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Postgraduate Prospectus 2012/13

World-class taught and research degrees to PhD



Chemistry Department



Collingwood College coffee shop



Department of Classics and Ancient History



Department of English Studies



St Mary's College



Department of Physics

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This prospectus has been produced to provide an introductory overview of what it's like studying at Durham University. It covers all of the main areas of university life, and throughout the guide you'll see signposts to web pages containing more detailed information.

Once you've had a read through this prospectus, we'd recommend you spend a bit more time getting to know us better. There are many other ways you can find out about Durham University:



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There are a number of virtual tours and video footage that really show what Durham University is like at www.durham.ac.uk/tour



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Why choose Durham University?

Ranked 85th

in the world – *The Times Higher Education World University rankings 2010*

Ranked 95th

in the world – *QS World University rankings 2011*

Ranked 15th

in the world for the employability of our graduates – *QS World University rankings 2011*

Ranked 6th

overall in *The Times Good University Guide 2012*

Ranked 3rd

overall in *The Sunday Times University Guide 2012*

Ranked 5th

overall in *The Complete University Guide 2012*

A WORLD-CLASS LEARNING EXPERIENCE

The strength of our academic excellence is reflected in the latest national research ranking (called the Research Assessment Exercise (RAE)) where many of our departments were ranked among the best in the UK. In the RAE, 90% of Durham's research was of international quality.

OUTSTANDING STAFF

At Durham students are taught by world-leading academics who are acknowledged as experts in their fields and are at the forefront of developments in their subject area. This is demonstrated not only through the research and teaching that they undertake, but also by the worldwide demand for their expertise.

STUNNING LOCATION

Durham City is a truly beautiful city located on the River Wear in the North East of England and Queen's Campus offers a close-knit student community. See page 40 for more about our locations.

DIVERSE SOCIAL COMMUNITY

At Durham you'll study with students from around the UK and more than 150 countries worldwide. This creates a truly vibrant, multi-cultural student community in which our students become immersed. Durham provides the perfect environment and numerous opportunities for postgraduate students to excel in all they do.

UNIQUE COLLEGE SYSTEM

Durham is a collegiate university with 14 colleges in Durham City, one of which is exclusively for postgraduates, and two colleges at Queen's Campus in Stockton-on-Tees. As well as providing accommodation, the colleges offer a strong sense of community, provide pastoral care, support your personal developments and have sports, arts and social facilities. For further information on our collegiate system see page 32.

HIGH-QUALITY FACILITIES

At Durham we are committed to ensuring our academic and social facilities match our student ambitions. In *The Complete University Guide 2012*, Durham was highest in the UK for the amount it spends on facilities for education, social and leisure purposes, such as its colleges and sports facilities.

"Durham is a great place to be and study. The University is high quality and the location is so picturesquely beautiful. It's hard to come by a place which is all at once so intimate and international. There is a great social life with the right degree of fun, but without too many distractions. The various networks of support academically and socially make Durham one of the best choices for an international student."

Avishek Parvi,
PhD English Literature, India

Durham has an international reputation for excellence in both teaching and research that will provide an outstanding platform for your future career.

3rd

oldest university in England, after Oxford and Cambridge, and a leading European centre of learning for 1,000 years

3 faculties:

Arts and Humanities, Science, and Social Science and Health

25

academic departments or schools

16

colleges – Durham’s distinctive residential and educational communities

4,619

postgraduates (2010/11)

150

countries represented in our staff and student bodies

21%

of students are of non-UK origin

3,854

staff including 1,449 academic staff

32%

of academic staff are non-UK origin

92%

of our taught postgraduates secured employment within six months of graduating and many of the remaining 8% took time out to travel

Durham City



Department of Mathematical Sciences



Wolfson Research Institute



Tim Clark, Dean of Graduate School

Welcome from our Dean of Graduate School

I'm delighted that you are considering postgraduate study at Durham University. Whether you chose to study for a taught Masters or a research degree, Durham provides a stimulating environment for postgraduate study that empowers you to learn and develop to your full potential.

We have an international reputation for excellence in both teaching and research that will provide an outstanding platform for your future career, in whatever it is that you choose to do. Our alumni frequently comment on the influence their time at Durham has had on them and how this is something they take with them throughout their lives.

Many people when they first visit Durham are struck by just how beautiful the City and surrounding areas are. However, what really stands out at Durham University are the people. Our students, alongside our staff, are at the very heart of all that is truly distinctive about this University. You will be joining a thriving and vibrant postgraduate community, represented by over 150 different countries. Our unique collegiate system offers the most supportive, friendly and close-knit

living environment you could ever wish for. Our teaching is influenced by wide-ranging international research expertise; so you'll be part of a community with a passion for your subject and a dedication to helping you learn about it. Postgraduate research students also benefit from the tailored support of our award winning Doctoral Training Programme.

Being part of an academic department and member of a college offers you unparalleled opportunities both for academic excellence and personal development, the hallmark of a Durham education and what we call the "Durham Difference".

To support your studies there are excellent facilities at both Durham City and at our Queen's Campus in Stockton, with an ongoing programme of

investment to ensure we continue to improve upon what are already the very best facilities.

There are generous financial packages available to support our postgraduate students including scholarships for our Masters programmes and our flagship Durham Doctoral Studentships, making studying at Durham an even more attractive proposition.

I trust that you will find everything you need in this prospectus to help you make your decision, but if there is anything else you need, don't hesitate to contact us. We really would love to hear from you.

With warmest wishes,

Tim Clark, Dean of Graduate School



Research is at the core of Durham University. It leads the content and development of our teaching at postgraduate level.

A world-class learning experience

Durham University is home to over 4,500 postgraduate taught and research students, from over 150 countries, creating a rich and diverse academic community. Our teaching is directly informed by the world-class research undertaken throughout the University. Our interdisciplinary approach to teaching and research ensures that no matter which subject you choose to study, you will be at the cutting edge of your discipline.

We have strengths across the arts, humanities, sciences, social sciences and health, with a strong international research reputation in virtually every field of study. This expertise is also reflected in the taught postgraduate programmes we offer and we have communities of taught postgraduates in many areas including Applied Social Sciences, Business, Education and Government and International Affairs.

At Durham you'll be taught by academic staff who are acknowledged as experts in their fields and are at the forefront of developments in their subject area. This is demonstrated not only through the research and teaching that they undertake, but also by the worldwide demand for their expertise.

Many of our staff are advisers to organisations such as NATO, the United Nations, and the World Economic Forum. Others are also advisers to governments, parliamentary select committees and think tanks that draw on the expertise here at Durham to inform developments in strategy and policies.

YOUR SUBJECT FROM A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE

Durham is small and flexible enough to develop new approaches to teaching and research ideas which transcend disciplinary boundaries. You will find that your learning experience with us allows you not only to become an expert in your chosen subject, but in relevant disciplines we encourage you to work with colleagues across the University in order to view your subject from a multidisciplinary perspective. Truly world-class research that positively affects societies happens at these interdisciplinary boundaries and is achieved through our many research centres and groups, and also through our flagship research institutes. These bring together students and staff from different disciplines to tackle questions of global significance. These institutes provide opportunities for intellectual engagement, new ideas and experimentation, alongside facilities which enable our researchers to compete at the highest level. You can find out more about our research institutes on page 16.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Research students may be offered the opportunity to teach in departments

(although this is not guaranteed). An initial professional development programme is offered, including support and discipline-specific training. Students who have completed a specified amount of teaching have the opportunity to undertake the Durham University Learning and Teaching Award. This is accredited nationally by the UK Higher Education Academy (HEA) and leads to Associateship of the HEA. It also provides valuable evidence of commitment to and competence in teaching, which is particularly important for those on an academic career path.

Did you know...

...A world-leading Durham University expert has won “the greatest accolade in cosmology” for collaborative work recreating the growth of the Universe. Professor Carlos Frenk, Director of Durham’s internationally-renowned Institute for Computational Cosmology, was one of four scientists to share in the 2011 Cosmology Prize of The Peter and Patricia Gruber Foundation.





Department of Earth Sciences



School of Education

World-class qualifications – study options available to you

Our postgraduate students are a vital part of the academic community, and we pay particular attention to the distinctive contribution that our taught and research students bring to Durham. In turn, we appreciate the specific education and development needs of our postgraduates, and provide tailored support through our Graduate School, our faculties and our departments.

There are many different ways you can study at Durham. You can apply for a taught degree offering lecture or seminar courses in a specific area, undertake your own studies under expert academic supervision as part of a research degree, or register for a professional doctorate combining taught modules with an extended research thesis.

Each route has its own unique features and benefits. Flexible study routes are available to fit around your life and preferred style of study, and you can study for most qualifications on either a full-time or part-time basis.

TAUGHT POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

Postgraduate taught degrees can enhance your employability, or act as a foundation for undertaking further study at research degree level. The postgraduate taught route is ideal for students who want a structured framework for their studies.

Most taught degrees are one year Masters programmes delivered via a combination of lectures, seminars and tutorials. Our programmes blend core and optional modules in specialist subject areas, with a substantial dissertation or research project.

“As far as my postgraduate year at Durham University was concerned, it was by far and away the best career move I have ever made and I will continue to reap the benefits for years to come.”

Jennie Wogan, PGCE Primary, UK

Courses normally start at the beginning of Michaelmas term in September or October.

For further information on our Postgraduate taught programmes see www.durham.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/taught

Department and Awards	Programme	Location
Anthropology		
MSc	Development Anthropology	Durham City
MSc	Evolutionary Anthropology	Durham City
MSc	Evolutionary Medicine	Queen's Campus
MSc	Medical Anthropology	Durham City
MA	Research Methods (Anthropology)	Durham City
MA	Socio-Cultural Anthropology	Durham City
MSc	Sustainability, Culture and Development Anthropology	Durham City
Applied Social Sciences		
Graduate Certificate/MA	Community and Youth Work	Durham City
MSc	Criminology and Criminal Justice	Durham City
MA/PG Diploma/PG Certificate	Managing Community Practice	Durham City
MA/PG Diploma/PG Certificate	Managing Youth Work Practice	Durham City
MA	Social Research Methods (Social Policy)	Durham City
MA	Social Research Methods (Social Work)	Durham City
MA	Social Research Methods (Sociology)	Durham City
Master of	Social Work	Durham City
MA/PG Diploma	Social Work Studies	Durham City
PG Diploma	Specialist Social Work with Children and Young People, their Families and Carers	Durham City
Archaeology		
MSc	Archaeological Science	Durham City
MA	Archaeology	Durham City
MA	Conservation of Archaeological and Museum Objects (Dissertation)	Durham City
MA	Conservation of Archaeological and Museum Objects (Professional Practice)	Durham City
MA	Museum and Artefact Studies	Durham City
MSc	Palaeopathology	Durham City
Business School		
MBA	DBS-EBS Executive MBA (Dual Award)	Durham City
MA	Entrepreneurship	Durham City
MBA	Executive MBA	Durham City
MSc	Finance	Durham City
MSc	Finance (Accounting and Finance)	Durham City
MSc	Finance (Corporate and International Finance)	Durham City
MSc	Finance (Economics and Finance)	Durham City
MSc	Finance (Finance and Investment)	Durham City
MSc	Finance (International Banking and Finance)	Durham City
MSc	Finance (International Money, Finance and Investment)	Durham City
MBA	Full-Time MBA	Durham City
MA	Human Resource Management	Durham City
MA/MSc	Islamic Finance	Durham City
MA	Management	Durham City
MSc	Management	Durham City
MSc	Management (Consulting and Organisational Change)	Durham City
MSc	Management (Entrepreneurship)	Durham City
MSc	Management (Finance)	Durham City
MSc	Management (Human Resource Management)	Durham City
MSc	Management (Innovation Technology and Operations Management)	Durham City
MSc	Management (International Business)	Durham City
MA	Marketing	Durham City
MSc	Marketing Management	Queen's Campus
MBA	MBA (Global)	Durham City
MBA	MBA (Global) (Caribbean)	Durham City
MBA	MBA (Global) (Finance)	Durham City
MSc	Strategic Marketing	Queen's Campus
Classics		
MA	Ancient Epic	Durham City
MA	Ancient Historiography	Durham City
MA	Ancient Philosophy	Durham City
MA	Classics	Durham City

Department and Awards	Programme	Location
Classics <i>continued</i>		
MA	Greece, Rome and the Near East	Durham City
MA	The Classical Tradition	Durham City
Education		
MA/Doctor of	Education (International Postgraduate Programme)	Durham City
PGCE	Education (International) (Primary)	Durham City
PGCE	Education (International) (Secondary)	Durham City
PGCE	Education (Primary)	Durham City
PGCE	Education (Secondary)	Durham City
MA/Doctor of	Education (UK)	Durham City
MA	Education (with Qualified Teacher Status) (Primary)	Durham City
MA	Education (with Qualified Teacher Status) (Secondary)	Durham City
MSc	Educational Assessment (International Postgraduate Programme)	Durham City
MSc	Educational Assessment (UK)	Durham City
MA	Research Methods (Education)	Durham City
PG Certificate	The Practice of Education	Durham City
Engineering & Computing Sciences		
MSc	Advanced Software Engineering	Durham City
MSc	Communications Engineering	Durham City
MSc	Design and Operations Engineering	Durham City
MSc	Internet and Distributed Systems	Durham City
MSc	Internet Systems and E-Business	Durham City
MSc	New and Renewable Energy	Durham City
MSc	Software Engineering Management	Durham City
English		
MA	English Literary Studies	Durham City
MA	Medieval and Renaissance Literary Studies	Durham City
MA	Romantic and Victorian Literary Studies	Durham City
MA	Studies in Poetry	Durham City
MA	Twentieth Century Literary Studies	Durham City
English Language Centre		
MA	Applied Language Studies for TESOL	Durham City
MA	TESOL	Durham City
Geography		
MA	Geography (Research Methods)	Durham City
MSc	Risk and Environmental Hazards	Durham City
MA	Risk and Security	Durham City
MA	Risk, Health and Public Policy	Durham City
Government & International Affairs		
MSc	Arab World Studies	Durham City
MSc	Conflict Prevention, Sustainable Peace, and Security	Durham City
MSc	Defence, Development and Diplomacy	Durham City
MA	Faith and Globalisation	Durham City
MA	International Relations: East Asia	Durham City
MA	International Relations: Europe	Durham City
MA	International Relations: Middle Eastern and Islamic Studies	Durham City
MA	International Studies	Durham City
MA	Politics and International Relations (Political Theory)	Durham City
MA	Research Methods (Politics and International Relations)	Durham City
Health		
MSc/PG Diploma/PG Certificate	Clinical Management	Queen's Campus
MSc/PG Diploma/PG Certificate	Health Research Methods	Queen's Campus
MSc/PG Diploma/PG Certificate	Medical Education	Queen's Campus
MSc/PG Diploma/PG Certificate	Public Policy and Health	Queen's Campus
History		
MA	Early Modern History	Durham City
MA	Medieval and Renaissance Studies	Durham City
MA	Medieval History	Durham City

Department and Awards	Programme	Location
History <i>continued</i>		
MA	Modern History	Durham City
MA	Seventeenth Century Studies	Durham City
MA	Social and Economic History (Research Methods)	Durham City
Law		
LLM	European Trade and Commercial Law	Durham City
LLM	International Trade and Commercial Law	Durham City
Master of	Laws	Durham City
Mathematical Sciences		
MSc	Biomathematics	Durham City
MSc	Mathematical Sciences	Durham City
MSc	Particles, Strings and Cosmology	Durham City
Modern Languages & Cultures		
MA	Arabic/English Translation and Interpreting	Durham City
MA	Culture and Difference (Interdisciplinary)	Durham City
MA	Medieval and Renaissance Studies	Durham City
MA	Seventeenth Century Studies	Durham City
MA	Translation Studies	Durham City
Music		
MA	Music (Composition)	Durham City
MA	Music (Ethnomusicology)	Durham City
MA	Music (Musicology)	Durham City
Philosophy		
Graduate Diploma/MA	Philosophy	Durham City
MA	The History and Philosophy of Science and Medicine	Durham City
Physics		
MSc	Particles, Strings and Cosmology	Durham City
Psychology		
MSc	Cognitive Neuroscience	Durham City
MSc	Criminological Psychology	Queen's Campus
MSc	Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience	Durham City
MSc	Developmental Psychopathology	Durham City
MA	Research Methods (Developmental Psychology)	Durham City
Theology & Religion		
MA	Biblical Studies	Durham City
MA	Christian Theology	Durham City
MA	Christian Theology (Anglican Studies)	Durham City
MA	Christian Theology (Catholic Studies)	Durham City
MA	Faith and Globalisation	Durham City
MA	Religion and Society	Durham City
MA/MSc	Spirituality, Theology & Health	Durham City
Doctor of	Theology and Ministry	Durham City
Graduate Diploma/MA	Theology and Religion	Durham City

This list of programmes is accurate at the time of printing in September 2011. Please note the information may be subject to change. For the latest information visit www.durham.ac.uk/postgraduate/courses

RESEARCH PROGRAMMES
(FULL-TIME/PART-TIME)

Durham University is a research intensive university which offers a wide range of research degrees. Research students develop their own timetable of academic study under the supervision of a team of two or more academic staff. Training is provided by departments, faculties and the Graduate School, and assessment is usually by thesis which is submitted at the end of the programme.

You can study for one, two or three years (full-time), or two, four or six years (part-time) towards a range of research qualifications including:

- Master of Arts (MA)
- Master of Education (MEd)
- Master of Science (MSc)
- Master of Letters (MLitt)
- Master of Jurisprudence (MJur)
- Master of Music (MMus)
- Master of Professional Practice (MProf)
- Master of Philosophy (MPhil)
- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)
- Doctor of Medicine (MD).

As well as conventional research degrees, we also offer innovative professional doctorates, giving students the opportunity to follow a structured programme of taught modules before undertaking an extended research thesis.

The current options available are:

- Doctor of Education (EdD)
- Doctorate in Business Administration (DBA)
- Doctor of Theology and Ministry (DThM).

When applying to study for a research degree you should consult with your academic department to check that a supervisor with expertise in your chosen subject area is available to support you.

For more information on our research opportunities see www.durham.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/research

OUR ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS AND SCHOOLS OFFER THE FOLLOWING AWARDS

	Available full-time/part-time		
	12/24 months	24/48 months	36/72 months
Anthropology	MA, MSc	MPhil	PhD
Applied Social Sciences (SASS) (Community & Youth Work, Criminology, Social Policy, Social Work, Sociology & Sport)	MA, MProf	MPhil	PhD
Archaeology	MA, MSc	MPhil	PhD
Biological & Biomedical Sciences	MSc		PhD
Chemistry	MSc	MPhil	PhD
Classics & Ancient History	MA	MLitt	PhD
Durham Business School (Economics, Finance, Business)			PhD, DBA
Durham Law School	MJur	MPhil	PhD
Earth Sciences	MSc	MPhil	PhD
Education	MA	MEd	PhD, EdD
Engineering & Computing Sciences	MSc	MPhil	PhD
English Studies	MA	MLitt	PhD
Geography	MA, MSc		PhD
Government & International Affairs (SGIA) (Middle Eastern & Islamic Studies, Politics)	MA	MPhil	PhD
History	MA	MLitt	PhD
Mathematical Sciences	MSc		PhD
Medicine & Health	MSc	MPhil, MD*	PhD
Modern Languages & Cultures (MLAC) (Arabic, European Languages, Photographic Image & Translation Studies)	MA	MLitt	PhD
Music	MA	MMus	PhD
Philosophy	MA	MLitt	PhD
Physics	MSc	MPhil	PhD
Psychology	MSc	MPhil	PhD
Theology & Religion	MA	MLitt	PhD, DThM

*MD is available full-time only.



HOW TO APPLY

Your application will depend on which course of study you wish to follow and which department you will be based in. If you wish to apply for:

- Postgraduate Certificate of Education (PGCE) or Master of Social Work, contact your department directly, they will provide advice regarding applying through UCAS.

You can contact these via the following:

School of Education
www.durham.ac.uk/education/postgraduate

School of Applied Social Science
www.durham.ac.uk/sass/socialwork/postgraduate/master

- If you are applying for a subject in any of our other departments, you will need to complete our online application form at www.durham.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/apply

If you have any questions in relation to applying, please contact the Student Recruitment and Admissions Office on +44 (0)191 334 6492 or email pg.admissions@durham.ac.uk

VETTING AND BARRING SCHEME (VBS)

Where indicated in the prospectus or on the University's website, specific programmes/courses may involve regular access to children and/or vulnerable adults, also known as regulated activity.

Where this is the case, students will be legally required to register with the Vetting and Barring Scheme (VBS) which is administered by the Independent Safeguarding Authority. At the time of printing this prospectus, the scope of the scheme is currently being reviewed. The University will send further instructions on registering with the VBS as part of the admissions process.

“What I enjoy most about studying here is the academic environment. The students at Durham University are very hard working and this generates a very positive attitude and a good atmosphere for our study. For example there are always many students studying in the library, in the café area and many other places, no matter whether it is in the examination period or not. During my PhD period, I’ve got to know many other researchers from various fields. This encourages idea exchanges and subsequently brings the benefit of both knowledge and social network expansion.”

Cen Chen, PhD Crystallisation from microemulsions, China



Chemistry Department



Department of Archaeology



Philosophy Department



Physics Department

Education informed by research

As one of the UK's leading research-intensive universities, the research that is undertaken at Durham informs all aspects of your learning experience. The intrinsic link between education, teaching and research means our postgraduate students are taught and supervised by world-class researchers and our research students are supervised by staff who are acknowledged experts in their field. A network of academic supervisors, programme directors, in-college support and the Graduate School supports students in realising and achieving their goals and ambitions. For further information on the services provided by the Graduate School see page 18.

RESEARCH EXCELLENCE

The quality and the depth of the research undertaken at Durham University were confirmed in the latest rankings of research (called the Research Assessment Exercise), which found all our academic departments produce research of international excellence and significance. 90% of our research outputs were judged of international standard and several departments, across all our faculties, were ranked as leading the UK in their fields. In some areas of research, for example in space science, we have been ranked as the leading centre in Europe.

Durham is successful in attracting funding from research councils and other sources to carry out our groundbreaking research and we are among the top 20 institutions in the UK for research income, despite being one of the smallest.

RESEARCH ETHOS

The pioneering research of our academics, by working both within and across disciplines, provides tangible benefits that enhance human wellbeing, and deepen our knowledge of the

universe and everything in it. Through this we aim to impart intellectual curiosity and develop new ideas that make a difference to lives.

Our academic expertise is also reflected in the accolades and awards received by our staff. Leading staff have been awarded Fellowship of the Royal Society (the highest accolade a UK scientist can receive next to a Nobel Prize), and Fellowship of the British Academy as well as honours from many other bodies which recognise scholarly excellence.

Durham University encourages a special emphasis on external partnerships in research. Whether with industry, the arts, local or national government, international organisations, healthcare or education sectors, research that informs and is informed by people outside the University both makes a difference, and discovers fresh directions. We have, for example, recently pioneered new ways of working with industry through Knowledge Transfer Partnerships, and the Durham Industrial Bridging Scheme.

For more information on research quality see www.durham.ac.uk/research/quality

90%

of our research outputs were judged of international standard.

RAE 2008 Results

INTERDISCIPLINARY IN NATURE

Our research is founded on departmental strengths in the University's core academic disciplines. Building on these core strengths, our eight University Research Institutes bring together researchers from these different disciplines to tackle questions of global significance whose answers do not lie within any one environment, or which lie at the boundaries of traditional disciplines.

Did you know...

...In the latest Research Assessment Exercise, Durham University was independently assessed as having world-class research in every single area of assessment across the sciences, social sciences and humanities.



Research Institutes

Research institutes offer an extra dimension to your postgraduate experience. They will offer you not only a supportive environment for your studies and the opportunity to diversify your research within an interdisciplinary context, but also access to new research questions which draw on your expertise, the opportunity to conduct research within multidisciplinary teams, and access to research partners outside academia. Each research institute contributes to the lively and stimulating research culture within the University by providing a wide variety of seminars, lectures and other events as well as inviting internationally renowned research visitors and fellows from across the globe to be part of the activities of each institute.

WOLFSON RESEARCH INSTITUTE IN HEALTH AND WELLBEING (WRI)

Based in a purpose-built building on the University's Queen's Campus, at Stockton-on-Tees, the work of the Institute focuses on research on medicine, health and the well being of people and places. As well as helping meet the University's strategic goal of producing top quality cutting edge research, The Wolfson Research Institute strengthens links with the surrounding region and has a key role in meeting the University's strategic goal of contributing to policy formation and implementation.

Find out more at www.durham.ac.uk/wolfson.institute

INSTITUTE OF HAZARD, RISK AND RESILIENCE (IHRR)

The IHRR harnesses the capacity of researchers from across Durham University to make a difference to how we live with emerging hazards and risks. IHRR researchers explore moving beyond what we already do and challenge the core assumptions, scientific, economic and social, about how we live with hazard and risk. Progress can only be made through critical engagements that bring together researchers from across the

Natural and Social Sciences, Engineering, Health and Humanities. The IHRR runs research programmes in areas such as hazards, vulnerability and frontier knowledge, with application areas as varied as earthquakes and financial instability.

Find out more at www.durham.ac.uk/ihrr

INSTITUTE OF PARTICLE PHYSICS PHENOMENOLOGY (IPPP)

The IPPP provides the bridge between theory and experiment in the study of the tiny building blocks of all matter in the universe and of the fundamental forces that operate between them. The IPPP tries to understand what happens when high energy particles are smashed into each other at very high energies and provides the theory and analysis behind a number of experiments to be carried out at the Large Hadron Collider (LHC), a gigantic particle accelerator built 100m underground on the Swiss/French border at Geneva, which aims to recreate conditions in the early Universe just after the Big Bang. The IPPP seeks answers to some of the Universe's greatest secrets such as the mysteries

surrounding antimatter and dark matter, the possibility of extra space-time dimensions and the existence of the elusive Higgs boson.

Find out more at www.ippp.dur.ac.uk

INSTITUTE OF COMPUTATIONAL COSMOLOGY (ICC)

The Institute for Computational Cosmology (ICC) is a leading international centre for research into the origin and evolution of the Universe. ICC researchers address some of the most fundamental questions in science: What were the first objects in the Universe? How do galaxies form? What is the nature of the dark matter and dark energy? Where does the large-scale structure of the universe come from? What is the fate of the Universe? The computing needs of members of the ICC are catered for by the state-of-the-art Cosmology Machine (COSMA) and the CDM Cluster. The ICC plays an active role in public communication including the production of the acclaimed 3-D movie *Cosmic Origins*.

Find out more at <http://icc.dur.ac.uk>

DURHAM ENERGY INSTITUTE (DEI)

Durham Energy Institute is a leading UK energy research institute bringing together researchers from science, engineering and social science. Based upon our success at winning research funding the DEI is one of the UK's leading university research communities in at least five energy disciplines: offshore wind, photovoltaics, carbon capture and storage, electricity transmission and smart grids. The DEI has strong capabilities in technologies for fusion energy and biofuels. Current examples of research projects include carbon capture, electrical distribution strategies, energy poverty and novel photovoltaic materials and devices.

Find out more at www.durham.ac.uk/dei

BIOPHYSICAL SCIENCES INSTITUTE (BSI)

The BSI brings together research excellence and expertise from the Schools/Departments of Biological and Biomedical Sciences, Chemistry, Engineering and Computing Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, Physics and Psychology. The BSI uses experiment, theory and simulation in a completely integrated, multiscale approach to the solution of biological problems. Its vibrant interdisciplinary community is dedicated to providing scientific discoveries and technological breakthroughs for application in further research, medicine and biotechnology, as well as driving future wealth creation, industrial and social development.

Find out more at www.bsi.durham.ac.uk

INSTITUTE OF MEDIEVAL AND RENAISSANCE STUDIES (IMRS)

The Institute for Medieval and Renaissance Studies is one of the most diverse and dynamic centres of medieval and renaissance studies in the world. It creates a node at Durham for an international network of Medieval scholars. The Institute provides a network for contact and the exchange of information. Seminars, workshops and round table discussions, conferences and research projects bring together specialists from across the University and integrate our postgraduate community.

Find out more at www.durham.ac.uk/imrs

INSTITUTE OF ADVANCED STUDY (IAS)

The IAS brings together some of the world's finest researchers across all disciplines to examine themes of major intellectual, scientific, political and practical significance. The Institute also serves as a top-level forum, enabling decision makers and experts to discuss policy problems in an intellectually stimulating and unrestricted manner. A key feature of the Institute is that it embodies and connects every subject

area at Durham University, whether in the Arts and Humanities, the Sciences, or the Social Sciences. It works alongside departments and other Institutes to create temporary academic communities in Durham that launch new research programmes. The IAS postgraduate community produces its own open-access interdisciplinary journal *Kaleidoscope*.

Find out more at www.durham.ac.uk/ias

A THRIVING, INTEGRATED RESEARCH ENVIRONMENT

You will find that research is not just based within academic departments but there are many opportunities to present your research in other forums.

Ustinov College, our dedicated postgraduate college, offers the Ustinov Seminar series which provides interdisciplinary research presentation opportunities for postgraduates in an informal café-style setting. The seminars are student planned and led, and provide opportunities for informal discussion of presented themes. Other colleges with postgraduate communities also hold events organised by and for the students.

As part of the Research Training Programme (further details of which can be found on page 20) there are opportunities to get involved in outreach work with local communities, schools and colleges. Schemes include the Postgraduate Teaching Fellowship Scheme, Researchers in Residence Scheme, Durham Business Plan Competition, as well as other informal opportunities to use your research outside traditional academic environments.

For more information on these opportunities see www.durham.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/research/training



St Mary's College



Careers support at Queen's Campus



School of Government and International Affairs



Department of English Studies

Support before and during your studies

Postgraduate study will present you with many exciting new challenges and we recognise that independence is a key part of being a postgraduate student. However, at Durham University postgraduate students can expect very high levels of support and if you require any advice and guidance at any point there is always a support network available.

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

The Graduate School is focused on ensuring that all of Durham's postgraduate students, both research and taught, have a high-quality educational, intellectual and developmental experience. Led by the Dean of the Graduate School, and bringing together academic departments, the colleges and support departments from across the University, the Graduate School co-ordinates information and guidance on all postgraduate matters to meet the distinctive needs of the postgraduate student community.

How The Graduate School supports postgraduate students:

- Co-ordinates the induction programme to help new students settle in to student life at Durham

- Provides a single point of contact for students requiring support and guidance on academic and non-academic related matters
- Produces the Postgraduate Survival Guide (available online) providing an introduction to the basics of university life, and to act as a resource for any problems or queries you may have
- Provides a wide range of training and personal development courses and resources to help students improve their employability skills
- Provides funding to postgraduate students to support activities that make available a variety of resources to help our students travel, deliver papers at conferences and organise their own training activities and events.

As a member of Durham's vibrant postgraduate community, you will have access to staff who can provide you with specialist advice on a range of issues. Your academic department will offer guidance and tuition specific to your studies. Other University departments who support the Graduate School include the Student Recruitment and Admissions Office who manage the admissions process, and the Student Immigration and Financial Support Office, who can provide information on all available postgraduate funding.

For more information on the Graduate School see www.durham.ac.uk/graduate.school

SKILLS TO SUCCEED

Being a student at Durham is about more than just your degree. We are committed to equipping you with the skills that will give you the best chance of securing employment once you leave us, regardless of the sector you want to work in. Throughout this prospectus you'll find details of a range of activities to help you develop the skills that will ensure you are in high demand with graduate recruiters. Here are just a few things that make the Durham experience so distinctive:

- Our award winning Doctoral Training Programme supports the professional development of all postgraduate research students. It covers topics such as Research Management, Research Skills, Personal Effectiveness, and IT. Research students can also complete the Key Skills Award which gives the opportunity to gain recognition and certification of these skills. For further details on this programme see page 20. See www.durham.ac.uk/careers/employers/durhamaward
- The Durham Award for taught postgraduate students is an opportunity to reflect on the development of skills and how to effectively market these to a future employer. This reflective process equips Durham graduates to stand out from the crowd. See www.durham.ac.uk/graduate.school/doctral.training
- Our Careers Employability and Enterprise Centre offers opportunities to meet with employers from a wide range of sectors and gain an understanding of what they are looking for from graduates. Skills workshops are run in collaboration with employers to explore key competencies and offer advice on how you can get ahead in the recruitment process. Careers Advisers are available to discuss your individual plans at any stage of your studies. For further details see page 30
- An annual conference, aimed at taught postgraduate students, offers the chance to work with graduate recruiters to explore the key skills required for success in the workplace
- Opportunities to develop your skills are not limited to your academic studies at Durham. Why not consider joining a society, becoming a member of a college, joining a sports team, or volunteering in the community? Durham students are renowned for the creativity which they bring to the workplace. Our graduates are the driving force behind Aardman Animations, the Eden Project, Hawk-Eye and much more.



DOCTORAL TRAINING FOR RESEARCH STUDENTS

To help you make the most of the opportunities whilst at the University and to prepare you for your future career, the Graduate School provides a comprehensive training programme to support personal development and help to build the transferable skills that are essential for a professional researcher. This programme is supported by a team from across the University that has expertise in postgraduate study in areas including IT services, the University Library and Careers, Employability and Enterprise Centre. This training is delivered by workshops and other face-to-face sessions, blending personal and online learning to suit your individual study plans.

The quality of the Durham Doctoral Training programme was recognised by the award of the prestigious Times Higher Education Award for the Support of Early Career Researchers in 2009. It is freely available to all research students and focuses on professional development training which is designed to complement your department-based training. It begins with an induction programme for research students arriving at Durham University.

Researcher development training includes:

- Research management
- Personal effectiveness
- Communication skills
- Networking and team working
- Career management
- Supporting your teaching
- Library and information skills
- IT courses
- Key skills award.

In May 2010, the Graduate School, in collaboration with Epigeum – producers of high-quality e-learning materials for researcher and staff development – won a Gold Award at the IMS Learning Impact Conference in California. The Learning Impact Awards (LIAs) recognise the use of technology to improve learning across all industry segments and in all regions of the world. These e-learning materials are available to all Durham research students as part of our Doctoral Training Programme.

The programme begins with a thorough needs assessment conducted online, with the support of your supervisory team, to allow you to plan your training activities. This is reviewed as you progress through your studies to ensure you are being offered the best development opportunities to enhance your career.

In addition, you will have the opportunity to register for the Durham Key Skills Award to gain certification and recognition of your skills development as part of this training programme. See www.durham.ac.uk/graduate.school/staff/dulta

DURHAM UNIVERSITY LEARNING AND TEACHING AWARD

Many postgraduate research students will have the opportunity to be involved in teaching undergraduate students in their home departments while at Durham. Those who have significant teaching roles in Durham will be able to register for the Durham University Learning and Teaching Award, successful completion of which will lead to Associate Fellowship of the UK Higher Education Academy, a mark of teaching proficiency which is recognised internationally.

DURHAM POSTGRADUATE INTERNSHIPS

The Graduate School funds a number of one or two month internships to enable postgraduate research students to gain experience of working in a non-academic environment. A monthly stipend is available to successful applicants to cover living expenses during the internship.

DURHAM BUSINESS CREATION FELLOWSHIPS

The Graduate School also funds up to three one-year fellowships designed to support Fellows in taking a business idea from early stage development towards market. Fellows are given access to the Business Incubator and support will be offered by the Technology Transfer and Postgraduate Training Teams.

GRADUATE SCHOOL CONFERENCE AND EVENTS GRANT

Funds are available to support postgraduate students organising short-term conferences and events of a subject specific nature. These funds can be used for most purposes, and project management support is also available through The Graduate School.

HEALTH, WELFARE AND PERSONAL SUPPORT

The University has an on-campus counselling service which is available to all students, and welfare support is also available through Senior Tutors in each college. Durham Students' Union also has a dedicated advice centre for advice on personal, financial or health-related matters.

In Durham City, you can access medical advice through the University Medical Centre. At Queen's Campus, there are medical centres close to the Campus and a doctor from a local medical practice is on campus at certain times during the week.

☞ For more information on health, welfare and personal support see www.durham.ac.uk/study/welfare

SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS WITH A DISABILITY

Durham welcomes applications from students with disabilities and we have a well-established specialist support service for students with a wide range of disabilities. Durham University Service for Students with Disabilities (DUSSD) can provide appropriate care and support for students with any disability, medical or mental health condition, or specific learning difficulty which may affect your studies. This help will be tailored to you and relevant to the course you choose to study.

With this in mind, it is important that you let us know, ideally when you first apply, what requirements you have so we can ensure that we are able to deliver the most appropriate support prior to the start of your academic programme.

☞ For further information on DUSSD contact +44 (0)191 334 8115 (voice and minicom), email disabilities.service@durham.ac.uk or see www.durham.ac.uk/dusdd

CHILDCARE

Our day nursery in Durham City has 90 places for children from three months old to school age. Our highly experienced staff provide a safe and stimulating environment for children.

The nursery is open from 8am to 6pm, Monday to Friday throughout the year. We only close when the University is closed over Christmas, Easter and May and August Bank Holidays. As you are a student of the University, your child will be eligible for preferential rates. Nursery places are limited, so please contact us as early as possible to discuss your childcare requirements. You can call the nursery on +44 (0)191 334 8153.

☞ For more information on nursery facilities and up-to-date fees for childcare see www.durham.ac.uk/university.nursery

At Queen's Campus, Stockton we have an arrangement with the holiday and after school organisation SMASH to provide a number of places for school age children of full-time students. Places are available for children from four to 14 years.

For more information contact the Stephenson College Student Support Officer, Queen's Campus, Stockton-on-Tees, telephone +44 (0)191 334 0090.

92%
of our taught postgraduate students secured employment or further study within six months of graduating.

"There is no typical Durham postgraduate. There are those who have come through directly from undergraduate degrees at Durham and elsewhere in the UK, mature students, and overseas students, and we all have different requirements and expectations. Both the University and my department understand this and endeavour to meet our requirements."

John Chapman, PhD Mathematics



Queens's Campus, Stockton



School of Government and International Affairs



St Cuthbert's Society

£10m
invested in postgraduate
student support in 2011/12.

Funding and finance

Finding funding for postgraduate study can be challenging, but we have a dedicated Student Financial Support team to help you with funding related matters, from applying for funding to dealing with changes of circumstance during your studies that may impact on your funding.

Postgraduate students are a vital part of our university community. We invested over £10m in postgraduate student support for students starting their studies in 2011/12, including a significant amount of funding won from external funding bodies such as the UK Research Councils. During the 2010/11 academic year the University administered over 300 scholarships and awards to assist students with their study.

There are three main ways to fund your studies at Durham:

- Winning a full studentship, for example one of the prestigious Durham Doctoral Studentships, a UK Research Council studentship or funding from a charitable organisation, employer or other sponsor
- Putting together a package of financial support consisting of a combination of scholarships, bursaries and loans
- Using your own savings and/or family support.

The best place to start when researching postgraduate funding is at the following website. Here you can find an overview of the funding available to postgraduate students, plus links to faculty and departmental websites. You can also enter your details into our postgraduate funding database to search for funding for which you might be eligible.
www.durham.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/fees

TUITION FEES

As a postgraduate student at Durham University you will pay an annual fee for your programme of study, which includes registration, matriculation (formal entry to the University), your initial examination and degree fees and some other miscellaneous charges. The fee will vary according to the programme you study and your fee status.

- ☞ Tuition fees for most full-time postgraduate students can be paid in full at the beginning of each academic year or on a termly basis. Part-time postgraduates can pay in full or on a monthly basis via Direct Debit. Please note that the University's fees are subject to an annual increase. Further details on tuition fees and payment are available at www.durham.ac.uk/treasurer/students/tuition_fees

- ☞ Please see the table on page 25 for details of the 2012/13 tuition fees for full-time students. You should use these as a guide but please check the University's website for up-to-date information on fee levels before applying www.durham.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/fees

DEPOSITS

The UK's points-based immigration system requires international (non-EU) students to demonstrate that they have the appropriate finances in place in order to apply for a visa to enter the UK.

- ☞ If you are a self-financing international student you will be required to pay a deposit before the University issues a Confirmation of Acceptance to Study (CAS) number which overseas students need in order to apply for a visa. The CAS will show the deposit paid and will help you to demonstrate that you have the finances required in order for you to enter the UK to study. Further information is available at www.durham.ac.uk/international/apply/fees/deposits

LIVING COSTS

You will also need to factor living costs into your postgraduate study budget to cover expenses such as:

- Accommodation and utility bills
- Food, clothing and entertainment
- Study costs (e.g. thesis, fieldtrips, books)
- Insurance and transport.

- ☞ Information on the cost of living at Durham University is available at www.durham.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/fees/costs

- ☞ Many postgraduate students live in one of our colleges and for information on residence fees please see www.durham.ac.uk/study/accommodation/costs

International students may also find the University's International Office website www.durham.ac.uk/international/apply/fees helpful when looking for

information about the costs of being a student at Durham. The UKCISA website also provides useful information on living costs in the UK
www.ukcisa.org.uk/student/ukstudent/funding.php

STUDENTSHIPS AND SCHOLARSHIPS
Postgraduate students are a vital part of our university community. We invested over £10m in postgraduate student support for students starting their studies in 2010/11, including a significant amount of funding won from external funding bodies such as the UK Research Councils. Increasing the number and range of funding opportunities to enable the best postgraduate students worldwide to come to Durham is a key priority for the University.

🔗 A full list of scholarships can be found at our funding database at the following website www.durham.ac.uk/studying/student-finance

Durham Doctoral Studentships
The University funds a generous package of support for outstanding doctoral research students through the Durham Doctoral Studentships Scheme. In an effort to encourage applications from the 'brightest and the best' these studentships are open to applicants from across the world.

The scheme provides a range of benefits including:

- Full payment of tuition fees at home or overseas rate
- An annual tax-free maintenance grant at the Research Councils UK national rate (£13,590 for 2011/2012).

🔗 Further information, including eligibility criteria, application process and deadlines, may be found at www.durham.ac.uk/socialsciences.health/research_postgraduate_programmes/funding/doctoralstudentships

Research Council Funding
Each year we offer a number of full and tuition fees-only UK Research Council studentships to home and EU postgraduates. Studentships are available to doctoral students in all disciplines and to students on some Masters programmes. The University co-ordinates applications to many of the UK Research Councils and provides advice and guidance on funding matters to award-holders throughout their studies. Visit www.durham.ac.uk/careers/undergraduates/postgraduatestudy/howwillfundmystudies for further information. Your prospective department's web page will also feature information on UK Research Council studentships available in your chosen field of study.

LOANS
Professional and Career Development Loans
Postgraduate students (with the exception of PGCE students) are not eligible for student loans but may be eligible for a Professional and Career Development Loan. These loans can be requested as amounts between £300 and £10,000 per year. They are for postgraduate students ordinarily resident in England, Scotland, Northern Ireland or Wales with an unlimited right to remain in the UK. They are subsidised by the UK government and do not have to be repaid until you have finished your studies.

🔗 For further information on Career Development Loans see www.direct.gov.uk/cdl

US Federal Student Aid
Durham University is also a participant in the US Department of Education Direct Loans programme. Eligible US students are able to access federally-subsidised Stafford and PLUS loans to help finance their studies.

Durham is one of the biggest distributors of US Federal Student Aid in the UK, and offers expert guidance to students going through the application process.

🔗 For further information on US Loans see www.durham.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/fees/us

SUPPORT DURING YOUR STUDIES
In the Student Immigration and Financial Support Office we support students in managing their finances so that they can concentrate on their academic work. We help postgraduate students source funding for extra costs such as fieldwork, conference attendance and extra costs incurred as a result of disability. If you have any queries please contact us at financialsupport.postgraduate@durham.ac.uk

“As a recipient of a Doctoral Fellowship from Durham University, I have been afforded the means to explore a range of avenues in my research. I am in the rather unusual position of researching a living composer, and while this is a very exciting project, certain problems accompany it. Some of the composer's key works cannot be purchased and are only available for hire from his publishers. Each time I have to hire a score, I need to pay a fee.

Thanks to my funding, I have been able to look at more than 30 scores, allowing me to include a plethora of musical examples in my work and thus improving the clarity of my arguments considerably.”

Dominic Wells, PhD Music

TUITION FEES – FULL TIME STUDENTS 2012/13

TAUGHT	Home/EU (including students from the Channel Islands & Isle of Man)	International
Classroom Based (see list*)	£5,100	£12,600
Laboratory Based (see list*)	£5,100	£16,100
Premium Classroom Based (see list*)	£5,600	£12,600

For Durham Business School fees, please visit www.durham.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/fees/costs

RESEARCH	Home/EU (including students from the Channel Islands & Isle of Man)	International
Classroom Based (see list*)	TBC	£12,600
Laboratory Based (see list*)	TBC	£16,100
Premium Classroom Based (see list*)	TBC	£12,600

For Durham Business School fees, please visit www.durham.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/fees/costs

Home/EU PGR fees are set in line with research council grants. These were not available at the time of going to print and will not be announced until around April 2012. All of these fees are for students commencing 2012/13 and

are intended as a guide only. Tuition fees are subject to annual increases and will be published on the Durham University website. There are also fees available for part-time study and exceptions to these.

🔗 *For full details see www.durham.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/fees/costs

COLLEGE COSTS 2011/12
Please note these costs are for residence charge including utilities charge and Internet connection. There may be additional individual college costs (e.g. for MCR membership) which vary in every college.

🔗 The fees in this table relate to 2011/12 entry and are subject to annual increases. Please refer to Durham University for the latest information. See www.durham.ac.uk/study/accommodation/postgraduate/costs

*Charges may vary at the two independent colleges (St Chad's College and St John's College).

**Postgraduates who are members of University College live in our Brackenbury building. A single self-catered en-suite room in Brackenbury is £4,832.

Self-catered: Single room	Annual Cost
Single standard 50-week let	£4,656
Single en-suite** 50-week let	£5,264
Single standard 40-week let (PGCE)	£4,179
Single en-suite 40-week let (PGCE)	£4,629

Catered during term time: Single room	Annual Cost
Single standard 50-week let	£6,081*
Single en-suite** 50-week let	£6,687*
Single standard 40-week let (PGCE)	£5,601*
Single en-suite 40-week let (PGCE)	£5,994*

Couples/Family Accommodation	Annual Cost
1-bedroom flat	£6,312
2-bedroom flat	£7,392
3-bedroom flat	£8,024
1-bedroom studio with shared kitchen (couples only)	£5,789



Durham Business School



Calman Learning Centre

First class educational facilities

World-class students require world-class facilities. Whether it's the University Library, with its archives and special collections attracting scholars from all over the world, IT support, or the opportunity to study abroad, you will find the facilities you need to complement and support your studies at Durham University.

Study here and you'll not only work with world-class academic staff, but you'll also have access to some of the best facilities and study-support to ensure you get the most from your postgraduate experience.

INVESTMENT IN FACILITIES

The University invests over £200m annually on staff, students and facilities. In 2007 we opened the Calman Learning Centre, a £12m lecture theatre development which incorporates innovative lecture and learning facilities and an IT café with open access facilities for all students.

We have started the Durham Project, which at a cost of £60m will transform and enhance the University and the City and result in a brand new student services building, extension to the University Library and pedestrianisation of the Science Site.

LIBRARIES

Durham University's libraries offer an excellent range of resources and flexible study spaces to support postgraduate study and research. Our print collection contains in excess of 1.5 million items. We provide substantial and rapidly growing collections of digital resources including electronic journals, books and databases for tracing journal articles, conference and research papers.

To help you make best use of our wide variety of electronic and print materials, subject-specific support and information

skills training is available. In collaboration with departments, we offer workshops in our PC Classroom, giving hands-on practice with web-based information resources and subject-specific advice on using technology to keep up to date with the latest research in your field. Support is available throughout the year from the liaison librarians for your department.

They can discuss your particular requirements and information needs, enabling you to make the most of the Library throughout your study.

So that you can study when you wish, long opening hours are provided, seven days a week. Taught postgraduates may borrow up to 30 books at a time and research postgraduates up to 40. Postgraduate Research Study Centres have also been established in the Main University Library and at the Library at Queens Campus, Stockton. The University Library has three sites in Durham City and one at Queen's Campus, Stockton. Some departments and colleges have their own dedicated library facilities and the majority of colleges also have library or study facilities. Our Document Delivery Service can obtain material for you from other libraries on inter-library loan,

and we participate in national and regional networks allowing you personal access to libraries outside the University.

Palace Green Library, the home of the University's Archives and Special Collections, is also undergoing a four year long redevelopment project which will inaugurate a new Archives and Special Collections Reading Room, new education and conservation facilities and four new galleries to exhibit treasures from the University collections.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS AND ARCHIVES

The University has many rare and internationally renowned special collections and archives which are housed at Palace Green Library, in the World Heritage Site. The special collections include over 75,000 books printed before 1850, 100 medieval manuscripts, 3,400 metres of archives and artefacts, over 30,000 maps and prints and 100,000 photographs. Highlights include the collections of seventeenth century English books and the Sudan Archive, both of which are recognised with national Designated Status by the Museums, Libraries and Archives Council, and the monastic archives and medieval manuscripts. A regular programme of public exhibitions offers the opportunity to view collections outside of your studies.

The three University museums (the Oriental Museum, The Old Fulling Mill Archaeological Museum and the Durham Castle collections) also provide a unique research resource for postgraduate study.

For further information on library facilities see www.durham.ac.uk/library

IT FACILITIES

Computing and Information Services (CIS) are responsible for providing computing and information technology services for teaching, learning, research and administrative activities at Durham University.

CIS operate and maintain the University's data network, which is connected to NorMAN, the local Metropolitan Area Network linking the five North East universities and a number of further education colleges in the region. We are also connected to the UK Academic Network supplier, JANET which provides high speed onward connections to other UK academic institutions and to major worldwide networks. NorMAN also connects the Durham City site to Queen's Campus, Stockton.

CIS provide networked PC services at both Durham City and Queen's Campus with over 1,900 PCs located in classrooms and open access areas across the University. Should you need short-term access to a laptop, our libraries offer a loan scheme. In addition to this, each college has their own computing facilities, giving users access to all online services, including learning, teaching and research materials, Microsoft Office applications, library services, email and the Internet. All college bedrooms have network points connecting to our EnSuite Online service, providing free access to the Internet and the University network.

An IT Service Desk provides direct support to all students and staff, and is accessible via telephone, email and a counter service. In addition, there are a range of self-service support materials including FAQs and information sheets which can be found on our web pages.

For those interested in scientific applications, our integrated UNIX service is based on both time-sharing (accessible from all networked computers) and server/workstation services. We also offer a High Performance Computing service dedicated to numerically intensive programming problems.

Our online learning environment, Durham University Online (duo) supports learning, teaching and research, offering a wide range of tools for communicating, social networking, creating blogs and wikis, document searching and file sharing. As duo is web-based, you can continue your work from outside the University when on fieldwork or visiting other institutions.

A range of training is available to postgraduates for a variety of software packages including word processing, bibliographic software, statistical software and other more subject specific packages.

For further information see www.durham.ac.uk/cis

"Helpful staff and the IT link provided by the duo (Durham University Online) system provide an important connection with the University. The duo platform allows you to study and keep in touch with staff and other students, as well as keep up to date with the events at a busy university."

Richard Sugden,
Doctorate in Education

Support for international students

Durham University is England's third oldest university and a world centre for learning and research. We strive to provide students with the very best academic opportunities and exceptional experiences for personal development. This excellence in education and unique student lifestyle attracts over 4,500 international students from over 150 different countries.

Ranked 8th overall in *The Guardian University League Table 2012*.

BEFORE YOU APPLY

The International Office offers the advice and support students need whilst living and studying abroad, ensuring you gain the most from your time at Durham University.

Before you apply, the International Office is here to assist you through the application process. We have a select group of representatives overseas who you can speak to and Durham University staff regularly travel overseas to attend events and meet with prospective students. More details on our travel schedule can be found at www.durham.ac.uk/international/office/meetus

We accept a wide range of qualifications from different countries. Information about qualification equivalencies can be found on our website at www.durham.ac.uk/international/prospectivestudents

Our dedicated team of Immigration Advisers can offer visa and immigration advice before and during your studies. You can find helpful information and contact the team directly by visiting www.durham.ac.uk/immigration

You are also welcome to contact the International Office directly with your questions by sending an email to international.office@durham.ac.uk

ARRIVAL

Upon arrival in the UK we offer a warm welcome through our Meet and Greet service and Induction Programme.

As part of the induction students are met by University staff and students at the airport or railway station who will transport you safely to the University. The Induction Programme includes a range of information and social events to help you meet other students (both from the UK and overseas) and become accustomed to life in Durham.

The International Student Information Fair is an important event providing new students with the opportunity to meet members of the International Students Association (ISA) and International Office. Representatives from the University's Career Service, English Language Centre, local banks, mobile phone providers, Durham's Tourist Information Centre, and more, will be in attendance.

For further information on our Meet and Greet and Induction Programmes please see www.durham.ac.uk/international/prospectivestudents/beforearriving/induction

"Both academically and socially, Durham is a great place to live and study. I've been here for four years now and I am still finding new things to try and new challenges in my research."

Reetta Humalajoki, MA Modern History, Finland

"There is so much more than I expected at Durham University. All the support and welfare for international students in the form of student representatives, the International Office and the International Student Society made it that much easier for me to settle at Durham."

Jody Chan, MA Translation Studies, Hong Kong

English language support

The English Language Centre supports international students in the development of their academic English language and literacy skills both before and during their academic programme of study, offering a comprehensive range of specially designed courses.

Title of Course	Year Round Pre-Sessional	Pre-Sessional	Pre-Sessional	PARSE*	Pre-MBA	In-Sessional Support
Duration	10–30 weeks	12 weeks	8 weeks	4 weeks	4–12 weeks	Support is provided over the three terms of the academic year.
Who is the course for?	If you have an offer from Durham University and have not met your language condition. To assess the length of course required please contact the English Language Centre.	If you have an offer from Durham University and have not met your language condition.	If you have an offer from Durham University and have not met your language condition.	If you have a conditional offer from Durham University but have just missed your English language condition.	If you hold an offer from Durham Business School for an MBA course and your IELTS is between 6.0 and 7.0.	These courses are for all current Durham University students, native or non-native, and are free of charge. All sessions are two hours long and you can take a maximum of four hours' tuition in a single week.
Entry requirements	If your IELTS level is below overall 5.5 or TOEFL iBT 87 you can take this course.	You must have a minimum IELTS of 5.5 (with no score below 5.0) or TOEFL iBT 87 although this varies between departments so please check with the English Language Centre.	You must have a minimum IELTS of 6.0 (with no score below 5.5) or TOEFL iBT 87 although this varies between departments so please check with the English Language Centre.	You must have a minimum IELTS of 6.5 (with no subtest below 6.0) or TOEFL iBT 87.	If you hold an offer from Durham Business School for an MBA course and your IELTS is between 6.0 and 7.0.	All students wishing to receive this support are required to take the University's English language assessment so we can provide you with the tuition you need and help you join the most appropriate classes.
Start date of course	October, January or April	July	August	September	June, July or August	Varies depending upon the support required.

*Preparatory Academic Research Skills and English.

CONTACT INFORMATION

For further information on the programmes mentioned above or assistance with your application please contact the English Language Centre:

Durham University, Elvet Riverside, New Elvet, Durham DH1 3JT
T: +44 (0)191 334 2230 F: +44 (0)191 334 2231
www.durham.ac.uk/language CENTRE



Career advice



Specialist careers resources

A degree from Durham is a degree for life

Durham offers you excellent career prospects and the Careers, Employability and Enterprise Centre provides a range of services tailored to meet the very specific needs of our postgraduate students. From helping you plan your career path to assisting in finding a job, our Careers Employability and Enterprise Centre are always available to provide support and guidance.

Did you know...

...In the 2011 QS World University League Rankings Durham University was ranked 15th globally for employer reputation and the quality of our graduates by 17,000 leading employers worldwide.

Our graduates are in demand and are highly sought after by regional, national and international employers. In 2010 92% of Postgraduate taught graduates secured employment or went on to further study within six months of graduating.

The following section outlines a brief summary of what our highly trained, dedicated team can offer postgraduate students to get the most from your Durham degree.

Linking you with employers:

- Organisations ranging from SMEs to multi and international corporations arrange student presentations through the Centre
- Visit the Career Fairs to talk to employers about sector opportunities
- We have excellent relations with international, national and regional employers if you choose to stay on in the region when you complete your studies.

A personalised experience:

- Expert advice on CVs, application forms and interviews
- Talks delivered through departments and colleges
- Careers Advisers available to discuss and plan your career at any stage of your study or research
- A specialist Careers Development Consultant for PhD researchers, Postdoctoral and Contract Research staff who offers individual consultations to discuss issues relating to your career choice and development and organises a wide range of group work sessions, seminars and guest speakers throughout the year.

Specialised resources:

- Career and employer specific information available in our Information Rooms
- Free individual copies of employer recruitment directories
- Reference material for careers, further study, gap years, overseas work and study.

Develop your skills:

- Attend employer led skills workshops organised by the Careers Centre
- Researchers self select for a wide range of courses provided by the Centre for Academic & Researcher Development
- We run a two-day skills conference for taught Masters students
- The Postgraduate Taught Durham Award offers a chance to reflect on your skills development, while Researchers can do this through the Key Skills Award
- Online skills resources and a 'Skills Handbook' are available to all students

- Our International Buddies Scheme introduces international students who want to improve their English Language skills to UK students who want to learn more about other cultures.

Teaching experience:

- Research students may be offered the opportunity to teach in departments (although this is not guaranteed). An initial professional development programme is offered, including support and discipline-specific training
- Students who have completed a specified amount of teaching have the opportunity to undertake the Durham University Learning and Teaching Award. This is accredited nationally by the UK Higher Education Academy (HEA) and leads to Associateship of the HEA. It also provides valuable evidence of commitment to and competence in teaching, which is particularly important for those on an academic career path.

The Student Employment Service can help you find part-time work during your studies should you need it. The service is well placed to offer employment opportunities that will have minimal effect on your academic studies. (Guidelines are agreed between the service, students and employers to ensure that a balance between work and study can be maintained). www.durham.ac.uk/ses

For further information visit www.durham.ac.uk/careers

"May I first of all thank you for organising all the wonderful and helpful workshops, and for the opportunity to participate in the Postgraduate Durham Award. Your time and effort in helping and encouraging us to become more employable, more self aware and to discover ourselves is of great help. This programme is simply about getting to know yourself. Thanks for making this happen at Durham."

Anatoli Ivanov, MSc International Banking and Finance

"Over the course of my PhD, I have come into contact with the Careers Centre on a number of occasions and in different ways: careers talks, courses, and events that helped me to consider and discuss what I might do after submitting my thesis. Later on in my studies, I attended a couple of one-to-one interviews where I discussed my developing plans in more depth. Eventually, and with guidance, I produced a new CV and became much more targeted in the development of my skills and future career. I have found it most helpful just being able to talk through my plans with an adviser and to get impartial feedback."

David Walker, PhD Applied Social Sciences



College of St Hild and St Bede



University College Library



St Chad's College example bedroom



Van Mildert College reading room

Colleges provide...

- Accommodation and catering options
- Excellent facilities for study, sport and socialising
- A small, friendly, scholarly community
- A comprehensive support system
- A wide range of extra-curricular opportunities
- Leadership roles and responsibilities
- Regular student-run events.

Accommodation and facilities

One of our greatest assets at Durham University is our colleges. As well as offering comfortable accommodation and excellent facilities, your college provides a supportive and scholarly community of students and staff from a wide range of disciplines.

Throughout your time as a Durham University postgraduate, you will be a member of one of our 16 colleges, whether living in college accommodation or 'living out' in the local area. As a college member, you can take advantage of the many services, personal development opportunities and onsite facilities available.

Whilst all supervision and subject-based teaching is delivered via your academic department, your college provides a scholarly environment to broaden your educational experience. By participating in college life you can develop skills and experience that complement your academic achievements (see page 34).

In the smaller-scale college environment, you have direct access to a high level of support, designed to cater for the needs of postgraduate students. You benefit from being part of a multidisciplinary academic community, living, working and socialising alongside staff and students from across the University.

For more information see www.durham.ac.uk/study/accommodation/postgraduate

ACCOMMODATION, CATERING AND COSTS

All University accommodation is based in our colleges and, once a member of a college, you can apply for accommodation in that college. About one third of postgraduates live in college.

"Doing my Masters at Durham has been a fantastic experience. The University with its unique collegiate system offers great opportunities to mix and integrate with international and home students. I know that all the experiences Durham has offered me will be beneficial to me throughout my life."

Peihan Li,
MA Financial Management, China

Every college offers a variety of comfortable study bedrooms with high-speed Internet access; some with en-suite facilities. Most colleges are able to provide accommodation in blocks or flats specifically for postgraduates. All postgraduate bedrooms are single, except for some couple and family accommodation (see page 35).

Many of our colleges offer catered accommodation providing three meals a day during undergraduate term time and self-catering facilities outside of term time. Others offer self-catered accommodation with well-equipped shared kitchen facilities. All colleges have special formal dining occasions throughout the year, which all college members can attend.

Our 16

colleges are ideal living and working environments, each providing a supportive, academic community to enhance your learning.

Living costs in Durham City and around Queen's Campus, Stockton are more affordable than many other areas in the UK. If you live in one of the University's colleges, your accommodation charges includes rent, utility bills, Internet access and, depending on your catering package, may include meals. It also includes the opportunity to participate and benefit from a scholarly community. For college costs visit www.durham.ac.uk/study/accommodation/postgraduate/costs

If you live in private accommodation, you will need to consider costs such as utility bills and other living expenses. These costs vary according to where you choose to live and your personal circumstances. Visit www.durham.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/private

FACILITIES

Each college provides, or has close access to, a range of facilities for study, socialising, sport and the arts. Such facilities include:

- Library and/or IT suite
- TV lounge/Games room
- Gardens/Outdoor areas
- Bar/Café
- Gym and/or Sports court
- Music room/Performance space
- Laundrette.

www.durham.ac.uk/study/accommodation/postgraduate/facilities



Josephine Butler College example bedroom



Grey College



St Mary's College example kitchen



Trevelyan College bar

SCHOLARLY COMMUNITY

As lively, multidisciplinary communities, the colleges complement your departmental provision and can play a significant role in your intellectual development.

Colleges provide an environment enabling you to engage in interdisciplinary dialogue both informally and, increasingly, through lectures, seminars and conferences held in college. You have the opportunity to organise such activities and to attend those given by other students and staff. These activities are generally open to students from across colleges. In addition, student-organised social events are a regular part of college life, including musical and theatrical performances, balls, film nights and international evenings.

www.durham.ac.uk/study/accommodation/postgraduate/academic

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Every college offers a variety of extra-curricular opportunities, including positions of leadership, enabling you to excel outside your academic studies and enjoy other aspects of university life.

You can get involved in theatre groups, music societies, outreach work and interest groups, regardless of previous experience. Sports are well-represented in all colleges, with a variety of sports teams playing at all skill levels.

There are plenty of opportunities to take on positions of responsibility. You can head up a society, captain a sports team, run a charity project or help lead your College's student body by becoming a member of your Common Room's Executive Committee.

In most colleges, postgraduates belong to the Middle Common Room (MCR) or Graduate Common Room (GCR), or else form part of the College's Junior Common Room (JCR) or Senior Common Room (SCR). Each Common Room is led by an Executive Committee of students, elected annually by fellow students. You can put yourself forward for election to a position that can include responsibilities such as representing the views of postgraduates to College Officers and the wider University community, and encouraging interaction amongst students through organising events.

www.durham.ac.uk/study/accommodation/postgraduate/opportunities

SUPPORT

Your time at Durham should be a unique, enjoyable and enriching experience, but sometimes students find they need some help, whether with University regulations, health issues or personal problems. Each college provides a comprehensive range of pastoral and welfare support led by the Senior Tutor, and including other college staff and peer support.

www.durham.ac.uk/study/accommodation/postgraduate/support

CHOOSING A COLLEGE

Whichever college you join, we are confident that you will have an enjoyable time at Durham University. Our colleges share many similarities and there are opportunities to interact with students across colleges through attending other colleges' events. However, each has its own distinctive character defined by its architecture, traditions, age, size, location and people. Fifteen of our colleges are 'mixed' communities of both undergraduates and postgraduates, and one, Ustinov College, is a postgraduate-only college.

Once you have accepted your University offer, you have the opportunity to express a preference for membership of a particular college if you would like to.

If you prefer not to select a college, or if your preferred college is unable to offer you membership, we will select a college on your behalf. At this stage you can also apply for college accommodation if you would like to.

Fourteen of our colleges are based in Durham City and two are based at Queen's Campus, Stockton. You will be allocated membership of a college based in the same location as your study programme. In both locations, colleges are within walking distance of lecture venues, study facilities, bars, cafés and shops.

For summary information on each of the colleges visit www.durham.ac.uk/study/accommodation/postgraduate/explore or watch short films of each of the colleges at www.durham.ac.uk/tour

If you have any questions, please contact the Colleges Postgraduate Office colleges.postgrad@durham.ac.uk You can visit any of our colleges simply by contacting the college to book an appointment. Our staff and students will be happy to give you a tour.

COUPLES/FAMILY ACCOMMODATION

If you are planning to stay in Durham with your partner or family, Ustinov College has a limited number of

postgraduate flats for couples and families. The flats are based primarily in Keenan House, a modern student residence on our Dryburn Court site with excellent transport links, healthcare providers and a number of local schools close by. Some couples' accommodation is based on our main Ustinov College site. Demand for couples' and family accommodation is very high and you are advised to contact Ustinov College early if you are interested. If accommodation within Keenan House is not available, our Accommodation Office can help you to find accommodation within the local community.

For information on the University's nursery and childcare facilities please see page 21.

PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION

If you would prefer to stay in private accommodation or are unable to secure college accommodation, information on private accommodation opportunities can be found at our Accommodation Office. The office can answer any queries you may have and check over any contracts for privately rented accommodation. Please feel free to contact our Accommodation Office using the following details:

For private accommodation visit our Accommodation Office's private rental property database at www.durhamstudentpad.co.uk or contact the office at accommodation.dsu@durham.ac.uk or telephone +44 (0)191 334 1770.

"When I came to Durham to start my PhD, I was worried that my life would be taken over by work, not only because of my workload, but because I didn't really know anyone and therefore had nothing else to do! However, on the first night of moving into college, there was a knock at the door. Three members of the college's SCR (Senior Common Room; a body of postgraduates and tutors which represent the senior members of college), came round to see if I wanted to join them and some other new members for dinner to get to know everyone. This just epitomises college life. Both SCR and the undergraduate JCR members have a very special relationship making college life a great experience."

Simon C. Cork, St Aidan's College



Durham Student Theatre, visited by Oscar winning actor Russell Crowe



Sport at Durham University

Student life the way you want it

Our thriving university community will ensure that you're offered an unrivalled student lifestyle with access to entertainment, sport, events and support services.

At Durham University, we encourage all of our students to make the most of their student experience, with many opportunities for getting involved. Whether you want to volunteer and give something back to the local community by working on a project through Student Community Action (SCA), or help raise money for good causes through our Durham University Charities Committee (DUCK), there is something for everyone.

If you have an interest in drama, then why not get involved with the largest student theatre organisation in the country, Durham Student Theatre (DST). Each year DST runs regular trips to professional productions and also puts on a touring play. You could also get involved in Durham's debating society,

the Durham Union Society, which is one of the oldest student debating societies in the world and attracts many notable speakers. You can get involved in discussing a wide range of topics – from the war in Iraq, to designer babies.

If you have an interest in the media then why not try your hand at reporting for the DSU newspaper, *Palatinate*, or even your college magazine. There's also our award-winning student website www.durham21.co.uk which each year requires new ideas and writers.

For more information on getting involved see www.durham.ac.uk/study/experience

DURHAM STUDENTS' UNION (DSU)

Durham Students' Union is your representative body for all students studying at Durham University. Every student is automatically a member of Durham Students' Union and there is no membership fee.

There are four elected student sabbatical officers who work full-time representing student needs and opinions to the University, as well as other part-time

student officers who represent different groups of students and student interests to make sure the Union supports and represents all students. Student officers sit on committees at all levels of the University and take forward student-driven campaigns, so if there's an issue you'd like to do something about, get in touch with one of our officers to see what we can do to help.

The Union supports over 160 student societies and associated groups such as *Palatinate*, the award-winning student newspaper. There really is something for everyone here, from ballroom dancing to skydiving! Durham Universities Charities Committee (DUCK) raises hundreds of thousands of pounds each year and supports students in fundraising for local, national and international charities. The DSU Advice Centre is available to provide academic, financial, personal and health-related support and is staffed by professional and completely independent advisors.

The Union hosts a wide range of events throughout term time. Regular events, from ceilidh dances and jazz nights, to live comedy, are held within the Union building. The Union also plays host to Kingsgate Bar, open seven days a week in term time, with stunning views across the River Wear from the balcony. All of the profits from our trading services stay in the Union, and are reinvested in improving the student experience.

For further information about DSU visit www.dsu.org.uk

SPORT AT DURHAM

If you enjoy sport then Durham University is a great place to be. Opportunities to participate on a regular basis and try out new activities are vast. Similarly if you want to reach the top of your sport, nationally and internationally, we will support you every step of the way. Sport is a big part of Durham University with over 90% of our students taking part in sport on a regular basis. A new multi-million pound sports centre opened at Queen's Campus in 2010, whilst in Durham City, £6.7m is being invested to improve the sports facilities at Maiden Castle, both ensuring the University sports facilities reflect Durham's status as a world 'Top-100' university.

Sport at Durham University focuses on three core strands:

1. Performance and leadership
2. Participation
3. Community sport development.

Performance and leadership

Our philosophy at Durham is to provide opportunities in sport to allow exceptional people to do exceptional things. In this respect there can be few better shining examples than our Durham graduates, Will Carling, Nasser Hussain, Jonathan Edwards and Andrew Strauss.

If you want to continue to pursue sport at a high level, then Durham University is one of the best places to achieve this. In 2010/11 we were ranked 4th in the British Universities & Colleges Sport (BUCS) rankings.

There are a wide range of sports to get involved in including: badminton, table tennis, basketball, canoeing, cricket, fencing, football (women's), hockey, lacrosse, netball, rowing, rugby union, tennis and volleyball. Few institutions more seamlessly, successfully and consistently combine sporting and academic excellence.

Participation

At the University there are opportunities for students to compete in 16 sports, across over 380 different teams, on a weekly basis. Because of our unique college system, it's really easy to get involved in sports within your college. Whatever you sport you're into, whatever your level, you can join your top college team and compete in our College Sport programme – larger than any other similar competition offered in Britain. Or you can just join a team to try something new and have fun!

To find out more see www.durham.ac.uk/study/accommodation/life/experience/sports

Community and Sport Development

At Durham we believe that University sport has a pivotal role to play within the community. Not only do our students have the chance to take part in participation and leadership in sport, but we also provide access to a wide range of broader developmental opportunities, all of which provide valuable real life experience in a setting where students can make a genuine difference. These include Career Development Scholarships, coaching and officiating. The University Sport programme provides opportunities for students to volunteer with coaching children from local schools and take part in outreach work through sport.

Postgraduate scholarships

Team Durham also offers a range of Postgraduate Coaching Scholarships. These scholarships provide students with an opportunity to combine full- or part-time study, coaching and competition. Those awarded Coaching Scholarships are provided with a bursary which allows them to support themselves through their time at Durham University, as well as receiving free accommodation.

For further information see www.teamdurham.com/universitysport/scholarships

For more information on sport at Durham University see www.teamdurham.com

"Sporting facilities are excellent. Durham is a premier university in national competitions."

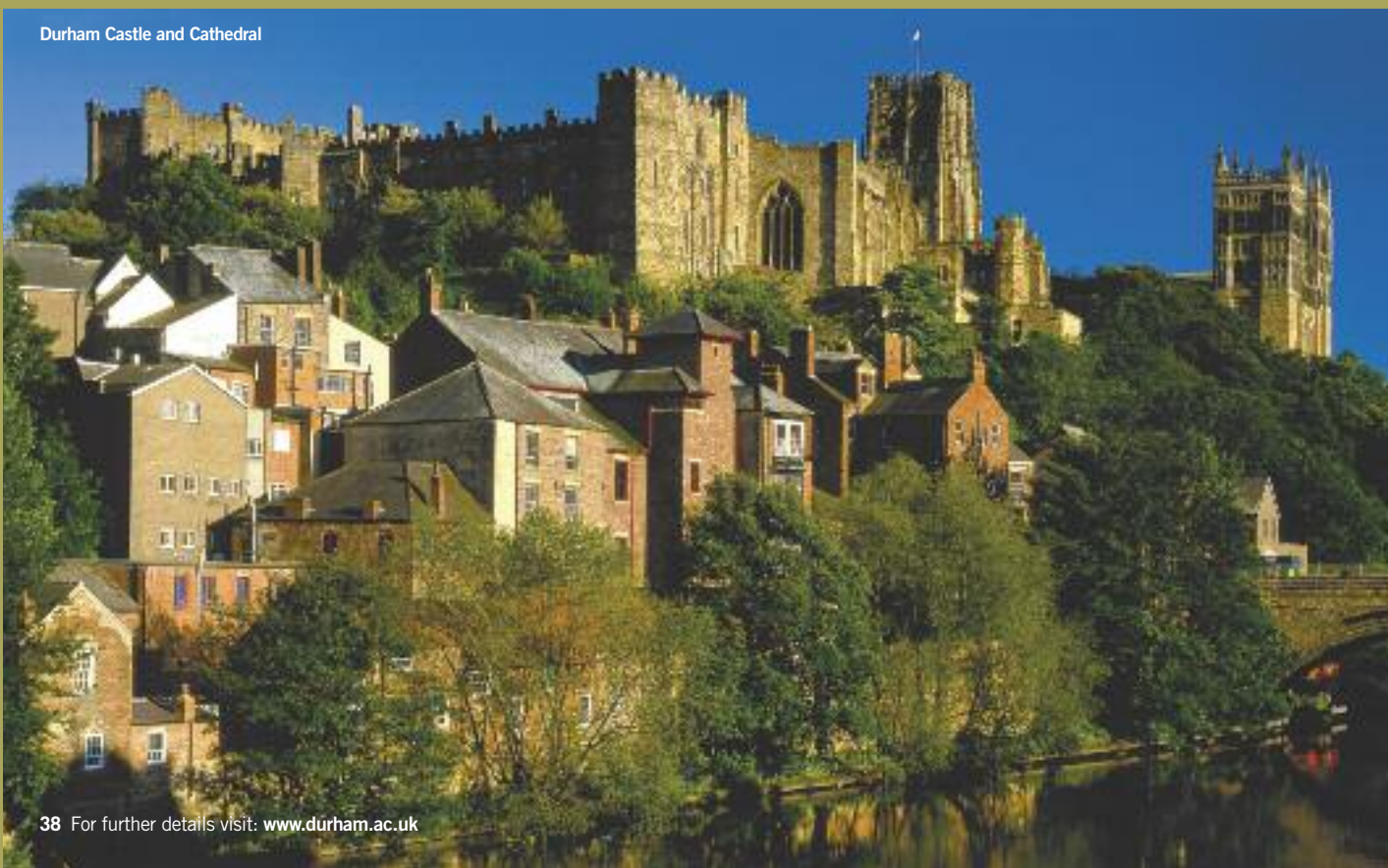
The Times Good University Guide 2012

Did you know...

...Durham Students' Union offers over 160 student societies for Durham students ranging from music, dance and the arts, to hobbies, pastimes and sports.



Queen's Campus, Stockton



Durham Castle and Cathedral

Dunelm Society – the Durham University alumni community

Once you've completed your studies at Durham University your links with us do not come to an end; you will become a member of Dunelm Society, our vibrant and global community of alumni.

Under the banner of Dunelm Society, our alumni are active in organising events such as annual reunions, dinners and informal get-togethers. Dunelm Society associations range from regional, UK, international and college and departmental societies to sports-affiliated groups that together cater for more than 140,000 living alumni. By staying in touch, we can keep alumni up to date on developments at Durham, and the wider alumni network, through our magazine, *Durham First*, our monthly e-newsletter, *Newswire*, and our online community, Dunelm, at www.dunelm.org.uk

Once registered with Dunelm, the online community provides opportunities for alumni to trace friends, receive and offer informal careers advice, find out about events and set up an email forwarding account.

Alumni are important ambassadors for the University. Around the world Durham alumni continue to make significant contributions in a number of fields, including government, law, science, academia, business, arts, journalism and athletics. Our alumni give a real feel for what studying at Durham University is like and talk passionately about their experiences, see some of their comments on the right.

🔗 You can find out more about Dunelm Society, Durham's global family and view previous editions of *Durham First* by visiting www.dunelm.org.uk

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college, departmental, regional, international and special interest alumni associations worldwide.

"My time at Durham was fundamental to me becoming an entrepreneur. The collegiate system provides the opportunity for so many people to be in charge of something, express themselves and find out what they can achieve."

Paul Hawkins, PhD Artificial Intelligence, Grey College, 1996–00, Founder of Hawk-Eye Innovations Limited

"It was okay and almost expected of you to be different. I felt accepted by my peers in lectures, in the college bar and on the sports field. This gave me the confidence to decide what I was passionate about. So many gifted and clear thinking people together created a great atmosphere."

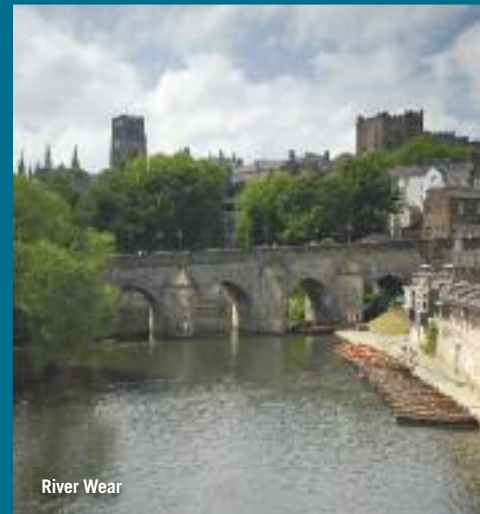
Tim Stimpson, BSc Anthropology, Grey College, 1992–95, International rugby player

The diagnosis was clear: late adolescence, with recurring episodes of aimlessness. The possible cure? Three blissful years at Durham. Durham made me believe in myself, gave me the confidence to aim high, and honed the writing and observation skills necessary to become a writer. In short, Durham defibrillated my life."

Lucy Beresford, BA English Literature, Trevelyan College, 1984–87, Author of *Something I'm Not*



Durham City



River Wear



Queen's Campus, Stockton



Queen's Campus Sports Centre

Our location

There are many reasons why people choose to study at Durham University. Our academic achievements and college system are two very good ones, but another is simply our outstanding environment. Our University, and our postgraduate student communities are situated in two distinct locations – Durham City and Queen's Campus, Stockton.

DURHAM CITY

Durham is a beautiful, compact city in North East England, located 17 miles from Newcastle-upon-Tyne. The City has a rich heritage and culture, with the world-famous Castle and Cathedral sitting on top of a peninsula overlooking the River Wear. The panoramic view of the Cathedral and Castle has been described as "one of the finest architectural experiences of Europe". The UNESCO World Heritage Site is at the heart of our University.

With a population of around 43,000 Durham has a compact, friendly feel about it, but still provides the facilities you would expect of a thriving city including many excellent cafés, bars and restaurants. The Gala Theatre is a £15m building in the heart of the City offering a programme of live events attracting some of the country's leading theatre companies, comedians, bands, musicians and dance performers, and a cinema showing the latest blockbusters alongside independent and classic films.

No matter where you are in the City, you are never far from the University's colleges, academic departments and facilities. Durham offers a huge range of sporting and leisure pursuits, including 64 acres of sports fields and facilities, a haven in the form of the Botanic Garden, museums of oriental and archaeological history, as well as our own student theatre, the Assembly Rooms.

The City is also only 10 minutes from Newcastle-upon-Tyne by train and direct trains to London take approximately three hours.

For more information on Durham see www.durham.ac.uk/study/location/durham.city

QUEEN'S CAMPUS, STOCKTON

Our modern, purpose-built Queen's Campus is located in Stockton, 23 miles from Durham City. A regular free bus service runs between the two locations.

A small, friendly, close-knit community, Queen's Campus occupies a stunning waterfront location on the River Tees and boasts state-of-the-art facilities for study, sport and leisure.

Although no building is more than 15 years old, the Campus is quickly developing a character of its own. A new multi-million pound sports centre opened in 2010 and the Campus has excellent study resources, including a dedicated postgraduate study area; beautiful social spaces; and a modern restaurant and bar – the Waterside.

Our postgraduate community at Queen's Campus is primarily centred in the Wolfson Research Institute. A flagship centre for research into health and wellbeing, it also provides a base for the North East Public Health Observatory.

A short walk away is Stockton's vibrant town centre offering excellent shopping opportunities and great restaurants and bars. You'll find cultural attractions including the Georgian Theatre, hosting performances from home-grown music talent as well as established performers, and our partnership arts venue, ARC – Stockton Arts Centre. ARC houses two theatres, a cinema, a dance studio, three bars and a restaurant and hosts a variety of productions including our own student performances.

Thornaby station is a short walk from Queen's Campus and provides direct rail services to York, Leeds and Manchester. Stockton is well served by road: the A66 links directly to both the A19 and A1.

Both locations offer a fine environment for academic development and are located within easy access of Durham Tees Valley and Newcastle International airports. To see both locations on a map and for further travel information see page 44.

For more information on Queen's Campus see www.durham.ac.uk/study/location/queens

For further information on how to get to Durham City and Queen's Campus, Stockton visit www.durham.ac.uk/travel

WANT TO FIND OUT MORE?

If you are thinking of applying to the University our online videos are one of the best ways to see what Durham has to offer, but we do recommend that you come and see us for yourself if you can. The videos provide a series of short clips and 360° panoramas of academic departments and colleges, and give a feel for student life in both Durham City and Queen's Campus. The videos can be viewed at www.durham.ac.uk/tour

Exploring the North East

North East England

“The most exciting, beautiful and friendly region in the whole of England.”

Lonely Planet Bluelist

At Durham University there's so much to get involved in at college and university level, but you'll find the North East region is full of exciting things to do and beautiful places to explore. One of the first things you'll notice is just how much there is to see and do here, and that you don't have to travel far from either Durham City or Queen's Campus to experience all that the region has to offer. Here is just a flavour of some of what you'll find:

SHOPPING AND LEISURE

For those who love a bit of retail therapy, Gateshead is home to the MetroCentre. With nearly 350 stores, it's the largest shopping and leisure centre in the EU, housing an IMAX cinema and 3D screen. For boutique heaven head for the Georgian town of Yarm, near Stockton, where you'll also find a range of top restaurants and pubs.

MUSIC AND THE ARTS

When it comes to music the region offers something for everyone. From R&B to folk, and from jazz to pop, it won't take long to find something to suit all musical tastes. The region is a hotbed for up and coming musical talent as well as hosting gigs by established UK and international stars in everything from small, intimate settings to larger venues such as the O₂ Academy and Metro Arena in Newcastle holding thousands of revellers.

When it's time to relax away from your studies, the region's theatres host a wide range of events, from Shakespeare productions to cutting-edge comedy from the UK's leading performers.

SPORT

Passion for sport runs through the region, with football, rugby, basketball, cricket and ice-hockey teams all playing regularly. At international level, Durham County Cricket Club hosts England matches, and Gateshead International stadium hosts world-class athletics. The region is also home to the annual Great North Run, a great event to take part in and fundraise for charity or simply go along and cheer on the runners.

OUT AND ABOUT

There are numerous castles, walks, cycle routes and beaches all within easy reach of both Durham City and Stockton. For the more adventurous, the vibrant cities of Leeds and York are less than two hours by train, and the open spaces of Northumberland and the North York Moors provide ideal locations for exploring further.

Or why not try something a bit more unusual... Go back in time and visit Beamish Museum, cycle the coast-to-coast route with friends or try skiing in Sunderland, even in the summer!

FAMILY FUN

If your family are with you during your time at Durham University, whatever the weather there is so much to do. Right across the region, award-winning attractions run exciting programmes of family events for all ages throughout the year. From teddy bears' picnics and art classes for toddlers to free music festivals for all ages and sporting events such as the Junior and Mini North Runs, you'll be sure to have a great day out.

Find out more about the North East region at www.visitnortheastengland.com

The Angel of the North

Gateshead Millennium Bridge and The Sage Music Centre

Yarm nightlife

Durham Country Cricket Club

Gala Theatre

MetroCentre

UK map

Durham City and Stockton are part of excellent transport networks worldwide and in the UK. Durham is only three hours by rail from London.

BY ROAD

You can reach Durham and Stockton easily by road. The A1(M) passes close to the outskirts of Durham City and Stockton is linked by the A66 to the A1(M), less than 10 miles away, and by the A19.

It takes around 35 minutes to travel between Durham and Stockton by car. There is a regular shuttle bus service between the two locations, which is free at all times.

BY RAIL

To get to Stockton, you can get the train to Darlington which is on the main London to Edinburgh line. Darlington is 20 minutes' drive from Stockton. Alternatively, Thornaby railway station is just five minutes' walk from Queen's Campus and offers connecting services to Darlington, Durham, York and Manchester. Durham is on a central train line with links to most parts of the UK. From Durham station, you can either walk to the city centre in 10 minutes or use the taxis and buses available. There are regular direct trains to and from Durham City to London and the journey takes around three hours.

BY SEA

There are ferry services from the River Tyne, Newcastle, to Norway, Sweden and the Netherlands.

BY AIR

Newcastle and Durham Tees Valley airports are easily accessible from Durham and Stockton with regular domestic and international flights. Worldwide connections to Newcastle are made through Amsterdam, Paris and Dubai as well as routes via London. Manchester and Leeds Bradford airports are also within easy reach. Domestic flights connect Aberdeen, Belfast, Birmingham, Bristol, Cardiff, Cork, Dublin, Exeter, Gatwick, Heathrow, Jersey, Plymouth, Southampton and Stansted. Durham Tees Valley offers a number of connections from across Europe.

TRAVEL CONTACTS

Route planner

www.transportdirect.info

Airports

Newcastle International

www.newcastleairport.com

Durham Tees Valley

www.durhamteesvalleyairport.com

National Rail enquiries

www.nationalrail.co.uk

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