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India 2013

A guide for Indian students







Delhi to London **9 hours**



London to Leicester **1 hour**



10 reasons to choose DMU

- 1 400 innovative, creative and professional courses, including undergraduate and postgraduate courses in law, business, finance, HR, engineering, computing, architecture, design, pharmacy and science
- 2 170 courses are accredited by professional bodies such as ACCA, BPS, CIM, CIPD, CPA, IET and RIBA
- 3 Our students go on to work for leading national and international companies including Adidas, Aston Martin, BBC, Microsoft and Ubisoft
- 4 Our courses are designed to meet the needs of modern employers, with content that is relevant to industry. By working with well-known companies such as Hewlett Packard, BBC, Orange and Codemasters, we ensure you have the skills and experience you will need to flourish in your career
- 5 Leicester is a multicultural city with a population of 300,000 people, located one hour by train from London. We have a diverse population including a strong Indian community. Leicester holds the largest Diwali celebrations outside of India. The campus is located near to the popular Golden Mile, which is home to some of the best Indian restaurants, food, music and clothes shops in the UK. We are also located near to a number of Places of Worship including a Church, Temple, Mosque and Gurdwara
- 6 Frontrunners is our campus paid placement scheme, offering students the opportunity to earn alongside their studies for a short period and learn invaluable skills for the work place. We also have an on campus recruitment agency to help you find work during your studies
- 7 Leicester is an affordable city with total accommodation and living costs from £100 per week
- 8 We have invested heavily in the campus, with a £35 million Business School, a state of the art Nursing and Midwifery School and an £8 million new Leisure Centre. We offer a range of industry standard facilities, from 3D games studios to mock court rooms, pharmacy practice suites and dance studios
- 9 A supportive learning environment awaits you, with lecturers who are passionate about what they do and who embrace innovative ways of teaching to help you achieve more than you thought possible
- 10 We offer all our international students two hours free in-session English classes a week during their studies to help improve their English language skills

Finance

Course	2013/14
International Foundation Programmes	£8,000 – £9,000
Undergraduate (classroom-based)	£10,750
Undergraduate (lab-based)	£11,250
GCIB/pre-Masters (Business only) (September)	£8,000
GCIB/pre-Masters (Business only) (January)	£4,000
Postgraduate Taught/Postgraduate Research (classroom-based)	£11,700
Postgraduate Taught/Postgraduate Research (lab-based)	£12,200
Postgraduate Research (International Research Degree Programme)	£5,500
MBA	£12,500
MSc Pharmaceutical Biotechnology	£12,500

Scholarships and bursaries India Scholarships

DMU is delighted to offer £1,000 scholarships to students from India.

The scholarships will be paid towards the full tuition fees (deducted at the beginning of the first, or only, year of study) of students wishing to study the following types of full-time course:

- Undergraduate degrees (BA/BSc/LLB) in any subject
- Postgraduate diplomas and master's courses (PGDip/MA/MSc/MBA/LLM) in any subject
- MPhil/PhD research degrees in any subject (Full time only)

Once you have applied and been accepted onto a course at DMU, and if you achieve the required grades, you will automatically be awarded the scholarship.

75% + average at Standard XII

60% + in Bachelors degree

70% + in Bachelors or pass in Masters



Early payment discount

All students are required to make a payment of £3,000 towards course fees when accepting an unconditional offer from DMU. Students who choose to pay their full course fees within the first four weeks of the start of their programme, and are an overseas student enrolling with the university for the first time, could then also be entitled to a Full Payment Discount of £500 (some course exclusions apply).

For a full list of all scholarships we offer Indian students please visit dmu.ac.uk/India

Living costs

Annual costs	GBP	Indian rupees
University-allocated accommodation	£3,800 – £4,780	330,600 – 415,860
Food and toiletries	£1,300	113,100
Books and stationery	£650	56,550
Travel (excluding international flights)	£260 – £1,000	22,620 – 87,000
Heating (may be included in university accommodation charge)	£260	22,620
Laundry	£156	13,572
Mobile phone	£120+	10,440+
Water rates (may be included in university accommodation charge)	£52	4,524
Insurance	£52	4,524
TV Licence	£140	12,180
Clothes	£350	30,450
Social life (minimum)	£1,000 – £1,500*	87,000 – 130,500*

These costs are stated as a guide only and may change depending on exchange rate. Exchange rate taken August 2012 – 87 Indian Rupees to 1 UK pound.

*This amount will vary depending on your lifestyle but will allow a reasonable standard of living.

Entry requirements for Indian students

Our admissions teams look at each application individually, however the information below will give you an indication of the entry requirements for courses.

English Language requirements

To begin a full-time course at DMU you will have to provide evidence of your English language ability. You must have an English language level equivalent to:

- IELTS 6.0–6.5 minimum 5.5 in each component
- TOEFL 45 - 93 minimum Reading 18, Listening 17, Speaking 16, Writing 13
- Pearsons 36 -58 minimum 51 in each component
- Studied and been examined in the medium of English for at least two years.

Please note: Even if you have a very good level of English and have studied for many years in English, taking a formal English language test such as IELTS or TOEFL will help with your visa application. The visa authorities find it much quicker and easier to assess your documents if you have a formal test certificate and it demonstrates an additional commitment to your studies.



Undergraduate

We will look at the examination board you studied along with your individual grades. However, generally applicants from India with overall scores of a minimum of 65% average in their four best subjects (excluding Hindi) at Standard 12 may be eligible for entry onto the first year of an undergraduate degree. The admissions team may also want to check your standard 10 results in English and Maths, normally for Engineering courses you will need a minimum of 60% in Maths. If you do not have this level of qualification, there is a range of foundation courses available at DMU.

Postgraduate

Our admissions teams understand that India is a vast country and that there can be important differences between institutions and also degree content. We will assess the content of the first degree, the institution where you have studied and also check the individual grades you have achieved throughout your studies.

Depending on your choice of course, you will generally need a minimum score of between 55% and 65% in your first degree and some postgraduate business degrees will also ask for relevant work experience.

PhD applicants will be expected to have a postgraduate degree in a subject area closely related to the proposed research topic. This degree should normally have been awarded within the last five years, and needs to have included an assessed component dealing with research methods. An equivalent academic or professional qualification may be acceptable. Generally, you are expected to identify your own project and, as part of your application, are expected to write an outline research proposal. Guidelines for writing the proposal are available on the De Montfort University website at dmu.ac.uk/researchproposal
E: researchstudents@dmu.ac.uk



Advanced entry

Students wanting to enter the second or third years of a degree will be considered on an individual basis. We would ask you to supply detailed information of the courses that you have studied to support your application. This should include grades showing scores, your syllabus and a grading guide. For advanced entry we would normally look for a fairly close match between the first degree subjects and our own qualifications. We will try to be fairly flexible if the match isn't exact.

After completing my graduation from DMU, I travelled for a while to UAE, China, etc for more global exposure. Now I am involved in my family business from last three years. I am looking after marketing, export and production work for our company engaged in Marble Mining and processing. Life has gone through a big change after DMU and I am grateful to all the faculty members for their support and co-operation. Cheers!

Shreyans Jain

BA Hons, Business Administration



After passing out from DMU in 2005 I joined a HR Consultancy firm. Now I am working with FirstSource Solutions Ltd and heading a HR assesment in India. DMU has changed my life completely and has enabled me to realise my own practicals. Thank You DMU!!!

Rajdeep Ghosh

MSc, International Business And Management



Life after DMU has been great to say the least.

Ashutosh Ruia

MA, Marketing Administration

After my completion of a Masters in international business, I have joined my family business, I am very grateful to the university and all the faculty members who made it possible for what I am today. I am handling overseas marketing for our company manufacturing dye stuff for textile, leather and paper industry.

Abhishek Jagnani

MSc, International Business And Management



After completing my Masters I have worked with a travel agency in central London for two years and we were the official travel agents (event management) for the top Indian companies like Mittal Steel and Wipro Technologies. Now I'm back in New Delhi and I have joined my Dad's business of garments exports. My course has helped me a lot in my business for e.g. when it comes to making decisions, sales, marketing etc.

Satyam Varma

PGDip, International Business And Management

DMU's successful students

Rhaul Choudry

Graduate Certificate in Business and MSc Management of Human Resources

Rhaul Choudry, from Kolkatta, chose to start his higher studies at De Montfort University (DMU) in Leicester because he wanted the highest quality British education at a University that not only promised - but could also deliver - a truly international exposure and a first class student experience.

Rhaul started his Graduate Certificate in International Business (GCIB) and after graduating he enrolled on a Masters in International Business Human Resource Management (MSc IBHRM). After just a couple of weeks into the programme, he was totally convinced that HR was the specific area of business he wanted to specialise. Rhaul wanted a career with excellent job prospects and he knew that HR was one of the fastest growing areas of business in many countries, in particular rapidly developing countries such as India, China, Russia and Africa. He also knew that if he wanted to get ahead of the game he would need professional accreditation by the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD). He therefore approached the Programme Leader of the Full Time Masters in the Management of HR which was CIPD accredited and asked if he could transfer programmes. DMU prides itself on meeting the individual needs of students, and so the swap over was agreed and Rhaul started on his professional Masters in HRM.

He recalls his first thoughts about the programme: "It was just perfect for me, it was very focussed, I was being treated as an adult, and had to take responsibility for my own learning, I knew it was now down to me to succeed." He goes on to say: "All the Lecturers were brilliant and took a real interest in what you were doing. It was different to India. In India we



are a bit like elephants – we soak up the information and learn the facts. At DMU they make sure you understand the information – which is so different to just learning facts and not really understanding what you are learning." He said feedback from the lecturers was one of the best things that helped him learn: "All the time they are keeping you on track, helping you understand your strengths and helping you overcome your weaknesses."

Rhaul is certain the Masters Degree has enabled him to be a successful business manager. He cites one of the main things as having the opportunity to do group work with students from all over the world. He said: "Learning about life in countries such as Japan, Brazil, Korea and China has been of enormous value to my business as I now understated their culture much more and can identify and respond to their business needs more appropriately."

Rhaul says, "All the modules were of huge value, but if he had to identify one, it would have to be 'Employment Law', because it gave me insight into the legal framework which was highly relevant to India. Rhaul is currently working on his final thesis.



Krishna Nama Manjunatha

MSc Microelectronics and Nanotechnology

After completing his Btech from Bangalore, Krishna worked as a Network Engineer in a leading company in India. Krishna chose to come to DMU for his Master's degree as DMU is one of few Universities which offers a combined course in Microelectronics and Nanotechnology. When he researched Leicester, he found out that it is an affordable, multicultural city with a strong Indian population.

Krishna believes that DMU has world class research facilities which are on par with industry and he highly appreciates his professors and lecturers at DMU. His favourite feature of the course is the Lab based practical and he has also developed his problem solving skills through some of the modules of this course.

He is happy about the university as he didn't expect the standards to be that high and he thinks that the student lifestyle in the UK is better than any other country. During the course of his study, Krishna also got a part time job in the university. He is working as a Frontrunner for the Admissions office at DMU. He thinks this is the best "on campus" job opportunity for him because he can be flexible with his work and can concentrate on his studies at the same time without any stress.

Shalini Lynette Pereira

MA Design Innovation

Shalini is now working as Senior Interior Designer in an Indian company. There she hopes to present a new approach to house building in India to benefit the environment. Shalini's MA project addressed the current lack of engagement with environmental issues amongst house builders, as well as looking at a solution to the shortage of energy and water in troubled regions like Gujarat. By promoting sustainable housing as a way of improving quality of life, she plans that more people will adopt better designed houses which could start to make a difference to climate change.

Manish Chaudhry

MSc in Rapid Product Development

After graduating he joined the Science and Engineering Graduates Scheme (SEGS). Within one month he had started to working for Delcam Plc at the Head Quarters in Birmingham, UK. Delcam is a multinational company developing CAD/CAM software for range of business sectors including the medical and automotive industries.

After 12 months developing and evaluating new applications for Delcam's CAD/CAM software Manish was offered a permanent job and the company provided support to secure a visa and work permit for another five years. He is now involved in customisation and automation projects for the company's CAD/CAM software users. I had undertaken other courses but this was the only one with such strong links to industry. I was amazed that I found such a good job so quickly after graduating. I now have a good career ahead of me and I have the potential to work for Delcam anywhere in the world.

Case Study

I always wanted to pursue my Masters after my undergraduate degree. After completing my undergraduate studies in Interior Design in Mumbai from one of the most reputed Interior Design colleges, I wanted to further my education by doing my postgraduate study in the UK as I have always been fascinated by European and British Architecture.



My parents highly supported my decision of pursuing my postgraduation studies in design. With all the support from my parents I started researching the right university before speaking to some educational consultants in my home city of Mumbai looking for the right modules which would suit my need of specialising in Interior Design along with Marketing and Management Studies, something similar to an MBA but into Design.

I came across DMU's MA Design Innovation with pathway in Interior Design course which had the right modules for me. I was interviewed and offered a place on the MA Design Innovation programme after meeting De Montfort staff in India.

Some modules like Marketing strategies for designers, Entrepreneurship for designers was something that I was looking for which helped me immensely to gain knowledge and to implement the theories into my real life as a designer. This course as a whole helped me learn and research into interior design, I learned more about its history, which was like studying design literature which I found very interesting. It was my first time ever that I was living away from my parents independently and I easily got a part time job in the university itself. And I must admit it was a wonderful learning experience altogether studying and doing a part time job which I had not done before in Mumbai.



DMU has an International Student Association which helped bring all the international students together. DMU 's ISA helped me meet students from different nationalities and now even after so many years of my course completion we are still in touch and some of us have become very close friends. The MA Design Innovation programme was a very well structured programme for designers in different streams and the tutors were very helpful throughout the course. One thing that I really appreciated was the tutors gave special individual appointments to students to come and discuss their difficulties while doing any assignment, they were excellent mentors.

Leicester is a very student friendly city and DMU is a student hub where students from various cultural background come, meet and become lifelong friends. After my postgraduate studies I went back to my home country where I got a job as an Interior Designer in a good organisation in Mumbai. My MA studies helped me a lot in the initial stages of finding work, which has now polished my skills overall as an Interior Designer in designing, managing and handling work pressure well and taking up challenges new challenges. The MA Design Innovation course boosted my confidence level with each assignment I undertook along with numerous presentations which now helps in my office work to give client presentations without any fear of goofing up!

Vidhisha Sinha (Vishy)
MA Design Innovation with
Pathway in Interior Design

Our Indian Honorands

Mahendra Singh Dhoni

Indian cricket legend Mahendra Singh Dhoni was made an Honorary Doctor of Letters by DMU in 2011.

On accepting his award Mahendra, captain of the Indian cricket team, said he would cherish the honour and relationship with the university forever and his award would act as a symbol to all young people of the importance of education.

“It is a joy to travel far and be at home. We feel at home here because we know that we have countless fans and friends in England, among all communities, but nowhere more so than in the city of Leicester.”

Mahendra's achievements in the cricketing world speak for themselves. Under his captaincy the Indian team has achieved many great things, including wins in the 2007 ICC world twenty20 championships, the 2007-08 Commonwealth Bank one day series and most recently the 2011 cricket World Cup.

He holds records for the most catches in an innings and the longest unbeaten run as a captain. He also holds the award for the fastest century scored by an Indian wicket keeper. In the 2011 World Cup final his score of 91 not out secured the trophy for India, finishing with six. In 2008 and 2009 he was also named the ICC's one-day international player of the year.

DMU has strong links with the cricketing world having become partners with Leicestershire County Cricket Club.



Amitabh Bachchan

Bollywood legend Amitabh Bachchan was awarded an honorary Doctorate of Arts degree from De Montfort University in July 2006. He is the only Indian actor to have received this honour. Amitabh Bachchan, often dubbed India's greatest superstar, with a career spanning nearly four decades, received the award in recognition of his career in films. Thousands of people gathered in the streets of the city to catch a glimpse of the star. Receiving the honour, he commented with characteristic modesty:

“I am totally humbled by this and accepted the honour with a great amount of humility. I feel this is recognition of the Indian film industry as well and so accepted it on its behalf.”

Employability

Frontrunners

Our campus-based placement scheme, Frontrunners allows current students to apply for a variety of diverse placements within DMU to put what's learnt in the lecture theatre into practice in the work place.

The paid placements offer on-the-job training and are a meaningful way to improve your graduate employability. You will be working on real tasks, with current DMU employees. Placements are either three, six or nine months in length. The hours vary for each placement but are up to 12 hours per week during term time and 20 hours per week over the summer.

Unitemps

We also have an on campus recruitment agency called Unitemps to help students find part time work whilst they are studying and full time work once they graduate.

Careers advice and guidance

The Careers and Employment support team is open to all current students as well as our graduates and alumni - there is a lifetime of support available to all students and graduates of DMU. The Student Services Centre has a dedicated careers library as well as copies of the latest job hunting magazines. Each year the team handle over 1,000 vacancies specifically for DMU graduates - that's in addition to the vacancies for any graduate. Vacancies are posted onto DMU Works, our online vacancy database. Students can browse through vacancies or enter their CV so that prospective employers can view students qualifications and experience.



“Since graduating from DMU in July 2012, I've managed to get myself a permanent job and I really believe that my Frontrunners placement helped me massively to achieve this. Everything from filling out the application form, to working in a team, to coping under pressure, to implementing new ideas, every little part of Frontrunners has proved useful for me when applying and eventually securing a job after graduation. Plus, it's a great talking point in interviews and gives you something to draw examples from, especially during competency-based interviews where employers want to hear about very specific examples.”

Priya Mahida
DMU Graduate

DMU Indian Society

Once you are a DMU student you will have the opportunity to join the DMU Indian Society.

You can even get involved in helping to run the Society if you are elected as a Committee member. The DMU Indian Society organise a number of events for its members including social, sports and educational. The Society attracts students from all over the world, so it a great way to make new friends.



How to apply

- 1 You can visit our Representatives based in India who will guide you through the application process and advice on the visa application process. For a full list of DMU Representatives please visit our website
- 2 You can apply directly to us online dmu.ac.uk/international

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