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### Postgraduate Open Evenings

York St John University is full of people who love what they do and are passionate about education. We can't wait to meet you and show you why. These Open Evenings are designed especially for Postgraduate applicants and are a great opportunity to speak with our staff and students first-hand.

Check online to find out when our next Postgraduate Open Evening will be:  
[www.yorks.ac.uk/postgraduate](http://www.yorks.ac.uk/postgraduate)

### Campus Tours

Campus tours, led by a Student Ambassador, take place throughout the year. These last about an hour and are an opportunity to see our beautiful campus and get a feel for the University.

They usually run at 3pm on Wednesdays and 1pm on Thursdays and you will need to let us know you are coming by booking online at:  
[www.yorks.ac.uk/campustours](http://www.yorks.ac.uk/campustours)

### Mature learners' information sessions

These are informal evening sessions for those with questions about returning to learning after a long break from education. See **page 29** for more information.



# YORK ST JOHN UNIVERSITY

FOR ALMOST 200 YEARS YORK ST JOHN UNIVERSITY HAS BEEN TRANSFORMING LIVES THROUGH EDUCATION IN THE HEART OF THE HISTORIC CITY OF YORK.

Originally a renowned teacher training college, we are now a well-established university with a growing reputation for research and impact across a diverse portfolio of courses and an excellent reputation in our city and region as a partner, influencer and change-maker.

We are a different kind of university. Our mission is defined by opportunity, equality and fairness and our vision is to bring out the brilliance in every human. We value curiosity, generosity and intellectual rigour. We put people first. We offer inspiring learning, impactful research and strong support for your career - support that lasts a lifetime.

We give all of our Postgraduate students personal support and tailored tutoring, built around your unique interests and ideas. With us you are a name not a number. That means you will be taught in small groups and have access to the right expertise and resources to help you at every stage of your studies. Our faculty of enthusiastic academics are building a global reputation for the work they do and the difference they make - be part of it!

We are a partner of choice for an ever-expanding range of industry-leading businesses and organisations. This helps us to ensure our Postgraduate degrees are career-focused, practical, purposeful and principled - working in ways that help you get to where you want to be.

Our home, York, is one of the most inspiring cities in the UK; a place with an incredible history of pioneering new ideas. At the same time we are global in our outlook - our London campus gives you access to even more of the latest thinking and networks from around the world.

Providing enhanced opportunities for Postgraduate students is one of our biggest priorities. There has never been a more exciting time to choose Postgraduate study at York St John University.

**YORK ST JOHN  
HAS BEEN CHANGING  
LIVES THROUGH  
EDUCATION SINCE 1841**





# WHY CHOOSE POSTGRADUATE STUDY?

DISCOVER NEW THINKING, ENHANCE YOUR CAREER AND CHANGE YOUR FUTURE WITH A POSTGRADUATE DEGREE.

## 1. Stand out from the crowd

Far fewer people have Postgraduate degrees than Undergraduate qualifications. This really does give you something extra to make you stand out in the graduate job market. Your decision to continue your study to a higher level shows your willingness to think independently and go the extra mile to achieve your goals. These are very employable attributes.

## 2. Earn more throughout your career

Those with a Postgraduate qualification will earn an average of £6,000 a year more than those with only an Undergraduate degree\*. With the government now offering Postgraduate loans, these courses are a better investment than ever.

## 3. Share your passion

Postgraduate study is more specialised and more directed by your own interests than an Undergraduate degree. Delve deeper into what you feel passionate about and find your own niche. Contribute to the University's influential research programmes and be part of something bigger.



\*Department For Education Graduate Labour Market Report 2017



## 4. Learn new skills

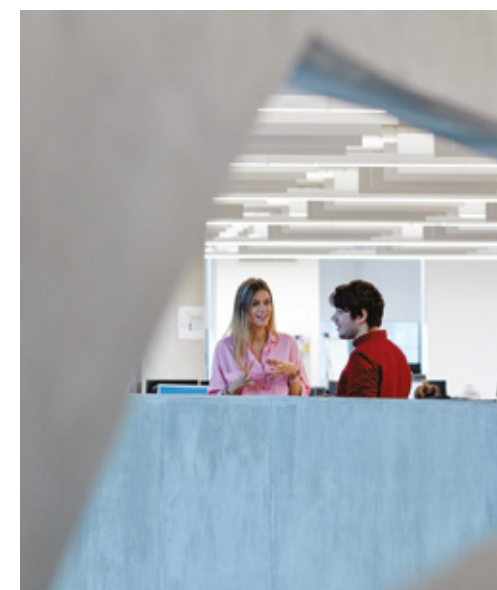
Improve your public speaking by presenting your work at our Postgraduate Research Conference. Teach Undergraduate students as part of your PhD programme. Gain project management skills by organising events within your school. Taking your learning to the next level gives you all kinds of new opportunities.

## 5. Build your professional network

From your lecturers, to visiting speakers, to fellow students, Postgraduate study is an opportunity to build connections in your industry or academic discipline.

## 6. Be at the cutting edge

Universities are places of discovery, debate and new ideas. We are the people looking to the future and innovating for a changing world. By joining our Postgraduate community, you too can be part of this.



# CHOOSE US BECAUSE...

GREAT REASONS TO MAKE YORK ST JOHN UNIVERSITY THE HOME OF YOUR POSTGRADUATE DEGREE.



“Studying at York St John University was a wonderful experience. It’s a very nurturing and supportive place. It has the feeling that no matter when you graduate you’re still part of the University, they’re still there for you.”

**NUALA ELLWOOD**  
CREATIVE WRITING MA  
PUBLISHED AUTHOR AND GUEST LECTURER

## 1. Student experience

Our Postgraduate community is growing and thriving. The 2018 national Postgraduate Research Experience Survey (PRES) ranked York St John University first in three categories, including overall student satisfaction.

## 2. Research that matters

Our research tackles real problems and has a positive impact on people’s lives. Find out more at [www.yorks.ac.uk/ourresearch](http://www.yorks.ac.uk/ourresearch)

## 3. Best place to live in Britain

In 2018 York was named as the best place to live in Britain by *The Sunday Times*. Our campus is at the heart of this friendly, historic city.

## 4. Flexible learning

We believe that education is for everybody. That’s why we work hard to make our Postgraduate courses accessible to you, whatever your circumstances. Find out more on [page 26](#).

## 5. With us it’s personal

We recognise that every learning journey is different. We get to know you as an individual and support you in achieving your personal goals.

## 6. Part of the community

From delivering theatre workshops in prisons to working with local sports teams, we give back to the city and the region we are proud to call home.

## 7. We share your ambition

We are not afraid to take bold decisions or face new challenges. We believe in our purpose, our people and we believe in you. Choosing Postgraduate study opens new doors in your life. We will be behind you every step of the way.

# BE PART OF OUR RESEARCH

OUR TEAM ARE HERE TO MAKE YOUR RESEARCH JOURNEY AT YORK ST JOHN UNIVERSITY AS ENJOYABLE AND STRAIGHTFORWARD AS POSSIBLE.

## Real-world impact

From supporting gender equality by challenging social stereotypes, to shining a light on environmental risks in Africa, exploring new ways to understand and support autistic children and highlighting the risks of teenage perfectionism - we ask vital contemporary questions and dig deeper to find solutions.

The University is home to a supportive, dynamic and rapidly growing research community. Whether you are undertaking a Research degree or writing your dissertation for a taught course, when you join us as a Postgraduate student you will become part of this thriving research culture.

## Students as Researchers

The Students as Researchers scheme is a paid opportunity to work alongside staff supervisors on exciting and varied research projects. This is a great way to develop your research experience while also building transferable skills such as teamwork, communication and workload planning. You can earn some extra money while making a valuable contribution to University research. Each year around 30 students work across approximately 25 staff projects. We provide networking events for Student Researchers and informal meet-ups to monitor progress.

The scheme culminates in a research showcase event towards the end of the academic year. Some of the participants in the scheme have their work published in respected academic journals and presented at external conferences.

## Research Centres

We have four active research centres within the University:

### York Centre for Writing

The centre acts as a hub for a number of exciting writing events, projects and publications in collaboration with Valley Press, The York Literature Festival, and other community partners.

### The Languages and Identities in InterAction Research Unit (LIIdIA)

LIIdIA is an interdisciplinary research unit based in the School of Languages & Linguistics. Its members explore the many ways in which language and individual and group identities interact in the construction and negotiation of socially-embedded meaning.

### The Centre for Religion in Society

The Centre for Religion in Society provides a forum where scholars from across the humanities and social sciences, as well as relevant practitioners and professionals, come together to look at the role of religion in the cultural, social and political life of society.

### The International Centre for Community Music

The International Centre for Community Music aims to provide a global forum through which community music research, teaching, scholarship, professional practice and pedagogy can be nurtured and developed.

Find out more about our research degrees on [page 36](#).

"We support the University's varied and vibrant research community by running events, conferences and competitions which are dedicated to Postgraduate Researchers. We can offer you the training you need, whether that means getting to grips with the writing process, learning how to structure a thesis, or tips on how to get involved in public engagement. It's our role to ensure that you feel part of the York St John University Family and help you to progress into an independent researcher."

ELIZABETH GOODWIN-ANDERSON  
HEAD OF THE RESEARCH OFFICE







“I want to try to understand more, to try to provide solutions, to provide some clinical implications of what my research might be. I really like to produce new knowledge, I want to contribute to this world, even just a little bit, by giving something, by helping people.”

**DR CHARIKLEIA SINANI**  
SENIOR LECTURER IN  
PHYSIOTHERAPY

“I like finding out about the world, the fact that you can have a question, really big important questions that you can debate with friends, and science gives you a method for testing that. It’s enthralling to ask questions of the world and get answers back from it.”

**DR DAVID ZENDLE**  
LECTURER IN COMPUTER SCIENCE



“For me studying film doesn’t work unless it’s connected to something else, something that fully explains where those films come from. I teach an independent cinema course, which is largely about putting those films into their true contexts - they are not just arty cinema that people make as passion projects, they come from a real living industry and I want my students to appreciate that.”

**DR STEVE RAWLE**  
LECTURER IN MEDIA PRODUCTION



“My research addresses the stigmatisation of English varieties that have emerged from non-traditional bases of English. We encounter prejudice and discrimination against those who do not use or cannot conform to the so-called ‘standard’ Englishes. I am working with colleagues to deliver public engagement events to broaden understandings around Global Englishes.”

**DR INDU VIBHA MEDDEGAMA**  
LECTURER IN APPLIED  
LINGUISTICS AND TESOL







# WELCOME TO YORK

YORK OFFERS EVERYTHING YOU COULD WANT FROM MODERN AND VIBRANT CITY LIVING WITH HISTORY AT ITS HEART.



# YORK LIFE

DISCOVER FOR YOURSELF WHY YORK IS SUCH A POPULAR PLACE TO VISIT AND TO CALL HOME. YORK HAS A DEEP AND RICH HERITAGE.



### City life

Our campus is in the heart of York, so the city is literally on your doorstep. With the oldest shopping street in Europe, all the coffee shops you could ever want, a pub for every day of the year, independent cinemas and festivals every month, we know you will love living here as much as we do.

### Location, location, location

York is perfectly placed within North Yorkshire, close to national parks, areas of outstanding natural beauty and dramatic coastline. It is also easy to get to bustling and exciting cities including Leeds, Manchester and Newcastle and you can be in London in just under two hours by train. So whether you're a city dweller or wild about the countryside, York has it all.

### Family-friendly

There are family-friendly events and attractions across the city and throughout the year. Children can enjoy picnics in Rowntree Park, days out at the National Railway Museum and meeting York's Viking residents at Jorvik Viking Centre.

### Find your perfect home

The majority of our Postgraduate students choose to live in privately rented accommodation in the city. With so many students living in York, there are plenty of options available. YorProperty is the local council's voluntary landlord accreditation scheme. The University supports this scheme, which helps to make sure that all of our students have access to a high standard of accommodation and are treated fairly by their landlords.

[www.yorproperty.co.uk](http://www.yorproperty.co.uk)

### University accommodation

Our University accommodation includes studio apartments and shared flats or houses. None of our sites are more than 20 minutes' walk from campus and all of them have WiFi access. Whilst most of this accommodation is rented by Undergraduate students, you can also apply for a place. Please be aware that we cannot guarantee that you would be sharing exclusively with other Postgraduate students.

[www.yorks.ac.uk/accommodation](http://www.yorks.ac.uk/accommodation)

### Commuting as a student

Not every Postgraduate student moves away to study. For you it might make more sense to stay where you are and commute to us. You probably won't be the only one on your course doing this and it shouldn't stop you getting the most out of campus life. It is easy to get to York with frequent train and bus links from across the region. If you are in full-time study you are eligible for a student railcard at any age, giving you a third off all rail travel. York's Park & Ride service also means you can avoid city-centre traffic if you choose to drive to York.





# CAMPUS LIFE

STUDENTS STUDY FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD AND ALL WALKS OF LIFE ON OUR POSTGRADUATE COURSES AND STARTING A NEW COURSE IS A GREAT CHANCE TO MEET A NEW GROUP OF PEOPLE.



### Your Students' Union

Our dedicated Students' Union (SU) building is a real hub for life on campus, housing a bar and a cosy café. This is a space to socialise, relax and be heard.

The SU is run by students, for students, and we have a full-time officer who is dedicated to representing our Postgraduate community. They focus on issues which may affect you, liaising with the Presidents and appropriate faculty members to ensure the Postgraduate student voice is always heard and considered. The Students' Union has a commitment to communication, with opportunities throughout the year to provide feedback and open space events where you can have your say.

[www.ysjsu.com](http://www.ysjsu.com)

### Clubs and societies

With over 60 sports clubs and societies to join you can be sure to find something to suit your interests, and all of them are open to Postgraduate students. Our current societies and clubs include Student Minds, Veggie Society, Musical Production Society, Snow Sports, Ultimate Frisbee and Mountaineering. Joining a club or society offers you a fantastic way to meet new people, learn something new or discover a new hobby. If there is something you think is missing, all you need is five like-minded individuals to start up your own society.

OVER 60  
SPORTS CLUBS  
AND SOCIETIES





# LONDON CALLING

THE GLASSHOUSE, OUR NEW LONDON CAMPUS, IS AT THE HEART OF THE CAPITAL'S BUSINESS ENTERPRISE AND CREATIVE CENTRE.

## Life in the capital

With excellent transport links and within moments of the world-famous Barbican Centre, our new campus is based at the very heart of London's creative, technology and business creation ecosystem. Our London campus is home to a suite of contemporary courses designed to nurture the creative and business pioneers of the future.

A base in London means we can work with even more of the biggest brands in the world, accessing opportunities and experts that inspire. Our campus is based within a few minutes of major offices for Google, Amazon, Alexander McQueen, Virgin Active and over 100 other leading companies.

## York Business School in London

York Business School has created a dynamic, contemporary and exciting home for learning in London that will take you to the very heart of current business thinking. We will introduce you to the latest developments in business innovation, development and growth.

Developed collaboratively with the support of industry experts, our new portfolio of MSc courses, plus our MBA and Degree Apprenticeships, are fresh, distinctive, cutting-edge and career-relevant. Each course focuses on vibrant and vital subject areas and enables you to develop career-enhancing knowledge, skills and expertise.

## Available from February 2019

The London MBA  
The Executive MBA (Degree Apprenticeship)  
Design Business Creation MSc  
Fashion & Luxury Business Creation MSc  
Fashion & Luxury Marketing MSc  
Fitness Business Creation MSc

Find out more about these courses on [pages 72-77](#).

## Available from October 2019

### Computer Science

Computer Science MSc\*  
Cyber Security MSc\*

### Design

Experience Design MSc\*  
Visual Brand Communication MSc\*

### Marketing

Branding & Psychology MSc\*

The London MBA, Computer Science MSc and Cyber Security MSc can be studied either over one year or over two with a full year's placement. All other courses can be studied over one year or 18 months with a six month placement.

[www.ysulondon.ac.uk](http://www.ysulondon.ac.uk)

\*Subject to final approval





# GRADUATE IN YORK MINSTER

GRADUATING FROM YOUR POSTGRADUATE DEGREE IS A HUGE ACHIEVEMENT. WE CELEBRATE YOUR HARD WORK WITH CEREMONIES IN YORK MINSTER.

### A Graduation ceremony to remember

York Minster is one of the biggest visitor attractions in the north of England, but for three days in November this atmospheric site is dedicated to you and your success. Friends, family and the staff who have supported you through your studies come together to share in the celebration. We also award honorary degrees to public figures whose achievements we want to recognise. In the last few years our graduates have shared their ceremonies with influential business people, presenters, actors, Olympians and scientists who continue to work with us as part of the York St John family.

### A lifelong community

Our students go on to achieve amazing things. Graduation isn't goodbye - as a York St John University graduate you will be part of a global

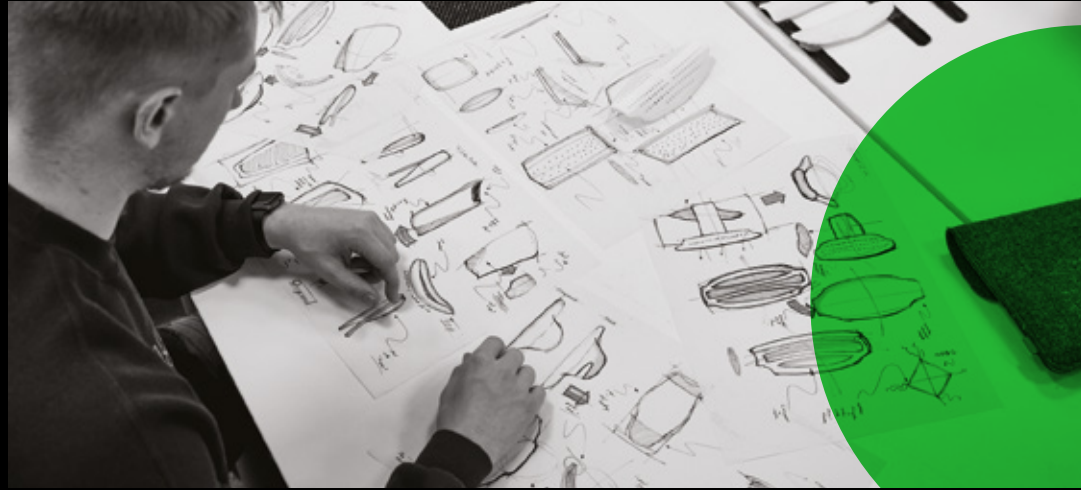
community of alumni throughout your life. Alumni all over the world and in a huge range of industries are proud to say they are part of the York St John family. Many of them keep us updated with their successes and stories. You can read some of them on our Alumni Blog: [www.yorks.ac.uk/alumni](http://www.yorks.ac.uk/alumni)

### We're with you all the way

You can continue to use our careers service after you graduate and whenever you need it. The skills, knowledge and connections you build with us will be powerful tools to shape your future, and so will our supportive community. Find out more about careers and employability on [page 25](http://www.yorks.ac.uk/careers). [www.yorks.ac.uk/careers](http://www.yorks.ac.uk/careers)







**LAUNCHPAD: OUR  
NEW CAREERS  
SERVICE**



# FUTURE-READY

THE WORLD IS CHANGING FAST. THE CHALLENGES WE FACE, THE LIFESTYLES WE CHOOSE TO LEAD AND THE TECHNOLOGY AVAILABLE TO US ALL POSE BIG QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT THINGS WILL BE LIKE IN THE FUTURE. HOW READY DO YOU FEEL FOR WHAT COMES NEXT?

Ask those big questions and find out what the answers mean to you – whether it's the job you want to do and how that job might develop in the future, the local and global issues you choose to stand up for, or the type of life you want to lead and your impact on the wider world. As old rules and ideas fall away, how will you shape what takes their place?

We help you feel future-ready. We give you the support and the opportunities to explore what comes after your Postgraduate degree, so you can see the wider picture and work out what it means to you, gaining experiences and introducing ideas that give you the confidence to succeed on your own terms.

**A personal career path tailored to you**  
LaunchPad are the Team dedicated to helping you feel clear about your career. Their support is available when you study at York St John University and after you leave. They offer everything you need to kick-start your career. From employer events, to LinkedIn and CV sessions, advice on further study, volunteering, work experience opportunities and placements.

The Team understand how the workplace is changing and create initiatives to meet your needs. The Grad2Director programme offers online development, expert one-to-one coaching and business start-up funding so that you can launch your own business, as many of our recent graduates have.

Every person's career path is unique, and LaunchPad treats you as an individual. We can create an individual employability journey for every student,

tailored to your personal skills and aspirations.

A selection of bursaries are available to contribute towards travel and accommodation expenses for you to undertake work experience in London or internationally.

[www.yorksj.ac.uk/careers](http://www.yorksj.ac.uk/careers)

"Careers services are evolving. There's a real need to be agile and fast-paced and create an environment that's business-focused, yet supportive and understanding."

**EMMA VINCENT  
HEAD OF STUDENT  
OPPORTUNITIES**



# FLEXIBLE STUDY

**A POSTGRADUATE QUALIFICATION TAKES A LOT OF EFFORT AND DEDICATION WHATEVER YOUR CIRCUMSTANCES, BUT WE DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO KEEP YOUR LEARNING FLEXIBLE AND MAKE IT WORK FOR YOU.**

We know that Postgraduate students often have jobs, young families or other commitments to juggle alongside their study.

Flexible part-time options are available for the majority of our courses (an MA or MSc course will usually take two years to complete if you choose this route). Even as a full-time student, a lot of our Postgraduate teaching takes place on evenings and you may only be on campus a few times a week. This leaves you free to fit in the independent study needed for your course whenever works best for you. Some of our Postgraduate courses run exclusively on weekends and evenings, making them ideal to study alongside full-time work.

For more details about the teaching hours of the course you are interested in, take a look at the relevant course page on our website.  
[www.yorks.ac.uk/postgraduate](http://www.yorks.ac.uk/postgraduate)

Our library in Fountains Learning Centre is open 24 hours a day during term time, so if late nights or early mornings work best for you there is nothing stopping you accessing study materials, making use of our computer software or just finding a quiet place to work whatever the hour. When you're working off-campus you will have access to a huge range of online resources to help you. Course leaders share essential reading on online learning platforms like e:Vision and Moodle, so you can access them wherever you need them.

Our friendly Student Support Teams are very experienced in addressing the needs of our Postgraduate students. If you have concerns about your workload, or want some advice about managing your time, they will be happy to speak to you. Find out more about our Student Support Services on **page 30**.

It may feel challenging at times, but the ability to successfully manage your workload despite conflicting demands will not go unnoticed by future employers. Take pride in the valuable time-management and prioritisation skills needed to fit studying into a busy lifestyle – it makes your achievement even more impressive on graduation.

**PART-TIME OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE FOR ALMOST ALL OF OUR POSTGRADUATE COURSES.**





“When I lost my husband to cancer two-and-a-half years ago I thought ‘life is short’ and I wanted to pursue a lifelong interest. I am finding it challenging but rewarding studying at 53 years of age. Classroom dynamics are friendly and accepting and I feel very much part of my group. I have been active in the Students’ Union, particularly in forming our Mature Student Society. I have also found Student Support invaluable for ironing out academic concerns and supporting my written work.”

**TRACY BARON**  
FINE ART MA



# RETURNING TO LEARNING

**NO TWO PEOPLE’S JOURNEYS THROUGH THEIR LIFE, CAREER OR UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCE ARE THE SAME. EDUCATION TRANSFORMS LIVES, WHATEVER STAGE OF YOUR LIFE AND CAREER YOU COME TO IT.**

Those who choose to study later in their career are making a decisive, bold choice to take on a new challenge and change their lives. We share your ambition and will do everything we can to make it happen.

It’s never too late to learn something new, embrace new ideas and reach your full potential. While plenty of applicants come to us straight from their Undergraduate study, many have spent some years in the world of work, gaining valuable skills and knowledge. We see this diversity of experience as a great asset to our University.

We are a learning community which celebrates debate and collaboration. Our mature learners add to this conversation by bringing different ideas, different perspectives and different skills to those just starting their careers. Our students and staff come from all over the world and all walks of life, and this makes York St John University an exciting place to learn, grow and challenge your ideas.

York St John University is proud to be in the Top 10 UK universities for giving equal access to students from all backgrounds\*. We encourage many who may never have expected to come to university to give higher education a go. Do not worry if you have not studied for a long time or feel your study skills need some improvement – extensive support is available to help you build confidence and feel prepared to take on the new challenge of Postgraduate study.

\*(Higher Education Policy Institute (HEPI) analysis 2018).

## Talk to us

Our Admissions Team are experienced in helping those whose qualifications don’t fit neatly with our usual entry requirements. They will be happy to talk to you about what you have to offer and the flexible options which might be available to you.

**E: [admissions@yorks.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@yorks.ac.uk)**  
**T: 01904 876598**

## Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL)

Our APEL programme is a way of officially recognising the knowledge and skills you have built through work. It is an opportunity to reflect on your work-based learning and apply it to your studies with us. It is one of the ways we acknowledge that traditional qualifications are not the only kind of learning that matters.

## Meet us

Mature learners are very welcome at our Postgraduate Open Evenings or Campus Tours (see **page 3** for details). You can also come to a Mature Learners’ Information Session. These are evening sessions which run twice a month. They are an opportunity to speak to us, have your questions answered and meet current mature students. For dates and to book a place visit:

**[www.yorks.ac.uk/mature-learners](http://www.yorks.ac.uk/mature-learners)**

For more information and advice email:  
**[studentrecruitment@yorks.ac.uk](mailto:studentrecruitment@yorks.ac.uk)**

# SUPPORTING YOU

**FROM THE TIME YOU JOIN US THROUGH TO GRADUATION, STUDYING CAN BE A JOURNEY FULL OF UPS AND DOWNS. WE'RE HERE FOR YOU EVERY STEP OF THE WAY WITH A RANGE OF PROFESSIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES OFFERING PERSONALISED, PRACTICAL HELP NO MATTER WHAT.**

## Holgate Student Centre

The Holgate Student Centre is the hub of our student support network. No matter what course or level you study at, this is where you can access all of our expert teams for advice, guidance, or just to find someone to talk to. The Student Information Desk should be your first stop for any questions you have about your student experience. There you will find our friendly team of Student Advisors who are on hand to help five days a week.

Student Advisors attend regular training to keep up-to-date with all issues relating to university life. If they can't answer your query they will know someone who can – referring you on to one of our specialist teams, another department in the University or an external agency.



**HOLGATE  
STUDENT  
CENTRE**



“Coming to university presents challenges for students, above and beyond the academic challenge. Student support services provide a vital additional support for students so that they can succeed at university. Working with colleagues from across the University we take a proactive, empowering approach, providing students with additional skills and opportunities to help them be the best they can be.”

**NIC STREATFIELD  
HEAD OF STUDENT SERVICES**





**Academic support**

Moving from Undergraduate to Postgraduate study means taking a step up in your academic work. If you think you may need to refine your writing, presenting or reporting skills to make this leap then our Study Development Team are here to help. They deliver workshops and short courses as well as one-to-one support to help you adapt to Postgraduate level study.

We also have a Student Success & Engagement Team who support groups with specific needs, such as student carers, mature students and international students. Pre-arrival support, peer support groups and skills development opportunities are all accessible through this team.



**FOUNTAINS  
LEARNING  
CENTRE**



**THE STUDENT  
INFORMATION  
DESK**

**Health and wellbeing**

Being healthy, happy and accepted is key to being successful at university. We run Wellbeing activities throughout the year to encourage students to find happier, healthier and more fulfilling ways to make the most of their student experience at all levels of study.

The **Wellbeing Team** are psychological professionals who provide free, confidential counselling, welfare advice and mental health support to all students. They host daily drop-ins and provide the Wellbeing Zone, our online resource which you can sign up to and access self-help materials and additional support.

We also offer spiritual care to students from all beliefs and of no faith through our **Chaplaincy**. The University's chapel was recently extended to provide a better service to students and you can now find a prayer room, quiet place, chapel and peace garden there. The Chaplaincy Service offer a non-judgemental and confidential listening ear service for all, so if you ever need someone to talk to you know there is someone here who will listen.

On campus you will also find our **Health Centre** which provides primary health services including GP surgeries and nurse-led clinics to support a healthier, happier you.

**Disability advice**

We offer a range of services to students with disabilities or long-term health conditions. Every student's requirements will be different so if you need advice please get in touch as soon as possible. If you think you may need specialist support whilst at university then we would recommend visiting us if you can so that we can discuss your needs and what we can offer. See **page 3** for more information about visiting the campus.

We also offer screening for specific learning difficulties and can help arrange an educational psychologist's assessment should you require one. If you are diagnosed with a specific learning difficulty there is a wide range of support for you to take advantage of including specialist tutors, mentoring and assistive technology software.



# THE PATH TO POSTGRADUATE STUDY

## TAUGHT DEGREES

### 1. FIND YOUR COURSE

Postgraduate courses are usually more specialised than Undergraduate degrees, so it's worth looking around to find the one which best fits your interests. Our taught Postgraduate courses are listed on pages 37 to 79.

## RESEARCH DEGREES

### 1. FIND YOUR SPECIALISM

You will need to find a topic which fascinates you enough to study it long-term, and which can be supervised by a member of our academic staff with expertise in the same area. You can find a list of research interests we can support and look for the right supervisor on our website. Find out more about the Research degrees we offer on page 36.

[www.yorksj.ac.uk/researchsupervision](http://www.yorksj.ac.uk/researchsupervision)



### 2. Come and see us for yourself

If you have not studied with us before we recommend that you come and visit us on an Open Evening or Campus Tour to meet us in person and see our beautiful campus. Find out more about these events on page 3.

### 3. Apply online

Unlike with Undergraduate degrees, we accept applications directly through our own website rather than through a central system. You will find an application link on each of our course pages. Depending on your course you may be invited to interview, or we may make a decision based on your application alone.

### 4. Accept your place

You will receive your decision from the Admissions Team by email. Acceptance emails include a reply slip which you can send back to us either by email or by post to confirm your place.

### 5. Congratulations! You're in!

We will send you everything you need before you arrive by post and email, so make sure you have given us permission to contact you.

For more information about the admissions process contact:

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# RESEARCH DEGREES

**A RESEARCH DEGREE IS YOUR CHANCE TO FIND YOUR SPECIALISM AND ESTABLISH YOURSELF AS AN EXPERT IN YOUR FIELD. IF YOU HAVE AN IDEA FOR A NEW PROJECT, HAVE THE PASSION AND DEDICATION TO EXPLORE IT IN DEPTH, AND WANT TO MAKE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE WORLD THROUGH YOUR RESEARCH, WE WANT TO WORK WITH YOU.**

Our small but ambitious research community spans all of our schools and covers a huge range of specialisms. By joining this growing community you will be introduced to all kinds of new opportunities.

Gain teaching experience while you study. Aim high and work to get your findings published in respected journals. Increase your skills through our Research Skills Development Programme and Writing Retreats. Build your network and engage in our culture of collaborative working at our multi-disciplinary Graduate Centre. Present your work at our Postgraduate Research Conference. Make connections with businesses and organisations in the city.

You will leave us with a highly respected qualification, a wealth of impressive experience and a lifelong connection to the University.

**THE 2018 POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH EXPERIENCE SURVEY (PRES) RANKED YORK ST JOHN UNIVERSITY FIRST IN THREE CATEGORIES, INCLUDING OVERALL STUDENT SATISFACTION.**

## RESEARCH DEGREE COURSES

### Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

This is the highest level of qualification we award. It demonstrates a real dedication to your topic, which you will research over three to six years. Your research will culminate in a 100,000 word thesis.

### Practice-led Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)

A Practice-led PhD combines research with creativity. Your ideas will grow from your creative practice. You will produce both a written thesis of 25,000 to 50,000 words and a practical piece, which could be a performance, exhibition, composition or piece of creative writing.

### Masters by Research (MA or MSc)

A Masters by Research also involves independent study, but it is shorter than a PhD. It is usually studied over a single year full-time and you will produce a 30,000 word thesis.

### Master of Philosophy (MPhil)

An MPhil is a two year full-time or four year part-time programme of research and culminates in a research thesis of between 20,000 and 30,000 words.

### Professional Doctorate (Prof Doc)

Professional doctorates allow you to carry out research which will benefit your professional practice. We offer Professional Doctorates in Education (EdD), Ministry (DMin), Religion (DRel), Applied Linguistics (DAppLing) and Counselling Psychology (DCounPsy).

“I never pictured myself doing a PhD, but when I became aware of a funded opportunity to undertake practice-based research into storytelling with adolescents at York St John University, I felt this was a path I needed to explore. I am still very much an arts practitioner, but one with research and enquiry woven into all I do, and expanded networks to work within.”

**CATH HEINEMEYER**  
PRACTICE-LED PHD IN THE SCHOOL OF PERFORMANCE & MEDIA PRODUCTION







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# SCHOOL OF ART & DESIGN

## COURSES

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 Fine Art MA  
 Illustration MA  
 Photography MA  
 Virtual & Augmented Reality MA  
 Visual Communication MA

## ART AND DESIGN END OF YEAR SHOW



# BOLD. BRAVE. FEARLESS. MAKERS.

“I specialise in ceramics, but I wanted to study for an MA so that I could expand my skills base and explore new techniques and concepts in art. Through the course I’ve had new opportunities to exhibit my work, to enter prizes and to gain experience in different fields. I’ve gained confidence in public speaking and presentation and had the chance to delve into the history of art, philosophy, material processes and all sorts of other unexpected things - I am really enjoying the challenge!”

**FRANCESCA KING**  
 FINE ART MA





## 3D DESIGN & TECHNOLOGIES

### MSc

Develop your technical skills and apply your creative flair on our 3D Design & Technologies MSc. On this course you will be able to design and make using a variety of real and virtual processes. You will explore mediums such as digital craft and 3D modelling, analysing how smart technologies are changing the way we use space and interact with our surroundings. You will create digital experiences with the help of our industry partners.

York Business School will deliver bespoke modules on starting your own business – giving you the skills to thrive if you plan on working as a freelancer in the future.

Develop both analytical and practical skills to enable you to explore and articulate your creative thinking for new and innovative outcomes. We will investigate how new technologies are shaping the industry today.

## FINE ART

### MA

Develop a deeper knowledge of your fine art practice and identify, develop and professionalise your particular approach. Whether you have just finished an Undergraduate programme or are returning to learning, this programme will allow you to develop as an artist.

As a student on our Fine Art MA you will benefit from a range of taught sessions, tutorials, critiques, live projects, field trips and participatory events. You will be supported to work independently to explore your own potential, focusing on practices that are directly relevant to your interests. We encourage you to think globally, produce work of a high quality and develop your professional networks, joining a supportive community of artists working at different levels in related disciplines. Build on your knowledge of fine art practice through both material thinking and critical theory in order to underpin your studio practice and situate your work in professional and scholarly fields.

## VIRTUAL & AUGMENTED REALITY

### MA

This is a new and exciting programme which allows you to creatively express your ideas using digital applications in both virtual and augmented reality technologies. The rapidly growing industry allows creative practitioners from a variety of fields (including animation, filmmaking, art, computer science and games design) to become innovators in designing new virtual and augmented experiences.

This course will introduce you to bespoke methods for designing digital experiences with the support of our industry partners. You will develop both analytical and practical skills in digital design to enable you to explore and articulate your creative thinking for new and innovative outcomes. York Business School will also deliver bespoke modules to help you to set up a start-up company.

This course will equip you with a broad range of skills by exploring a number of media platforms using both wearable and handheld devices to conceptualise new digital experiences.

## VISUAL COMMUNICATION

### MA

From street signs to computer games, newspapers to packaging, we encounter visual forms of communication every moment of our lives. Our Visual Communication MA is designed to help you develop your creative, imaginative and technical skills as a creative professional.

You will explore a range of different media in the fields of graphic design, branding, illustration, moving imagery, virtual and augmented reality, and create a unique portfolio of work informed by your research and practice.

Our course draws on expertise from across the University to deliver modules on a range of topics, including some on setting up and managing your own business. You will develop analytical and practical skills to help you develop, test and deliver exciting design solutions to a range of communication challenges. We will equip you with a range of skills to help you express your own identity and visually communicate your ideas in a professional manner.

## ILLUSTRATION

### MA

Inspiring illustration tells stories, communicates messages and enriches ideas. It is a universal language that has a diverse range of practices. Our Illustration course will expand your practice, develop your expertise and professionalise your skills.

Join our experienced creative community and immerse yourself in the subject. The course will support you to become a versatile, creative professional illustrator whilst also helping you to develop your specialisms and underpin your individual approach.

Explore working with different materials, researching a diverse range of contemporary practices and deepening your studio experience, as well as developing live projects.

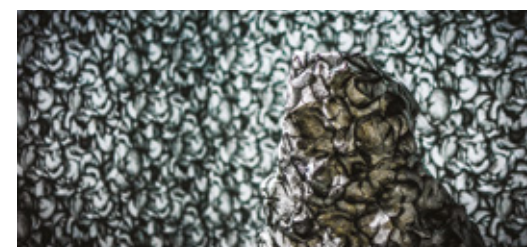
Through a combination of taught sessions, tutorials, critiques, live projects, events and field trips you will be supported to realise your own potential. Your artistic practice will be strengthened with integrated theoretical and critical thinking studies so that you can demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of your subject.

## PHOTOGRAPHY

### MA

Professionalise your practice as you explore new possibilities and applications for your work within the contemporary visual arts landscape. Our Photography MA is a chance to develop through sustained engagement with the photographic medium and the wider professional industry. Whether your focus is digital or traditional photography, you will develop extensive subject-specific knowledge, relevant to a range of professional and research-based career directions.

This MA is primarily practice-led, encouraging you to expand and consolidate your interests to inform your aesthetic decision making. This is underpinned by rigorous studio-based engagement, informed by specialist visual arts research and facilitated by industry-standard technology. Emphasis is placed on working with external professional partners and interdisciplinary research collaborations, promoting the already established research culture in the School of Art & Design.





# SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Education MA  
 Education: Early Childhood MA  
 Educational Leadership & Management MA  
 Education: Mentoring MA  
 Education: Post-compulsory Education MA  
 Education: Research-engaged Setting MA  
 Professional Doctorate in Education EdD  
 Social Sector MA\*  
 Special Educational Needs & Inclusion MA

## INITIAL TEACHER EDUCATION

Primary PGCE (School-centred)  
 Primary PGCE (University-centred)  
 Secondary PGCE (School-centred, various subjects available)  
 Secondary Religious Education PGCE (University-centred)  
 Special Educational Needs Coordinators: Leading Effective  
 Inclusive Practice in SEN PGCE (National Award)

\*Subject to final approval



# EMPOWERING. INCLUSIVE. DEDICATED. TRANSFORMATIVE.

“As York St John has a long history of delivering education courses, I felt confident that it was the right place to continue my academic career and I was right - graduating in the Minster with a Distinction is my greatest achievement yet! The creative nature and flexibility of and the programme enables you to explore the aspects of education that interest you the most, whilst developing an in-depth understanding of the theories and policies that underpin them.”

**KATHERINE PARSONS**  
 EDUCATION MA



## EDUCATION

### MA

Our Education MA explores links between theory, policy and practice at global, national and local levels. The programme typically draws students from a wide spectrum of educational backgrounds and specialisms. Learning is collaborative and expressly focuses on current issues and debates.

Through the experience of our academic tutors you will be guided to develop a critical perspective and orientation to research and to apply this rigorously to your own work. One of our key aims is to develop you as a self-directed, independent learner and researcher.

Whether you work in primary, secondary, further or higher education, in an educational role in museums or libraries, or alternatively aspire to work in education in the future, this qualification will boost your career prospects while building valuable knowledge and understanding of the discipline.

**OUR SUITE OF EDUCATION MA COURSES ARE TAUGHT ON WEEKENDS AND EVENINGS. ONLINE LEARNING WILL BE ESSENTIAL TO YOUR COURSE AND PART-TIME STUDY OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE. THIS FLEXIBILITY MEANS THAT MANY OF OUR STUDENTS STUDY ALONGSIDE WORK.**

## EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT

### MA

Develop your skills in leading, managing, instigating change and developing positive relationships. This course will both enhance your own employability and help you contribute to educational improvement in the workplace.

This MA is designed to reflect the changing leadership needs of schools and other educational settings. The programme's learning outcomes and modules are aligned with the National Standards of Excellence for Headteachers (DFE 2015) and designed for students and professionals who want to further their personal and professional development in a way which is relevant and applicable to the education sector.

This programme engages you with legislative, practical and theoretical aspects of school leadership and management, helping you develop an understanding of key issues in this area.

## PROFESSIONAL DOCTORATE IN EDUCATION

### EdD

This doctoral qualification allows you to research particular aspects of your professional practice and to develop the research knowledge and skills that will enable to assume a leadership role in your professional context. We encourage you to draw on a range of theories to explore topics and complete research that will influence professional practice, and conceptions of practice, within your immediate context and beyond.

An unusual feature of this Professional Doctorate is that the taught modules are shared with professionals from various backgrounds. This brings out the common features of the issues faced by professionals who are embarking on doctoral-level research, and where influencing professional practice is the ultimate aim. You will see how broad theoretical ideas can be applied to different specific contexts.

## THE FOLLOWING FOUR PROGRAMMES SHARE THE STRUCTURE AND ALL THE ESSENTIAL FEATURES OF THE MA EDUCATION COURSE, BUT WITH THEIR OWN SPECIALIST FOCUS.

### EDUCATION: EARLY CHILDHOOD

#### MA

If you have a desire to investigate education with a focus on the early years then the Early Childhood MA will be an excellent choice. Our programme offers the opportunity to join with others in discussion and collaborative learning while being taught and supported by a team of expert researchers.

### EDUCATION: MENTORING

#### MA

If you are interested in the role that mentoring plays within education then the Mentoring MA specialism is for you. Join our highly skilled team of active researchers and explore the latest discourse and themes in contemporary education. On completion you will have gained extensive experience, along with key critical insights, that allow you to pursue a career in education and mentoring.

### EDUCATION: POST-COMPULSORY EDUCATION

#### MA

This strand of the programme has a particular focus on the issues and contemporary challenges facing post-compulsory education. We encourage collaborative study and engage with a wide range of issues spanning the education, social and public sectors.

### EDUCATION: RESEARCH-ENGAGED SETTING

#### MA

This programme offers you an exciting opportunity to engage with current issues and consider education both generally and distinctively within a research-engaged setting. Throughout the course you will develop your knowledge based on a wide range of critical perspectives and will be supported by experienced researchers in examining your particular interests and context.

### SOCIAL SECTOR\*

#### MA

Gain the skills and academic expertise needed for leadership across a wide range of working contexts supporting children and families. Engage in the theory and practice of leadership with colleagues and peers from youth justice, community development, education and social care whilst working towards a respected Postgraduate qualification. The innovative mix of accredited, work-based and research pathways will significantly broaden your career options.

The course reflects the needs of a modern workforce, focusing on evidence-based practice. You will enhance and develop skills that are valued by employers and organisations, such as strategic thinking, problem-solving and professional leadership. You will learn by co-constructing knowledge, exploring both theoretical perspectives and contemporary practice through collaborative dialogue with tutors, peers and professional colleagues.

\*Subject to final approval

### SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS & INCLUSION

#### MA

The UK is in need of highly skilled practitioners with knowledge of issues relating to children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEN/D). This programme will qualify you to become one of these much needed practitioners.

The course will support you in developing existing knowledge and understanding of concepts, national policies and practices surrounding SEN/D, as well as ways in which these can be applied to a range of contexts. Whatever your current role within educational practice, the programme will provide an opportunity to build your knowledge of theoretical frameworks by studying an exciting range of innovative modules.

We have designed the programme with the flexibility to integrate a variety of learning opportunities which could be work-based and specific to your individual context and background. For example, the programme provides a clear progression for SEN-coordinators (SENCOs) who may have previously completed a Postgraduate Certificate Award.



## PRIMARY PGCE

School-centered  
University-centered

Whichever route you choose, our Primary PGCE provides you with the skills, understanding and professional knowledge you need to succeed as a teacher. We are committed to preparing outstanding teachers through inspiring training. Partnership is at the heart of all of our PGCE programmes. We have successfully developed a diverse and vibrant community of professionals who support our trainee teachers in all aspects of their learning.

Your professional development will be underpinned throughout the course by essential theoretical knowledge. You will assess current research and developments at local, national and international levels, critically engaging with the educational issues which will shape your teaching practice.

Gain a thorough understanding of the current primary and early years curriculum, including core and foundation subjects. We also emphasise the importance of meeting the individual needs of children from diverse backgrounds. This includes

learning about the impact of ethnicity, the challenges raised by teaching those with English as an Additional Language (EAL) and the needs of children with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEN/D).

On graduation you will be qualified to teach the full 3-11 age range, but you will have a specialism in either lower or upper primary. There are two routes through your Primary PGCE, both of which lead to Qualified Teacher Status:

### School-centred

On this route you will be assigned to one of our Teaching School Alliance partners and the majority of your time will be spent at school. You will be fully immersed in your placement from the start and your academic learning will take place both at university and within the teaching school.

### University-centred

This option means spending two-thirds of your PGCE year on school placements and one third of your time studying at university. You will take on 120 days of school-based training over the course of the year. This can also include experiential placements in settings such as playgroups or nurseries.

### School-centred

Choosing to study through a school-centred pathway means you will be immersed in your placements from the start. Most of your learning takes place at your placement school, with time out each week for academic sessions.

A full list of the subjects you can study with us through this route is available online.  
[www.yorks.ac.uk/pgcesubjects](http://www.yorks.ac.uk/pgcesubjects)

### University-centred (Religious Education)

This route, which is currently only available for the Religious Education subject specialism, means spending more time in academic sessions based at the University compared to the school-centred option. You will still have plenty of opportunity to build your teaching experience with school placements throughout the year.

## SECONDARY PGCE

School-centred  
University-centred (Religious Education)

York St John University's Initial Teacher Education Partnership prepares outstanding teachers who are committed to supporting pupil progress through inspiring training in creative school partnerships. You will experience a high quality, relevant programme of training, equipping you with the professional knowledge, understanding, skills and attributes you need to succeed in teaching. Our Schools Teaching Alliance partners work with us to develop our courses and to give you the best possible experience of teaching and learning.

Your school placements will build your skills and confidence as you progress towards Qualified Teacher Status, while your academic sessions will deepen your understanding both of your subject and your profession. You will develop your knowledge of your chosen subject and its place within the curriculum while also exploring wider educational issues, reflecting local and national policy and practice. This equips you with both a strong subject specialism and a wider understanding of teaching and education. We encourage you to develop your own philosophy and values surrounding your subject, your professional identity and education itself.

## SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS COORDINATORS: LEADING EFFECTIVE, INCLUSIVE PRACTICE IN SEN

PGCE (National Award)

This programme is aimed at Special Educational Needs Coordinators (SENCOs) looking to both improve SENI provision in their workplace and enhance their career prospects with a recognised qualification. The National Award for Special Educational Needs Coordination Certificate (NASENCO) will enable you to enhance your theoretical understanding of SEN/D and its educational coordination and leadership.

The course has been designed to meet the Department for Education's Learning Outcomes for SENCOs, as well as the needs of schools and colleges in the local area and further afield. Your learning will be kept relevant and have practical applications for your role, with work-based tasks which give you the skills you need to improve outcomes for children with SEN/D. You will have opportunities to explore assumptions underlying SEN/D policy and practice. We encourage you to apply your previous experience and learning to the course by selecting areas of focus which support your own personal professional practice and academic interests.



OUR LATEST OFSTED REPORT FOUND THAT 'THE UNIVERSITY, TEACHING SCHOOL ALLIANCES AND SCHOOLS DEMONSTRATE A COMMON VISION AND SHARED COMMITMENT TO TEACHER TRAINING' (OFSTED 2017).



# SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES, RELIGION & PHILOSOPHY

## COURSES

American Studies MA  
Contemporary Literature MA  
Creative Writing MA  
Creative Writing MFA  
History MA  
International History MA  
Professional Doctorate in Ministry DMin  
Professional Doctorate in Religion DRel  
Religion in Society MA, PgCert, PgDip\*

\*Subject to final approval



# IMAGINATIVE. INQUISITIVE. CONTEMPORARY. GLOBAL.

“The thing that led me into my subject area was reading *The Colour Purple* when I did my A levels. I’ve always been really interested in race, equality and the strength of women. I’ve continuously been inspired by the same sorts of things; race, identity and how people define who they are and where they’re coming from. I’m really passionate about what I look at, research, write and what I teach but I’m even more passionate about finding texts that encourage and inspire people, and using those texts to encourage and inspire others.”

**DR JANINE BRADBURY**  
SENIOR LECTURER IN LITERATURE  
AND AMERICAN STUDIES





## AMERICAN STUDIES

### MA

Join us for an exciting and interdisciplinary exploration of the USA through history, film, literature, popular culture and more. If you enjoy approaching a subject from different angles and challenging yourself to see things in new ways, this could be the course for you.

This course takes a broad approach to questions of identity, nationalism, race, sexuality and gender in the USA. We consider America as a cultural construct as well as a geographical and political entity.

You will become an increasingly independent writer and researcher, taking more of a lead in your seminar discussions than you may have at Undergraduate level. Our focus on presentations as a way of sharing and discussing your response to topics will also give you valuable transferable skills.

## CONTEMPORARY LITERATURE

### MA

Discover exciting new authors and challenge yourself to consider new ideas and concepts in modern writing. Contemporary literature is full of innovation, diversity and creativity, and we explore this through a huge range of forms and genres. The texts and topics you study will reflect the most pressing debates informing writers and critics today.

Learn about the complex relationships between texts, theory and contemporary debate. You will study everything from novels and poetry to memoirs and creative non-fiction, engaging with British, American and postcolonial contemporary writing.

York is a great place for book lovers! We take part in York Literature Festival every year – an event which has hosted Margaret Atwood, Michel Faber and many other famous names. Workshops, writing sessions and readings are as central to your learning as lectures and seminars. Students on this course also organise a one day literary symposium, building valuable project management skills.

## HISTORY

### MA

Expand your knowledge of History alongside our team of experienced scholars, who combine research excellence with innovative teaching practice. Throughout the programme you will have the opportunity to focus on the areas of interest within social or political history that excite you the most, culminating in an extended piece of independent research and critical writing on a topic of your choice. This will enable you to demonstrate the full range of attributes required of the professional historian.

Our MA in History offers you the opportunity to develop your passion and curiosity for the subject whilst also improving your employability by developing sophisticated analytical skills. Through producing digital portfolios, engaging with web development and undertaking data management you will also acquire transferable digital skills. There are opportunities for you to contribute your own work to forums, including our History programme seminar series.

## INTERNATIONAL HISTORY

### MA

The major international events of the twentieth and twenty-first century will have repercussions for generations to come. Studying this field of history at an advanced level means deepening your understanding of the political structures and global processes shaping the world today. This makes the knowledge and awareness you gain on this programme valuable in a wide range of career contexts.

Studying key topics like imperialism, postcolonialism and post-war threats to international security, you will gain an in-depth knowledge of a fascinating period in international history. Through an independent dissertation you will have the chance to choose your own specialism and focus on what interests you most.

We run a lively visiting guest lecture series, bringing new ideas and perspectives to your study. You will also have the chance to present your own work at forums and research conferences, building your confidence as a researcher and giving you transferable skills for the future.

## CREATIVE WRITING

### MA

If you have a passion for writing then this MA is a great opportunity to join our thriving literary community and grow your creative potential. Taught by award-winning authors with specialisms in fiction, poetry, non-fiction and scriptwriting, you will learn the craft of creative writing whilst also exploring the theory behind it.

As a student on this course you will be part of the York Centre for Writing, a hub for innovative new work with strong links to the wider literary community and to the publishing industry. Your experience is enhanced through regular visits from writers, agents, publishers and other industry professionals. You will also have the opportunity to take a lead on the development and production of the *York Literary Review* and to have your work published in our anthology, *Beyond the Walls*.

You will learn through research, lively discussion and writing workshops. Teaching usually takes place in the evening and many of our students study part-time, fitting their learning around work.

## CREATIVE WRITING

### MFA

If you have an MA in Creative Writing then this is an opportunity to take your writing to the next level, producing a book-length piece of creative work under the supervision of one of our expert professionals.

Your extended project could take the form of a novel, a play, a film script, a poetry collection or a collection of short stories. We are able to support a wide range of specialisms and welcome creative, imaginative new projects. This means that you have the flexibility to pursue a project you feel passionate about. There is also the option to focus on an extended piece of work which explores an outreach project, for example in health, arts, music or heritage.

As part of York Centre for Writing you will be supported through one-to-one sessions with your supervisor, group tutorials and a residential programme, helping you to bring your ideas to life and make your creative vision a reality.





## PROFESSIONAL DOCTORATE IN MINISTRY

### DMin

Our Professional Doctorate in Ministry (DMin) is focused on you, and on developing you as a professional minister embarking on research. The learning style is informal and collegiate with a strong emphasis on developing your writing, helping you to critically engage with key ideas, and eventually to produce an excellent research project on a topic related to your ministry.

You will benefit from a multidisciplinary learning environment with some modules studied alongside students on the Professional Doctorate in Education and Religion programmes. You will investigate common challenges faced by professionals embarking on doctoral-level qualifications and benefit from the shared experiences of developing professional practice through academic research.

The course will demonstrate how broad theoretical ideas can be applied to specific contexts, and how to apply learning and ideas to your own research question.

## PROFESSIONAL DOCTORATE IN RELIGION

### DRel

This new doctoral qualification has been designed specifically for non-Christian religious leaders, or those working in para-religious organisations such as faith-based charities or NGOs. You will explore religious practice, including religious leadership and faith traditions, as well as examining the place of religion in society more generally.

By introducing you to issues relating to your professional practice in a religion related discipline we place a strong emphasis on enabling you to improve your writing, critically engage with key ideas and develop a research project. You will build on this in the later stages of the programme by producing your doctoral thesis.

A unique feature of the course is that the taught modules are shared with professionals from various backgrounds who are studying for the Professional Doctorate in Education and the Professional Doctorate in Ministry. This allows collaborative learning with professionals with varied backgrounds and experience who are also embarking on doctoral level research.

## RELIGION IN SOCIETY\*

### MA, PgCert, PgDip

This course challenges you to explore new ideas and concepts to understand the complex interactions between religion and society in the modern world. You will consider important contemporary issues, such as the place of spirituality in public life, conceptions of 'the good life' and how religion can contribute to peace and reconciliation.

The course is supported by The Centre for Religion in Society, which brings together scholars from a broad range of academic and professional backgrounds. We are also hosts of the Ebor Lecture series - free public lectures which promote conversation between theology and public issues. Both of these will expose you to current ideas and research which are highly relevant to your learning.

There are flexible study options for this programme, with options to study full-time for one year, part-time for two, or choose a shorter Postgraduate Certificate or Postgraduate Diploma. You can even study specific modules for professional development.

\*Subject to final approval





# SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES & LINGUISTICS

## COURSES

Applied Linguistics: TESOL MA  
Professional Doctorate in Applied Linguistics DAppLing



# DIVERSE. VIBRANT. CUTTING-EDGE. COMMUNICATORS.

"I'm fascinated with how language plays a role in our daily lives. In sociolinguistics, we look at language in use and how people use language in real life. There are so many things we can talk about. I also use my sociolinguistic knowledge when I teach Japanese. We consider how to be a good language user, rather than just knowing grammar and vocabulary: how you can communicate with people in an effective way, an efficient way, what would you do when you have communication problem and how you can solve that frustration."

**DR CHISATO DANJO**  
LECTURER IN JAPANESE  
AND LINGUISTICS





### APPLIED LINGUISTICS: TESOL

#### MA

Critically reflect on theories of and research into how best to learn and teach an additional language. Whether you are a qualified teacher of English to speakers of other languages or aspire to work in this field in the future, this is a great opportunity to reflect on your own experiences of learning and teaching English and approach these processes from a wide range of new perspectives.

Our course attracts students from all over the world with a huge range of backgrounds and experiences. You will contextualise your own learning and teaching within the wider discipline of applied linguistics, considering the roles of translators, speech and language therapists, literacy teachers, forensic linguists and more. This gives you the chance to increase cross-cultural understanding and knowledge of teaching and learning contexts globally. We also use online forums to provide practical opportunities for interaction with language professionals around the world.

### PROFESSIONAL DOCTORATE IN APPLIED LINGUISTICS

#### DAppling

Our Professional Doctorate offers you the opportunity to delve deeper into a specialist topic within applied linguistics. Using your existing skills from working in a languages or communications role, you will tackle doctoral level research directly applicable to your field of practice.

We believe in the importance and power of continuing professional development, so we have designed this programme to benefit your existing role and improve the real world impact of your practice. This programme will develop your capacity to undertake relevant research and your ability to promote knowledge and understanding of applied linguistics.

With two distinct stages to the programme, you will begin by engaging with directed teaching and learning with your cohort. This is perfect for those of you who may not have recent experience of higher education offering a perfect stepping-stone to the next stage, where you will focus on an individual research project at doctoral level.



# SCHOOL OF PERFORMANCE & MEDIA PRODUCTION

## COURSES

- Applied Theatre MA
- Community Music MA
- Media Production MA\*
- Music Composition MA, PgDip, PgCert
- Music Production MA
- Theatre & Performance MA

\*Subject to final approval



# CREATIVE. ENTERPRISING. DIGITAL. HUMAN.

“My main research focus is on the complexities of healthy and unhealthy relationships. I had the opportunity to develop and eventually tour with *It's Not Ok*, a play which formed part of a university-wide initiative related to this topic. The project has now reached over 25,000 young people. Through drama we are enabling young people to develop skills around staying safe online and in the real world. It is a fantastic feeling to know that your theatre practice is making a difference in people's lives.”

LISA THORNTON  
APPLIED THEATRE MA



## APPLIED THEATRE

### MA

At York St John University, we believe that theatre can transform lives. This programme offers you a unique opportunity to combine your passion for theatre and your belief in social justice. Through a combination of workshops, studio practice and community-based projects, you will develop advanced skills and knowledge in the use of theatre in community and social contexts.

Your individual practice is at the very centre of your studies. Our team of experts will support you with a range of specialist modules providing the opportunity to develop new skills and techniques.

Through engaging with a variety of applied and community-based projects with established partners, you will build a professional profile within the field of applied theatre, offering you excellent employment opportunities upon graduation. One of our projects, *Converge*, delivers courses in theatre and other arts to local mental health service users in the community, providing you with the opportunity to run courses and workshops for these groups.

## COMMUNITY MUSIC

### MA

Our MA in Community Music will enable you to reflect deeply on your existing practice and encourage you to try out new ideas. The programme is directly linked to our International Centre for Community Music (ICCM), providing a global perspective of the field. As a member of the ICCM you will have opportunities to contribute to the development and growth of community music practice and scholarship worldwide.

Your own practice is placed at the centre of the programme with an independent supervised project alongside two distinctive modules, Community Music Perspectives and Research Ideas and Practices.

The programme will be delivered through lectures, seminars, workshops and individual supervisions from York St John University staff and visiting practitioners. You will play a key part in developing ICCM activities, including student research symposiums, our online journal *Transform: New Voices in Community Music*, networking events and conferences.

## MUSIC PRODUCTION

### MA

Expand and develop your music production expertise within our vibrant and ambitious department. You will be taught and guided by our expert staff, who have professional profiles within the industry.

Explore the theories and concepts that surround practice-based research in music production and focus on the contemporary ideas and developments emerging in this field. As you progress through the course this specialist knowledge will inform your final independent music production project.

Interdisciplinary learning is encouraged and you will consider complex questions about creativity and knowledge alongside students from other practice-led MA programmes. We examine the relationship between music and the wider cultural, social and economic circumstances of its production and reception.

As a student on this course you will have opportunities to participate in research seminars held by the University, as well as contributing to the annual York St John University Music Symposium.

## THEATRE & PERFORMANCE

### MA

We put your unique theatre practice at the centre of your learning and give you the tools you need to develop your individual approach and professional profile. Experienced tutors and guest artists will encourage and equip you to create performances for festivals, city centre venues, site-specific projects and the touring studio.

You will develop strategies to reflect, theorise and document your practice and be given a platform to share your thinking. With a fluid interrelationship between theory and practice, students can take full advantage of the workshop, studio, seminar and virtual environments the University has to offer.

Engage in collaborative practice with others and consider the implications of working in particular contexts or in response to specific commissions. This MA offers great opportunities for cross-disciplinary work, allowing you to engage with applied theatre, music and fine arts programmes.

## MEDIA PRODUCTION\*

### MA

Media is everywhere, and almost everyone now has access to cameras and microphones, so how will you make your mark as a compelling media creator? This MA will help you evolve your skills and knowledge to become an independent and entrepreneurial practitioner with engaging stories to tell. Whether your objective is to develop as a filmmaker, documentary maker, podcaster, radio producer or to run a YouTube channel, this programme will help you develop your existing practice to further your career goals.

Drawing on York St John University's five decades of media production expertise and with strong industry links, you will be ideally placed to shape your aspirations as a creative, thinking practitioner. Bridging theory and practice, this programme allows you to explore your ambitions to produce projects that have outstanding impact for audiences in an ever-expanding and shifting media landscape.

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UNESCO CITY OF MEDIA ARTS

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## MUSIC COMPOSITION

### MA, PgDip, PgCert

Develop a strong, confident compositional practice by engaging with contemporary research and various professional contexts. This degree enables students who already have some experience of music composition to expand their artistic horizons, develop their reflective abilities and expand their portfolio as thinking practitioners.

The programme, which also supports awards at Postgraduate Certificate and Postgraduate Diploma levels, encourages you to strive for professional and academic innovation. We emphasise the relationships between composition, reflection, practice and performance. Explore the variety of ways in which creation and dissemination in music have evolved into their present media and forms.

You will share some core modules covering practice-led research methodology with students from our Applied Theatre, Theatre & Performance and Fine Art MA programmes. Whilst your focus will be on Music Composition, there will be opportunities for cross-disciplinary study and collaborative working.





# SCHOOL OF PSYCHOLOGICAL & SOCIAL SCIENCES

## COURSES

Counselling MA, PgDip  
 Criminal Justice MA\*  
 Professional Doctorate in Counselling Psychology DCounPsy  
 Psychology MRES\*  
 Psychology of Child & Adolescent Development MSc  
 Social Sciences MRES\*

\*Subject to final approval



# COMPASSIONATE. ANALYTICAL. ETHICAL. COURAGEOUS.

“My area is personality psychology, in particular evolutionary personality psychology. I think it helps us to understand the human condition, gives a real insight into people’s motivations, behaviours, thoughts and feelings and it has the power to do a great deal of good.

It’s really interesting to me to understand the motivations of people who have what we would call darker personality traits. It’s a popular and growing area of psychology so there’s a lot of student enthusiasm, which I think drives my research forward.”

**DR GREGORY CARTER**  
 LECTURER IN PSYCHOLOGY



## COUNSELLING

### MA, PgDip

The PgDip is a two year part-time course designed for students with prior counselling experience. If you wish to study for the MA, you will join the two year PgDip course followed by a further year of part-time study. These courses are accredited by the British Association of Counselling & Psychotherapy (BACP).

The courses cover elements of counselling theory, counselling practice, peer supervision and personal development. The first year of the PgDip is devoted to exploring elements of the therapeutic relationship and preparing you for practice. It will draw heavily on humanistic theory.

The second year will build on this and explore alternative models of counselling. You will be encouraged to develop a personally integrated style of therapeutic work, based on core humanistic principles and drawing on the possibilities offered by other counselling approaches.

## CRIMINAL JUSTICE\*

### MA

Explore and engage with the most pressing issues faced by our criminal justice system today. Develop a deep understanding of how our justice and penal systems work and explore key themes and debates concerning crime, crime control and criminal justice.

You will be guided through the programme by our research-active staff and gain cutting-edge knowledge and insights into both theory and practice. You will also have the opportunity to attend guest lectures delivered by criminal justice practitioners, visiting experts and third sector organisations. Our delivery approach enables you to benefit from the depth and breadth of our own academic expertise, as well as our extensive professional links.

By the end of this rigorous programme, you will feel equipped to advance your career in criminal justice, embark on a new one in the justice arena, or undertake further research in the field.

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## PROFESSIONAL DOCTORATE IN COUNSELLING PSYCHOLOGY

### DCounPsy

This programme provides the theoretical, clinical and research training for a career in counselling psychology. It places an emphasis on both cognitive-behavioural and humanistic approaches.

This three year doctorate includes training in psychological assessment, psychotherapeutic interventions, clinical research methods, ethics and professional practice. You will also produce a doctoral research dissertation and complete a minimum of 450 hours of placement in clinical settings. The modules you will study develop the professional skills required of leaders and supervisors and prepare you for working as a psychologist in diverse, multi-disciplinary teams.

Upon graduation you will meet the educational standards for chartered membership of the British Psychological Society, to gain full membership of the Division of Counselling Psychology, and to be eligible to apply for registration as a practitioner psychologist with the Health and Care Professions Council.

## PSYCHOLOGY\*

### MRES

On our Masters by Research in Psychology programme you will undertake specialist research on a topic relevant to psychology, while gaining broad-based research training. This MRes is also ideal preparation for a PhD in Psychology.

You will complete an extended 120 credit thesis in an area aligned to the expertise of our academic staff, while undertaking a year-long 60 credit module on psychological research methods.

Entry onto this flagship programme is competitive. Students are recruited to specific projects advertised by academic staff and a minimum of a 2:1 in an Undergraduate Psychology degree is required.

Working as part of a team in an established area of research maximises opportunities for your professional development. We particularly aim to help you to develop your thesis into a publishable output.

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## PSYCHOLOGY OF CHILD & ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT

### MSc

Study the psychology of social, emotional and cognitive development from birth through to early adulthood while developing transferable critical thinking and research skills. We take an expanded view of development by moving beyond the traditional focus on childhood into adolescence.

You will learn about developmental, emotional and behavioural problems, relationships in childhood and adolescence, and cognitive development in the context of legal, health and educational settings. You will also receive advanced training in psychological research methods and culminate your studies by designing, implementing and writing up an extended research project relevant to human development. Unlike a traditional dissertation, you will produce a research paper, the content and format of which would be suitable for publication in an academic journal in the field.

The transferable skills you will gain through this programme include data collection and analysis, research design, decision making, critical thinking and presentation skills.

## SOCIAL SCIENCE\*

### MRES

This programme equips you with the methodological, theoretical and interpersonal skills needed to successfully conduct research and tackle some of the key challenges facing societies today. In-depth understanding of social research with hands-on experience opens up multiple career paths for our graduates. You will also design, implement and write up a substantial piece of independent research.

Supervision sessions with specialists will help you to conduct your work efficiently and ethically, as well as providing important points of connection with the larger academic environment in the School. One-to-one work with thesis supervisors builds on and extends the material learned in the taught modules.

Two taught modules around Advanced Research Methods will strengthen your skills in qualitative and quantitative methods and research design. You will also present your plans to peers and staff at the Social Sciences Postgraduate Research Conference.

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# SCHOOL OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY

## COURSES

Cyber Security MSc  
Leadership in Health & Social Care MSc  
Occupational Therapy MSc (Pre-registration)  
Physiotherapy MSc (Pre-registration)  
Professional Health & Social Care MSc  
Software Engineering MSc



# INVENTIVE. IMPACTFUL. CURIOUS. FUTURE-READY.

"I am really enjoying the problem-based learning on my course, and the opportunities and challenge that this provides. I'm learning how occupational therapists can help any individual, at any age, and in just about any situation. The lecturers allow us to express our views and share our knowledge as equal contributors to the profession. We also have frequent presentations by external occupational therapists working in varying settings, from community mental health to accident and emergency. This provides great insight into areas that we may want to work in and how occupational therapists can make an impact."

**JULIA MISKIMIN,**  
OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY  
(PRE-REGISTRATION) MSc



## CYBER SECURITY

### MSc

Developed in consultation with prominent industry employers, our Cyber Security MSc has been designed for professionals looking to study alongside employment. If you would like to deepen and broaden your skills in the field of cyber security, this programme is relevant to a vast array of professional backgrounds.

It may be that you already work directly in cyber security but need a qualification to progress to your next role, or it may be that you work within another profession but have realised the importance and impact of cyber security to your role. Through exploring fields such as forensics and wireless networking, you will gain the technical skills and conceptual understanding which are highly in demand in today's employment market.

Designed to fit in with your schedule, each module is delivered in a week of intensive teaching on campus. Your self-study and coursework will support these taught classes, and will culminate in you producing a major piece of research work enabling you to evidence the technical and conceptual skills you will have learnt.

## LEADERSHIP IN HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

### MSc, PgCert

Build on your knowledge and practical experience to take your career to the next level. This course explores the role of leadership in delivering innovation and promoting resilience in health and social care.

You will develop skills in critically appraising sources of evidence and in applying them to bring about improvements within a health and social care setting. The course will enable you to demonstrate a critical awareness of a range of complex issues associated with leadership in the allied health professions to evaluate evidence and to improve practice.

This MSc is tailored to suit a wide range of professionals from across the health and social care field, including occupational therapists, physiotherapists, nurses, social workers, care workers, a range of allied health professionals, medical staff and podiatrists. There is also the option to study for a Postgraduate Certificate (PgCert) consisting of one research-based module and one specialist module.

## PROFESSIONAL HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

### MSc

This course is ideal for those who want to improve practice in professional health and social care settings and advocate for changes which make a real difference in the quality of people's lives. Through core research-based modules and two chosen specialist modules, you will learn about complex issues relating to health and social care and develop the skills to help you make real improvements in these settings.

The specialisms you can choose from include workplace stress and resilience, health coaching and behaviour change, and facilitating activity in care settings for those with dementia. Although the course is varied and can be tailored to suit your own professional development, there is a central focus on service delivery and patient/user experience.

You will learn to critically evaluate evidence and apply your findings in your field, as well as broadening your understanding of best practice. It is an opportunity to reflect on your professional experience and develop your theoretical knowledge alongside it.

## SOFTWARE ENGINEERING

### MSc

Improve your existing skills and develop new ones through exposure to emerging fields such as artificial intelligence, cloud-computing and data science. You will gain the technical skills and conceptual understanding which are highly sought-after by employers, placing you at the cutting edge of the software engineering field.

We have designed this programme entirely with part-time students in mind, with an intensive modular approach which offers the perfect opportunity if you are looking to make a transition between careers, develop specialised subject knowledge or gain the qualification needed to land your dream job, whilst continuing your current employment.

For each of the modules you will study independently in preparation for a week of intensive teaching on campus. In these sessions you will develop the skills and knowledge needed to complete your coursework and eventually an independent piece of research.

## OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY

### MSc (pre-registration)

Occupational Therapists need to be dynamic, adaptable and able to respond to changes and complexities in health, education and social care. The curriculum for this programme will enable you to seek and use a range of resources and evidence to consider the complex, dynamic relationships between health, wellbeing, participation and occupation. This is a qualifying programme for those who wish to pursue a professional career in occupational therapy. It is a two year long accelerated programme for those with a relevant Undergraduate degree.

Develop the skills to help people overcome barriers to their participation in everyday life and improve their health and wellbeing. There are a variety of professional placements opportunities in both years of the programme, which help you develop your professional skills. This programme is accredited by the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) and the Royal College of Occupational Therapists (RCOT). Successful graduates will be eligible to seek registration with the Health and Care Professions Council.

## PHYSIOTHERAPY

### MSc (pre-registration)

This course is a qualifying programme for those who wish to pursue a professional career in physiotherapy. You will apply and critically analyse contemporary physiotherapy practice and develop the ability to use evidence to determine the effectiveness of physiotherapeutic interventions in order to solve clinical problems and improve service user outcomes.

The Physiotherapy MSc is an accelerated qualifying programme for students with a relevant Undergraduate degree. Our aim is to train reflective, person-centred practitioners by covering the core skills within physiotherapy and integrating them within an evidence-based context.

Placements in both years of the course build your professional experience. You will progress towards a final research project and we will encourage you to develop your thesis into a publishable output.

Graduates from this programme will be eligible to seek registration with the Health Professions Council and membership of the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy.





# YORK BUSINESS SCHOOL

## YORK CAMPUS COURSES

Master of Business Administration MBA\*\*  
 Master of Business Administration (Conversion) MBA  
 Human Resource Management MBA  
 The Executive MBA (Degree Apprenticeship)\*\*

Entrepreneurship & Innovation MSc\*  
 International Business Management MSc\*  
 International Fashion Marketing MSc\*  
 Leadership & Management MSc  
 Marketing MSc\*

## LONDON CAMPUS COURSES

Master of Business Administration MBA\*\*  
 The Executive MBA (Degree Apprenticeship)\*\*

Design Business Creation MSc  
 Fashion & Luxury Business Creation MSc  
 Fashion & Luxury Marketing MSc  
 Fitness Business Creation MSc

\*Subject to final approval

\*\*This course is available at either our York or London campus.



# AMBITIOUS. PROGRESSIVE. RESPONSIBLE. ADVENTUROUS.

“One reason why I love working at York St John University is the alignment between the University and my own values as a business educator. It is so important to me that the values we instil and develop in students are reflective of the needs of wider society and the environment. Business education needs to be about making a positive contribution to the world and not only focusing on the bottom line. The values of the University and York Business School reflect that and this approach is embedded throughout everything we do.”

**DR REBECCA BIGGINS**  
 DIRECTOR OF MARKETING AND  
 EXTERNAL ENGAGEMENT AT YORK  
 BUSINESS SCHOOL





## MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

### MBA

This course is available in either York or London

Whether you are in a management position and want to take your career to the next level, or aspire to leadership roles in the future, we can help you gain the skills, knowledge and experience you need to give yourself a competitive edge. You will join a diverse range of students who share a passion for business management.

This is an MBA full of real-world experience, laying the foundations for a critically aware and holistic understanding and experience of business management.

Learn about contemporary thinking in business management and business research from academic staff who are research-active, complemented by a guest speaker programme of business experts and researchers. This programme will give you the opportunity to engage in live business projects and to gain professional body accreditation by the Chartered Management Institute (CMI).

## MASTERS OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION: HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

### MBA

This course provides all the benefits associated with an MBA, on a programme that specialises in human resource management.

A distinctive element of the MBA is the opportunity to gain professional accreditation from the Chartered Management Institute (CMI) alongside the academic award.

You will learn about contemporary thinking in human resource management and research. Your learning will be through a series of experiences, supported by academic staff who are active in business management research. Your learning will be complemented by guest speakers including business experts and established researchers. You will also have the opportunity to engage in a live business projects.

Consider the role of managers within the context of business sustainability, corporate social responsibility and ethics, helping you undertake effective roles in business organisations as responsible managers.

## MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

### MBA (Conversion)

Further develop your capability as an effective leader with this stimulating programme, designed to transform your current qualifications. A Master of Business Administration (MBA) is an internationally-recognised and highly-regarded award which can open doors across a whole range of sectors.

Reflect on your current knowledge and experience of business, putting theory into practice in a continuing professional development environment. We aim to recruit a diverse range of students who share a passion for business management. Students looking to apply for this course must already hold an MA or MSc in cognate business or a management discipline.

An MBA is often seen as the pinnacle Postgraduate award for business professionals, and York Business School provides an opportunity to gain this award through this specially designed conversion programme.

## THE EXECUTIVE MBA

### MBA (Degree Apprenticeship)

This course is available in either York or London

Aimed at directors and senior managers, The Executive MBA has been designed to support your career progression, preparing you to successfully carry out senior strategic roles or to build your own business.

At York St John University we prioritise social justice and the impact that our students can make through effective leadership. This Degree Apprenticeship is delivered in partnership with Primeast, an established Leadership and Organisational Change company, experienced in working with some of the world's largest global brands. The Executive MBA brings together contemporary academic theory and research with a practical understanding of activities within organisations.

The Executive MBA has been designed to meet the requirements of the Level 7 Senior Leader Masters Degree Apprenticeship. Subject to eligibility, your organisation may be able to use their apprenticeship levy to cover the costs of this course.





**ENTREPRENEURSHIP & INNOVATION\*****MSc**

This is a course for creative forward-thinkers who want to make their mark in the business world. Entrepreneurial and innovation skills are increasingly sought-after in the workplace as companies seek to adapt to digital and global opportunities and to outmanoeuvre their competition. Foster your professional expertise for a career managing innovation in existing firms or founding new ventures.

You will leave us ready for a wide range of careers, including business development and running a start-up. You will learn best practice approaches to designing, developing and running your own innovation-driven, often globally-focused, business. Explore the process from generating concepts, developing and refining ideas, and designing the infrastructure right through to launching the business. This course uses a combination of theoretical rigour and practical experience, as you hone the skills necessary to undertake a dynamic career in the contemporary business world.

\*Subject to final approval

**INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT\*****MSc**

This programme has been carefully designed to ensure that there is a balance of theory to application and regular opportunities for you to engage with the world of business. There will be regular guest input from business professionals, case studies and projects in modules that will allow you to apply your knowledge to a range of real-world business scenarios.

Reflect upon, evaluate and apply key international business management theories and concepts as well as encouraging creative and innovative thinking in the application of relevant management models.

As you progress through your studies you will not just be taught academic theory related to the subject, you will also be encouraged and supported to develop skills that will prepare you for developing your career in management, especially related to international business.

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**MARKETING\*****MSc**

Marketing is a dynamic and diverse discipline which is central to the success of an organisation. On this programme you will explore essential aspects of marketing, from strategic planning and brand management to data analysis and digital media. You will also examine the challenges faced by marketing professionals in today's competitive, fast-moving business environment and consider how such challenges can be overcome.

We will challenge you to reflect upon, evaluate and apply key marketing theories and concepts to real life situations, using innovative and creative thinking to solve problems. As well as gaining in depth theoretical knowledge, you will learn practical, transferable marketing skills which will prepare you for your career. We study marketing within an international setting and with a global outlook, approaching key concepts through a variety of cultural contexts.

**This Programme is accredited by the Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM).**

\*Subject to final approval

**INTERNATIONAL FASHION MARKETING\*****MSc**

The global fashion industry is worth trillions of pounds and continues to grow. Strengthen your skills to make your mark in this competitive and successful sector with an MSc in International Fashion Marketing.

The course has been developed alongside industry experts to bring practical, technical expertise to help you compete and thrive. You will explore the the issues relating to fashion and marketing, as well as key developments in the global fashion industry.

Stay ahead of the game as you learn to anticipate the needs of future markets in a sector that is continually evolving alongside technology and an increasingly accessible marketplace. With digital advancements and consumer power, the international fashion world is in the market for transparent, ethical and customer-driven strategies. This MSc gives you scope to evaluate and apply core theories, as well as encouraging your creativity and innovative thinking in the application of relevant management models.

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**LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT****MSc**

On this MSc course you will reflect upon, evaluate and apply key leadership and management theories and concepts as well as learning about the application of relevant management models. You will combine academic theory with the development of the dynamic skillset necessary to further your career in leadership and management.

The curriculum balances theory with application, with frequent opportunities for you to engage with the world of business. There will be regular guest input from business professionals as well as case studies and live projects.

This programme will develop you as a leader with a sound understanding of the skills necessary to undertake a management or leadership role. You will develop and enhance your lifelong learning skills and professional development in order to work with self-direction and originality.



# YORK BUSINESS SCHOOL COURSES IN LONDON

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## DESIGN BUSINESS CREATION

### MSc

If you are a highly motivated entrepreneur looking to create a design-based business then this is the programme for you. We will make you effective in running and building your own creative business or enterprise, whether that's a graphic design agency, a photography studio or a designer boutique.

Bringing together industry knowledge and expertise from York Business School, you will channel your creative talents and expand a range of skills required to establish your sustainable design-based business. Developing practical and theoretical insights, you will gain specialist knowledge, cultivate design thinking processes and learn how to think strategically about business operations.

You will develop an in-depth understanding of the dimensions, processes, opportunities and challenges involved in design business creation through exploring best practice in areas including new venture idea generation, legal establishment and protection, business funding and business planning.

## FASHION & LUXURY BUSINESS CREATION

### MSc

Prepare to make your mark on the fashion landscape with our Fashion & Luxury Business Creation MSc. A career in the fast-paced world of fashion and luxury is more exciting than ever and as the heart of this thriving industry, London is the perfect place to be.

Sharing our business acumen helps you harness the creativity required to set up a successful and sustainable company. You will benefit from our industry connections and extensive expertise in the fashion and luxury sector and have the creative autonomy to research, develop and explore in a stimulating interdisciplinary environment.

You will develop an in-depth understanding of the processes and opportunities involved in the inception of a new fashion or luxury business. We will also teach you about business funding and planning, particularly focusing on the opportunities within today's digitally-focused and globally interlinked markets.

## FASHION & LUXURY MARKETING

### MSc

Luxury marketing is all about how brands make people feel. Designed to support your career progression as well as your personal and professional development, this MSc will build your skills specifically in fashion and luxury-based marketing.

Discover the dimensions, processes, opportunities and challenges faced by organisations that create, design, manufacture, distribute, market and sell goods and services in the competitive, fast-paced luxury and fashion industries. Addressing new trends, you will focus on today's consumers as they constantly re-evaluate their priorities and question what they truly value.

Covering the full breadth of the marketing mix, you will learn about the key methods brands use to make themselves stand out in this exclusive marketplace. Discuss the impact of visual social networks, uncover the storytelling behind brands and discover the impact of online platforms on diversifying the world of sales.

## FITNESS BUSINESS CREATION

### MSc

You are dedicated to helping other people reach their goals. Now it's time to reach yours too. We are here to support your personal and professional development by combining industry thinking and academic expertise. We will share practical and theoretical insights, allowing you to gain the specialist knowledge and strategic skills required to create and manage your own sustainable fitness business.

Develop an in-depth and critical understanding of the dimensions, processes, opportunities and challenges of fitness business creation, with particular reference to today's digitally-focused, globally interlinked markets. You will explore best practice in areas such as new venture idea generation, legal establishment and protection, business funding and effective business planning.

Health and wellbeing are set to become ever more important priorities in the lives of consumers. With the fitness business booming, this course will help you share your motivation with us through a viable and dynamic business model.





# ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

OUR ADMISSIONS TEAM WILL BE HAPPY TO DISCUSS YOUR QUALIFICATIONS AND YOUR OPTIONS FOR STUDYING WITH US AT POSTGRADUATE LEVEL.

## Taught Postgraduate degrees

Most of our taught Postgraduate degrees require you to hold an Undergraduate degree in a related area with a classification of 2:2 (or equivalent) or higher. There may be some exceptions to this and some courses have additional criteria you must meet. For detailed entry requirements please visit our Postgraduate course pages.

[www.yorksj.ac.uk/postgraduate](http://www.yorksj.ac.uk/postgraduate)

## Research degrees

To apply for a Research degree you must hold at least a 2:1 in your Undergraduate degree. You will also need to find a new topic (or new approach to a topic) which you are passionate about and a member of our academic staff who shares this interest and can support you. You can find your research supervisor on the University website.

[www.yorksj.ac.uk/researchsupervision](http://www.yorksj.ac.uk/researchsupervision)

## Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning (APEL)

APEL recognises the value of learning you will have accomplished outside of formal education. An alternative route onto your chosen course may be possible through having your work experience recognised through accreditation at your place of employment.

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T: 01904 876 598

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[www.yorksj.ac.uk](http://www.yorksj.ac.uk)

For more information about how to apply, contact:  
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T: 01904 876 598



# INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

YORK ST JOHN UNIVERSITY WELCOMES APPLICANTS FROM ALL OVER THE WORLD AND WE HAVE STUDENTS FROM OVER 100 DIFFERENT COUNTRIES STUDYING WITH US.

## Accepting international qualifications

Visit the **Your Country** pages of our website to find out about entry requirements from your country. If you have any specific admissions questions you can always contact the University's Admissions Team:

[www.yorksj.ac.uk/yourcountry](http://www.yorksj.ac.uk/yourcountry)

E: [admissions@yorksj.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@yorksj.ac.uk)

## Visas

If you are a non-UK/EEA applicant you will need to check visa entry requirements for studying in the UK. These can be found on the Home Office website.  
[www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk)

Our Visa and Compliance Team are happy to answer any questions you have and to provide information and advice relating to your application.

E: [visa@yorksj.ac.uk](mailto:visa@yorksj.ac.uk)

## English language requirements

If your first language is not English you must have an IELTS score of 6.0 or above (with no less than 5.5 in each component) or equivalent to apply to any of our courses.

A few of our courses do have higher English Language requirements (see online course pages for details).

## Meet the Team

Our International Team regularly travel around the world to meet applicants and agents. Find out when they will be near you by emailing

[IntDev@yorksj.ac.uk](mailto:IntDev@yorksj.ac.uk)

## International prospectus

An international prospectus is also available. To order one email [intdev@yorksj.ac.uk](mailto:intdev@yorksj.ac.uk)

# PAYING FOR YOUR COURSE

A POSTGRADUATE DEGREE IS A GREAT INVESTMENT, ALLOWING YOU TO PURSUE IN-DEPTH STUDY OF A SUBJECT YOU ARE PASSIONATE ABOUT, ADD TO THE STORE OF GLOBAL KNOWLEDGE THROUGH YOUR RESEARCH AND GAIN VALUABLE, EMPLOYABLE SKILLS.



## Fees

The fees for Postgraduate courses differ depending on your subject and whether you are undertaking a taught or research programme.

More information on course fees can be found at:

[www.yorksj.ac.uk/pgfees](http://www.yorksj.ac.uk/pgfees)

E: [fundingadvice@yorksj.ac.uk](mailto:fundingadvice@yorksj.ac.uk)

## Postgraduate loans

The Government is now offering Postgraduate loans to UK and EU students to help you pay for your course. These loans are repayable through the Student Loan Company and will not need to be repaid until you are earning over £21,000 per year. Find out more about Postgraduate loans at:

[www.gov.uk/postgraduateloan](http://www.gov.uk/postgraduateloan)

## Alumni scholarships

York St John University students graduating in 2019 and continuing directly onto Postgraduate study are eligible for the following fee reductions\*:

- 50% reduction in course fees if you achieve a 1st
- 35% reduction if you achieve a 2:1
- 20% reduction if you achieve a 2:2

York St John University alumni who choose to return to study with us at a later date will receive a 10% reduction in course fees, but this cannot be applied on top of the scholarships listed above.

\*Applies to all taught MA, MBA and MSc programmes except for NHS-funded courses.

## Funding for PGCE students

The Government offer bursaries for UK and EU students enrolled on Initial Teacher Education courses. The amount you are entitled to will depend on the classification of Undergraduate degree you received and the subject your PGCE focuses on.

[www.getintoteaching.education.gov.uk](http://www.getintoteaching.education.gov.uk)

## Other sources of funding

Whatever you are studying, there are likely to be research councils, charities or societies you can apply to for funding. These grants are competitive but it is worth finding out if you may be eligible for any of them. Find out more about these sources of income at:

[www.yorksj.ac.uk/researchfunding](http://www.yorksj.ac.uk/researchfunding)



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YORK IS EASILY ACCESSIBLE BY ROAD, RAIL AND AIRPORTS.

## TRAVELLING TIMES TO YORK

### BY RAIL FROM

Leeds	25 mins
Newcastle	1 hr
Manchester	1 hr 25 mins
London	1 hr 50 mins
Birmingham	1 hr 55 mins
Edinburgh	2 hrs 30 mins

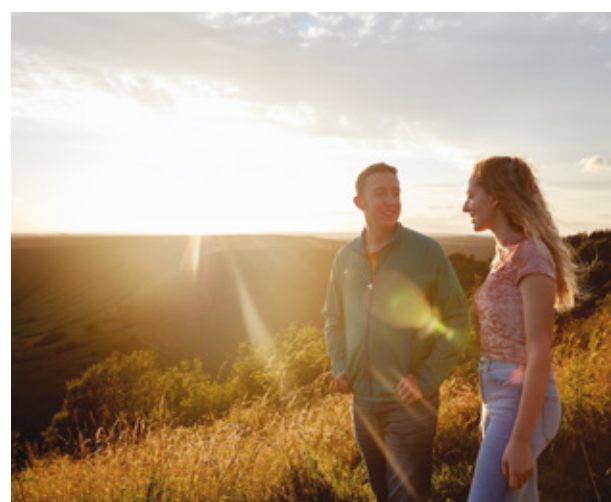
### BY ROAD FROM

Leeds	40 mins
Newcastle	1 hr 50 mins
Manchester	1 hr 50 mins
London	4 hrs 10 mins
Birmingham	2 hrs 30 mins



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