





# Secure your Place at Durham International Study Centre

#MyDurhamFuture











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## Poll



What are you most looking forward to about studying in the UK?

- a) Meeting new people
- b) Experience a new culture
- c) Getting a degree





# Why Choose Durham University?

89th

in the QS World University Rankings 2025

7th

in the UK
Times and Sunday
Times Good
University Guide
2024

11

Subjects in the World top 50 QS University Rankings 2024 700+

different college sports teams

200+

clubs and societies







## **Teaching at Durham University**

Durham University is a World Top 100 university, ranked joint 89<sup>th</sup> in the QS World University Rankings 2025

It is a world-renowned institution with many courses being researchled, meaning they are taught by experts in their field undertaking groundbreaking research.

Students will undertake lectures, seminars and potentially lab sessions and workshops depending on their course. This structure offers students a combination of theoretical content combined with practical work. Ultimately preparing them for the working world post-university.



90%

of research at Durham University rated either 'internationally excellent' or 'worldleading'

Research Excellence Framework 2021



## **Employability at Durham University**

Durham University offers students the opportunity to go on placement for a minimum of 40 weeks wither within the UK or internationally. This would take place between your 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> year, and you are supported fully by the Careers and Enterprise Centre within the University.

At Durham University you will plan for your future, meet employers and develop employability skills so that you build real-life practical experience and skills to set yourself apart in the job market.

As a Durham University graduate, you will have lifelong membership to their Careers and Enterprise centre which includes access to careers advice, support to launch your own business and access many online resources. 92%

of Durham University International graduates were in work and/or further study 15 months after graduating.

Times Higher Education Global Employability Ranking 2023-24



## Where is Durham University & Where is the Durham ISC?

#### TRAVELLING BY TRAIN

#### Queen's Campus (Thornaby Station) to

- » Durham City = 45min
- » Newcastle = 1h 15min
- » Manchester = 2h 10min
- » Edinburgh = 2h 45min
- » London = 3h 10min

#### **Durham City to**

- » Newcastle = 15min
- » Manchester = 2h 20min
- » Edinburgh = 1h 50min
- » London = 2h 55min





Middlesbrough is a larger town just 10 minutes away by train. Nearby Newcastle is famous for its shopping, music and lively social scene.

#### **EDINBURGH**

Newcastle NEWCASTLE
International Airport

Durham Tees Valley
Airport

NEWCASTLE

Durham City

Queen's Campus,
Airport

MANCHESTER

LONDON



## **Durham International Study Centre (ISC) – Queens Campus, Stockton-on-Tees**





## View our campus tour

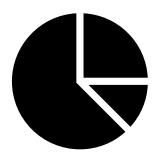








## Poll



What area are you planning to study?

- a) Humanities and Social Sciences
- b) Business, Economics, Accounting and Finance
- c) Science and Engineering
- d) Law





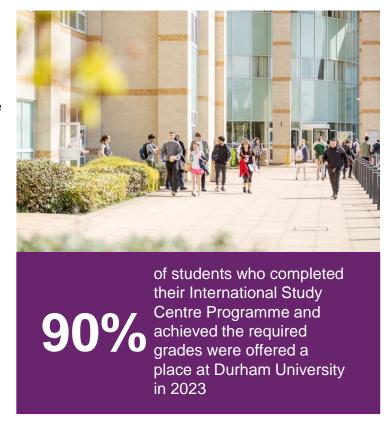
## Why go to Durham International Study Centre

For students choosing the Durham International Study Centre, the benefits are far reaching:

- Durham International Study Centre works in collaboration with Durham University to prepare students from outside the UK for successful degree study.
- Expert teachers who understand international students provide a university style experience (lectures, seminars, tutorials and self-study projects) in a safe learning environment (small classes, individual attention and regular assessment).
- Attentive teaching styles and tailored courses for international students, are combined with a focus on improving English language skills to prepare students from outside the UK for successful degree study.

#### At Durhams International Study Centre, students gain:

- Support and guidance to speak, read and write in English.
- Knowledge to research, write and present information in academic English.
- Confidence to become independent and successful.
- Experience of living and learning in the exciting city of Durham
- New friends from all around the world.





## **Essential Information for International Foundation Year (IFY)**

#### **Academic Requirements**

• Good high school graduation grades or equivalent with relevant subjects

#### **English Language**

 IELTS Academic for UKVI 5.5 (5.5 in reading and writing, minimum of 5.0 in all other skills), or equivalent

More information at: <a href="https://www.durhamisc.com/how-to-apply/entry-requirements">www.durhamisc.com/how-to-apply/entry-requirements</a>

#### **Fees**

International Study Centre programme	Pathway	2024/25
International Foundation Year	Business, Economics, Accounting and Finance	£24,900
	Humanities, Law and Social Science	£23,500
	Science and Engineering	£25,900



## **Essential Information for Pre-Masters (PMP)**

#### **Academic Requirements**

- Business, Economics, Accounting and Finance: you need proof of Maths or other numerate subject modules within your undergraduate degree or diploma.
- Law and Social Science: you may need a relevant first degree, depending on your chosen progression degree.
- Science and Engineering: you need a relevant degree or diploma.

#### **English Language**

- Three terms Academic IELTS for UKVI 5.5 (5.5 in all skills) or equivalent
- Two terms Academic IELTS for UKVI 6.0 (5.5 in all skills) or equivalent

International Study Centre programme	Pathway	2024/25
<u>Pre-Masters</u>	Business, Economics, Accounting and Finance (3 terms)	£26,900
	Business, Economics, Accounting and Finance (2 terms)	£21,750
	Law and Social Sciences (3 terms only)	£24,250
	Science and Engineering (3 terms)	£25,900
	Science and Engineering (2 terms)	£21,250



## **Student support at Durham International Study Centre**

#### **Progression Support**

- Our personal tutorial provision is embedded into the curriculum with the 'progression and student success' programme.
- All students will learn to improve their employability, develop their study skills and have one-to-one time with their progression and student success coach.

#### **Welfare and Learning Support**

We recognise that studying in a different country might bring some challenges for some students. Our dedicated Welfare and Learning Support team help students to get the correct support for their needs, signpost them to relevant services and provide guidance for learning support for those with additional needs.

#### **Engagement and Transition Support**

- The Engagement and Transition team help students to adapt to the UK and life in Durham through their enrichment programme.
- There is also a student leadership programme for students to get involved in, with the opportunity to become a Student Representative or Ambassador.





## **Accommodation**

For the best student experience and to focus on your studies, we recommend you live close to the Centre. We can help and support you with the booking process.

We offer accommodation at **Rialto Court** or **Infinity House**, just a short walk away from the International Study Centre at Queen's Campus.

(If you are younger than 18 at the start of your programme, you will automatically be allocated a room in an U18 flat in Rialto Court or Infinity House).

Both offer safe and modern accommodation conveniently located in **Stockton-on-Tees**.

#### Accommodation fees (2024/25)

Accommodation	Start Date	End Date	Tenancy Length	Price per week
Infinity House	21/09/2024	23/08/2025	48 weeks	£215
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## See more about Accommodation

### **Rialto Court**



### **Infinity House**





## Your next steps to secure your place





## What happens next?

### If you have not yet confirmed your place:

- 1. Provide the relevant documents: Once you meet all the conditions and provide all relevant documents (including a copy of your valid passport, your English proficiency test, and all your qualified academic documents), you can fully confirm your place.
- **2. Pay your confirmation fee:** Send us your acceptance form and pay your confirmation payment there is more information about this below.







## What happens next...

## Once you have confirmed your place, you can then apply for your CAS.

- To do this, you will need to:
  - Undergo a Pre-CAS interview (if required). You will receive an invitation to attend your Pre-CAS
    interview shortly after you confirm your place on your course. Remember to then attend your interview
    on the pre-booked date.
  - Pay any tuition fees due. Check the information in your payment plan on your offer letter. Provide any outstanding documents, including:
    - Previous United Kingdom visa history
    - Your insurance information
    - Your emergency contact details
    - Living arrangement confirmation form (if known)
- Receive your CAS preview.
- Sign and return your CAS preview.
- Submit your financial documents. You must have funds in your account for at least 28 consecutive days



## **CAS Deadlines by Country**

International Foundation	16th August 2024	23rd August 2024		30th August 2024	6th September 2024
Year, Pre- Masters – 23rd Septembe r 2024 start date	Angola Bahrain Botswana Brazil Colombia Ghana Iran Iraq Kenya Nepal Nigeria Pakistan Peru Saudi Arabia South Africa Uganda Vietnam Zambia Zimbabwe	Algeria Azerbaijan Bangladesh Belarus Brunei Cambodia Canada China Egypt Hong Kong Indonesia Japan Kazakhstan Korea Kuwait Macau Malaysia Mexico Myanmar	New Zealand Oman Philippines Qatar Russia Singapore Sri Lanka Taiwan Thailand Ukraine USA	Albania India Jordan Lebanon Morocco Turkey United Arab Emirates	France Germany Italy Portugal Spain Switzerland



## Countdown to your start dates





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**Apply for your Student visa -** ensure you do this in advance so you can obtain the visa well before your programme start date\*.



Secure your accommodation and receive your room allocation.



Pay the required fees by the deadline in your Statement and ensure you have met all the conditions of your offer.



**Book your travel** (once you have received your visa) - you must arrive in time for the first day of term and your induction: Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2024.



Complete your Pre-Registration form (on the Welcome Hub) – tell us about your travel plans, accommodation address and contact information.



Ensure your passport is **valid for at least six months** from your programme start date.



Request a taxi transfer if you need one. You can do this via the Pre-Registration form and book online.



Any questions, contact Central Student Services at

<u>DurhamISC.CSS@studygroup.com</u>

\*If you are unable to obtain a Student visa in time or you cannot arrive on time for the first day of term and your induction programme, please contact Admissions: <a href="mailto:admissions@studygroup.com">admissions@studygroup.com</a>



## **Your Welcome Hub**

### If you have confirmed your place, you can now access your Welcome Hub!

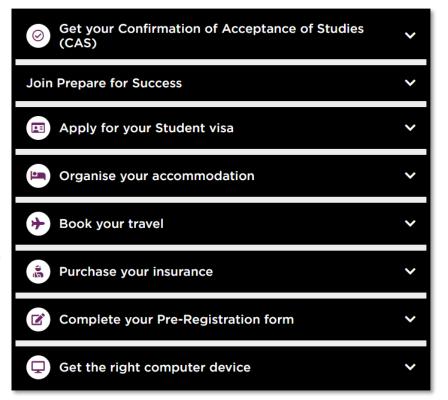
On your Welcome Hub, you can find a link to your **Pre-Registration form** 

Once you've confirmed your place, you will receive an email with a link to the Welcome Hub and your username and password to access the Pre-Registration form.

Using this form, you must check that the contact information and other details we have for you are correct so that we can make sure you get the right support at the right time.

You can access this form at any time to make sure your details are up-to-date.

If you have issues accessing the Pre-Registration form, <u>DurhamISC.CSS@studygroup.com</u> contact for your log-in details.



## www.durhamisc.com/welcome



## **Prepare for Success**

Prepare for Success is our **FREE** online preparation course designed to give you a head start before joining your academic programme.

The course content covers three essential areas:

- Life, learn more about intercultural skills, your study destination, and preparing for life and study in the UK / Ireland.
- Language, improve your English through language and skills modules as well as communicating with fellow students and tutors.
- **Learning**, to develop confidence as a learner, and understand what it takes to become successful.



Continuously rated 4.7 out of 5 by students\*



93% of students felt better prepared for arriving at their study destination having completed Prepare for Success\*

#### **Key facts**

**Start date:** 

Monday, 19th August 2024

**Duration:** 3 weeks

**Course delivery:** 

Delivered online via StudySmart + Live

classes

#### How to join

You will be automatically invited to join the course if you have confirmed your place, paid you deposit and advanced tuition fees and secured your CAS by Wednesday 14th August 2024



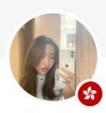
## Prepare for Success – What can you expect?

- 6 live sessions with International Study Centre staff and a vibrant community of international students
- Interactive activities to enhance academic and cultural readiness.
- Find out more at: <a href="https://www.durhamisc.com/programmes/pre-courses/prepare-for-success">www.durhamisc.com/programmes/pre-courses/prepare-for-success</a>





## Chat with one of our student ambassadors



Adeline Hong Kong

#### BA Marketing and Management with Placement Year

Hi there this adeline from Hong Kong and currently living in the UK! I completed the foundation year and am now a Marketing Student at Durham University. Choosing to study at Durham ISC is the best decision I ever made. Not only did I meet like-minded people all around the world whilst receiving an excellent education, but the experience has also made me a stronger person. Feel free to ask me anything - life in Durham/UK, why Durham etc

#### INTERESTS AND HOBBIES

Museums and art galleries 

'Painting 

'Listening to music 

Photography



Anuvith

#### MSc Psychology (Neuroscience)

I'm a Sri Lankan who grew up in Kuwait and completed my undergrad in Malaysia. I am now pursuing Masters in Cognitive Neuroscience at Durham University after completing my Pre-Masters at the ISC. Being someone who has always been in a country that was not my own, I am able to relate to the anxiety and pressure moving to a new country entails. Despite this, Durham has been the best choice I made and I want that for you. So, I'm here to help and guide you throughout your Durham journey!

#### INTERESTS AND HOBBIES

Writing · Gym · Hiking



Rebecca Penang

#### BSc Psychology

Hello there, Rebecca here:) I'm a Malaysian, born & raised on a beautiful island, Penang I completed the IFY in 2022 and I'm now a 2nd year Psychology student. As an international student, my journey with ISC was a really memorable one because of the experiences I had & the friendships I made. So, feel free to message me if you want to hear more about my experience or want to chat about Durham's food/dessert options, cafe hopping or good coffee. You know where to find me!

#### **INTERESTS AND HOBBIES**

cooking · running · music · all things FOOD!!



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#### You must:

- Arrive on time for the first day of your programme and welcome week. Please ensure you let us know when you will arrive via the Pre-Registration form.
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## **Upcoming Events**





## **Pre-Induction Day**

#### There are two pre-Welcome Week sessions:

9:30 am (BST) on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September and Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> of September

#### What will be involved:

- ISC information
- How to prepare for your arrival to the Durham ISC
- Academic taster session
- Alumni talks
- Q&A

### How to register

You can register through the Events section of the Welcome Hub.



## Thank you, any questions?





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- © @DurhamISC
- @DurhamISC



