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Welcome to the Queen Mary Summer School

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

Queen Mary is a leading Russell Group university based in London’s vibrant East End.

We have a long and distinguished record in undertaking world-leading research and inspirational teaching, with a history stretching back to 1785, when the Royal London medical school was established. With strengths across Humanities, Social Sciences and Creative Industries, Science and Engineering, and Medicine and Dentistry our new Summer School courses have been developed to offer you the opportunity to study ‘for credit’ or simply to come along and sample some of our classes as a taster before postgraduate study.

Home to staff and students from 162 countries, our campus creates an environment where students, staff and visitors have the opportunity to learn from and respect each other’s diverse cultures as well as acting as a gateway to the rest of Europe.

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

We look forward to welcoming you this summer.

Professor Colin Bailey
President and Principal
Dates
Session 1: 27 June - 15 July 2022
Session 2: 18 July - 5 August 2022

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

Fees
£1900 for 1 session
£3650 for 2 sessions

Discounts available, please check the website for details

Accommodation
We have an attractive residential campus with accommodation for all students. Our rooms are ensuite and the price below includes breakfast.

£877 for 1 session
£1754 for 2 sessions

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

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

Some field trips incur an additional cost. This cost varies by course, but you can expect to spend approximately £30-100 per session.

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

• Minimum 3.0 GPA or B+
• English language requirement of 6.5 IELTS
• Applicants must be aged 18 or over at the time of study.

At a glance
Why choose Queen Mary?

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

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

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

Bashaire from Pakistan
Introduction to International Law course

100% of Summer School students would recommend it to a friend (2019)
More than anywhere else in the capital it’s an energetic mix of the old and the new: from medieval history to hipster hangouts, from peaceful walks along Regent’s Canal and leafy Victoria Park to Victorian East End pubs, from late-night music gigs to the coolest art exhibitions, we love east London’s energy and its constant ability to surprise us.

Studying at Queen Mary gives you a unique East End experience here you can enjoy authentic east London life. You are exposed to East End culture, an array of different people, places, cuisine and perspectives. East London offers a true taste of life as a local.

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

Makarandh from India
International Migration Law course

Our east London

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

We’re located just 15 minutes from Oxford Circus by tube!
Our courses

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

British Horror and Fantasy Cinema from Dracula to Harry Potter
Session 1
Engage with an alternative history of British cinema.

Chinese Language and Culture (Level 1)
Session 1
Introduction to Mandarin Chinese for beginners.

Chinese Language and Culture (Level 2)
Session 2
Designed to give false beginners in Mandarin Chinese exposure to listening and reading items to develop their fluency.

Creative Writing Now
Session 1
This course explores contemporary examples of creative writing and English-language literature.

Global Shakespeare
Session 2
This course will look at Shakespeare’s afterlives in different parts of the world and include hands-on workshops.

London Theatre and Performance
Session 1
Immerse yourself in London’s rich and historical theatre scene.
Business, politics and law

Business and Society: The Changing World of Work
Session 2
Critically evaluate contemporary trends in the changing world of work. We focus on these trends with a view to understanding their implications for work, employment and society.

International Business
Session 2
Gain a dynamic and internationally comparative perspective on multinational firms and the world economy and take advantage of our campus’ location on the doorstep of London’s financial district!

Introduction to International Law
Session 1
Gain a profound overview of international law and its various areas, its relations to politics, and the current challenges of the international legal system.

Issues and Debates in International Relations
Session 1
This course gives you a sophisticated understanding of international relations, covering such current topics as war and security, globalisation and development, and EU foreign policy.

Managing Diversity in Business: Creating and Leading Inclusive Organisations
Session 1
This module introduces students to a range of theoretical perspectives relevant to managing equality and diversity in contemporary organisations.

90% of students found the course teaching to be excellent (2019)
Science and technology

Chemistry for Today and Tomorrow: From Bench to Market
Session 2
Achieve a broad understanding of modern chemistry techniques and applications via hands-on experience, discussions with experts and group activities. This course aims to expose students to cutting-edge techniques and explore future directions for the field using Queen Mary’s state of the art laboratories.

Data Analytics with SAS (SAS Base Certification)
Session 1
This course will provide students the opportunity to develop an understanding for the SAS programming language in connection with the SAS Base certification. SAS programming is a fourth-generation programming language (4GL) for data access, data transformation, analysis, and reporting.

Environment and Health
Session 1
This summer school will provide clear understanding of the different types of environmental exposures that are related with pathogenic mechanisms of human diseases.

Practical Machine Learning
Session 2
Study machine learning by using the Python programming language and the TensorFlow™ programming toolkit. (No programming background needed).

Surgical Skills and Science
Session 1
Combining traditional teaching with hands-on practice and simulation, the course aims to deliver comprehensive training on basic surgical skills, as well as introduce fundamental research methodology.
How to apply

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

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

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

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

The application deadline is 31 May 2022.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

94% of students said that they enjoyed the structure of their course (2019)
As a Queen Mary Summer School student, you will be offered a place on campus in our comfortable accommodation.

**Campus Life**

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

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

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

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**Eleanor from the USA**

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

I was very satisfied with the campus location because it wasn’t in the middle of all the tourism and large crowds of people. It was very calming to return to it at the end of the day.
To ensure that you are fully immersed in London life, the Queen Mary Summer School has curated a calendar of social activities to accompany your studies.

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

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

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

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

Examples of events that have taken place previously include:

- The Lion King musical on the West End
- Tour of Buckingham Palace
- East End Street Art tour
- Junkyard Golf Club
- Trips to Genesis cinema, voted best UK cinema.

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

Edison from the USA
British Horror and Fantasy Cinema and London Performance Past and Present

98% of students found support from the Summer School team easy to access while here (2019)
Fees and finance

Tuition fees
The tuition fees for the Summer School are as follows:
One session: £1,900
Both sessions: £3,650

Discounts
There is a 10% 'early bird' tuition fee discount available for all students who submit their application before 31 March 2022.

We also offer a 10% discount for applicants who are current Queen Mary students, Queen Mary alumni or a student from a Queen Mary partner institution.

Accommodation
On-campus accommodation costs £877 for one session and £1,754 for both sessions. This fee includes breakfast.

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

You can find further information the specific additional costs for each course by visiting our website qmul.ac.uk/summer-school/what-can-i-study
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