

YOUR POSTGRADUATE GUIDE

STUDYING
AT ROEHAMPTON



University of
Roehampton
London

**We have
a proud
heritage
of providing
educational
opportunities
for people
from all
walks of life,
since 1841.**

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**At Roehampton,
we offer a first-class
education experience,
designed to help
you reach your full
potential and get the
career you want.**



We offer students a beautiful parkland campus, with excellent facilities based in south-west London.

Our size means we have a strong partnership with our diverse community of students. Whichever subject you study, you will be part of a close-knit community of postgraduate students, all sharing their experiences and perspectives, with staff who will support you throughout your studies and beyond.

During your time with us, you will study alongside our exceptional academic staff, who are engaged in world-class research. They are passionate about the subjects they teach, resulting in stimulating, contemporary courses that will give you a comprehensive understanding of your chosen field.

Through our professional services, colleges and students' union, we deliver an excellent wider student experience and a supportive culture, with a strong emphasis on wellbeing and personal growth. We strive to equip our students with the knowledge and skills they need to succeed in a workplace that will change radically and rapidly in the future.

The University is comprised of four colleges which underpin our values today including our teaching, our research and our engagement with communities and organisations locally, nationally and internationally.

From researching the effect of withdrawal from antidepressants, understanding client perspectives and experiences in psychotherapy or investigating the links between nutrition, immunity, and their impact on infectious and metabolic diseases, the research our staff produce has an excellent reputation for its quality, reach and significance internationally.

We hope to welcome you to our community soon.

Why Roehampton?

Academic Facilities

Whatever course you study at Roehampton, you'll be working in state-of-the-art facilities. This includes the brand-new Health Innovation Centre, our media centre with film studios, editing suites and Mac computer rooms, specialist laboratories for Life and Health Sciences and Psychology students, a practice law courtroom and specialist dance studios.

Our Library

Our award-winning library houses 1,200 study spaces, dedicated postgraduate study areas and hundreds of thousands of books and research materials across nearly 8,000 metres of shelving and five floors.

Our Campus

We have a beautiful 54-acre parkland campus, with historic buildings alongside modern, innovative facilities, including one of the best university libraries in London. Our campus helps provide you with a close-knit community and an inspiring environment in which to study.

Our Research

We are ranked as the joint number one modern university in the UK for research (Research Excellence Framework, 2021).



Plus...

- The University of Roehampton London is ranked in the **top 10 universities** in the UK for student satisfaction at postgraduate level in the latest national Postgraduate Taught Experience Survey (2022 and 2023).
- We offer a range of **generous scholarships** and other forms of financial support, including tuition fee discounts.
- We have **excellent facilities** for students commuting to campus, including College kitchens, a dedicated bus service and cycling facilities.
- There's a wide range of **high-quality** and **affordable** student accommodation on campus, including the option of quiet flats.

**Roehampton
offers a wide
range of
programmes
spanning five
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School of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

Our vibrant and diverse School is innovative and international in its outlook. Our programmes integrate practice and theory to provide our students with a full and rich understanding of their disciplines, alongside a host of transferable skills to ensure they are well-equipped with the tools they need to pursue rewarding careers. We provide a transformative experience through outstanding teaching, innovative and career-focused modules, personal tutoring, and a strong sense of community.

Faculty of Business and Law

Our Faculty believes that businesses and legal professionals should always have a social conscience, and that we should all be socially responsible in everything we do. These values are embedded in our teaching and research. We also want our graduates to be at the forefront of their careers so that they can make a difference. Our fast-growing postgraduate community studies a range of career-focussed programmes from Global Business Management to Human Rights and Legal Practice.



School of Education

Based in historic Froebel College on Roehampton's main campus, our School is renowned for its high-quality teaching and research. With a teacher training heritage that stretches back 183 years, it's no exaggeration to say that our graduates have taught and influenced the lives of millions of children. As well as being one of the largest providers of initial teacher training in London and the southeast, we have an exciting suite of master's and postgraduate certificate programmes to help education professionals excel in their careers.



School of Life and Health Sciences

Our diverse life and health sciences community are dedicated to understanding and improving the living world through ground-breaking advances in scientific research. Whether you want to gain an insight into humanity, conserve animal diversity, improve our overall health by studying diseases or nutrition, or optimise athlete's sport performance, we have the ideal programme for your career ambitions.

School of Psychology

Join our School of Psychology and be part of a dynamic, diverse community. Collaborate with experts and practitioners in a variety of disciplines, from experimental neuroscience and forensic psychology, to psychological therapies, counselling and the arts and play therapies.





We develop ideas that help us to understand our world.

With international reach, our research informs policy, enriches culture, and people's lives. When you join us, you will be taught by leading experts right from your first year of study.

In the latest Research Excellence Framework (2021):

- The University of Roehampton is the highest ranked university in London for research.
- 77% of our research is ranked 'world leading' or internationally excellent'.

Our nine research and knowledge exchange centres help us to build an exciting research culture for staff and students, make our work more accessible to key partners as well as the local, national and global societies which it can benefit.

Their work strives to help solve our most complex problems across the creative and cultural sectors, including health and wellbeing, social justice, faith and society, and economic sustainability and environmental conservation.

The Roehampton Climate Network is a cross University initiative, which shares knowledge and insights through public-facing events, provides opportunities for collaboration on research opportunities and drives change on environmental and sustainability issues at Roehampton.

Our researchers address environmental sustainability in other ways, including in animal conservation and biodiversity projects, at home and overseas. Recent examples include researching the impact of microplastics on groundwater ecosystems and the environment. Our researchers continue to promote social justice globally.

We have informed the UN's approach to securing land rights for indigenous populations, and designed tools to assess what employment skills young people and workers will need in the future. We offer a number of research related events throughout the year, hosted through our nine research centres.

For more information and to stay up to date on the latest news and events please visit:

→ roehampton.ac.uk/research

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Research Excellence Framework, 2021

Roehampton has a long history stretching back **180 years** through our **4 colleges**.

Our diverse community is comprised of around **10,000 students**, from **145 nations**, **1,800** of which are postgraduate.

With **over 85** postgraduate courses, spread across **5 academic schools** and faculties, we offer a wide range of choice for those looking for a career change or further study.

Why
not join

our
community?



At Roehampton we offer a range of support.

Student support



From academic learning support to student counselling, as well as an on-campus medical centre, if you need help while you're with us, rest assured you'll find plenty on offer.

Support with living costs

Home students are also eligible for a maintenance loan from the government to help with living costs. Part of the loan is income assessed and the amount you receive will depend on factors such as if you choose to live away from home or not.

If you apply to Roehampton, you will be eligible for a larger loan because the University is based in London. For the most up-to-date information, please see:

→ gov.uk/student-finance

We also offer student hardship funding, a free student bus service, free student parking and on-campus student accommodation.

Academic support

As a postgraduate student you may be returning to study after a long break or continuing on straight from an undergraduate degree.

Whatever path you've taken, you may want some additional academic support to ensure you get the best out of your studies.

Our team of Academic Achievement Advisers and Librarians can help you to:

- Find the relevant sources for your subject
- Identify the right search tools for your needs
- Plan and carry out your search to get the best results
- Filter and evaluate your results and acknowledge your sources
- Develop your academic writing and study skills

Careers support

You may be undertaking a postgraduate degree to further your career, change jobs, or to move into academia.

We provide a wide range of services to support you to achieve your goals. These include our:

- Online or in person Careers Advice Appointments.
- Business start up support which provides funding for students looking to start their own business through the Launchpad scheme
- Placements and internships team to support students to secure opportunities
- Online careers portal which includes a jobs directory and lots of advice
- Job postings and networking opportunities on Instagram [@roehampton.careers](https://www.instagram.com/roehampton.careers)

Wellbeing support

Completing a postgraduate degree can be challenging, particularly if you are juggling other commitments.

We provide a range of support and activities including our:

- Multi-faith chaplaincy which celebrates the diversity of Roehampton by serving the religious and spiritual needs of all
- NHS on-campus Medical centre offering doctor and nurse-led services throughout term time
- Student Wellbeing Officers who can guide and orient you around resources and wellness support
- Counselling Team to help you address emotional difficulties
- Mental Health Advisers who can support students living with mental health diagnosis
- College Wardens who offer confidential wellbeing support to students living on campus between 6pm and 8am Monday to Friday and all day throughout the weekend



At Roehampton Students' Union (RSU) we are here to enhance your university experience and provide support if you need it.

Studying at postgraduate level can be extremely rewarding and enriching, but it can also mean that you may be juggling personal, work and family commitments alongside study, or possibly even making the decision to leave your current job to undertake a postgraduate degree.

The RSU is an organisation led by elected student officers and staff. Alongside their commitments to their manifesto pledges, the sabbatical officers are available to support you with any concerns or suggestions you may have during your time at Roehampton.

We also have a Mature Students' Officer and a Postgraduate Students' Officer who dedicate their time to representing the student body and tackling issues to better improve the experience of students.

The RSU also provides a variety of services, ranging from academic advice to late night events for on and off-campus students, as well as leading campaigns for important initiatives. Along with this, there are a diverse number of events and societies available to choose from, with the potential for creating your own if your favoured societies are not currently up and running.

There are also a multitude of volunteering opportunities to apply for, such as becoming a course representative, a school or faculty representative or a part-time officer.

To find out more about the services we can offer you, visit our website or pop into the RSU building opposite The Union bar!

→ roehamptonstudent.com

With 180 years of history through our four colleges, we have a vast network of alumni located all over the world.

Our alumni

Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity

CNN Digital

Channel 4

DanceEast

Deutsche Bank

Dignity for Children Foundation

Dressember

Excellence in Expat Education

Goldman Sachs

ITV

Lionheart Football Academy

NASA

Neymarc Visuals

Pavilion Dance South West

Safer Business Network

South Thames College Group

Theatres across the West End

The Church of England

World Animal Protection

We spoke to some of our graduates about their time at Roehampton, this is what they said.

“The setting of Parkstead House, right on the edge of Richmond Park is stunning. Looking out of our office window and seeing deer grazing, or having a picnic lunch in the park, really helped with my stress levels.

I really felt like my supervisor had my back. He was always there when I needed support, but trusted me to work on my own if I didn't need him. I learnt a lot about being a researcher from him, as well as the basis of some the methods I still use.”

Dr Laura Buck studied PhD Biological Anthropology and graduated in 2015. Laura is currently a Lecturer in Evolutionary Anthropology at Liverpool John Moores University.

“I cherish my memories of Roehampton and times spent with my friends catching a meal at Southlands after classes, late-night hours spent writing our dissertations alongside each other at the Whitelands computer lab and exploring London. Years later, long after we have all spread out around the world, taken up various jobs and other responsibilities, we still remain in touch. Roehampton is what brought us together.

I have utilised many things that I learnt during my course, and was able to get work at my first couple of positions, including a position with Amnesty International Australia, due to having a very specific degree in my field.”

Crystal Fickers studied MA Human Rights and International Relations, and graduated in 2012. Crystal is currently working as a Social Services Case Manager, International Social Service USA Branch.

“The course involved a mix of experiential and academic learning, classes and workshops. I experienced two clinical placements over the two years, at a SEN school and in a mental health setting, supervised both internally and externally. The music therapy course was immersive and challenging. It was also supportive, inspiring, life changing and had a great standard of tuition, leaving me well equipped to find employment after completion.”

Katherine Grace studied an MA in Music Therapy and graduated in 2017. Katherine is currently working as a Music Therapist and Therapy and Wellbeing Lead at a Pupil Referral Unit and SEMH school.



PhD study

PhD study is offered across all of Roehampton's six academic schools and faculties. A PhD is for students who wish to devise an independent research project which will result in an original contribution to knowledge in the subject area. Students can study on a full-time or a part-time basis and programmes begin in October and January.

We draw PhD students from around the world to join our vibrant programme of doctoral studies. Postgraduate researchers play an important part of the research culture at Roehampton and are supported by internationally respected supervisors and the Research Student Doctoral Training programme.

Accommodation

Accommodation for postgraduate students is available within the University's beautiful parkland campus. Living on-campus means you are near classes and our wide range of academic and recreational facilities. Security, Flat Reps and Wardens are available 24/7 to support you and deal with any emergencies.

Fees are inclusive of utilities bills and contents insurance, making it easier to plan and budget.

Fees

Tuition fees

Each of our postgraduate programmes is competitively priced and may vary slightly across subjects. Please check the relevant course page on our website for the current fees.

Payment schedules

To help postgraduate students manage their budgets we offer a choice of four payment schedules for tuition fees.

Option 1: Full payment at time of enrolment, attracting a 2% fee discount when paid.

Option 2: 50% paid upon enrolment and 50% at the end of January.

Option 3: Three instalments – October, February and May – in line with the Student Loans Company (SLC) PG loan payment dates.

Most students in receipt of the SLC loan adopt this schedule.

Option 4: Seven monthly instalments with a payment break in December. September to November is three payments, then January to April is the final four payments.

Students can decide which schedule suits them best when they enrol, and all payments can be made on credit or debit cards.

Funding

Funding for postgraduate study should form part of your research into the programmes you are considering. Take a look at the following avenues and keep an eye on application deadlines.

Postgraduate loans for master's students (England)

The government offers a loans scheme for postgraduate students.

The loans are available for taught master's programmes (and MRes) in all disciplines and subject areas. For full eligibility criteria and application forms visit:

→ [gov.uk/funding-for-postgraduate-study](https://www.gov.uk/funding-for-postgraduate-study)

University scholarships

We offer generous scholarships and bursaries, including:

- A 20% discount for students joining us with a 1st class degree
- Scholarships for students with talent in music, sport and esports
- A wider range of international bursaries
- A 20% discount for Roehampton alumni

All Roehampton alumni, no matter when they graduated, are eligible for a 20% discount on their

postgraduate tuition fees under the Alumni Scholarship scheme, including PGCE.

Research degree funding opportunities

Research councils provide major sources of funding to institutions who then distribute the funds. Funding is available for doctoral training through the TECHNE partnership. There are also charitable trusts that focus on research funding.

→ ukri.org/funding

→ leverhulme.ac.uk/funding

Alternative funding sources

Websites including Prospects, FindAMasters, FindaPhD and Postgrad.com have sections offering advice and guidance on finding scholarships and bursaries for postgraduate study.

It is also worth checking educational grants, charity databases and charities local to the University and your hometown.

How to apply

We have a variety of different routes for postgraduate study. Whichever one you pick, we will provide you with support and advice throughout your application process..

Master's, MBA and PsychD Counselling Psychology programmes

To apply for one of our taught postgraduate courses, you will need to complete the online application form on the University website. Go to your chosen programme's course page and simply click on Apply Now.

PGCE and School Direct (Teacher Training)

For all routes, you need to apply through the DfE Apply Teacher Training website. Make sure you register early as places on some courses fill quickly. Applications open in October.

Doctoral programmes

As the first step in the process, you are advised to contact the relevant member of academic staff for an informal discussion about your proposed research. Once you have had this initial conversation you can complete the application form.

Entry requirements

Entry requirements vary by course, please check the relevant course page on our website for specific details.

Contact us

Taught postgraduate programmes

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For more information visit our website



PhD study

→ roehampton.ac.uk/graduate-school



Accommodation

→ roehampton.ac.uk/accommodation



Fees and funding

→ roehampton.ac.uk/postgraduate-courses/tuition-fees

→ roehampton.ac.uk/postgraduate-courses/funding-and-scholarships



How to apply

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