

Lancaster
University



Postgraduate Open Day Programme 2026

Saturday 17 October 2026 | 10am-3pm

Student Commons



Hello and welcome to Lancaster.

On behalf of our students and staff, welcome to Lancaster University.

We are delighted that you have chosen to visit Lancaster University for an open day. We have a programme of presentations available, providing you with information on what it's like to study here and to be part of our tight-knit postgraduate community. You can also find out about useful information such as the latest on postgraduate funding and finance. While you are here, take the time to explore our unique campus and facilities and soak up the atmosphere. We hope that you will discover what I have found to be the case since I joined the University; that Lancaster is warmly welcoming, proudly distinctive and an institution of true excellence.

Lancaster is home to a dynamic postgraduate community and offers a wealth of both taught and research study options across a wide range of subject areas. Studying here provides an opportunity to be a part of a thriving community made up of students from over one hundred countries. Students who choose Lancaster have the opportunity to expand their horizons at an internationally diverse and safe campus set in a stunningly beautiful part of the North West England.

Our international community extends far beyond the campus with research, teaching, and student exchange partnerships with leading institutions in 24 countries across the world. One of Lancaster's great strengths is our interdisciplinary research, which allows you to tackle real-world topics so that you can have a genuine positive impact. Our community of researchers lead and collaborate on work that transform lives and communities and changes practice and thinking across the globe. Lancaster has a global reputation for excellence in teaching and highly rated, cutting-edge academic research. If you choose us, you will be working alongside others who will challenge you to think deeply and ambitiously.

We pride ourselves on our student-centred approach to postgraduate study and believe that our friendly atmosphere, dedicated postgraduate facilities and enthusiastic staff show our commitment to learning excellence. We welcome you to Lancaster University and we hope you will join our 4000 postgraduate students in deciding that Lancaster is the right choice for you.



Vice-Chancellor

Professor Steve Decent



Your *day...*

When you arrive on campus, please make your way to the Student Commons (map ref LIB).

As the undergraduate open day is also taking place, you will see lots of student helpers in red t-shirts/hoodies who will be able to direct you to the Student Commons for your open day. Here you will be greeted by our postgraduate student ambassadors who will be able to check you in and direct you to the relevant area to chat to your faculty.

Parking is free and if arriving by train, there is a free shuttle bus running from the station (adjacent to platform 3) from 8am until the last bus leaving campus at 4.30pm.

In our welcome hub, you will be provided the opportunity to:

- + Speak to faculty representatives and arrange meetings with academic staff
- + Engage with Admissions Experts
- + Chat with our Recruitment Officer on funding and scholarships
- + Discuss the support on offer from our Graduate Careers Coach
- + Take a tour of campus
- + View accommodation, study and social facilities on one of our student-led tours taking place at 10am, 11am, 12 noon, 1pm and 2pm.

Talk Times	Location: Student Commons
11:30-12:00	Welcome to Lancaster
12:30-13:00	How to apply to Lancaster: Starting your application and how to fund your studies inc. scholarships
13:30-14:00	Postgraduate Careers and Employability Support
14:15-15:00	Welcome and how to apply

Discover Your subject



Faculty of Humanities, Arts and Social Sciences

Now is an incredibly exciting time to study arts, humanities and social sciences. Staff and students across our Faculty are discussing how we respond to significant global challenges around artificial intelligence, sustainability, decolonisation and social, cultural and political change. These challenges have very different dimensions within our diverse subjects, and are enriched by our varied personal experiences.

By joining our Faculty for your postgraduate study, you would become part of a supportive, interdisciplinary and creative community.

Our cutting-edge research is informing both global academic discussions and vitally important engagement with diverse organisations and communities. Moreover, we have a wide range of opportunities to support your professional development – from careers or writing support to postgraduate conferences and more informal gatherings.

Visit our FHASS stand to chat with staff and current students about postgraduate study in your chosen subject area. We look forward to meeting you!



Faculty of Health and Medicine

The Faculty of Health and Medicine is home to a range of master's and doctoral level postgraduate programmes. As a vibrant and multi-disciplinary faculty, we bring together academics in biomedical, medical, applied health and care, and social science to tackle key challenges of the twenty-first century within medicine, health and care.

From developing your subject knowledge to equipping you with valuable research skills, our programmes are designed to enhance your future employability. Talk to us and discover more about our postgraduate programmes in biomedical and life sciences, health research and courses delivered by experts from our medical school – including clinical research and health data science



Faculty of Science and Technology

Join a thriving postgraduate community where curiosity, innovation and real-world impact come together. Our students and researchers work on challenges that matter – from advancing scientific understanding and developing new technologies to addressing global environmental and societal issues.

Our postgraduate programmes are shaped by world-leading research, taught by academics at the forefront of their disciplines. Whether you are looking to deepen your expertise, develop specialist technical skills, enhance your career prospects or prepare for doctoral study, our courses are designed to help you achieve your ambitions.

As a postgraduate student, you will have access to outstanding facilities, including specialist laboratories, industry-standard equipment and dedicated study and social spaces. You will learn in a supportive environment that encourages innovation, critical thinking and the confidence to make a meaningful impact in your chosen field.



Lancaster University Management School

Lancaster University Management School (LUMS) is among an elite group of global business and management schools to be quadruple accredited. We are home to a thriving international community of students and staff.

As one of the longest-established business schools in the UK, we challenge and support our creative students to realise their ambitions on a transformational journey that leads to real impact on industries, societies, and economies.

We are highly regarded by the Financial Times, QS, The Times, Guardian and more. Our high student satisfaction rates and excellent reputation for research demonstrate the quality of our offering and the value for money offered by our programmes.

LUMS is ranked as the top business school in the UK for our 'research power' and joint-top for 'research environment' (REF2021). This high-quality research feeds into your education, as we challenge convention, push boundaries, and shape agendas.



Colleges and *Accommodation*

We're proud to be one of a handful of UK universities with a collegiate system. Our colleges are vibrant hubs of activity that are central to the Lancaster experience, and they're a huge part of what makes us special.

Every student (and indeed staff member) at Lancaster belongs to one of nine colleges – Graduate College for postgraduate students and eight undergraduate colleges. Here, you'll shape long-lasting friendships, take part in friendly competitions, and get involved in college traditions. Graduate College helps you feel at home from the moment you arrive, with social events and welcome reps on hand to guide you.

Throughout your time here, dedicated college staff will be your first point of contact for any questions or concerns. Dedicated study and social spaces exclusively for postgraduate students ensure you have every opportunity to study in both solo and group spaces with IT facilities readily available.

Speak to one of our student ambassadors about their experience. We have tours taking place every hour to provide the opportunity to view accommodation and check out the study and social spaces exclusive to our postgraduate students.



Campus *Life*

You'll find everything you need on campus to support a fulfilling student experience.

Library

At the heart of campus, our library offers an impressive collection of physical and digital resources. Open 24/7 during term-time, it provides a variety of technology-enabled workspaces for both individual study and collaborative group work. In the 2025 National Student Survey, we received a 93.9% positivity score for library resources.

You're also welcome to explore the library without a guide at any time. (Map ref LIB)



Food and drink

Our campus is often described as a small town of its own, with cafes, takeaways, and restaurants serving delicious flavours from around the world. Whether you're craving a freshly baked pizza from Pizzetta Republic, an artisanal coffee from Coastal, or flavourful street food at the weekly farmer's market, good food and drink is never far away.

Sports centre

We've invested over £20 million into our sports centre facilities, which includes a fully equipped fitness suite, competition-standard strength and conditioning room, climbing wall, swimming pool, sauna and steam room. You'll also find courts, pitches, studios and sports halls for various activities. Lancaster students benefit from a generous discount on gym memberships.

Drop into the Sports Centre (Map ref SPC) for a tour around the impressive facilities.



Support when you need it

At Lancaster, you'll be surrounded by a supportive community invested in your health, wellbeing and student experience. We're on hand all day to chat with you – find us in the Learning Zone in Alexandra Square.

Student Wellbeing Service

Our Wellbeing Service offers a range of support tailored to your individual needs, helping you manage university life and develop the skills and confidence to succeed. Support ranges from advice and guidance through to specialist, practitioner-led services, all designed to help you understand and manage the impact of any disability, mental health or wellbeing concern on your studies.

This includes the Wellbeing Partnership Service, Student Mental Health Service, and the Disability and Inclusive Practice Service, which can support with reasonable adjustments, Disabled Students' Allowance, and inclusive teaching approaches.

Learn more
about student
support and
wellbeing at
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Students' *Union*

Lancaster University Students' Union (LUSU) is here to make sure your time as a student is everything it should be. They support your social life and studies, sporting activities, hobbies, interests, and the causes you care about. Every student at Lancaster University is automatically a member of LUSU, so you'll have access to all the services and support on offer. LUSU provides everything our students could need, including our very own letting agency, LUSU Living, and our student-only nightclub: The Sugarhouse.

Your activity groups are at the heart of your Lancaster experience. And with more than 200 clubs affiliated with LUSU, there's something for everyone. Whether you're into sports, have a cause that you're passionate about, a culture or faith you follow, a hobby you want to nurture, or you just want to try something new, we can help you find your sense of belonging.

LUSU Green

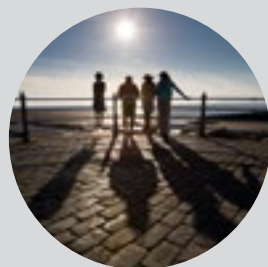
If you're passionate about sustainability, or looking for volunteering opportunities to get involved at your students' union, then look no further than LUSU Green. LUSU Green, a fully incorporated programme of Lancaster University Students' Union, runs various initiatives throughout the academic year where students can join in - from planting trees on campus, to wellbeing walks and sustainability and leadership development.





The city *and beyond*

Nestled between two of the UK's most famous National Parks (the Lake District and the Yorkshire Dales), Lancaster is a historic, student-friendly city in the northwest of England. Compact and easy to navigate, it offers everything you'd expect from a city, plus the added advantage of nearby coastline and countryside.



Among the cobbled streets and stunning architecture, you'll find familiar high-street names alongside a thriving coffee quarter, unique bars, stylish boutiques, and quirky entertainment spaces where students like to relax and socialise.

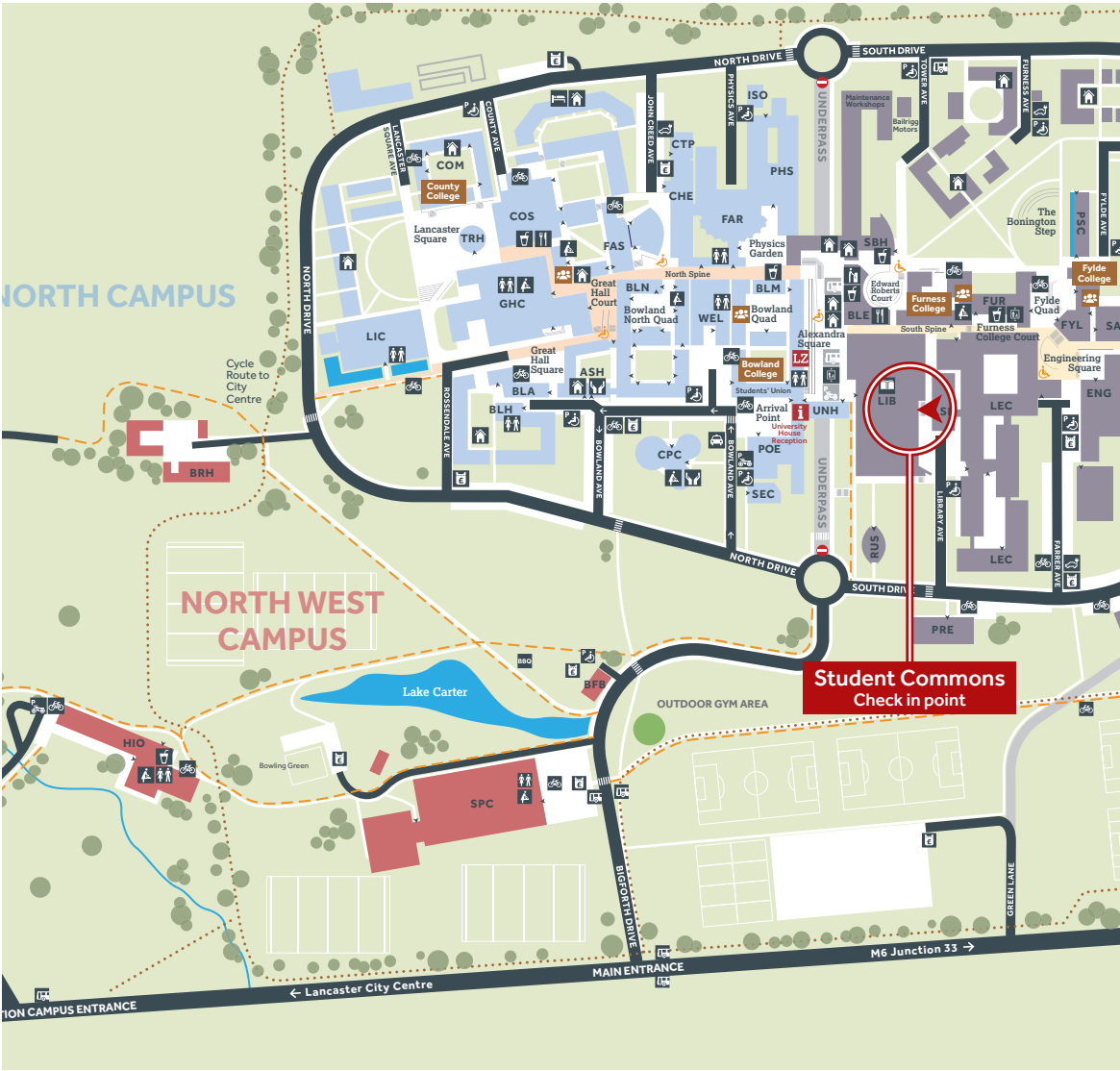
Our city also blends green space with urban life. A popular spot for students is Williamson Park: 54 acres of park and woodland where you can walk, relax, picnic, and even visit a mini zoo. With excellent transport links, Lancaster is well connected. Trains reach the Lake District in 30 minutes, Manchester in an hour, and London or Edinburgh in around 2.5 hours. Lancaster city centre is just three miles from our campus and can be easily accessed by bus, car, bike or on foot.

Self-Guided City Tour

While you're visiting us at Lancaster, why not head into the city? Our self-guided tour will take you around the city at your own pace, showing you the history, culture and sights of Lancaster. It's a great way to see if you can picture yourself living and learning here.

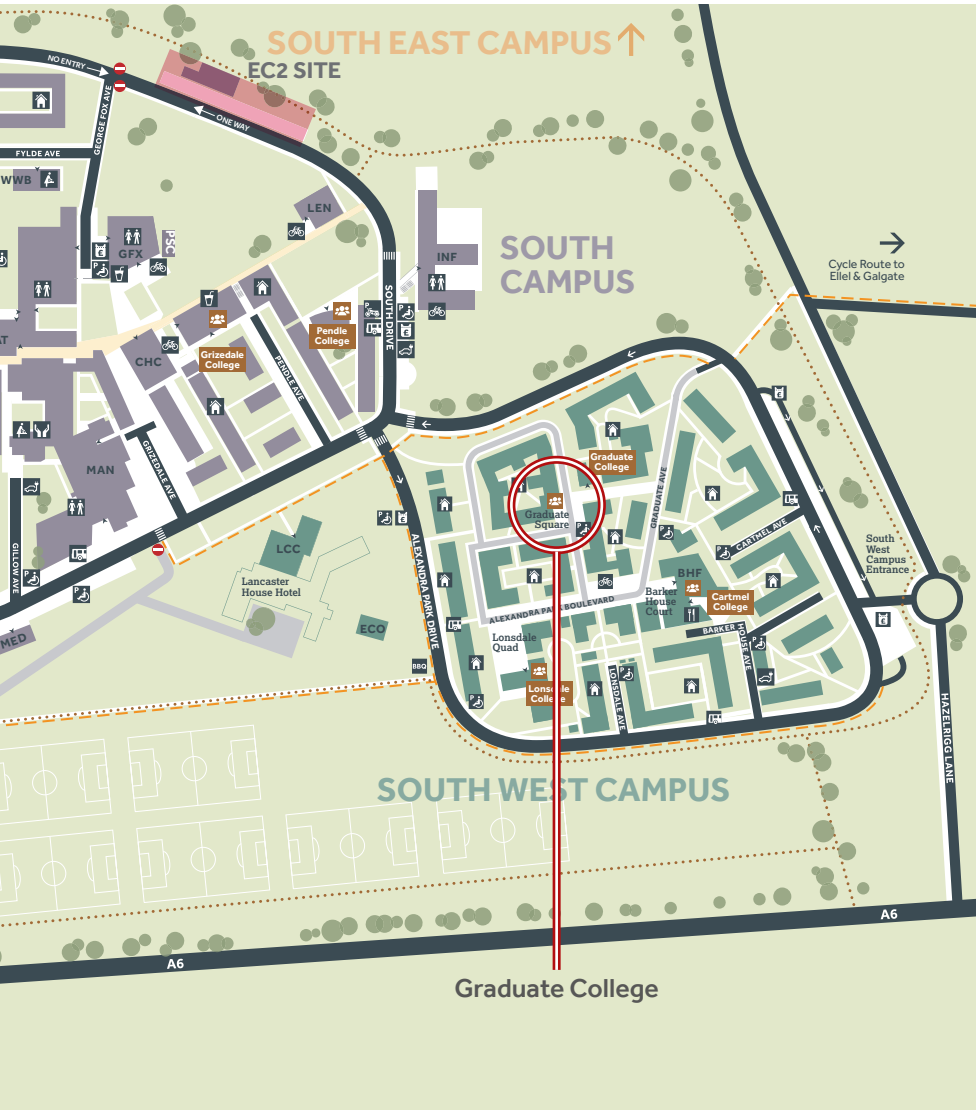


Lancaster Campus



SYMBOL KEY

	Accessible parking		Colleges		John Creed guest rooms
	ATM		College social space		Library
	Baby change		Cycle parking		Lift access
	BBQ area		Electric vehicle charging point		Motorcycle parking
	Building entrance point		Information point		Parking payment machine
	Bus stops		Learning Zone		Prayer room



WALKS & ROUTES

- Cycle route
- Woodland Walk
- Accessible ramp

CAMPUS ZONES

- North Campus
- North West Campus
- South Campus
- South West Campus
- South East Campus

- Restaurant
- Shops/Refreshments
- Student residence
- Taxi rank
- Toilets



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