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CREATIVE ARTS AND DIGITAL MEDIA
UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
2020/21 ENTRY
Whether you aspire to become a freelance photographer, agency designer, 3D modeller, graphic designer or animator, we will help you achieve your goals at UCEN Manchester.

Our passionate team are here to support your ambitions in an encouraging and personalised environment. Your tutors will collaborate with you to explore and unlock the skills you need to progress, setting you on a successful career path.

Through our connections with local businesses and organisations, we pride ourselves in our ability to provide all students with the opportunity to practice industry work through live briefs; even in UCEN Manchester’s own marketing department, to give an idea of true expectations and experiences.

Our goal is to ensure that you are prepared for the dynamic and ever changing landscape that exists for digital media in Manchester and the wider context in which it operates.

We encourage cross-collaboration with all students that are based at our Fielden Campus, including those on our Film, Media Make-up, Photography, Graphic Design and 3D Modelling and Animation courses. We combine technical, creative and professional skills in order to equip our young professionals in their field come graduation.

Education should be fun and our environment provides you with the opportunities to explore and try out new tools and techniques. What we are focused on is your willingness to learn and reflect on your practice so that you can learn from your experiences.

We look forward to meeting you and helping you take the next step in your career.

Adam Connell MA, PGCE, BSc (Hons)
Head of Department
Creative Arts and Digital Media
CREATIVE ARTS AND DIGITAL MEDIA

Whether you aspire to become a freelance photographer, agency designer, 3D modeller or take an artist’s commission, we will help you achieve your goals. Our courses are designed to unlock your creativity and give you the skills you need to set up your own business or work within organisations.

AVERAGE CLASS SIZE OF 15

23,000 number of current industry jobs in Creative Arts and Digital Media sector the North West*

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Our Creative Arts and Digital Media undergraduate programmes are validated by:

*Source: Emsi

UCEN Manchester has been rated Silver by the Teaching Excellence Framework Panel, which assesses the quality of teaching in universities in England.

Course Enquiries: 0161 674 7777 | ucenadmissions@ucenmcr.ac.uk
Creative Media Production (Animation and Motion Graphics)

**OVERVIEW**
If you want to make your artwork move, this is the course for you! Through a series of challenging practical briefs, workshops and seminars, you will master the skills needed to make a big splash in the exciting and rewarding world of Animation and Motion Graphics. To meet increased industry demand for multidisciplinary practitioners, this course has been developed to provide emerging designers with the range of skills and experience needed to continue in Higher Education and ultimately build a successful career.

The ideal student should have an eye for visual communication and be enthusiastic about art and design, with examples of work that demonstrate creativity. You may like sketching, drawing, painting, collage or be interested in branding, advertising, model making, typography or have created storyboards, characters and narratives, with a view to making your work move. You do not need to be able to use any software as industry standard applications are taught from the ground up.

**COURSE STRUCTURE**
- Individual Project (Pearson Set)
- Creative Media Industry
- Professional Practice
- Motion Graphics Practices
- Visual Effects and Motion Graphics
- Typography
- Fashion Design
- Storyboarding
- Principles of Animation.

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**
48 UCAS tariff points, or a recognised Access programme. Applicants who do not meet the standard entry criteria but have previous learning towards a university-level qualification, or relevant industry or life experience, will be considered on an individual basis and may be invited to interview.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**
Upon completion of this course, you will possess a Higher National Certificate (HNC) in Creative Media Production (Motion Graphics). You will be able to showcase your skills and abilities and advance your career in Media.

You will also be able to progress into a range of higher level qualifications, including the Higher National Diploma in Creative Media Production which would be a full year.

Possible careers for this programme would lead to jobs such as:
- Animator
- Storyboard artist
- Model maker
- Inbetweener
- Character designer and many more.

**FACT FILE**
- **Location:** Fielden Campus
- **Duration:** One year full-time or two year part-time
- **Start:** September 2020 or January 2021
- **UCAS Code:** AN01
- **Awarding Partner:** Pearson

Art and Design Fashion

**OVERVIEW**
If your ambition is to work in the dynamic and creative world of fashion and you feel you have an eye for design, style or commercial vision, then our Higher National Diploma (HND) in Fashion Design will help you develop your creative flair and design potential.

Throughout the course, you will develop the technical and creative skills necessary to thrive in the ever-changing world of garment design, pattern and construction. Working on exciting and challenging fashion design briefs, you will be encouraged to experiment with a range of design techniques and processes from print and digital design creation through to fashion illustration, technical garment construction, pattern cutting and garment manufacture.

While exploring how fashion design is influenced by and influences the creative and wider world, you will examine cultural relationships with fashion and ethical considerations.

**COURSE STRUCTURE**
- Professional Development
- Contextual Studies
- Individual Project
- Techniques and Processes
- Fashion and Textile Practices
- Computer Aided Design (CAD)
- Pattern Cutting and Garment Making
- Fashion Collection
- Professional Practice
- Applied Practice Collaborative Project
- Advanced Fashion Studies
- Technical Drawing
- Material Selection and Specification
- Creative Industries Placement
- Professional Practice in Art and Design
- Research and Development for Fashion Design
- Visual Communication
- Work-based Experience.

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**
You will need 64 UCAS tariff points, for example from A Levels, a Level 3 Extended Diploma or an Access to HE Diploma in a related subject area. We strongly recommend that all applicants have GCSE English Language and Maths grades A*-C, or Level 9-4.

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**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**
On successful completion of this course, you could work as a designer, assistant designer and pattern cutter with a design studio, fashion marketing buyer, or design and make costumes for wardrobe, theatre, film, television and dance.

There are opportunities to work in all areas of fashion, ranging from high street brands, evening, bridal, couture, lingerie, children’s, corporate, performance sports and menswear.

**FACT FILE**
- **Location:** Northenden Campus
- **Duration:** Two years full-time or four years part-time
- **Start:** September 2020 or January 2021
- **UCAS Code:** WW443
- **Awarding Partner:** Pearson
Art and Design Product Design (Jewellery)

HND

OVERVIEW
If you are interested in specialising in the production of a range of jewellery and allied products using both traditional and up-to-the-minute technologies and skills, then this will be the course for you. Throughout your studies, you will investigate different materials including metal, plastics, ceramics, wood and textiles. Your focus will be on designing and creating contemporary jewellery and related accessories.

COURSE STRUCTURE
• Professional Development
• Contextual Studies
• Individual Project
• Techniques and Processes
• 3D Practices
• Computer Aided Design (CAD)
• Art and Craft Production
• Accessories
• Professional Practice
• Applied Practice Collaborative Project
• Advanced Product Design Studies
• Conceptual Practice
• Material Selection and Specification
• Jewellery Design.

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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Upon successful completion of the programme, you will have the skills and knowledge to progress onto the BA (Hons) Creative Media and Visual Communication Top-up course with UCEN Manchester.

Contemporary Art Practice

FdA

OVERVIEW
Are you looking for the ideal creative environment to develop your potential as a creative professional? This Foundation Degree in Contemporary Art Practice combines opportunities to develop a personal creative identity together with real experience of a range of vocational opportunities.

At the heart of the programme is an enduring passion for the development of your vision as an artist, while developing an impressive portfolio of specialist and transferable skills and experiences.

The course offers a blend of traditional and innovative arts media, which includes drawing, painting, printmaking, 3D, installation, time-based, virtual and lens-based media. Through visiting lecturers, critical debate and your own practice, you will be encouraged to identify and direct your own career pathway as an artist and gain appropriate work-related experience.

COURSE STRUCTURE
• Developing Themes
• Exploratory Practice
• Exploring Visual Language
• Live Contexts
• Methods, Materials and Experimentation
• Practice-Based Research Project
• Professional and Academic Development
• Self-Directed Final Project.

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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Upon successful completion of the programme, you may be interested in progressing on to the BA (Hons) in Creative Media and Visual Communication Top-up course with UCEN Manchester.

You could also seek employment as an illustrator, self-employed artist, curator, designer and concept realiser, artist in residence or take a commission to work in the community on projects and workshops, as well as leading gallery and outreach education activities.
Contemporary Photographic Practices

FD A

Overview
If you are passionate about photography and want to develop your skills with both digital and analogue, this is the course for you.

Responding to the wide-ranging nature of contemporary photographic practice, this creative course will enable you to engage with photography in a variety of contexts.

Working to live briefs will give you the opportunity to gain real work skills and develop relationships with potential employers.

You will learn the technical skills of photography, including digital image production and manipulation, while exploring images from fashion to street style, advertising campaigns to designer look-books, and fanzines to glossy magazines. Contemporary theory and research will be combined with practical work to get a rounded view of photography and its place in culture.

Course Structure
- Content, Context and Audience (FMP)
- Digital Publishing
- Landscape and Environment
- Mixed and Multimedia Techniques
- Photographic Practices
- Portrait, Identity and Narration
- Practice-Based Research Project
- Professional and Academic Development.

Entry Requirements
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Career Opportunities
Upon successful completion of the programme, you may be interested in progressing on to the BA (Hons) Creative Media and Visual Communication Top-up with UCEN Manchester.

Career opportunities in the photographic and digital media industry range from commercial photography such as freelance and magazine photojournalism, to more specific areas such as scientific, medical and culinary photography.

Fact File
Location
Fielden Campus
Duration
Two years full-time or four years part-time
Start
September 2020
UCAS Code
W640
Degree Awarding Partner

Manchester Metropolitan University

Personal Experience

Jensen Francis
FD A Contemporary Photographic Practices

What made you choose us? I was drawn to UCEN Manchester as I wanted smaller classes and more contact time with my tutors, and they have been so enthusiastic. They encourage you to follow your dreams and reach your maximum potential in whatever aspect of photography that you are pursuing.

How has being at UCEN Manchester changed you? Originally, I was set on gaining teaching skills and lighting knowledge to teach in my studio. However, my mind has been opened to photography outside of the studio. The tutors, and the course modules, cater to you as an individual rather than a group. They want you to explore your own response to the briefs given.

What is the best thing about your course? They’ve designed the modules to give you the best degree and make you employable. They give you not only professional skills but creative and technical skills, encouraging you to succeed in your specialism.

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Graphic Design and Advertising

**Overview**
If you have an eye for detail and are passionate about good design, then look no further. This Foundation Degree focuses on typography and the relationship between composition within graphics and the development of creative ideas within advertising.

Through practical projects, you will develop specialist skills in conceptual thinking, critical analysis, idea generation and creative problem-solving, while studying the history of creativity and informing your own work. You will gain a good grounding in design theory and application skills, before focusing on advertising and following national design and advertising competition briefs.

A series of guest lectures will introduce you to the current work of digital and branding agencies including Amaze, Ahoy and Studio North, and potential career paths within the industry. You may also find yourself working on live briefs from a range of clients including Mercedes, BBC and Manchester Literature Festival. Upon graduation, you will be required to stage a final exhibition of your work in the End-of-Year show.

**Course Structure**
- Advertising
- Branding
- Industry Practice
- Practice-Based Research Project
- Professional and Academic Development
- Self-Directed Project
- Specialist Practice
- Visual Literacy.

**Entry Requirements**
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**Career Opportunities**
Upon successful completion of the programme, you will have the skills and knowledge to progress onto the BA (Hons) Creative Media and Visual Communication Top-up with UCEN Manchester.

Career opportunities range from traditional graphic design roles to entrepreneurial business roles. You could progress into a traditional junior designer role with a design or creative agency (True North, Amaze), or a range of organisations across the public and private sectors (BDP or the BBC) autonomously.

Creative Media and Visual Communication

**Overview**
Building on your Foundation Degree experience and knowledge, this qualification will offer you a range of individual and collaborative experiences. You will develop your technical and craft skills further through intellectually challenging and industry facing creative assignments.

As a creative media and visual communication practitioner, you will become critically reflective by developing skills of enquiry, analysis and synthesis. You will question and confront the internal and external forces that provide context for your work.

Your theoretical understanding and technical skills will come together alongside your personal vision to propose, develop and deliver a substantive, major piece of work within your creative discipline.

**Course Structure**
- Contextual Studies
- Negotiated Specialist Project
- Professional Practice.

**Entry Requirements**
A Foundation Degree or HND in a relevant subject area. Please contact our admissions team for any further queries.

**Career Opportunities**
Upon successful completion of the programme, you may be interested in progressing on to postgraduate study.

There are a wide range of employment opportunities within the media industry, across a variety of roles, depending on your specialised course area. You will be qualified to work in either the photographic and digital media industry, graphic design sector or the arts industry.

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STUDENT PROFILE

Michael Hawkins
Creative Media and Visual Communication BA (Hons) Top-up

Why did you choose UCEN Manchester?

“I went to five different education establishments around the country and found that each one had their own unique atmosphere. When I came to UCEN Manchester, the tutors were really interested in my work and why I wanted to come here, and spoke to me as an equal. That made me feel really comfortable and I knew it was going to be a really interactive, engaging course.”

What has it been like studying at UCEN Manchester?

“My tutors have been 100 per cent supportive and welcoming. I knew the smaller class sizes would benefit me more than learning in large lecture theatres. It gives you a better understanding of your studies and almost feels like one-to-one tuition.

“The course structure itself has a real focus on networking and establishing your career once you leave. Your work improves to industry standard, and there is a real focus on establishing industry contacts and getting yourself and your work out there. In addition, there are lots of professional designers who come to speak to us, which is great.”

What would you tell students thinking about applying?

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3D Modelling and Animation for Games and Media

FdA

OVERVIEW
If you have a passion for video games, want to be involved in the game design or CGI movie industry and love the idea of working as part of a team to bring your ideas to life, these are the courses for you.

The Foundation Degree course is specifically designed to give you a taste of the CGI industry, covering the many different tools and assets of CGI design, while giving you the necessary skills and knowledge you need to work in the creative industry.

You will examine the area of concept and 3D development, while experiencing the different roles of 3D artists. Working closely with industry clients, you will expand your creative and technical knowledge in 3D development and learn how to use it in a professional industry environment.

COURSE STRUCTURE
- 3D Modelling and Concept Design
- 3D Project Management
- 3D Texturing
- Animation
- Professional and Academic Development
- Self Directed Project
- Subject Specialist Area
- Practice Based Research Project.

FACT FILE
Location
Fielden Campus
Duration
Two years full-time or four years part-time
Start
September 2020
UCAS Code
W013
Degree Awarding Partner
Manchester Metropolitan University

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
You could progress into a range of roles depending on the specialisms you have developed during your studies. You could become a 3D modeler, concept designer, key animator or technical designer.
Alternatively, you could continue your studies with a BA (Hons) 3D Modelling and Animation for Games and Media Top-up.

3D Modelling and Animation for Games and Media

Ba (Hons) Top-up

OVERVIEW
The BA (Hons) Top-up course will give you a creative and technical focus, enabling you to explore a range of research strategies to develop your specialist skills and knowledge base. You will experiment with ideas and techniques through a range of practical projects.

Matching the creative and technical requirements of the industry, this course gives you the chance to focus on developing your technical skills, with the aim of producing a high quality show reel at the end of the year to demonstrate your skills in your chosen specialisms.

The first half of the academic year is designed to allow you to develop your knowledge base and technical capabilities. At the same time you will be required to work on a project that will encourage you to experiment with ideas and techniques. All this will ensure you are ready to propose a key project, which will be produced in the second half of the year.

COURSE STRUCTURE
- 3D Industry Research
- 3D Minor Project
- Negotiated Specialist Project.

FACT FILE
Location
Fielden Campus
Duration
One year full-time or two years part-time
Start
September 2020
UCAS Code
843I
Degree Awarding Partner
Manchester Metropolitan University

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
A Foundation Degree or HND in a relevant subject area. Please contact our admissions team for any further queries.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Upon successful completion of the BA (Hons) you could work as an effects artist including animating for linear storytelling, CGI visual FX, visualisation projects, or modelling and animating for real-time applications such as games or VR.
OUR CAMPUSES

CITYLABS
Our Centre of Excellence for Medical Sciences is based at the Citylabs laboratory complex, in the heart of Manchester’s Knowledge Quarter. We run our Access to Higher Education (HE) Diplomas from the Centre, preparing you for further study in Dentistry, Health, Engineering, Medicine and Pharmacy. We also run Access courses from our city centre sites at St. John’s Centre and Nicholls campus.
Campus postcode: M13 9NQ

NORTHENDEN
Our Northenden Campus is a large, welcoming, space offering an array of courses. We have invested £2 million in the site to ensure it is the ideal environment to study. We have introduced a wildlife haven within the grounds and there are wildlife corridors connecting the campus to nearby Wythenshawe Park. Some of our facilities, such as the beauty salons, are open to the public.
Campus postcode: M23 0DD

NICHOLLS
With an impressive Grade II listed building, Nicholls Campus is home to The Arden School of Theatre. It is situated in Ardwick, one mile south east of the city centre. Close by are Manchester Apollo, a 3,500 capacity live music venue, Sportcity and the Etihad Stadium.
Campus postcode: M12 6BA

FIELDEN
Fielden is a welcoming, modern, campus in a leafy part of South Manchester, popular with students and professionals. The campus is equipped with industry-standard technology in areas such as Catering, Digital Media and Film Production. We have invested £9 million in improvements to the campus, including a ‘green roof’ that insulates, soundproofs and improves air quality.
Campus postcode: M20 2PQ

SHENA SIMON
Shena Simon Campus is a vibrant site in the heart of Manchester. The campus is renowned for its excellent performing arts and music courses, with industry-standard media facilities and two theatres. Regular student performances at the Waterside Theatre and Sackville Theatre are open to the public.
Campus postcode: M1 3HB

ST JOHN’S
St John’s Centre is a modern campus in a stylish part of Manchester’s city centre. The campus has a professional atmosphere, giving students a taste of a contemporary business environment. Access courses in Business, Humanities and Law are held in the modern business environment at the heart of the city.
Campus postcode: M3 3BE

TRANSPORT
Manchester has a superb public transport system, which makes getting around town easy. There are also loads of travel passes and special student rates, so you can keep your travel costs as cheap as possible and still go exploring!
For more information please visit: tfgm.com

UCEN Manchester campuses correct at time of print. For the latest information, please visit our website: ucenmcr.tmc.ac.uk

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AT UCEN MANCHESTER, WE INVEST IN YOU

Our aim is to provide you with the skills, knowledge and experience to ensure you find your future and career success.

We know what our students need to be ready for their future roles. Our inspiring environments, challenging courses and employment-focused curriculum are created to help you find the best possible opportunities.

We have cutting edge technical environments and state-of-the-art facilities to deliver our exceptional teaching and learning. You are also supported by outstanding academic expertise and industry experience to impart the most relevant knowledge and skills to all our students.

Studying in the forward-thinking city of Manchester brings many advantages. It is a city with a vision for the future that offers many routes into employment and a chance to grow with your surroundings.

At UCEN Manchester, we offer you opportunities to match the requirements of the city, the region and beyond.

4.2% employment growth predicted in Manchester by 2025*

Source: Emsi

REASONS TO CHOOSE US

CLOSE INDUSTRY RELATIONSHIPS
ENSURE WE DELIVER THE BEST INDUSTRY KNOWLEDGE IN COURSES SHAPED BY EXPERTS

OUR QUALIFICATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL SKILLS HELP OUR STUDENTS FIND THEIR FUTURE WITH REWARDING CAREERS

PARTNERSHIPS WITH BUSINESSES, ORGANISATIONS AND INDUSTRIES KEEP US AT THE CUTTING-EDGE OF NEW DEVELOPMENTS AND THE LATEST REQUIREMENTS

WORK-FOCUSED CURRICULUMS EXPOSE STUDENTS TO LEADING INDUSTRIES, WORLD CLASS TECHNICAL ENVIRONMENTS AND LIKE-MINDED STUDENTS

ALL OUR DEGREE PROGRAMMES ARE VALIDATED BY ONE OF THREE TOP UNIVERSITY PARTNERS

SMALL CLASS SIZES CREATE PERSONAL WORKING RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN TUTORS AND STUDENTS

Source: Emsi
ACADEMIC SUPPORT
Our campus libraries stock the books and resources you will need to help you in your studies. We hold titles across all subject areas and also have a large collection of online resources, including professional and academic journals as well as specialist subject materials. Our online resources can be accessed 24 hours a day and our library staff are available during the day to assist you with any enquiries. We also offer introductory workshop sessions to help you find your way around our services.

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CHILDCARE
Juggling childcare with an education can be a challenging, time-consuming, task – but it does not have to be. At UCEN Manchester, we have an on-site nursery at our Openshaw campus with fully qualified, expert, childcare providers who can help to look after your child or children. Our nursery is open Monday to Friday, 8am-6pm, and is suitable for children from six months old up to the age of five. Your little one(s) will enjoy a safe and friendly environment, where the will learn, play and make new friends throughout the year, giving you the freedom to focus on your studies.

ADVICE AND GUIDANCE
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YOUR DEDICATED SUPPORT TEAM HERE AT UCEN MANCHESTER
Our role is to ensure that we help you break down any barriers that may impact your study or life, so that you are supported to achieve and invest in your future.
Our team works to support you in a variety of ways and aim to be visible and accessible to all students at all times. We will support your learning and ultimately your future; whether this be through study skills sessions, advice on careers, employability, or your finances. We can even support you to improve your overall experience by getting involved in the student voice initiative.
UCEN Manchester’s mission is to improve the lives of those we work with through education and our support services are here to ensure your investment in your future is supported and encouraged at every stage, from application to graduation.

OUR COMMITMENT TO STUDENTS
Our aim is to ensure that, as soon as you have completed your studies with us, you will have exactly what you need to follow your dream career.
Our staff are award winning, experienced in their field and specialists in the advice sector. They are fully committed to helping each and every one of you, every step of the way, with all the support you may need.
We will help you explore your passions, follow your dreams, take your skills to the next level and prepare yourself for a career you will love. Whatever your background, whatever your age, and whatever your ability, we aim to inspire and excite you to achieve.

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OUR COMMITMENT TO STUDENTS
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ADVICE AND GUIDANCE
It is our job to make sure you leave UCEN Manchester on the path to a successful career, one that you are passionate about. We are here for you if you need help exploring your career or progression options, if you are unsure about your next steps or long-term goals, or if you just want to talk to someone about your future.
All our advisors are highly qualified, Matrix-accredited professionals, which means they can help you find your perfect career and plan your route to get there. They can offer you Careers Education, Information, Advice and Guidance whenever you need it.

HEALTH AND WELLBEING
Disability and student support
Many people with learning difficulties or disabilities choose to study with us, not only because of the range of courses we offer but the way we deliver them. At UCEN Manchester we offer something different and more personal.
Our team is here to support you from the moment you sign up, your enrolment and throughout your studies. Our specialist Disability Advisors will make sure you have the assistance you need in lectures and exams. They will help you to discuss any required adjustments with your tutors, provide equipment loans and support you in applying for Disabled Students Allowance (DSA) funding.
You can tell us about your disability or learning difficulties on your UCAS application form, or during enrolment. If you want to talk to us in more detail, please contact our Higher Education (HE) Disability Team by email: DSA@ucenmcr.tmc.ac.uk, or call: 07730 619177

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PERSONAL CAREERS ADVICE

We develop our programmes in partnership with businesses and organisations to keep us at the cutting edge of industry developments and ensure that we are meeting the latest requirements.

INDUSTRY EXPERTS
The majority of our academic, professional and technical staff are hugely experienced, having worked directly in the industries and professions they teach in. A sizeable number maintain direct links through work, mentoring and accessible networks, to support our students in work placements and in gaining graduate work.

WORK PLACEMENTS
Work placements are a key part of our programmes, giving you opportunities to develop your experience and understanding in the workplace and apply your skills directly to your role. You will be well-placed to plan and arrange your placement and take advantage of our industry links.

EMPLOYABILITY TEAM
All our advisors are highly qualified, Matrix accredited professionals, which means they can help you find your perfect career and plan your route to get there. They can help you one-to-one, at one of our workshops, in a drop-in or appointment, or during an event. They provide access to employability information and advice, with specialist advice and networks in the many professional areas we teach in. Their advice is invaluable in enabling you to be attractive to employers, and to give you the confidence to succeed.

OUR GRADUATE STATISTICS SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES: MORE THAN 95% OF OUR GRADUATES GO ON TO WORK OR FURTHER STUDY WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF LEAVING.*

SUPPORT
UCEN Manchester offers a range of support to ensure students are work ready. This builds on the work advisors will be doing in your sessions around careers and employability skills.

To ensure that you have quality support for your long-term career goals we can:
- Look at work options based on skill levels
- Support you to find the right job
- Help you build a CV to suit the labour market
- Prepare you to be ready for formal interviews
- Carry out a skills audit to assess work readiness
- Provide access to computers for Job searching
- Offer opportunities to reflect and review career planning
- Support in completing job applications
- Level 6 careers advice
- Volunteering and graduate opportunities
- Personal and professional development plans
- E-guidance appointments and webinars
- Business coaching appointments
- Skills intelligence and labour market information.

* 2017 DLHE data
As a student at UCEN Manchester, you will automatically become a member of the Students’ Union (SU). This gives you the opportunity to be part of an organisation run by students, for students. Each year, our students elect a President and a team of Officers to lead the SU and represent the student body. The SU works in partnership with UCEN Manchester to provide a wide range of activities and opportunities to enhance the experience of students.

GET INVOLVED!

SOCIETIES
Meet people with similar interests, or get involved in something completely new, by joining one of our Societies. There have been a number created, including the African Caribbean Society; Creative Writing; Creative Networking; Debating; Enterprise; Film; Football; Gaming; Knitting and LGBTQ+ societies. You can always get in touch with the SU to set up your own society if there is something else that interests you! If you have a great idea or want to know more, email us at: SU@ucenmcr.tmc.ac.uk

REPRESENTATION
Do you want to shape the direction of the SU? You might want to think about becoming a student representative so you can vote in elections, contact your union with suggestions for improvements to the student experience, or even become an elected SU Officer.

The role of a student rep is to proactively seek and represent the views, questions and experiences of your academic peers to staff. Student reps work in collaboration with UCEN Manchester to improve the student academic experience and each student rep is responsible for representing students in a specified course group.

Student reps share views on a wide variety of issues relating to their course from learning and teaching methods; research; assessment; support provided by personal tutors or supervisors; learning and research; facilities and academic events.

CAMPAIGNS
Running a campaign is all about raising awareness on an important issue, or creating positive change. An example of a high-profile campaign led by the SU is the Single Use Plastics Campaign, which resulted in positive changes in the catering department and raised awareness among students. A variety of changes continue to be made.

NUS
The SU is an affiliated member of the National Union of Students (NUS). The main job of the NUS is to represent the interests of over seven million students (including you) at a national level, especially to the UK Government. Just as we represent you at UCEN Manchester, the NUS represents you in national conversations on issues which concern and affect students.

The NUS also runs nationwide and regional campaigns on subjects that matter to students, like the cost of studying, changes to education or tackling hate crime. Every year around 1,000 elected students and officers, including representatives from UCEN Manchester, gather for an annual conference to decide the direction and leadership of the NUS for the next year.

Being a member of the NUS also offers practical benefits, like the Totum card - the UK’s biggest and most widely known student discount card. You can support your SU by purchasing your Totum card from £12 per year – not a bad investment for something that will save you money all year!
## PROGRAMMES

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Please note, this prospectus, course and pricing information is provided as a reference guide only and is subject to change by UCEN Manchester at any time. It is important that you check all course details including location, timetable and fees at enrolment as UCEN Manchester operates a no refund policy after the 14 day cancellation period, as outlined in the UCEN Manchester terms and conditions.

Students should also refer to the Student Protection Plan which is published on the website.

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## FEES

At UCEN Manchester we offer some of the most competitive tuition fees in the UK. Our tuition fees are reviewed annually.

The table below shows our 2019/20 tuition fees. Our 2020/21 tuition fees will be published online.

Please visit [ucenmcr.tmc.ac.uk](http://ucenmcr.tmc.ac.uk) for the latest information.

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## FINANCES

As well as offering high quality courses, UCEN Manchester charge some of the lowest tuition fees in the UK. There’s lots of help available to make sure you can afford your education and enjoy your time with us.

### TUITION FEE LOAN

Student Finance England (SFE) will provide you with a loan for the full amount of your tuition fees. The fees for our part-time courses will be charged on a pro-rata basis, depending on the number of credits being studied. This money will be paid directly to the institution. To apply to Student Finance England, please visit: [gov.uk/apply-for-student-finance](https://www.gov.uk/apply-for-student-finance)

It is recommended that you apply for your loan by the May before you start your course, but SFE will accept applications after this. The tuition fee loan is only available for students who have not already got a degree or UK equivalent qualification. If you already have a degree qualification, please contact us via the details at the bottom of this page.

Further details of the tuition fees we charge, our fees and finance policy, and how to apply, can be found on our website: [ucenmcr.tmc.ac.uk](http://ucenmcr.tmc.ac.uk)

### MAINTENANCE LOAN

A maintenance loan is available to help with your living costs while in higher education (e.g. accommodation, books and bills). All eligible students can get some maintenance support. The amount of maintenance loan you can get depends on where you live and study. The maximum loan available is £8,944 (based on living away from home, outside London). This is paid directly into your bank account each term. Maintenance loans have to be paid back, but not until you have finished university and are earning over £25,000 a year.

The maintenance loan is paid directly to you in three instalments throughout the academic year. You will receive instalments in September, January and April.

UCEN Manchester also offer a range of discretionary bursaries and funds to help break down barriers that may prevent you from committing to study and reaching your potential.

### UCEN MANCHESTER BURSARY

The UCEN Manchester Bursary includes consideration for financial support in a variety of ways, from progression, living costs and hardship issues. If you are struggling with day-to-day finance, make an appointment with one of our ‘Future U’ Careers, Employability and Welfare Advisors who will work with you to maximise your income. We are here to guide you and offer support and, together, we can look at ways to improve your situation.

### AM I ELIGIBLE FOR FUNDING?

Your eligibility for student funding will depend on your nationality, residency, previous study and the type of course you are applying for. Depending on your personal circumstances, you may be able to access extra funding, such as childcare allowance.

Further details of these additional funds can be found on our website: [ucenmcr.tmc.ac.uk](http://ucenmcr.tmc.ac.uk)

If you have any questions about fees and finance, please contact our ‘Future U’ Careers, Employability and Welfare team on: 03333 222 444.
HOW TO APPLY

Applying for a course at UCEN Manchester is simple. The process depends on whether the course you are applying for is full or part-time, so we have put together everything you need to know below.

FULL-TIME COURSES STARTING IN SEPTEMBER 2020 AND JANUARY 2021

If you are applying for a full-time Honours Degree, Foundation Degree (including those with a preparatory year), Higher National Certificate or Diploma, you will need to apply via UCAS. You can search for a course on our website ucenmcr.tmc.ac.uk, or through UCAS courses. Please note that not all of our courses have both a September and January start date. Please check the website for further details.

You can start your application on UCAS apply – you will need to register and create a user account. This means you can complete your application at your own speed and track your application after you have submitted it.

Remember, you can only submit one UCAS application per cycle, so all the courses you want to apply for have to be on the same application. There are some helpful resources on the UCAS website if you encounter any problems.

If you are applying to UCEN Manchester, you will need our institution code ‘M10’ for when you complete your UCAS application.

YOUR UCAS BUZZWORD
If you are currently at school or college, you will need a buzzword from your tutor or careers advisor. This is like a password unique to your school or college that allows you to register your application with UCAS. Your school or college will then add a reference and submit your application.

Your tutor or careers advisor can explain how you apply to UCAS and whether there are any internal deadlines you need to stick to.

DEADLINES FOR APPLYING
Please check the UCAS website: www.ucas.com for key application deadlines.

MATURE STUDENTS, OR THOSE NOT CURRENTLY AT SCHOOL OR COLLEGE
UCEN Manchester encourages all applications, including those from people who are returning to education after a time away.

You will still need to apply via UCAS as an independent applicant and write a personal statement, which needs to be between 1,000 and 4,000 characters. This is your opportunity to tell us about any additional skills or experience you may have, as well as why you want to study your chosen course. You can include examples of voluntary or work experience, as well as career aspirations and personal qualities that will help you study.

You will also need to provide details of a referee who can confirm your suitability to study at higher education level.

COSTS TO APPLY
To apply in 2020/21, the application fee is:
• £18 if you are applying to just one course*;
  or
• £24 for multiple courses (and for late applications sent after 30 June).

The costs for the 2020/21 academic year may differ, so please visit the UCAS website: www.ucas.com for full details.

PART-TIME COURSES STARTING IN SEPTEMBER 2020 AND JANUARY 2021
If you are applying for an Honours Degree, Foundation Degree (including those with a preparatory year), Higher National Certificate or Diploma, you will need to apply directly to UCEN Manchester. You can search for a course on our website: ucenmcr.tmc.ac.uk. Please note that not all of our courses have both a September and January start date. Please check the website for further details.

You will need to register on our website and fill in the application form. Once we have received your application, we will contact you to make an offer, or invite you to interview.

COSTS TO APPLY
Applying for a part-time course is free.

You can find further information about applying for courses and accepting any offers you receive on our website: ucenmcr.tmc.ac.uk. If you have any questions, our Admissions team will be able to help you on: 0161 674 7777.

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*If you opt for a single choice, you won’t be able to enter UCAS EXTRA or UCAS Clearing, or make further choices, but you can always pay the extra £6 if you want to access these UCAS services.
UCEN Manchester is committed to equality of opportunity, non-discriminatory practices and supporting individual learners.

This information is also available in a range of formats, such as large print, on request.