

QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY BELFAST WELCOMES STUDENTS FROM NORTH AMERICA

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Top 1%

of universities in the world
(QS World University Rankings
2014/15)

Queen's is a

Top 50

UK employer for women and is the lead UK university in tackling the unequal representation of women in science and engineering. Queen's holds 11 SWAN Departmental Awards, including two Gold, as well as an institutional Silver Award

3 Top 100

Queen's subject areas ranked in the world

(English, Law and Geography)

(Research Excellence Framework 2014)

9th

oldest university in the UK;

Established in 1845

170 years of Teaching Excellence

20th

2nd

in the UK for Research Intensity
(The Complete University Guide 2016)

18

Queen's subject areas ranked in the UK top 20 (The Complete University Guide 2016) and top 200 in the world (Research Excellence Framework 2014)



in the world for international outlook
(Times Higher Education 2015)

17th

in the UK for graduate-level

Employment

(Sunday Times University Guide 2013)

12th

(Joint) in the UK for Students' Union Student Satisfaction
(National Student Survey, NSS 2015)

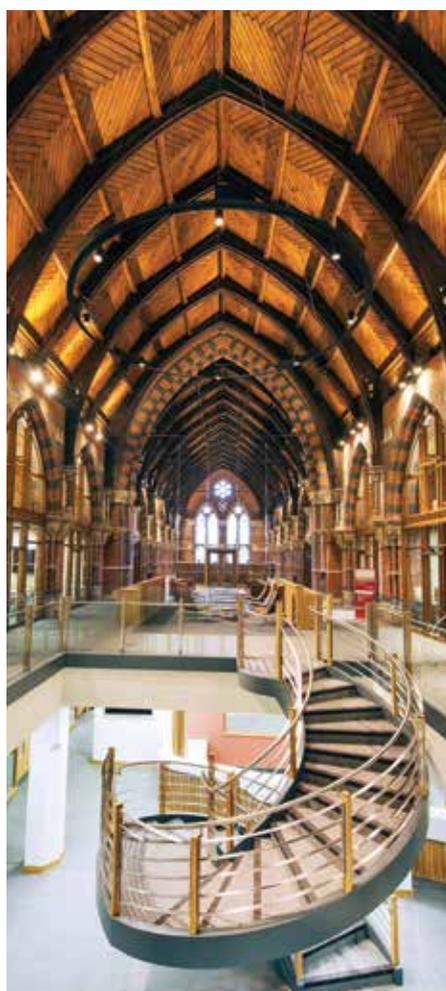
Fastest

growing Russell Group university for international students
(HESA, 2011-2014)

BE PART OF 'IRELAND'S OXBRIDGE'*

Queen's University Belfast is uniquely positioned as one of the leading UK universities on the island of Ireland.

It offers a world-class student experience founded on academic heritage and tradition with innovation. Queen's is proud to be a Russell Group university, part of a group of 24 top research-intensive universities in the UK, similar to Ivy League universities in North America.



FAST TRACK YOUR STUDIES FOR LESS

North American students graduate sooner than in their home country with the duration of most undergraduate degrees being shorter by one year and a Masters degree generally taking one year – and three years for a PhD. Not only does this help to reduce the cost of study, but also complements the fact that Belfast has the lowest cost of living in the UK (Mercer.com, 2014).



BELFAST: A VIBRANT AND UNIQUE STUDENT CITY

Discover the hidden gem of Belfast, one of Europe's most fashionable regional capitals with its historic sights, incredible atmosphere, friendly Belfast 'craic' and now on the tourist trail for the 'Game of Thrones' film locations.

Belfast was recently named the safest region in the UK (British Crime Survey 2014), and Queen's is located in the heart of the city's cultural, artistic and social scenes, offering a unique blend of Irish and British cultures. The University's own Students' Union plays host to bands, comedy gigs and other entertainment on a regular basis and there is also a full-time cinema, the Queen's Film Theatre (QFT) on campus.

Belfast is awash with enthusiasm and the city centre is a diverse hub of bars, restaurants, museums and artisan galleries. With so much going on in the city, there has never been a better time to study in Belfast, especially the arts and humanities in this new post-conflict era.

A LAUNCH PAD

Queen's is not just a launch pad for future careers, but also for adventure and travel. Belfast is within easy access of some of the most spectacular scenery in Ireland, from beautiful beaches and coastal views to quaint towns and rural countryside. Students can also explore Europe with accessible airport and transport links to most major cities. London is just one hour from Belfast by air while both Dublin and Belfast International airports offer direct flights to various North American hubs.



*(Sunday Times University Guide 2015)

A WORLD-CLASS EDUCATION



GLOBAL DISCOVERIES AND PARTNERSHIPS

Queen's graduates make their mark all over the world in fields as diverse as surgery, civil engineering and music. From developing new treatments for life-threatening diseases to protecting the lives and livelihoods of some of the poorest people on the planet, over 1,000 Queen's researchers work globally on groundbreaking projects that really make a difference. Queen's also works closely with more than 250 universities around the world including Georgetown University, Vanderbilt University, Harvard University, University of Denver, University of Alberta and Queen's University Kingston to name just a few. Students at Queen's also benefit from the University's significant business connections and collaborations with many multinational enterprises including Petronas, Infosys, Bombardier and Seagate.

INTERNATIONAL OUTLOOK

Queen's students come from all over the world. Every year, approximately 1,700 international students from over 100 different countries are welcomed on campus. Amongst a total student population of 23,000, Queen's international students live and study with students from Northern Ireland, the Republic of Ireland and the UK. This provides great opportunities for international students to get to grips with the local culture plus having international peer support.



Jessica Geiger
Studying: BSc Honours Psychology
From: Moreno Valley, California, USA

I made the decision to study at Queen's School of Psychology for a number of reasons. The biggest draw was being taught by world leaders and I liked that this was a 3 year course. I also have an Irish background and I wanted to get in touch with that part of my heritage. Lastly, Northern Ireland is such an ideal place to be if you're interested in travel which I very much am!

Queen's has been a tremendous learning experience both personally and academically. The degree is well rounded and I enjoy studying a wide variety of topics. It has opened my eyes to what I might like to do with my degree once I graduate. The staff, facilities and resources available to you won't disappoint.

In my free time, I have really loved getting to know Northern Ireland. I don't think natives realize what a gem this place is. Aside from the beautiful landscapes, history and many attractions of Northern Ireland, the people are truly something else. The people I've met are some of the kindest, wittiest and most generous people I have ever known.

If you are looking to challenge yourself and further your education this is the right choice.



QUEEN'S INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS RECEIVE:

- A city-centre campus, with everything students need within walking distance.
- Teaching by world-leading academic staff who are extending globally the frontiers of knowledge in their subjects through the latest discoveries in their fields.
- Internationally recognised career-focused degrees from one of the UK's top universities.
- A competitive advantage in the market place with respect and demand for Queen's graduates from a wide range of top global employers.
- Lower tuition fees and living expenses than many other similarly well-regarded UK universities. Annual tuition fees are fixed for the duration of the course.
- A guaranteed place in Queen's university accommodation for first year of study.
- International student support and assistance from application stage and throughout your course of study, offering help with visa issues and settling into Belfast and Queen's life. This includes transport from the airports on arrival and a free, three-day orientation programme.
- Access to state-of-the-art, award-winning library, leisure and teaching facilities, including a new Graduate School with dedicated resources only for postgraduate students. £700m is currently being invested in Queen's facilities (ranked in the top 20: *Complete University Guide 2016*)
- A great social life with over 190 clubs and societies on offer from the more traditional (Basketball, Soccer, Film) to the more offbeat (Roller Derby, Underwater Hockey, Dragon Slayers), all available through the Queen's Students' Union along with shops, cafes, bars, clubs and restaurants.
- The opportunity to discover the University's great sporting tradition: Queen's take pride in its state-of-the-art Physical Education Centre (PEC), one of the most advanced sport and fitness facilities in the UK and Ireland. The University also has provided this island with many of its greatest athletes across a broad range of sports.
- A fantastic global experience and education, gaining independence and confidence whilst making friends from all over the world.



1,700

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FROM OVER 100 COUNTRIES CURRENTLY STUDY AT QUEEN'S



STUDY AT QUEEN'S



Lauren Kolarek
Studying: LLB Honours Law
From Ontario, Canada

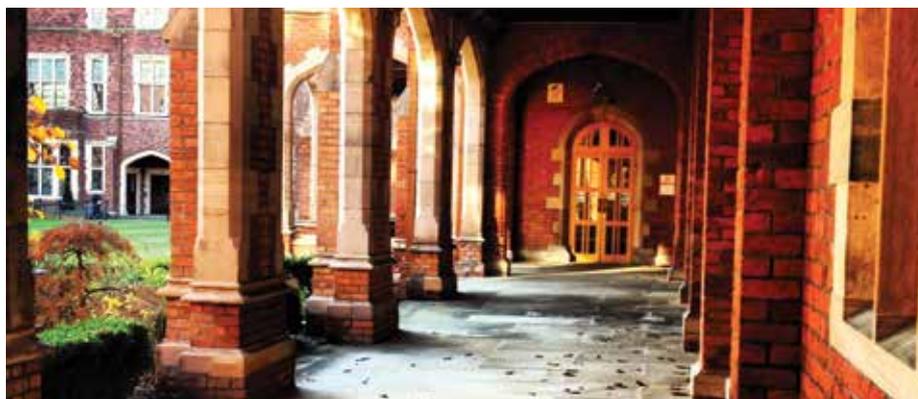
I was looking into Law programmes in Canada, but it's a little harder there. My mum mentioned Queen's and when I looked into the application process it was much simpler and it is the eighth top Law program in the UK.

Belfast has so much to offer with many great restaurants. Queen's Physical Education is amazing where I go swimming and I really like to do Zumba. Travel is also really easy, especially back to Canada or North America.

As there is so much history in Belfast it also makes Queen's a great place to study law. I find the tutorials beneficial where you split into smaller groups and work through the questions with a tutor and really get into the work after seeing professors and taking lectures.

Queen's ensures that they can help you set those steps to go back if that's what you want to do, and if you want to stay in Northern Ireland, then you have a qualifying Law degree to stay here as well, which is just amazing.

QUEEN'S OFFERS 4 GENERAL STUDY ABROAD OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS FROM NORTH AMERICA:



1 UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES (BACHELORS FULL DEGREE)

Primarily three years in length (unless they include an additional work placement year) and enable specialisation from the start of study.

Undergraduate Entry Requirements:

USA

- US High School Diploma with a minimum CGPA of 3.0 on a scale of 4.0 PLUS
- An ACT test with a minimum score of 27 OR an SAT I test with a minimum score of 1800 (600 Critical Reading, 600 Writing and 600 Mathematics) PLUS
- Either:
 - a. Two Advanced Placement (AP) tests at Grade 5 OR two SAT II subject tests at 650 or above. In both cases, these should be in relevant subjects if there are specific course requirements
 - b. Three Advanced Placement (AP) tests at Grade 4 OR three SAT II subject test at 600 or above

When submitting SAT score reports, please use the Queen's Designated Institution (DI) code: 7753

Canada

The Canadian High School Diploma (Grade 12) with minimum requirement of 75-80 per cent overall.

Alberta: A General High School Diploma with an average of at least 75 per cent in five acceptable grade 12 courses.

British Columbia: the Senior Secondary Graduation Diploma with at least five Bs in acceptable grade 12 courses and 75-80 per cent overall.

Manitoba: the High School Graduation Diploma with five credits awarded at 300 level in at least four subject areas and at least 75 per cent achieved in each of these areas.

Ontario: the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD) is required normally with an average of 80 per cent in six Grade 12 U/M courses. Certain programmes may require Grade 12 U/M courses in specific subjects.

Saskatchewan: the Grade 12 Standing/ Division IV Standing (Secondary School Diploma) with an average of at least 75 per cent in five acceptable subjects.

International Baccalaureate Diploma: Entry requirements range from 29-37 points overall depending on the degree programme.

NB: The standards required for individual degree programmes may vary with higher requirements for the very competitive degree programmes eg Medicine, Law and Pharmacy. Exact grade requirements in relevant subjects may be specified. Students may also be expected to submit additional application materials and those interested in Medicine are advised to make arrangements for UK Clinical Aptitude Test (www.ukcat.ac.uk) during the summer prior to application.

2 POSTGRADUATE STUDIES (MASTERS AND PHDS)

Masters degrees are generally one year in duration with most including a combination of coursework and research. Students are also welcome to apply for PhD programmes, which are research intensive and last three to four years.

Postgraduate Entry Requirements:

Masters Degree – four-year Bachelors degree with a cumulative GPA of at least 2.8 will be considered although most courses will require a 3.2 GPA. For most courses, your major subject or content of your Bachelors degree may also be considered.

MPhil/PhD – a good four-year Bachelors degree plus, normally, a good Masters degree.

NB: The taught Masters degree refers to a programme that combines academic instruction as well as the completion of a written dissertation or research project.

3 STUDY ABROAD

Over 100 visiting students from North America come to study at Queen's each year on the Study Abroad and Exchange programme.

Visiting students spend either an academic year or semester studying at Queen's, where they can choose from a broad range of modules (classes) across the whole range of university courses (some exceptions such as medicine), as long as they meet the pre-requisites for the given course.

Students from any accredited university can apply.

Study Abroad Entry Requirements:

Applicants should normally have completed one year of university undergraduate study at the time of application and should hold a CGPA of 3.0.

Where possible, students should discuss their plans to study abroad with the International Office/Study Abroad Office at their home institution to ensure transferability of credit, etc. Applications and enquiries can be sent directly to studyabroad@qub.ac.uk

More information is available at: www.qub.ac.uk/studyabroad

4 INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOLS

A three-week Summer School is available during July and August in Irish Studies and Conflict Transformation. Exploring history, literature, law, languages, politics, anthropology, sociology, film and theatre, students are also given the opportunity to meet with some of Northern Ireland's decision makers such as key politicians, church and community leaders. These credit-bearing programmes include field

trips to sites of historical, political and cultural interest in Belfast and Northern Ireland.

Summer School Entry Requirements:

Evidence of academic record along with an application form which can be downloaded from: www.qub.ac.uk/schools/IrishStudiesGateway/SummerSchools/

WHAT CAN I STUDY?

Queen's has 20 Schools grouped in 3 Faculties, offering a wide range of study disciplines:

ARTS, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

- Creative Arts
- Education
- English
- History and Anthropology
- Law
- Modern Languages
- Politics, International Studies and Philosophy
- Queen's Management School
- Sociology, Social Policy and Social Work

ENGINEERING AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES

- Chemistry and Chemical Engineering
- Electronics, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science
- Geography, Archaeology and Palaeoecology
- Mathematics and Physics
- Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering
- Planning, Architecture and Civil Engineering
- Psychology

MEDICINE, HEALTH AND LIFE SCIENCES

- Biological Sciences
- Medicine, Dentistry and Biomedical Sciences
- Nursing and Midwifery
- Pharmacy

Our Course Finder provides details of all Queen's degree programmes, specific entry requirements, content, assessments and feedback, available at the following website: www.qub.ac.uk/home/StudyatQueens/CourseFinder

There are also a number of Queen's institutes which focus on research and collaboration including Irish Studies, Global Food Security and Conflict Transformation and Social Justice.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

If English is not your first language, you will need to demonstrate a minimum level of English. Queen's University requires the equivalent of 6.0 IELTS or TOEFL iBT 80 – 90. Minimum scores will be required in each component of the test. Some courses, however, have higher requirements (please check with the International Office).

HOW TO APPLY

PREPARE FOR YOUR QUEEN'S ADVENTURE

1 CHOOSE YOUR QUEEN'S DEGREE PROGRAMME

See the full list of degree programmes and check the entry requirements at www.qub.ac.uk/home/StudyatQueens/CourseFinder

2 SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

Undergraduate – apply through the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service at www.ucas.com. This is the UK's one-stop shop for undergraduate applications. Deadline is **30 June** (except Medicine and Dentistry which is 15 October) although it is recommended to apply by **15 January**. If you are applying only to Queen's and not to another UK university or for Medicine or Dentistry, you can apply directly by completing our direct application form, downloadable from go.qub.ac.uk/InternationalApplicants

Postgraduate – apply directly through Queen's on our Direct Online Portal <https://dap.qub.ac.uk/portal> Early application is recommended, especially as for some courses we receive more applications than there are places available.

Full details of the application procedure can be found at www.qub.ac.uk/home/StudyatQueens/InternationalStudents/Howtoapply/

3 RECEIVE AN OFFER

Our International Admissions team will be in touch via email and letter to advise if we can make you an offer (conditional or unconditional), require more information or if you have been unsuccessful. If you have not heard back within a few weeks of your application submission, you can email to check your status via intl.student@qub.ac.uk

4 SELECTING AND CONFIRMING YOUR OFFER

You need to accept your offer (whether conditional or unconditional) so we know if you intend to take up your place and can hold it for you. Also remember to submit your final exam scores when available, to show you have met the conditions of your offer and to enable your status to be updated to unconditional.

5 APPLYING FOR YOUR VISA AND ARRIVING AT QUEEN'S

Once you have firmly accepted an unconditional offer and paid any necessary deposits, you will be issued with a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS – not issued earlier than six months before start date) which you will need to apply for your Tier 4 Visa. Our International Student Support team can give guidance on visas, loans, arriving and settling onto campus. Visit www.qub.ac.uk/sites/iss or email iss@qub.ac.uk

A GUIDE FOR PARENTS

We understand that studying internationally is a big concern for parents and guardians too! Specific information on the University's reputation, getting to Northern Ireland and living in Belfast and at Queen's is available in a guide for parents, available at go.qub.ac.uk/intlstudent-parents



NB: Study Abroad Applications and Assistance are handled directly through a dedicated office. More information and application forms can be downloaded from www.qub.ac.uk/studyabroad or email studyabroad@qub.ac.uk

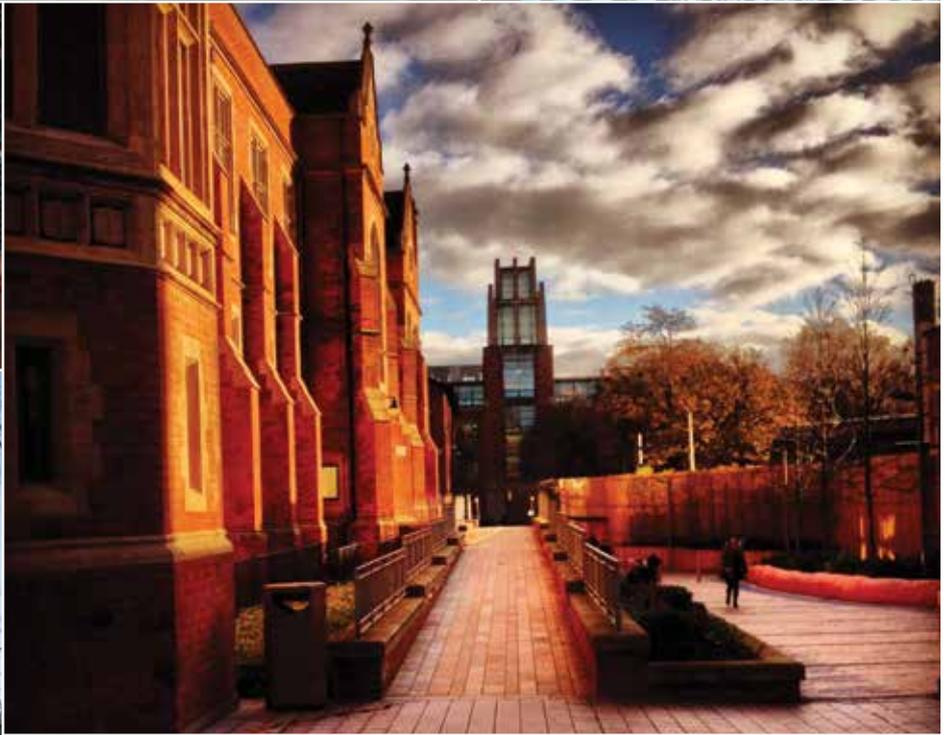
THE UK'S MOST AFFORDABLE STUDENT CITY

NatWest Student Living Index 2015

QUEEN'S GRADUATES IN NORTH AMERICA

Why not meet up with our North American Queen's graduates and get the inside track?

We have over 1,000 alumni in the US and Canada working across all sectors who regularly organise Queen's events. Email our Alumni Office to find out when these events are taking place at alumni@qub.ac.uk



FUNDING YOUR STAY

Belfast has been named the UK's most affordable student city by the NatWest Student Living Index 2015 and our tuition fees are comparable to similar UK Russell Group universities, assisting North American students at Queen's with the costs of studying abroad. A full breakdown of costs converted to dollars is available on a separate information sheet or visit go.qub.ac.uk/intlfees

SCHOLARSHIPS

Queen's offers annual international scholarships to assist students achieve their ambitions and reward excellence. More information is available at go.qub.ac.uk/intlscho Also check your proposed school of study as they may have funding opportunities available.

Queen's also has partnerships with a number of prestigious country-specific scholarships for postgraduate study:

USA

Marshall Scholarships
www.marshall scholarship.org

Fulbright Commission
www.Fulbright.org.uk

CANADA

Chevening Scholarships
www.chevening.org

Commonwealth Scholarship Scheme
www.cscuk.dfid.gov.uk/apply/shared-scholarships

Ireland Canada University Foundation
www.icuf.ie/dobbin-scholarship



NORTH AMERICAN LOANS

US FEDERAL LOANS

Queen's is approved by the US Department of Education for participation in the Federal Direct Loan programme. Our School Code is G22736. There are three types of US Federal Loans – Subsidized, Unsubsidized and Plus Loans. Graduate students, or undergraduate students and their parents, can normally borrow up to the full cost of attendance of their programme (including tuition, subsistence and airfare). More information is available from www.qub.ac.uk/sites/iss/USLoans or email usloans@qub.ac.uk

CANADIAN STUDENT LOANS

Queen's is an officially recognised institution approved by the Canadian government so you can apply for your Canadian Student loan to study at Queen's.

ACCOMMODATION

Just ranked in the top 10 for university accommodation (The Telegraph), Queen's Elms Village and other student houses are located within easy walking distance of the University in a pleasant residential area. All accommodation is self-catered with en suite options and internet access with international students guaranteed a place. Several residences are reserved for postgraduate students only. More information on accommodation and fees is available at: www.stayatqueens.com

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The Telegraph 2015



BELFAST AND STATESIDE ASSISTANCE



Bridget Carey
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If you have a query, the International Office is happy to help from when you start thinking about applying to Queen's through to accepting your offer and arriving on campus. We can even set up introductions between you, our School academics and our International Student Support services so that you get all the information you need.

Bridget Carey and Susan McCleary are responsible for supporting our North American applicants. They are out in the USA and Canada throughout the year and would be happy to meet up with prospective students if they are in your area.

Contact Bridget or Susan via email, or chat to them via phone or Skype at the details above. They can also advise if they will be visiting your area and set up a meeting.



Susan McCleary
email: s.mccleary@qub.ac.uk
Skype: [qubsusan.mccleary](https://www.skype.com/people/qubsusan.mccleary)

Chat with a North American Student at Queen's . . .

The International Office can also put you in touch with current students from the USA and Canada, who will be able to give you first-hand information about studying at Queen's.

Alternatively contact the International Office who can forward on your request.
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e international@qub.ac.uk
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Queen's University Belfast, Belfast BT7 1NN

USEFUL CONTACTS:

INTERNATIONAL ADMISSIONS:
Guidance on your application and offers
e intl.student@qub.ac.uk
www.qub.ac.uk/sites/NewStudents

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUPPORT:
Financial and visa assistance and settling onto Campus
e iss@qub.ac.uk
www.qub.ac.uk/sites/iss

QUEEN'S STUDENT FINANCE:
Financial enrolment, tuition fees and payments
e studentfinance@qub.ac.uk
www.qub.ac.uk/directorates/sgc/finance

QUEEN'S STUDY ABROAD:
Semester or year exchanges and applications
e studyabroad@qub.ac.uk
www.qub.ac.uk/studyabroad

QUEEN'S COURSE FINDER:
Full listings of all Queen's Undergraduate and Postgraduate study options
www.qub.ac.uk/home/StudyatQueens/CourseFinder/InternationalScholarships

QUEEN'S INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS:
go.qub.ac.uk/intlschol

QUEEN'S CAREERS SERVICE AND JOB SHOP:
www.qub.ac.uk/careers

QUEEN'S COUNSELLING SERVICE:
www.qub.ac.uk/counselling

STUDENT ACCOMMODATION:
www.stayatqueens.com

STUDENTS' UNION:
www.qubsu.org

THE BRITISH COUNCIL:
Advice on studying in the UK
www.educationuk.org/global

NORTHERN IRELAND INFORMATION:
www.discovernorthernireland.com

BELFAST INFORMATION:
www.visit-belfast.com

UK VS NORTH AMERICAN UNIVERSITY TERMS

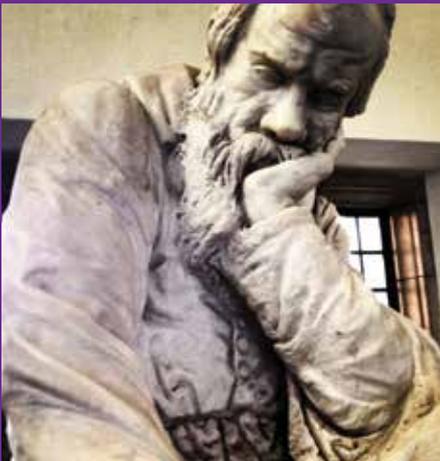
Course/Degree Programme -	Major
Conditional Offer -	An offer which requires applicant to submit further evidence that must be fulfilled once it becomes available and before a full unconditional offer can be made
Unconditional Offer -	Offer made when all entry requirements have been met
Module -	Course/Class
School -	Department
Mark -	Grade
Fresher -	Freshman
Term -	Semester
Halls of Residence -	Dorms



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