

UNDERGRADUATE MINI-GUIDE 2019

SHAPING A BETTER WORLD SINCE 1845

WELCOME

Thank you for considering applying to study with us here at Queen's University Belfast.

We know there is a lot of information to take on board and to consider when making the decision about which university to choose. It's a big decision to make and one which entails much more than looking at what degree courses are on offer.

As a Queen's University student, you will join a Russell Group university, based in the heart of Belfast, a modern capital city known for its welcome, accessibility and affordability. Not only has it been named the best region in the UK to visit (Lonely Planet, 2017) and among the top five most affordable student cities (Marbles.com, 2017), but it is also just a short plane journey from all major UK cities.

Queen's University is an incredibly exciting place to be. From the day you arrive here, you will be part of a world-class international university built on a foundation of exceptional teaching, cutting-edge research, innovation, collaboration and engagement.

With some £700m invested in the student experience – we're invested in you. You will enjoy a world-class campus with a wide range of support services and we guarantee a place in our award-winning student accommodation for all our GB students in your first year.

Our investment in students also includes fantastic scholarship opportunities specifically for GB students which will enable you to achieve your academic ambitions.

I hope you enjoy reading this Mini-Guide and discovering all that Queen's and Belfast has to offer, and that it helps in your decision to join us. I look forward to welcoming you on campus.

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Professor James C McElnay Acting President and Vice-Chancellor

WELCOME TO QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY BELFAST

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WE'RE A RUSSELL

GROUP UNIVERSITY

We're ranked in the top 1%

of universities in the world.

so a degree from Queen's is

something to be proud of.

(QS World University Rankings

2018/ Webometrics.info)



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OUR RESEARCH HAS GLOBAL IMPACT

We're joint 8th in the UK for research intensity (REF 2014/ Times Higher Education) and our world-leading research informs our courses, meaning that what you learn is as relevant as it can be.

WHY QUEEN'S?

Queen's University is a world-class institution combining excellent academic standards with a focus on employability to give our graduates the edge in the global job market. Here are some of the reasons you should join the leaders of tomorrow.

FROM HERE, YOU CAN

GO ANYWHERE

We're just a short hop from home,

but we're also a gateway to the

world. You can enhance your degree

with a range of study or work abroad

opportunities, enabling you to

broaden your horizons, enrich your

university experience and gain the

edge in the graduate job market.

(See page 22-23 for more details.)



WE'RE IN THE UK'S BEST VALUE STUDENT CITY

Queen's is at the social and cultural heart of Belfast, ranked among the top five most affordable student cities in the UK, with the lowest student rent in the UK.

(Marbles.com, 2017) (Natwest Student Living Index 2017)

YOU'LL BENEFIT FROM OUR GENEROUS SCHOLARSHIPS

GB students are eligible to apply for scholarships of up to £7,500. We also offer lifestyle packages that include free flights, shipping, movie and gym passes, and more!

(See page 4-5 for more details.)



WE'LL ENABLE YOUR FUTURE CAREER

We are dedicated to student employability and our strong industry links mean over 94% of Queen's graduates are in employment or further study six months after graduation.

(HESA Destination of Leavers from Higher Education Survey, 2015/16)

WE'RE CLOSER TO HOME THAN YOU THINK

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Belfast is just an hour's flight time away from all major UK cities - that's less time than it would take you to travel by road or train to many other UK universities.

(See page 9 for more details.)



YOU'LL BE FULLY SUPPORTED

We offer a network of support services, such as the Student Guidance Centre, and a range of development programmes to help you get the most from your time at Queen's.

(See <u>go.qub.ac.uk/studentguidance</u>)



QUALITY ACCOMMODATION, GUARANTEED

Our student accommodation is among the most affordable in the UK (Natwest Student Living Index 2017), and GB students are guaranteed a place for their first year.

(See page 14-17 for more details.)



YOU'LL FIND A PLACE TO BELONG

There are over 200 student-led clubs and societies on campus; while a £20 million sports investment has helped establish our reputation as one of the premier sporting universities in Ireland and the UK.

(Guardian University Guide 2016)

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SCHOLARSHIPS OF UP TO £7,500!

Queen's believes in rewarding hard work and excellence. Every year, we offer a range of fantastic scholarships for new students from England, Scotland, Wales, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man. This includes the opportunity to receive up to $£2,500^*$ per year off your fees. Alternatively, you can avail of great lifestyle benefits including free flights, accommodation upgrades, and even free gym and cinema passes!

UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GB STUDENTS

A generous £2,500 per year (£1,750 plus benefits, see opposite) is available for eligible students** achieving AAB at A-level or the equivalent in other gualifications. Those who achieve ABB at A-level or the equivalent in other gualifications will receive £1,750 per year (£1,000 plus benefits), while students who satisfy the conditions of their offer will qualify for a £1,250 scholarship (£500 plus benefits).

*£2,500 per year for eligible students from England, Scotland, Wales, the Channel Islands and the Isle of Man achieving AAB.

**To be eligible students must make Oueen's their firm choice. Scholarships are offered for the full duration of your undergraduate course.





In addition to our fantastic scholarships offered exclusively to GB students, Queen's offers a range of other prizes and scholarships including Merit Scholarships, Lloyds Scholarships, Sports Scholarships and Elite Athlete Scholarships. There are also Sports Bursaries and Academy Scholarships available. For details, see go.gub.ac.uk/ug-scholarships

FOR MORE DETAILS SEE: LLOYDS SCHOLARSHIPS lloyds-scholars.com SPORTS SCHOLARSHIPS go.qub.ac.uk/sportsbursaries go.gub.ac.uk/academyscholarships

go.qub.ac.uk/elite-athletes





ACCOMMODATION AND LIFESTYLE BENEFITS

As a GB student, you'll have the opportunity to apply for a scholarship option with accommodation and lifestyle benefits. This is a VIP-style package aimed at making the transition to university life easier. The package includes three flights home each year. free shipping of luggage (up to 40kg) in the first year, as well as a free movie pass, free off-peak Queen's Sport membership, a free upgrade to ensuite accommodation and free bedding in Elms accommodation in your first year.

Free cinema passes

are available

Please note that terms and conditions apply for all our scholarships. Details are correct at time of print (February 2018). Please see go.gub.ac.uk/ug-scholarships for further information

BFI FAST: THE UK'S BEST VALUE **STUDENT CITY**

One of the UK's friendliest, most vibrant and affordable student cities, Belfast boasts the lowest cost of living in the UK*. In this exciting hub of music, food, shopping and culture, you'll pay less for things like rent, cinema tickets and travel. While the beach is just 25 minutes away.

IT'S AFFORDABLE

*Belfast has the lowest cost of livina (Mercer 2016) – 28 per cent lower than in London (Numbeo 2015) – and the lowest student rent (NatWest Student Living Index 2017) of any city in the UK.



IT'S THE BEST

THE WORLD

Belfast is one of the

Region in the World

by Lonely Planet.

UK's most buzzed-about

cities and was recently

voted the Number One

REGION IN

IT'S BURSTING WITH CULTURE

Throughout the year, Belfast hosts a range of events and urban festivals running the gamut from music, theatre, dance, film and comedy. Highlights include Culture Night and Belfast Vital Festival.



IT'S A FOODIE PARADISE

Food is a big deal in Belfast with a mix of cool new pop-ups and Michelin-starred staples. The city was recently voted the Top Place to Travel for Food (National Geographic 2016).

IT'S THE BIRTHPLACE OF THE TITANIC

The Titanic Ouarter is a sleek urban development that houses Titanic Belfast. the World's Best Vsitor Attraction (World Travel Awards 2016), alongside the city's booming tech and film industries.





THE NIGHTLIFE **IS VIBRANT**

The cobbled stoned streets and fascinating architecture of the Cathedral Quarter play host to the city's best bars and clubs.

as a film location, most famously for HBO's Game of Thrones.

IT'S FUROPE'S

HOLLYWOOD

Northern Ireland

and the Titanic

Studios have become

internationally renowned



IT'S EXPANDING

A host of exciting new developments are underway around the city including the Grand Central Hotel in the former Windsor House offices and the George Best Hotel, while Marriott is set to take on the City Quays hotel project.



THE PEOPLE ARE FAMED FOR THEIR **FRIENDLINESS**

Belfast is a city with real personality and is famed for having the friendliest and most welcoming folk in the world.



Belfast is a compact city and easily explored on foot or by bike. Grab a Coca-Cola Zero Belfast Bike from the Oueen's campus – you can drop it off later at any number of bays around the city.

IT'S EASY TO

GET AROUND

Oueen's University Belfast

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NORTHERN IRELAND: OUTDOOR ADVENTURE

Whether you're on a pilgrimage to the famous Game of Thrones filming locations or you fancy exploring caves, castles and coastline, you'll find it all within an hour's drive of Belfast.

The world is catching on to the secret that locals have always known: Northern Ireland is one of the most beautiful places on the planet. Just ask the experts at Lonely Planet who recently lauded Belfast and the Causeway Coast as the number one region in the world (2017). From golden beaches to lush forests, as a student in Belfast, the region's most breath-taking landscapes will be right on your doorstep.

Spend your downtime testing your nerve crossing the death-defying Carrick-a-Rede rope bridge. Alternatively, scale the heights of our tallest peak, Slieve Donard, set in the picturesque Mourne Mountains – an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and the inspiration for CS Lewis' magical world of Narnia.

You can also follow the 22-mile Mourne Wall, featured in *Game of Thrones*. And if you're a fan of the hit HBO show, you can't afford to miss a trip to the Dark Hedges. This twisting avenue of light and shade is one of Northern Ireland's most photographed natural phenomena, and doubles as the King's Road in the series.

ONE HOUR FROM LONDON!



THE QUEEN'S QUARTER: WHERE EVERYTHING'S WITHIN EASY REACH

The beauty of student life in Belfast is that everywhere is walkable. It's just a short stroll from our accommodation to campus, and from the main site to the city centre. In fact, you won't need to spend much on travel at all because

everything you need to enjoy the best of

student life is right on your doorstep.

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Without bus and train fares to worry about, you'll have more to spend on enjoying life outside the lecture theatre. The cultural guarter surrounding our campus is the most vibrant district of Belfast. Here, you'll find everything from hot-ticket cultural events and party nights to international festivals and world cuisine worth queuing for.





A COSMOPOLITAN COMMUNITY

Our friendly and welcoming student community and buzzing entertainment scene offers a ready-made social life from the day you arrive. From classical concerts at the Whitla Hall to legendary club nights, not to mention pub auizzes. poetry readings and comedy nights, Queen's Quarter is bursting with entertainment venues that attract the best from the worlds of theatre. dance, music, film, arts and literature. It's no wonder our venues feature hotly in the calendar of both the Belfast International Arts Festival and the Belfast Film Festival.

AN ART-LOVER'S PARADISE

The University is home to the renowned visual arts platform, the Naughton Gallery, the Seamus Heaney Centre for Poetry and the Brian Friel Centre for Theatre. We even have our own boutique cinema, the QFT (Queen's Film Theatre), presenting the best in classic and new world cinema.



AND CREATIVE HUB

There is an incredible range of cafés, bistros and restaurants dotted around the University's bohemian surroundings, catering to all tastes and budgets. In the space of 400 metres along Botanic Avenue. you can sample food from Japan, Korea, Nepal, China, the Middle East, India, Italy, Mexico and, of course, Northern Ireland - all washed down with home-grown craft brews.

You'll also find guirky vintage and pre-loved shopping. and the famed No Alibis indie bookstore, while the Fine & Dandy Sunday market in the Crescent Arts Centre is a creative hub for independent artists, designers, illustrators and crafters.

GREEN SPACES AND URBAN PARKS

A short hop from the bustling streetscape of Botanic Avenue is the lush foliage of Botanic Gardens, a beautiful city park where you can find some headspace in the Palm House or the Tropical Ravine.

In fact, you'll be surprised to find just how accessible natural solitude is from Oueen's: the nearby Lagan Towpath offers an unspoilt stretch of riverbank with forest walks and meadows that feel a world away from our bustling campus.

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EXPLORE OUR WORLD-CLASS FACILITIES



Step inside your £700million classroom. You'll benefit from substantial investment in our teaching facilities that has developed our historic campus into an innovative learning environment for our exceptional students and staff.

OUR EVER-EVOLVING CAMPUS

The new £20million School of Law, including a Moot Court Room, and The Herbert Smith Freehills Student Hub, exemplifies Queen's commitment to the future-thinking needs of its students. Further along the campus skyline, the exciting new facilities and space in the colourfully redeveloped Computer Science Building marks our recognition of the importance of this subject to the global market. It features computer labs, project spaces, breakout rooms and a three-floor Student Hub.



Joint 2nd in the UK for university facilities

Times Higher Education Student Experience Survey 2017

90% student satisfaction score for library resources National Student Survey 2017



BOARD THE 'STARSHIP FOR SCHOLARS'

Designed by the same architects behind the libraries at Yale and Harvard, its little wonder Nobel laureate Seamus Heaney dubbed the McClay Library a 'starship for our scholars.' Blending the best features of a traditional library with the latest smart technology, you'll have access to extensive book and journal collections, reader spaces, temperature-controlled computer workstations and group study rooms.

NEW STUDENT HUBS

The School of Biological Sciences is spread over five floors and is designed around a central atrium which acts as a social hub, while we're also giving the School of Mathematics and Physics a new home, featuring a dedicated space for teaching, with new lecture and group-study rooms, a student social area, computer facilities and a state-of-the-art Physics laboratory.

The new Wellcome-Wolfson Building (Institute for Experimental Medicine) is located next to the Centre for Cancer Research and Cell Biology (CCRCB) and is designed to enhance its internationally-recognised excellence in education and research.



A CONNECTED CAMPUS

The Wireless Campus Project is a £1.93m investment programme providing a world-class service of connectivity across the University through more than 2,000 access points. It enables you to have anytime, anywhere access to the resources you need.

SUPPORTING LANGUAGE LEARNING

Our Language Centre provides you with the opportunity to acquire skills in a foreign language and improve your career prospects through our advanced multimedia facilities.

OUR NEW STUDENT CENTRE

Plans are underway to build a worldclass Student Centre, including a new Students' Union facility that will significantly enhance the Queen's student experience. The new centre is due to open in September 2021 and will consolidate all student services under one roof, alongside a vibrant new Students' Union facility, and will create a 'heartbeat' for life on campus.

Queen's University Belfast

The McClay Library

QUALITY ACCOMMODATION, **GUARANTEED**

Our GB students are guaranteed a place in our accommodation for their first year, which means you can be confident you'll be living somewhere safe, comfortable and affordable.

AFFORDABLE ACCOMMODATION

Queen's currently has over 3,485 places in our student accommodation, which means you can take advantage of the most affordable purpose-built student accommodation in the city while undertaking a world-class education and making friends for life.

studios.

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Your options, at a glance

- Sinale or mixed aender accommodation
- Residences suitable for couples and families
- Private or shared bathrooms
- Studio, one to six bedroom apartments
- Twin, standard, premium standard and en suite room options
- Dedicated no-alcohol accommodation



ELMS BT1 AND BT2 **OUEEN'S HOUSES** City centre, close to city retail 76 Malone Road. areas, cafes and restaurants. College Gardens, Mount Charles Single en suite bedrooms in Guthrie House three to six-bed apartments and In the heart of Belfast's most ethnically-diverse and 15 minutes walk culturally-rich areas. to campus Twin rooms, standard, double, Less than five minutes from city premium and en suite rooms. (Please note, 76 Malone Road From £130pw is reserved for students from Brand new! outside Northern Ireland). 5-10 minutes walk to campus 10-20 minutes walk to city centre → From £75pw

GR/	ANT HOUSE
F	Standard premium rooms
Z	10 minutes walk to campus
	20 minute walk to City Centre
Þ	From £110pw

ሙ No-alcohol accommodation







WILLOW WALK

Enclosed development, on the perimeter of Elms BT9. Purpose-built, ideal for international and postgraduate students. Studios, one to four bed apartments and two-bed premium apartments (family apartments available) 15 minutes walk to campus 25 minutes walk to city centre

- Safe and welcoming!

- ACCOMMODATION FEES (based on 2018-19 prices)
- Cost per week

Twin bedroom with shared facilities prices from £75

En suite single room prices from £130

Exclusive one-bedroom apartment prices from £175

ELMS BT9

- Residential (modern. comfortable and secure) 50 three-storeved purposebuilt blocks; 10-11 bedrooms per floor with shared common room and kitchen. Standard, premium and majority (70%) en suite rooms 15 minutes walk to campus 25 minutes walk to city centre From £100pw Quiet living, no alcohol and
- single sex options

Best for independent living

NO HIDDEN CHARGES

Our all-inclusive residential fees include all utility bills (electricity, heating and hot water), contents insurance, maintenance repairs, TV licence for communal areas, weekly clean of communal areas and high speed broadband with high speed Wi-Fi throughout all accommodation. For your convenience, we also have a variety of payment plans to help you decide which best suits your situation.



WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- All-inclusive fees.
- Free off-peak Queen's Sport membership access.
- Student common lounge with games tables and a free tea and coffee lounge.
- Rooms available for private, group study or society meetings.
- Reception open 7 days per week.
- 24/7 Safety Team.
- Residential Life Coordinators provide pastoral support, organise trips and social events.



- Contents insurance included free of charge.
- Full maintenance support 7 days a week.
- Complimentary cleaning of communal areas.
- Parcel post system: You get an email notification when your parcel arrives.
- Letter post is sorted to your apartment post box (Elms BT1 and BT2 only).
- Laundry (small charge) with useful app showing availability and time left in your wash/dry cycle.
- Super-fast wired internet and Wi-Fi.



SAFE AND SOCIAL

Accommodation is offered on a self-catering basis and our campus communities are designed to make you feel at home and help you make friends. From the moment you arrive, we'll do what we can to manage and support your living needs. This includes a Residential Life programme which features events and pastoral care, 24/7 safety and security, as well as maintenance support. Our Residential Life Coordinators also offer support, help and guidance on settling into student life in Belfast.

HOW TO APPLY FOR ACCOMMODATION

Register online and complete an application form as soon as you have received a conditional or unconditional offer to study at Queen's. Information on how to apply will be sent automatically to all offer holders and you are advised to apply even if Queen's is your insurance choice.

Applications open in January 2019.

AFFORDABLE PRIVATE RENTALS

If you decide to move on from Queen's Accommodation, there are a range of student rental options in the city – all within walking distance of campus. What's more, as Belfast has the lowest student rent in the UK*, you're sure to find something to suit your budget. The website <u>nihestudentpad.co.uk</u> is recommended by the Students' Union to help students search for private rental accommodation.

*Natwest Student Living Index 2017



GB students are guaranteed a place in Queen's Accommodation!

Read the full Allocation Policy on the Queen's Accommodation website.



FIND OUT MORE T: +44 (0)28 9097 4525 w: <u>stayatqueens.com</u>



WHAT OUR GB STUDENTS SAY

Our GB students who travel from England, Scotland, Wales and the Islands to study at Queen's tell us that they find student life in Belfast fun and affordable. They feel instantly at home in our friendly campus enviroment and are fully supported in achieving their best - both personally and academically. But don't just take our word for it...

GREAT SCHOLARSHIPS

"As part of the GB Scholarship package, I got an en suite room in Elms Village with a discount of £18 a week which was a great money saver! The GB Scholarship is brilliant and Elms is a fantastic place to live."

PETER MOOR, BA ENGLISH AND LINGUISTICS, HUDDERSFIELD

CLOSE TO HOME

"I chose Queen's because it was different from the rest. Belfast offers the student life I want: it's not too overwhelming for the first time moving away from home and the campus environment has a family vibe. Being from the Isle of Man, Belfast is literally a 20-minute flight away!"

ALISHIA O'BOYLE, LLB LAW, ISLE OF MAN

ADIDAS ORI GIN ALS WORL



A BEAUTIFUL CITY

"When I first visited Belfast, I was immediately taken by the city's culture and beauty. I've always felt like part of the community here in Belfast. The people here are the friendliest I've ever met."

ALISHA RATCLIFFE, BA ENGLISH, MANCHESTER

FRIENDLY PEOPLE

"I chose Queen's because I liked the prospect of exploring somewhere I've never been before. Belfast is very student-orientated; there are regularly student discounts. With the GB scholarship, I'm saving just under £2,000 per year. The people at Queen's and Northern I reland in general are extremely friendly and genuine."

JAMES HADLEY-PIGGIN, BA SOCIAL ANTHROPOLOGY, DEVON

FNABLING YOUR FUTURE CAREER

team work to communicate your

value to potential employers in

the global job market through

our pioneering Workplace Study

eight to 10 graduate employers

games, case studies and related

exercises reflecting recruitment

include Brussels, London Finance

Tour, as well as a Global Leadership Programme in Asia and the USA.

While our internship programmes

place you with an employer, giving

you an insight into how the world

of work and business operates.

and Business Tour, London Law

and engages in a range of business

Our Careers, Employability and Skills team can help you to develop vour employability throughout your time at Oueen's and beyond. Our team includes professionally gualified careers consultants, employer engagement staff and a global opportunities team. We can support you in making career decisions, develop your skills and confidence, and help you take advantage of opportunities including studying abroad, work experience and graduate jobs.

EMPLOYER-SPONSORED SKILLS AWARD

CONNECTING YOU WITH EMPLOYERS Our specialist Employer Engagement

Degree Plus allows you to gain accreditation for both personal development and work-related activities that you undertake outside of your degree. The award is supported by employers who recognise the value of extracurricular experience. Over 2.000 students graduate with Degree Plus every year.

"I chose to come to Queen's because of the number of employability opportunities with respect to placements and internships with actual local businesses. I've been provided with a lot of support for future employment opportunities which will help me secure my chosen career as a manager or in management consulting."

Eleanor Cooper, BSc Business Management, Loughborough





GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES!

Every year over 800 Queen's students take the opportunity to go outside Northern Ireland to study or gain work-related experience. Nothing is more rewarding. Whilst overseas you'll load up on confidence and independence. You'll experience the colour of life elsewhere. You'll enrich your own journey.

EXPLORE THE WORLD

There are lots of options and we'll help you research them. Our most popular international scheme is the European Erasmus Programme*. The scheme enables students to spend part of their degree studying or working in another European country. Oueen's also has a growing range of options outside of Europe, including programmes in Australia, Canada, China, India, New Zealand and the USA.

* The Erasmus Programme is funded with the support of the European Union, Continued participation post-Brexit is to be confirmed.



For further information, please contact:

Careers, Employability and Skills gub.ac.uk/careers

Degree Plus gub.ac.uk/degreeplus

Global Opportunities go.gub.ac.uk/goglobal

Employability go.qub.ac.uk/employability







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JOIN THE CLUB!

Meet new people, have fun and make the most of your time at Oueen's by joining one of our 200 plus clubs and societies. There's a wide range to suit everyone, including sport, gaming, creative, cultural, academic and charitable groups - or if you can't find one that suits you, you can even start vour own! Over 11.000 students are members of our student-led clubs and societies. They give you a little bit more: more fun; more time to be part of something; more time to improve your skills.

ACADEMIC AND CAREER

Many courses have related clubs but

they do much more than discuss what

including organising social events and

fundraisers. Academic clubs can also

help enhance your studies and your

career opportunities in the process.

CHANGE THE CONVERSATION

Argue your point with the Literific

then you can join one of many political

money and awareness for a number of

areat causes by volunteering for one of

our charitable and environmental clubs.

Being part of a club is more than a great

way to make friends: it's an opportunity

CV. What's more, if you get involved in

towards a Queen's University Degree

Plus Accreditation (see page 22).

MAKE IT COUNT

happened in your latest lecture -

ENHANCEMENT CLUBS

ARTS, CULTURE AND LANGUAGE

Learn a new language and more about a foreign culture or simply meet up with students from the same part of the world as you. Our multicultural societies include the African and Caribbean Society, the Chinese Students Association and the South Asian Students Society. In our inclusive campus environment, you'll have the opportunity to meet other students with shared interests and make new friends from across the globe.

MEDIA AND GAMING

Enjoy all things gaming with the Dragonslavers Society, make vour mark in the world of film or music, or host your own radio show with Queen's Radio Society.



Emily Romeril, Oueen's Rowing Club





Queen's Underwater Hockey Club



MEET THE PRESIDENTS

"I wanted to try rowing when I started university, but I was unsure whether I needed to have already rowed before. When I arrived, I was surprised by the friendliness of the club - anyone could ioin. The friends I have made through rowing are now my closest uni friends. The Boathouse has a family vibe. I would recommend rowing as it is something completely different. Also, it gives you a chance to travel throughout Ireland and the rest of the UK to compete with other universities and clubs."

Emily Romeril, Rowing Club

"Campus events bring so much more value than expected, especially when it involves people from other cultures as you get to learn about them and their culture. You can always learn something new and exciting. The African and Caribbean Society was formed to bring people from several cultures together with the aim of promoting cultural awareness." Nvemahame Okwu.

African and Caribbean

Society (ACS)

"The Literific is the only debating society at Oueen's: we discuss serious topical events (Israel, Repeal the 8th, for example), as well as light-hearted issues (should we be in Slvtherin or in an open relationship?!). It doesn't matter if vou're not good at public speaking. we'll help vou improve your confidence. We're a friendly bunch! So, come along - you'll not regret it!" Calvin Black, Literific President

"When I found out there was a sailing club at Queen's, I was really keen to get involved. When I first went to training, the people I met were lovely and really encouraged me. The team racing is challenging and I find I am always learning. I love the social side of the club the most. We have our weekly training, social nights, fundraisers, intervarsity events across Ireland, and the highlight of the year for me which was our yachting holiday to Croatia - now an annual event!"

Jocelyn Hill, Sailing Club

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Since our foundation in 1845, sport has played an important part in the Queen's student experience. Today, we're one of the premier sporting universities in the UK and Ireland, and we encourage all our students to benefit from the positive effects of sport – whatever your level.

Our world-class indoor and outdoor sporting facilities will help you lead a healthy, active lifestyle, and are ideal for recreational, competitive or high performance athletes. We've invested over £20m in recent years improving our state-of-the art facilities so there are even more opportunities for you to work-out and play.

There are over 50 sporting clubs, giving opportunities for students of all abilities to compete, socialise or get active, and our campus-wide sports programme encourages participation in a range of activities throughout the academic year.



We host a weekly ParkRun at our Outdoor Sporting Facility at Upper Malone, as well as our annual Deep RiverRock 5K race, which attracts thousands of recreational runners. We have also recently launched an Active Campus initiative with sporting activities and programmes to suit everyone – no matter what your interests.

QUEEN'S SPORT MEMBERSHIP

Located next to the main campus you will find the hub of Queen's Sport - the Physical Education Centre (PEC). Here you will have the opportunity to exercise using state-of-the-art fitness and exercise facilities. Guided by knowledgeable and friendly staff, we can get you started and keep you going, whatever your level of fitness. We are open from 6.30am to 10pm on weekdays and 9.00am to 6pm on weekends.







Queen's University Belfast

COURSE DIRECTORY

Our degree courses are listed alphabetically in the following tables. Column 4 indicates the target grades in terms of A-levels. These grades should be treated as a guide only, as variations can occur in certain circumstances. Prospective students are responsible for checking the most up-to-date course requirements before applying. For full details of our entry requirements for each course, please refer to <u>go.qub.ac.uk/coursefinder</u>

Where alternative A-Level grades are listed in Column 5, specific subject requirements apply for the lower offer OR one of the offers is based on an A* grade OR the requirements differ for some of the degrees, for example, Joint Honours versus Single Honours. It should be noted that some courses require

specific A-level subjects and grades and/ or specific GCSE subjects and grades. Please refer to the Course Finder on the University's website, which will have current grade and subject requirements <u>go.qub.ac.uk/coursefinder</u>

Courses marked with a 'P' offer a placement option. Students taking the placement will have an additional year added to their course. Those participating normally receive remuneration.

Column 2 indicates the different weightings assigned to that subject as part of the final degree assessment:

- S = Single Honours
- M = Major Honours (2/3 weighting) J = Joint Honours (1/2 weighting)

Column 3 gives the duration of the course. Courses involving the study of a foreign language as a Single, Major or Joint Honours subject require a year to be spent in the appropriate country (or countries, in the case of Joint Honours).

This undergraduate guide is prepared well in advance of the academic year to which it relates. Therefore, the target grades stated here are for guidance only.

Further details about selection procedures are available in the individual degree programmes listed at <u>go.qub.</u> <u>ac.uk/coursefinder</u> under 'Entry Requirements'. This includes a section on 'How we Choose our Students'.

Subject	Degree	Yrs	A-Level	Alt. A-Level	UCAS Code
Accounting	BSc (Accounting) [S]	3	AAB		N400
	BSc (Accounting) [S] with a language	4	AAB		N4R1/N4R4
	BSc (Econ) [J with Economics]	3	ABB		LN14
Actuarial Science and Risk Management	BSc [S] (sandwich course)	4	A*AA	AAA + A (AS)	N323
Aerospace Engineering	BEng [S]	3	BBB		H400
	MEng [S]	4	AAB		H402
P Agricultural Technology ¹	BSc [S]	3	BBB	ABB	D473
Anthropology	BA [S/J]	3	ABB		L600
Applied Mathematics and Physics	BSc [J]	3	ABB		GF13
	MSci [J]	4	AAA	A*AB	GFC3
Archaeology	BA [S/J]	3	BBB	ABB	V402
	MSci [S]	4	AAB		V403

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Archaeology - Palaeoecology	BSc [S/J]	3	BBB		V400
Architecture	BSc [S]	3	AAB		K100
Astrophysics	BSc [available with Physics]	3	BBB		F3F5
	MSci [available with Physics]	4	AAB		F3FM
Audio Engineering	BSc [S]	3	ABB		J930
® Biochemistry	BSc [S]	3	BBB	ABB	C700
	MSci [S]	4	AAB	AAA	C702
Biological Sciences	BSc [S]	3	BBB	ABB	C100
	MSci [S]	4	AAB	AAA	C102
Biological Sciences	FdSc [S] ³	2	CC		C101
Biomedical Science	BSc [S]	3	ABB	AAB	B940
Broadcast Production	BA [S]	3	ABB		P310
Business Economics	BSc(Econ) [S]	3	ABB		L110
Business Information Technology	BSc [S] (sandwich Course)	3	ABB		GN51
Business Management	BSc [S]	3	ABB		N201
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	MEng [S]	4	AAB		H802
O Chemical Technology O	MEng [S]	4	AAB		H881
	MSci [S]	4	AAB		HH80
Chemistry (see also Medicinal	BSc [S]	3	BBB		F100
Chemistry)	BSc [S] (sandwich course)	4	BBB		F104
	MSci [S]	4	AAB		F105
Chemistry with French or Spanish	MSci [S]	4	AAB		FR11/F1R4
Chemistry with Study Abroad	MSci [S]	4	AAB		F106
	BEng [S]	3	BBB		H200
	MEng [S]	4	AAB		H202
Computer Science	BEng [S] (sandwich course)	4	BBB	ABB	G404
	BSc [J with Mathematics]	3	ABB		GG41
	BSc [S] (sandwich course)	4	BBB	ABB	G400
	MEng [S]	4	AAB	ААА	G402
	MEng [S] (sandwich course)	5	AAB	AAA	G405
	MSci [J with Mathematics]	4	AAA	A*AB	GGK1
Computing Information and Technology	BSc [S] (sandwich course)	4	BBB	ABB OR AAB (subject-dependent)	GG45
Criminology	BA [S/J]	3	ABB		M900/ ML94/ML

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Dentistry	BDS [S]	5	AAA		A200
Drama	BA [S/J]	3	BBB		W400/WQ43
Economics	BSc (Econ) [S]	3	ABB		L100
	BSc(Econ) [J with Accounting]	3	ABB		LN14
	BSc(Econ) [M with Finance]	3	ABB		L1N3
	BSc (Econ) [M with a language]	4	ABB		L1R1/L1R4
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			Each of the University Colleges produces its own prospectus to which you should refer.		
Electrical and Electronic	BEng [S]	3	BBB		H600
Engineering	MEng [S]	4	AAB		H602
Energy, Environment and Sustainability ⁴	FdSc [S]	2	СС	CD	D444
English	BA [S/J]	3	ABB	BBB	Q300
English with Creative Writing	BA [S]	3	ABB		Q3W8
® Environmental and Civil Engineering	MEng [S]	4	ААВ		H252
P Environmental Management	BSc [S]	3	BBB	ABB	F850
European Planning	MPlan [S]	4	ABB		K490
Film and Theatre Making	BA [S]	3	ABB		WW65
Film Studies and Production	BA [S]	3	BBB		W600
Finance	BSc (Finance) [S] (sandwich course)	4	ABB		N300
	BSc [S]	3	BBB	ABB	DB6K
and Nutrition	MSci [S]	4	AAB	AAA	DB64
	MSci [S]	4	ААВ	ААА	D990
French	BA [S/J]	4	ABB		R120
French (Beginners)	BA [S/J]	4	ABB		
Geography	BSc [S/J]	3	BBB		F800
Geography with a Language	BSc [S]	4	BBB		F8RX
History	BA [S/J]	3	ABB	BBB	V140
Human Biology	BSc [S]	3	ABB	AAB	B100

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International Business with a Language	BSc (International Business) [S] with a Language (sandwich course)	4	ABB		N1R1/N2R2/ N1R9/N2R5 N1R4
International Politics and Conflict Studies	BA[S]	3	ABB		L253
International Studies	BA [J]	3	ABB		LV21/RLC2/ LQF5/L290/ LRF4
Irish	BA [S/J]	3	ABB		Q504
Law	LLB [S]	3	ААА		M100
Law: Common and Civil Law with French	LLB [S]	4	ААА		M2R1
Law: Common and Civil Law with Hispanic Studies	LLB [S]	4	AAA		M2R4
Law with Politics	LLB [S]	3	AAA		M1L2
Liberal Arts	MLibArts [S]	4	AAA		Y300
Linguistics	BA [J]	3	ABB		QQ31
Marine Biology	BSc [S]	3	BBB	ABB	C160
	MSci [S]	4	AAB	AAA	C162
Mathematics (Pure and/or	BSc [S/J]	3	ABB		G100/GF13
Applied)	MSci [S/J]	4	AAA	A* AB	G103/GFC3
Mathematics and Statistics and	BSc [J]	3	ABB		GG13
Operational Research	MSci [J]	4	AAA	A*AB	GGC3
Mathematics with Extended Studies in Europe	BSc [S]	4	ABB		G104
Mathematics with Finance	BSc [S]	3	A*BB	AAB	G1N3
Mechanical Engineering	BEng [S]	3	BBB		H300
	MEng [S]	4	AAB		H303
Mechanical Engineering	FdEng [S] ³	2	СС		H302
Medicinal Chemistry	BSc [S]	3	BBB		F150
(see also Chemistry)	BSc [S] (sandwich course)	4	BBB		F154
	MSci [S]	4	AAB		F15A
Medicine	MB, BCh, BAO [S]	5	AAA + A (AS Level)		A100
Microbiology	BSc [S]	3	BBB	ABB	C500
	MSci [S]	4	AAB	AAA	C502
Midwifery Sciences	BSc [S]	3	BCC	BBC	B720
Music ²	BMus [S]	3	BBB		W302





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Music and Audio Production ²	BA [S]	3	ABB		W374
Music and Sound Design ²	BA [S]	3	ABB		W371
Music Performance ²	BA [S]	3	ABB + successful audition		W310
Nursing	BSc [S]	3	BCC	BBC	B740/B74A
Pharmaceutical Biotechnology	BSc [S]	3	BBB		B212
Pharmaceutical Sciences	BSc [S]	3	BBB		B210
Pharmacy	MPharm [S]	4	AAB		B230
Philosophy	BA [S/J]	3	ABB		V500
Physics	BSc [S/J]	3	BBB		F300
	MSci [S/J]	4	AAB		F303
Physics with Extended Studies in Europe	BSc [S]	4	BBB		F308
	MSci [S]	5	AAB		F309
Physics with Medical Applications	BSc [S]	3	BBB		F3B9
	MSci [S]	4	AAB		F3BX
Planning, Environment and Development	BSc [S]	3	BBB		K430
Politics	BA [S/J]	3	ABB		L200
Politics, Philosophy and Economics	BA [S]	3	ААА		LV00
Product Design Engineering	BEng [S]	3	BBB		H150
	MEng [S]	4	AAB		H152
Psychology	BSc [S]	3	ABB		C800
Social Policy	BA [J]	3	ABB	BBB (pathway-dependent)	LL43/ML94
Social Work	BSW [S]	3	ABB		L500
Social Work (Relevant Graduate Route)	BSW [S]	2	2.2 Honours minimum	2.2 Honours minimum	L501

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Sociology	BA [S/J]	3	BBB		L300
Sociology with Quantitative Methods	BSc [S]	3	BBB	BBC OR ABB (subject-dependent)	L301
Software and Electronic	BEng [S]	3	BBB		GH6P
Systems Engineering	MEng [S]	4	AAB		GH6Q
Software Engineering	BEng [S] (sandwich course)	4	BBB	ABB	G604
	MEng [S]	4	AAB	AAA	G602
	MEng [S] (sandwich course)	5	AAB	AAA	G605
Software Engineering with Digital Technology Partnership	BEng [S] (sandwich course)	4	BBB	ABB	G606
This is a Higher Level Apprenticeship in conjunction with a leading technology employer					
Spanish	BA [S/J]	4	ABB		R410
Spanish (Beginners)	BA [S/J]	4	ABB		
Spanish and Portuguese	BA [S]	4	ABB		RR45
Spanish and Portuguese (Beginners)	BA [S]	4	ABB		
Structural Engineering with Architecture	MEng [S]	4	AAB		H2K1
Theology	BA [S]	3	BBB		V610
	BD [S]	3	BBB		V600
Theoretical Physics	BSc [S]	3	ABB		F340
	MSci [S]	4	AAA		F344
® Zoology	BSc [S]	3	BBB	ABB	C300
	MSci [S]	4	AAB	ААА	C302

© Placement option is also available. Please note that taking the placement option will add one extra year to the duration of the course.

1 First two years based at the College of Agriculture, Food and Rural Enterprise (Greenmount Campus, Antrim). Final year is at Queen's.

2 Applicants for courses involving Music should indicate in the Education section of the UCAS application the highest grade achieved in Music Practical and Theory examinations. Applicants should also include any exams they intend to complete before admission to the University in the Education section.

3 Based at Belfast Metropolitan College. Articulation from the Foundation Degree to an Honours degree at Queen's is possible.

4 Based at South West College (Omagh). Articulation from the Foundation Degree to an Honours degree at Queen's is possible.

POSTCARDS FROM OUR GB STUDENTS

Wish you were here? You will when you read what our current GB students have to say about living and studying in Belfast.



"Belfast is an exciting place politically, and therefore is great for the study of conflict and politics. I really enjoy the lectures, as each module is very different and allows for different perspectives to be taught. My ability to think and analyse critically is improving as well as my ability to problem-solve; all of which are important for my future career path in politics."

Ella Giddings, BA Politics, England

"You can walk everywhere!"

"Living in Belfast is amazing. I was so surprised when I got here because I come from London. But I love the fact that I can walk everywhere and everyone is really nice. Studying here...well it feels just like home. Everyone is so accommodating and the support is always there."

Patricia Tran, BSc Computing and IT, England



"A great place to study politics"



"The people are so friendly!"

"I've always loved English and the course at Queen's offers a variety of literary texts, as well as passionate lecturers. There is a lot of support available at Queen's which is comforting. My confidence is growing every day. Belfast is an amazing city. I find the people very friendly and it's easy to navigate."

Lisa Cross, BA English, Isle of Man "I chose Queen's because it's a Russell Group University with a great reputation. Plus, the fact the course itself has a required placement year and is taught by those with experience in Actuary. The lecturers use real-life examples which puts what you are learning into context. I also enjoy the social aspect of student life. The night life in Belfast is buzzing and the shops are great. The independence you gain, too, helps you mature and be more prepared for adulthood."

Anna Thomson, BSc Actuarial Science and Risk Management, Scotland

> "The nightlife is buzzing"





"Plane links are affordable and quick"

"It's really good to live somewhere new and so up and coming. Belfast is a great city that's not too big but has everything you need. Don't worry about living far away from home, plane links are affordable and quick, so you can easily visit home whenever you need to."

Abby Lucas, BSc Economics, England "I chose Oueen's because it is a Russell Group University, which is high in the league tables for Law. It is in a great location with a beautiful campus and brilliant resources. Belfast is a vibrant. friendly city, and relatively cheap. And it's not as far as you would think! It takes 2-3 hours for me to get home, which is closer than some of my friends who staved in England. You develop your independence so much by moving away from home. The accommodation is conveniently located to both the University and city. The shopping in the city centre is brilliant."

Olivia Grocott, LLB Law, England

> "Closer to home than you think"



Queen's University Belfast



HOW HOW TO APPLY Applications for admission AND

to full-time undergraduate and sandwich courses at the **WHEN** University should normally be made through the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service TO (UCAS). Full information can be obtained from the UCAS **APPLY**

website at: ucas.com/apply.

WHEN TO APPLY

UCAS will start processing applications for entry in autumn 2019 from 1 September 2018.

The advisory closing date for the receipt of applications is 15 January 2019 (18:00), however, for applicants applying to Oxford or Cambridge and for those whose choices include Medicine, Dentistry or Veterinary Medicine/Science the closing date is 15 October 2018 (18:00).

Currently there are two intakes for Adult Nursing (one in September and the other in February) and application is made for both courses by 15 January (18:00) prior to the

academic year of entry ie for September and the following February. The application deadline will not change but it should be noted that from 2019-20 entry, the two intakes may be combined. Please refer to the online prospectus which will be updated as further information becomes available.

Applicants are encouraged to apply as early as is consistent with having made a careful and considered choice of institutions and courses. Earlier applicants

normally receive decisions more guickly. Late applications are, in practice, accepted by UCAS throughout the remainder of the application cycle, but you should understand that they are considered by institutions at their discretion, and there can be no guarantee that they will be given the same full level of consideration as applications received by the advisory closing date.

Applications for Nursing, Midwifery and Social Work must be submitted by the 15 January (18:00) deadline. Applications received after this date will not be considered.

Take care to enter the details of the institutions and courses clearly and correctly on the application. For Queen's, the institution code name is OBELF and the institution code is Q75. These should be entered in the Choices section of your UCAS application. Please note a Campus Code is not required.

YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED

If you need further or more detailed advice about admission to Queen's, the Admissions and Access Service is happy to answer your questions. For further information, please contact:

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FEES AND COST OF LIVING

QUEEN'S TUITION FEES AND SUPPORT AVAILABLE

This section outlines the tuition fee and student financial support arrangements for GB students. Please visit: <u>gub.ac.uk/TuitionFees</u>

Queen's works to ensure that all those who can benefit from a university education have the chance to do so, and a generous system of financial support is in place to help them.

Higher education funding arrangements mean that students can study now and pay later. Student fees can become part of a loan, available from the Student Loans Company (SLC, slc. co.uk), which will be paid back when they are working and earning more than a certain amount. For current thresholds, please refer to: <u>slc.co.uk</u>

The tuition fees for undergraduate students, enrolling at Queen's in 2018-19, are set out below.

GB students

Full-time undergraduate: £9,250

The tuition fees quoted are for study in 2018-19 only and will be subject to an inflationary uplift in subsequent academic years. For further details on residency please visit: qub.ac.uk/TuitionFees For full details of the University's Withdrawal Policy please visit: aub.ac.uk/TuitionFees

APPLYING FOR TUITION FEE LOANS AND SUPPORT

Eligible students, who first enrol in September 2019, can defer their fees by applying for a fee loan. Those who wish to take out a loan should complete the PN1 application online - for details please refer to the websites below. A single application is made for a tuition fee loan, maintenance loan and government grant, where offered. The household income details submitted will also be used in the assessment of a student's eligibility for a University bursary. Students are encouraged to apply as soon as possible to ensure that they are aware of their entitlement to financial support before starting their course.

For further information, please contact the relevant authority, as outlined:

Students from England gov.uk/student-finance

Students from Scotland <u>saas.gov.uk</u>

Students from Wales studentfinancewales.co.uk

PAYMENT INFORMATION

For full terms and conditions of the payment options, please contact the Student Helpline on +44 (0)28 9097 3223.

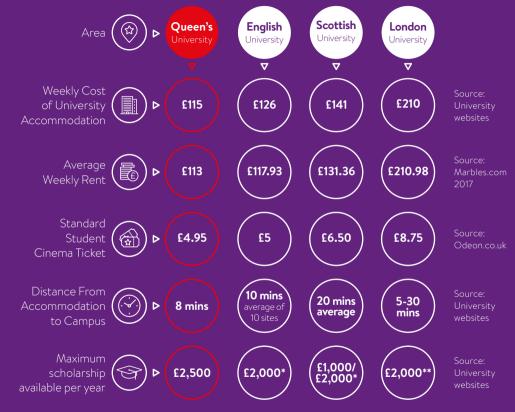
For further information, see qub.ac.uk/TuitionFees

STUDENT SUPPORT FUND

The Student Support Fund is a discretionary fund, which provides financial assistance to students who encounter financial difficulty whilst studying at Queen's. To be eligible for an award from the Support Fund, undergraduates must have taken out the maximum tuition fee loan and maintenance loan to which they are entitled.



THE UK'S MOST AFFORDABLE STUDENT LIVING



All statistics quoted are based on comparable Russel Group Universities (Newcastle, Glasgow and UCL). Based on Single Ensuite accommodation and a Single Ensuite Studio in London (UCL). *Means tested. Only available where household income is <£42,875 *Means tested. Only available where household income is <£42,875

WHAT NEXT?

OPEN DAYS

To get a taste of Queen's, visit our Open Days. Activities will include tours of the Elms accommodation, subject-specific talks, displays, and clubs and societies demonstrations.

Our Family and GB Open Day will take place on Saturday 8 September 2018.

For more information, please visit <u>qub.ac.uk/opendays</u>

Campus tours are also available for prospective students who are unable to make the Open Days.

For more information contact the Student Recruitment Team

t: +44 (0)28 9097 1323 e: studentrecruitment@qub.ac.uk

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MEET OUR GB TEAM

You can meet our GB team at a number of UCAS exhibition events and school events throughout the UK in 2018. See <u>go.qub.ac.uk/GBevents</u> for more details.

SCHOOL LIAISON ACTIVITIES

The Student Recruitment Team delivers a variety of liaison activities in schools across Northern Ireland, Great Britain and the Republic of Ireland and also attends the major UCAS higher education events in the United Kingdom.

Our school liaison activities include:

- Participation in school and college organised careers conventions
- Presentations highlighting the study opportunities available at Queen's
- Presentations and events to raise aspirations of higher education
- Curriculum-linked presentations and events
- Information events for parents to offer advice and information about the higher education system

KEY DATES

Welcome Week Monday 16 September – Friday 20 September 2019

Autumn Semester Monday 23 September – Friday 13 December 2019

Christmas Vacation Monday 16 December 2019 – Friday 3 January 2020

Spring Semester Monday 6 January – Friday 27 March 2020

Easter Vacation Monday 30 March – Friday 17 April 2020

Assessment And Development Monday 20 April – Friday 29 May 2020

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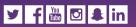
Student Finance t: +44 (0)28 9097 3223 (Helpline) w: <u>qub.ac.uk/TuitionFees</u>

Queen's Accommodation t: +44 (0)28 9097 4525 e: accommodation@qub.ac.uk w: <u>stayatqueens.com</u>

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