If you are considering entry to university in September 2015 and beyond, Brunel open days and our campus tours are excellent opportunities for you to visit us, meet our staff and students and see for yourself what the University is really like. Parents and guests are most welcome to attend.

Please note: applicants already holding an offer for 2015 entry and wishing to visit the University should contact the Admissions Office on +44 (0)1895 265265.

Our open days offer prospective students the chance to get a real feel for life at Brunel with the opportunity to attend course presentations, experience course taster sessions, view relevant facilities, take a campus tour, look around student accommodation, meet staff and current students and find out more about admissions and student finance.

Saturday 27 June 2015
Saturday 12 September 2015
Saturday 24 October 2015

HOW TO BOOK:
Please telephone +44 (0)1895 265595
or go to www.brunel.ac.uk
and click the Open Days tab on the right of the homepage.

Campus Tours lasting one hour run on selected Wednesdays in October and November 2015. These are a great chance to join our Student Ambassadors for a tour of our campus and accommodation.

You can also explore Brunel online through our Virtual Open Day:
www.brunel.ac.uk/courses/open-days/virtual-open-day
Enquiries

REQUEST A PROSPECTUS
Go to our homepage
www.brunel.ac.uk
and click on ‘the prospectus’
+44 (0)1895 265599

course-enquiries@brunel.ac.uk

ADMISSIONS AND APPLICATION ENQUIRIES
www.brunel.ac.uk/contact-admissions
+44 (0)1895 265599
(Course Enquiries before applying)
+44 (0)1895 265265
(Admissions Office after applying)

ADJUSTMENT AND CLEARING
The following will operate during the early stages of the UCAS Adjustment and Clearing Scheme:
www.brunel.ac.uk/clearing
clearing@brunel.ac.uk

These images showcase our rich and varied history. Featured are photos of our campus and students taken over the years as well as posters and events from the colleges that merged to form what is now Brunel University London.
Welcome to Brunel

Brunel University London is a leading international university that addresses the challenges facing society through ground-breaking research and educational programmes. Brunel was founded in 1966 as a new kind of university dedicated to providing research and teaching that are relevant to the needs of industry and society. Our mission is to combine academic rigour with the practical, entrepreneurial and imaginative approach pioneered by our namesake, Isambard Kingdom Brunel.

CELEBRATE WITH US...

2016 marks the fiftieth anniversary of Brunel University London. Brunel College was awarded a Royal Charter in June 1966, allowing it to become Brunel University. The first students moved to Uxbridge in 1967. After much growth and development, Brunel University became Brunel University London in 2014.

Throughout this prospectus you will find photos, quotes, facts and other snippets that will offer glimpses of Brunel’s past (including the colleges that merged with Brunel, each with their own histories dating back to the early 19th century) and chart our development over the last fifty years as we transformed into the world-leading, diverse and vibrant university we are today.

Throughout 2016 there will be many opportunities for you to celebrate with us – parties, lectures, exhibitions and more – so visit our website or social media channels to be kept up to date and join in with the festivities.

Campus-based, so everything you need is in one place
Quality courses relevant to industry and society
Skills training and professional development sessions
Research that provides solutions to worldwide problems
Campus and location

CAMPUS LIFE
Brunel is a campus-based university in Uxbridge, West London, so everything you need is moments away. You are never more than a 10 minute walk from halls of residence, catering, social and sports facilities, lecture theatres, the Library, Computer Centre or support services.

• All the essentials are available on campus, including a bank, pharmacy and shop
• There is a regular market including fruit and veg, fresh fish, eggs, books and more
• You have access to a number of study spaces, some of which are open 24/7
• There are many catering outlets across campus, including Subway and Proud to Serve Costa
• Whether you fancy a night out in The Academy, a game of pool in Loco’s or a chat over coffee, there are plenty of places in which to have fun and unwind

The same spot on campus photographed 14 years apart. The above picture was taken in 1996 and the one on the right in 2010.
CAMPUS FACILITIES
Brunel’s investment in buildings and infrastructure over the past decade is in excess of £400 million, with many new and refurbished social and teaching facilities, halls of residence, and green spaces. Our latest acquisition is the Eastern Gateway building, providing teaching and research facilities, a large auditorium and a café.

OUR LOCATION
The local area
Uxbridge town centre is a 20 minute walk or short bus ride from campus and is packed with shops, a multiplex cinema, bars, restaurants and a nightclub.

The countryside on your doorstep
Brunel is near the Grand Union Canal and the Colne Valley Park – miles of woods, walkways, lakes and rivers only a 15 minute walk away.

Easy access to central London
If you want to experience one of the greatest cities in the world, but are daunted by the high cost and bustle of living there, then Brunel offers an ideal compromise. You will benefit from receiving a London-weighted maintenance loan without the burden of central London living costs.

Travel
Uxbridge is at the end of the Metropolitan and Piccadilly lines on the London Underground, and overground trains from Paddington take you to West Drayton (a short bus-ride from campus) in just 20 minutes. You can also get a bus to Uxbridge from Ealing or White City.

Ideally located for film and television companies, Brunel University London has been used over the years as the backdrop to many movies and TV productions. The very first film ever shot at Brunel was The Rise and Rise of Michael Rimmer (1970) and since then we’ve played host to A Clockwork Orange (1972) and Bollywood movie, Indian Baboo (2002) (above right). Amongst other TV series, our campus has featured in Spooks (above left), Silent Witness, Lewis and Holby Blue.
Teaching and research

HIGHLY RATED, FLEXIBLE COURSES

Our courses are built around self-contained modules and study blocks comprising both core (compulsory) and optional topics. This means that, for most courses, you can tailor the content to suit your own interests as you progress.

RESEARCH-LED UP TO THE MINUTE TEACHING

We are proud of the usefulness of our research – it improves lives and addresses global issues, while informing the content of the courses we teach. The 2014 Research Excellence Framework (REF) judged over 60% of our research to be world leading or internationally excellent.

How does our research benefit you?
• Up to the minute course content
• An atmosphere of innovation
• Valuable links with employers

National Student Survey (NSS) 2014

Brunel is one of the top universities in London for student satisfaction, maintaining or improving on all areas since last year. In the UK we were ranked 27th overall for student satisfaction (out of 154). Students highlighted our central amenities, positive environment, sporting facilities and library as areas they were most happy with.

Studies of cell biology have provided new insight into how chromosome integrity is threatened each time a cell grows and divides, revealing that one major threat comes from the cell’s own machinery for duplicating chromosomes prior to cell division.

The National Centre for Sustainable Energy Use in Food Chains launched at Brunel in September 2013, establishing a hub of engineers, scientists and industry experts to develop energy-efficient manufacturing, distribution and retail systems.

The UK’s first Centre for Comedy Studies Research launched at Brunel in October 2013, promoting an international, interdisciplinary approach to understanding comedy. The Centre is supported by five ambassadors – Nitin Ganatra, Jo Brand, Lee Mack, Geaff Rowe and Simon Minty.
Brunel University London is formed of three academic Colleges and three Research Institutes. This structure encourages collaboration and innovation, enabling us to provide you with a high-quality learning experience.

THE COLLEGES

The College of Business, Arts and Social Sciences
The College consists of six departments:
- Arts and Humanities
- Brunel Business School
- Economics and Finance
- Education
- Politics, History and Law
- Social Sciences, Media and Communications

The College of Engineering, Design and Physical Sciences
The College consists of five departments:
- Computer Science
- Design
- Electronic and Computer Engineering
- Mathematical Sciences
- Mechanical, Aerospace and Civil Engineering

The College of Health and Life Sciences
The College consists of two departments:
- Clinical Sciences
- Life Sciences

THE RESEARCH INSTITUTES

Institute of Energy Futures
The research themes for the Institute are:
- Advanced Engines and Biofuels
- Energy Efficient and Sustainable Technologies
- Smart Power Networks
- Resource Efficient Future Cities

Institute of Environment, Health and Societies
The research themes for the Institute are:
- Biomedical Engineering and Healthcare Technologies
- Healthy Ageing
- Health and Environment
- Health Economics
- Social Sciences and Health
- Synthetic Biology

Institute of Materials and Manufacturing
The research themes for the Institute are:
- Structural Integrity
- Liquid Metal Engineering
- Micro-Nano Manufacturing
- Materials Characterisation and Processing
- Design for Sustainable Manufacturing
The Library

The Library provides many of the study resources and facilities you will need, including:
- 24 hour opening during term-time
- An extensive collection of books, journals and audiovisual materials
- Online databases, over 150,000 eBooks and over 36,000 eJournals
- 1,200 study spaces and 500 PCs in a range of environments including group study rooms and silent study areas
- LibSmart, a dedicated study skills support package including induction sessions, information skills workshops, drop-ins and one-to-one support and online guides
- Subject Liaison Librarians to help you access and use relevant resources
- WiFi capability

Headstart

The Headstart programme will help Widening Participation students (those from under-represented groups) make the transition to studying in higher education. It will help you get a sense of what will be expected of you at university, and familiarise you with the range of support services on offer.

Academic Skills Service (ASK)

ASK specialises in teaching the skills you need to learn independently and thrive academically. Whether it’s advice on researching, planning and writing assignments, giving presentations, time management or maths, numeracy and statistics, ASK offers workshops, individual advice and resources to support your learning.

Academic English

The IPLC provides classes for international students in academic writing, seminar and presentation skills, academic reading skills, listening and discussion skills, English pronunciation and grammar. International students can also make appointments for individual consultations.

Courses include:
- academic writing
- academic grammar and vocabulary
- academic listening and speaking
- academic presentation skills
- social conversation
- pronunciation
- technical report writing
- writing critiques, proposals and dissertations

BRUNEL EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE CENTRE (BEEC)

We want you to make the most of your education and achieve your potential. The Brunel Educational Excellence Centre (BEEC) will enable you to do this through assisting and enhancing teaching and support for learning.

BEEC comprises four teams, two of which are key in providing students with opportunities to enhance their learning:
- ASK, the academic skills support team, provides one-to-one and workshop training and development for students seeking to improve their academic writing, critical thinking, numeracy and statistics skills. The ASK team also runs the Headstart programme for Widening Participation students.
- IPLC offers Academic English support for non-native English speakers. The team runs both pre-sessional and in-sessional English training at various levels.

BEEC also includes the Academic Practice team which provides training and development for staff who teach and support learning and the Learning Technology Team which supports staff and students in using the learning technology that we have on campus.
At Brunel, there is always someone to help. Having enrolled as a mature student, Headstart Week definitely prepared me for my years at Brunel.

Chioma Paul
Creative Writing

The Computer Centre and Media Services

You will have access to facilities including:

- PC workstations, many of which are open around the clock
- a filestore allocation where you can keep your work securely
- a print/scan/copy service (including colour and A3 options) using a prepay account
- the university’s virtual learning environment, including online Library databases
- Connect services, so you can connect your devices to the university network from halls or via a wireless connection from other areas on campus
- the Brunel intranet, which provides university news, information and access to student support
- an audiovisual and media equipment loan service

You will be allocated an email account to use for all your university correspondence; this account will remain with you after you graduate, so you will be able to keep in touch with Brunel and your course mates.
The Placement and Careers Centre
Brunel’s focus on employability means that graduates have the skills and information to compete for the jobs they want. Local, national and international recruiters target Brunel, and there are typically over 1,000 employers advertising with us at any one time. We offer:
• an extensive careers library
• an interactive online service
• a major autumn careers fair
• regular workshops
• employer presentations
• subject-specific ‘Careers Uncovered’ events

Placements
One of Brunel’s distinctive features is the inclusion of work experience, and we encourage all of our students to undertake some form of work experience during their time here. Many courses offer a one-year block of work experience (a ‘thick-sandwich’ course) or in some cases two six-month periods (a ‘thin-sandwich’ course). Placements are usually paid, and some students are even offered permanent employment after they graduate. You may be able to apply for a Placement Bursary if your placement is unpaid. Courses which do not offer sandwich placements often include a work experience module, so you can still gain experience before you graduate.

Brunel was named ‘Best Placement Service’ by RateMyPlacement.co.uk and has won the accolade of ‘University with a Forward-Thinking Attitude to Work-based Learning’. We also received a Matrix Excellence award, a quality standard for information advice and guidance services.

The Ready Programme
We provide our students with the best possible chance of securing jobs in their desired industries. Brunel’s professional development programme is project driven and includes workshops, seminars, discussions, debates and lectures by industry professionals. This exciting initiative focuses on building a range of attributes and skills sought by employers, including:
• Communication
• Personal resilience
• Teamwork
• Commercial awareness
• Organisation and planning
• Problem solving
• Time management
• Financial and other data analysis

www.brunel.ac.uk/services/pcc

Innovation Hub
The Innovation Hub provides entrepreneurial training, guidance and support for all students who wish to commercialise intellectual property or launch their own business. We run formal and informal programmes providing coaching, funding and investment support for student and graduate-led businesses. Successes to date include political newspaper ShoutOut UK and Lozi Designs.

www.brunel.ac.uk/services/pcc/students/starting-your-own-business

Modern foreign languages
Language skills are increasingly significant for anyone preparing to enter a global workplace. We offer modern foreign language courses at a variety of levels currently in Arabic, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Mandarin Chinese, Russian, Portuguese and Spanish. Classes are taught by qualified, native speakers.

Working while you study
We understand that you may need to work while you study. The Job Shop helps students to find part-time and vacation work on campus, in the local area, and further afield. Some examples of the types of jobs you could get on campus include Student Ambassador, Residences Student Mentor or Clerical Assistant. We recommend that undergraduate students undertake no more than 15 hours per week of paid employment during term time – this is to allow you sufficient time to focus on your studies.
I would really recommend working alongside your studies; it is very doable and prepares you for the world of employment!

Romany Stott
Creative Writing

Brunel Volunteers

Brunel Volunteers co-ordinates volunteering opportunities for students who want to improve their skills and employability. Volunteering gives you an opportunity to make a difference by using your skills to enrich the local community.

• Brunel Volunteers is committed to supporting and enabling volunteering
• Brunel Volunteers works with local community organisations to promote a range of volunteering opportunities from fundraising and coaching to subject-specific volunteering
• You will receive recognition of your efforts through the hours-based Volunteers Award
• Volunteering is a great way to develop skills that employers look for and adds another interesting element to your CV

www.brunelvolunteers.com
About The Union

Social life on campus revolves around the Students’ Union. The Union facilitates activities and represents the interests of all students, and encourages everyone to play an active part in its affairs. The Union is a not-for-profit charity and its income-generating services subsidise its non-trading activities such as clubs and societies, the Advice and Representation Centre, and campaigns ranging from sexual health to crime prevention. For more information on the Union of Brunel Students, please visit:

www.brunelstudents.com
Get involved

The Students’ Union is proud of the diversity of clubs and societies that you can join and even help run – everything from Anime Society to Snow Club. If your interests are not represented, we’ll help you start your own group. You can also help raise money for charity by joining RAG (Raising and Giving) or get involved in student media with Le Nurb, VideoBrunel and RadioBrunel.

Brunel’s music scene is lively, attracting well-known acts over the past 50 years, such as: Roll Deep, The Stone Roses, Erasure, Elton John, Iron Maiden, Tinchy Stryder, Fleetwood Mac, U2 and Motörhead.

Support

The Union is here to support all students in a number of different ways. It lobbies issues on behalf of students to get things changed for the better either within the university or nationally. The Union’s Advice and Representation Centre (ARC) provides students with free advice and guidance on everything from money and debt to housing and academic issues.

Democracy

The Union provides loads of opportunities to get involved and elections & referendums are a major part of this. Members stand for positions within the Union at elections and elected officers represent the views of Brunel students to the University and nationally. The elections are held to select a student leadership team, Academic Representatives and Student Assembly members to take a lead on projects and campaigns, ensuring student issues are acted upon effectively. Referendums give all students the chance to help make major decisions that affect everyone. The Union has elections and referendums throughout the year.

Social

Loco’s Bar and The Academy Nightclub cater for all musical tastes. Roll Deep, Tinchy Stryder, the Holloways and Wheatus have all played at the Academy, with DJ sets from Westwood, Trevor Nelson and Pendulum. You can check out up-and-coming comedians, hone your karaoke and pub quiz skills, or organise your own nights.

The Union holds a number of events throughout the year, from Freshers’ Week to F.A.C.E (Festival of Awareness, Creativity and Expression) in the last week. Join in with Varsity, a one day battle for the West London Varsity title as sportsmen and women go head to head, and One World Week, a celebration of culture!

Student media

The Union has a range of student media to keep you up-to-date with the latest news.

Le Nurb (that’s Brunel backwards!) is the student newspaper. It comes out twice a term – have a read on their website!

RadioBrunel is our radio station featuring everything from chat shows to comedy features, have a listen online!

VideoBrunel provides students with fantastic videos about all aspects of Brunel life from major campaigns to nights out at our venues.

Check them out online!
bru-media.co.uk

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Arts, culture and events

THE ARTS CENTRE

The Arts Centre organises weekly classes, events, concerts and productions throughout the year, and provides the space, tuition and specialist equipment required for your creative skills to flourish.

www.brunel.ac.uk/artscentre

Music Awards

Music Awards are made annually towards the cost of tuition for singers and instrumentalists who are not taking music performance as part of their academic course. The awards are open to all students, with auditions at the beginning of each academic year.

artscentre@brunel.ac.uk

Events

ARTS@ARTAUD is a regular performance platform where musicians, filmmakers, writers and performers present their work in a friendly, informal setting. With refreshments available and a DJ between acts, it really is a great evening of entertainment.

Throughout the year the university organises many cultural activities and festivities. Many are free to attend and there is often the chance to get involved:

• Public Lecture Series
• Inaugural Lecture Series
• Guest speaker events
• FACE (Festival of Awareness, Creativity and Expression)
• One World Week
Brunel's Sports Federation has over 50 clubs for students to choose from. Many teams compete in the BUCS (British Universities and Colleges Sport) premier leagues. The sports facilities used by the clubs rank amongst the best in the UK and some of the world's finest athletes train at Brunel.

From mainstream to the extreme

We offer a diverse range of sports and activities including:

- American football
- Cheerleading
- Rock climbing
- Snowboarding

Sports scholarships

The Sports Scholarship scheme offers a financial award and assistance with competition expenses, accommodation allocated next to the sports facilities if you choose to live on campus, mentoring support to help you manage your commitments and free use of the sports facilities. For further information please email details of your sporting performances and the course to which you are applying to:

sports-scholarships@brunel.ac.uk

Performance sport

Brunel has launched Performance Programmes in a number of key sports, including athletics, netball and rugby union, to give members access to elite strength and conditioning facilities as well as extra coaching and fitness sessions.

IntoSport

The IntoSport programme offers sessions that are relaxed, friendly and open to all. Just turn up and give something a go. All equipment is provided and you don't need any prior experience. Activities include:

- Gym sessions
- Handball
- Trampolining
- A range of aerobic classes

More Energy gym

Brunel’s health and fitness facilities are packed with equipment and qualified instructors are on hand to give advice. There is a range of flexible membership options.

Brunel has a distinguished sporting history. The poster on the right is from the West London Institute, a National Centre of Sporting Excellence, which later became Brunel University London.
Food and drink

Brunel has updated its catering facilities and social spaces, so there are plenty of options for those wanting to grab a bite to eat or go for a drink or two. Breakfast, lunch and dinner can be found in a number of outlets across campus – from burgers and curries to salads and sandwiches, there is something to suit all tastes and budgets.

**Social Kitchen** is open from 8am for breakfast with plenty of choice for lunch and dinner.

**Yard Bird** is a bar that also offers a range of food.

**Proud to Serve Costa** offers coffee, tea, cakes, sandwiches, crisps and more.

**Aspretto** is perfect if you want to grab a coffee and snack between lectures.

**Beactive** is located in the Sports Centre and serves healthy meals and light snacks.

**MetroBite** serves Starbucks alongside a range of pastries, cakes, sandwiches and salads.

**Subway** serves sandwiches, salads and more.

**Loco’s** bar, part of the Students’ Union, is a great place to meet up with friends and course mates, grab a bite to eat, have a drink and relax.
Accommodation

We recommend that you live on campus in your first year, so you can make the most of what university life has to offer.

Offer holders will be sent an email in January with details of how to apply for a room – you will need to submit an application form online.

- Accommodation is guaranteed for all new UCAS main scheme first year undergraduates, including those from the local area, who apply and meet their course conditions by 1 September 2016
- All our halls are on campus, so you are never more than 10 minutes away from teaching, study and social facilities
- Most rooms are en suite, but you can also choose our standard halls with shared bath/shower facilities to suit your budget
- All rooms are single, so you will not need to share, though studio flats are available for co-habiting couples
- All halls are self-catering, with spacious, well-equipped kitchens

- All rooms offer a free network connection with wireless access so you can access the Internet at no extra cost (with some limitations and subject to the Computer Centre’s Terms and Conditions)
- Specially-adapted rooms are available for disabled students (see page 22)
- The lease period is 38 weeks
- Residences Student Mentors and Senior Mentors are employed to support and advise new resident students
- Brunel University London is signed up to the UUK Code of Practice, which outlines best practice and provides benchmarks for the management and quality of student housing

What if I want to live off-campus?

Average rents for the area are within the region of £95 to £110 per week for a room. Brunel Student Homes can give advice about renting in the private sector, and there are various options available:

- Through the Head Leasing Scheme, Brunel Student Homes rents properties from local landlords and then rents them on to groups of students
- Private landlords advertise properties through Brunel Student Homes - these have to meet minimum basic requirements and most are inspected by a member of the team
- There is a notice board in the office where students can place adverts for rooms available or rooms wanted, as well as an online noticeboard
- Landlords advertise rooms in their homes on the Brunel Student Homes website

www.brunelstudentpad.co.uk/accommodation

RENT FOR 2015

On-campus rent rates include heating, lighting, water and standard insurance. Please check the web for the most recent rates nearer the time.

- En suite rooms £129.50 – £132.50 per week
- Standard rooms £104 per week
- Studio flats in the Isambard Complex: £198.25 per week (available to co-habiting couples only)

www.brunel.ac.uk/accommodation
Support within your subject area

You will be assigned a personal tutor who will be your main point of contact for academic matters, such as module choices and work placements. Many departments organise social events to help you get to know them and each other.

Student administrative enquiries

The Student Centre provides advice and support throughout your time at Brunel. Advisors help with a variety of administrative enquiries including enrolment, fees and funding, module selection, graduation and student ID cards.

Advice and representation

The Advice and Representation Centre (ARC) offers advice and representation on issues such as housing, student funding and welfare benefits. It also assists with university procedures such as appeals, complaints and mitigating circumstances.

The ARC is part of the Union of Brunel Students and is independent from the university; all the services are free and confidential and it holds an Advice Quality Standard (AQS) certificate.

Medical care

Our on-site NHS Medical Centre can be used by all students who live within the Practice catchment area who register with the Practice. It is open throughout the year, with a walk-in surgery each weekday during term-time.

Counselling

Counselling is free to all Brunel students, and we offer emotional and personal support for any issue. Appointments and weekday drop-in sessions are available all year round. The service is confidential unless someone is at risk of serious harm. There is also a helpline. The core team is professionally qualified, working in accordance with the British Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy (BACP) Ethical Framework, and the Brunel University London Counselling Service Code of Practice.

well@brunel

well@brunel is an initiative that aims to ensure the wellbeing of students and staff through various campaigns, events and activities such as cookery sessions, information fairs, picnics and more.

Brunel’s commitment to care leavers

Brunel has been re-awarded the Buttle UK Quality Mark for Care Leavers in recognition of the university’s work to support young people who have been in the care of a local authority and who aspire to study in higher education.

Care leavers who apply to Brunel have a named contact at the university who can help with the application and admissions process, and once they arrive, they can attend a special pre-sessional induction event. They also have the option to live in campus accommodation all year round, and have access to the Widening Participation Mentoring and Internship schemes.

www.brunel.ac.uk/life/wellbeing/counselling-service

www.brunel.ac.uk/about/administration/access-and-widening-participation
Mentoring
Professional mentoring for Brunel undergraduates began with the National Mentoring Consortium programme for Black and Asian students. It has since expanded to include other students under-represented in higher education, for example disabled students, care leavers and students from low income backgrounds. Students are matched with mentors from the public and private sector and, in regular meetings at the mentor’s place of work, they work towards personal and professional goals and graduate-level employment.

www.brunel.ac.uk/mentoring

The Meeting House
The Meeting House is a pastoral, spiritual and community resource for all at Brunel. It is a dedicated space where you can enjoy the Quiet Room or relax with tea in the lounge – all for free! The team can offer a listening ear, advice and spiritual support. Chaplains from the Christian, Muslim, and Hindu faiths are available. Student groups use the Meeting House for worship, meetings and social activities. You don’t need to make an appointment – simply drop in.

www.brunel.ac.uk/life/lifestyle/faith-and-religion
The Disability and Dyslexia Service

Brunel’s Disability and Dyslexia Service (DDS) has received national awards and accolades in recent years, reflecting the quality of the university’s support service.

Brunel offers a range of services and resources to help you make the most of your degree. The campus and facilities are recognised as some of the best in the country for disabled students.

How can we help?

We offer advice and support to disabled students, including those with dyslexia and other specific learning difficulties, mental health conditions, Asperger syndrome, mobility and sensory impairments and unseen disabilities such as epilepsy, diabetes, arthritis and sickle cell anaemia.

A wealth of specialist resources, knowledge and practical support is available, including:

• a team of Disability Advisors
• an Assistive Technology Centre (ATC) providing specialist technology, training and equipment
• help with applying for Disabled Students’ Allowances
• screenings and diagnostic assessments for specific learning difficulties
• equipment loans
• provision of note takers, study skills tutors, mentors and other support workers
• exam adjustments and extended library loans
• adjustments to on campus accommodation such as fully automated access for wheelchair users, deaf alert alarm systems, and accommodation for personal carers
• on-site needs assessments and IT training at the West London Assessment Centre (WLAC)

Support is organised in negotiation with each student to ensure that individual needs are considered and met. The service is confidential and details are only passed on with each student’s consent to ensure necessary support.

Find out more, meet us or have a tour:

+44 (0)1895 265213
disability@brunel.ac.uk
www.brunel.ac.uk/disability

DISABLED STUDENTS’ ALLOWANCES (DSA)

Disabled Students’ Allowances (DSA) can help pay the extra costs a student may have on their course as a result of a disability, mental health condition or specific learning difficulty (such as dyslexia). Please note that the DSA is subject to change – for more information please visit:

www.gov.uk/disabled-students-allowances-dsas

WEST LONDON ASSESSMENT CENTRE (WLAC)

The WLAC is a fully accredited, purpose built Assessment Centre and can be used by students attending any university who are eligible for Disabled Students’ Allowances (DSA). The WLAC provides the needs assessments required by students claiming DSA and also helps inform their universities of what reasonable adjustments they could make to support the student.

The DSA can fund some assistive technology, support workers such as study skills tutors, mentors and BSL communicators as well as some other forms of support. The WLAC can also provide IT training in the use of any assistive technology provided by the DSA. We also run outreach Assessment Centres at Royal Holloway and Buckinghamshire New University.

Find out more or to arrange a needs assessment:

+44 (0)1895 266704
assessmentcentre@brunel.ac.uk
www.brunel.ac.uk/wlac

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THE DISABILITY AND DYSLEXIA SERVICE
International

Brunel is proud to be home to over 2,500 international students from over 110 different countries who play an essential part in creating our diverse and cosmopolitan university. Our proximity to London is complemented by a friendly campus environment offering guaranteed accommodation in your first year, provided you apply and meet your course conditions by 1 September 2016. In addition, the UK’s main international airport, Heathrow, is only 15 minutes away.

International students benefit from a range of services:
- pre-departure and arrival information
- a ‘meet and greet’ service at London Heathrow airport
- a tailor-made orientation programme
- a range of day trips to places of interest in the UK
- the Host Programme, which gives students the opportunity to spend a weekend in the home of a British family
- an active international student society
- language and study support
- support and advice throughout the year from trained staff
- advice for you and your family on the UK’s immigration scheme

The application process
You should apply through the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) and must prove proficiency in the English language. More information about UCAS is provided on page 143.

Brunel has a number of representatives throughout the world who can assist with the application process. For more information, visit the Brunel International web pages:

www.brunel.ac.uk/international

English language requirements
The university recognises a range of qualifications. Find out more:

www.brunel.ac.uk/international/iplc/languagerequirements

If your level of English does not meet the entry requirements for your particular course, you will be offered the chance to attend an English language course run by our International Pathways and Language Centre (IPLC), part of the Brunel Educational Excellence Centre (BEEC).

English language courses
The International Pathways and Language Centre (IPLC) offers courses to increase your knowledge of, and confidence in, English and to prepare you for academic success:

- English@Brunel is available throughout the academic year
- Pre-sessional English is available through the summer
- Bespoke programmes are also available
- In-sessional English for Academic Purposes

The IPLC provides classes for international students in academic writing, seminar and presentation skills, academic reading skills, listening and discussion skills, English pronunciation and grammar. International students can also make appointments for individual consultations.

Find out more:

www.brunel.ac.uk/international/iplc/english-language-courses

Study abroad
We offer our students the opportunity to experience university life in another country through our student exchange and study abroad programmes. Find out more:

www.brunel.ac.uk/international/exchanges-and-study-abroad/exchanges

PATHWAYS TO UNDERGRADUATE COURSES AT BRUNEL

London Brunel International College (LBIC, formerly LIBT) is Brunel’s on-campus pathway provider, offering overseas and EU students an alternative entry route into certain undergraduate degrees. Students who successfully complete their stage/s of study at LBIC are guaranteed a place at Brunel. Pathways are available in Business and Management, Business Computing/Computer Science, Economics and Finance, Engineering and Law.

Undergraduate Stage 1
(University Foundation)
Stage 1 is designed for students who do not quite meet Brunel’s direct entry criteria. It will help students better understand what is expected from them at university and will prepare students for their chosen degree.

Undergraduate Stage 2
(First Year University Studies)
Students will experience the first-year curriculum of a Brunel degree, but in smaller class sizes and with extra academic contact hours to enable students to fully develop their knowledge and understanding of each module.

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Fees

Brunel University London charges a fee of £9,000 per annum for Home/EU students on its full-time undergraduate degree programmes.

Fees for international (non-EU) students are:
- £13,500 (low band)
- £14,750 (mid band)
- £16,500 (high band)

Fees for sandwich placement year
If a student chooses to take a four-year sandwich placement degree, the total fee for the placement period(s) will be just £1,000. This fee is charged because of the continued support and assessment structures that form an integral part of the placement. Students from under-represented groups will receive a fee waiver, and placement bursaries will also be available.

Fees for a four-year Master’s course
We offer successful candidates who wish to apply for, or transfer to, our four-year integral undergraduate Master’s degrees in Mathematics and Engineering a fee waiver of £3,000 for the fourth year of study. This reduces the cost to £6,000 – the national basic fee.

Part-time courses
The fee for part time courses is 75% of the full time fee, payable in each of four years.

Government financial support
Undergraduate UK/EU students who are studying for their first degree or other higher education course can apply to Student Finance England for help.

- You apply for student finance every year
- You don’t need a confirmed place at university or college to apply
- Tuition Fee Loans cover the cost of your fees and are paid directly to the University
- Maintenance Loans and Grants help with living costs eg accommodation, books, food and travel
- Loans must be paid back, grants do not

www.gov.uk/student-finance

This information is correct at time of going to press. For up-to-date information on fees please check the website

www.brunel.ac.uk/courses/ug/fees
SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES

This information is based on scholarships and bursaries offered by Brunel in 2015 and is only a guide to the funding package that will be offered in 2016. Comprehensive information on Brunel University London undergraduate finance and funding for 2016 will be available on the website nearer the time:

www.brunel.ac.uk/courses/ug/fees

For specific scholarship enquiries please email:
scholarships@brunel.ac.uk

Brunel is offering over 400 scholarships and bursaries based on a whole range of criteria available for students entering the University in 2015.

Please see the web for further information, including eligibility criteria contained in the full Terms and Conditions and application details.

www.brunel.ac.uk/scholarships

Brunel Alumni Scholarship
Annual Value £6,000 per year
How many 5
For how long 3 years
Application process none

Urban Scholarship
Value up to £3,000 per year
How many all those that meet the eligibility criteria
For how long three years
Application process none

Mathematical Sciences Scholarship
Value £1,000 per year
How many 10
For how long 3 years
Application process none

Nexen Scholarship
Value £3,000 per year
How many 1 Mechanical Engineering student
For how long 3 years for BEng or four years for MEng (subject to meeting progression criteria)
Application process none

Placement Scholarship
Value fee waiver of £1,000 for sandwich placement year (this covers the whole tuition fee for that year)
How many all students who meet the eligibility criteria
For how long one year – placement year only

PGCE Access Scholarship
Value £2,500 per year
How many 20
For how long 1 year
Application process none

Engineering Academic Excellence Scholarship
Value £2,000 per year
How many all those that meet the eligibility criteria
For how long 3 years
Application process none

Brunel also offers a range of other scholarships and awards in specific subject areas. Please check with your academic Department for more information.

For full application details, eligibility criteria and terms and conditions, visit

www.brunel.ac.uk/courses/ug/fees

OTHER FORMS OF FUNDING

Some students are able to get extra help towards their living costs over and above the loans, grants and bursaries described above. The following awards and allowances do not have to be paid back. Please check the web for details.

• Students claiming Disabled Students’ Allowances
• Those claiming the Special Support Grant
• Students on professional health courses
• Social Work students
• Students training as teachers
• Students with dependants
• Students who experience financial difficulties during their course

www.gov.uk/teacher-training-funding
www.gov.uk/social-work-bursaries
www.gov.uk/nhs-bursaries
www.gov.uk/access-to-learning-fund/overview
disability@brunel.ac.uk

EARNING WHILE YOU STUDY

We understand that you may need to offset your university costs with part-time or vacation work. The Job Shop helps students find part-time work. See page 12 for more information.

www.brunel.ac.uk/jobshop
Paying Your Fees

Arrangements for the payment of tuition fees must be made at or before enrolment for each academic year. UK/EU students can pay in a single instalment at or before enrolment, or in six instalments between enrolment and March. Overseas students can pay in a single instalment at or before enrolment, or can pay 60% of the balance at enrolment and the remainder in January. For most students, full payment by the designated Registration date will attract a 2% discount. There is no entitlement to any fee reduction or refund if a student withdraws during the year. The university may exceptionally allow refunds to self-supporting students who withdraw during the first few weeks of their course. The university reviews fees annually and reserves the right to change them.

Other Expenses

The university reserves the right to make certain additional charges for items such as deposits on equipment, registration fees to external bodies, late registration fees, resit examination fees and charges for lost ID cards. If you live off campus, you will also have other expenses such as Council Tax and bills, and you should take this into account when planning your finances.

Financial Information for International Students

Deposits

Applicants holding an unconditional offer can guarantee their place to a direct entry undergraduate course. A course fee deposit of £3,000 is required from all students along with a £350 booking fee for accommodation. Course fee deposits are non-refundable unless a visa application is refused and evidence of this can be provided. Accommodation deposits are also non-refundable subject to Accommodation Services Terms and Conditions.

Overseas Scholarships

A number of international scholarships have been awarded to overseas students in recent years and we hope to continue this scheme. Applications are only accepted from candidates holding an offer of a place, who will automatically receive further details. Undergraduate students taking UK qualifications such as A-levels or International Baccalaureate are eligible to apply for the Academic Excellence scholarship.

Classifying Students as ‘Home’ or ‘Overseas’

The university is responsible for classifying students as ‘home’ or ‘overseas’ for fee purposes. It must follow complex rules, and the following provides only an outline of those student groups who may be considered eligible for ‘home’ fee status, at the time of writing:

• UK residents with settled status (Indefinite Leave to Remain) and three years’ continuous ordinary residence
• EU (including UK) nationals, their spouses or children under the age of 21 with three years’ continuous residence in the EU
• individuals with formal UK refugee status or their spouses/children, who have been ordinarily resident since gaining such status
• individuals who have been granted Humanitarian Protection by the UK Government
• UK residents and EU nationals temporarily absent from the EU due to temporary employment overseas
• students on reciprocal exchange programmes

The university reserves the right to make full and final decisions as to fee status at the time of application and Registration. The above is only a guide and applicants should not take it as forming any part of a contract with the university. This information and the legislation on which it is based may change from time to time, so applicants should not rely upon it. If you have any doubts about your likely fee status, you are strongly advised to contact Brunel Admissions prior to taking up your place.

Sponsorship

If you are a sponsored student (ie by a company, organisation or charitable trust, not by family members, guardians or friends), a copy of the documents confirming your sponsorship should be presented before Registration and re-enrolment each year. You will not need to submit a deposit for course fees if this information is supplied.