



UNIVERSITY  
*of York*

**Study in York, England**



*Here at the University of York, you can study with highly motivated people within highly ranked departments. Both the studying and living environment of York is just perfect. York is the best place”*

**Visiting Student, Japan**



# Welcome to the University of York



## *We offer you*

- a high-quality academic experience
- A transcript of your studies and credit transfer to your home university
- a strong reputation for student support
- affordable and plentiful accommodation
- a lively and stimulating environment
- a beautiful location in one of Europe's finest cities
- ranked one of the safest cities in the UK by the Complete University Guide
- ... with easy access from everywhere

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# Welcome to York

*The University of York has been welcoming students from all over the world since its establishment in 1963. With approximately 16,000 students, York provides a stimulating academic and social experience within a friendly and welcoming environment.*

York is a member of the Russell Group, the UK's group of research intensive universities. It is the nearest equivalent to the US Ivy League, although we are all public institutions.

Our green campus is a mix of the very old and the ultra-modern. Campus West is built in the grounds of historic Heslington Hall, which dates from 1568 and sits across the lake from the newly opened Spring Lane Building, featuring state of the art classrooms and working spaces. In contrast Campus East is less than 10 years old and continues to grow. Our latest addition to Campus East is The Piazza Learning centre, which features a restaurant, learning resource centre and study spaces. In 2018 a medical centre, pharmacy and shops opened as part of the on-going renewal of campus facilities.



Image: Visit York

# City life

*York is one of the best and most beautiful places to live in the UK. There is plenty to impress: the famous soaring gothic York Minster, the winding medieval streets and the specialist stores and boutiques. Life in York is varied, colourful and lively, and its historic streets bustle with visitors from all around the world.*

The city is a busy cultural centre for its residents as well as a tourist magnet. There is a year-round programme of events, including comedy, food and drink festivals, a Viking festival, Science Week, Festival of Ideas and a continental Christmas market

## Superb shopping

With more than 2,000 stores, York covers a spectrum of styles, specialist stockists and organic food retailers as well as the major retail chains and big-name high street outlets. The city centre is compact, with many shops set in York's medieval

and Georgian streets, but you will also find modern shopping complexes and a designer outlet on the outskirts.

## Nightlife and entertainment

York has an attractive range of pubs, bars and restaurants as well as a thriving café culture – afternoon tea at Bettys Tea Rooms is a world famous tradition. As you would expect from a city with so many students, life in York is as energetic and varied by night as it is by day with its shops, galleries, clubs, cafés, museums, theatres, cinemas, music groups and sports clubs. York really does offer something for everyone.



Find out more about living in York at [visitcityofyork.org](https://www.visitcityofyork.org)



# Great location

York is one of Britain's best connected cities. Situated almost exactly half-way between London and Edinburgh on the East Coast mainline, intercity trains reach London in less than two hours and Edinburgh in two and a half. With Eurostar from London St Pancras, Paris is just over six hours away. Flights from Manchester and Leeds/Bradford airports provide easy links to Europe, as do ferries from Hull.

## Around and about

Closer to home, you will find that some of Britain's most beautiful countryside lies within easy reach. Within an hour's drive are the Bronte Country, the Pennine hills, the Yorkshire dales, and the North York moors, plus the seaside towns of Whitby, Scarborough and Robin Hood's Bay. The Coastliner Bus route from York to Whitby has recently been voted the most scenic in the UK.\*



\* <https://www.bususers.org/news-events/news/britains-most-scenic-bus-route-is>

# Campus life

The campus offers a wealth of facilities, with cafés, bars, shops, a sports centre, tennis and squash courts, a health centre, theatres and concert halls all within easy walking distance. It is well-connected, criss-crossed with an excellent network of cycle paths and benefits from a fast, frequent bus service to the city centre and our smaller central site, the beautiful medieval King's Manor.

Want to play sports or develop a new skill? Joining a society is a fantastic way to meet like-minded people and make new friends. Our Students' Union offers over 200 student societies, all entirely organised by and for students. You can indulge in interests you already have, or take the plunge and try something completely new from performing arts to politics; there really is something for everyone.

Find out more about the University of York's colleges at [york.ac.uk/colleges](https://york.ac.uk/colleges), the students union [yusu.org/opportunities/societies](https://york.ac.uk/opportunities/societies) and accommodation at [york.ac.uk/accommodation](https://york.ac.uk/accommodation)

## College life: Your home at York

York is one of a handful of universities which has a college system. Your college provides you with a focus for your residence, welfare and social life. Each of the nine colleges has its own distinctive identity, atmosphere, facilities and history.

All undergraduate visiting students are guaranteed accommodation either in one of the colleges or in university housing on or close to the campus, provided that they meet the deadline for applications shown on their offer. Postgraduate students can also apply for university accommodation and will be offered a room if there is availability. Most students are placed in single study-bedrooms in the same accommodation blocks as York students. Colleges provide self-service laundry facilities and cooking facilities in shared kitchens. Catered accommodation is also available (Heslington West campus only).





*The multitude of societies and sports clubs helped me in finding like-minded people and new friends, and made the integration process much easier. People are very friendly and including of everyone, and whether you're an exchange student or a fulltime one makes no difference."*

**Anna, Finland**



# Visiting student programme

*We welcome postgraduate and undergraduate visiting students from across the world, through individual university partnerships, third party providers and country specific government initiatives or as independent applicants.*

*We also offer excellent opportunities for visiting research students to share in the University of York's commitment to inspirational and life-changing research.*

As a postgraduate or undergraduate visiting student, York offers you:

- study periods of one, two or three terms of the academic year
- college membership and access to a wide range of extra curricular activities
- full integration in regular degree programme modules
- a personal/academic supervisor to support you and your studies
- a lively and stimulating environment.

Undergraduate students only:

- academic study in one or more departments (timetable allowing)
- academic credit for modules to the equivalent of 40–60 credits per term
- an academic transcript at the end of your studies.

Find out more about our Exchange, Erasmus and Visiting Programmes or apply online at [york.ac.uk/visitingstudents](http://york.ac.uk/visitingstudents)





# Areas of study

The University of York is noted for the interdisciplinary nature of its teaching and research. You can apply to up to three departments at York, subject to timetable. Our departments offer classes in the following study areas:

- Archaeology including:
  - Archaeology and Heritage
  - Historical Archaeology
  - Bioarchaeology
- Biology including:
  - Biotechnology and Microbiology
  - Ecology
  - Genetics
  - Molecular Cell Biology
  - Biochemistry
  - Biomedical Sciences
- Chemistry including:
  - The Principles of Green Chemistry
  - Atmosphere and the Environment
  - Biological and Medicinal Chemistry
- Computer Science including:
  - Embedded systems Engineering
  - Computer Artificial Intelligence
- Economics and Related Studies including:
  - Econometrics and Finance
- Education
- Electronic Engineering including:
  - Electronic and Communication Engineering
  - Electronic and Computer Engineering
  - Electronic Engineering with Nanotechnology
  - Electronic Engineering with Business Management
  - Music Technology Systems

- English and Related Literature including:
  - Global literatures
  - Period literatures
- Environment including:
  - Environmental Geography
  - Environmental Science
  - Environment, Economics and Ecology
  - Human Geography and Environment
- History
- History of Art including:
  - Curating and Art History
- Language and Linguistics Science
- Law
- Management including:
  - Accounting, and Business Finance
  - Marketing
  - Actuarial Science
- Mathematics
- Music including:
  - Music and Sound Recording
- Philosophy
- Physics including:
  - Astrophysics
- Politics including:
  - International Relations
- Psychology including:
  - Neuroscience
- Social Policy and Social Work including:
  - Social Science
  - Social Policy (Crime and Criminal Justice)
  - Criminology
- Sociology including:
  - Social Psychology
  - Social and Political Science
- Theatre, Film and Television including:
  - Interactive Media
  - Theatre: Writing, Directing and Performance
  - Film and Television Production

For **Postgraduate** students we also offer study opportunities in our interdisciplinary research centres, Centre for Eighteen Century Studies, Centre for Medieval Studies and Centre for Women's Studies.



# Application deadlines

Autumn	15 May
Spring	31 October
Summer	31 January

(Undergraduate Research and Postgraduate only)

# Term dates

## 2018/19

Autumn	24 September 2018	30 November 2018
Spring	7 January 2019	15 March 2019
Summer	15 April 2019	21 June 2019

## 2019/20

Autumn	30 September 2019	6 December 2019
Spring	6 January 2020	13 March 2020
Summer	Tuesday 14 April 2020	19 June 2020

(Term begins on a Tuesday as Easter Monday falls on 13 April)

## 2020/21

Autumn	28 September 2020	4 December 2020
Spring	11 January 2021	19 March 2021
Summer	19 April 2021	25 June 2021

Please note: Some programmes, particularly postgraduate ones, start earlier than these official term dates. Please check with the relevant department for specific information.

# Supporting your studies at York

*We want you to get the best from your time at York. The college and supervisory system are at the heart of our support network.*

## Colleges

You will be a member of a college throughout your time at York. All colleges have a welfare team in addition to providing you with a focus for social and community life.

## Supervisory system

You will be assigned a member of the relevant department to act as your supervisor throughout your time at York. The supervisor's primary role is in relation to academic matters, but they also support you in your personal development and well-being.

## International student support

The University offers a range of services specifically tailored to international students. This includes an immigration advice service to assist with student visa queries, orientation programmes in September and January and international representation within college welfare teams.

## Disability support

The University aims to provide you with the help and support you may need to aid your academic progress and make your stay at the University of York as enjoyable as possible. Please let us know if you have a disability and may require support. We will work with you to identify your needs and agree your support provision.



## Afterwards

When your registration as a student ends, you will be welcome to continue your association with the University of York by joining the York Alumni Association. This is a wonderful community of over 102,000 York graduates [yorkspace.net/alumni](https://yorkspace.net/alumni)



For more information visit [york.ac.uk/students/support](https://york.ac.uk/students/support)

# Shape your future

As you start to make decisions about your visit to the University of York, it's also worth looking a bit further ahead to what you'll do when you graduate.

Whether you are studying for a full year, or come to us for a single semester, we encourage you to make the most of your time at York and get involved with activities to build the strengths, skills, leadership qualities and experience desired by employers.



\*some opportunities are subject to visa regulations and/or background disclosure. Please check in advance.

## York Futures

Our employability initiative, York Futures, will help you understand the options that are available to you, and the breadth and range of opportunities make it easy for you to get started. From student societies and sports clubs to volunteering, enterprise and internships\*, you'll find activities to further enhance your study abroad experience and personal development. For more information see [york.ac.uk/careers](http://york.ac.uk/careers).

## York Strengths Programme

York Strengths is a unique part of our careers support. It will help you to understand both what you are good at and enjoy doing, so that you can focus on preparing for a career that will let you shine. You will have access to the parts of the programme that are relevant to the year of study that you join us for. For more information see [york.ac.uk/york-strengths](http://york.ac.uk/york-strengths).

Throughout your visit you can take advantage of 1-2-1 careers advice and guidance, CV reviews, mock interviews, resources to explore your career options and a wide range of events with global employers.

## Shape your future at York.



*Students from all backgrounds achieve consistently outstanding outcomes at York.”*

**The TEF Panel, Office for Students,  
June 2018**

# Facilities

## 24/7 Library facilities

In 2012 we invested £20 million in Library facilities at the University of York. The Library collections include over 1.2 million items, and access to over 60,000 print and electronic resources. There are many different learning spaces available: quiet and silent study zones; PC clusters; bookable group study rooms and a social learning space with a café and vending machines.

## IT services

Visiting students can access the Network Access System (NAS) in on-campus accommodation and departmental computing suites. This allows you to connect your own computer to the internet and other network facilities including email, central file store and printers. If you use a laptop, you will find wireless hotspots across the campus and at King's Manor.

## Sport and fitness

Our Campus West has the York Sports Centre, including indoor racquet, basketball, football and netball courts, a new athletics field and fitness suite. Campus East houses the York Sports Village, which includes a swimming pool, 120 station fitness suite, a health suite with spa pool, steam room and sauna, a velodrome and floodlit pitches for football, lacrosse and rugby.



# What students say

“The amount of societies and events are both encouraging and rewarding. There are so many things to take part in and you feel as a part of the community.”

**Christian, Germany**

“Living in a flat with 8 other flatmates and experiencing 7 different nationalities is something exceptional that I doubt will ever happen to me again in my lifetime. The cultural diversity at York is outstanding. I felt accepted from day one.”

**Sergio, Spain.**

“I was blessed to have great teachers. They were always willing to improve my academic knowledge and skills, and offered me wonderful environment to study.”

**Yuria, Japan**

“The film course at York is truly incredible. The opportunities that are available to students here are exceptional. Most of all, the faculty is more than willing to take the extra time to provide guidance and advice which is what sets it apart from many other universities.”

**Morgan, USA**

“My exchange experience at the University of York has been a magical whirlwind. The city of York itself was exactly how I pictured England to be with its windy, cobble stone streets and leaning old buildings. The city was small enough to navigate and explore but big enough to always find something new and more amazing around every street corner.”

**Emily, Canada**

“The friendliest people in the friendliest city in the UK. Never think that you will ever be excluded from anything: all you have to do is ask.”

**Rune, Denmark**

“York has students from all around the world, and they are really nice and friendly! Excellent place to make new friends and learn about new cultures.”

**Renato, Brazil**





Claire Postill, Visiting Student Co-ordinator



# Useful links

University of York homepage  
[york.ac.uk](http://york.ac.uk)

Centre for Global Programmes  
[york.ac.uk/globalyork](http://york.ac.uk/globalyork)

City of York information  
[visityork.org](http://visityork.org)

Accommodation  
[york.ac.uk/accommodation](http://york.ac.uk/accommodation)

College life  
[york.ac.uk/colleges](http://york.ac.uk/colleges)

Sports  
[yusu.org/sport](http://yusu.org/sport)

International Student Support  
(including immigration advice)  
[york.ac.uk/internationalsupport](http://york.ac.uk/internationalsupport)

Student Support Services (welfare)  
[york.ac.uk/student-support-services](http://york.ac.uk/student-support-services)

Disability support  
[york.ac.uk/students/support/disability](http://york.ac.uk/students/support/disability)

Centre for English Language Teaching  
[york.ac.uk/celt](http://york.ac.uk/celt)

Languages for All programme  
[york.ac.uk/lfa](http://york.ac.uk/lfa)  
[york.ac.uk/study/international/  
applying/pre-sessionals](http://york.ac.uk/study/international/applying/pre-sessionals)

Visiting Student programme  
[york.ac.uk/visitingstudents](http://york.ac.uk/visitingstudents)

Visiting Student course information  
[york.ac.uk/study/international/applying/  
visiting-students/courses](http://york.ac.uk/study/international/applying/visiting-students/courses)

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## Talking to our alumni

Contact Visiting Student Admissions to be put in touch with a former student in your part of the world.



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