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IMPATIENT FOR CHANGE?

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WHY STUDY A POSTGRADUATE COURSE?

Continuing your studies

If you're currently studying another degree, either an undergraduate or a Masters course, and you want to develop your skills and knowledge and become more of a specialist in an area of study or research, then we can definitely help you. Achieving a postgraduate degree is likely to make you more attractive to employers. It will help you move into a graduate-level job quicker and may help you move up the ladder in your new career.

Our global community

If you're studying at another university, either in the UK or elsewhere in the world, we would love to chat with you. Get in touch, ask questions, and let us advise you on what to study and when, if you're unsure. At Essex you'll receive an amazing welcoming experience, where you'll be part of our global community of students and staff who are impatient to make a difference in the world.

Our discount for alumni

If you're already an Essex student, we offer a loyalty discount which enables you to save up to 33% on your postgraduate tuition fees for a single year of study. We would absolutely love for you to consider us your home for longer, so why not stay with us and continue learning as an Essex student?

Things you might be interested in

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- Students' Union – see page 32
- Our campuses – see page 36
- Student development – see page 56
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- Contact us – see page 76

With so much going on in the world, deciding to study a postgraduate course to develop yourself, gain new skills and improve your employability is a great choice. Maybe you're thinking about continuing your studies. Perhaps you're considering returning to education. Whatever type of person you are, Essex will give you a transformational experience.

Returning to education

There are many who return to education after a period of time away – whether it's just a few years or even a few decades. Perhaps you have a job or a well-established career. Maybe you're taking some time away from work and are exploring other passions. If you're thinking of coming back to education, we can help you. A postgraduate degree may enable you to change or develop your career or do that thing you always wanted to do just for the love of it! It may give you the skills, knowledge and drive to make a positive change in the world.

Supporting your career change

Studying a postgraduate degree may help you find a new path if you have become dissatisfied with your job. Maybe you work in an office and want to be outdoors, or you want to be more creative, or maybe you want to gain new skills to take advantage of the growing need for data. Whatever it is, let us help you. Work should be stimulating and everyone should have the opportunity to do something they are passionate about. Studying a postgraduate degree will allow you to take a big step forward towards finding a career you really enjoy.

Advancing your career

A postgraduate degree can definitely help you to upskill and take a step forward in your career. The higher-level content you will study, the research you will do, and the experience you will gain, will put you in a better place to apply for a new role and to advance your career. You'll receive support from staff across our community who will advise you on employability, and how to maximise your CV and interviewing skills.

Things you might be interested in

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- Accommodation – see page 48
- Professional development – see page 62
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IMPATIENT FOR CHANGE?

We encourage you to be curious; to think differently; to listen to alternative arguments. We are home to the inquisitive, people who want to make a difference, to bring about change, and for whom good isn't good enough.

What do our students think?

"I would like to change the UK's approach to waste management to make recycling more efficient. My plan is to launch my own waste management scheme that will benefit the environment and will bring value to every household. My plan is aligned with my passion to serve the planet by creating a process that helps the UK achieve its recycling goals."

Arunima Malik
The Essex MBA

"This is the time we need to bring about change for a better future. We have just one life, so if not now then we can never do it. One way we could change is to educate the present generation of children about equality – that is when such values will be upheld by them for the rest of their lives and be passed onto future generations."

Sankalan Pal
LLM International Human Rights

The importance of change

We know that significant change doesn't happen overnight, it takes time. But we're not going to sit around and wait for change to come to us. We're a community of staff, students, and alumni with a shared desire to change the world for the better through contribution and becoming a part of the solution to today's problems.

We believe change is important for many reasons – it helps individuals and communities learn and grow, create possibilities and opportunities, and avoid stagnation. It pushes you out of your comfort zone, which although may be scary and uncomfortable at first, it can be equally exciting and forces you to move. Every change, no matter how big or small, could lead to progress which might benefit you, your family, or thousands of others.

How we're contributing

Essex has always been a home for free-thinkers and people who challenge established conventions, who find solutions to complex problems and who want to make a difference in the world around them. We are a dual-intensive university offering a transformational education with an equal commitment to excellence in education and excellence in research and we want people who will help us achieve our goals.

Many of our students are passionate about change. Whether it's about society, education, the environment, and so much more, our students are at the forefront of what keeps us moving forward. They help to reaffirm our goals and ambitions to make the world a better place.

"I want to work towards improving literacy. Access to education is the right of every child and I want to be actively involved. Each day that goes by with no progress is a day that we are taking away a child's opportunity to build the life they deserve. I also want careers in science and engineering to have no gender bias anywhere in the world."

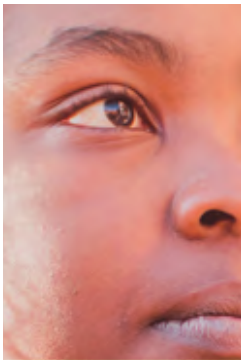
Maria Waheed
PhD Computer Science

"I would like to make a positive change in society by reducing re-offending and researching ways to reduce crime. I believe change is constantly occurring and we are able to shape it positively."

Uroosa Anjum
MSc Organised Crime, Terrorism and Security

OUR RESEARCH

> Our researchers address global challenges that generates new knowledge for the benefit of communities and society across the globe.
>
> Professor Chris Greer Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research)



Why research?

Research leads change, shapes our world and transforms the way we live our lives. Our research today will help fix what is broken and lay the foundations to define and build a better, more sustainable world for generations to come.

We believe in research which breaks down boundaries and cuts across disciplines to make unique connections and develop new perspectives.

Be curious and follow your passion, because that will lead you to interesting places so you can make valuable contributions on the issues you care about.

Why Essex?

Our strengths in social science research help us understand the social forces shaping our world and the changing patterns of our lives. We listen to the marginalised, support those who don't have a voice and we refuse to look away from the issues others think are too difficult. Our insights shape policies and solutions which really work for people and tackle inequality.

Our expertise in science and health research supports post-COVID recovery. We harness the latest technological developments, from biomarkers to artificial intelligence, to develop innovative solutions to global problems. We change lives.

Our insights into the humanities deliver alternative perspectives to problems in society. We champion human rights and challenge those who ignore them. We help people understand their place in the world and encourage them to understand different viewpoints.

As part of our research community, we'll help you develop your high-level skills, build your networks and enhance your professional knowledge so you can achieve your goals and change the world for the better.

Expertise and impact

At Essex, we are nurturing the next generation of researchers. We inspire curiosity to help create positive change. Our academics solve real-world problems and, as a result, our graduates have this in their DNA. They take our inquisitive nature out into the world, undertaking roles which make a difference and creating the global businesses and industries, communities and societies of the future.

We're shaping debates on global mental health law, developing the crops which will feed the world in the future, understanding the human rights implications of our surveillance culture and helping the developing world understand the potential benefits of data analytics.

Essex helps define the next generation of challenges, set agendas for addressing enduring and emerging questions. We lead the advancement of knowledge and develop innovative applications and ideas for the benefit of people, the environment, communities and society.

We make our research meaningful, harnessing relationships with business and the public sector by building powerful, outcome driven partnerships from individual businesses to national bodies.

COVID-19 GAME-CHANGER

Essex scientists have created a rapid primary screening tool for COVID-19 which can accurately diagnose people with the virus just by their cough.

Led by Essex academics, this research could bring about a quicker, cheaper and less invasive way of preliminary testing for the virus.

What sets this research apart from previous studies is the fact it has proved highly accurate at detecting the infection.

Using 8,380 clinically validated samples from hospitals in Spain and Mexico since April 2020 – 2,339 COVID-19 positive and 6,041 COVID-19 negative – the DeepCough3D screening tool proved to be 98% accurate in identifying whether the samples were positive or negative.

Dr Javier Andreu-Perez, the lead researcher, said:

"We are delighted with the promising results of this novel screening tool, which could prove a real game-changer and essential addition to our arsenal of tools to combat the pandemic as it is far less invasive than most other COVID-19 tests and also offers rapid results, paving the way to point-of-need pre-screening testing solutions."

The research involved using advanced methods of artificial intelligence and pattern recognition to analyse the sounds in time-frequency representations that are beyond the human perception, and the research team has been able to recognise symptomatic and asymptomatic coughs which are the result of this type of virus.

In addition to developing the COVID-19 recognition test using coughs, the researchers investigated utilising the tool to also recognise the extent of the infection in COVID-19 positive participants. They were able to classify the coughs into three severity levels to some degree, which could help with the effective management of healthcare facilities during a pandemic, such as ventilators. Check out our latest research online.

REINVENTING SLAVE TRADE TEACHING

Communicating the history of the slave trade to the public and in schools, with all its brutality and dehumanisation, in a way that is accessible and respectful, has long been a challenge.

A play about 130 slaves murdered on the slave-ship Zong in 1781 and on whom insurance was claimed, offered the chance to take a more creative approach to expressing slave trade history to the public and to schoolchildren.

A Peril of the Sea and its linked teaching resources have proved so successful that it has been provided to almost 200 schools and is supporting teacher training at a national level.

Sensitivity, accuracy, inclusivity and familiarity with the primary sources were urgently needed and these have been provided in the shape of A Peril of the Sea, a play based on the research of our historian, Professor Jeremy Krikler.

Professor Krikler has been studying slave trade history for many years. He realised the dramatic potential of his research and the need to find a creative way for wider audiences to engage with its issues. The play emerged from his desire to show the ethical conflicts and human trauma of the Zong story.

After the play was staged, Professor Krikler worked with educationalists and his work was adapted as a resource for schools and for teacher training.

This novel teaching method changes the way children can learn about slave trade history. It ensures pupils learn in an environment which encourages empathy and inclusivity, and where they learn that history can always be reinterpreted while they advance their grasp of key historical skills.

Teachers have commented that it has helped pupils overcome the **"**preconception that the past is in some way 'final' and cannot be reinterpreted.**"** Check out our latest research online.

CORAL REEF RESTORATION

Hope Reef, the world's largest coral reef restoration programme off the coast of Sulawesi, Indonesia, involves our Coral Reef Research Unit.

The reef, which can be seen on Google Earth, has been built to spell the word H-O-P-E and is a symbol to show the world how positive change can happen within our lifetime.

The programme aims to restore more than 185,000 square meters of coral reefs around the world by 2029 - roughly the size of 148 Olympic swimming pools.

Professor David Smith, Director of Essex's Coral Reef Research Unit and the Chief Marine Scientist involved with the project, said:

"We're thrilled to unveil Hope Reef and show that there really is hope for our oceans. Our efforts around the world to restore and regenerate these precious ecosystems are showing exciting results and having a positive impact on local communities, which we're delighted to see. We hope our efforts inspire others to join us so we can all play our part in helping to prevent the extinction of our coral reefs.**"**

Scientists estimate that if the world does nothing, 90% of the world's tropical reefs will be gone by 2043, impacting nearly 500 million people who depend on them for food, income and coastal protection.

Since the start of Hope Reef's restoration, coral cover has increased from 5 to 55%, fish abundance has increased and there has been the return of species such as sharks and turtles.

Providing a simple but effective solution, Hope Reef uses innovative 'Reef Star' technology - 90cm-wide, star-shaped, steel structures that are handmade by the local community in Indonesia. Each star is joined underwater to create a strong web that covers the seabed and provides a stable base for coral fragments to regrow. Check out our latest research online.

If you watch the Hope Reef story on YouTube, you'll be helping to raise money for reef restoration.

IMPATIENT FOR ANSWERS?

How do I apply?

Applying to Essex is simple, our online application form takes about 20 minutes to complete. See page 70.

Can I study online?

We are a campus-based university offering our students a distinctive on-campus living and learning experience. If you need to begin studying online due to the pandemic, we expect you to join us on campus as soon as you can. **essex.ac.uk/covid-19/applicants-information/starting-at-essex**

What is Essex doing to tackle the climate emergency?

The University has declared a climate and ecological emergency, recognising the need for urgent action. We are looking at everything we do to understand better how to reduce our environmental impact and to listen to voices from across our community. See page 33.

Are there childcare facilities?

Yes, our Wivenhoe Park Day Nursery is located at our Colchester Campus. See page 35.

What support is available for mature students?

The Mature Students' Network, run by the Students' Union, offers support and runs social events. See page 35.

Can I speak to current students?

Yes, many of our Student Ambassadors are available for you to chat with online. essex.ac.uk/life/chat

Can I get a part-time job on campus?

Yes, there are lots of opportunities from the SU shop, bar and restaurants to being a Student Ambassador. See page 58.

When do courses start?

Most courses start in either September or October; some also allow you to start in either January or April. Check out our list of courses from page 20.

How can I fund my studies?

We offer a range of scholarships and bursaries, and you may be entitled to a UK Government-backed loan. See page 66.

Can I get to campus by public transport?

Yes, our campuses are served by local bus services and have train or London Underground stations close by.

Do I get any benefits for being an Essex graduate?

We'll give you a loyalty discount of up to 33% on the tuition fee for your first year of postgraduate study. See page 67.

Can I visit Essex?

Yes, we'd love to meet you! We run campus tours and open days throughout the year. See page 77.

Who can help me find a job after my course?

Our Careers Services can help with everything from CV writing to interview skills. See page 57.

What are the tuition fees?

You can find your course fee under the fees and funding tab on the relevant course page on our website. **essex.ac.uk/subjects**

Do you offer placements or links with industry?

Some of our Masters courses include a professional placement. We work with a wide range of employers and aim to offer a variety of placement opportunities. Our Knowledge Transfer Partnerships also offer collaborations with businesses. See page 58.

Can I commute and park my car on campus?

Parking is available at our Colchester Campus and there are plenty of public car parks near our Southend and Loughton campuses.

How has Essex dealt with the COVID-19 pandemic?

We regularly update our COVID-19 webpages with the latest information. **essex.ac.uk/covid-19**

What accommodation is available?

Postgraduate students are guaranteed accommodation for their first year of study and we try to ensure that you'll be sharing with other like-minded postgraduate or mature students. Our team of Residents' Assistants are on hand to give you advice and support to help you settle in. See page 48.

Can I study part-time?

Yes, check out our list of courses from page 20 where you will be able to see which are offered part-time as well as full-time.

How much does accommodation cost?

We have options on campus which range from £105.21 to £216.72 per week. See page 50.

What mental health support is available?

Our Student Wellbeing and Inclusivity Service provides a range of support including workshops and counselling. See page 35.

Why should I come to Essex?

You'll be a member of our global community with access to support services, research and learning facilities, and extracurricular activities. See page 31.

IMPATIENT TO FIND YOUR COURSE?

OUR COURSES

Discover all of the taught courses and research degrees that we offer at Essex. Visit our website to read up on each one to learn more. For basic information on where our courses are located, when they start and how you can study, see the key below.

Key

Location	Key
Colchester	C
Southend	S
Loughton	L
Online only	O
Study mode	**Key**
Full-time (normally 12-months taught; 36-months research/doctorate)	FT
Part-time (normally 24-months taught; 72-months research/doctorate)	PT
Distance learning	D
Start month	**Key**
January	1
April	4
September	9
October	10
Other	**Key**
Course is subject to final approval	*
Undergraduate-level course suitable for those with no background in law	**
Taught by University of Essex Online in partnership with Essex Business School	***
Conversion course	X

Accounting, finance and banking

Taught courses	Key
MSc, MRes Accounting	C FT PT 10
MSc Accounting and Finance	C FT PT 10
MSc Accounting and Financial Management	C FT PT 10
MSc International Accounting and Banking	C FT PT 10
MSc Banking and Finance	C FT PT 10
MSc Finance	C FT PT 10
MRes Finance	C FT 10
MSc Finance and Data Analytics	C FT 10
MSc Finance and Global Trading	C FT 10
MSc Finance and Investment	C FT PT 10
MSc Finance and Management	C FT PT 10
MSc Financial Engineering and Risk Management	C FT PT 10
MSc Financial Technology (Finance)	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MPhil, PhD, Integrated PhD Accounting	C FT PT 10
MPhil, PhD Accounting and Finance	C FT PT 10
MPhil, PhD, Integrated PhD Finance	C FT PT 10

Acting and directing

Taught courses	Key
MA Acting	L FT PT 10
MA, MFA Acting (International)	L FT PT 10
MA, MFA Theatre Directing	L FT PT 10
MA Advanced Professional Theatre Practice	L FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
PhD Drama and Performance (Practice as Research)	L FT PT 10
PhD Drama and Performance	L FT PT 10

Actuarial science

Taught courses	Key
PG Dip, MSc Actuarial Science	C FT PT 10
PG Dip, MSc Mathematics and Finance	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
PhD, Integrated PhD Actuarial Science	C FT PT 10

Art history

Taught courses	Key
Grad Dip, MA Art History and Theory	C FT PT 10
MA Curating	C FT PT 10
MA Curating with Professional Placement	C FT 10
MA Heritage and Museum Studies	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MAD, MPhil, PhD Art History and Theory	C FT PT 10
PhD Curating	C FT PT 10

Biological sciences

Taught courses	Key
MSc Biotechnology	C FT 10
MSc Cancer Biology	C FT 10
MSc Data Analytics in Health Genomics	C FT 10
MSc Molecular Medicine	C FT 10
MSc Tropical Marine Biology	C FT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MSD, MPhil, PhD Biochemistry	C FT PT 10 1 4
MSD, MPhil, PhD Biological Sciences	C FT PT 10 1 4
MSD, MPhil, PhD Biological Sciences: Immunology	C FT PT 10 1 4
MSD, MPhil, PhD Cell and Molecular Biology	C FT PT 10 1 4
MSD, MPhil, PhD Microbiology	C FT PT 10 1 4
MSD, MPhil, PhD Molecular Medicine	C FT PT 10 1 4
MSD, MPhil, PhD Molecular Medicine: Medical Microbiology	C FT PT 10 1 4
Research degrees	**Key**
MSD, MPhil, PhD Marine Biology	C FT PT 10 1 4
Integrated PhD Tropical Marine Biology	C FT PT 10
MPhil, PhD Plant Biology	C FT PT 10 1 4
MSD, MPhil, PhD Environmental Biology	C FT PT 10 1 4
MSD, MPhil, PhD Environmental Sciences	C FT PT 10 1 4

Business and management

Taught courses	Key
Master in Business Management (MBM)	S FT PT 10 1
MSc Management	C FT PT 10
MSc Management (International)	C FT PT 10
MSc Global Project Management	S FT PT 10
MSc International Business and Entrepreneurship	S FT PT 10
MSc Entrepreneurship and Innovation	S FT PT 10
MSc Business Analytics	S FT PT 10 1
MSc International Logistics and Supply Chain Management	S FT PT 10
MSc Human Resource Management	C FT 10
MSc Organisational Change Management	C FT PT 10
PG Dip, MA Management and Organisational Dynamics	C FT PT 10
MRes Management and Organisation	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
PhD Business Analytics	S FT PT 10
Integrated PhD Business Administration	S FT PT 10
MPhil, PhD, Integrated PhD Management	C FT PT 10 1
PhD, Integrated PhD Management Studies	S FT PT 10
MPhil, PhD Human Resource Management and Organisation Studies	C FT PT 10 1
MSD, MPhil, PhD, Integrated PhD Entrepreneurship	S FT PT 10
MSD, MPhil, PhD Computational Finance	C FT PT 10 1 4

Childhood studies

Taught courses	Key
MA Childhood Studies	C FT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
PhD Childhood Studies	C FT PT 10

Clinical psychology

Professional doctorates	Key
Doctorate in Clinical Psychology (D Clin Psych)	C FT PT 9

Computational finance

Taught courses	Key
MSc Algorithmic Trading	C FT PT 10
MSc Computational Finance	C FT PT 10
MSc Financial Technology (Computer Science)	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MSD, MPhil, PhD Computational Finance	C FT PT 10 1 4

Computer science

Taught courses	Key
MSc Advanced Computer Science	C FT PT 10
MSc Artificial Intelligence	C FT PT 10 1
MSc Artificial Intelligence and its Applications	C FT PT 10 1 X
MSc Big Data and Text Analytics	C FT PT 10
MSc Computer Engineering	C FT PT 10
MSc Computer Games	C FT PT 10
MSc Financial Technology (Computer Science)	C FT PT 10
MSc Intelligent Systems and Robotics	C FT PT 10
MSc Internet of Things	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MSD, MPhil, PhD, Integrated PhD Computer Science	C FT PT 10 1 4

Creative writing

Taught courses	Key
MA Creative Writing	C FT PT 10
MA Literature and Creative Writing	C FT PT 10
MA Wild Writing: Literature, Landscape and the Environment	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MAD, MPhil, PhD Creative Writing	C FT PT 10 14

Criminology

Taught courses	Key
MA Criminology	C FT PT 10
MA Sociology and Criminology	C FT PT 10
MSc Criminology and Socio-Legal Research	C FT PT 10
MA, MSc Organised Crime, Terrorism and Security	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MPhil, Integrated PhD Criminology	C FT 10
PhD Criminology	C FT PT 10

Data analytics

Taught courses	Key
MSc Data Science	C FT PT 10
MSc Data Science with Professional Placement	C FT 10
MSc Applied Data Science	C FT PT 10 1 X
MSc Data Science and its Applications	C FT PT 10 1 X
MSc Statistics	C FT 10
PG Dip, MSc Statistics and Operational Research	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MPhil, PhD, Integrated PhD Data Science	C FT PT 10
MSD, MPhil, PhD, Integrated PhD Statistics	C FT PT 10 1
MSD, MPhil, PhD, Integrated PhD Operational Research	C FT PT 10 1
MSD, MPhil, PhD Biostatistics	C FT PT 10
PhD Bioinformatics	C FT PT 10

Drama

Taught courses	Key
MA Theatre Practice	C FT PT 10
MA Scriptwriting (Theatre and Digital Media)	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MAD, MPhil, PhD Theatre Studies	C FT PT 10 1
MPhil, PhD Theatre Studies (Playwriting)	C FT PT 10

Economics

Taught courses	Key
Grad Dip, MSc, MRes Economics	C FT 10
MSc Economics and Econometrics	C FT 10
MSc Behavioural Economics	C FT PT 10 1
MA, MSc International Economics	C FT PT 10
MA Management Economics	C FT PT 10
MSc Management Economics	C FT PT 10 1
MSc Economics with Data Analytics	C FT PT 10
MSc Applied Economics and Data Analysis	C FT PT 10
MSc Financial Economics	C FT 10
MA Financial Economics	C FT PT 10
MSc Financial Econometrics	C FT 10
MSc Financial Economics and Econometrics	C FT 10
MSc Financial Technology (Economics)	C FT PT 10
MSc Financial Economics and Accounting	C FT PT 10
MSc Financial and Business Economics	C FT PT 10
MSc Money and Banking	C FT PT 10
MA Economics with Public Policy*	C FT PT 10
MA International Development	C FT PT 10
MSc Quantitative International Development	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
PhD Economics	C FT PT 10
Integrated PhD Economics	C FT 10

Engineering

Taught courses	Key
MSc Computer Engineering	C FT PT 10
MSc Computer Networks and Security	C FT PT 10
MSc Electronic Engineering	C FT PT 10
MSc Global Communication Systems	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
Integrated PhD Engineering	C FT PT 10
MSD, MPhil, PhD Applied Physics	C FT 10 1 4
MSD, MPhil, PhD Computing and Electronic Systems	C FT PT 10 1 4
MSD, MPhil, PhD Electronic Systems Engineering	C FT PT 10 1 4

English language and english language teaching

Taught courses	Key
MA English Language and Linguistics	C FT PT 10
MA Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
PhD English Language Teaching	C FT PT 10
PhD Linguistics	C FT PT 10
Integrated PhD Linguistics	C FT 10

Environment

Taught courses	Key
MA, MSc Environmental Futures with Climate Change	C FT 10
MA Environment, Society and Culture	C FT PT 10
MA Wild Writing: Literature, Landscape and the Environment	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MSD, MPhil, PhD Environmental Biology	C FT PT 10 1 4
MSD, MPhil, PhD Environmental Sciences	C FT PT 10 1 4

Film studies

Taught courses	Key
MA Film Studies	C FT PT 10
MA Film and Literature	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MAD, MPhil, PhD Film Studies	C FT PT 10 1 4
MPhil, PhD Film Studies (Creative Practice)	C FT PT 10

Health and social care

Taught courses	Key
MSc Global Public Health	C FT PT 10
MSc Health Research	C FT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MPhil, PhD Applied Psychology	C FT PT 10
MPhil, PhD Health and Organisational Research	C FT PT 10
MSD, MPhil, PhD Health Studies	C FT 10
MSD, MPhil, PhD Nursing Studies	C FT PT 10
MSD, MPhil, PhD Public Health	C FT PT 10
MSD, MPhil, PhD Social Policy	C FT PT 10
Professional doctorates	**Key**
Doctorate in Health Care Education	C FT 10
Doctorate in Health Service Management	C FT 10
Doctorate in Nursing	C FT 10
Doctorate in Public Health (Health Visiting)	C FT 10

History

Taught courses	Key
PG Cert History	C FT 10
MA History	C FT PT 10
MA War, Culture and Society	C FT PT 10
MA History, Power and Identity	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MAD, MPhil, PhD History	C FT PT 10

Hospitality and events management

Taught courses	Key
MSc International Hospitality Management	C FT 10

Human rights

Taught courses	Key
LLM International Human Rights Law	C FT PT 10
LLM International Human Rights Law (Economic Relations)	C FT 10
LLM International Humanitarian Law	C FT PT 10
LLM Corporate Responsibility	C FT PT 10
LLM Economic, Social and Cultural Rights	C FT PT 10
MA Theory and Practice of Human Rights	C FT PT 10
MA Human Rights and Cultural Diversity	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
PhD Human Rights	C FT PT 10 1
PhD Human Rights and Research Methods	C FT PT 10 1 4

Journalism

Research degrees	Key
MSD, MPhil, PhD Journalism	C FT PT 10 1 4

Law

Taught courses	Key
LLM International Law	C FT PT 10 1
LLM Corporate Responsibility	C FT PT 10
LLM International Commercial and Business Law	C FT PT 10
LLM International Commercial and Business Law with Professional Placement	C FT 10
LLM Maritime Law	C FT PT 10
LLM International Trade Law	C FT PT 10
LLM International Trade and Maritime Law	C FT PT 10
LLM International Trade and Maritime Law with Professional Placement	C FT 10
LLM Economic, Social and Cultural Rights	C FT PT 10
LLM International Human Rights Law	C FT PT 10
LLM International Human Rights Law with Economic Relations	C FT 10
LLM International Humanitarian Law	C FT PT 10
LLB Law (Senior Status)**	C FT 10 X
Research degrees	**Key**
MPhil, PhD Law	C FT PT 10 1 4

Linguistics

Taught courses	Key
MA Linguistics	C FT PT 10
MRes Linguistics	C FT 10
MA Applied Linguistics	C FT PT 10
MA Linguistic Studies	C FT PT 10
MA English Language and Linguistics	C FT PT 10
MA Psycholinguistics	C FT PT 10
MRes Experimental Linguistics	C FT 10
MRes Analysing Language Use	C FT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MAD, PhD Linguistics	C FT PT 10
MPhil, Integrated PhD Linguistics	C FT 10
MAD, MPhil, PhD Applied Linguistics	C FT PT 10
Integrated PhD Applied Linguistics	C FT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
PhD Experimental Linguistics	C FT PT 10
MPhil, PhD Psycholinguistics	C FT PT 10
Integrated PhD Psycholinguistics	C FT 10
MPhil, PhD Sociolinguistics	C FT PT 10
Integrated PhD Sociolinguistics	C FT 10
MPhil, PhD Analysing Language Use	C FT PT 10

Literature

Taught courses	Key
MA Literature	C FT PT 10
MA Literature and Creative Writing	C FT PT 10
MA American Literatures	C FT PT 10
MA Modern and Contemporary Literature	C FT PT 10
MA Wild Writing: Literature, Landscape and the Environment	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MAD, MPhil, PhD Literature	C FT PT 10 1 4

Marketing

Taught courses	Key
MSc Marketing and Brand Management	C FT PT 10
MSc International Marketing and Entrepreneurship	S FT PT 10
MSc Management (Marketing)	C FT PT 10

Mathematics

Taught courses	Key
Grad Dip, MSc Mathematics	C FT PT 10
PG Dip, MSc Mathematics and Finance	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MSD, MPhil, PhD, Integrated PhD Mathematics	C FT PT 10
MSD, MPhil, PhD Pure Mathematics	C FT PT 10
MSD, MPhil, PhD Applied Mathematics	C FT PT 10 1 4
MSD, MPhil, PhD Mathematical Biology	C FT PT 10

MBA (Master of Business Administration)

Taught courses	Key
The Essex MBA	C FT (1 year) 10 1
The Essex Executive MBA	C PT (2-3 years) 10 1
The Essex MBA Online***	O PT (2-3 years) 10 1

Occupational therapy

Taught courses	Key
MSc Occupational Therapy (pre-registration)	C FT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MSD, MPhil, PhD Occupational Therapy	C FT PT 10
Professional doctorates	**Key**
Doctorate in Occupational Therapy	C FT PT 10

Oral health sciences

Taught courses	Key
PG Dip, MSc Periodontology	C PT 9
PG Dip, MSc Advanced Periodontal Practice	C PT 9

Philosophy

Taught courses	Key
MA Philosophy	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MAD, MPhil, PhD Philosophy	C FT PT 10 1 4

Physiotherapy

Taught courses	Key
MSc Physiotherapy (pre-registration)	C FT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MPhil, PhD Physiotherapy	C FT PT 10 1 4
MPhil, PhD Musculoskeletal Practice	C FT PT 10
Professional doctorates	**Key**
Doctorate in Physiotherapy	C FT 10

Politics and international relations

Taught courses	Key
MA Politics	C FT PT 10
Graduate Diploma Politics	C FT 10
MA, MSc International Relations	C FT PT 10
MRes International Relations	C FT 10
MA, MSc Conflict Resolution	C FT PT 10
MA United States Politics	C FT PT 10
MA, MSc Global and Comparative Politics	C FT PT 10
MA Ideology and Discourse Analysis	C FT PT 10
MA, MSc, MRes Political Economy	C FT PT 10
MA, MSc, MRes Political Science	C FT PT 10
MA Political Theory	C FT PT 10
Taught courses	**Key**
MA, MSc Public Opinion and Political Behaviour	C FT PT 10
MSc Social Data Science	C FT PT 10
MSc Politics, Communications and Data Analytics	C FT 10
MA, MSc Environmental Futures with Climate Change	C FT 10
The Essex MPP (Master of Public Policy)	C FT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MPhil, PhD, Integrated PhD Government	C FT PT 10
PhD Ideology and Discourse Analysis	C FT PT 10

Psychological wellbeing

Taught courses	Key
Grad Cert, PG Cert Psychological Wellbeing Practitioner (Low Intensity)	C PT 9

Psychology

Taught courses	Key
MSc Psychology	C FT 10 1 X
MSc Cognitive Neuroscience and Neuropsychology	C FT 10
MSc Research Methods in Psychology	C FT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MSD, MPhil, PhD, Integrated PhD Psychology	C FT PT 10 1 4
Integrated PhD Psychology with Cognitive Neuroscience and Neuropsychology	C FT PT O

Psychosocial and psychoanalytic studies

Taught courses	Key
MA Psychoanalytic Studies	C FT PT 10
Grad Dip Psychodynamic Approaches	C FT PT 10
MA Psychodynamic Counselling	C FT PT 10
MA Jungian and Post-Jungian Studies	C FT PT D 10
MA Refugee Care	C FT PT D 10
PG Dip, MA Management and Organisational Dynamics	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MPhil, PhD Psychosocial Studies	C FT PT D 10 1 4
PhD Psychoanalytic Studies	C FT PT 10
MAD, PhD Refugee Care	C FT PT 10
Professional doctorates	**Key**
Doctorate in Analytical Psychology	C FT 10
Doctorate in Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy	C FT 10
Doctorate in Psychodynamic Psychotherapy	C FT 10
Doctorate in Psychodynamic Counselling	C FT 10

Social and economic research

Taught courses	Key
MSc Applied Economics and Data Analysis	C FT PT 10
MSc Survey Methods for Social Research	C FT PT 10
MSc Sociological Research Methods	C FT PT 10
MSc Health Research	C FT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MPhil, PhD Applied Social and Economic Research	C FT PT 10
MPhil, PhD Economics	C FT PT 10
MPhil, PhD Health Research	C FT PT 10
MPhil, PhD Survey Methodology	C FT PT 10

Social work

Taught courses	Key
MA Social Work	C FT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MSD, MPhil, PhD Social Work	C FT PT 10
Professional doctorates	**Key**
Doctorate in Social Care Education	C FT 10
Doctorate in Social Services Management	C FT 10

Sociology

Taught courses	Key
MA Sociology	C FT PT 10
MA Sociology and Criminology	C FT PT 10
MA Sociological Research Methods	C FT PT 10
MSc Survey Methods for Social Research	C FT PT 10
MA Advertising, Marketing and the Media	C FT PT 10
MA, MSc Migration Studies	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MAD, MPhil, PhD, Integrated PhD Sociology	C FT PT 10

Speech and language therapy

Taught courses	Key
MSc Speech and Language Therapy (pre-registration)	C FT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MPhil, PhD Speech and Language Therapy	C FT PT 10
Professional doctorates	**Key**
Doctorate in Speech and Language Therapy	C FT 10

Sport and exercise

Taught courses	Key
MSc Sport and Exercise Science	C FT PT 10
MSc Sport and Exercise Psychology	C FT PT 10
MSc Coaching Science	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
MSD, MPhil, PhD Sport and Exercise Science	C FT PT 10 1 4
MSD, MPhil, PhD Sport and Exercise Psychology	C FT PT 10 1 4
MSD, MPhil, PhD Sport and Exercise Medicine	C FT PT 10 1 4
MSD, MPhil, PhD Sports Therapy	C FT PT 10
MSD, MPhil, PhD Health and Exercise Sciences	C FT PT 10
MSD, MPhil, PhD Health and Physical Activity	C FT PT 10
Professional doctorates	**Key**
Doctorate in Sport and Exercise Science	C FT 10
Doctorate in Sport Performance and Coaching	C FT 10
Doctorate in Sports Therapy	C FT 10

Translation and interpreting

Taught courses	Key
MA Conference Interpreting and Translation (Chinese-English)	C FT 10
MA Advanced Interpreting with Specialised Translation (Chinese-English)	C FT 10
PG Dip Chinese-English Translation and Interpreting	C FT 10
MA Chinese-English Translation and Professional Practice	C FT PT 10
MA Translation, Interpreting and Subtitling	C FT PT 10
MA Audiovisual and Literary Translation	C FT PT 10
MA Translation and Professional Practice	C FT PT 10
Research degrees	**Key**
PhD Translation Studies (Translation, Interpreting and Subtitling)	C FT PT 10

Continuing Professional Development

For information on the CPD and short courses we offer, see page 62.

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WHY ESSEX?

At Essex you gain more than just a degree. You'll be a member of our global community with access to a wide range of support services, research and learning facilities, and extracurricular activities that will make your time with us some of the best years of your life.

A global outlook

Internationalism is central to everything we do. We are ranked 4th in the UK for international outlook (Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2021) and at Essex you'll find the world in one place.

Our international outlook is evident in our research, changing the world for the better. We also embed internationalism into our teaching, encouraging students to become global citizens and to spend time studying or working abroad. Our student body represents over 140 nationalities and supports over 30 different cultural societies.
essex.ac.uk/global

An inclusive community

We're proud of our inclusive Essex spirit, and we work hard to create a living, learning and working environment that enables you to bring your whole self to university. Whatever your age, gender, ethnicity or sexual orientation; wherever you come from; whether you have a disability or not; whether you follow a religion or not; you can be yourself at Essex and expect to be treated with dignity and respect.

Our commitment to inclusion is recognised through our status as a University of Sanctuary, Disability Confident Employer, Mindful Employer, Stonewall Top 100 Employer, and work on equality charters, including our Bronze institutional Athena Swan award, and membership of the Race Equality Charter, which we are currently working towards.

Students' Union (SU)

Our SU represents students to make sure that you're getting the very best education and that your voice is heard in every decision that affects you. Students come to Essex because they want to make a change in the world, no matter how big or small. For the time you spend with us, we are here to help you start making that change. We work together to make sure your time at Essex is incredible, by organising events, supporting you through your course, and running some of the best venues on campus.

Societies

There are over 100 societies at Essex, all part of a diverse, welcoming and friendly community where you can find almost anything to take part in outside of your studies. There are seven different types of societies: activities, arts, cultural, departmental, musical, political and representation, and religious. And, if we don't have a group that represents your interests, the SU will help you set up your own.
essexstudent.com/societies

Volunteering

If you want to give your time, skills and all-round awesomeness to a special cause, you need to join the VTeam. The volunteering branch of the SU can connect you with all kinds of projects; why not run a coding session for kids, clean up local beaches, or lend a hand at the zoo?
essexstudent.com/volunteering

Languages for All

We want you to add your voice to today's global conversation, so we make language learning easy. With our Languages for All programme you can learn a language alongside your course at no extra cost for a year. Depending on the campus you're studying at, you can choose from Arabic, French, German, Japanese, Mandarin Chinese, Russian or Spanish.
essex.ac.uk/life/student-services/learn-a-language

We debate the issues that matter most.

Data Science for All

We offer you free data science training in response to the increasing need for expertise in data analysis. Our short data science courses provide added support for new and returning Essex students.
essex.ac.uk/life/student-services/learn-data-science

Sharing new ideas

Throughout the year, our THINK series of debates engages with the issues that matter most today. Open to all, each debate welcomes a panel of guest speakers to introduce their views before the floor is opened for discussion. From sex work to climate change and from capitalism to global population, nothing is off limits. Having won the Guardian University Award for Student Experience in 2016, our THINK series continues to challenge convention at every opportunity.

Sustainability

In 2020 we declared a climate and ecological emergency and are consulting with staff and students on a Climate Action Plan to combat our environmental impact. We have a dedicated Sustainability Team who are committed to improving the University's environmental performance.

This prospectus is made with FSC carbon-neutral paper and we are moving printed material to digital platforms whenever possible. When you're finished with this prospectus, save the trees and pass it on to a friend, leave it in a careers library or pop it in your recycling bin.
essex.ac.uk/sustainability

STUDENT WELFARE

Starting a postgraduate degree is a huge commitment – but everyday life can't stay paused in the meantime. We are here for you if you need some information, advice or support to succeed, stay healthy and happy.

Student Services Hub

Each of our three campuses have a dedicated Student Services Hub, where you can get answers to your questions and receive the help you need. Talk confidentially to our friendly and experienced staff in whichever way is convenient for you, either in person, online, or by phone. Our staff provide support and guidance for your wellbeing, as well as practical advice, including funding and immigration, amongst other things.

Mental and emotional health

Our Student Wellbeing and Inclusivity Service is here to help, and you can access our drop-in service without making an appointment. We also offer counselling with a partner organisation that you can access via telephone or Zoom. We run workshops and seminars on topics such as managing study-related stress and anxiety and can refer you to specialist services when needed.

Access and disability

If you have a disability, medical condition or specific learning difficulty, a specialist adviser will be on hand to talk you through alternative exam arrangements, lecture recordings, assistive software, access and more. You'll also have a specific contact within your department and an SU Disabled Students' Officer to represent you.

Department support

Your academic department will provide you with a range of support services which will enable you to discuss specific course issues with your lecturers. You'll be assigned a Personal Tutor (if you're a taught student) or a Supervisor (if you're a research student) as well as a Peer Mentor (who is an existing student) who will help you with any academic, personal, or practical issues you may have.

Mature Students' Network

Around 43% of all our postgraduates are mature students (which means they are at least 25 years old). This means we have a real understanding of the challenges that come when combining studies with other responsibilities. As a mature postgraduate student, you are automatically enrolled into the Mature Students' Network, which is run by our SU. It's a support network, research sharing platform and a social group.
essexstudent.com/communities/maturestudentshub

Faith Centres

Essex is the world in one place, so we bring together a mix of faiths and beliefs from across the globe. Our Faith Centres at Colchester and Southend are places to practice or explore faith, either on campus or by connecting staff or students to a local place of worship.
essex.ac.uk/life/student-facilities/religion-and-faith

Health and childcare

You have access to our well-established night-time support service, Nightline, and an on-campus NHS health centre. If you require childcare during your time at Essex, we also have a high-quality day-time nursery at our Colchester Campus. The nursery is open all year round and provides childcare and education for children aged three months to five years, as well as a summer holiday club for children aged five to eight years old.

OUR CAMPUSES

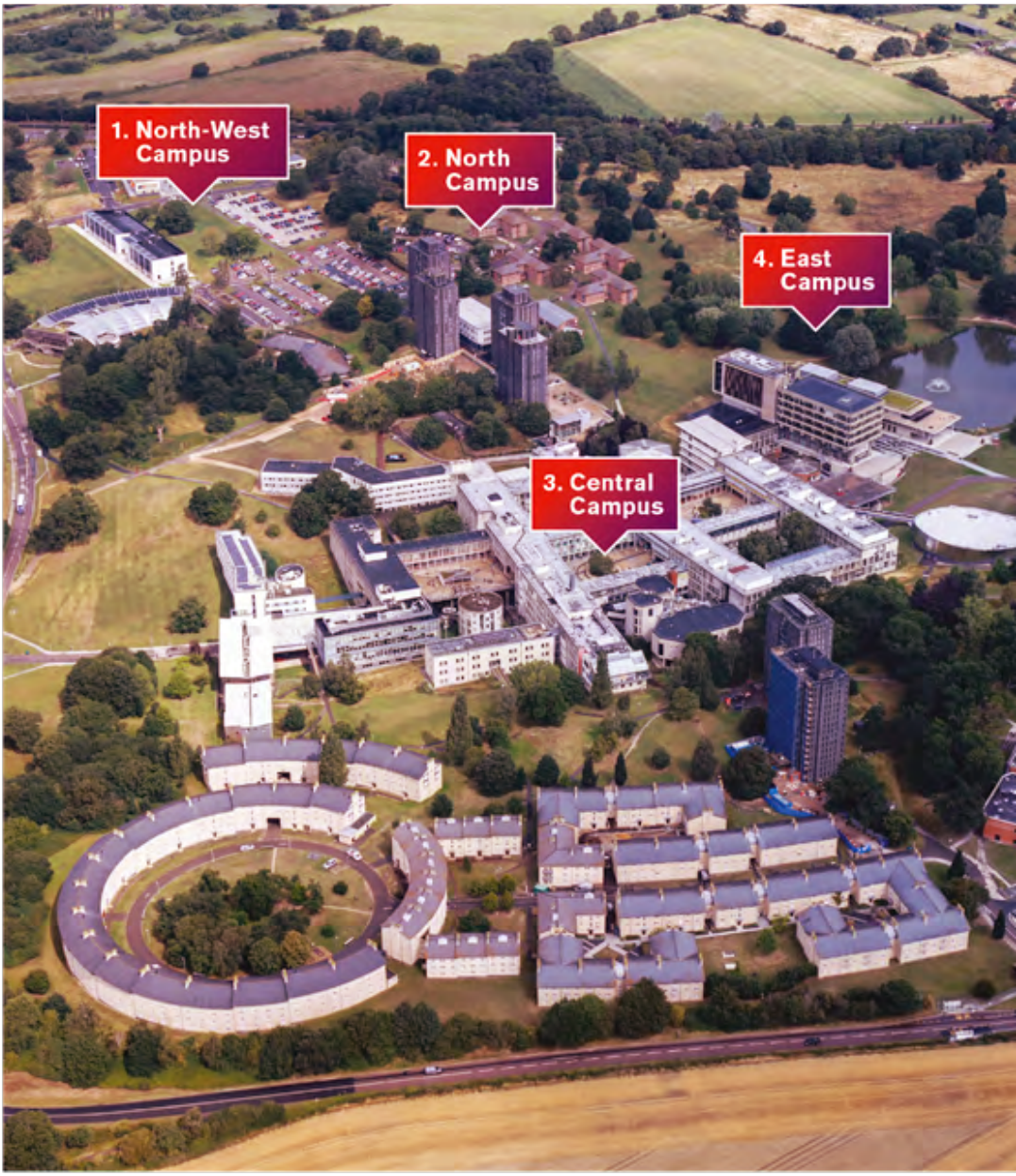
The University is spread across the county of Essex with three campuses in Colchester, Southend-on-Sea and Loughton.

C Colchester

S Southend

L Loughton

COLCHESTER CAMPUS



1. North-West Campus

- Accommodation: University Quays and The Meadows
- Essex Business School
- Day Nursery
- Knowledge Gateway
- Innovation Centre

2. North Campus

- Accommodation: North Towers
- Health Centre
- Three teaching facilities

3. Central Campus

- Lecture Theatre Building
- Academic departments
- Lecture and seminar rooms
- Students' Union
- Bars, cafés and restaurants
- Shops and Post Office
- Postgraduate Common Room
- STEM Centre

4. East Campus

- Silberrad Student Centre and SU Creative Studios
- Albert Sloman Library
- Ivor Crewe Lecture Hall
- Lakeside Theatre and Café
- Parkland and lakes

5. South-East Campus

- Sport Arena, Centre and Gym
- Synthetic turf pitch
- Tennis courts

6. Wivenhoe Park

- Wivenhoe House Hotel
- Brasserie Restaurant
- International College
- Edge Hotel School
- Essex Collection of Art from Latin America (ESCALA)
- Campus allotment
- Sports pitches and parkland

Located within Wivenhoe Park, our Colchester Campus is surrounded by beautiful landscapes and wildlife, providing the perfect place to study, live and relax. You'll have everything you need to call our campus 'home', with a large library, shops, a Post Office, hairdressers, restaurants and bars, and even a cinema!

Our campus community

Our Colchester Campus is at the heart of what makes your Essex experience. Study in our state-of-the-art computer labs, stay up all night in our 24-hour library or break out with course mates in our group workspaces. Take a walk through our Green Flag award-winning 200 acres of parkland or watch a film at Cine10.

Study spaces and facilities

The Silberrad Student Centre is home to our Student Services Hub – your go-to place for any questions. It's also a fantastic contemporary space for you to study, with 24-hour access to learning pods, a reading room overlooking one of our beautiful lakes, and our Students' Union Creative Studios, which includes two radio studios, a newsroom and a TV studio.

The Albert Sloman Library offers you 24-hour access to study facilities, live chat, one-to-one sessions with librarians, skills workshops and countless online resources. There's also a postgraduate workspace on the ground floor.

We're a member of the SCONUL Access Scheme, which means you can borrow books from other libraries – great if you're working away from campus.

Located near Central Campus, our Postgraduate Common Room is a great place to unwind, or get some work done with friends.
essex.ac.uk/life/student-facilities/study-facilities

Food on campus

We have over ten outlets and street huts serving a wide range of delicious meals that include seasonal produce. We're proud of the diversity of our options, with food from all over the world. We're also committed to protecting the planet by choosing ethically sourced, sustainable, and local produce, as well as offering a variety of plant-based options. Each Thursday our Students' Union hosts market stalls for local suppliers to share their products with you, from vegan wraps to spicy curries, cakes and cheeses to fresh fruit and vegetables. Our bars and restaurants are perfect if you want to hang out with your friends or just grab a bite to eat between lectures.

You'll have everything you need to call campus 'home'.

Arts on campus

We bring both internationally famous and emerging artists into the heart of our campus, and offer you the chance to work with them. We're the proud home of Art Exchange, a gallery which hosts exhibitions by artists who inspire us, push the boundaries and comment on the world around us, and our Lakeside Theatre which hosts internationally acclaimed plays, live music, and performances by our own talented students.

We also have a world-renowned Latin American art collection, ESCALA, which is unique in Europe. It gives you unparalleled access to art from Latin America for researchers of all disciplines. Our teaching and research space gives students the opportunity to experience our creative object-based learning approach as part of taught modules and extracurricular activities.
essex.ac.uk/life/student-facilities/arts-and-culture

Sport on campus

We believe that the health and wellbeing of our students is a number one priority. Our focus is to provide a wide range of facilities and sporting activities that are accessible to everyone, suitable for all ability levels, and, most of all, fun. After all, our research here at Essex shows that exercise can have a positive impact on your mental health and boost your employability skills.

We have a great range of indoor and outdoor facilities including a gym equipped with cutting-edge Technogym equipment, fitness studios, a climbing wall, and courts for sports such as volleyball and badminton. We also boast 40 acres of outdoor sport areas consisting of an 18-hole disc golf course, all-weather tennis courts, and pitches for 5-a-side football. Plus, if you're looking to meet new people or learn a new skill, our dedicated Active Campus programme of casual sports, learn-to sessions, and leagues and tournaments are also available to all Essex students.

Our 1,655-seat Sport Arena has been built to international sporting standards and is equipped with facilities that allow for the broadcast of live television events. As well as providing the space for badminton, netball, volleyball, and basketball courts, the Arena is also the home to the Essex Rebels, the professional men and women's basketball teams who compete with some of the top teams in the country. Our Students' Union also runs over 50 sports clubs, so even if you're a complete beginner, there is bound to be something to get you active at Essex.
essex.ac.uk/life/student-facilities/sport-and-fitness

SOUTHEND CAMPUS

1. The Forum

- The Learning Hub
- Student Services
- Public and academic library
- Lecture and seminar rooms

2. The Gateway Building

- Academic departments
- Lecture and seminar rooms
- Students' Union lounge

3. Southend Central Station

- Connections to Leigh-on-Sea, London and Lakeside Shopping Centre

4. University Square Accommodation

- Supermarket
- International shops

5. High Street

- Cinema
- Cafés and restaurants
- Post Office
- Chain stores and independent shops

6. Southend Victoria Station

- Connections to Colchester, London and Southend Airport for flights across Europe

7. Clifftown Theatre

- East 15 Acting School
- Prittlewell Square Gardens
- The Railway Hotel music venue

8. Seafront

- Southend Pier
- Adventure Island amusement park
- Beach and promenade

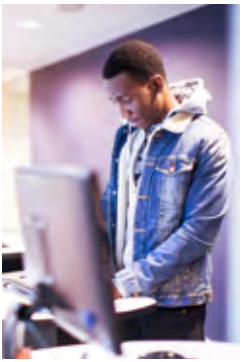
Southend-on-Sea is a vibrant and modern seaside town and our campus sits right at the heart of it. With seven miles of coastline, an international airport close by, a thriving arts and cultural scene, and a wide variety of restaurants and nightlife all on your doorstep, it's a great place to live and study.

Community spirit

Full of cultural diversity, our Southend Campus offers a close-knit, international community from around the world. Our social venue, the SU Lounge, which is run and owned by students is your home-from-home and the ideal spot to grab a snack, relax and catch up with friends, play some games or get stuck into a new book. On the first floor, you can find The Mezz – a social space that stays open after the SU Lounge closes.

As a town-centre campus, Southend combines all the conveniences of modern, urban living with state-of-the-art facilities to offer you a superb learning environment.

Our Southend Campus is home to students in our School of Health and Social Care, East 15 Acting School, Department of Psychosocial and Psychoanalytic Studies, and Essex Business School. If you're interested in a course in one of these departments, you may be living and learning in Southend.



Southend is a great place to live and study.

Things to do

Head to the beach for traditional seaside fun and thrills, catch a film at the cinema, relax in one of the many lovely parks or immerse yourself in our fantastic live music and theatre scene; you'll never be stuck for something to do in Southend.

With the town's High Street on your doorstep, you don't have to go far to enjoy a spot of retail therapy or your favourite restaurant. With more than 300 places to eat, you'll have plenty to choose from!

Close to our campus, Clifftown Theatre is home to the East 15 Acting School in Southend. Set in a converted Gothic Church, it presents an eclectic programme of events with discounted rates for students.

If you're into theatre and performance arts, this is definitely a place not to miss. If you love a sporting challenge or just like to keep fit, there are a huge variety of activities on offer, from hitting the gym to yoga and everything in between. Feeling adventurous and want to try something new? Why not learn to dive in world class facilities or ride one of the UK's top mountain biking trails at Hadleigh Country Park? Whatever your level or ability, there is something for everyone.

Study spaces and facilities

The Forum is home to an integrated public and academic library, our Student Services Hub, plus all our student support services in one convenient place. From quiet reading spaces to technology-driven group study pods, there are a range of spaces dedicated to different styles of learning.

The Gateway Building is where you will find our academic departments. There are also group working pods and quiet study spaces here, including a PhD room.
essex.ac.uk/life/student-facilities/study-facilities

LOUGHTON CAMPUS

Dedicated to our East 15 Acting School, our Loughton Campus sits on the east edge of London, providing access to both the rich, cultural diversity of the British capital city and an attractive and peaceful setting in which to study.

Train for a career on stage or behind the scenes.

Facilities

A beautiful Georgian house, Hatfields, is the heart of our Loughton Campus. Set in five acres of green land, the site boasts 28 rehearsal spaces, a dance studio, radio recording room, a large café and common room, computer facilities, library, screening rooms and the school's own, fully equipped theatre.

Based on the Hatfields site, the Corbett Theatre is a unique performance and learning space, recently kitted out with a brand-new industry-standard sound system. The theatre is a converted barn, transformed into seating for 130 people, equipped with dressing rooms and full technical facilities. East 15 host many public performances throughout the year, alongside lectures, rehearsals and technical classes.

Roding House is a new facility containing the School's Joan Littlewood Studio Theatre, ten rehearsal rooms, a green room, sound recording studio, video editing suite and a costume department.

Home to our Stage and Production Management Department, our Unit Four facility contains a large workshop, paint shop, prop department and teaching spaces.

Accommodation

Our East 15 students at our Loughton Campus live and study in the local area and our Student Services Team are here to help with any questions you may have. Choose between a shared house, living with a landlord or letting a whole house.

More info is available by joining the 'East 15 – Living in Loughton' Facebook group or by emailing **askthehub-lc@essex.ac.uk**.

ACCOMMODATION

We place equal importance on living and learning, which is why all students are guaranteed accommodation for their first year of study. To guarantee yours, make sure you've had your place confirmed, you accept your offer of study, and your accommodation application is received by the deadline published on our website.

Living on campus

Wi-Fi, heating, hot water, contents insurance, electricity and the cleaning of communal areas are all included in your rent. Also included, for those living on our Colchester Campus, is an Essex Sport Silver membership package. Rooms are normally let for 50 weeks in a single year for postgraduate students from late September to the following September, which means that even if you're away from the University during the winter and spring vacations, you don't have to remove your things from your room.

We also offer:

- Single gender flats
- Adapted rooms
- Self-contained accommodation for single or double occupancy
- Shared twin en suite rooms and studios

We cannot guarantee accommodation for first-year students who are accompanied by a partner, but we'll do our very best to help. Just make sure you get in touch as early as you can if you think you need to talk to us about any of this.
askthehub@essex.ac.uk

Please be aware that the accommodation costs on the following pages show the 2021-22 costs per week. It's likely that our rental charges for 2022-23 will increase from these amounts.

Residence life

We have a team of full-time staff and part-time student-staff known as Residents' Assistants (RAs). Our Residence Life scheme is designed to help make sure you have a positive experience whilst living and learning at Essex. An RA can provide you with advice and support, and signpost you to additional support if needed. They can also help you connect with your Essex community by providing events for you to meet new people and make connections.

Living nearby

Our Students' Union offers a house-finding service, called SU Homes, from our Colchester Campus. They provide support for students planning to or living off campus, including helping you to find your ideal property, and completing property and landlord checks to ensure your safety.

Living at home

Whilst there are lots of benefits to living on campus, you may decide it makes more sense for you to stay at home. With a jam-packed programme of social events, plus hundreds of clubs and societies, you'll still be as much a part of student life as your friends who live on campus.

UNIVERSITY QUAYS

You'll have peaceful surroundings and a pleasant walk to campus.

Cost per week: £151.69 - £216.72
Location: Colchester Campus

- En suite facilities
- 15-minute walk to campus
- 4 – 8 rooms per flat
- Premium rooms (bigger bed) and double rooms available

NORTH TOWERS

The closest place to live to the middle of campus.

Cost per week: £105.21
Location: Colchester Campus

- Shared bathroom facilities
- 2-minute walk to campus
- 5 – 14 rooms per flat

For information on accommodation at our Loughton Campus, please see page 47.

THE MEADOWS

Enjoy a relaxed atmosphere and a short walk to central campus.

Cost per week: £158.69 - £199.01
Location: Colchester Campus

- En suite facilities
- 10-minute walk to campus
- 5 – 7 rooms per flat
- All rooms have a small double bed

UNIVERSITY SQUARE

Based next to our main campus buildings in the heart of Southend.

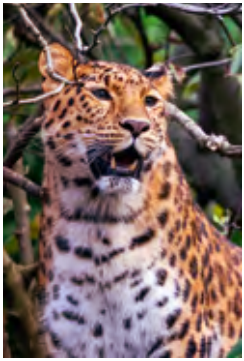
Cost per week: £152.67 - £188.30
Location: Southend Campus

- En suite facilities
- 5 minutes from main university buildings and the town centre
- 4 –11 rooms per flat
- Studio rooms and adapted studios available

BEYOND CAMPUS

Essex has so much to offer. Superb venues for arts, music and culture. Independent shops and great nightlife. Countryside walks and coastline water sports. There's so much to see and do – and more to explore when you travel further afield.

The perfect environment for study and socialising.



Colchester

Colchester is the oldest recorded town in Britain with centuries of fascinating history but also the modern conveniences that make the town a wonderful place to live. From theatre and live comedy to vintage shopping and bustling markets, Colchester is a thriving regional hub for culture and leisure – and we're less than an hour into central London by train.

Explore our history as the Roman capital of Britain and uncover the secrets that lie within Colchester Castle. Tucked away in other corners of the town are Roman Walls, priory ruins, witch-trial legends and the iconic water tower, Jumbo. For contemporary culture, head to arts venue Firstsite, which recently won the Art Fund Museum of the Year 2021, rewarding the extraordinary and innovative ways in which the museum has served and connected with the community. You can also see a play at the newly-refurbished Mercury Theatre, while the Odeon and Curzon screen blockbusters and art-house classics for your viewing pleasure.

Head to the High Street for your favourite big brands or the quirky lanes for indie boutiques. Going out-out? There are pubs and clubs galore, and top gigs at Colchester Arts Centre.

On a sunny day chill at Castle Park, visit Colchester Zoo or maybe head to picturesque Wivenhoe for a drink on the quay. Visit Constable Country, where John Constable painted some of his most famous artworks, or take a peaceful rowing boat or paddleboard out in Dedham, along the River Stour. But there's no need for rain to stop play – Rollerworld, Jump Street and Dice and a Slice are all student favourites.

And there's more! Water sports on Mersea Island, seaside fun at Clacton, miles of beautiful coast and acres of countryside – and all just a short train ride from London.

University life by the sea.

Southend

With an abundance of coastline and green open spaces, a rich cultural heritage and exciting entertainment – there is so much to offer both on and off campus, you'll be spoilt for choice in Southend!

Head to the seafront and enjoy some mood-boosting sea air. Wander down the longest pleasure pier in the world, grab an ice cream or try your hand at a range of water sports for the ultimate adrenaline fix. Further along the coast, Leigh-on-Sea with its quaint Old Town and bustling Broadway full of independent shops, bars and cafes is perfect for people-watching or an evening out and is just ten minutes from Southend by train.

Take a break from your studies and explore the great outdoors at one of Southend's many parks and nature reserves. Discover historic woodland and ornamental gardens, or pack a picnic and enjoy the beautiful Essex sunshine.

Southend is a hotbed of creative activity with enough museums, galleries and theatres to keep the most discerning arts and culture buffs entertained. Drop in at the Focal Point Gallery for the best in contemporary visual arts, visit one of the town's four museums to discover the history of our seaside town or check out the Cliffs Pavillion and Palace Theatres for everything from pantomimes and comedy to concerts and West End shows.

Whatever your interests, there are plenty of opportunities for you to get involved, with festivals, workshops and community events running throughout the year. If you love the buzz of the city, London is less than an hour away by train. Whether you want to take in the sights, shop 'til you drop or visit the Royal Parks, there is so much to see and do in the Capital.

Just two miles from our campus is London Southend Airport. With flights to destinations across Europe, the only problem you'll have is deciding where to go first!

Just 30-minutes from central London.

Loughton

The campus is just a five-minute walk from the nearest London Underground station, Debden. Take a 30-minute ride into central London for West End theatres, shopping, and mainline stations, including Eurostar to continental Europe.

Jump off the tube even earlier for Stratford's Westfield shopping centre – home to hundreds of the best high street brands, cinemas, restaurants, and entertainment, all surrounded by London's newest parkland – Queen Elizabeth Park – home to the 2012 Olympics where you can even now take a dip in the pool or a spin around the Velodrome.

Many theatres and arts venues across London have discounts available for students – often offering tickets at heavily reduced rates for otherwise sold-out shows. From the National Theatre to The Globe to West End musicals, make the most of these incredible venues in London.

The centre of Loughton is short stroll away from our campus. Treat yourself to some shopping in the independent boutiques, or head out to one of the many restaurants and pubs. Many of the pubs offer great nightlife, including live music and quizzes, as well as special offers for students.

We're also close to London Stansted International Airport, which opens the world up for travel and holidays, as well as an easy journey via London to the other campuses based at Southend and Colchester. Great offers and discount cards are available for students for coach, rail, and tube travel allowing access to cheaper tickets to visit friends and family nearby and further afield.

If you need some time to relax and unwind in a green space, our campus is situated on the edge of Epping Forest, a 6,000-acre ancient woodland, which also doubles-up as a perfect location for a creative study break in the fresh air. There are also lots of walking routes and cycling trails through the forest for you to enjoy.

STUDENT DEVELOPMENT

Gaining a postgraduate qualification can be instrumental to your career. At Essex you'll also discover a range of additional development opportunities to help prepare you for your future, such as engagement with employers, research training and StudioX.

Careers support

Want some information and advice on part-time work or a placement year? Grappling with the job application process? Don't know what to do with your degree? Our Careers Team can help! We will support you with your applications, covering letters, CVs, personal statements, interview preparation and more.

As a postgraduate student you will be able to access our full range of services including access to our CareerHub, annual Careers Fair and online vacancy service. Your academic department will also offer development and career-focused activities.

You'll be able to book onto one of our events or workshops, as well as find a range of job opportunities on campus and in the local area using our vacancy board, CareerHub.

Discover a wide range of interactive resources including CV360, which is a powerful new CV reviewing tool that provides instant, detailed feedback to help you optimise your CV.

We provide you with support and advice to help you develop your skills, find opportunities and gain experiences throughout your time at Essex and beyond. Achieve your academic potential and build your confidence, resilience and the necessary experience to progress successfully into the next stage of your life and career.

Engagement with employers

We work with a wide range of employers from SMEs to multinationals as well as organisations in the Not-for-Profit sector and professional bodies to provide a good variety of placement and employment opportunities to our students. These include the Office for National Statistics, Cancer Research, West Ham FC, Chevron, KPMG and AusDiagnostics. We also have Employer Advisory Boards which ensure the relevance of our postgraduate curricula so that we're delivering workplace-relevant content.

Skills for success

Our Skills for Success scheme helps you identify your talents and strengthen areas you want to develop during virtual and timetabled classes and workshops. The areas we can support include English language, writing skills, mathematics and statistics.

Your development journey

Use Chart My Path to discover the broad range of extra-curricular and voluntary opportunities available to you at Essex. Access the Big Essex Award and gain recognition for the activities you complete on your digital transcript.

Teaching and lab experience

There are many opportunities to work as part-time teacher or lab assistant while you study. Research students may work as Graduate Teaching Assistants (GTAs) or Graduate Laboratory Assistants (GLAs) and gain experience of teaching in higher education.

Working on campus

Our award-winning Frontrunners scheme gives you the opportunity to undertake paid, challenging and career-relevant work within the University which helps you develop the higher level skills you may need to compete for the best graduate jobs.

We also provide support to help you find other part-time jobs on or beyond campus such as working as a Student Ambassador, or even in roles such as a sports coach, social media coordinator, or other retail, hospitality or administrative work.

Give something back

There are many volunteering opportunities available locally and through some of our clubs and societies. Our Students' Union volunteering team, VTeam, can help you to secure volunteering experience in many different areas.

The VTeam are here to help you gain skills and make positive changes to the community. Projects include supporting animal conservation, providing much needed company for elderly residents or helping local children learn to code.
essexstudent.com/volunteering

Professional placement courses

Gain professional work experience within an external business or organisation of your choice, as part of a two-year Masters degree.

Choose from five of our carefully selected Masters with Professional Placements. Each course is an opportunity to put taught skills into practice and develop a network of industry professionals. Your placement is a sought-after contribution to your employability, giving you the tools employers look for in skilled graduates.
essex.ac.uk/postgraduate/masters/masters-with-professional-placements

We help you strengthen areas you want to develop.

Research training

Although your degree is about gaining specialist knowledge, we also equip you with a range of skills tailored to your chosen career path. Aspiring researchers are guided by an experienced supervisor, and the majority of our Masters students benefit from modules designed to boost research skills.

Our research students also have access to Proficio, our Professional Development Scheme, which offers learning and development courses that can lead to further qualifications, professional membership, and new skills.

We give all of our research students up to £2,500 to access a variety of courses, which cover everything from languages and IT, to research and public engagement, so that you develop skills that you can use in both academia and industry.
essex.ac.uk/postgraduate/research/proficio

Knowledge Transfer Partnerships (KTPs)

If businesses are looking to develop a new product or improve a process, KTPs can give the business a competitive advantage. They are an established and successful initiative, funded by Innovate UK and Research Councils, that bring together businesses with research expertise.

Any new partnerships that are developed between a business and the University will recruit a motivated and highly qualified postgraduate student who will be based at the company as a research associate. There role will be to manage the project. This is therefore an opportunity for many Essex postgraduate students and a great way to gain a portfolio of new skills and experience.
essex.ac.uk/business/expertise/knowledge-transfer-partnerships

Starting a business

The Essex Startups Team offer a range of support for students and graduates who want to take control of their future. If you are interested in starting your own freelance business, start-up, social enterprise, or charity, we have one-to-one mentoring sessions, weekly interactive workshops, expert talks, funding opportunities, and more, to help take your idea to the next level. We work out of StudioX – our dedicated co-working space – which is designed to launch the next-generation of exciting new ventures.

LIFE AFTER ESSEX

You never lose the connection you have with Essex. After you've graduated, we'll remain in contact, offering support, inviting you to events, and helping you develop your career. We also offer Continuing Professional Development courses in specific areas that will help you stay on top of your profession.

Our alumni network

The Essex alumni community is an extraordinary, global network made up of over 100,000 Essex graduates. When you complete your studies, you will automatically join a group of like-minded people who share the unique Essex spirit. Continually questioning, inspiring and making change, Essex graduates are making a difference in every corner of the world.

Your studies don't have to end when you complete your course. A lifetime membership to online journals through JSTOR means you'll always be able to keep on top of the latest developments in your subject. If you live locally, continual access to the library will also provide further resources and a quiet place to work.

If you find yourself needing some guidance after your time at Essex, career support is available for life. Appointments and advice can be completed in person and online, so wherever you are based you will still have this support to hand. Your new alumni network will also provide support and advice through mentoring and events.

Professional and social networking events, which take place around the world and online, will help you expand your network and create opportunities. Our social media channels also allow you to link with those in your field, while keeping up to date with all of the news and research from Essex.

If you plan to start your own business, Essex Startups at Studio X supports both current students and recent graduates, and our pioneering Click crowdfunding platform also continues to be available to you as a graduate. With no fees to use the platform, and specialist fundraising support always on hand, you can make your big idea a reality.
essex.ac.uk/alumni

Graduate immigration route

The UK Government introduced a new Graduate Immigration Route in summer 2021. This route allows eligible graduates to remain in the UK to work (or to look for work) for up two years after completing their course. Students who complete a PhD will be able to stay for up to three years. Once you have found a suitable job, you may then be able to switch to a skilled work visa.
essex.ac.uk/international/new-graduate-immigration-route

Professional development

Maintain your practice registration or business knowledge by engaging in Continuing Professional Development (CPD) at Essex. We offer a range of credit-bearing modules with both on- and off-site learning and workshops which will enable you to think critically about your professional area, to apply the latest research and explore new ideas. Our staff are academically and clinically qualified, and many are also practising clinicians or business professionals. We appreciate you'll likely be working alongside studying with us, so our courses are flexible – choose either standalone modules or accumulate your modules to build a postgraduate degree.
essex.ac.uk/short-courses

Health and social care

BSc, PG Cert, PG Dip, MSc Health Care Practice
Mapped to the national Multi-Professional Framework for Advanced Clinical Practice, this modular course develops specialised clinical skills and knowledge.

PG Cert, PG Dip, MSc Medical and Clinical Education (MaCE)
Consolidate your role and emerge as an education leader, able to design, implement and coordinate educational initiatives that can transform learning and make an impact on your organisation.
essex.ac.uk/departments/health-and-social-care/cpd

Physiotherapy

PG Cert, PG Dip, MSc Advanced Musculoskeletal Assessment and Practice
Learn to assess and manage patients with a range of musculoskeletal conditions beyond the scope of your normal practice.

PG Cert Advanced Musculoskeletal Assessment and Practice (Hand Therapy)
This pathway enables clinicians who have specialised in hand therapy to advance their practice.

PG Cert First Contact Musculoskeletal Practice
This pathway supports clinicians' training for roles as musculoskeletal First Contact Practitioners.

PG Cert, PG Dip, MSc Musculoskeletal Ultrasound Imaging
These CASE-accredited courses are appropriate for sonographers, physiotherapists, radiologists and other health care practitioners in musculoskeletal medicine.
essex.ac.uk/departments/sport-rehabilitation-and-exercise-sciences/ cpd

Business

The Essex MBA is an Association of MBAs (AMBA) accredited programme that can be studied part-time over two or three years so you can continue to work alongside your studies. An MBA is a postgraduate qualification that develops your skills in leadership, management, and strategic thinking to equip you for a senior role. An MBA is a highly valued qualification by many top employers. The Essex MBA seeks to develop the business leaders and entrepreneurs of the future.
essex.ac.uk/departments/essex-business-school/the-essex-mba

Summer schools

We also offer three flagship summer schools which combine academic rigour, research excellence and innovation. We bring experts together from around the world to share their expertise and experiences, to provide insight into current trends and developments, and to train participants in a range of specialised fields.

Our summer schools cover:

- social science data analysis
- analytics, data science and decision-making
- human rights

essex.ac.uk/summer-schools

> I came to an Essex Summer School because I searched for data mining and analytics events, and what Essex was offering seemed perfect. All the relevant information was sent to me in advance, it was well organised, and it brought together researchers, academics, and industry professionals to give a good overview of data technologies.

Data Science Summer School delegate

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The next few pages cover important things you should consider if you're going to study a taught course or a research degree at Essex.

We share information on how much it costs to study at Essex, sources of funding and how to apply. We're also here to help, so if you can't find the information you need in either this prospectus or on our website, please get in touch. **pgadmit@essex.ac.uk**

FEES AND FUNDING

Learn about our fees, living expenses and all the ways in which you can save money on your degree – either through discounts, loans or scholarships.

Postgraduate fees

Tuition fees for all of our postgraduate courses are on our website. Just find the course you're interested in and click on its 'fees and funding' tab.

Tuition fee increases

The University sets postgraduate tuition fees for one academic year at a time. If your course lasts for more than one academic year, the fees due for your second and subsequent years of study may therefore be different to the fee advertised on our website. For students commencing their studies at the University of Essex from the 2022-23 academic year, your fees will increase by up 5% for each academic year of study.

What are fees spent on?

We re-invest our students' fees to employ some of the best academic minds in the UK, as well as improve our facilities. Recent additions to our campuses include the Sport Arena, the STEM Centre (for science, technology, engineering and mathematics students), and the Innovation Centre on our Knowledge Gateway Research Park.
essex.ac.uk/about/how-we-use-your-fees

Student visa requirements

As part of the visa application process, you'll need to be able to provide evidence that you can pay tuition fees and cover living expenses.
essex.ac.uk/immigration

Payment of tuition fees

Your fees can be paid in full when you start studying with us, or in three equal instalments at the start of each academic term, in October, January and April. If you require sponsorship for a UK immigration permission, we will normally ask you to pay your first instalment of £1,000 as a deposit in order to be assigned your Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS), or show proof that you are being sponsored by a body recognised by our university.
essex.ac.uk/tuitionfeedeposit

Living expenses

The average amount required for living expenses for a single student in 2019-20 was estimated to be £14,418 for both our Colchester and Southend campuses and £13,622 for our Loughton Campus. This included the cost of university accommodation and an allowance to cover food and other expenses, such as travel, leisure activities and study-related books. Expenses are usually higher for families and research students.
essex.ac.uk/living-costs

Discounts

If you're an Essex alumnus you can save up to 33% on one year of postgraduate study at either Masters or research level. We also offer a 10% discount if you previously studied at Essex on a study abroad programme for at least one term. There's never been a better time to stay at Essex and take advantage of the financial support we are providing our alumni!
essex.ac.uk/fees-and-funding/masters/loyalty

Loans and scholarships

Postgraduate taught

Postgraduate masters loan
If you're a UK/Home student and looking to study a Masters course, you may be entitled to a government-backed loan of up to £11,570. The loan has almost no subject restrictions (MBAs are included), isn't means tested (ie it is not dependent on your or your family's income) and is available for full-time, part-time and distance learning courses.
essex.ac.uk/postgraduate/masters/fees-and-funding/postgraduate-loans

Scholarships
We want talented people from all backgrounds to be able to benefit from an Essex education, so we offer a range of scholarships for Masters-level students. To find out more and check your eligibility, visit our website.
essex.ac.uk/postgraduate/masters/fees-and-funding

Masters EU Scholarship
This new scholarship has been created specifically to support our postgraduate taught students from the European Union who will be studying as a new student in the academic year 2022-23, and who are classified as international students for fees purposes. The awards are worth up to £5,500, which will be automatically deducted from your tuition fees.
essex.ac.uk/scholarships/masters-pgt-eu-scholarship

Funding for pre-registration masters
If you're a UK/Home student looking to study one of the following pre-registration courses, you will not be entitled to a Postgraduate Masters Loan (above) but may be able to access undergraduate loans from the Student Loan Company:

- MSc Occupational Therapy (pre-registration)
- MSc Physiotherapy (pre-registration)
- MSc Speech and Language Therapy (pre-registration)

Students on these courses will be able to apply for the same package of support as undergraduate students, including tuition fee loans and maintenance loans. Please note that eligibility criteria apply.

Additional support will also be available through the Learning Support Fund administered by the NHS Business Services Authority, including:

- non-means-tested training grant of £5,000
- child dependants' allowance
- exceptional hardship support
- additional travel and accommodation expenses

Please note that the Learning Support Fund is separate to funding from the Student Loan Company and requires a separate application.
essex.ac.uk/departments/health-and-social-care/scholarships-and-funding

Funding for MA Social Work
Postgraduate Social Work students entering their first year of study may be eligible to apply for the NHS Business Service Authority for costs relating to placement (Placement Travel Allowance).
nhsbsa.nhs.uk/nhs-learning-support-fund

Every year we are able to award a small number of Social Work bursaries from the NHS Business Service Authority (NHSBSA). This bursary includes a contribution towards your tuition fees and a grant towards living costs. As this bursary is not guaranteed we recommend that you make alternative plans to cover your fees and expenses.
essex.ac.uk/departments/health-and-social-care/scholarships-and-funding

Postgraduate research

Postgraduate doctoral loan

If you're a UK/Home student and you're keen to start a PhD programme at Essex, you may be in luck! The UK Government has recently introduced new loans of up to £27,265 for students applying for PhDs and equivalent qualifications (up to eight years in length, in any subject).
essex.ac.uk/postgraduate/research/fees-and-funding/postgraduate-loans

Scholarships

We want talented people from all backgrounds to be able to benefit from an Essex education, so we offer a range of scholarships. To find out more and check your eligibility, visit our website.
essex.ac.uk/postgraduate/research/fees-and-funding/scholarships-and-funding

Funding for training and conferences

You'll be able to benefit from our innovative research training scheme, Proficio. Receive up to £2,500 which you can spend on training courses and conferences designed to give you the skills needed to be successful in academia and industry. There is online learning and multi-day training, across all of our academic departments and for professional development. Here are just a few of the courses on offer:

- time management
- longitudinal data analysis
- methods of fieldwork
- making the most of your supervisory relationship
- thesis writing
- creating digital content on Adobe

essex.ac.uk/postgraduate/research/proficio

Training partnerships

If you're wondering how you're going to pay for your research study, take a look at Doctoral Training Partnerships (DTPs) which are usually funded by UK Research Councils. These partnerships will:

- fund you to do a research degree
- enable you to work alongside leading academics in your subject
- offer opportunities for a variety of research training and skills development
- offer cross-institutional collaboration with other consortium member institutions

There are three DTPs that Essex belongs to which may be able to fund your studies (see below). These DTPs enable you to gain advanced skills and knowledge whilst receiving funding to support your research. We are also a member of a range of subject-specific and multidisciplinary Doctoral Training Centres and Centres for Training Partnerships.

Learn more about the doctoral funding and training opportunities on our website.
essex.ac.uk/postgraduate/research/doctoral-training-partnerships

ARIES
Funded by the Natural Environment Research Council (NERC), ARIES is an extensive world-class partnership integrating 59 partners from universities, research institutes and end users. ARIES is built upon scientific excellence within five overlapping research themes: ecology and biodiversity; marine, atmospheric and climate science; geosciences, resources and environmental risk; environmental genomics and microbiology; agri-environments and water.

CHASE
Funded by the Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC), CHASE offers studentships in the arts and humanities, including art history, creative, writing, film, history, human rights, languages, law, linguistics, literature, philosophy, politics, sociology, and theatre studies.

SeNSS
Funded by the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC), SeNSS offers studentships in a range of disciplines, including economics, politics and international studies, business and management, linguistics, sociology, psychology and socio-legal studies.

APPLYING TO ESSEX

We offer a wide range of postgraduate degrees to suit different requirements. The following pages will guide you through things to consider before applying to Essex. When you're ready, you can apply directly to us by visiting essex.ac.uk/pgapply

GENERAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Taught courses

We will consider a 2:2 or above (or international equivalent) in an undergraduate degree. For some courses there may be additional requirements.

Research degrees

In most cases you will need:

- a good performance in a Masters degree (in order to study for a PhD, in most disciplines)
- a well-developed research proposal in an area we can offer supervision

English language requirements

If English is not your first language, you need to provide evidence of your ability to understand and express yourself in English for academic purposes. We accept a range of tests, including IELTS, TOEFL and Pearson. A test should normally be less than five years old at the time you start your course. If you have already taken a test, you can include a copy of your test certificate with your application. Your offer will be conditional upon you achieving an acceptable English language qualification if you do not meet the requirements above.

The score required will vary by subject, but all postgraduate courses require a minimum IELTS score of 5.5 in each component (or equivalent). If you have successfully and recently completed a degree taught in English, this is also likely to be sufficient proof of proficiency.

Pre-sessional english language courses

We offer pre-sessional English language courses which can be taken before your degree if you do not meet our English language entry requirements. The courses will help you improve your English. On successful completion of the pre-sessional course you will be able to proceed on to your degree course without having to retake IELTS. Our pre-sessional courses are delivered by the University of Essex International College.
essex.ac.uk/international/pre-sessional

Pathway courses

University of Essex International College, a partnership between the University of Essex and Kaplan International Pathways, provides pathway courses that can prepare you to study a Masters course. Postgraduate pre-Masters courses are offered in the disciplines of humanities, science and health, and social sciences.
kaplanpathways.com/colleges/university-essex-international-college

Specific entry requirements

Visit the individual course pages on our website for information on specific entry requirements, as well as English language requirements.
essex.ac.uk/subjects

Contact us

Contact our Postgraduate Admissions Office for all enquiries about applying to Essex.
pgadmit@essex.ac.uk

TAUGHT COURSES

Choosing a taught course

Use the information here and on our course pages to identify your preferred course. Visit our website to find out detailed information about each one.

Types of taught courses

- Master of Arts (MA)
- Master of Science (MSc)
- Master of Business (MBA)
- Master of Law (LLM)
- Master of Fine Art (MFA)
- Master of Research (MRes)
- Graduate Certificate (Grad Cert)
- Graduate Diploma (Grad Dip)
- Postgraduate Certificate (PG Cert)
- Postgraduate Diploma (PG Dip)

Applying for a taught course

Once you have identified the specific taught course you would like to apply for, you can complete your Essex application online which should take less than 20 minutes to complete. **essex.ac.uk/postgraduate/masters/applying-to-essex**

Whichever taught course you're applying for, you'll need to provide a copy of your degree transcript with your application. For some courses you will also be required to provide additional documents, so we strongly suggest you check the course requirements before making an application.

RESEARCH DEGREES

Choosing a research degree

Understanding which university is right when deciding where to do your research may come down to several different factors. Here are a few questions to ask yourself before applying to us:

- Does Essex have expertise in an area that I'm interested in?
- Does Essex have a suitable academic supervisor for my research?
- Does Essex offer the specific research degree I want to study?
- Can I get funding to do a research degree at Essex?

Use the information here and on our course pages to work out which degree is best for you. Visit our website to find out detailed information about each one.

Types of research degrees

- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)
- Integrated Doctor of Philosophy (Integrated PhD)
- Professional Doctorate
- Master of Philosophy (MPhil)
- Master of Arts by Dissertation (MAD)
- Master of Science by Dissertation (MSD)

Research funding

We offer a number of funded studentships and scholarships which may match your own research interests. Further information about our opportunities can be found online.
essex.ac.uk/postgraduate/research/opportunities

Applying for a research degree

To apply for a postgraduate research degree, you should first make contact with one or more of our academic members of staff by email in order to discuss your suitability for a research degree, your research proposal and to identify your preferred supervisor. This is particularly important to ensure the availability of facilities and supervisors. Information about potential supervisors can be found on our website. Just use our 'research search' function and search for a research topic.
essex.ac.uk/research-search

Once you have identified your preferred supervisor and discussed your research proposal with them, you can complete your Essex application online to apply for your chosen research degree.

Whichever research degree you're applying for, you'll need to provide the following supporting documents with your application:

- a research proposal
- a copy of your degree transcript(s)

For some courses you will also be required to provide additional documents, so we strongly suggest you check the course requirements before making an application.

We interview all research applicants as part of our selection process so that we can discuss the suitability of your proposed project for PhD study.

Full details about applying for a research degree are available on our website.
essex.ac.uk/postgraduate/research/applying-to-essex

Research proposal

Your research proposal is an important part of your application for a research degree. Use it to:

- explain your personal and academic goals in undertaking an extended piece of research
- reflect on the contribution you will make to the development of new knowledge, ideas and solutions
- comment on how your research interests fit with the academic focus and expertise at Essex

Your research proposal should be between 800-1,000 words in length and include:

- a working title and key words
- a summary of the aims and objectives of your research
- an outline of the ways you meet these aims and objectives, referring to the research methods and specific resources you will use to show evidence of your awareness of relevant literature and theoretical approaches
- an overview of the expected outcomes and the original contribution your research will make to existing bodies of knowledge
- a brief statement on how your research interests tie in with those found in your department, school or centre

Please be aware that a research proposal may be rejected if it is poorly expressed or badly presented.

ALL COURSES

Application deadline

Please check our website for details on application deadlines. You should also take into account any deadlines for funding applications, such as scholarships, or time needed to obtain a student visa, if required.

Conditional offers

If you are offered a place on your chosen course, your offer may be made conditional upon us receiving supporting documents such as proof of English language proficiency, final transcripts and degree certificates.

References

You are required to submit references only if you are applying for one of the following courses.

- The Essex MBA
- MSc Occupational Therapy (Pre-Registration)
- MSc Speech and Language Therapy (Pre-Registration)
- MSc Physiotherapy (Pre-Registration)
- MA Social Work
- MA Psychodynamic Counselling

Don't worry if you cannot provide your reference when you make your application, as if we make you an offer you will be able to provide this at a later stage. References should be recent, ideally on letterhead paper (as an electronic copy), as well as signed and dated by the referee. We can also accept an email directly from your referee.

Track your application

We aim to respond to applications for taught courses within two weeks, and for research degrees within four weeks, once we have received all your relevant documents. If you are offered a place, we'll send you an email requesting that you check your myEssex portal to view and download your offer letter. Your offer letter will be uploaded to your myEssex portal within 24 hours of you receiving the email.

Students who require a uk student visa to study in the uk

Up-to-date advice and guidance about immigration requirements and study visas is available on our immigration webpages. We also recommend you consult the UK Home Office website, and familiarise yourself with the guidance.
essex.ac.uk/immigration or **gov.uk/student-visa**

Essex students and alumni

For current Essex students, if you wish to apply for a postgraduate taught course, you can do this directly from your myEssex student portal with our new fast-track form.

Contact us

Contact our Postgraduate Admissions Office for all enquiries about applying to Essex.
pgadmit@essex.ac.uk

CONTACT US

If you have things you want to ask and find out more about, just get in touch. There are different ways to do this, including live chat, email and social media.

Live chat

If you want to ask a quick question and get a quick reply, talk to us on live chat and we'll be happy to answer any queries you have. Our team will be available to speak to from 9:00 to 21:00 (GMT/BST).
essex.ac.uk/about/contact

Email

If you have any questions about our courses, accommodation, finance, welfare, applying to Essex, or anything else, get in touch with our Enquiry Management Team.
pgadmit@essex.ac.uk

Chat with our students

If you want to speak directly to our students, you can! Many of our students are available to chat with online, so prepare some great questions and ask them about their life as an Essex student. What are you waiting for?!
essex.ac.uk/life/chat

Blogs and pods

We have a wide range of blogs and podcasts for you to engage with and enjoy in your own time. Just visit our website to check out our blogs and search for University of Essex podcasts on your favourite platform.
essex.ac.uk/blog

Social media

Don't forget to follow us on all the main social media channels and keep up-to-date with the latest news, research and developments at Essex. You can also message us privately on social if you have any questions about studying with us and we'll get back to you.

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VISIT US

Now is the time to get to know us better, so come and visit! Explore our campuses, meet our academics, look inside our accommodation and chat to students.

Open days

Open Days are your chance to find the place you will forever call your second home – they're a pretty big deal. You probably think an Essex Open Day is the same as all the rest, and of course, we'll show you all the important stuff, but we don't stop there.
essex.ac.uk/visit-us/open-days

Campus tours

Can't make it to one of our Open Days but still want to look around? Don't worry, we run both self-guided and guided campus tours, allowing you to get inside knowledge about what our campuses have to offer. Visit our website to find out more and to book your place.
essex.ac.uk/visit-us/campus-tours

Can't visit us?

We understand that it's not always possible to visit us in person, so why not take a virtual look around? From virtual tours of our campuses and accommodation, to live chat where you can get all your questions answered, we won't let you miss out on a thing. And don't forget to check us out on social media where you can find loads of great photos and videos made by us and our students.
essex.ac.uk/visit-us/cant-visit-us

We'll come to you!

We're proud to be a global university and have students and staff from all over the world. We have several regional offices as well as events throughout the year in lots of countries, so even if you don't live anywhere near us in Essex, we might still be able to meet you in person. If you want to get in touch with our Regional International Offices or to see what we can do for you in your country, visit our website.
essex.ac.uk/international

IMPATIENT TO GET STUCK IN?

If Essex sounds like home, take the next step. Check out the information on our website, get in touch, or even visit our campuses.

PARTNERSHIPS

We work closely with partner institutions to develop and maintain high-quality and accessible learning opportunities across the region and beyond. Graduate with a degree awarded by the University of Essex.

University of Essex Online

We offer a variety of postgraduate programmes which are delivered online, enabling you to gain a qualification from a respected university whilst fitting your studies around work and personal commitments. Online distance learning is a cost-effective, convenient and flexible way to gain advanced skills which help you stand out in today's competitive workplace. Upon successful completion of your studies, you will be invited to a graduation ceremony at the University of Essex. We have regular intakes throughout the year and our entry requirements recognise work experience as well as previous academic achievements.
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University of Essex International College

University of Essex International College, a partnership between the University of Essex and Kaplan International Pathways, provides pathway courses that prepare international students for their undergraduate degrees and Masters courses. Successful achievement of the published progression criteria for a pre-Masters course will enable articulation to a relevant Masters course at the University. Kaplan provides fantastic study opportunities to international students and since 2005, thousands of students from every corner of the globe have started their path to success with a Kaplan pathway course.
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The Tavistock and Portman NHS Foundation Trust

The Trust is a prominent provider of clinical mental health services and a leading NHS mental health postgraduate training organisation. They train clinicians, nurses, educators, social workers, volunteers and many more. All the teaching is delivered by clinician-tutors. They also carry out a substantial amount of research which influences clinical guidelines and best practice in a number of settings.

You can study at the Trust for postgraduate taught or research degrees awarded by the University of Essex. The Trust offers postgraduate Certificates, Diplomas and Masters-level courses and Professional Doctorates. Courses are delivered at the Tavistock Centre, London, with some courses delivered online or at centres across the UK and Europe.
tavistockandportman.nhs.uk

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Dual awards

Study at Essex and with one our partner universities to achieve two separate Masters degrees within two years. Our partnerships with universities in Germany (Universities of Bamberg, Mannheim and Konstanz) and Japan (Kobe University) enable students to achieve two Masters-level politics or economics degrees in two years across two universities.
essex.ac.uk/postgraduate/masters/dual-awards

European networks

We are a member of two important European networks to enrich our research and enhance learning opportunities for our students. The Young European Research University Network (YERUN) is a cluster of 17 young universities from 12 European countries with a focus on joint research and teaching initiatives, open sciences, and graduate employability. Young European Universities for the Future of Europe (YUFE) is a ground-breaking European network of ten universities from across Europe. The YUFE alliance wants to develop a truly European university promoting physical and virtual mobility across our universities and encourages students to get involved in societal engagement.
essex.ac.uk/global/engagement/european-networks

International doctoral partnerships

We have an expanding portfolio of international collaboration at doctoral level. We offer international joint doctorate degrees in a number of areas, which brings benefits of international experience, reputation, and research exchange. Postgraduate researchers undertaking a joint degree have the opportunity to work with supervisors at both institutions, spending time at each and benefitting from access to learning and resources in both locations. Get in touch to learn more.
partnerships@essex.ac.uk

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

About this prospectus

Making changes to advertised courses and other information This prospectus tries to answer your questions about life and academic provision on offer at the University of Essex. It was prepared in 2021 and refers to courses which will be available in the academic year starting October 2022.
The University makes every effort to ensure the prospectus is accurate at the time it is printed. Exceptionally it can be necessary to make changes, for example to courses, facilities or fees due to legitimate staffing, financial, regulatory or academic reasons. Examples of such reasons might include a change of law or regulatory requirements, industrial action, lack of demand, departure of key personnel, change in government policy, or withdrawal or reduction of funding. Changes to courses and other services may, for example, consist of changes to the content or structure of courses, to the location or method of teaching or assessment, or to the type of award. The University will endeavour to keep such changes to a minimum and will also keep prospective students informed appropriately.

No liability for matters outside our control

The University cannot be held responsible for failure/delay in performing obligations caused by things outside our control. This includes but is not limited to: strikes, other industrial action, staff illness, severe weather, fire, civil commotion, riot, invasion, terrorist attack or threat of terrorist attack, war (whether declared or not), natural disaster, restrictions imposed by government or public authorities, epidemic or pandemic disease, or failure of public utilities or transport systems. In the above context "the University" also includes the University's officers, employees and agents, and those provisions may be relied on by those officers, employees and agents.

University terms and conditions, procedures, rules and regulations

If you accept an offer of a place, you will have entered into a legal contract with us which will be subject to the University's terms and conditions. The full Procedures, Rules and Regulations of the University governing how it operates are set out in the Charter, Statutes and Ordinances and in the University Regulations, Policy and Procedures.

All applicants and current students of the University are covered by the Student Protection Plan, a document approved by the Office for Students which explains how the University manages risk in relation to the education we deliver.
essex.ac.uk/about/governance

Quality assurance and teaching excellence

We are registered with the Office for Students which means we meet its requirements for course quality, student support and more. This includes meeting the expectations for standards and quality that are set out in the UK Quality Code for Higher Education, including actively engaging students in quality assurance and enhancement processes.

Our top 20 ranking in the most recent Research Excellence Framework (REF 2014, mainstream universities, THE 2014) means Essex is a university that excels at delivering excellence in research.
officeforstudents.org.uk and **qaa.ac.uk**

Equality, diversity and inclusion

Our Equality, Diversity and Inclusion Policy sets out our approach, in the context of our institutional mission, values and objectives.

It supports our commitment to addressing under-representation where it exists, celebrating the diversity of our students and staff, nurturing communities of belonging in which all are accepted without exception, and promoting inclusion, well-being, resilience and empowerment to enable everyone to reach their full potential.
essex.ac.uk/student/equality-and-diversity/equality-and-diversity-policy-and-strategy

Complaints procedure

If you have any comments or concerns about the recruitment or admissions process we operate, or about an application decision, which you do not wish to discuss with the Head of Graduate Admissions, you can write to the Director of Communications and External Relations. Alternatively, you can follow our complaints procedure.
essex.ac.uk/students/voice/complaints

Our response to COVID-19

In these unprecedented times our top priority is keeping our community safe; our existing students, staff and, of course, our new students. We have, and continue to, follow UK Government guidance at all times whilst also ensuring that the education and experience we offer is as unaffected as possible. You trust us with your education, and now more than ever we plan to reward that trust with a committed and well-considered plan of action to see us through the COVID-19 pandemic.
essex.ac.uk/covid-19

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