

# **SUMMER SCHOOL** 2019

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# Welcome to the **Queen Mary** Summer

If you're keen to expand on your current studies and want to explore a new city, the Queen Mary Summer School is the ideal place to start. With a range of academically challenging courses on offer in a variety of disciplines, there is something for everyone!



Professor Colin Bailey President and Principal Queen Mary is a leading Russell Group university based in London's vibrant East End.

We have a long and distinguished record in undertaking world-leading research and inspirational teaching, with a history stretching back to 1785, when the Royal London medical school was established. With strengths across Humanities, Social Sciences and Creative Industries, Science and Engineering, and Medicine and Dentistry our new Summer School courses have been developed to offer you the opportunity to study 'for credit' or simply to come along and sample some of our classes as a taster before postgraduate study. Home to staff and students from 162 countries, our campus creates an environment where students, staff and visitors have the opportunity to learn from and respect each other's diverse cultures as well as acting as a gateway to the rest of Europe.

As part of our Summer School, you will have the opportunity to live and study in one of the world's most exciting cities and make friends from around the globe. You will also benefit from the full support of our staff through our Summer School welcome and social programmes.

We look forward to welcoming you this summer.

**Professor Colin Bailey** President and Principal



# At a glance

Take a look at what you can expect from studying with us this summer.

# Dates

Session 1: 1 July – 19 July 2019 Session 2: 22 July – 9 August 2019

# Location

Queen Mary is located in the heart of London's colourful East End, the capital's most vibrant and diverse area!

# Fees

£50 application fee £1650 for 1 session £3050 for 2 sessions

Discounts available, please check the website for details

# Accommodation

We have an attractive residential campus with accommodation for all students. All rooms are en-suite and self-catered.

£500 per session.

# Meal plans

Meal plans are available to purchase, so there's one less thing to think about during your time with us this summer! Breakfast, lunch and dinner are served daily in our onsite cafeteria, The Curve.

£105 Breakfast only £294 Breakfast plus main meal

# **Field Trips**

We use the city of London as our classroom! During your time with us you'll really get to know the city on many of our academically led field trips and get some industry insights along the way!

Some field trips incur an additional cost which will depend on the course topic, but you can expect to spend approximately £30-100 per course.

# Credits

Each of our courses are accredited and worth 15 Queen Mary credits. This usually translates to 4 US credits and 7.5 ECTS.

# **Entry requirements**

We welcome Summer School students from around the world and accept a range of qualifications equivalent to:

- Minimum 3.0 GPA or B+
- English language requirement of 6.5 IELTS
- Applicants must be 18+ at the time of attendance

# Why choose the Queen Mary Summer School?

From our location in the heart of east London – one of the capital's most dynamic areas – to our welcoming campus, world-leading research and inspiring teaching, there's a host of reasons to choose Queen Mary for your Summer School experience.

- It's an academic adventure like no other: you will meet and discuss your subject with some of the world's leading experts.
- Use the credits achieved on courses towards your home degree, making your summer really count.
- Make friends from across the world and make memories of your international experience that will stay with you for the rest of your life.
- Enhance your employability. According to Universities UK, a study period abroad 'enhances future employability and academic success' (2017).
- Gain new perspectives on your academic subjects that you can take back to your home university.



I had the time of my life! I made so many new friends from all over the world and learnt so many new things.

Bashaire Irfan from Pakistan Introduction to International Law course





of Summer School students would recommend it to a friend (2018).



We're located just 15 minutes from Oxford Circus by tube!

Brick Lane Bookshop

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Mile End was refreshing! Very close to the hustle and bustle of Canary Wharf and the main city, yet had its own peaceful canals and green spaces.

# Makarandh Sai Prasada from India

International Migration Law course



# **Our east London**

When you live and study with us, you'll be situated in the heart of east London, one of the coolest parts of the city - a buzzing area full of cafés, restaurants, galleries and bars.

More than anywhere else in the capital it's an energetic mix of the old and the new: from medieval history to hipster hangouts, from peaceful walks along Regent's Canal and leafy Victoria Park to Victorian East End pubs, from late-night music gigs to the coolest art exhibitions, we love east London's energy and its constant ability to surprise us. There's nowhere else in London like it. Studying at Queen Mary gives you a unique East End experience here you can enjoy authentic east London life. You are exposed to East End culture, an array of different people, places, cuisine and perspectives. East London offers a true taste of life as a local.



# **Course list**

This year we have broadened our course offering, with 18 courses in a variety of disciplines. Whatever you love – there will be something for you! Students are able to take one course per session and are very welcome to stay for both sessions. You'll have the academic experience of a life time.

# Culture, film and literature

This year there are six culturally enriching courses on offer in the area of art, culture and film - many of which place the city of London at their heart.

# Artistic Rebellion in London and Paris

### Session 1

Discover the history of the avant-garde art in Paris and its impact on London's culture. The course investigates how artists in both places responded to the political, social and technological transformations that took place between 1870 and 1980.

### British Horror and Fantasy Cinema from Dracula to Harry Potter Session 1

Investigate the alternative history of British cinema and the ways in which these films engage with the history of Britain and its capital.

# London in European Literature, Art & Film

# Session 2

Examine the city through the eyes of its European neighbours in examples of European literature, fine art and film in the 19th, 20th, and early 21st centuries.

### London Performance Past and Present Session 2

Immerse yourself in London's rich and historical theatre scene and dissect some of its most renowned playwrights.

# Global Shakespeare Session 2

Find out how and why Shakespeare's plays performed, filmed, read and taught across the world and what makes Shakespeare a "global" force in this immersive course.

# Timewalkers: early humans, stone tools and environmental change Session 2

Explore the first dispersals of humans across Europe; a remarkable story of survival in unfamiliar landscapes, where the challenges of changing climate, physical barriers and food and resource availability, tested human resilience to its limits.

# **Modern languages**

Queen Mary's Confucius Institute is offering two brand new courses for 2019.

# Chinese Language and Culture Level 1

# Session 1

The course provides Mandarin Chinese language tuition, which develops the ability to operate practically and effectively in Mandarin.

### Chinese Language and Culture Level 2 Session 2

This course is designed to give false beginners in Mandarin Chinese exposure to listening and reading items to develop their understanding and fluency.



# Finance, business and management

Challenge yourself by studying in the heart of one of Europe's financial centres alongside world-renowned academics!

### Financial Programming Session 1

Equip yourself with core skills used in the finance industry – putting theory into industry practice. The course covers key technologies that are widely used for developing software applications in the financial markets and banking sectors, including advanced Microsoft Excel, VBA (Visual Basic for Applications), C/C++

### **International Business** Session 2

Gain a dynamic and internationally comparative perspective on multinational firms and the world economy, and take advantage of our campus' location on the doorstep of London's financial district!



The professor always motivated us to do better, that's something I appreciate.

Jovanna Montano from Mexico International Business course



# Law

Our School of Law was ranked 3rd in the UK and 1st in London by the Guardian University guide 2018. Come and study one of our academically rigorous courses, taught by internationally respected legal experts.



# Introduction to International Law Session 1

Gain a profound overview of international law and its various areas, its relations to politics, and the current challenges of the international legal system.

# State Crime Session 2

Examine crimes committed by governments and explore the definition and nature of state crime in criminological and political discourse. We'll look at examples of state crime and analyse them as a class. By the end of the course you will have a greater understanding of the worst types of crime.

# **Politics and migration**

Our School of Politics and International Relations, and School of Geography are offering vibrant and challenging courses to students interested in getting to grips with the theories behind international conflict, co-operation and culture.

# Issues and Debates in International Relations

# Session 1

This course gives you a sophisticated understanding of international relations, covering such current topics as war and security, globalisation and development, and EU foreign policy.

### Migration and Urban Change in London and Paris Session 1

This multidisciplinary course examines the urban landscape of both London and Paris in order to unravel intellectual debates on globalization, the politics of public space and urban diversity – and includes a week-long stay in Paris!



# **Science and technology**

Using our state of the art facilities on campus you will be able to get to grips with modern chemistry techniques in our laboratories, gaze at the stars in our astronomical observatory or learn a new programming language in our computer labs!

# Introduction to Particle Physics Session 1

This course will explain the basic concepts in particle physics, starting from the basic blocks of matter as we know them before looking at the fundamental forces and experimental methods used in ongoing investigations in the field.

# **Practical Machine Learning** Session 2

Study machine learning by using the Python programming language and the TensorFlowTM programming toolkit. (No programming background needed).

# The Universe: an introduction to astronomy, cosmology, and data science

# Session 2

Learn about the constituents of the observed universe and state of the art data science techniques. Carry out real astronomical observations using the inhouse optical telescopes at the Queen Mary observatory.



The teaching has been very good. We have a very intelligent teacher. There's only three weeks, so you need a certain pace to reach around a subject, and I think he's done a good job of that.

Lasse Værum Nikolajsen from Denmark Practical Machine Learning





### Chemistry for Today and Tomorrow: From Bench to Market Session 2

Achieve a broad understanding of modern chemistry techniques and applications via hands on experience, discussions with experts and group activities. This course aims to expose students to cutting edge techniques and explore future directions for the field using Queen Mary's state of the art laboratories.

Our School of Physics was

1st

in London for overall satisfaction for 4 years running (NSS 2014 - 17).



# How to apply

To apply for the Queen Mary Summer School you will need to fill out our online application form qmul.ac.uk/ summer-school/your-application.

In order to apply you will need to provide these documents:

- your current academic transcript or your record of studies to date
- evidence of your English Language proficiency, if your first language isn't English (Please see our entry requirements for full details)
- a written statement explaining why you'd like to attend the Summer School
- a copy of your passport

We then assess your application and send you an offer letter within 2 working days of your application.

The application deadline is 26 May 2019.

# **Entry requirements**

To join our Summer School, you should have completed a minimum of two semesters' study at your home institution.

We welcome Summer School students from around the world and accept a range of qualifications:

- if your home institution uses the fourpoint Grade Point Average (GPA) scale, we usually require a 3.0 GPA
- if your home institution uses the letter scale, you will need to have a B+
- If your first language is not English, you must meet our English language requirements. This is typically an IELTS 6.5 or higher.

We welcome international qualifications and we consider every application individually on its academic merit.

Applicants with an alternative qualification should check it is equivalent to the above or contact us at summerschool@qmul.ac.uk.



# **Teaching and assessment**

Queen Mary University of London is one of the world's top research universities and a member of the elite Russell Group. As a Summer School student at Queen Mary, you will study in an environment famous for the quality of its teaching and research.

### Teaching

You will be taught through a varied mix of lectures, seminars and academic activities/field trips. You will study by yourself, as well as take part in group work and discussions with academic staff and your fellow students.

### **Course Structure**

All of our courses are taught Monday – Thursday with Friday free. Typically they run from 10 am – 3pm each day with an hour for lunch. Each course is comprised of 45 hours contact time, with 105 hours of personal study.





### Assessment

Each course has optional assessments, usually in the form of a written assignment, class presentation or test. Completing these assessments is essential if you wish to get an official Queen Mary transcript and use the credit from your Summer School course at your home institution.

# Credit

Each of our Summer School courses is worth 15 Queen Mary credits. This usually translates to 4 credits in the US system and 7.5 ECTS in the European system. Your home institution should confirm if they will grant credit for Summer School courses before you attend the programme.

# 100%

of students said that they felt safe on campus. 2018)

# Accommodation and campus life

As a Queen Mary Summer School student, you will be offered a place on campus in our comfortable accommodation.

# **Campus Life**

Our award-winning, self-contained campus is set beside the Regent's Canal, looking on to Mile End Park. It has a friendly, relaxed atmosphere: with plenty of greenery and attractive outdoor spaces, it's easy to forget that you're in the middle of a bustling capital city. As a Summer School student with us, this is where you will be based if you choose to live on campus.

Our campus has a friendly community of staff and students and is noted for its safety and convenience. You'll just be a short walk away from your classes. On campus, we also have two grocery shops, four cafés, two restaurants, a bar, a health and fitness centre, a bookshop and a bank.

See what its like: for a virtual tour of our rooms and full details of the accommodation options, visit residences. qmul.ac.uk



I was very satisfied with the campus location because it wasn't in the middle of all the tourism and large crowds of people. It was very calming to return to it at the end of the day.

# Eleanor Skladman from the USA

British Horror and Fantasy Cinema, and London Performance Past and Present



# **Social Programme**

To ensure that you are fully immersed in London life, the Queen Mary Summer School has curated a calendar of social activities to accompany your studies.





London as a city is amazing. Everything is very close in proximity, walking can get you anywhere. There's always something happening - you're never bored here.

### Edison Lacour from the USA

British Horror and Fantasy Cinema and London Performance Past and Present



We hope to give you the full London experience: from traditional British cuisine to exciting hipster hang-outs, all against the vibrant multi-cultural backdrop of the East End. Taking part in our social programme will give you the opportunity to build friendships with your fellow Summer School students, and experience the city from the perspective of a local.

### Welcome programme

We want you to feel at home here the moment you arrive, so there will be a number of complimentary events taking place as part of our Welcome Programme in week 1.

We'll give you practical advice about living and studying in London, and host optional social events like a student boat trip down the River Thames, so you get to see London's historic riverside while relaxing with your fellow students.

# What's on offer?

100%

of students found support from the Summer School team easy to access while

here

Throughout the rest of the Summer School, there will be events running regularly (which may incur a small fee). We will send you more information on the social programme and these optional events before you arrive, so you have plenty of time to plan your social calendar.

Examples of events that took place in 2018 are

- Aladdin the Musical on the West End
- Tour of Buckingham Palace
- East End Street Art tour
- Junkyard Golf Club
- Cinema trip

# Fees, finance and discounts

### **Tuition fees**

There is a £50 application fee which must be paid upon submitting an application, using our online store. Your application will not be considered until this amount is paid.

One session	£1,650
Both sessions	£3,050

### **Discounts**

There is a 10% 'early bird' tuition fee discount available for all students who submit their application before 31 March 2019.

We also offer a 10% discount for applicants who are current Queen Mary students, Queen Mary alumni or a student from a Queen Mary partner institution. Students from partner institutions are also not required to pay the £50 application fee.

### Accommodation

On-campus accommodation costs approximately £500 per session.

Please note that you are welcome to book a room for dates that suit you, at an additional cost of approximately £24 per night.

# **Additional costs**

There may be additional costs during the Summer School that you should account for, such as social programme events and field trips.

You can find further information the specific additional costs for each course by visiting our website

qmul.ac.uk/summer-school/whatcan-i-study





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