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The Queens’ Building, Mile End has a proud association with not one, but four Queens: Queen Victoria; Queen Mary (wife of King George V); Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother; and our Patron, Queen Elizabeth II.

Queen Mary highlights
- Member of the Russell Group – the UK’s 24 leading universities
- World-class research and teaching by international leaders in their field
- In the top one per cent of the world’s universities
- Attractive residential campus in the heart of London
- Commitment to financial support – £6m in research studentships last year
- Distinguished history dating back to 1123 (the foundation of St Bartholomew’s Hospital) and the start of teaching at the London Hospital Medical College, England’s first medical school in 1785.
Do you want to contribute to an area of cutting-edge research? Explore your academic interests in depth? Develop new knowledge and skills? Advance your career, or embark on a completely new path? Whatever your motivation, a postgraduate degree from Queen Mary University of London (QMUL) can help you achieve your ambitions.

We are one of the world’s leading universities, with first-class academics, inspirational teaching, and a distinguished 229-year history of preparing men and women for rewarding careers. Our postgraduate degrees are informed by the latest academic research in everything from cancer therapeutics to business management, and from aquatic ecology to commercial law. Our doctoral and masters by research programmes emphasise original and independent scholarship, while our taught masters programmes prepare you for professional life or further study.

Postgraduate study with us has a number of distinctive features: a high level of engagement with our internationally recognised academics, a campus environment in east London that fosters a real community, a commitment to financial support – more than £6m last year in the form of research studentships and scholarships – and programmes with demonstrable success in preparing you for professional life.

We offer plenty of opportunity for research and collaboration between different disciplines, regularly attract inspiring and high-profile speakers, and work closely with a range of cultural organisations, social enterprises, businesses and industry. A postgraduate degree with us will be a challenging, stimulating, and often life-changing experience.

Russell Group university
We are a member of the Russell Group of leading UK universities, testament to our excellence in research and teaching. The Group attracts the brightest students from all over the world and almost two-thirds of research funding in the UK. Graduates from Russell Group universities are especially valued by employers.

Visit us
The best way to get a feel for Queen Mary life is to join us for one of our Postgraduate Open Evenings. You can explore our campus, meet our tutors and students, and get a taste of what studying here will be like. If you are unable to visit us in person we run virtual open days, where you can speak online to current staff and students. We also have representatives in 35 countries and staff who regularly travel overseas. For more information, see page 51 or qmul.ac.uk/visitus
From our location in the heart of east London – one of the capital’s most dynamic areas – to our stunning campus, world-leading research and inspiring teaching, there’s a host of reasons to make Queen Mary your first choice.

World-class university
Queen Mary is a world-class university (we are in the top one per cent of universities in the world, according to the Times Higher Education World University Rankings in 2013), helping us to attract some of the very brightest minds to study, teach and undertake research here.

Innovative research
Across the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences, nine (out of 13) research areas were judged to be in the top ten nationally in the last Research Assessment Exercise (RAE 2008). This included Linguistics (first), Geography (joint first), Drama (first) and English Language and Literature (second), highlighting the breadth of research excellence across the Faculty.

Career success
We are focused on ensuring that you leave Queen Mary with the enhanced skills and knowledge necessary to develop your career. Our postgraduates have an average salary of £32,942 on completing their course.

Friendly campus lifestyle
We are the only university in London able to offer a completely self-contained residential campus at our Mile End home. You will be able to enjoy all the benefits of a campus lifestyle – safety, convenience and a friendly atmosphere – while being just minutes from central London.

High-quality teaching
Our teaching is inspired by our world-leading research and you will be taught by academics who are genuine leaders in their field. Our academics embrace innovative teaching methods and receive national awards for their teaching (see page 8).
Exceptional facilities
We have spent more than £250m on new facilities in the past 15 years. From some of the largest open-plan laboratories in Europe in the Blizard Building, to our recently opened £21m ArtsTwo Building, award-winning Lock-keeper’s Cottage Graduate Centre – housed in an historic building alongside the Regent’s Canal – and our acclaimed student village, we offer an exceptional learning environment.

Great location
We are a short walk from fashionable Brick Lane and Shoreditch, and close to London’s financial centres, the City and Canary Wharf. Set beside the Regent’s Canal in Mile End, our main campus is within walking distance from the Olympic Park (see pages 10-11), and minutes from the West End on the Underground.

University of London
Queen Mary is part of the internationally recognised University of London (UoL). You will be able to use UoL’s extensive facilities, including Senate House Library and the University’s many specialist institutes and archives.

International outlook
We were recently described by Times Higher Education as “one of the world’s 20 most international universities”. We welcome students and staff from more than 150 countries who play a vital part in the life of the university. Our staff also conduct collaborative international research, travel to international conferences and we have links with many leading universities overseas.

Generous support
We can help you to secure funding for your postgraduate degree. We also offer a generous package of bursaries and studentships to our most highly qualified applicants, ensuring the brightest students receive a first-class education, regardless of their background.
Our academics undertake world-leading research. Their work is original, informative and significant – both within specialist areas of knowledge and to wider society. It also directly informs the content of our postgraduate programmes.

Reputation for excellence
We recruit the best academics in their disciplines from around the world and have an impressive track-record of winning generous research funding. Following the most recent national assessment of research (RAE 2008), the Guardian placed us 11th in the UK.

What does this mean for you?
Our academics publish in leading journals, organise conferences, speak at public events, comment in the media, engage with our local community, and collaborate with international partners. As a postgraduate with us, you will be learning from experts in their field, who will involve you in their latest research, and share their wealth of knowledge and experience.

Teaching excellence
Our academics receive national recognition for their excellent teaching. Eight members of staff have been awarded National Teaching Fellowships – a highly prestigious national award recognising exceptional teaching – making us the most successful College in the University of London since we joined the Teaching Fellowships scheme in 2006.

Research that makes a difference
From our involvement in this century’s most exciting scientific breakthrough, the discovery of the Higgs boson, to our work exposing the problems of poverty among low-paid workers, we conduct research that genuinely makes a difference to society – improving health and social conditions, advancing our knowledge and understanding in specialist fields, and influencing public policy and debate.

We are now preparing to embark on our most ambitious project for a generation – an innovative new Life Sciences Institute. All three of our Faculties are involved in this initiative, which aims to address major public health issues with the long-term aim of improving health outcomes for the local community and people around the world. Research within the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences will cover areas such as: preventive medicine and public health, medical social sciences, anthropology, demography and geography, ethics, politics and law, and social studies and medical humanities. See: qmul.ac.uk/lifesciences

Research in numbers
- £100m – total research income per year
- 11th in the UK overall for research quality (Guardian analysis of RAE 2008)
- Top 10 in UK for: English, drama, geography, law, economics, materials, Hispanic studies, Russian, medicine, dentistry (Guardian analysis of RAE 2008)
- £6m per year in research council funding for PhD students
- 55 academy and society fellows
- 6 Nobel Prize-winning alumni.
"Queen Mary is an excellent place because it has great researchers and because of its friendly, collegial atmosphere. There are no artificial barriers here between the disciplines, and this is something of tremendous importance if you wish to compete for the best postgraduate students globally"

Galin Tihanov, George Steiner Professor of Comparative Literature and SLLF Director of Graduate Studies
Our home in the east

We are based in east London, the hub of London’s creative community, and home to its financial centres, Canary Wharf and the City. The area is steeped in history, yet always looking to the future, and is uniquely British in its diverse character. The 2012 Olympics has sealed its status as “the place to be” in the capital. Here’s our guide to the best of the east.

Mile End and surrounding area

EAT… the area around Queen Mary has a range of good value cafés, restaurants and pubs.

VISIT… Mile End Park, an unusual 90-acre linear park in the heart of the East End with a ‘green bridge’, a terraced garden, and ecology, arts and sports parks; the independent Genesis Cinema (go on Wednesday night for a student discount).

Stratford

VISIT… the Olympic Park has undergone an amazing £300m transformation and re-opened as the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park in the spring of 2014. There are five state-of-the-art sporting venues: the Stadium, the London Aquatics Centre, the Copper Box Arena (a leisure centre and venue for basketball, volleyball, etc), the Lee Valley VeloPark and the Lee Valley Hockey and Tennis Centre. There are also cafés, restaurants, cultural venues and lots of green space – around 4,000 trees are being planted as part of a plan to double the green space in the park. queenelizabetholympicpark.co.uk

SHOP… Westfield Stratford City – Europe’s largest urban shopping centre, with over 300 shops, from high-street staples such as Uniqlo to high-end designers such as Armani. There are also over 70 restaurants (including GBK, Busaba Eathai, and Pho), a 17-screen cinema and a 14-lane bowling alley.

Old Street, Shoreditch and surrounding area

EAT… Ginger Pig Café on Hoxton Street (great for a leisurely brunch); Big Apple Hot Dogs, a mobile cart selling amazing hot dogs; also in Hoxton – the Breakfast Club, the perfect spot for a slap-up breakfast after a night out; Cây Tre, a delicious, reasonably priced Vietnamese restaurant on Old Street.

VISIT… Ibid Projects gallery on Hoxton Square; Hales Gallery off Shoreditch High Street (this area is the epicentre of the East End’s art scene); The Geffrye Museum of English domestic interiors.

SHOP… the Columbia Road Flower Market on Sunday mornings; KK Outlet art and design book shop.
Brick Lane, Spitalfields and Whitechapel

EAT... Brick Lane is London’s ‘Curry Capital’ – an entire street lined with Indian and Bangladeshi restaurants; Brick Lane Beigel Bake, open 24-hours (great for beigel emergencies).

VISIT... the Old Truman Brewery, a converted brewery and home to numerous fashion designers, artists and trendy bars; All Star Lanes, a boutique bowling alley serving burgers and cocktails; the acclaimed Whitechapel Gallery.

SHOP... Spitalfields market, with arts and craft stalls, restaurants and high-street shops. Nearby is Urban Outfitters, a great spot for sourcing retro fashions.
Our home in the east

Docklands and Canary Wharf
EAT… Jamie’s Italian (part of Jamie Oliver’s growing empire); Wagamama for noodles; Canteen for good-value British food in a stylish setting.

VISIT… Museum of London Docklands, which explores the story of the docks from Roman settlement through to its recent regeneration.

Bethnal Green and Victoria Park
EAT… E Pellicci, on Bethnal Green Road, an Italian café and local institution which has been around since 1900. Near Victoria Park, Lauriston Road has some great cafés and restaurants including: Su Sazzagoni (Sardinian), the Fish House (posh fish and chips) and the Empress (a gastropub).

VISIT… the art galleries on Vyner Street; The V&A Museum of Childhood on Cambridge Heath Road; Bethnal Green Market, a daily street market with fresh fruit and veg, clothes and other essentials.

Charterhouse Square and surrounding area
EAT… bars and restaurants abound in Farringdon and the historic Smithfield Market. Two affordable favourites for lunch are the old-school Quality Chop House and The Farm Collective café.

VISIT… the Barbican, London’s most stylish brutalist performing arts centre. With galleries, cinema, theatre and live music. barbican.org.uk

Lincoln’s Inn Fields and surrounding area
EAT… the restaurants, cafés and bars of Covent Garden and Soho are minutes away, as is the Southbank Centre at Waterloo, home to the Royal Festival Hall, the Hayward Gallery and the Queen Elizabeth Hall.

VISIT… relax in the beautiful grounds of Lincoln’s Inn, watch a trial in the public galleries at the Royal Courts of Justice, or get lost in time at the nearby British Museum.
We are in the historic heart of east London, close to Canary wharf, and only minutes from the West End.
The School is proud of the diversity of its postgraduate study and research. It means that we have a highly international mix of students and staff sharing, discussing, and enriching the perspectives they have developed. It also reflects our wide range of specialist expertise, spanning eight departments, six MA programmes, and varied methods and approaches, as well as a rich programme of events and visiting fellowships, all of which enable you to interact with renowned scholars such as Julia Kristeva and David Damrosch.

More than this, however, our diversity involves fostering connections between disciplines and between academia and society. This ethos is embedded in our masters degrees in two ways: our programmes offer access to broad-based interdisciplinary content and, on the other, to new approaches that are transforming their fields. Linguistics students acquire advanced skills in both formal linguistics and sociolinguistics. Film studies students can engage with aspects of writing and production, as well as film history and theory, and explore cutting-edge areas of research in film philosophy, eco-cinema, and film outside the cinema. Comparative literature students address the concept of ‘world literature’ that is increasingly taking the discipline far beyond its original scope.

On the other hand, we seek to involve you, where appropriate, with institutions and enterprises outside the academic world. Students taking our unique MA in Anglo-German Cultural Relations work directly with practitioners from cultural institutions and the media. Linguistics students can work with partner organisations in the private or public sectors, and film studies students benefit from the connections that our teaching staff have with industry, cultural institutions and festivals.

As a result, our postgraduates are well equipped to embark on academic research or fulfilling careers in other areas – especially, but not at all exclusively, in the creative industries, which are becoming increasingly important in the UK and wider global economies. Our masters programmes in Documentary Practice and Applied Linguistics for English Language Teaching open up professional avenues in those particular areas.

Above all, our diversity is achieved within a cohesive and supportive community. The approachability and attentiveness of our teaching staff, and the availability of intellectual and practical opportunities and resources, allow you to develop your potential in exciting ways. I’ve felt very much at home since I arrived in east London, and I’m sure you will too.

Adrian Armstrong
Head of School
The School of Languages, Linguistics and Film at Queen Mary is one of the country’s leading cultural centres, where innovative teaching is combined with internationally-recognised research.

We have research strengths in a range of areas: critical theory, dialectology, feminism, gay and lesbian studies, the history of ideas, Latin-American literacy and cultural studies, literature and linguistics in the main European languages, philosophy, psychoanalytic theory, theory of translation, descriptive and theoretical linguistics, especially syntax, morphology, semantics, sociolinguistic variation, bilingualism, discourse analysis and linguistics anthropology.

Vibrant cultural centres
The research culture of the School is heightened by our association with a range of research centres. Staff in the School are involved in the running of the Centre for Anglo-German Cultural Relations (CAGCR), the Centre for Swiss German Studies, the Centre for Catalan Studies and the Centre for Mind in Society. We also have links with the University of London Comparative Literature Programmes (LINKS), the Leo Baeck Institute and the University of London Institute of Modern Languages Research.

We also have strong interdisciplinary links with staff and research units across Queen Mary, including the Psychology Department of the School of Biological and Chemical Sciences and the School of Electronic Engineering and Computer Science.

Dynamic research community
The School’s departments have a track record of attracting substantial research grants to support our on-going research. Our academics have recently secured competitive funding from the AHRC, the ESRC, the Leverhulme Trust and the Stifterverband Deutsche Wissenschaft Claussen Simon. This has allowed our academics to pursue research into multicultural London English, Argentine documentaries, Anglo-German cultural relations, German nationalism and anti-semitism 1871-1924, and dialect development in a diasporic community, among many other topics.

Stimulating location
Queen Mary offers the perfect location to study literature. We are set in the heart of London’s dynamic East End. The East End is the hub of the city’s creative industries, and is also important to our research culture: our academics analyse emerging local dialects and our location offers a rich and diverse cultural environment for linguistics research.
Exceptional resources
We offer a friendly urban campus university with access to the unparalleled research facilities of London. On campus you will find the award-winning Lock-keeper’s Cottage Graduate Centre, housed in a historic building alongside the Regent’s Canal. The Lock-keeper’s Cottage offers comfortable study areas, networked computer facilities, a seminar room, and a common room with views on to the picturesque Regent’s Canal. The campus is also home to the substantial Queen Mary Library and a range of other personal and communal study spaces.

Specialist archives and resources
As a graduate student at Queen Mary you will have access to two other major libraries: Senate House Library near Russell Square, and the British Library, London’s single most important intellectual resource. You will also be able to explore the city’s unparalleled range of other specialist archives and libraries, including the BFI National Archive, the Warburg and Courtauld Institutes or the social science library of the LSE.

Scholarships/studentships
There are a range of funding opportunities to support postgraduate study in the School.

These include:
- QMUL Alumni Scholarships for masters study (£1,000)
- The Simon and Deirdre Gaskell Scholarships for masters study (£6,000)
- Queen Mary Postgraduate Research Studentships, for PhD study (£15,590)
- AHRC Collaborative Doctoral Awards.

For further details of funding opportunities, please see page 45.

School highlights
- In the Complete University Guide 2014 Linguistics at Queen Mary was ranked sixth in the UK and Russian and East European Languages was ranked seventh
- Teaching by internationally recognised experts
- Close links to industry including the media, museums and cultural institutions
- Staff draw on their research work to inform their teaching
- Opportunities to carry out experimental and innovative research
- Exciting range of interdisciplinary workshops.
Some of our graduates apply their degree knowledge directly, working in journalism, translation, TV production, cultural industries and teaching. Others work in areas beyond those directly related to their degree, including publishing, NGOs and think tanks, marketing, public relations, law and management consultancy. A significant proportion go on to undertake PhDs in language, linguistics, comparative literature, film studies or related subjects, and have been successful in attracting funding for these projects either at Queen Mary or other universities.

**Graduate destinations**
The latest destination survey confirmed that 94 per cent of graduates from the School of Languages, Linguistics and Film were in employment and/or study six months after graduation. The range of skills gained through our programmes, coupled with opportunities for extracurricular activities and work experience, has enabled our students to move into careers such as:

**Language, Linguistics and Comparative Literature**
- English as a Second Language Teacher
- Freelance Translator
- French Language Assistant, University of Greenwich
- Online Community Co-ordinator, the Guardian
- Writer.

**Film**
- Account Executive, Kodak
- Assistant Publicist, Thinkjam
- Broadcast Supervisor, Box TV
- Director’s Assistant, Cinemateca Brasileira
- Freelance Journalist
- Reporter, Screen International
- Writer’s Researcher.

Just as important as developing your skills and knowledge is learning to sell your postgraduate experience to employers. The Queen Mary Careers team can provide training in application writing, interview technique and other employer recruitment methods.

Read more about the careers programmes and range of work experience opportunities available on the QMUL Careers and Enterprise Centre pages: careers.qmul.ac.uk
“My own work is an integral part of my teaching, and I bring many examples of my work into the classroom. The process of teaching also helps me to understand fundamental theoretical and methodological questions more clearly: having to explain concepts and ideas is the best way to get a full grasp of them yourself.”

Dr Erez Levon, Senior Lecturer in Linguistics
Comparative literature is a well-established, demanding and exciting subject that allows you to study literature written in languages from across the world, and to explore literature in conjunction with other cultural and artistic production (eg film, music, painting, and philosophy).

Our students explore and expand their literary and cultural horizons. According to eminent comparatist George Steiner, “Every act of the reception of significant form, in language, in art, in music, is comparative” and we share his philosophy. The breadth and variety of comparative literature makes it ideally suited for students operating in today's global and highly visual world. Colleagues from the Departments of Comparative Literature and Culture, Languages and Film bring their expertise to the programme, providing you with an intellectually rich, stimulating and rewarding research environment.

**Our research**
The Department of Comparative Literature and Culture engages in collaborative research in French, German, Iberian and Latin American Studies and Russian and beyond. We focus on four distinctive research areas:

- Transcultural visual studies and cultures of materiality
- Literature, science and ethics
- World literature
- Transnational and cosmopolitan studies.

We promote research on world canons, translation, adaptation, globalisation and the literatures of the digital media, as well as collaborating with leading international and national centres and researchers in the field.

In 2013 the School of Languages, Linguistics and Film hosted David Damrosch as Queen Mary Distinguished Visiting Fellow, who gave a lecture and three seminars on world literature. We are also enhancing our current work on the interconnectedness of national cultures and on transnational cultural flows, endeavouring to intensify the study of non-European literary and cultural expression in major European languages.

To further develop research on transnationalism and cosmopolitanism, away from a Eurocentric idea of literature and culture, we examine literature and culture in the languages taught in the School (Catalan, French, German, Portuguese, Russian, and Spanish) as global, rather than solely national languages.
“My research is in comparative children’s literature, and Queen Mary has one of the few specialists in the country on the subject. Queen Mary also has a connection with the nearby Museum of Childhood. My supervisor is excellent — prompt, constructive, understanding, friendly, and always giving me opportunities to get involved in teaching, conferences and research groups”

Aneesh Barai, PhD in French (Comparative Literature)
Our taught programmes
Comparative literature and culture

**MA in Comparative Literature**
One year full-time, two years part-time
qmul.ac.uk/ma-comp-lit

This programme examines the realities of cultural movement, exchange and dialogue. At its centre is the notion of ‘world literature’ allied to related cultural, philosophical and theoretical questions. We also examine cosmopolitanism, transnationalism, exile, and other phenomena of our increasingly interconnected world.

You will take the core Dissertation module and Cultures of Comparison, a two-term core module on theory, and two optional modules including themes such as:

- Novels Behaving Badly
- Thinking Translation
- Key Concepts in Twentieth-Century Literary Criticism
- In Pursuit of Prejudice?: Mutual Perceptions of Identity
- Small Worlds: Global Perspectives on Children’s Literature
- History, Fiction and Memory in French Cinema
- Modern European Jewish Literature.

**Related programmes**

**MA in English Studies:**
**English Literature pathway**
One year full-time, two years part-time
qmul.ac.uk/ma-english-lit

The MA in English Studies invites you to choose from a number of distinctive pathways. If you prefer a flexible route, you can take the English Literature pathway and select modules from across the whole range of the curriculum. This allows you to consider the relationship between writings from a variety of historical periods, and to write a dissertation in an area of your choice. If you prefer to specialise, you can choose from one of five period pathways, allowing you to gain an in-depth understanding of the movements, debates, and practices that shaped a particular period of literary history.

**Pre-Masters Graduate Diploma in Humanities and Social Sciences**
One year or seven months full-time
http://language-centre.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/premasters-hss

This diploma offers a route to masters degrees for international and EU students who are changing disciplines, need to ‘top up’ their academic qualifications or who need to improve their level of English. It is fully integrated with the university and academic modules are taught by Queen Mary lecturers. This Diploma is especially useful for students going on to study with the School of Business and Management, School of Politics and International Relations, and the School of Languages, Linguistics and Film.
English language summer programmes (Pre-sessional programmes)
http://language-centre.slf.qmul.ac.uk/presessionals

From June to September, we arrange a series of English language programmes for students who wish to improve their proficiency in English before starting university. For further details, email: presessional@qmul.ac.uk or see page 48.

PhD study
The Department of Comparative Literature has a thriving postdoctoral community, with students from a variety of countries including Japan, Brazil, Poland, and Switzerland. Our MA, PhD and postdoctoral students are fully integrated in the academic life of the Department and have the opportunity to present their work-in-progress at our research seminars.

The School and the Faculty also offer financial support to PhD students for their research and for presenting papers at international conferences.

Our academic members of staff are internationally visible and productive researchers who are at the forefront of reshaping the field of comparative literature. They publish actively in leading journals and organise seminal research events in London and abroad.

We are also part of the postgraduate consortium of the University of London Comparative Literature Programmes (LINKS), and hosted its 2014 postgraduate conference.

For further details of our staff research interests, see: http://complit.slf.qmul.ac.uk/people

For details of our entry requirements, see page 45 or visit: http://complit.slf.qmul.ac.uk/research

Please note: the availability of modules is subject to change. Please contact the School to confirm the availability of specific modules before you make your application.
Languages

We have research and teaching strengths in French, German, Russian, Iberian and Latin American studies. Whichever field you choose, you will be taught by internationally recognised experts in a stimulating, intellectually challenging and supportive atmosphere. Each language department is an exceptional place in which to pursue postgraduate study at MA or PhD level.

French
The Department of French is a vigorous research environment, which performed strongly in the 2008 Research Assessment Exercise. Staff carry out research across a wide variety of areas, from medieval manuscripts to contemporary art. Research students benefit from Departmental and School seminars, from general research training provided by Queen Mary’s Centre for Academic and Professional Development, and from more subject-specific training tailored to individual needs. The Department is also a member of Réseau-F, a nationwide consortium of French departments that holds two study days per year to enhance research training and give opportunities to present papers.

German
The discipline of German studies has a long and outstanding tradition at Queen Mary University of London. Apart from our main focus on the Federal Republic, we have research and teaching expertise in German Democratic Republic (GDR) studies, as well as in Austrian and Swiss literature and culture, and in historical linguistics. Our firm belief in the value of intercultural and interdisciplinary exchanges led to the foundation of the Centre for Anglo-German Cultural Relations (CAGCR).

Since its inauguration, the Centre has developed into a very active platform for scholars and students, forming a link between Queen Mary and cultural institutions such as the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD), Goethe Institute or the cultural departments of the German, Swiss and Austrian Embassies. The four sections of the Centre (Linguistics, Intellectual History, Literature and Cultural Transfer) reflect and direct the Department’s research agenda. Our Writers in Residence programme, together with the work of the Centre for Swiss German Studies, means that we are at the forefront of the dissemination of contemporary German-language literature in the UK.

We also have very strong connections with the Leo Baeck Institute, the University of London Institute of Modern Languages Research and strong international links with the Klassik Stiftung Weimarer, as well as with various German, Austrian, and Swiss universities (several of which we have successful co-tutelle arrangements with, providing you with the opportunity to be jointly supervised by

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both a QMUL academic and an academic from one of these institutions) and with the international postgraduate mobility network Movens. We also offer you an exceptionally rich and varied calendar of guest lectures, readings and other events.

**Iberian and Latin American studies**

Our research expertise is diverse and ranges over most areas of Spanish and Spanish-American studies, Brazilian Studies and Catalan studies. We have an internationally recognised research tradition and in the 2008 Research Assessment Exercise (RAE), 60 per cent of our research was graded in the highest categories of 3* (internationally excellent) and 4* (world-leading). This placed us in the highest quartile in the RAE.

Among our researchers is a fellow of the British Academy. Visiting research fellows, usually from Spain and the United States, who participate in research seminars and advise students on their areas of interest, are a regular feature of our research life. The Department benefits from the active ongoing involvement of a number of associated scholars: Emeritus Professors Glendinning and Penny; Professor Dadson and Dr Whetnall. We publish a major scholarly journal, *Hispanic Research Journal*, and a monograph series, Papers of the Medieval Hispanic Research Seminar. Find out more at: [http://ilas.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/research](http://ilas.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/research)

**Departmental highlights**

- Strong links and collaborations with many cultural institutions
- Calendar of guest lectures, readings and other events
- Teaching by internationally recognised experts
- Staff teaching is informed by the latest research
- Opportunities to carry out experimental and innovative research
- Exciting range of interdisciplinary workshops.

**Russian**

We have enjoyed a vigorous existence since the Department’s foundation. In the last RAE (2008), we were placed as the leading Russian department in London and eighth nationally, with 40 per cent of our research graded in the highest categories of 3* (internationally excellent) and 4* (world-leading).

Our Departmental research culture is fostered through its research seminar series, its regular visits by lecturers from Russia, the work of the Garnett Press, and the organisation of conferences. The Library has material on Slavonic linguistics, Russian literature and film, as well as all of the basic reference tools. In addition to this collection, you will have access to other central London specialist sources.
MA Anglo-German Cultural Relations
One year full-time, two years part-time
qmul.ac.uk/ma-anglo-german

Our MA in Anglo-German Cultural Relations draws on the German department’s outstanding international research culture. This is the only MA in the UK to focus on the history, theory and practice of Anglo-German cultural relations from c1800 to the present day. Our programme contains a unique practical component, in which you will be taught by practitioners from British and German cultural institutions, and from publishing, translating and the media.

Core modules
• Theory and Practice of Anglo-German Cultural Transfers
• Dissertation.

Option modules
• Anglo-German Aesthetics in the ‘Long’ eighteenth-century
• Anglo-German Travel Writing
• In Pursuit of Prejudice?: Mutual Perceptions of Identity
• Thinking Translation.

Related programmes

English language summer programmes
(Pre-sessional programmes)
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Pre-Masters Graduate Diploma in Humanities and Social Sciences
One year or seven months full-time
http://language-centre.slf.qmul.ac.uk/premasters-hss

This Diploma offers a route to masters degrees for international and EU students who are changing disciplines, need to ‘top up’ their academic qualifications or who need to improve their level of English. It is fully integrated with the university and academic modules are taught by Queen Mary lecturers. This Diploma is especially useful for students going on to study with the Schools of Business and Management; Politics and International Relations; or Languages, Linguistics and Film.

MA European Jewish History
(Leo Baeck Institute)
One year full-time, two years part-time
qmul.ac.uk/ma-euro-jewish-history

This is the only taught postgraduate programme in the UK focusing on the rich field of European Jewish history. You will explore the history and culture of the European Jews and will investigate the question of emancipation, the quest for equal rights, Jewish identities, the role of anti-Semitism, and Jewish intellectual history. The programme is a dynamic forum for you to reflect critically on contemporary issues such as cultural diversity, race, religion, gender and power.
“The quality of teaching at Queen Mary is very high. QMUL staff are leaders in their fields, but they are also committed teachers who work hard to support their students. Queen Mary students also enjoy the tremendous cultural advantages of being in London (and within easy reach of Paris!)”

Dr Anna Kemp, Lecturer in French
Our research programmes
Languages

PhD study
We have a thriving community of PhD students who are active in our research culture. We seek to enrich your study with us with regular talks from visiting academics and department-hosted international conferences.

French
The French Department’s research spans a wide range of topics, from literature to visual culture and linguistics. Current and recent theses supervised by our staff include:

- Problems of reading and communication in eighteenth-century French fiction
- Theories of feminine consciousness on screen
- The reception of Katherine Mansfield in France
- Late-twentieth-century women’s writing
- The relationship between the French and American film industries
- Transnational stars in 1950s cinema: France and the USA
- The cinema of Claude Sautet
- Language and nation-building in post-apartheid South Africa
- Language attitudes in Quebec: a contemporary perspective
- National identity and language policy in Georgia

- Language ideologies and nationalism in the Canadian press
- Balzac and the notion of the ‘Vol Décent’
- Representations of the hysteric in contemporary women’s writing in French
- Exile and language in contemporary women’s writing in French
- Mélusine the hybrid monster: the dynamics of a European tradition.

German
The research interests of the Department cover the breadth of German studies from the Middle Ages to the present day, including language teaching, linguistics and literature, film, thought, theory, media and culture from Austria, Switzerland and the former GDR, as well as the Federal Republic. A particular area of expertise is Anglo-German cultural relations, including the history of German studies in the United Kingdom. Several members of the Department also carry out interdisciplinary work in fields such as the history of thought, translation and translation theory, medieval studies and gender and queer studies.

The Department is interested in receiving applications from prospective MPhil and PhD students across a wide range of areas. The Department’s expertise covers virtually the whole field of Germanic studies, including Austrian and Swiss literature and linguistics. Particular research strengths include:
• Anglo-German cultural relations, including comparative literature and cultural studies, the comparative history of ideas, the history of British ‘Germanistik’, cultural transfer, linguistic relations, translation theory and travel writing
• Jewishness and German culture, including German-Jewish writing, exile and Holocaust studies, and the rhetoric of anti-semitism
• German, Austrian and Swiss literature in its social contexts, including sociability, spas and salons; women’s writing; gay and lesbian studies
• German thought from Lichtenberg to the present, including Goethe, hermeneutics, Nietzsche, the Frankfurt School and queer theory
• Poetry, poetics and poetologies, including Droste-Hülshoff, Rilke, and Celan
• German literature between 1945 and 1989, especially GDR literature before and after the ‘Wende’, Hubert Fichte and Uwe Johnson
• German linguistics, centred on historical linguistics, syntax, morphology and sociolinguistics.

Iberian and Latin American studies
Our research expertise is diverse and ranges over most areas of Spanish and Spanish-American studies, Brazilian Studies and Catalan studies.

Current and recent graduate research in Hispanic Studies includes theses on:
• Phonological variation in Barcelona Catalan: the Xava accent
• Bilingualism in Alghero/Alguer
• Code-switching in a Spanish-English bilingual family
• The development of indefinite expressions in medieval Spanish
• Editing the Cancionero de Herberay
• Lower and middle-class women in Spanish society, 1700-1788
• Location, location, location: language, gender and generation in recent Cuban American fiction
• Dialogic aspects in the Cuban novel after the 1959 revolution
• Exile Cuban literature
• Cuban and Soviet film: a comparative study
• Sexual discourse in the films of the transition to democracy in Spain
• The Construction of feminine poetics in two Catalan women poets: Maria-Mercè Marçal and Maria Fullan
• The cultural role of translation in Brazil.
Our research programmes
Languages

Russian
The Department is interested in receiving applications from prospective PhD students for research over a wide number of topics and has particular research strengths in the following areas:

- Eighteenth, nineteenth and twentieth century Russian literature (in particular Karamzin, Zhukovskii, Gogol, Tolstoi, Chekhov, Zoshchenko and others)
- Issues of cultural identity (the semiotics of space, representations of history, perception of modernity)
- Soviet cinema, in particular documentary
- Literary and cultural theory
- Georgian language and literature
- Russian folklore
- The nineteenth-century Russian press and its magnates
- The relationships between totalitarianism and the Russian intelligentsia.

Diverse topics are featured in the publications of the Garnett Press, edited by the Department and supported financially by the university.

Research grants
At present, we currently have research grants in French (http://french.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/french/research/current-grants) and Russian (http://russian.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/current-grants)

For details of our entry requirements, please see page 45 or visit: slf.qmul.ac.uk/postgraduate-0/prospective-phd-students#apply

“Postgraduate students in particular profit not just from my publications but also from my high-profile international collaborations: when Professor Damrosch visited Queen Mary in 2013, our PhD and MA students were able to participate in a dedicated masterclass with him. The internationalisation of research in the humanities is something we are very well positioned to benefit from”

Galin Tihanov, George Steiner Professor of Comparative Literature and SLLF Director of Graduate Studies
The MA in Linguistics is designed to offer you comprehensive training in the core subject areas of linguistics, while also offering you the flexibility to focus on formal linguistics, sociolinguistics or the exciting and emerging links between them.

Our classes are taught by world-leading researchers, providing you with an advanced understanding of methods and concepts across linguistics, from cutting-edge theory to practical research work. You will work with an academic adviser to tailor a programme of study that corresponds to your experience and research interests. We strongly encourage crossdisciplinary interaction and welcome students with diverse interests.

**Excellent industry experience**

In addition to the taught components of the programme, you will also have the unique opportunity to gain practical experience in conducting and applying your research. An optional module entitled Research Practicum will allow you to gain credit for working as a Research Assistant on one of the many ongoing research projects in the Department or to take part in a non-academic institutional partnership with one of our industry partners. The Department has links with a number of institutions, including the BBC, the British Library, the British Museum and the multilingual charity Mothertongue. The Research Practicum fosters exciting and creative collaborations between students and both academic and non-academic projects.

**Departmental highlights**

- Internationally recognised as a centre for world-leading research
- A range of stimulating events and talks by world leaders in the field
- Extensive links with industry, giving you the opportunity to collaborate with our industry partners
- Opportunities for practical experience in conducting and applying research
- Staff are current or former editors of key journals and book series in the field.

This experience can be invaluable in preparing you for real-world applications of the knowledge you acquire during the MA.

**Our research**

Linguistics research at QMUL is broadly organised around two distinct research threads, although there are many connections between them. Our Formal Linguistics Research Group addresses topics in generative grammar (syntax, semantics, morphology, phonology) and explores the relationship between the human linguistic capacity and human cognitive capacities more generally. Our Sociolinguistics Research Group addresses topics related to variation between and among language communities, and explores the connections between human linguistic behaviour and social and cultural organisation and behaviour. Much of our research, including work in experimental linguistics and in multilingualism, cuts across both of these specialisations.
“I liked the structure of the programme as it gave me the chance to tailor the course to meet my interests; but, fundamentally, I chose Queen Mary because of its staff. All of the professors and lecturers in the Linguistics department are world-renowned in their field.”

Melisa Rinaldi, MA in Linguistics
International collaborations
Members of our staff have many active research collaborations with linguists in the UK and around the world. Some of our current research projects include an examination of cognitive factors affecting bilingual speech production, a comparative study of language change among adolescents in London and in Paris, and an exploration of how sociolinguistic research on language change can be applied to A-level English Language teaching.

Vibrant research culture
As a student in the Department, you will have access to the wide range of different research-related activities that we organise. These include bi-weekly reading and discussion groups, a regular invited-speaker series, our informal Ling Lunches, where departmental staff and visitors present their ongoing projects in a relaxed and informal atmosphere, and our weekly Postgraduate Discussion Group, where PhD students provide updates on their ongoing thesis research. We also organise an annual Postgraduate Student Conference, which gives all of our MA and PhD students the opportunity to present their work to colleagues and peers and to get invaluable experience in formal public speaking.

Interdisciplinary strengths
Finally, the Department has strong working relationships with staff and research units across Queen Mary, including elsewhere in the School of Languages, Linguistics and Film, in the Psychology department in the School of Biological and Chemical Sciences and with researchers in the School of Electronic Engineering and Computer Science. The Department is also a founding member of the Queen Mary Centre for Mind in Society. We encourage our students to make use of these relationships.

In recognition of our excellence in postgraduate supervision and training, the Department is a member of the Economic and Social Research Council-funded London Social Science Doctoral Training Centre, which offers funding awards for postgraduate students and a range of research training activities that all of our students can access. For further details, please visit http://londonsocialscience.org.uk/main
Our students are taught to use the latest tools for conducting linguistics research, with practical research training embedded throughout the curriculum.
Our taught programmes
Linguistics

MA/PgDip/PgCert Applied Linguistics for English Language Teaching

MA: One year full-time, two years part-time. PgDip/PgCert: full-time and part-time options

qmul.ac.uk/ma-alelt
qmul.ac.uk/dip-alelt
qmul.ac.uk/cert-alelt

This course is taught by the Language Centre. You will learn the basic methods and theories of language teaching and learning, from which you can then specialise. This course has a strong practical component and is aimed at those with little or no teaching experience. If you want to teach in higher education or private schools we can help you to gain a professional qualification (at your expense), such as a Certificate in English Language to Adults (CELTA) in addition to your masters award.

Core module
- Dissertation in Applied Linguistics for English Language Teaching (MA only)

Compulsory modules
- Approaches and Methods in English Language Teaching
- Second Language Acquisition

Option modules
You can also choose two option modules, and you may also be offered a number of carefully chosen MA Linguistics options:
- Curriculum Design and Materials Evaluation
- Description of Language
- Technology in Language Education: Theory and Practice
- Teaching English in Professional and Academic Settings (TEPAS)

MA Linguistics

One year full-time, two years part-time

qmul.ac.uk/ma-linguistics

This programme is designed to offer you advanced training in formal linguistics and sociolinguistics. You will also be able to gain practical experience in both conducting and applying linguistics research. In addition to your dissertation, you will have the option to work as a Research Assistant on one of the Department’s ongoing research projects and/or to pursue an industry partnership with one of our private or public-sector partners.

Teaching for all modules is delivered through a combination of lectures, seminars and a virtual learning environment, with two to three hours of contact time per week per module.

Core modules
- Trends in Linguistics Research
- Concepts and Consequences in Grammatical Theory
- Sociolinguistic Theory
- Dissertation proseminar
- Dissertation

In addition we offer a variety of option modules, including:
- Bilingualism
- Sex, Gender and Language
- Sociophonetics
- Language Policy and Language Planning
- Advanced Syntactic Theory
- Extensional Semantics
- From Morpheme to Meaning
- Formal Approaches to Variation

For details of the modules currently offered, see http://linguistics.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/postgraduate/ma-programme
Our students are funded by a variety of external bodies, including the Economic and Social Research Council, the European Commission, the Life Sciences Institute at Queen Mary, and the China Scholarship Council. PhD students in the Department work closely with academic staff at the very forefront of the discipline and are part of a well-resourced, intellectually stimulating, friendly and supportive environment that helps them to realise their full scholarly potential.

We welcome applications to our PhD in Linguistics programme for projects on the structural or the social aspects of language as well as their interaction. The Department specialises in phonetics/phonology, morphology, syntax, semantics, sociolinguistics (including both variationist and discourse analytic approaches) and experimental linguistics.

For further details of our staff research interests, please see: http://linguistics.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/phd-programme

For details of our PhD entry requirements, please see page 45 or visit: qmul.ac.uk/postgraduate/pgrcoursefinder/linguistics

Please note: the availability of modules is subject to change. Please contact the School to confirm the availability of specific modules before you make your application.

Related courses

**English language summer programmes (Pre-sessional programmes)**
http://language-centre.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/presessionals

From June to September, we arrange a series of English language programmes for students who wish to improve their proficiency in English before starting university. For further details, please see page 48.

**Pre-Masters Graduate Diploma in Humanities and Social Sciences**
One year or seven months full-time
http://language-centre.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/premasters-hss

This Diploma offers a route to masters degrees for international and EU students who are changing disciplines, need to ‘top up’ their academic qualifications or who need to improve their level of English. It is fully integrated with the university and academic modules are taught by Queen Mary lecturers. This Diploma is especially useful for students going on to study with the Schools of Business and Management; Politics and International Relations; or Languages, Linguistics and Film.

**PhD study**

The Department has a vibrant PhD in Linguistics programme. Students on the PhD programme spend three to four years conducting independent research under the supervision of two staff members in the Department.
Film Studies is an exciting and vibrant department, which offers you the chance to take challenging programmes in aspects of film history and theory, as well as the opportunity to learn production skills and screenplay writing, and to put these skills into practice, making shorts and features.

Our home in the East End means you are close to the creative and media quarters of Hoxton, Shoreditch and Spitalfields. You are encouraged to use this rich and lively area as a backdrop to your own film projects, which are often screened in our state-of-the-art 41-seat cinema.

Creative, practical courses
Our MA in Documentary Practice offers a creative production environment within a research-based postgraduate Film Studies department. This course is practical, creative, and supports students who wish to become professional filmmakers and/or research academics.

Our MA in Film offers you the opportunity to study the most current ideas concerning film. The course draws on a range of film theorists and philosophers allowing you to consider the aesthetic possibilities, the ethical responsibilities and the changing nature of film. This MA offers a number of modules with practical elements if you would like to explore further the relationship between the making and the understanding of film.

Departmental highlights
• Internationally renowned teaching staff
• Series of talks by visiting academics and prominent filmmakers
• Home to the Living British Cinema Festival
• You can take one module in film or screen studies at Birkbeck, Goldsmiths, King’s, SOAS or UCL
• Gain hands-on experience through work on real film projects with Mile End Films.

First-class facilities
If you choose to study film studies at Queen Mary you will have access to a large range of professional and broadcast-standard production and post-production equipment.

After training in groups or individually, you are free to borrow the kit you need to make your films. We shoot on HDV and DSLR cameras with a selection of lenses, shoulder rigs, follow-focus and external monitoring. Our store holds a wide range of lighting equipment including Red Heads and Arri Blondes, Dedo and LED light kits, as well as reflectors, gels, flags, diffusers and softboxes. You can record the highest quality audio with digital audio recorders, professional mixers, windjammers, and radio mics. We also have a wide range of grip equipment including a sit-on dolly and flexible track, suitcase dollies, the Steadicam Flyer LE, dolly-mounted jib arms and DSLR sliders.
Before and during production you can cast, rehearse and shoot your films in one of our two film studios with professional lighting grids. These are ideal for large scale green-screen work.

Once shot, your productions are edited on Mac Pro workstations spread across two edit suites. These are installed with Final Cut Studio 2 and have external monitors and HDV tape decks. All machines are also networked and linked to our industry-standard central storage server. This 16TB raid array allows you to digitise to, and edit from, any one of the workstations. This means all work is instantly available, password protected and automatically backed-up off site.

For professional audio recording and post-production we also have a baffled recording studio with ProTools which can be used for recording voiceovers, music and sound effects.

Our research
We have particular strengths in new areas of research in film philosophy, in eco-cinema and screening nature, and in film outside the cinema – for example, in art galleries, on public screens, and across social media. These areas complement our strengths in more established areas like Hollywood cinema, British film history, European cinema, and film production and screenwriting. Our research interests broadly fall under:

- European Cinema – film as the production of imaginary landscapes; philosophies of space and place; set-design as architecture; European stars and the branding of nations and studios; and trans-culturalism, transnationalism and border crossing.
- Film History, Archives and Intermediality – film history drawn from research on various archives including production histories; film ontology and its changing relationship to other media; memory, photography, iconicity; and the historical ethnography of audiences.
- Ethics and Ideology – continental philosophies of film; film viewing as ethical witnessing; trauma and war; film as transitional phenomena; and embodiment and affect.

Research funding
The AHRC awarded £45,000 and £39,000 respectively to two International Research Networks: Bazaar Cinema: Young people repurposing media in London and Mumbai (Harbord, 2012) and Screening Nature (Pick, 2012). For further award details, please see: http://filmstudies.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/research-2/research-funding
“Throughout my time here I have most enjoyed the level of support provided, whether it be the opportunity to teach undergraduate students and so develop useful skills in this area, the variety of courses available at the Centre for Academic and Professional Development, or the various forums that are provided within the Film department to discuss and share research concepts and difficulties”

Nick Jones, PhD Film Studies
Nick Jones delivering a presentation in the 41-seat Alfred Hitchcock screening cinema.
Our taught programmes

Film

MA Documentary Practice
One year full-time, two years part-time
qmul.ac.uk/ma-doc-prac

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Core module
• Film Studies Research Project

Compulsory modules
• Documentary film: Theory and Practice
• Documentary Production Project

Option modules may include:
• Documentary Production Project (practice-based module)
• Auteur Direction
• History, Fiction and Memory in French Cinema
• 9/11 and American Film (theory-based modules)
• Reading Images: Painting, Photography, Film
• Latin American Documentary (subject to approval)

MA Film Studies
One year full-time, two years part-time
qmul.ac.uk/ma-film-studies

This MA offers you the opportunity to study the most current ideas concerning film. The course draws on a range of film theorists and philosophers, allowing you to consider the aesthetic possibilities of film (or what is it that a film can do), the ethical responsibilities of film (or what is it that we can ask of film), and the changing nature of film (or what it is that film is becoming). The MA offers a number of courses with practical elements if you would like to explore further the relationship between the making and the understanding of film.

Core modules
• Film Studies
• Film Studies Dissertation or Research Project

Option modules may include:
• 9/11 and American Film
• Documentary Film: Theory and Practice
• Frame, Space, Time: Approaches to the Experiences of Film
• History, Fiction and Memory in French Cinema
• Hollywood and the Second World War
• Hollywood and Vietnam
• Introduction to Film Archives
• Married to the Mob?: Mafia Representations in Hollywood and Italian Cinema
• Paris on the Screen
• Reading Images: Painting, Photography, Film
• Sighting Gender and Sexuality in Latin American Film

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PhD study

Our thriving community of PhD students is active in our research culture, which is also enriched by regular talks by visiting academics and filmmakers, and department-hosted international conferences.

We are interested in receiving applications from prospective MPhil and PhD students across a wide range of research areas. The Department has particular strengths in: European cinema; ethnography and histories of reception; British cinema, the documentary movement and free cinema; film stars as transnational figures; film archaeology and materiality; performance theory; war in historical and contemporary frames; film, photography and cultural memory; ethics and continental philosophy. The Department is particularly strong in archive research (paper, photographic, film), historical and ethnographic methods, and film-philosophical approaches.

For further details of our staff research interests, please see: http://filmstudies.slff.qmul.ac.uk/research

For details of our PhD entry requirements, please see page 45 or visit: http://filmstudies.slff.qmul.ac.uk/postgraduate-study-1/research-degrees

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(Mile End Rd)

The Curve
How to apply
All applications should be made online at qmul.ac.uk/postgraduate/howtoapply

Documents such as references and transcripts can be uploaded directly into the online application system.

Entry requirements
Unless stated otherwise, we usually require a first or upper second class honours degree in a relevant language, comparative literature or another humanities-related subject for admission to our taught masters programmes. A recognised equivalent from an accredited international institution or an equivalent professional qualification is also accepted. Applications from mature and non-traditional students are welcomed and will be reviewed by an academic selector.

Our usual requirement for entry onto the PhD programme is a strong first degree (BA Hons 2.1 or above) with a merit at masters level. We will also accept its overseas equivalent.

Tuition fees
You can find a full list of both UK/EU and overseas tuition fees here: qmul.ac.uk/tuitionfees

Funding
There are a number of sources of funding available for masters and PhD students. These include a significant package of competitive Queen Mary bursaries and scholarships in a range of subject areas, as well as external sources of funding. Recent Queen Mary graduates can benefit from £1,000 alumni scholarships, and may be eligible for the Simon and Deirdre Gaskell scholarships, while we have awarded over £6m in studentships to support the most talented and ambitious new researchers in 2014. For all funding information, see: qmul.ac.uk/postgraduate/funding

Accommodation
We are the only university in central London to offer a completely self-contained residential campus, with a 2,000-bed award-winning Student Village at Mile End. There is also a good range of private accommodation in the area around the Mile End campus, and we can provide advice and information to help you find a convenient place to stay.

For more information:
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email: residences@qmul.ac.uk
residences.qmul.ac.uk

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For more information about our programmes:
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email: pg-sllf@qmul.ac.uk
sllf.qmul.ac.uk

For general admissions enquiries:
Freephone: 0800 376 1800
From outside the UK: +44 (0)20 7882 5533
email: admissions@qmul.ac.uk
Queen Mary has a cosmopolitan postgraduate community, with students from over 150 countries making a valuable and active contribution to academic and social life. Wherever you are from, you will find a very warm welcome at the university.

Entry requirements
Each application received at Queen Mary is evaluated on a case-by-case basis, comparing international and UK qualifications. We look at your qualifications, the institution you have attended, and any relevant work experience. You can find detailed country-specific entry requirements here: qmul.ac.uk/international/countries

Support for international students
We offer a range of support services to help you feel at home:

Airport collection
New international students are offered a free airport collection service before the start of term in September 2015. This service will be advertised on our website, along with an online booking form: qmul.ac.uk/prearrival

The welcome programme
A welcome programme will be provided for all new international students before the start of term in September 2015. This is an opportunity to meet other international students studying a variety of programmes and gain practical advice about living and studying in London. Following the welcome programme, you can take part in a number of social events throughout the year. In 2014, these included trips to Amsterdam, Bruges, the Scottish Highlands, Wales, and the Wye Valley.

Advice and counselling
The Advice and Counselling Service offers professional advice and support to international students. We can advise you on finance and funding, Tier 4 Entry Clearance, Tier 4 extensions, immigration problems, UK work schemes after study, and offer counselling support for personal issues, such as homesickness. For further details, see: welfare.qmul.ac.uk

International Student Society
As a new International Student at Queen Mary the International Office pays your membership fee to the International Student Society (ISS). The ISS will organise a number of social and cultural events throughout the academic year to help you immerse yourself into student life at QMUL.

Healthcare
There is a Student Health Service on campus. You (and your spouse and children if they are in the UK with you as your dependants) are entitled to free medical treatment on the UK National Health Service (NHS) if you are registered on a programme lasting six months or longer (please note: from September 2015 this may change – International Students may face a small charge to access NHS services). If your programme lasts for less than six months, you should make sure you
have adequate medical insurance cover. If you are an EEA national, you should obtain a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) before coming to the UK, which entitles you and your family to full NHS treatment. For more information, visit: studenthealth.qmul.ac.uk

**Living costs**

International students will need to show evidence of having at least £9,000 for living costs plus 100 per cent of your tuition fees in order to obtain Entry Clearance under Tier 4 of the UK Visas and Immigration’s points-based system of immigration. Additional amounts need to be shown for dependants. £9,000 is based on nine months of study and is an immigration requirement only – most students require more money than this for 12 months’ living costs – normally around £11,000. For further information, visit: welfare.qmul.ac.uk/international/money

**Scholarships**

We want to attract the best students to Queen Mary. In recognition of the important investment that international students are making in their education, we are pleased to offer a range of scholarships to reward outstanding academic achievement. For more information, visit: qmul.ac.uk/international/feesfinance

**Representatives in your country**

In many countries we have offices or representatives who you can visit to discuss applying to Queen Mary. Contact details can be found at: qmul.ac.uk/international/countries

**QMUL International**

Members of staff at Queen Mary regularly make visits overseas to meet students and their families.

To see when we will be visiting your region or for more information on any aspect of life at Queen Mary, see: qmul.ac.uk/international/events

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**English language**

All tuition and examinations at the university are in English, so a sound command of the language is essential for success. Queen Mary provides a number of programmes in English for academic purposes to help you get the most out of your study. You need to be able to cope with reading; note-taking from lectures, books, journals, and other materials; to speak well in seminars, discussion groups, and tutorials; and to present yourself effectively in written assignments and examinations.

**English language requirements**

If your first language is not English, you must provide evidence that your English skills are sufficient by including details of recognised language qualifications with your application. If you are an international applicant you are strongly advised to contact your local British Council Office, take the academic IELTS (International English Language Testing Service) test and submit the results with your application. Queen Mary’s minimum
requirement for postgraduates is an IELTS score of 6.5 or PTE Academic 62, however, some courses require a higher score. For detailed English language entry requirements for all of our programmes, including individual component scores, see: qmul.ac.uk/international

For many nationals, it is now also an immigration requirement that you sit a secure English language test and meet minimum component scores as set by the UK Visas and Immigration service.

If you have English language scores slightly below the required band you may be eligible to attend one of our pre-sessional English language summer programmes before the start of your course.

**English language summer programmes (pre-sessional programmes)**

From June to September, we arrange a series of English language programmes for students who wish to improve their proficiency in English before starting university. The programme aims to improve your listening, speaking, reading, and writing skills; teach study skills such as note-taking, academic writing, and seminar participation; develop skills essential to working independently; and to introduce you to life in Britain. We encourage independent work and use of English by setting individual projects. Queen Mary academic staff and other visiting lecturers will give a series of lectures. We provide some residential accommodation on summer programmes in our halls of residence. Find out more: http://language-centre.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/presessionals

**Pre-Masters Graduate Diploma in Humanities and Social Sciences**

If you need to improve your English and academic skills and become familiar with the UK system before postgraduate study, you can join our Pre-Masters Graduate Diploma in Humanities and Social Sciences. The minimum entry level is IELTS 5.5 or PTE Academic 51. Find out more: http://language-centre.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/pre-masters

**In-sessional English language support**

The Language Centre runs a series of insessional English programmes in academic writing, grammar and vocabulary, lecture comprehension and seminar skills, and general English during the main teaching periods of the academic year. These are free of charge. Find out more: http://language-centre.sllf.qmul.ac.uk/in-sessionals

**Academic study support**

To help you with the transition to higher degree study, the Library runs a programme of short courses, tutorials, and drop-in classes in skills such as organisation and time management, research and note-taking, oral communication and presentation, academic writing, personal development planning and revision, and examination skills. For more information, see: library.qmul.ac.uk/academic_study_tutorials

**English Language and Study Skills Office**

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Visit us

Campus tours
We organise campus tours throughout the year. Restricted to small groups so that everyone has the chance to ask questions, these informal events are a great way to find out about living and studying here. They normally last an hour and you will be shown around by a current student. To book your place, please visit qmul.ac.uk/visitus

Postgraduate open evening
Our postgraduate open evening is held at the Mile End campus. You will be able to meet academics, see subject-specific facilities, tour research and learning facilities and speak to our support services, including Careers staff.

To book your place, please visit:
qumul.ac.uk/pgopenevening

Virtual events
We also hold virtual events during the year. For dates, virtual tours of the campus, videos and more, visit:
qumul.ac.uk/postgraduate/virtualopenday

“Living quite far from the campus itself as I do, it is something of an advantage that all the facilities are centralised so that when I do come to the campus, I can get a lot of things done without having to shuttle around London.

“The quality of the concentrated campus area also seems to provide a positive atmosphere amongst both students and faculty”

Nick Jones, PhD Film Studies
The easiest way to get to Queen Mary is to use public transport. There are two Underground stations and many bus stops within a few minutes’ walk of the Mile End campus.

**Underground**

Queen Mary’s Mile End campus is located between Mile End station (Central, District, Hammersmith and City lines) and Stepney Green station (District, Hammersmith and City lines). Both stations are in London Underground Zone 2.

Our Whitechapel campus is right behind the Royal London Hospital on Whitechapel Road. Whitechapel Underground station (Hammersmith and City, and District lines) is directly across the road from the Hospital.

Based in the City of London, close to the Barbican, Queen Mary’s Charterhouse Square campus is five minutes’ walk from Barts Hospital. The nearest Underground station is Barbican (Hammersmith and City, Metropolitan and Circle lines). Farringdon is also not far away.

The nearest Underground station to the Postgraduate Law Centre at Lincoln’s Inn Fields is Holborn (Central and Piccadilly lines).

**Buses**

All of our campuses are well served by London bus routes. To plan your journey, visit: tfl.gov.uk  

**Docklands Light Railway (DLR)**

The nearest DLR station to Queen Mary is Bow Church.

**Travelcards and Oystercards**

The most cost-effective and convenient way to pay for public transport in London (buses, trains, tubes, boats, trams, and DLR) is to get an Oyster card. As a student at QMUL, you are eligible for an 18+ Student Photocard which gives you 30 per cent off the price of adult-rate Travelcards and Bus and Tram Passes.

A discounted Zone 1-2 Travelcard – which gives you unlimited travel on buses, trains, tubes, and the DLR within Zone 1 (Central London) and Zone 2 (which includes Mile End) – is approximately £84. For more information, please see: www.tfl.gov.uk/oyster

**Cars**

Traffic is heavy and parking difficult, making driving in London an unattractive option. There are no parking places for students on campus, with the exception of students displaying an authorised blue disabled sticker (who have applied for and received a Queen Mary parking permit). Contact the Disability and Dyslexia Service for advice on: +44 (0)20 7882 2756.
**Taxis**
Black cabs use a meter to calculate your fare and you can hail one in the street. They are safe to use, but can be expensive. Mini-cabs are normal cars and charge a fixed price. Only use registered mini-cab firms.

**Trains**
London is very well served by overground train stations, all within easy reach of Queen Mary’s campuses. The closest is Liverpool Street, just two stops from Mile End on the Underground (Central line). Trains from Liverpool Street run to Stansted Airport, as well as other destinations. King’s Cross and St Pancras International (for Eurostar services to mainland Europe) are both a short journey from Mile End on the Underground’s Hammersmith and City line. London Bridge and Fenchurch Street are also close by.

**Airports**
The closest airport is London City Airport – just five miles away – which offers regular flights to UK and other European cities.

Heathrow, Gatwick, Luton, Stansted and Southend are within easy reach of Queen Mary, and all can be reached in anything from one to two hours by train or Underground.

**Student travel in London**
For more information about discounted travel, safety information and how to use the travel planning tools on the tfl website, visit: tfl.gov.uk/campaign/student-guide-to-travel-in-london

“**I’m interested in the underlying organising principles of language, especially in those that create grammar, so when I see phenomena that appear to challenge the existence of such principles, such as massively free word order, apparently random variation, or structures that look just the reverse of what one might expect, I feel I have to tackle them!**

“One recent project was a study of Kiowa, an endangered native American language with radically free word order. It showed that, beneath the surface, the same principles of grammar apply to all languages”

David Adger, Professor of Linguistics
Mile End campus

For more detailed campus information, see: qmul.ac.uk/about/howtofindus
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