

---

Postgraduate study

# Masters and Taught degrees

---

2018



---

# Contents

---

---

<b>3</b>	Welcome to Staffordshire University
<b>4</b>	7 reasons to study at Staffordshire University
<b>5</b>	Connect to a world of opportunities
<b>6</b>	Taking the next step
<b>7</b>	Taught and research-based degrees
<b>8</b>	Connect to our amazing city
<b>12</b>	Postgraduate options
<b>14</b>	Step up to Masters course
<b>15</b>	Online distance learning
<b>16</b>	Postgraduate community
<b>18</b>	Postgraduate loans
<b>20</b>	Our ground-breaking research
<b>24</b>	Our experts
<b>28-57</b>	Our postgraduate courses
<b>58</b>	How to apply

The contents of this prospectus are correct at the time of going to press. However please check our website [www.staffs.ac.uk](http://www.staffs.ac.uk) before making an application in case there are any changes to the course you are interested in or to the other facilities and services described here. Where there is a difference between the contents of this prospectus and our website, the contents of the website take precedence and represent the basis on which we intend to deliver our services to you.

---

# Welcome To Staffordshire University

---

At Staffordshire University, our aim is to connect you to a love of learning. We'll support you on your journey from application through to graduation and beyond, as we strive to give you the best possible student experience, unlock your true potential, and inspire you to achieve your ambitions.

We pride ourselves on teaching excellence, and we are delighted to be ranked in the top 10 for teaching quality in The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018. We also have an excellent reputation for the employability of our graduates, and we will do all we can to help you achieve your career ambitions.

In recent years, we have invested significantly in specialist new facilities and flexible learning spaces to keep pace with our changing world. It has enabled us to make good progress in our ambition to become a leading 'digital university', where all our students, across all our courses, are competent and skilled in digital technologies, and digital technologies are harnessed to transform the learning experience.

As well as our excellent facilities and innovative use of technologies, we strongly encourage you to come to an open day and meet some of our brilliant and friendly lecturers.

Many are making an impact outside the University through their applied research and teaching. Their expertise and their relationships with industry and employers will enrich your learning and connect you to opportunities beyond your studies.

We look forward to welcoming you to our inspirational community of students and staff – all of us, 'proud to be Staffs'.



Professor Liz Barnes  
Vice-Chancellor



---

# 7 reasons to study at Staffordshire University

---

**100%**

student satisfaction in 13 courses –  
National Student Survey 2017

**£100m**

invested in state-of-the-art facilities

**Winner:**

Most Improved Student Experience – Times Higher Education Awards 2017

**TOP 10**

for teaching quality –  
Sunday Times Good  
University Guide 2018

**78%**

of all postgraduate  
research is to  
'international  
standard or better' –  
Research Excellence  
Framework 2014

**No.1**

for employability\*  
with 97.5% of  
our graduates in  
employment –  
Destination Leavers  
Higher Education  
Survey 2017

**85%**

average student  
satisfaction –  
National Student  
Survey 2017

---

# Connect to a world of opportunities

---



Whether you want to enhance the skills you've gained in your current subject, or study something completely different, we have the postgraduate course for you.

## **We dare to challenge**

We think differently and you will, too, thanks to our commitment to delivering truly inspirational courses led by expert academics.

We are a Connected University, working with employers, local communities and partners overseas to deliver challenging and rewarding opportunities for our postgraduate students. Learning in our first-rate facilities enables you to immerse yourself in your studies, giving you the ideal preparation for those prized industry openings.

## **Digitally-led, designed for you**

Our focus on digital technologies is transforming our postgraduate provision. You can study on campus, by distance learning or by blended learning - enabling connections anytime and anywhere.

# Taking the next step

---

## What is postgraduate study?

Postgraduate study is the level of study that follows a traditional undergraduate degree. However, you don't need an undergraduate degree for some postgraduate courses. Professional development courses, for example, will accept relevant industry experience - so don't rule out postgraduate study if you don't already have a degree.

Each postgraduate course has its own entry requirements. You can find these on the course pages on our website - [www.staffs.ac.uk](http://www.staffs.ac.uk).

## What's the difference between undergraduate and postgraduate study?

At postgraduate level, you'll focus more on gaining specialist knowledge of your chosen subject. Your course will be more advanced than an undergraduate degree, and faster paced. It will also be more flexible.

Postgraduate degrees can be either taught or research-based (undergraduate degrees are taught only). Your postgraduate experience will differ depending on whether you choose a taught or research-based course.



---

# Choosing your postgraduate degree

---

## Taught postgraduate degrees

If you've studied an undergraduate degree, this format will be familiar. You'll learn through lectures, seminars, and practical assignments. Your work is assessed in several ways, including exams, essays, group projects, and dissertations.

Taught postgraduate degrees are designed to help you enhance your skills, boost your job prospects, or change your existing career.

## Research-led postgraduate degrees

In a research-led postgraduate degree, you learn independently as you write and submit a subject thesis which can take up to 60% of your study. You will have little traditional, in-class teaching. However, you will have a guidance supervisor throughout your study, offering you support and expertise when you need it most.

Research-led postgraduate degrees are designed to help you get your work published and prepare you for PhD study. For more information on our research-led degrees, read our 'PhD and Research Degrees' brochure.



**You will have a  
guidance supervisor  
throughout your study.**



---

# Connect to our amazing city

---

## Dine

With more than 200 places to eat, our region caters to every taste. When it comes to booking a table, you'll never be short of options.



## Stroll

The great outdoors – including the Peak District, Hanley Park and Fenton Park – gives you a chance to clear your mind in stunning surroundings.

## Move

Keep in shape with a range of sporting activities. Fenton Manor Sports Centre, Longton Rugby Club, Flip Out, and Northwood Stadium are all close by.



## Shop

From the high street to major shopping centres, you'll always look great. Browse for hours at Intu Potteries, Trentham Estate Outlet and Festival Shopping Centre.



## Relax

Take in the culture of Chatsworth House, feel the highs and lows of Premier League football at the bet365 stadium, or experience the white-knuckle thrills of Alton Towers – the choice is yours.











# Truly connected

40 minutes from Manchester

50 minutes from Liverpool

50 minutes from Birmingham



## Top 5

best cities and towns in the UK to work –  
Glassdoor, 2017



One of the **most affordable**

places to live in the UK – Zoopla, October 2016

### Open events on campus

The Beacon Building,  
College Road,  
Stoke-on-Trent Campus. –  
4pm to 7pm

**21 March 2018**

**16 May 2018**

**8 August 2018**

Virtual events run throughout the year, for dates and to sign up visit

[staffs.ac.uk/virtual-events](https://staffs.ac.uk/virtual-events)

---

# Postgraduate options

---

## Postgraduate certificates (PgCert) and diplomas (PgDip)

These are often vocational courses, making them popular among professionals wanting to boost their CVs. Like a Masters degree, you'll take exams and submit coursework. However, a dissertation isn't normally required. You can study full-time or part-time, and usually complete your course in less than a year.

## Masters degrees

These are intensive, taught courses that include a dissertation or major project. If you study full-time, the course will usually take one year. For part-time study, expect a two-year duration. Our Masters degrees include Master of Art (MA), Master of Business Administration (MBA), Master of Laws (LLM), and Master of Science (MSc).

MA degrees usually cover humanities subjects such as history, English, and film and media. They balance research, discussion, essay writing, and practical exercises. MSc degrees focus on broader scientific learning, in subjects including IT, medicine, and psychology. MSc students study theory, and focus on reading and research.





## Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE)

The PGCE is the most popular route into teaching, combining school placements with the study of teaching and learning theory. A PGCE is especially useful if you already have a degree in the subject you want to teach.

You graduate with Qualified Teacher Status (QTS), meaning you can teach in state-maintained schools in England and Wales. PGCEs are usually full-time and take one year to complete.

## Master of Business Administration (MBA)

An intensive course aimed at professionals looking to advance their careers in management and leadership, an MBA is fast-paced and highly challenging. Real-world business issues are discussed and evaluated, giving you practical knowledge and experience you can use in your career. An MBA takes one year full-time, or three years part-time.

## Full-time or part-time?

You're not restricted to full-time, on-campus postgraduate study at Staffordshire University. There are a number of study options available.

### Full-time

Immerse yourself in your subject and campus life. You'll use our facilities and study spaces while learning direct from our experts through a set number of weekly contact hours. You'll also be expected to study in your own time.

### Part-time

If you can't commit to full-time study, part-time study offers lots of benefits – including access to campus facilities and study spaces, learning directly from our experts, and meeting and working with new people. What's more, you can fit your studies around your existing commitments.

### Distance learning

Study whenever and wherever you want with distance learning. You'll access lectures, recordings and course materials online, fitting your study around your personal and work life. And wherever you are, you'll be supported by our course leaders online.

---

# Step up to Masters course

---

## **A connected way to prepare for postgraduate study**

If you want to study at postgraduate level but have worries about your academic ability, our 'Step Up to Masters' course is designed for you. It allows you to test and develop the academic skills needed at Masters level, including critical analysis and evaluation, and challenging and debating current evidence.

When you've completed the course, you can be confident you're ready to achieve your ambition of progressing onto a Masters programme.

The course is ideal for mature students who studied for their first degree a long time ago, or a career professional who doesn't have a degree.

We are a Connected University that welcomes students from around the world with various qualifications. Our commitment means we're well placed to understand any concerns you may have before starting a postgraduate course.





---

# Online distance learning

---

**Break free from the commitments of on-campus study and connect to a worldwide community learning online.**

Our online distance learning courses provide flexible study options, fitting perfectly around your personal and work life. Course leaders will support you, wherever you are, whatever you study, and however much time you have available.

- Plan your study around your other commitments
- Access lectures, records and course material online
- Study from anywhere in the world
- Connect with a network of fellow students across the globe
- Celebrate your graduation in Staffordshire

**Flexible study options**

**fitting perfectly around**

**your personal and**

**work life.**

## Can I do it?

Most of our online distance learning programmes are part-time, allowing you to 'earn while you learn'. You'll usually be expected to study two evenings per week (7pm-9pm) and a weekend afternoon. You'll have the same status as an on-campus student, but there's no need to come to campus.

Most online postgraduate students study modules within a semester framework, but it's best to check the details of the specific course in which you're interested. There are two semesters in the academic year, and we provide course material through our virtual learning environment, 'Blackboard'.

For more details, read our distance learning FAQs at [www.staffs.ac.uk/distance-learning/faq/](http://www.staffs.ac.uk/distance-learning/faq/).


---

# Postgraduate community

---

**Our fantastic community means that you are constantly connected to a great support network. From the moment you join us, we're here for you.**

Whether it's an academic issue, something financial, personal or related to your wellbeing, we have exceptional teams that are here to help.



**The Graduate School also provides an extensive series of workshops throughout the year, helping you with your professional training and development.**



## Graduate School

As a research degree candidate at Staffordshire University, you will belong both to a Department and to the Graduate School. The Graduate School helps make sure that your student voice is heard, for the improvement of our provision of research degrees. The Graduate School also provides an extensive series of workshops throughout the year, helping you with your professional training and development. Finally, we put on a series of social events, and at the end of the academic year a large-scale research conference, which is run by and for research degrees students.

## Clubs and Societies

The Students' Union has hundreds of clubs and societies that can help you connect with other students that share your interests, from the Law Society to the Video Games Society. The Postgraduate Research society is a thriving community that allows research-based postgraduate students to network, share experiences and put on events.

---

# Postgraduate loans

---

**Funding your postgraduate study has never been easier with the introduction of the government-backed Postgraduate loan scheme.**

Postgraduate loans are now available for the majority of our postgraduate courses. This government-backed scheme, administered by Student Finance England, covers a wide range of postgraduate study options, part-time, full-time and distance learning at Masters level.

## Can I get a Postgraduate loan?

To get a Postgraduate Loan:

- You have to be studying a taught or research Masters course such as an MA, MSc or MBA
- You can be studying at university or by distance learning
- You have to be under 60 at the start of the first academic year of your course

- You must normally live in England
- If you're an EU National, but don't normally live in England, you may be able to get a Postgraduate loan for a Masters course in England. If you are studying full-time, your course can last one or two years. If you're studying part-time, you usually study for two years (for the equivalent one year full-time course) or up to four years (for the equivalent two year full-time course).



**You can be studying  
at university or by  
distance learning.**

## How much?

You can apply for a loan of up to £10,280 as a contribution towards your course and living costs.

## When?

The loan will be paid into your bank account in three instalments during the academic year. If the course lasts for two years or more, your payments will be spread out over the full duration of your course. The loan payment dates are outlined in the table below:

## Paying it back

You have to repay any loan you borrow, but not until you've finished or left your course and your income is over £21,000 a year.

You don't have to hold an offer of a place to apply for a loan.

Payment Stages	Date of Payment
First instalment	On or shortly after your course start date
Second instalment	The last Wednesday of the 4th month of your Masters
Third instalment	The last Wednesday of the 7th month of your Masters

**Visit the Student Finance England website for full details and eligibility criteria [www.gov.uk/postgraduate-loan](http://www.gov.uk/postgraduate-loan)**

---

# Our **ground-breaking** research

---

**We're not simply at the centre of the UK, we're at the heart of some of the most outstanding applied research in Britain. Research that makes a difference to lives around the world and opens doors for us.**

Our research active staff are connected to the world and the industries around them. That's what makes them so relevant, knowledgeable and respected.

Take a look at just a few of our research initiatives and the people behind them.







## **Nachiappan Chockalingam,** Professor of Clinical Biomechanics.

Professor Chockalingam directs our Biomechanics facility. He is also an Affiliate Professor at the Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Malta; and a Visiting Professor at Sri Ramachandra University; India. He is a Chartered Engineer, a Chartered Scientist and a member of various professional organisations. He has also been elected to the executive board of several international societies.

Professor Chockalingam currently leads several research projects in the area of understanding the design, manufacture and clinical interventions of using orthoses. These include a large European Union-funded research project on Diabetic Foot and Footwear looking at the development of an integrated system for foot assessment. In addition to its recognition by the international scientific community, his work has also received substantial media attention. To date, he has numerous publications in peer-reviewed journals, book chapters and conference proceedings.





**Dr Caroline Sturdy Colls,**  
Professor of Forensic Archaeology  
and Genocide Investigation.

Dr Caroline Sturdy Colls specialises in Holocaust studies and is also the Research Lead at the Centre of Archaeology, teaching in areas of forensic archaeology, techniques in the identification of human remains and various aspects of crime scene investigation.

Caroline is also a consultant for UK police forces in the search and recovery of buried remains. As part of her research, she completed the first archaeological surveys at Treblinka in Poland. In August 2015, based on her research findings, a permanent exhibition, entitled Finding Treblinka, was installed at the Museum of Struggle and Martyrdom in Warsaw, Poland.

Caroline is published extensively in Holocaust and Forensic Archaeology. Her research has gained international media attention and featured in TV documentaries and radio programmes in Europe and the USA.





**Karen Rodham,**  
Professor of Health  
Psychology.

Since joining Staffordshire University in 2014, Professor Rodham has played a pivotal role in raising the profile of the University's research. Having spent more than twenty years as an academic, combined with seven years as a health psychologist in the NHS, she has amassed considerable expertise in the field of chronic pain. Her own research is focused on understanding how people cope with complex and chronic health-related issues.

Karen's teaching is informed by both research and practice. In addition to publishing books and papers, and delivering conference keynotes, she makes public engagement a priority.

She is the former Chair of the British Psychological Society Division of Health Psychology.

Her passion for sharing knowledge is clear. "Our students benefit from being taught by experts who are actively engaged in the development of their research fields," she says.



---

# Our experts

---



**At Staffordshire University we make sure you work with some of the best minds around, with the best research expertise and the best industry links.**

As you'd expect, our experts have connections around the world. So get ready to connect with them.

## **Ruby Hammer,** Head of Department, Law.

Ruby first became interested in law when working in administration for the NHS. Since discovering her passion for the subject, she has gained two Masters degrees: one in Critical Legal Studies and another in Education.

She now teaches on a range of awards in the Law School and has a particular interest in employers' liability and stress at work claims. With a passion for researching the law, her work has taken her all over Europe: from delivering seminars in Strasbourg to presenting papers in Romania.

A main area of study for Ruby is environmental law; indeed her expertise in this field saw her working as part of a research team on an EU-funded Renewable Energies Transfer System project.

Even when Ruby's students aren't learning from her directly, they can be working through a leading textbook that she co-authored with two fellow Staffordshire University academics. The book, *Business Law*, published by Routledge, is currently in its third edition and is used by students across the country.

Determined to make sure her work as an active researcher benefits her students, Ruby says: "I like to get students involved in research and develop their skills by doing real-life tasks."



**Rune Todnem By,**  
Professor of  
Organisational  
Behaviour.

Professor Rune Todnem By is an internationally acknowledged leader in the fields of organisational change and leadership. He teaches at Undergraduate, MBA, and Doctorate level, provides guest lectures across the University to undergraduate and postgraduate students and delivers invited keynotes and leadership development sessions both nationally and internationally.

Rune is also a Professor of Change Leadership at the University of Stavanger (Norway) and co-founder and Chairman of the Public Leadership Foundation (The Netherlands). Being editor-in-chief of Routledge's Journal of Change Management, Rune is actively engaged in the development and publication of the newest research available. He is the co-author and co-editor of a number of books focussing on organisational change, leadership, ethics and the public sector. Additionally, he is continuously identified as being in the top 0.1% of scholars registered on [www.academia.edu](http://www.academia.edu).



**Dr Sita Bali,**  
Head of Department,  
Humanities and  
Performing Arts.

Dr Sita Bali gained a degree in Politics and Economics from St. Xaviers College at the University of Bombay. She later completed a Masters and PhD in International Relations at the University of Kent in Canterbury. Sita has been a lecturer in International Relations at Staffordshire University since 1990.

Her interests lie in the politics of South Asia – particularly India, Pakistan and Afghanistan. Sita is also interested in the politics of international migration and refugee movements, as well as security studies – particularly migration and security issues and their impact. Publications include articles on Indian politics and various aspects of international migration.



**Claude Chibelushi,**  
Professor of Cognitive  
Digital Media Computing.

Professor Chibelushi has worked his way to the top of his field since achieving his first degree in Electronic and Telecommunication Engineering. Following that, he added a Masters in Microelectronics and Computer Engineering, before gaining his PhD in Electronic Engineering.

Recently, he has been part of a team that developed ground-breaking technology to enable computers to understand the content of pictures and videos. Rated the best technology of its kind in the world, Spectral-360 is built into monitoring software that was used by UK police forces and Transport for London. His current work includes advanced research to produce next-generation software for self-driving motor vehicles, in collaboration with world-leading companies such as BMW.



**Dr Mohamed Sedky,**  
Senior Lecturer in Computer  
Networks and Security.

Before finishing his Masters in Communications and Electronics in 2002, Mohamed founded SKM Communication Systems with two partners. He went on to gain his PhD at Staffordshire University, and his research in physics-based image formation continues to add value to many projects.

Since 2012, he has been the Technical Director of Adaptive Video Analytic (AVA) Technologies Ltd, which has produced solutions regarded as some of the best in the world. Clients using his work have included police forces throughout the UK.

Video monitoring is vital to society. It keeps motorways moving, provides evidence in police investigations and can help prevent crime. Taking the advantages of CCTV one stage further, a system developed by Staffordshire University is able to track objects, analyse them and even report anything suspicious. Built using a sophisticated model that can replicate the capabilities of the human eye, the system is already proving valuable in law enforcement.





## **Ian Brown,** Professor of Fine Art.

After completing a Masters degree in Fine Art at Staffordshire University, Professor Brown developed a successful profile of exhibitions, lectures and part-time teaching, resulting in him becoming a permanent member of staff in 2005. Since then, he has contributed to shaping a broad-based Fine Art course that reflects the currency of debates in contemporary culture.

Ian is an active practitioner and his work has been reviewed in *Art Monthly*, *The Guardian* and *Artforum*, where it was Critics' Choice. He received critical acclaim for a touring exhibition that he curated, entitled *Trying To Cope With Things That Aren't Human (Part One)*. Making up one-third of the collaborative artists' group

*Common Culture*, Ian is also globally connected. This is because as part of the group, he has exhibited a range of inter-disciplinary artworks across Europe, Asia and North America.

Along with the University's whole Fine Art team, Ian has inspired many success stories, from students winning *New Art West Midlands* to graduates setting up *Stoke-on-Trent's* first contemporary art gallery and being selected for the prestigious *John Moore's Painting Prize*.

# Our postgraduate courses

---

- 30** Art, Design and Communications
- 32** Business, Leadership and Economics
- 34** Computing
- 36** Education
- 38** Engineering
- 40** Forensic, Crime and Biological Sciences
- 42** Games, Film and Music
- 44** Healthcare and Social Care
- 46** International Relations and Humanities
- 48** Journalism
- 50** Law
- 52** Psychology
- 54** Sociology, Criminology and Terrorism
- 56** Sport and Exercise





# Art, Design and Communications

---

## MA Ceramic Design

## MA Arts and Creative Technologies (by negotiated learning)

## MA Theatre Practice (by negotiated learning)

## MA Creative Futures (various routes)

Studying a postgraduate course in the field of Arts, Design and Communications, you'll benefit from a range of excellent facilities to hone your skills. These include professionally kitted out workshops and, on some courses, your own dedicated studio space. With a strong emphasis on experimentation and craftsmanship, you'll be pushed to reach your full potential. You'll also be encouraged to build connections networks through our extensive industry relationships.

- Enjoy visits to leading professional sites and destinations
- Learn from professionally connected staff and expert visiting speakers
- Follow in the footsteps of our award-winning graduates



**With a strong emphasis on experimentation and craftsmanship, you'll be pushed to reach your full potential.**



## Yuka Kikumoto

Since studying MA Ceramic Design at Staffordshire University, Japanese student Yuka Kikumoto, 33, has exhibited her work in the UK, Turkey, and Japan; won an international award; and sold items in galleries and shops.

"I chose the MA Ceramic Design course after seeing graduate design students' works on the University website," says Yuka. "I visited and talked with my professor and felt it gave me a good opportunity to be a professional designer-maker. I want to build my own design company and make indispensable and enriching objects for people's lives."



# Business, Leadership and Economics

---

## **MSc Accounting and Finance**

## **MPhil/PhD Business and Management**

## **MSc Digital Marketing Management**

## **MBA Master of Business Administration**

## **MSc International Business Management**

## **MA Human Resource Management**

## **DBA Doctor of Business Administration**

## **MA Economics of Globalisation and European Integration**

## **MPhil/PhD Economics**

Studying a postgraduate course in the School of Business, Leadership and Economics, you'll be given a chance to develop the skills needed to kick-start your professional career and maximise your chances of business success. With internationally-recognised experts teaching our postgraduate courses, you'll also be connected to a range of professional award bodies that could give an extra boost to your future employability.

- Expected to be challenged in this fast-paced, exciting environment
- Learn from staff who regularly consult for external organisations
- Benefit from our international partnerships across industry and academia

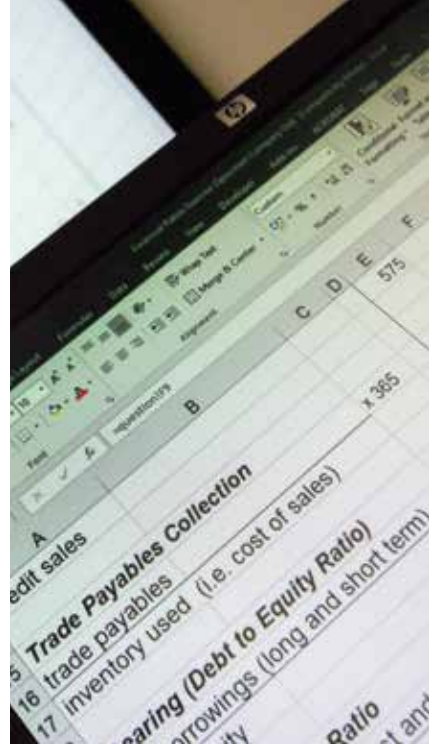




## Mike Lawton

After almost 20 years of career progression, Mike Lawton needed a new challenge. When he returned to the UK from Paris in 2004, he enrolled on our MBA. Now, in 2018, he is Head of Communications (north Europe) for the world-famous Michelin brand.

"I loved the course and working with other students, businesses and services such as the NHS," says Mike. "My dissertation was very rewarding as well, looking at the history of the Michelin Guide, and how a company that made tyres also became known for producing the world's most trusted directory of luxury gastronomy."





# Computing

---

**MSc Computer Science**

**MSc Computer Science  
(Business Computing)**

**MSc Computer Science  
(Networks and Cyber Security)**

**MSc Computer Science  
(Software Engineering)**

**MSc Computing**

**MRes Computing Science**

**MPhil/PhD Computing Science**

Our postgraduate programmes in Computing give you the chance to learn or improve upon advanced computing knowledge. For more than 50 years, we've been offering degrees in computing – giving us a unique understanding of your needs. You'll be taught by current practitioners who, with a real-world understanding of modern computing issues, will offer you the skills to move forward in today's workplace.

- Learn in our state-of-the-art Cisco labs
- All our MSc courses are accredited by the British Computer Society (BCS) – The Chartered Institute for IT
- Benefit from an approach that focuses on employability



**You'll be taught by  
current practitioners  
who combine academic  
rigour with a real-world  
understanding.**



# Education

---

**PGCE Courses in Early Years,  
Primary and Secondary -  
Range of subjects offered**

**PGCE Post Compulsory  
Education and Training (PCET)**

**MA Education**

**Doctor of Education**

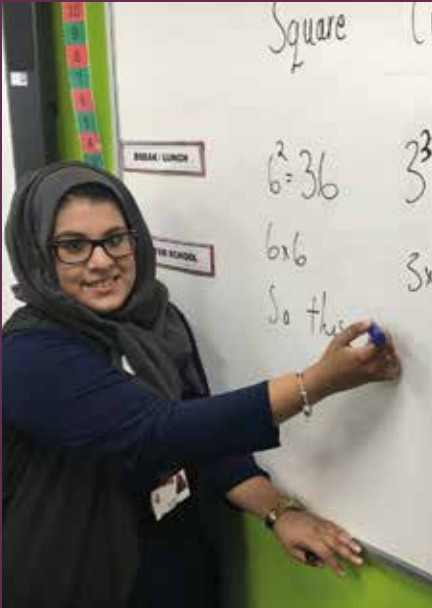
**MPhil/PhD Education**

Develop the confidence, expertise and practical knowledge to enrich the lives of the next generation with a postgraduate qualification in education. Whether you have ambitions to be a teaching assistant, teacher, or educational professional, our flexible and specialist support offers you the chance to learn from tutors at the forefront of educational developments.

- Benefit from a mix of university input and school experience
- Your learning is at the heart of our PGCE – just like, when you are teaching, your students' learning will be at the centre of your work



**Our flexible and  
specialist support  
offers you the chance  
to learn from tutors  
at the forefront  
of educational  
developments.**



## Serena Khalil

Since completing her Mathematics PGCE in July 2015, Serena Khalil has launched a successful teaching career in Great Yarmouth before switching to a city school in Birmingham.

“Before I even applied, Kate (Dale, Senior Lecturer at Staffordshire University) was very supportive,” says Serena. “Even now... she’s always at the end of an email or text message.”

## Chloe McCormick

After six years in a corporate environment, Chloe McCormick wanted to change direction. Having completed a Business Management degree at Staffordshire University in 2008, she had no hesitation in enrolling on our Business PGCE in 2014.

She spent one day a week on campus and the other four on placement. “I had two placements during the course,” she says. “One was at Walsall Academy, where they offered me a job. I’m now teaching Year 9 to Sixth Form students. It was a steep learning curve and I’m really busy, but I’m really enjoying it.”



# Engineering

---

**MSc Mechanical Engineering**

**MSc Automotive Engineering**

**MSc Aeronautical Engineering**

**MSc Electrical Power Engineering\***

**MSc Electronics and  
Telecommunications Engineering\***

**MSc Advanced Technology**

**MSc Professional Engineering**

**Pre-Masters in Engineering**

Build on your engineering career with one of our postgraduate courses, where there is a strong focus on your employability and workplace skills. Our professional leaders look to combine cutting-edge academic knowledge with a focus on providing practical study. You'll get the chance to showcase your work and develop your ideas in stimulating workplace environments, connecting you to the real-world of engineering.

- Advance your skills and knowledge in our top-class engineering labs and technology centres
- Broaden your real-world understanding by working on live industry briefs
- Receive guidance from industry-active lecturers and visiting speakers



**You'll also get the  
chance to showcase  
your work and develop  
your ideas.**

\*Subject to validation





# Forensic, Crime and Biological Sciences

---

**MA/MSc Applied Research  
- Policing, Criminal and  
Safeguarding Investigation**

**MSc Forensic Science**

**MPhil/PhD Forensic Science**

**MSc Advanced Forensic  
Practice (Sexual Assault)**

**MSc Advanced Forensic Practice  
(Custody Health Professional)**

**MSc Advanced Forensic  
Practice (Sexual Assault and  
Custody Health Professional)**

**MSc Molecular Biology**

**MPhil/PhD Biology**

**Professional Doctorate  
in Healthcare Science\***

If you want to pursue a career in science or criminal investigation, enrolling on a postgraduate course from our Forensic, Crime and Biological Sciences field could offer you the ideal path. All our staff are experienced and connected practitioners, while our facilities are the envy of many, ensuring your learning is as immersive and contemporary as possible.

- Practice your skills in our crime scene house and gardens, interview suites, and fully-equipped laboratories
- Benefit from professional recognition with accrediting bodies, including the Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences
- Learn direct from leading experts in our £30m Science Centre



\*subject to validation



## Charlotte Orphanau

After completing her undergraduate degree at Staffordshire University, Charlotte Orphanau enrolled on a PhD. Her subsequent work, which focused on alternative methods of identifying bodily fluid stains at crime scenes, received international acclaim.

“When I was first looking at universities to study forensic sciences, I found the facilities here were so much better compared to everywhere else,” she says. “It’s such a welcoming and nice unit. The support from the lecturers is fantastic, and it’s definitely worth coming here.”



# Games, Film and Music

---

**MSc 3D Computer Games Design**

**MSc Computer Games Programming**

**MA Feature Film Production**

**MA Music Production**

**MPhil/PhD Digital Design and Technologies**

**MPhil/PhD Film Media and Music**

Develop the technical know-how and creative flair needed for a successful career in the media industry by learning from active practitioners and recognised experts in Games, Film and Music. Whether your interest lies in the intricate complexity of computer game design, feature films, or music, you'll have the chance to benefit from our state-of-the-art facilities and industry-connected staff.

- Benefit from professional recognition such as TIGA accreditation and Creative Skillset accreditation
- Our Stoke-on-Trent campus is home to the world's only Epic Games-sponsored design centre
- Develop your practical film skills in our Cadman Studios and learn from filmmakers worldwide



**You'll have the  
chance to experience  
state-of-the-art  
facilities.**







# Healthcare and Social Care

---

**MPhil Health and Welfare Studies**

**MPhil Health Studies**

**Master of Public Health**

**MSc Medical Education**

**MA Social Welfare, Law, Policy and Advice Practice**

**MA/MSc Health and Social Care by Negotiated Study**

**MSc Advanced Clinical Practice**

**MSc Negotiated Learning**

**MSc Specialist Practice District Nursing**

At the School of Health and Social Care, our courses are designed to give you the skills and expertise to make a difference to lives in your community. As well as challenging you through education, research, and innovation, we also work with employers to ensure you get the best possible practical experience in healthcare, social work and social welfare.

- Benefit from our connections with the NHS, West Midlands Ambulance Service, local authorities, and independent and voluntary health and social care agencies
- Learn at our two new Centres of Excellence in Health Education in Stafford and Shrewsbury
- Enjoy first-class facilities at our Stoke-on-Trent campus



# International Relations and Humanities

---

**MA Continental Philosophy**

**MA International History**

**MA International Policy  
and Diplomacy**

**MA International Relations**

**MA Contemporary and  
Modern Writing**

**MA Intelligence and  
International Relations**

**MA/MSc Applied Research -  
Archaeology**

Follow in the footsteps of fellow historians, diplomats, civic leaders, teachers, geographers, and international humanitarians in postgraduate courses in International Relations and Humanities. In your studies, you'll be given the chance to understand the world around you in stimulating and modern surroundings, whilst focusing on key skills employers are looking for.

- Take advantage of the opportunity to enhance your critical, writing, and reflective skills under the guidance of leading experts
- Benefit from the experience and knowledge of a range of visiting speakers
- Gain practical insight from industry placements designed to build your professional connections

**Follow in the footsteps  
of fellow historians,  
diplomats, civic leaders,  
teachers, geographers,  
and international  
humanitarians**



# Journalism

---

**MA Journalism**

**MA Sports Broadcast Journalism**

**MPhil/PhD Journalism**

Learn valuable critical thinking and communication skills as you gain the knowledge and insight to forge a successful career in journalism. Our cutting-edge courses are led by active radio and television journalists who can provide the practical expertise you'll need to survive in a professional career based on tight deadlines and intense pressure.

- Build your core skills by presenting in our fully-equipped TV newsroom
- Understand the legal framework in which successful journalists operate
- Learn how to think on your feet and understand developing news agendas



**Our postgraduate journalism courses are led by active radio and television journalists.**





# Law

---

**LLM Legal Practice**

**LLM Legal Practice  
top-up**

**MA Transnational  
Organised Crime**

**PG Diploma in Legal  
Practice (LPC)**

**MPhil/PhD Law**

If you're looking to start or move forward your legal career, look no further than our postgraduate courses in Law. In our range of courses, you'll be readied for a future career in the courts by experienced practitioners who are committed to developing the next generation of lawyers, solicitors and barristers. Our courses are also recognised by the Law Society, giving you an extra advantage in a competitive jobs market.

- Have your skills and critical thinking tested in our mock courtroom
- Benefit from our connections with solicitors, barristers, businesses, government, and the NHS
- Build your knowledge in our dedicated modern libraries



**Our postgraduate  
courses are also  
recognised by the  
Law Society.**



## Mark Blackhurst

Staffordshire University alumni Mark Blackhurst used his LPC knowledge as a foundation to launch a digital business that now has offices in Australia. In fact, Mark's legal background enabled him to personally arrange work permits for his British staff down under.

"Launching Digital Next was only possible because of what I learned in law," he says. "I'd recommend law as a good base for anyone launching their own business. I still use what I learned at Staffordshire University and now we're upskilling our own staff with that knowledge – it's been invaluable."



# Psychology

---

**MSc Psychology (Conversion)**

**MSc Health Psychology**

**Professional Doctorate in  
Clinical Psychology**

**MSc Foundations of Clinical  
Psychology\***

**PG Diploma Cognitive  
Behavioural Therapy**

**University Certificate in  
Counselling**

**Introduction to Basic  
Counselling**

**MSc Psychotherapeutic  
Counselling**

**PG Diploma/Professional  
Diploma Psychotherapeutic  
Counselling**

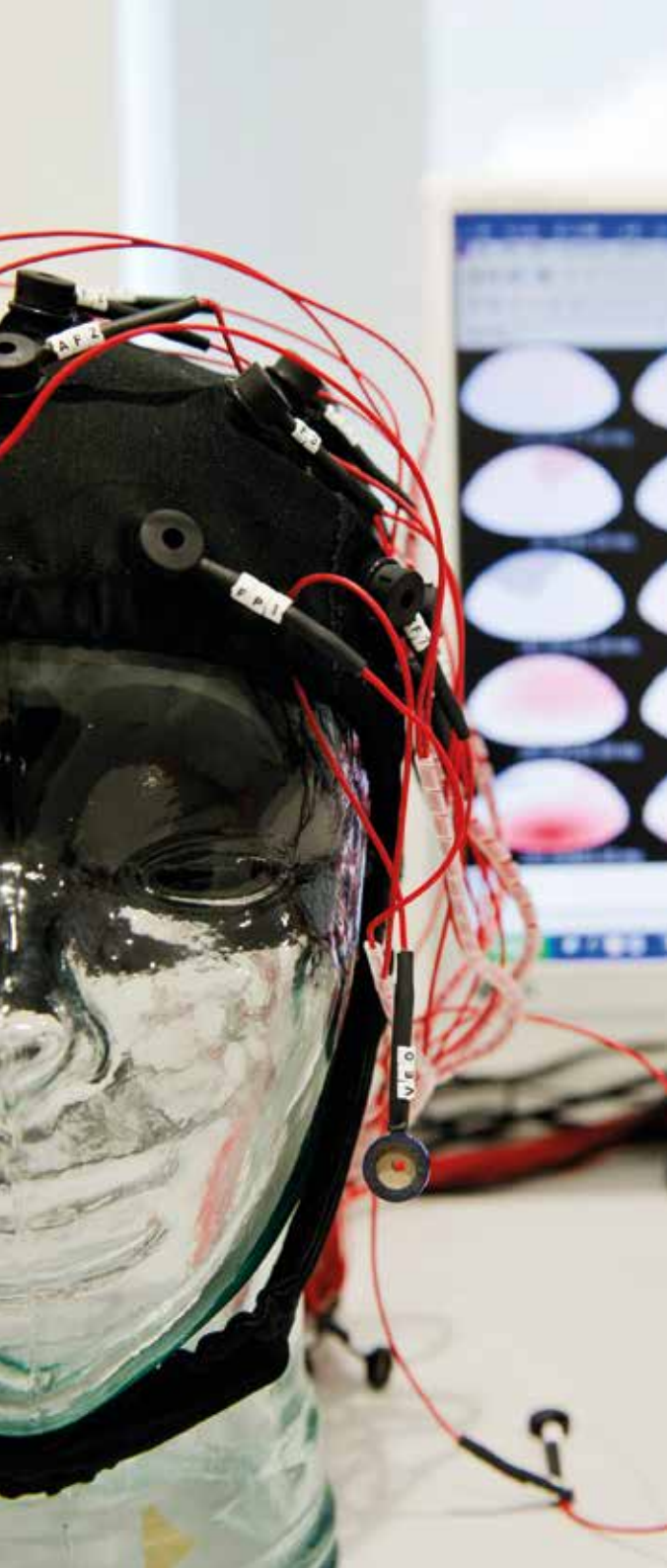
**MPhil/PhD Psychology**

Enrol on a postgraduate psychology programme at our School of Life Sciences and Education and you'll have the chance to benefit from our connections with key external partners across a range of flexible and applied courses. You'll also learn direct from internationally-recognised research staff, whose focus on your future employability could prove invaluable when you enter the jobs market.

- Learn in the first-class surroundings of our Science Centre
- Build your professional network with potential employers and key industry contacts through our established connections
- Enjoy exciting, interactive and digitally-supported learning opportunities on all courses

**You'll learn direct  
from internationally-  
recognised  
research staff.**







# Sociology, Criminology and Terrorism

---

**MA Terrorism, Crime  
and Global Security**

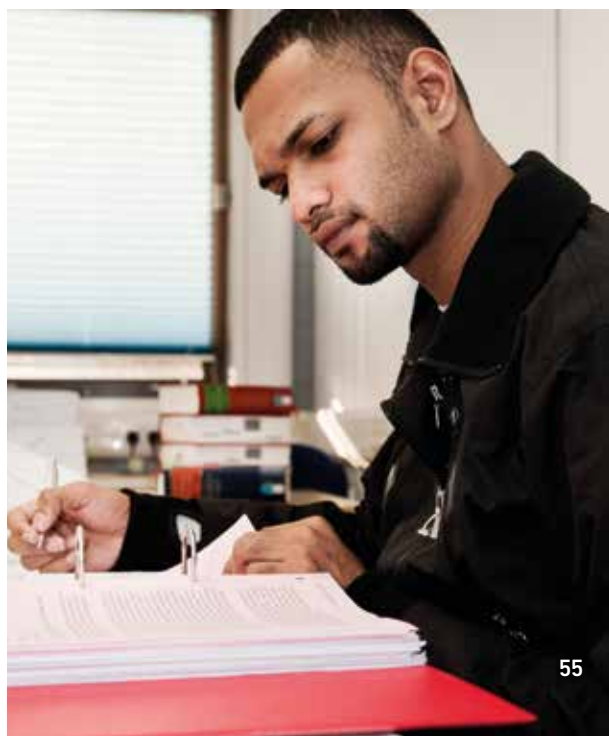
**MA Sociology**

**MA in Social and  
Cultural Theory**

Explore modern social issues in our Sociology, Criminology and Terrorism postgraduate courses. Here, you'll have the chance to explore a wide range of theoretical and critical ideas in relation to our contemporary cultural, political, and sociological experiences. Our experienced lecturers will guide you through a complex area of study with understanding and a consistent focus on your future employability.

- Learn direct from experienced staff through our distance learning programmes
- Balance your studies around your existing professional and personal commitments





# Sport and Exercise

---

**MSc Clinical Biomechanics**

**MSc Sport and Exercise Psychology**

**MSc Applied Sport and Exercise Psychology**

**MSc Applied Sport and Exercise Science**

**MA Applied Research**

**MSc Applied Research**

**MSc Sports Coaching**

**MPhil/PhD Sport Science**

**MPhil/PhD Sport and Exercise Psychology**

**Professional Doctorate in Healthcare Science\***

We also offer individual PG level modules in Sport and Exercise

In our Sports and Exercise postgraduate courses, you'll be surrounded by experts in advanced sports science, performance, and psychology. Your practical knowledge will also be enhanced by studying in our first-class facilities, including a muscle function laboratory, sports therapy treatment room, nutrition lab and a peak condition clinic.

- Choose from a range of full-time, part-time, on campus, blended learning and distance learning courses
- Benefit from our industry connections and professional partners to maximise your career prospects

**You'll be surrounded  
by experts in advanced  
sports science,  
performance,  
and psychology**





# How to apply

---

---

1.

**Find your course** – visit [staffs.ac.uk/postgraduate](https://staffs.ac.uk/postgraduate)

2. »»

**Check entry requirements**

\*\*top tip: You don't have to continue to study in your current subject area.

3. »»

**Check for a closing date.**

Remember, some intakes are available throughout the year.





# 4.

**Apply online at** [staffs.ac.uk](https://staffs.ac.uk) via the course pages.

# 5.

**Track your application.** You will be sent login details for our Applicant portal, e:Vision where you can view updates on your application and more.

## Current student?

You can skip the application process and depending on your chosen course, could get a guaranteed offer. Simply email [pgapply@staffs.ac.uk](mailto:pgapply@staffs.ac.uk) with your student number and chosen course.

## Looking to study a PGCE?

If you're looking to apply for teacher training then you will need to apply through the UCAS Teacher Training System [www.ucas.com/ucas/teacher-training](https://www.ucas.com/ucas/teacher-training)

## Enquiries

Our dedicated enquiry experts are on hand to guide you throughout the application process. We're here to help. Tel: +44 (0)1782 294400  
Email: [enquiries@staffs.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@staffs.ac.uk)  
Enquire online: [www.staffs.ac.uk/enquiries](https://www.staffs.ac.uk/enquiries)

For more detailed information on courses  
or studying at Staffordshire University visit:  
[www.staffs.ac.uk/postgraduate/](http://www.staffs.ac.uk/postgraduate/)

Find us on:



[www.staffs.ac.uk/socialmedia](http://www.staffs.ac.uk/socialmedia)

