



UNIVERSITY OF  
WESTMINSTER

**A GLOBAL  
UNIVERSITY  
WITH LONDON  
ENERGY**

**2023/2024**

**STUDENT EXCHANGE  
FACTSHEET**

# STUDYING WITH US

From business and finance to fashion, art, music, cinema and sport, London is where things happen! Studying at Westminster means that your classroom goes well beyond the walls of the university and everything that London has to offer is on your doorstep. London really will be your campus.

We have three campuses in the heart of London and one in the leafy borough of Harrow in North West London. Our excellent facilities include:

- 24-hour libraries
- State-of-the-art science laboratories
- Advanced IT services
- Online learning resources
- Art, design, film and TV studios
- World-class audio recording studios
- Galleries
- Sports and recreational facilities
- One of the few Bloomberg Financial Markets Suites in the UK
- Specialist workshops for wood, metal, moulding, casting, photography and ceramics
- A new cutting-edge digital Fabrication Laboratory that offers a suite of 3D printers and laser cutters



Support available to you:

- Detailed pre-arrival information and support before you leave home and a comprehensive welcome session when you arrive
- Assigned Academic Exchange Co-ordinator (AEC) who will provide support whilst you study with us
- Access to the University's extensive support services, which cover counselling and mental health services, disability learning support, student wellbeing and visa and immigration advice

With students from 169 nations, we have one of the most diverse student communities in the UK.

# OUR PRIORITIES



**“Wellbeing, inclusion and sustainable development are our priorities and guide us in all we do”**

## WELLBEING

We believe that everyone has the right to feel fulfilled at work and study, connected to a community of colleagues and students who are passionate about making a positive impact on themselves, our workplaces, study spaces and those around us.

## INCLUSION

Westminster promotes a supportive and safe learning and working environment which is equitable, diverse and inclusive, is based on mutual respect and trust, and is a place where harassment and discrimination are not tolerated.

As a responsible institution, we strive to ensure and to champion equality. As a progressive institution, we take pride in our diversity. As a compassionate institution, we commit to an inclusive culture that allows students and colleagues to reach their full potential.



## SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

We take inspiration from the 17 United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in how we drive our actions, activities and governance across the University, in line with our progressive, responsible and compassionate values.



**SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS**

# OUR CAMPUSES



Students can  
access the services  
across all of our  
campuses



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Regent Street  
campus](#)



## HARROW

- Photography
- Digital Media
- Television & Film
- Media
- Journalism
- Art



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## REGENT STREET



- Politics & International Relations
- Cultural Studies
- Criminology
- English



- History
- Linguistics
- Modern Languages & Cultures
- Sociology
- Law

# OUR CAMPUSES



## CAVENDISH

- Computer Sciences
- Biomedical Sciences
- Life Sciences
- Psychology



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## MARYLEBONE

- Architecture
- Economics
- Finance
- Accounting
- Business Information Management
- Marketing & Tourism
- Human Resources



# MODULES

## Which modules can I choose?

First, check the exchange partnership that your Home University has with the University of Westminster. This will tell you from which College/Schools/subject areas you can choose. You can find [a list of our Exchange Partners with this information here](#)

- You cannot mix modules from different Schools. If you are nominated for Westminster Business School, for example, you must select modules from within that School
- You can find our [Module Catalogues here](#)
- You are allowed to take a maximum of 3 modules per semester, up to 60 UK credits
- A portfolio of work will likely be required for practical Arts, Media Communication and Architecture modules. Have a look at our [Portfolio requirements page](#)

WORKLOAD	WESTMINSTER CREDITS	EQUIVALENT ECTS CREDITS
Academic year	120 credits (6 modules)	60 credits
One semester	60 credits (3 modules)	30 credits
One module	20 credits	10 ECTS credits

# ACCOMMODATION

## University Halls of Residence

- Available but not guaranteed (priority is given to students staying for a full academic year)
- Apply for University accommodation in your Exchange application form
- If you are successful in your application for University accommodation, you must accept and pay deposit a before a given deadline (you will be contacted after the application deadline)
- More information about our [University accommodation \(including prices\) can be found here](#)



## Private Rented Accommodation

- Many students choose to live in privately rented accommodation
- Support and advice is provided by our Student Accommodation Team to students who have applied for University Halls of Residence and who have been unsuccessful
- More information on [private rented accommodation can be found here](#)



# ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

## ACADEMIC

### Undergraduate

- If you are a student from a country using the Grade Point Average (GPA) system, you must have a cumulative GPA of 2.7 on a 4.0 scale. If you wish to study subjects from the School of Arts and the School of Media & Communication, we require a cumulative GPA of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale
- If you are from a country with a different grading system, you must have an average of a C grade, or good, or equivalent. If you wish to study subjects from the School of Arts and the School of Media & Communication, you must have an average of a B grade, or very good, or equivalent



You will need to submit an academic transcript as part of your application

### Postgraduate

- GPA as for undergraduate, but you must be a graduate and hold an undergraduate degree



## PROOF OF ENGLISH

*Language of Instruction at the University of Westminster is English*

- For modules within the **School of Arts and the School of Media & Communication**, a minimum score of IELTS 6.5 (or equivalent) is required, with a minimum of 6.0 in each element
  - For modules within **all other schools**, an overall score of IELTS 6.0 (or equivalent) is required, with a minimum of 5.5 in each element
  - Students who have been nominated by our exchange partners are able to provide evidence of English language ability in the form of a **formal letter** of reference from their Home University, outlining their language ability. Please discuss this with your home exchange/study abroad office
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- If you are not able to provide a formal letter of reference from your home university, proof of English must be in the form of a recent test (usually from within the last 2 years). Some tests that we accept are: IELTS Academic, IELTS for UKVI, Pearson, TOEFL (iBT), Duolingo and Cambridge Assessment English (C1 Advanced CAE / C2 Proficiency CPE). [A list of additional tests can be found here](#)
  - Please note, we are not able to accept scores from across more than one test

# USEFUL INFORMATION

## University of Westminster Student Union ([UWSU](#))

From club nights to sports, networking and socials, UWSU has got you covered! There are plenty of events to get involved in. UWSU also offer advice and guidance on academic and pastoral matters



All students have completely **FREE** access to amazing **gym facilities**, including **sports clubs** and **societies**

## Life in London

- [Watch our video: London is Our Campus](#)
- Cultural London – [read more about London as a place of culture and learning](#)



## Will I need a visa?

If you will be studying with us for **less** than six months, you will require a [Standard Visitor visa](#)

If you will be studying with us for **more** than six months, you will require a [Student visa](#)

Full, tailored information and guidance will be sent to applicants following acceptance onto the programme

Accepted applicants will also be able to contact our specialist trained Student Advice team with any visa queries



## Cost of living

Like all capital cities, London can be an expensive place to live. Our advice is to be prepared and take time to budget in advance. On average, students can spend around £475 per week on [rent and living costs](#) in London (2023). There are many discounts available to students which we will share, plus additional saving tips, in our extensive pre-arrival material



## Grade release

Results are published in line with the [University Calendar](#)

Semester 1 students: late February  
Semester 2 and Full Year students: late June

## Transcripts

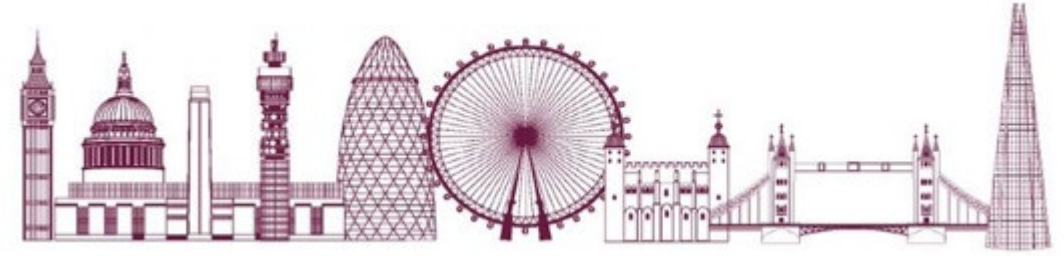
Students will have access to secure, validated electronic transcripts. For students who do not hold any referrals/deferrals, transcripts are usually first released via the [University of Westminster Verification Service Portal](#) approximately 10 days after the grade release date



## [University of Westminster Academic dates](#)



# HOW TO APPLY



## STEP 1

**You must first be nominated by your Home University**

Your Home University should contact us with your name and information in line with our nomination deadlines

### NOMINATION DEADLINES



**Start date:** September  
Nomination deadline: 1 April

**Start date:** January  
Nomination deadline: 1 September

## STEP 2

**We will contact all nominated students by email, inviting them to complete our online application form**

You will select your housing and module preferences as part of the application form

### APPLICATION DEADLINES



**Start date:** September  
Application deadline: 1 May

**Start date:** January  
Application deadline: 15 October

### DOCUMENTS REQUIRED WITH YOUR APPLICATION:



- Academic transcript (showing all years of study and grade average)
- Copy of passport (main photo page)
- Proof of English language ability (if required)
- Portfolio of work (if required)

## OUTCOME

You will receive an official acceptance email once your online application has been processed and approved



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