others. Experts from the Department of History work with colleagues across the university to deliver a research-supported degree. Your work will culminate in a supervised dissertation.

Example modules

- The Holocaust: history and debates
- Representing the Holocaust in British and American literature
- Film, television and the Holocaust
- A transnational Holocaust

MA Late Antique and Byzantine Studies**Egham campus/central London, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

This intercollegiate University of London MA is ideal for those interested in progressing to doctoral research in Late Antique and Byzantine studies, relating the history of Late Antiquity and Byzantium to the wider world. As well as completing a supervised dissertation, you will have the opportunity to study modules at a number of University of London colleges.

Example modules

- Elementary Greek palaeography
- Living in Byzantium: material culture and built environment
- Byzantium and the First Crusade
- Byzantium and the Fourth Crusade

MA Medieval Studies

Taught jointly with the Department of English. See page 68.

MA Victorian Literature, Art and Culture

Taught jointly with the Department of English. See page 68.

MA by Research**FT/PT, 12/24 months**

This course is intended to give you scope to explore your area of interest in depth, test out a possible research topic, and learn the skills of extended scholarly writing. You will write a research dissertation of up to 40,000 words supervised on a one-to-one basis.

Research opportunities

As well as regular guest seminars throughout the year, History postgraduates at Royal Holloway run a monthly research seminar. This provides a supportive environment for you to try out your research findings.

Our leading research centres provide opportunities for innovative, interdisciplinary research via lectures, conferences and workshops as well as promoting collaborative and consultation roles with partners including NGOs, government, the media, heritage sites and museums.

Research centres include the Bedford Centre for the History of Women and Gender, Hellenic Institute, Centre for Greek Diaspora Studies, Centre for Global South Asia, Centre for the Study of the Body and Material Culture, Holocaust Research Institute and London Centre for Public History.

To enquire about MPhil or PhD study, please contact our Director of Postgraduate Research or your proposed supervisor.

Research facilities

You will have access to some of the richest historical research facilities in the world. In addition to our library, you can access the National Archives, British Library, German Historical Institute, Senate House Library, Institute of Historical Research, Institute of Classical Studies and Warburg Institute. You can also draw on Royal Holloway's archives, a unique resource which contains some of the earliest records relating to the history of higher education for women.

Your future career

In recent years our MA graduates have embarked on a range of rewarding careers, making excellent use of the skills provided by their postgraduate training in History. Destinations include PhD programmes in the UK and abroad, the legal profession, management-level banking and business, the diplomatic service, the fast-track civil service and local government, teaching at school and college level, television production companies, and archives and heritage organisations such as the National Archives, the Houses of Parliament, the National Trust, the Imperial War Museum and a range of medium-sized local museums.

Information Security Group

The world-leading Information Security Group is dedicated to advanced research and education in information and cyber security. It is at the forefront in the development of highly secure communications and computer systems, and offers independent expertise in a field where trust and integrity are paramount.

Profile

- The Information Security Group (ISG) offers a unique national resource for the training of cyber security specialists taught by leading cyber security experts from industry and government.
- We research systems security, cryptography, application security, critical infrastructure protection, and socio-technical and organisational aspects of information security.
- Royal Holloway has been recognised as a UK Government Academic Centre of Excellence in Cyber Security Research (ACE-CSR) and has a gold award from the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) as a UK Academic Centre of Excellence in Cyber Security Education (ACEs-CSE). Our MSc has NCSC-certified status.
- Our Smart Card & IoT Security Centre is supported by industrial sponsorship and conducts specialist training and research.
- We're part of the School of Engineering, Physical and Mathematical Sciences, delivering world class fundamental research and impact.

MSc Information Security

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24-60 months
Distance Learning, 24-60 months

The MSc is an interdisciplinary course taught by the ISG, and cyber security experts from industry. It introduces the technical, human and legal aspects of Information Security and is regarded as a leading qualification for anyone seeking a career in cyber security. Students can complete the MSc over one year full-time, two years part-time or three-five years (CPD). A Year in Industry variant is also available, studied over two years full time.

Example modules

- Security management
- Security testing
- Social foundations of security and privacy

PhD Programme

FT/PT 3-7 years (CDT 4 years)

We have a thriving PhD programme. Our researchers have supervised more than 100 successful PhDs in areas such as the design and evaluation of cryptographic algorithms and protocols, network security, smart cards,

access control, security management, and the integration of security techniques into specific applications. We offer PhD studies via the three-year, research based ISG PhD programme, or as part of the Centre for Doctoral Training in Cyber Security, a four-year PhD programme with one year of interdisciplinary training in Cyber Security.

Centre for Doctoral Training in Cyber Security

The CDT was established at Royal Holloway in 2013, with funding from the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC), which was renewed in 2019, in recognition of its outstanding research record and long-standing and deep engagement with industry.

The CDT develops a cohort of highly-trained researchers with a broad understanding of cyber security, and an appreciation of the important interplay between theoretical, technical and human factors in this field. Students follow a four-year, full-time doctoral programme and have the opportunity to work with one of our industrial partners during their PhD studies.

Selected applicants are awarded fully-funded PhD studentships (stipend and College fees) for four years.

Your future career

The ISG has over 4,000 alumni for whom 'studied at Royal Holloway' has become a recognised and highly-respected badge among Information Security professionals worldwide. Our graduates are highly sought after and have gone on to forge successful careers in a wide range of sectors.



"I chose Royal Holloway because it's one of the respected and recognised information security groups in the world. It was the best fit to give me the most important information within a year, and it's also accredited. It's been exactly as I wanted. The lecturers are absolutely brilliant, always ready to share information and discuss with students. If we don't ask questions, they get kind of disappointed!"

Ayobami
MSc Information Security

Courses

- MSc Information Security
- MSc Information Security with a Year in Industry
- MSc Cyber Security (Distance Learning)*
- MPhil/PhD Information Security

32 years
of pioneering research and education excellence in Information and Cyber Security

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* For details on Distance Learning see london.ac.uk/courses/

Tuition fees 2023/24

UK students: £12,600 per year
International students: £27,100 per year
EU students: fee reduction scholarship for 2023/24*

*See page 31 for more details

Entry requirements and how to apply

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More course information and contacts

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More department information

royalholloway.ac.uk/isg

Languages, Literatures & Cultures

The Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures brings together French, German, Hispanic Studies, Italian and Comparative Literature and Culture. We offer teaching and research excellence with a commitment to interdisciplinary study.

Profile

- We expand your horizons through an in-depth knowledge of foreign languages and the literatures and cultures that stem from these. We pride ourselves on being at the centre of a thriving research culture, and provide supervision across literature, cultural history, film, visual art and philosophy in our four language areas and beyond.
- We encourage you to participate in intellectual activities in the department and in the School of

Humanities more broadly. These include reading groups, postgraduate research work-in-progress sessions, and a Postgraduate Colloquium, in which research students deliver papers and hear from a renowned keynote speaker.

- We are part of the interdisciplinary School of Humanities, championing active engagement in a diverse world.



Bautzen, Germany by student Hannah Marshall

Courses

MA by Research
Comparative Literature and Culture
French
German
Hispanic Studies
Italian

MPhil/PhD

5th


in the UK for overall research


(THE, REF 2022 by Grade Point Average)

5 distinct fields combine into 1 interdisciplinary department

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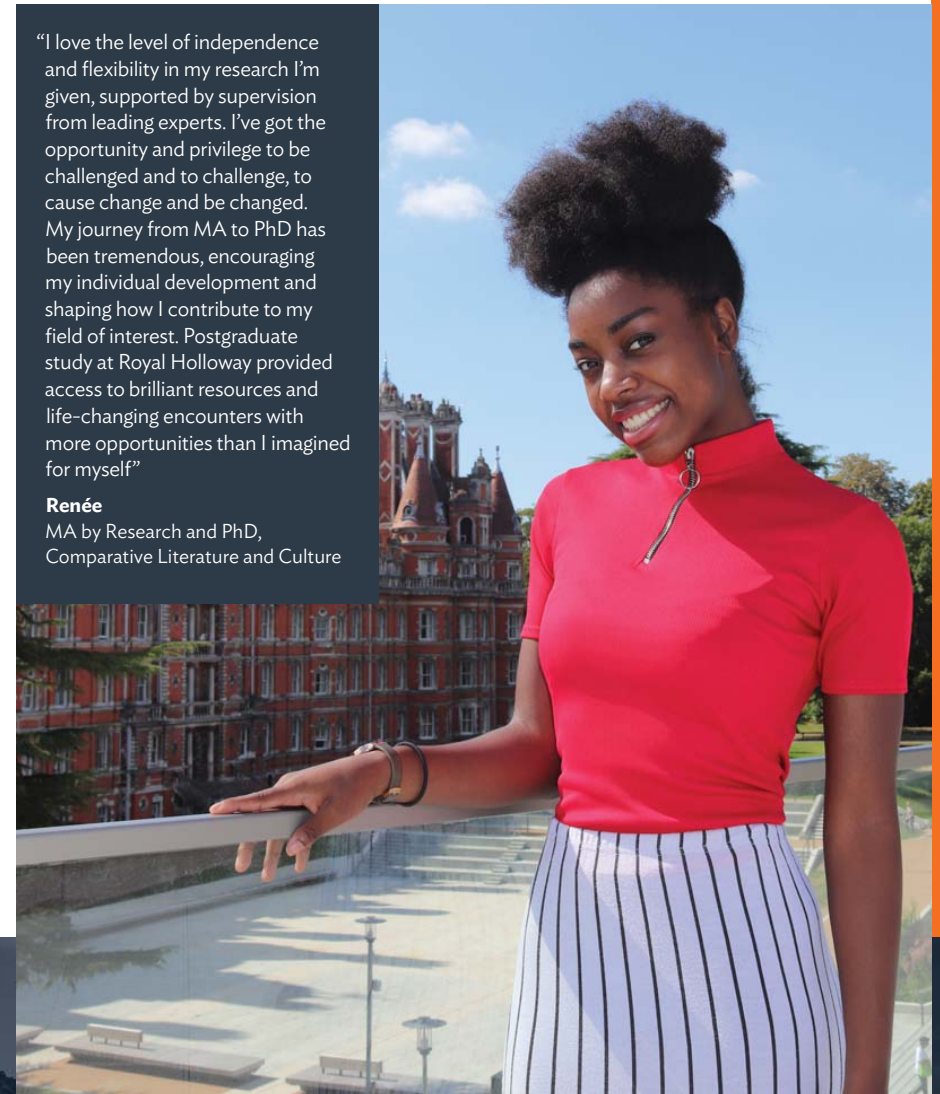
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“I love the level of independence and flexibility in my research I’m given, supported by supervision from leading experts. I’ve got the opportunity and privilege to be challenged and to challenge, to cause change and be changed. My journey from MA to PhD has been tremendous, encouraging my individual development and shaping how I contribute to my field of interest. Postgraduate study at Royal Holloway provided access to brilliant resources and life-changing encounters with more opportunities than I imagined for myself”

Renée

MA by Research and PhD,
Comparative Literature and Culture



Tuition fees 2023/24

UK students: £4,596 per year (2022 fee)*

International students: £22,300 per year

EU students: fee reduction scholarship for 2023/24**

*2023 fee not yet confirmed. Check website for updates.

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More course information and contacts

royalholloway.ac.uk/courses

More department information

royalholloway.ac.uk/languages

Entry requirements and how to apply

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MA by Research

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

This flexible degree offers students the chance to undertake independent, but closely-supervised, research work accompanied by targeted research training. Working closely with a specialist supervisor, or supervisors, you will develop a clearly defined research topic and complete a 30,000–40,000 word dissertation which may also lay the foundations for a PhD project. In addition, you will undertake a taught module designed to provide you with knowledge of a range of historical and modern theoretical approaches to the study of literature, culture and the visual arts.

Comparative Literature and Culture

Comparative Literature and Culture provides the opportunity for you to explore global culture, literature, philosophy, art and literature. You do not need expertise in other language areas.

French

The interdisciplinary scope of French studies in the Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures makes Royal Holloway an ideal place to study for a postgraduate degree in French. Our research covers a wide range of literary, cultural and historical themes and we have expertise in film from its early silent days to modern postcolonial cinema.

German

German research and teaching both include, and move beyond, the more traditional areas of German studies. We particularly encourage

interdisciplinary research proposals. We offer postgraduate supervision by scholars of national and international standing in a large range of fields.

Hispanic Studies

Hispanic Studies at Royal Holloway is strongly committed to innovative approaches to postgraduate study and research across a range of fields including cultural studies, critical theory, feminism and gender theory, psychoanalysis, film studies, literature and the visual arts, in both Spain and Latin America.

Italian

Royal Holloway is a thriving centre for Italian Studies in the UK, with an offering encompassing a broad variety of subjects, from Dante and Renaissance art to fashion, postmodernism and contemporary cinema.

Research opportunities

MPhil and PhD

Offering students the opportunity to pursue an original research project supported by world-class supervision, this degree entails writing an 80,000–100,000 word dissertation on a wide range of topics. Students are encouraged to participate fully in the research culture of the department, to attend relevant department and school skills development events and to participate in the School of Humanities' postgraduate research training scheme, which gives all students the opportunity to gain teaching experience.

To enquire about MPhil or PhD study, please contact our Director of Postgraduate Education (Research) or your proposed supervisor.

Research interests

The Department of Languages, Literatures and Cultures is a vibrant community of world class researchers. Our research environment is founded in our expertise in French, German, Hispanic, Italian and comparative studies, and encourages collaboration and exchange across traditional disciplinary boundaries. Our strengths span literature, thought, film and the visual arts from the medieval period to the 21st century. Research themes cover gender, disability, politics and ethics, film, cultural memory and trauma, post-colonialism and globalisation, consumer culture, animal studies and ecocriticism, history of art and visual culture. We also specialise in the work of a wide range of individual authors, poets, philosophers, playwrights and filmmakers.

Your future career

Students can take part in our postgraduate research training programme which focuses on developing transferable skills applicable to a wide range of careers, and is run by staff from across all four departments in the School of Humanities.

In recent years our postgraduates have gone on to successful academic careers in the fields of modern languages, critical theory and film. Alumni have also embarked upon other interesting careers in the UK, continental Europe and the United States – including working in government, journalism work for NGOs, trade sales, publishing, professional translating, teaching, museum curatorship, creative arts, and librarianship.



Cuba during the funeral of Fidel Castro by Dr James Kent



Parisian café by student Caroline Goethel

Law and Criminology

The Department of Law and Criminology's internationally-renowned academics are leaders in their fields and their cutting-edge research and practices inform our postgraduate degrees.

Profile

Our students come from diverse backgrounds and benefit from the most stimulating teaching and supervision from a team of academics who are experts in their respective fields. The department's research interests and expertise encompass law, criminology, sociology and psychology.

- Teaching informed by research
- We support your career goals
- British Psychological Society accredited*

We work in close partnership with a number of statutory and voluntary agencies including prisons throughout England and Wales, Probation Trusts, the Police, the Youth Justice Board, NHS England and international pharmaceutical companies.

- Providing a foundation for continuing professional development.
- We are part of the School of Law and Social Sciences, focusing on social inquiry, democracy, justice, human rights and economic development.

* MSc Forensic Psychology




Courses


- MA Consumption, Culture and Marketing
- MSc Forensic Psychology
- MSc Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism Studies
- MSc Gender Studies and History and Law*
- MPhil/PhD




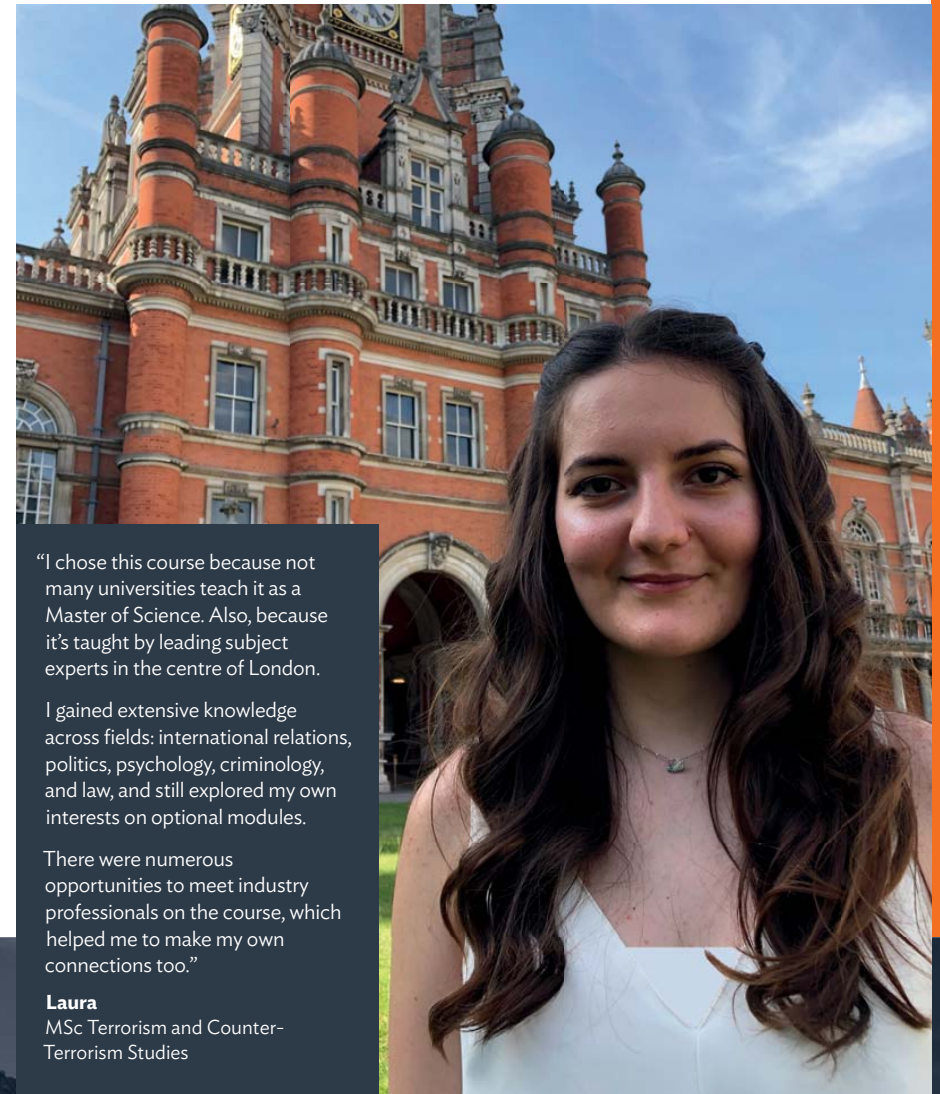
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"I chose this course because not many universities teach it as a Master of Science. Also, because it's taught by leading subject experts in the centre of London.

I gained extensive knowledge across fields: international relations, politics, psychology, criminology, and law, and still explored my own interests on optional modules.

There were numerous opportunities to meet industry professionals on the course, which helped me to make my own connections too."

Laura

MSc Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism Studies

Tuition fees 2023/24

UK students*: £8,600-£12,600 per year

International students*: £19,500-£22,800 per year

EU students: fee reduction scholarship for 2023/24**

*Fees may vary per course, see website.

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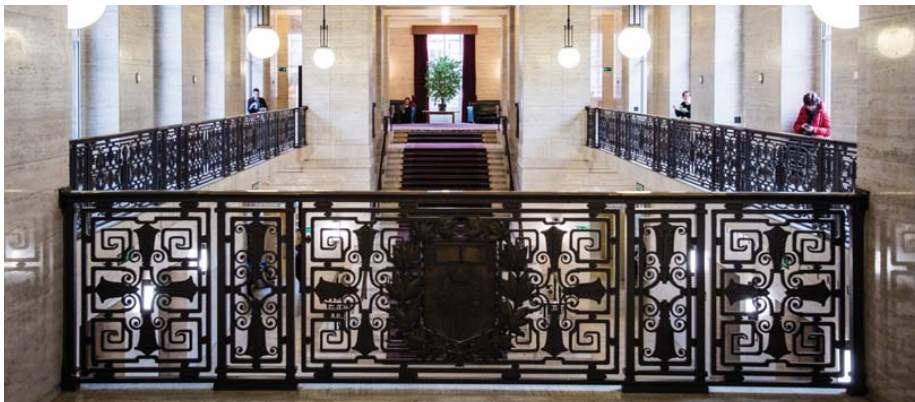
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Entry requirements and how to apply

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Senate House, London

MA Consumption, Culture and Marketing

Taught in partnership with the School of Business and Management. See page 38.

MSc Forensic Psychology

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24-60 months

This is an interdisciplinary degree that draws together content and teaching from both psychology (see page 114) and law. It is designed to give you in-depth insights into topical issues and the latest research in forensic psychology, in line with the British Psychological Society curriculum requirements. Our balanced approach to research and teaching guarantees high quality teaching from both research and practice-led internal and external professionals, cutting-edge materials and intellectually challenging debates. You will receive individual attention to enhance your personal and professional development.

Example modules

- Advanced and applied research techniques
- Statistics for research
- The legal and criminal justice context for forensic psychology
- Research-based practice in forensic psychology
- Cognitive, social and neuroscience approaches to forensic investigations
- Young people and families in the criminal justice system

MSc Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism Studies

Central London, FT/PT, 12/24 months

This course is aimed at students who seek an interdisciplinary understanding of individual and organisational involvement in terrorism, coupled with an understanding of national and

international approaches to counter-terrorism and countering violent extremism. This is the course for you if you wish to develop a research career in terrorism and counter-terrorism studies or are working in, or wish to work in, the security or policy sectors. Alongside the formal lectures and seminars, you will hear guest speakers from the research community, as well as the private and public sectors. The interdisciplinary nature of this course draws on the interlinkages between criminology, law, psychology, international relations, and sociology.

Example modules

- Debates in terrorism studies
- Debates in counter-terrorism studies
- Contemporary forms of terrorism
- Psychology of terrorism
- History of terrorism

Please be aware that some of the optional modules on this course are taught at our Egham campus.

MSc Gender Studies and History and Law*

Taught in partnership with the Gender Institute. See page 110.

Research opportunities

We offer excellent facilities to supervise research students. We have a vibrant postgraduate research community that offers MPhil/PhD degrees.

Please see a list of relevant academics on our online staff list.

Our main research areas are organised in four multidisciplinary clusters:

- Rights and Freedoms: including the role law plays in the creation and protection of personal

freedoms and corresponding rights; cultural, including intellectual property, rights; access to justice and private law rights.

- Health and Social Care: including prescribed drugs, healthcare ethics, professional care worker ethics, research into young people's diet, food conditions and health, the experience and management of chronic illnesses such as asthma, diabetes and epilepsy, regenerative medicine and elite sport.
- Crime and Punishment: multidisciplinary staff work on areas across criminal justice, prisons, risk regulation, and notions of harm and violence.
- Families and Children: including studies on child welfare, child rights, families and food, and children's experiences of living with chronic conditions and the impact on family relationships. Research also illuminates the relationship between families, the law and the criminal justice system.

The department of Law and Criminology hosts two world-leading research centres:

- Centre for the Study of Emotion and Law: a multidisciplinary research hub looking into the connections and relationships between emotion and law.
- Institute for the Study of Power, Crime, and Society: the Institute is dedicated to studying

illegal and criminal dynamics of power in the broader social context. Researchers at the Institute conduct cutting-edge research using quantitative methodologies and draw insights from many different fields to address phenomena of high social relevance.

Your future career

Our flexible programmes combine core teaching with specialised modules and the transferable skills that today's employers are looking for. In partnership with the university's Careers Service, we help you to market yourself effectively in your chosen career. Our graduates pursue a broad range of professional careers:

- Public policing and private security
- Probation and offender management
- Forensic services
- The court service
- Policy development and analysis
- Government services and departments
- Offender rehabilitation and reintegration
- Higher education and academic research
- Non-profit organisations supporting youth and adult offenders



Mathematics

Our research aims to extend the boundaries of the subject and to work closely with users of mathematics in commerce and industry. Our thriving research has earned a world-class reputation and transmits directly into a stimulating learning community.

Profile

- In the UK Research Excellence Framework (REF 2021), 96% of our Mathematics research output is rated as world-leading or internationally excellent.
- The department has a dynamic community of staff whose passion and enthusiasm combines with a strong research culture to enrich our students' learning experiences.
- Our research is based in several groups covering a broad portfolio from Algebra to Combinatorics and Number Theory, and from Quantum Dynamics to Statistics and Probability.
- Our vibrant research community of PhD students organise their own weekly seminar and reading groups alongside departmental seminars to expand on key areas.
- The department has strong expertise in information security, and plays an active part in the Information Security Group (see page 82).
- Our links with industry mean we understand the needs of employers and can equip our graduates with the knowledge and skills to take mathematics to the highest levels, in research, science or industry.
- We're part of the School of Engineering, Physical and Mathematical Sciences, delivering world-class fundamental research and impact.

Research opportunities

A strong research culture informs our teaching at all levels. Across the department, academic staff are active in pioneering research which is making an impressive impact on the world stage.

We have a thriving PhD programme covering a wide variety of topics. We invite you to email staff directly if you are interested in discussing potential projects. A full list of staff and their research interests is available on our website.

Applicants should have, or expect to be awarded, the equivalent of an Upper Second Class Honours degree related to the field in which they wish to undertake research. The department has a limited number of funded studentships for qualified candidates.

Research interests

Algebra, in particular group theory;
Discrete Mathematics and its Applications

(including combinatorial theory, graph theory, cryptography); Information Security; Number Theory (including Analytic and Algebraic Number Theory, circle method, Pisot and Salem numbers, theory of heights); Quantum Dynamics (including atomic and molecular systems with few degrees of freedom, quantum information theory, quantum computing); Statistics and Probability (including time series and forecasting, and statistical estimation theory, financial mathematics and data science).

Research facilities

Postgraduate students are well provided for in terms of computing facilities with a large dedicated machine for intensive computations together with personal computers for more routine work. The library has an extensive collection of mathematical books and journals and provides electronic access to all the major journals.

Your future career

We prepare graduates for successful careers in a variety of industries, such as information security, IT consultancy, banking and finance, higher education and telecommunications. Our graduates have entered into many interesting jobs, from Senior Manager at Enterprise Risk Services, Deloitte; Global IT Security Director at Reuters; to Information Security Manager at London Underground.

Our graduates are working for organisations such as:

KPMG, Ernst & Young, the Ministry of Defence, Barclays Bank, Lloyds Banking Group, the Department of Health, Logica, McLaren and TowersWatson.



"I studied an MSci Mathematics at Royal Holloway and enjoyed Quantum Mechanics which inspired me to do a PhD to take it even further, after being awarded a scholarship.

The staff are friendly and approachable and the range of skills I've acquired has prepared me for my future career in technology or finance."

Samuel
PhD in Mathematics

Courses

MPhil/PhD Mathematics

MPhil/PhD Information Security (see p 82)

85%
research is rated
world-leading or
internationally
excellent


(Research Excellence
Framework 2021)

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research output is
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(Research Excellence
Framework 2021)

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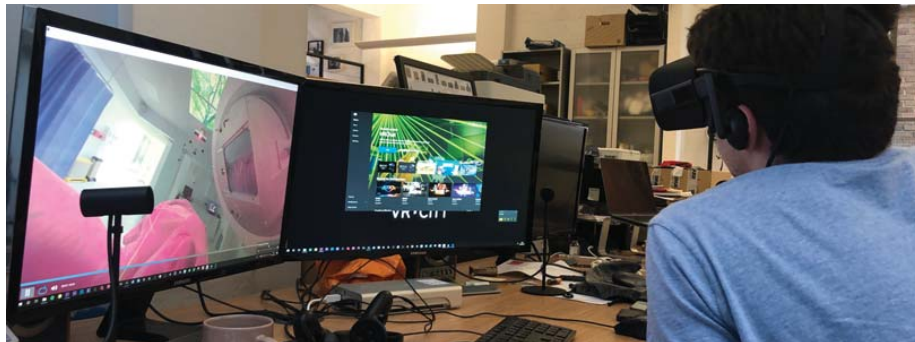
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Media Arts

One of the UK's leading research and practice departments, our courses teach film and television theory as well as professional practice in the digital arts, fiction and non-fiction film-making. All Masters are taught by award-winning experts.

Profile

- Our full-time academic staff and a community of over 75 postgraduate students all contribute to the vibrant culture of the department.
- Our size and multi-faceted research and professional expertise foster successful synergies between film and television history, theory and creative practice.
- We have expertise in digital media, creative industries, the use of media in the fine arts and work on both fictional and factual representations, while our distinctive research culture brings together the practical and professional with the more conventionally academic and conceptual.
- Our network of successful, international alumni, links to industry and the benefit of teaching at both our Egham campus and in London add to a professional environment for outstanding research and practice.
- We are part of the interdisciplinary School of Performing and Digital Arts, which encourages diverse and collaborative creativity.



Exploring digital storytelling

Courses

- MA Digital Documentary
- MA International Media Management
- MA Producing Film and Television
- MA Screenwriting for Television and Film
- MA by Research in Film, Television and Digital Production
- MPhil/PhD

9th
in the UK for
world-leading research
*(THE, REF 2022 rankings
by subject)*

6th
in the UK for
research quality
*(Complete University
Guide, 2023)*

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“My decision to pursue my MA in the United Kingdom was born from a desire to learn more about the rich cultural and historical British film and television industry. I applied to a few courses throughout England and Scotland, but I found the coordinators of the Media Arts programme at Royal Holloway were the most encouraging and experienced. It was a clear choice to go where I would be valued and supported as a student.”

Maggie
MA Producing Film and Television



Tuition fees 2023/24

UK students*: £8,600–£10,100 per year
International students*: £18,200–£19,500 per year
EU students: fee reduction scholarship for 2023/24**

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More course information and contacts

royalholloway.ac.uk/courses

More department information

royalholloway.ac.uk/mediaarts

Entry requirements and how to apply

See page 122.

MA Digital Documentary**Central London, FT, 12 months**

Real-world stories are being told on TV, in cinemas, in galleries, on tablets and on mobile phones, in constantly evolving ways and harnessing new screen technologies. Whether you want to make a documentary feature, podcast, or 360°/VR project, there are boundless ways to bring your idea to life. Our course is 100% practice and is primarily run from our central London campus in the heart of Bloomsbury. You will receive expert advice from industry leaders who will help you shape your story and find your audience and platform.

Example modules

- Documentary Authorship
- The Innovation Lab
- Major documentary dissertation

MA International Media Management**Egham campus, FT, 12 months**

This course combines a thorough knowledge of business practices and the management of projects with a detailed understanding of specific management practices within the global media industries. Your knowledge of media management will span traditional and digital media and cover how to manage all levels of project, along with digital and marketing skills essential to navigating the wider media landscape encompassing a variety of business models and audiences in different world-regions. There will be a number of high-calibre tutors leading this course, many of whom are actively working for media content and digital marketing industries. You will also benefit from visits by industry speakers and guest lecturers throughout the year.

Example modules

- New media institutions
- Managing and financing TV and Film projects
- Digital media marketing
- International Audio-visual Trade
- Media industries report

MA Producing Film and Television**Central London, FT, 12 months**

This outstanding MA concentrates on quality fiction and teaches aspiring producers the essential creative, management, business and technical skills they need for the global film and TV industries. Taught by award-winning industry professionals with close links to the UK industry,

you will develop a personal portfolio of films, and projects to a very high standard. This MA suits creative and highly motivated students seeking a challenging 100% practical degree.

Example modules

- Script development
- International media finance
- Production of a short film and web series
- Production management
- Marketing and media law

MA Screenwriting for Television and Film**Egham campus and central London, FT (taught in retreat), 12 months**

This intensive retreat degree course is taught by industry writers, directors, and producers over four 'retreat weeks', and via distance-learning with a website, chat room and e-tutorials. You will learn to write for film and television, developing a portfolio of ideas, outlines and varied formats culminating in a full-length feature screenplay or TV 'bible' and sample episodes. A highly inspiring and professional course for the motivated writer.

Example modules

- Script craft
- Story and theme
- Development lab
- Production contexts

MA by Research in Film, Television and Digital Production**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

If you're an independent researcher who wants to move onto a PhD or just interested in what further study might look like, then take a first step towards doctoral study: explore your area of interest in depth, test out a research topic, and learn the skills of longer scholarly writing and film production. You'll be supervised one-to-one, and then assessed entirely on your research dissertation. Along with your one-to-one supervisions, you'll take part in an interdisciplinary module in critical theory and methodologies. There, you'll learn about the key thinkers in the field, and the critical approaches you'll need for your dissertation.

Research opportunities

Academic staff are happy to discuss MPhil and PhD research projects in advance of a formal application. Please contact our Director of Postgraduate Research or write directly to your proposed supervisor.

We have expertise in creative industries, cross platform digital arts, immersive storytelling and interactivity, screenwriting, the use of media in the fine arts and work on both fictional and factual representations, and production. We are interested in supervising projects on many topics covering the theory and practice around film, television and digital media.

Facilities

Make use of our exclusive 24/7 media labs and postproduction rooms, our extensive links to local industry, complemented by an impressive range of professional location filming equipment, TV and sound studio facilities, supported by our dedicated, professional and approachable technical team.

Your future career

With a strong emphasis on professional training, we prepare graduates for careers across the creative industries and the academy. Our postgraduate students have gone on to become award winning directors, writers, editors, animators, producers and commissioners. Some of them have gone on to work at the BBC, ITV Studios, Channel 4, Netflix, Amazon, Tencent and iQIYI.

Recent graduates have been nominated for and won many awards, including The London International Film Festival, BBC Storyville, International Women's Film Festival, Open City Docs, CineGlobe, The One World Media Award and an EMMY. Our graduates have an excellent professional reputation that has led to an international network for professional opportunities and support.



Exploring virtual reality storytelling with *StoryFutures*

Music

The Department of Music at Royal Holloway is nationally and internationally known, and attracts first-class students from all over the world.

Profile

- Home to a friendly postgraduate community (around 50 research students and 20 Masters students each year), our work covers broad chronologies and geographies. From Baroque to contemporary music, spanning Asia, Europe and the Americas, our work crosses disciplinary boundaries and integrates perspectives from ethnomusicology, musicology, theory, composition, sound studies and performance. We have also launched new modules in Collaborative Piano and Digital Entrepreneurship.
- Students work closely with internationally recognised experts in seminars and tutorials, and in research guided by a supervisory team.
- Special lecture series, postgraduate study days at which students give papers and chair discussions, composer workshops, and masterclasses all enhance the postgraduate experience.
- We are part of the interdisciplinary School of Performing and Digital Arts, which encourages diverse and collaborative creativity.



The Royal Holloway Orchestra and the London Mozart Players in the Windsor Building Auditorium

“My experience as a Music student has been both eye-opening and satisfying. Even though some of the lectures were taught online because of the pandemic, they were still engaging and stimulating. As the Soprano choral scholar of the Chapel Choir, I’m inspired by the professional and heart-warming rehearsals and performances we had together. I’m thankful for the precious opportunity to develop my passion for music here. It is, undoubtedly, the ideal place for music-lovers to study Music further.”

Mandy
MMus



Courses

MMus Music

MMus Music:
Continued Professional Development

Postgraduate Diploma Music Performance


MPhil/PhD


2nd
in the UK for
overall research

(THE, REF 2022 by
Grade Point Average)

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 Royal Holloway Music Department

Tuition fees 2023/24

UK students*: £10,100 per year

International students*: £19,500 per year

EU students: fee reduction scholarship for 2023/24**

*Fees may vary per course, see website.

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More course information and contacts

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More department information

royalholloway.ac.uk/music

Entry requirements and how to apply

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MMus Music

Egham campus/central London, FT/PT, 12/24 months

This course offers focused pathways in composition, ethnomusicology, musicology and performance, and individual electives include areas such as multimedia and film music, performance studies, historical musicology, and acoustic and electronic composition. This creates a balance of broad-based and specialist training, designed to work as a self-standing qualification or as a preparation for research (including ethnography and practice-based research).

Example modules

- Skills in advanced musical studies
- Special study: composition, dissertation or performance (including collaborative piano)
- Topics in multimedia and film music (including games)
- Techniques in ethnomusicology
- Digital music entrepreneurship

MMus Music:**Continued Professional Development (CPD)**

Egham campus/central London, CPD, 60 months

Our CPD mode of study enables you to complete the MMus even if you are working full time. By taking one elective per year, you will complete the full course over 60 months.

PG Diploma Music Performance

Egham campus/central London, FT/PT, 12/24 months

This course, which is taught alongside the MMus, is designed to enable students to specialise in performance and performance studies, without the need to maintain a broad and essay-based focus that is more usual in the MMus.

Example modules

- Special study: performance
- Techniques of performance studies
- Short recital
- The vocal coach
- To lead or to follow

Research opportunities

We offer an MA by Research option. Applications are invited for places on our MPhil and PhD research programmes. Academic staff are happy to discuss research projects in advance of a formal application. Please contact our Director of Postgraduate Research.



Royal Holloway Andean Band

Research interests

Staff specialisms range widely from the 17th century to the present, and encompass popular and commercial music, film music, video games, sound studies, world musics, and music of the Western tradition. Research groupings also centre on Britain, Eastern Europe, the Americas, South/East Asia and the 'Long 19th century'. Our research methodologies include:

- The social, political, and institutional history of music
- Music and the environment
- Music and social justice
- Music and gender
- Ethnomusicology Asia and India and its diaspora
- Historiography, reception history, aesthetics, music analysis, and critical theory
- Acoustic and studio composition
- Performance and performance studies
- Film and media studies, including game music
- Digital music entrepreneurship

Research facilities

The department has an IT suite with round-the-clock access for postgraduate students, a large number of practice rooms and a small recital room. Our modern on-campus library holds our extensive music collection, whilst composers also benefit from our industry-standard studios for film/television composition, and performance studies students from a Disklavier.

We have collaborative research activities with other major institutions in the UK and continental Europe. In addition, our staff edit major musicological journals (e.g. *Music & Letters*, *Plainsong and Medieval Music*, *Twentieth-Century Music*, *Ethnomusicology Forum*) and book series (Cambridge University Press' *Music in Context*). We also lead bibliographical projects that underpin the work of musicologists worldwide (RISM UK, *Early Music Online*, *A Big Data History of Music*).

Your future career

Our graduates have interesting and successful careers. Many of our research students graduate to full-time academic posts, while others are active in performance, composition, publishing, arts administration, the media, and teaching.

Many of our former students go on to begin jobs in the sector with a raised sense of community engagement and social enterprise. Additional interesting careers and fields our graduates have found a calling in include ensemble directorship, media and copyright law, and arts advocacy.



Royal Holloway Choir and Orchestra performing alongside the London Mozart Players at Shoreditch Town Hall, London, 2022

Philosophy

Philosophy at Royal Holloway offers you an exciting and unique opportunity to study one of the oldest and most fundamental forms of human enquiry.

Profile

- Part of the Department of Politics, International Relations and Philosophy, we offer an exciting, diverse and unique way to study this subject. Our distinctive programme works across traditional divisions between analytic and continental philosophy, contemporary philosophy and the history of philosophy, and connects philosophy to related disciplines across the arts, humanities and social sciences.
- The research interests of our staff include Hellenistic philosophy, 19th and 20th-century German and French philosophy,

analytic philosophy, philosophy of psychiatry, pragmatism, applied political theory and ethics, poststructuralist political thought, and democratic theory.

- We teach MA degree courses reflecting our research specialisms, as well as supervision for an MA by Research and an MPhil/PhD.
- We are part of the interdisciplinary School of Law and Social Sciences that brings together research focusing on social inquiry, democracy, justice, human rights and economic development.



“After completing my undergraduate degree in Politics at Royal Holloway and being awarded the Principal’s Masters Scholarship, I wanted to take my research interests further.

My course bridged the gap between philosophy and politics to offer a range of stimulating topics, engaging events, and a community-driven approach to learning.

I was surrounded by dedicated staff and inspiring students, which made for a truly memorable experience at the heart of one of the UK’s most stunning campus-based universities.”

Stephen
MA Political Philosophy





Courses

- MA European Philosophy
- MA Modern Philosophy
- MA Political Philosophy
- MA Philosophy by Research
- MSc Gender Studies and Philosophy*
- MPhil/PhD

Work beyond the narrow confines of Anglo-American or European philosophy

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Tuition fees 2023/24

- UK students: £10,100 per year
- International students: £18,200 per year
- EU students: fee reduction scholarship for 2023/24*

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More department information
royalholloway.ac.uk/philosophy

Entry requirements and how to apply
See page 122.



MA European Philosophy

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

One of the few MA degrees in the country to specialise in the European philosophical tradition, this programme examines the development of European philosophy from Kant's critical philosophy through to the Frankfurt School and 20th-century French philosophical movements. Studying this course you will take 'Advanced topics in philosophy', core modules from among the European philosophical trajectory: From Kant to the present, 20th-century French philosophy, and contemporary continental political theory, and will complete a 10–12,000 word dissertation.

Example modules

- Continental aesthetics
- Identity, power and radical political theory
- 20th-century French thought
- Contemporary continental political theory

MA Modern Philosophy

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

This distinctive MA brings the analytic and continental traditions in philosophy into conversation, offering both the conceptual rigour of the former and sensitivity to historical and textual issues of the latter. Studying this course you will take 'Advanced topics in philosophy', core modules on the European philosophical trajectory: From Kant to the present and legacies of Wittgenstein, and complete a 10–12,000 word dissertation.

Example modules

- Philosophy of psychiatry
- Issues in normative epistemology
- Contemporary continental political theory
- The European philosophical trajectory: From Kant to the present

MA Political Philosophy

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

This degree course offers advanced training in key issues and thinkers in contemporary political thought, from Anglo-American and continental perspectives, including applied analytical political and democratic theory, post-Nietzschean theories of identity and post-identity politics, and pragmatist philosophy. Studying this course you will take 'Advanced topics in philosophy, core modules from among political concepts, contemporary Anglo-American political theory and contemporary continental political theory, and will complete a 10–12,000 word dissertation.

Example modules

- Contemporary political thinkers
- Identity, power and radical political theory
- Cultivation of the self
- Political concepts

MSc Gender Studies and Philosophy*

Taught in partnership with the Gender Institute. See page 110.

MA Philosophy by Research

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

The MA by Research allows you to conduct independent research culminating with a 40,000 word dissertation. Research is supported by one-to-one supervision with a member of the Philosophy team.

There are no mandatory modules, but you can attend modules from the taught MA degrees.

Bradley de Glehn Scholarship

The scholarship was established by Mrs Ernest de Glehn in memory of her brother, AC Bradley.

Two scholarships are available for full or part-time postgraduate students studying for a taught Masters course in Philosophy.

The scholarship is offered as a tuition fee reduction and more information can be found at royalholloway.ac.uk/postgraduatescholarships



Research opportunities

We offer advanced research training through our MPhil/PhD programme. Philosophy is part of the AHRC-recognised TECHNE doctoral training consortium and our students are able to apply for fully-funded studentships and bursaries, as well as studentships offered by Royal Holloway.

We ask applicants to discuss their research projects with us in advance of a formal application by contacting your proposed supervisor. See contact details on our website.

Research interests

The department has a wide-ranging research profile. In ancient philosophy its focus is Hellenistic thought and particularly Stoicism, and its reception in later periods. Other historical interests include the origins and development of German idealism, and particularly its impact on 19th and 20th-century French philosophy.

In contemporary philosophy, our research incorporates both Anglo-American and European political theory, and includes focus on democratic theory, theories of power and identity, and issues in applied political thought, in particular liberal freedoms and social justice. We also have an established strength in pragmatist philosophy, both its late 19th-century origins and contemporary debates concerned with religious belief, scientific knowledge and democratic pluralism. Finally, the department has strengths in 20th-century phenomenology and poststructuralist thought, and particularly the work of French poststructuralist thinkers Gilles Deleuze and Félix Guattari.

Other research interests of the group include philosophies of time, the metaphysics of free

will and personal identity, philosophy of mind and psychiatry, philosophy of love, applied ethics, philosophy and literature and continental philosophy of religion.

Research facilities

Philosophy is part of the School of Law and Social Sciences located at the centre of our historic campus in Egham, Surrey. The university also has a central London location at Bedford Square as well as several teaching rooms in the University of London's Senate House.

In addition to the substantial library collections on campus, postgraduates also have access to other libraries of the University of London, including Senate House. Philosophy students also benefit from our collaboration with and support from the Royal Institute of Philosophy and the Institute of Philosophy in the School of Advanced Study in central London, which offer a very wide range of seminars and lectures throughout the academic year.

Your future career

Philosophy degrees are well regarded by employers as they give you the capacity to think through issues and problems in a logical and consistent way and to develop critical and transferable skills, which can be applied in almost any area of employment.

Our graduates have gone on to careers such as teaching/lecturing, research, communications, consultancy and policy.

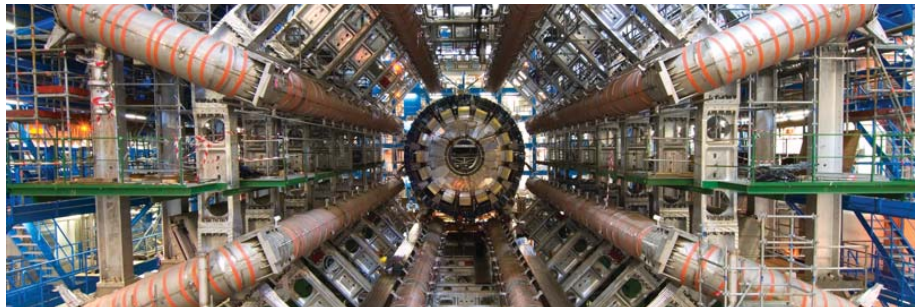
Recent destinations include McKinsey and Company, Amazon, Citizens Advice and the Department for Transport.

Physics

Our department is a vibrant and dynamic centre for physics with research activity traceable back to the establishment of the institution in the late 1800s. Today we deliver our own individual research leadership and lead national and international research partnerships at the forefront of the most exciting fields in physics.

Profile

- Our research portfolio is broad based and world-leading, ranging from theoretical and experimental work in fundamental curiosity driven research to developing practical solutions for some of today's most important scientific and social problems.
- Much of our research is carried out in collaboration with other leading universities and laboratories in Europe and worldwide, including CERN European Organisation for Nuclear Research, the European Spallation Source, the National Physical Laboratory and high tech industry partners.
- Strong funding support is provided by the leading national and international science funding agencies, including the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council (EPSRC), the Science and Technology Facilities Council (STFC), Innovate UK, the European Commission and the Royal Society.
- We're part of the School of Engineering, Physical and Mathematical Sciences, delivering world class fundamental research and impact.



Research at the Large Hadron Collider (LHC) CERN



“My work combines aspects of theoretical physics at Royal Holloway with the experimental facilities of the Diamond Light Source. This collaboration has allowed us to probe exotic phases of matter in new and exciting ways. My PhD has allowed me to travel all over the world to discuss ideas with many interesting scientists.”

Luke
PhD in Condensed Matter Physics

Courtesy of Diamond Light Source

Courses

- MSc Physics by Research
- MPhil/PhD Physics

84%
research is rated world-leading or internationally excellent

(Research Excellence Framework 2021)

14th
in the UK for 4* world-leading research environment

(THE, REF Institutions ranked by subject, 2022)

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Tuition fees 2023/24

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More department information

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Entry requirements and how to apply

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MSc Physics by Research

Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months

Available in any research area, our Masters by Research provides in-depth research experience and training leading to a qualification that can be used to gain advancement in a chosen career or to underpin subsequent Doctoral level studies. Suitable for applicants with a Physics background, usually holding a BSc qualification or looking to build on relevant career experience.

PhD Physics

Egham campus, FT/PT, 36 - 48 months

Available in any research area, Doctoral level study provides the career defining qualification in research and development for academia or industry. A PhD in Physics develops lifelong transferable skills that underpin any career, whether scientific, technological, managerial or unique. A prior MSci qualification at 2:1 or 1st class in Physics, or MSc at Distinction level in Physics, is required for entry.

Research interests

Activities in Particle Physics have three broad areas of focus:

- At CERN, the ATLAS experiment collects data produced by the Large Hadron Collider (LHC). Our physicists played an important role in the 2012 discovery at the LHC of the Higgs boson and are studying the properties of the new particle. Our scientists are also carrying out studies of the top quark and searching for new physics that goes beyond the current Standard Model, such as quark-lepton compositeness and extra dimensions. The group also plays an important role in computing for the LHC through involvement in the Particle Physics Grid.
- Research centered on the physics of cutting-edge particle accelerators, both for particle physics experiments including the LHC, and for light sources and neutron spectroscopy experiments and applications in medicine. This work is being pursued in the John Adams Institute for Accelerator Science, a joint initiative between Royal Holloway, Oxford University, and Imperial College.
- The search for dark matter and neutrino physics with liquid noble detectors, including Helium (QUEST-DMC), Argon (DUNE, DarkSide, DEAP) and Xenon (LZ) experiments, located at laboratories in the UK, Canada, Italy and USA. A major goal of this activity is developing beyond-state-of-the-art instrumentation for

the next generation of dark matter and neutrino physics projects in our laboratories on campus.

Our interests in Condensed Matter Physics include:

- The Nanotechnology group, studying quantum technologies including quantum computation, spintronics, TeraHertz, quantum limited sensors, the electrical and thermal properties of quantum wires and the properties of the superconducting Josephson junctions.
- The London Low Temperature Laboratory, exploring the emergent properties of Helium at milliKelvin temperatures, including two-dimensional quantum fluids and solids, solid ^3He and helium clusters, and the use of superconducting quantum interference devices to enable nuclear magnetic resonance and current sensing noise thermometry.
- The Advanced Materials group addresses fundamental and applied problems in condensed matter physics, including magnetic monopoles, quantum criticality and superconductivity, as well as new materials for energy applications such as thermoelectric and battery materials. Experimental projects often use neutron and synchrotron X-ray scattering at the nearby ISIS and Diamond Light Source facilities.

Our work in Theoretical Physics includes:

- Research in theoretical particle physics in the areas of collider phenomenology and astroparticle theory. This includes calculations for the LHC and phenomenological studies of Higgs and electroweak gauge bosons in and beyond the Standard Model. The astro-particle activity includes theoretical developments in dark matter physics, early Universe cosmology and neutrino physics.
- The Hubbard Theory Consortium (HTC) offers projects in the theory of correlated electron systems, high-temperature superconductivity, cold atoms and quantum many-body non-equilibrium physics. Methods include dynamical mean field theory, many-body Green function techniques, and correlated wave function techniques. The HTC runs 'Condensed Matter Physics in the City', a summer workshop that attracts international leaders in strong correlation physics for advanced study, pedagogy and exchange of ideas.

Research opportunities

Applications are invited for postgraduate research places leading to the PhD degree in any of the department's research areas. We invite you to email staff with whom you are interested in working. Staff lists are available on our website. Funding opportunities for UK and EU postgraduate students include research council awards, industrial support and Royal Holloway studentships. Formal applications should be submitted via the Admissions portal.

Research facilities

Our major facilities include SuperFab, a UK electronic nanofabrication facility focused on superconducting quantum electronics; the Materials Discovery Laboratory for crystal growth and characterisation; the High Performance Computing Cluster; the Accelerator Physics

Laboratory, the Dark Matter Laboratory, the High Power Laser Facility and the University of London Low Temperature Laboratory.

Your future career

Our SEPnet Employer Engagement Advisor will support you through your studies alongside an employer engagement programme which includes career mentoring as well as short placements for PhD students, and GRADnet skills training. Many of our PhD graduates continue in Physics associated research, either in academic or commercial laboratories. Others enter financial institutions, jobs involving computers and communications, or scientific publishing and patent law.

SuperFab

SuperFab is a world-class electronic nanofabrication centre and an open-user UK national facility with an emphasis on the development of superconducting quantum technology and exploring fundamental condensed matter physics. SuperFab enables national and international academic and industrial scientists, technologists and engineers to research and develop applications in next generation quantum technology,

including quantum enabled sensing, quantum computing, spintronics and the electrical and thermal properties of quantum wires.

Research students may work with academics or industrialists on research projects that could uncover fundamentally new phenomena, realise a superconducting quantum computer or lead to the commercialisation of Quantum Technology.

Visit royalholloway.ac.uk/superfab



SuperFab, our world-class superconducting nanofabrication centre

Politics and International Relations

We are a research active department with academic staff, visiting scholars and over 30 doctoral research students who all play an active role in the department's dynamic research culture.

Profile

- We are rated second in the country for research overall and first for world-leading research outputs*
- Our department's postgraduate teaching is research-led, with academics teaching modules in the fields in which they publish, making for an intensive and in-depth learning experience. This is supported by an intensive research skills training programme and active research centres with regular seminars and events open to students to attend and take an active role in.
- We are part of two doctoral training centres: the Economic and Social Research Council Southeast Doctoral Training Centre with ESRC 1+3 and CASE studentships; and the Arts and Humanities Research Council Technē doctoral training partnership, which funds PhD research in a range of arts and humanities disciplines.
- Three of our Masters degrees are also offered at Postgraduate Diploma level (without the completion of a final dissertation) and can be studied on a part-time (20 months) or full-time (nine months) basis. Each Masters course consists of core modules, a wide variety of specialist options, and a 10–12,000 word supervised dissertation.

- We are part of the interdisciplinary School of Law and Social Sciences, focusing on social inquiry, democracy, justice, human rights and economic development.

* THE, REF institutions ranked by subject, 2022



The Department of Politics, International Relations and Philosophy is home to eight research centres, including the Democracy and Elections Centre.

“Studying a degree in International Relations was the best decision I ever made.

The department provided both academic skills and experiences which will help me build a better future.

Along with multiculturalism and opportunities to make lifelong friends on campus, I'm sure my experiences here will help me succeed academically, socially and personally.”

Rubuiya
MSc International Relations



Courses

- MA Politics of Development
- MSc Elections, Campaigns and Democracy
- MSc International Public Policy
- MSc International Relations
- MSc International Security
- MSc Media, Power and Public Affairs
- MSc Gender Studies and Global Health*
- MSc Gender Studies and History*
- MSc Gender Studies and History and Law*
- MSc Gender Studies and International Relations*
- MSc Gender Studies and Philosophy*
- MSc Gender Studies and Politics*
- MPhil/PhD

1st
in the UK for
research outputs


(THE, REF Institutions ranked
by subject, 2022)

2nd
in the UK for
research overall

(THE, REF Institutions
ranked by subject, 2022)

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Entry requirements and how to apply

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New interdisciplinary degrees***MSc Gender Studies and History*****MSc Gender Studies and History and Law*****MSc Gender Studies and International Relations*****MSc Gender Studies and Philosophy*****MSc Gender Studies and Politics*****MSc Gender Studies and Global Health*****Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

These degrees help you develop a critical awareness to approaches to gender research, theory, and practice, based in contemporary, intersectional gender and sexuality studies.

The degrees are structured around an interdisciplinary gender studies theory, methods, and contemporary practices core, combined with gender-related offerings in your subject of choice.

Example modules

- Gender theory
- Methods and methodologies for gender studies
- Practices of gender/gendered research
- Gender and technologies
- Body and embodiment

* Degrees under development

MA Politics of Development**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

Explore political contexts of development, international and domestic, in Africa, Asia, Latin America and the Middle East.

Example modules

- Political economy of development
- International relations of the Middle East
- Development politics in Africa
- The global politics of food security

MSc Elections, Campaigns and Democracy**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

Theoretical and practical training on the challenges of running a modern election campaign.

Example modules

- Public opinion
- Elections and campaigning
- Strategic political communication
- Political psychology

MSc International Public Policy**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

IPP brings together the academic study of International Relations with a practice-based analysis of global policy.

Example modules

- Analysing international politics
- International public policy
- European Union politics and policy
- Public policy practice

MSc International Relations**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

Key issues in international relations and transnational politics, theory and concepts of International Relations.

Example modules

- Analysing international politics
- International public policy
- Media, war and conflict
- The Israel-Palestinian conflict

MSc International Security**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

An in-depth exploration of the field of Security Studies, developing understanding of national and transnational security dynamics.

Example modules

- International security
- Media, war and conflict
- Understanding defence

MSc Media, Power and Public Affairs**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/24 months**

Comprehensive analysis of the changing media environment and its impact on political institutions, citizens' attitudes and behaviours and public policy.

Example modules

- Media, power and public affairs
- Strategic political communication
- Media, war and conflict
- Parties, media and the defense of democracy

Research opportunities

Applications are invited for places on our MPhil and PhD research degrees. Academic staff are happy to discuss research projects in advance of a formal application. Our research students are mentored by established academics to develop their doctoral dissertations and publishing profiles and are supported to present their research at seminars and conferences outside Royal Holloway.

Please contact your proposed supervisor directly. A list of academic staff can be found on our website.

Research interests

We are one of the UK's top departments for research in the field, with a large group of world-class researchers using a wide spectrum of theoretical and methodological approaches to address a broad range of issues and geographical areas. This empirical, methodological and theoretical plurality is reflected in the variety of research centres in PIR, which include:

- The Democracy and Elections Centre
- The Centre for International Security
- The Global Politics and Development Centre
- The Contemporary Political Theory Research Group
- The New Political Communications Unit
- The Gender Institute

The department is well placed to supervise a wide range of dissertation topics and to deliver research-led teaching.

Research facilities

In addition to the library collections on campus, postgraduates also have access to other libraries of the University of London, including Senate House and the London School of Economics (see page 14).

Your future career

Our postgraduate degrees help to hone the knowledge and transferable skills which will enable you to pursue a variety of potential careers in the public and private sectors, civil society and international organisations.

Graduate jobs include broadcast journalist, senior marketing officer, public affairs consultant and assistant campaigns manager.

Our graduate employers include the BBC, Greater London Authority, the Home Office and HMRC.



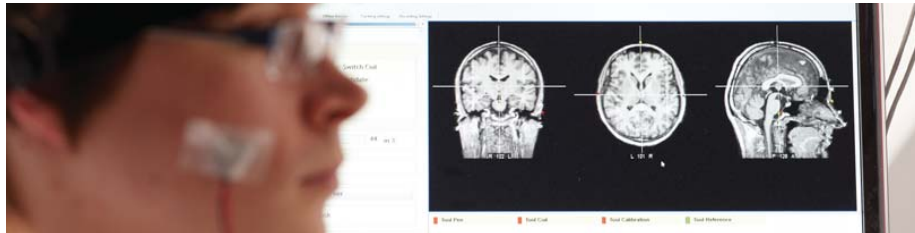
Study how intergovernmental organisations affect policy-making on MSc International Public Policy

Psychology

The Department of Psychology is a vibrant research community with an international reputation for leading research. Our dynamic and varied research covers the social, cognitive and neural basis of social interaction decision-making, learning perception, memory, and language, through to more applied research topics in forensic, clinical, health, and developmental psychology.

Profile

- The latest UK research assessment (REF 2021) confirmed the high international significance of our research, rating 100% of research impact as 4* world-class and internationally excellent.
- We offer a lively and stimulating intellectual environment, organised into four overlapping research groups: Health and Wellbeing; Social and Affective Processes; Language, Memory and Attention; Perception, Action and Decision-making.
- Our academic staff work at the forefront of their field in areas including cognitive and systems neuroscience, language and memory, and social, clinical, and forensic psychology.
- Research is generously supported by Research Councils such as the Medical Research Council, Economic and Social Research Council, and Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council, charities like the Leverhulme Trust, British Diabetic Association and Macular Society, industrial investors and companies, academic trusts, healthcare companies, hospitals, and government.
- We're part of the School of Life Sciences and the Environment, advancing knowledge and changing lives.



Highly advanced facilities to augment your learning

Courses

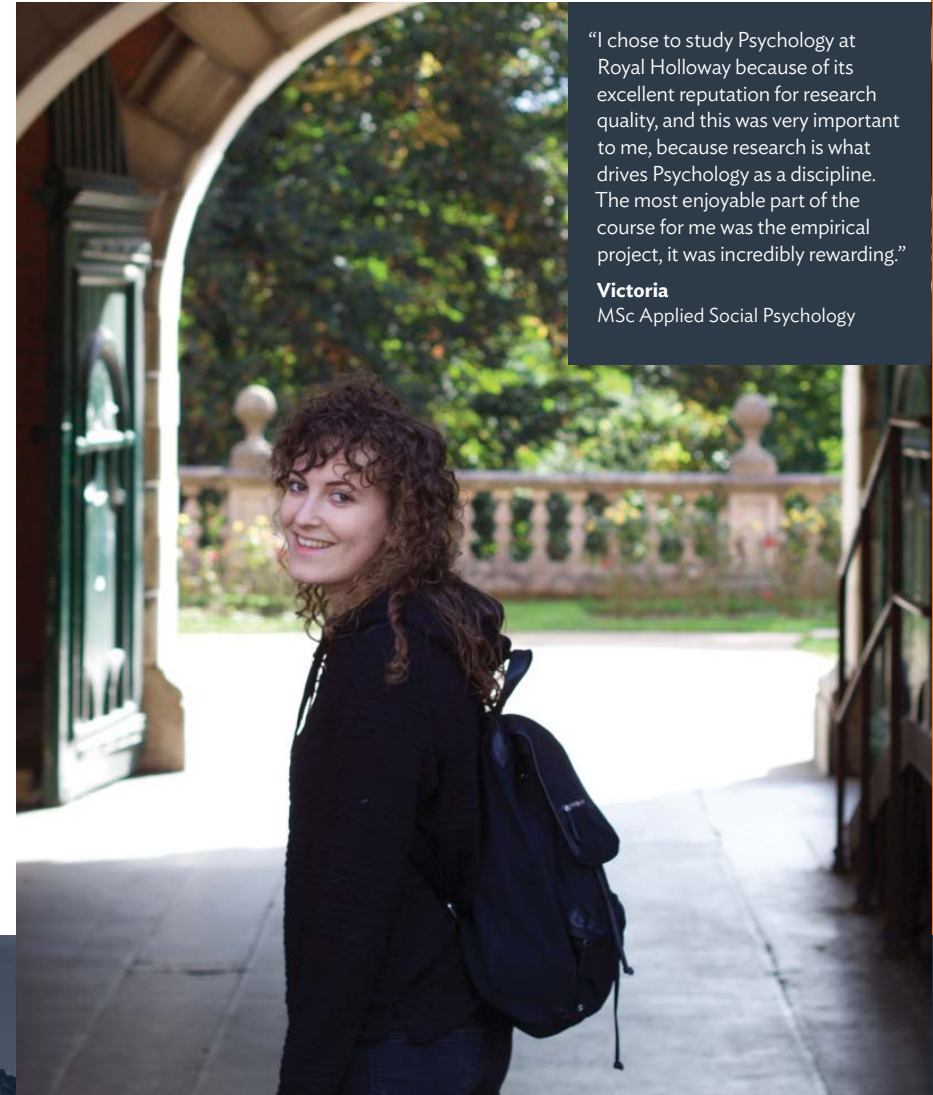
- MSc Applied Neuroscience
- MSc Applied Social Psychology
- MSc Forensic Psychology
- MSc Clinical Psychology
- MSc Clinical Associate Psychologist (Children and Young People)
- MSc/Certificate/Diploma in Cognitive Behavioural Therapy
- Doctorate in Clinical Psychology
- MPhil/PhD

3rd
in the UK
for research
(THE, REF Institutions
ranked by subject, 2022)

100%
research impact is rated
world-leading quality
(Research Excellence
Framework 2021)

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“I chose to study Psychology at Royal Holloway because of its excellent reputation for research quality, and this was very important to me, because research is what drives Psychology as a discipline. The most enjoyable part of the course for me was the empirical project, it was incredibly rewarding.”

Victoria
MSc Applied Social Psychology

Tuition fees 2023/24

UK students*: £10,100–15,700 per year
International students*: £19,500–27,100 per year
EU students: fee reduction scholarship for 2023/24**

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More department information
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Entry requirements and how to apply
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MSc Applied Neuroscience**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/60 months**

This course gives a unique insight into neuroscience in real world settings. You'll study alongside our leading neuroscientists with contributions from external academics and professionals, and have access to the department's excellent neuroscience facilities. You'll learn to conduct applied neuroscience research projects and acquire practical experience for your future career.

MSc Applied Social Psychology**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/60 months**

This course equips you with knowledge about innovative developments and issues in applied social psychology, and an array of analytical, methodological, and statistical research skills important for a PhD and for jobs in applied settings in profit and non-profit organisations.

Example modules

- Psychology in applied settings
- Intergroup and interpersonal processes
- Topics in psychological science

MSc Forensic Psychology**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/60 months**

This Masters, jointly run with the School of Law and Social Sciences, is designed to give you in-depth insights into topical issues and new research in forensic psychology, in line with the British Psychological Society curriculum requirements. Staff from Psychology, Criminology and Law will help you to enhance your critical understanding of psychological theories and evidence relevant to the legal and criminal justice context. The course has strong links with external practitioners to further enrich your studies.

Example modules

- The legal and criminal justice context for forensic psychology
- Forensic investigations: Cognitive and social approaches
- Young people and families in the criminal justice system

MSc Clinical Psychology**Egham campus, FT/PT, 12/60 months**

This Masters is designed to equip you with knowledge and skills to pursue a career in a mental health setting or in mental health research. You will develop an in-depth understanding of clinical assessment, evidence-based treatment,

and wellbeing, and an array of analytical, methodological, and statistical research skills. It is suitable for those interested in pursuing a PhD, a Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (DClin) or a Counselling degree in the future, as well as those who wish to work within a health care setting.

Example modules

- Clinical assessment and treatment approaches
- Professional clinical practice and skills
- Clinical Placement

MSc Clinical Associate Psychologist (Children and Young People)**Egham campus/NHS, FT, 18 Months**

This NHS Clinical Psychology apprenticeship training scheme at apprentice (MSc) level combines research-led teaching from our department with the supervision of clinical psychologists in London to conduct practical, clinical work focusing on working with children and young people. Apprentices on Clinical Associate Psychologist (CAPS) programmes are selected and funded through the apprenticeship scheme by the Trust who employs them. On successful completion of the course, graduates can apply for Clinical Associate Psychologist posts in the NHS.

PG Diploma in Cognitive Behavioural Therapy (IAPT)**PG Certificate in Behavioural Couples Therapy**

Based at 7a Woodfield Road, London W9 2NW.

CBT, IAPT is FT 12 months, and BCT is PT 12 months

Multidisciplinary courses, in collaboration with the Central and Northwest London Mental Health NHS Trust, aimed at NHS staff from the mental health and allied professions who have the need to use CBT in their everyday work. A suitable qualification in a mental health field or equivalent professional experience, and at least one year of post-qualification experience in mental health work, are required.

Contact: Course Administrator (020 7266 9580)

central-london-cbt.com

Doctorate in Clinical Psychology**Egham campus, FT, 36 months**

A course to qualify Clinical Psychologists for practice in the NHS. Places are mainly funded through the NHS in London, but there is also provision for self-funded students.

Contact: The International Clearing House for Clinical Psychology leeds.ac.uk/chpccp

Example modules

- Clinical skills
- Clinical psychology in various populations (children and young people, adults, older adults, learning disabilities and long term needs)
- Adult and child neuropsychology
- Health psychology
- Interventions (cognitive behavioural, systemic, psychodynamic, groups)

Research opportunities

We invite applicants for our PhD programme to discuss possible research topics with a potential supervisor before submitting a formal application. Staff details can be found on our website. You can apply for PhD studentships from the department and from external sources, such as the ESRC-funded South-East Network for Social Sciences doctoral training partnership and through the London Interdisciplinary Doctoral programme (LIDo).

Research facilities

We have a research-dedicated 3T MR scanner for brain imaging, electroencephalography (EEG) for recording brain activity, and transcranial magnetic stimulation (TMS); virtual reality laboratory, systems for recording eye movements, electropalatograph for analysis of articulatory

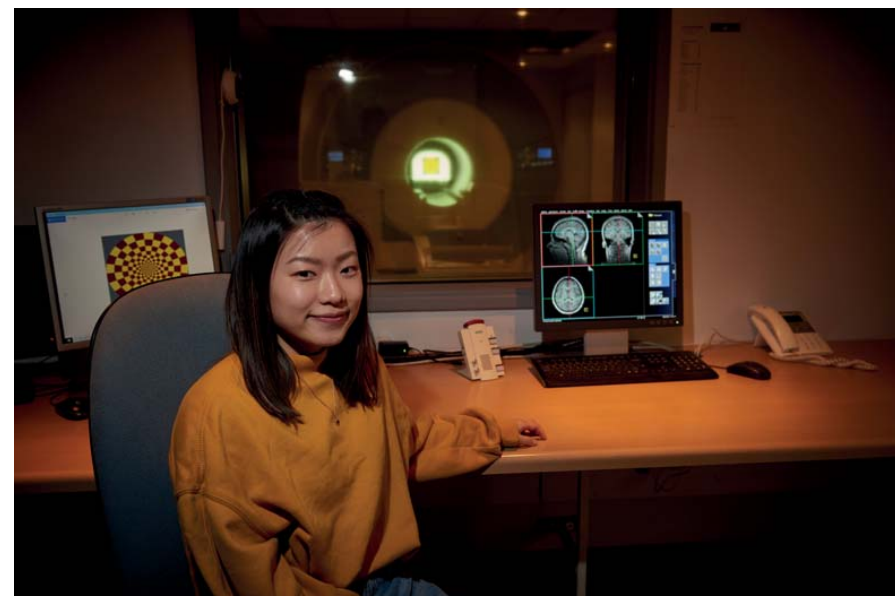
movements, and equipment for measurement of reaching and grasping movements. We also have a test library of psychometric instruments, soundproof testing booths and observation and infant-testing laboratories.

Research groups have frequent seminars in which members present their recent findings, discuss other research and develop ideas and future plans, and host invited external speakers.

Your future career

Our graduates are well-equipped to progress to further PhD study, careers in mental health or to careers in applied settings in commercial and governmental organisations. Previous graduates have entered into a variety of interesting careers, from Clinical Psychologist in the NHS, programme management, HR positions, marketing research, Research Clinical Psychologist at the Wellcome Trust, to research and academic positions.

We have excellent links with hospitals, schools, social services, industrial sponsors and charities as well as other universities and institutes.



Our department MRI scanner

Social Work

We are based in the interdisciplinary Department of Law and Criminology within the School of Law and Social Sciences. Our research and teaching are influenced by contemporary social work, health and social policy, and informed by a sound knowledge and value base.

We support you to become critically-reflective practitioners who can provide effective social work provision for the most vulnerable in our society within an anti-oppressive and social justice framework. We undertake a wide variety of commissioned research in the national and international social work and health arena, which informs our taught courses.

Profile

- Strong partnerships across London/Greater London region offering a great variety of placements in all settings
- Attracts a diverse student group
- Qualified social work academic teaching staff
- Teaching informed by our research
- Taught at our London Graduate School
- High level of employability within six months of qualification.
- A solid grounding in integrating social work theory and research into practice.
- We are part of the interdisciplinary School of Law and Social Sciences, focusing on social inquiry, democracy, justice, human rights and economic development.



Courses

MSc Social Work

MSc Advanced Practice

Postgraduate Diploma in Social Work
(Step up to Social Work)

MPhil/PhD


100%
research impact is
rated world-leading
or internationally
excellent

(Research Excellence
Framework 2021)

Advance
your career
in two years

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“As a mature student studying this course, I hoped it would lead to a fulfilling career in Social Work, and it did!

What I didn't expect was the life-changing effect it would have on me in general!

I'm not exaggerating when I say learning takes you on a journey of self-discovery and reflection, with new information and experiences.

The teaching staff guide and motivate you to be the best social worker you can be and equips you with skills to apply in every part of life.

I highly recommend this course, and recommend that you strap yourself in for the journey.”

Jade

MSc Social Work



Tuition fees 2023/24

UK students: £8,600 per year

International students: £18,200 per year

EU students: fee reduction scholarship for 2023/24*

*See page 31 for more details

More course information and contacts

royalholloway.ac.uk/courses

More department information

royalholloway.ac.uk/socialwork

Entry requirements and how to apply

See page 122.

MSc Social Work

Central London, FT, 24 months

MSc Social Work is a course for applicants with a first degree in any subject, who want to embark on a career in social work. This two-year course will fully prepare you for a professional career in the statutory or voluntary social work field. On successful completion you'll be able to register with Social Work England.

This course runs in close partnership with social work and social care agencies and local authorities, where you will benefit from two practice learning placements – experiencing the world of social work first hand, and learning from direct practice with qualified practitioners, service users, carers and other professionals. Practice-based learning is integrated with university-based teaching and learning throughout.

Example modules

- Human behaviour in the social environment
- Social policy for social workers
- Theories and knowledge for social work practice
- Law for social workers
- Critical social work
- Understanding and working in organisations
- Research methods

MSc Advanced Practice

Central London, PT, 36-60 months

This MSc course builds upon the longstanding partnerships that the department has with

employer agencies and service user groups.

The course provides professionally and academically rigorous post-qualifying postgraduate social work training that enables you to critically reflect on your practice, drawing on current research and theoretical frameworks. The range of modules available within the programme support qualified social workers in their development from the point of completion of the Assessed and Supported Year in Employment (ASYE) through to advanced practice and leadership roles.

You can choose to specialise in one of the following areas:

1. Children and families
2. Adults
3. Leadership & management
4. Professional education.

Example modules

- Consolidation of professional practice
- Risk and decision-making
- Advanced practice in safeguarding adults at risk
- Working with children with harmful sexual behaviour
- PEPS 1 & 2
- Supervision of professional practice
- Project development: Advanced practice for leadership & innovation



“During my studies I was taught to be a critically-thinking social worker and to consider the role of power in every situation.

I felt empowered to challenge myself. Your long-held beliefs, assumptions and opinions may be put to the test, but your views of the world and of yourself become refined.

Beyond the classroom, Royal Holloway will provide an enriching atmosphere. With students and academics from diverse backgrounds, you will feel like you belong.”

Jeffrey
MSc Social Work



Postgraduate Diploma in Social Work (Step up to Social Work)

Central London, FT, 14 months

Offered as part of the Surrey and South London Partnership, the Postgraduate Diploma in Social Work (*Step up to Social Work*) is a condensed programme of study that leads to a professional qualification in social work. It is similar in content to the MSc Social Work but does not include the dissertation requirement.

This course runs in close partnership with local authorities based in inner and outer London boroughs as well as neighbouring counties where you'll benefit from two fieldwork placements – experiencing the world of social work first hand, and hearing from service users and carers' representatives. This practical experience informs and is backed up by university-based teaching.

Example modules

- Human behaviour in the social environment
- Social policy for social workers
- Theories and knowledge for social work practice
- Law for social workers
- Critical social work
- Understanding and working in organisations

Please visit the Department for Education's website for further information on the next intake and how to apply.

Research opportunities

Applications are invited for places on our MPhil and PhD research programmes. We offer a variety of specialisms focusing on professionalism in contemporary practice and policy in social work. Our research interests are interdisciplinary, we contribute to four research clusters in the

School of Law and Social Sciences: Families and Children, Health and Social Care, Rights and Freedom, and Crime and Punishment.

Academic staff are happy to discuss research projects in advance of a formal application. Staff research and contact details can be found on our website. Please write directly to your proposed supervisor.

Our research areas include:

- Inequalities, justice and power
- Contemporary professionalism
- Race and intersectionality
- Poverty and marginalisation
- Emotions, professional practice, critical reflection
- Risk, assessment, decision-making & discretion
- Pedagogy and social work education

Your future career

Our Social Work graduates have high employability rates, enjoying careers in statutory and voluntary/third sector organisations. Graduates of the MSc Social Work and the PG Diploma in Social Work can apply for registration with Social Work England, the body responsible for social work regulation. Qualified social workers can also continue their professional and academic development through taught post-qualifying degrees or research opportunities with us, for instance on the the MSc Advanced Practice. Our Masters courses are a solid basis for career progression and further academic research and training such as a PhD or Professional Doctorate.

Entry requirements and how to apply

Entry requirements

We usually ask for a UK Second Class Honours degree and in some cases additional professional experience but we do accept applications from applicants with non-standard qualifications, or in an area different to the one you are applying for. Visit royalholloway.ac.uk/courses for more information.

If you are interested in applying for a postgraduate research course, please note different requirements and deadlines may apply.

You can contact our Admissions team by visiting royalholloway.ac.uk/applicationquery or phone +44(0)1784 414944.

Application process



Terms and conditions

Royal Holloway's Admissions Policy provides comprehensive details of all aspects of admission to Royal Holloway, University of London, and is available on our website. This document provides you with all the important information you need about our admissions procedures and how your application will be considered. You are advised to read through this document prior to submitting your application. When you accept an offer of a place to study at Royal Holloway, a legal contract is formed

between you and the university. At the point of offer, we will provide you with the Terms and Conditions associated with your admission to Royal Holloway, including links to all relevant policy documents and your rights should you wish to withdraw acceptance of your offer. We advise you to read these carefully before you accept your offer. If you would like to give us any feedback on your experience as an applicant to Royal Holloway, or if you have any cause for complaint about the way your application was

dealt with, details of who to contact are provided in our Admissions Policy which can be found at royalholloway.ac.uk/admissionspolicy

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Biomedical Electronic Engineering (MSc)**	FT/PT	12/24	64
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** Degree under development

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Film, Television and Digital Production by Research (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	94
Finance – 1 year (MSc)	FT	12	60
Finance – 2 year (MSc)	FT	24	60
Forensic Psychology (MSc)	FT/PT	12/24-60	88/114
French by Research (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	84
Gender Studies and Global Futures (MSc)**	FT/PT	12/24	110
Gender Studies and History (MSc)**	FT/PT	12/24	78/110
Gender Studies and History and Law (MSc)**	FT/PT	12/24	78/88/110
Gender Studies and International Relations (MSc)**	FT/PT	12/24	110
Gender Studies and Philosophy (MSc)**	FT/PT	12/24	102/110
Gender Studies and Politics (MSc)**	FT/PT	12/24	110

* Available with a Year in Industry option

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– Global Futures: Justice, Development and Sustainability	FT/PT	12/24	72
Global Health: Society, Culture and Behaviour (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	76
Global Health: Economics and Policy (MSc)**	FT	12	60
Global Health: Food Security, Sustainability and Biodiversity (MSc)	FT/PT	12/24	76
Global Health: Human Health and the Environment (MSc)	FT/PT	12/24	76
Hispanic Studies by Research (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	84
History (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	78
History by Research (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	78
History: Gender Histories (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	78
History: Hellenic Studies (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	78
History: Histories of Conflict and Violence (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	78
Holocaust Studies (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	78
Human Resource Management (MSc)	FT	12	38
Information Security (MSc/Certificate/Diploma)*	FT/PT	12/24/48	82/92
International Business Management (MSc)	FT	12	38
International Business Management (Marketing) (MSc)	FT	12	38
International Business Management (Strategy and Leadership) (MSc)	FT	12	38
International Media Management (MA)	FT	12	94
International Public Policy (MSc)	FT/PT	12/24	110
International Relations (MSc)	FT/PT	12/24	110
International Security (MSc)	FT/PT	12/24	110
Italian by Research (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	84
Late Antique and Byzantine Studies (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	78
Logistics and Supply Chain Management (MSc)	FT	12	38

** Degree under development

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Machine Learning (MSc)*	FT/PT	12/60	48
Marketing (MA)	FT	12	38
Media, Power and Public Affairs (MSc)	FT/PT	12/24	110
Medieval Studies (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	68/78
Microwave and Optical Fibre Communications (MSc)**	FT/PT	12/24	64
Modern Philosophy (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	102
Music (MMus/MMus CPD)	FT/PT	12/24/60	98
Music Performance (PG Dip)	FT/PT	12/24	98
Petroleum Geoscience (Distance Learning) (MSc)**	PT/DL	24/60	56
Philosophy by Research (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	102
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Political Philosophy (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	102
Politics of Development (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	110
Producing Film and Television (MA)	FT	12	94
Project Management (MSc)	FT/PT	12/24-60	64
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Public History (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	78
Quaternary Science (MSc)	FT/PT	12/24	72
Rhetoric (MRes)	FT/PT	12/24	44
Screenwriting for Television and Film (MA)	FT (in retreat)	12	94
Smart Power Systems (MSc)**	FT/PT	12/24	64
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Software Project Management (MSc)	FT/PT	12/24-60	64
Sustainability and Management (MSc)	FT/PT	12/24	38/72
Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism Studies (MSc)	FT/PT	12/24	88
Theatre Directing (MA)	FT	12	52
Victorian Literature, Art and Culture (MA)	FT/PT	12/24	68/78

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Find out more

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