



# SUMMER SCHOOL 2020

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An aerial photograph of London, showing the city skyline with prominent skyscrapers like The Shard and the Gherkin. In the foreground, a dense residential area is visible. A yellow speech bubble with a tail pointing to a specific area in the residential zone contains the text 'OUR MILE END CAMPUS'.

**OUR  
MILE END  
CAMPUS**

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# *Welcome to the Queen Mary Summer School*



If you're keen to expand on your current studies and want to explore a new city, the Queen Mary Summer School is the ideal place to start. With a range of academically challenging courses on offer in a variety of disciplines, there is something for everyone!



**Professor Colin Bailey**  
President and Principal

Queen Mary is a leading Russell Group university based in London's vibrant East End.

We have a long and distinguished record in undertaking world-leading research and inspirational teaching, with a history stretching back to 1785, when the Royal London medical school was established. With strengths across Humanities, Social Sciences and Creative Industries, Science and Engineering, and Medicine and Dentistry our new Summer School courses have been developed to offer you the opportunity to study 'for credit' or simply to come along and sample some of our classes as a taster before postgraduate study.

Home to staff and students from 162 countries, our campus creates an environment where students, staff and visitors have the opportunity to learn from and respect each other's diverse cultures as well as acting as a gateway to the rest of Europe.

As part of our Summer School, you will have the opportunity to live and study in one of the world's most exciting cities and make friends from around the globe. You will also benefit from the full support of our staff through our Summer School welcome and social programmes.

We look forward to welcoming you this summer.

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# At a glance

## Dates

Session 1: 29 June – 17 July 2020  
Session 2: 20 July - 7 August 2020

## Location

Queen Mary is located in the heart of London's colourful East End, the capital's most vibrant and diverse area!

## Fees

£50 application fee  
£1700 for 1 session  
£3300 for 2 sessions

*Discounts available, please check the website for details*

## Accommodation

We have an attractive residential campus with accommodation for all students. All rooms are en-suite and self-catered.

£670 for 1 session  
£1370 for 2 sessions

## Credits

Each of our courses are accredited and worth 15 Queen Mary credits. This usually translates to 4 US credits and 7.5 ECTS.

## Field Trips

We use the city of London as our classroom! During your time with us you'll really get to know the city on many of our academically led field trips and get some industry insights along the way!

Some field trips incur an additional cost. This cost varies by course, but you can expect to spend approximately £30-100 per session.

## Entry requirements

We welcome Summer School students from around the world and accept a range of qualifications equivalent to:

- Minimum 3.0 GPA or B+
- English language requirement of 6.5 IELTS
- Applicants must be aged 18 or over at the time of study.

# Why choose Queen Mary?

From our location in the heart of east London – one of the capital’s most dynamic areas – to our welcoming campus, world-leading research and inspiring teaching, there’s a host of reasons to choose Queen Mary for your Summer School experience.

- It’s an academic adventure like no other: you will meet and discuss your subject with some of the world’s leading experts.
- Use the credits achieved on courses towards your home degree, making your summer really count.
- Make friends from across the world and make memories of your international experience that will stay with you for the rest of your life.
- Enhance your employability. According to Universities UK, a study period abroad ‘enhances future employability and academic success’ (2017).
- Gain new perspectives on your academic subjects that you can take back to your home university.



I had the time of my life! I made so many new friends from all over the world and learnt so many new things.

**Bashaire from Pakistan**  
Introduction to  
International Law course





# 100%

of Summer School  
students would  
recommend it to a  
friend (2019)



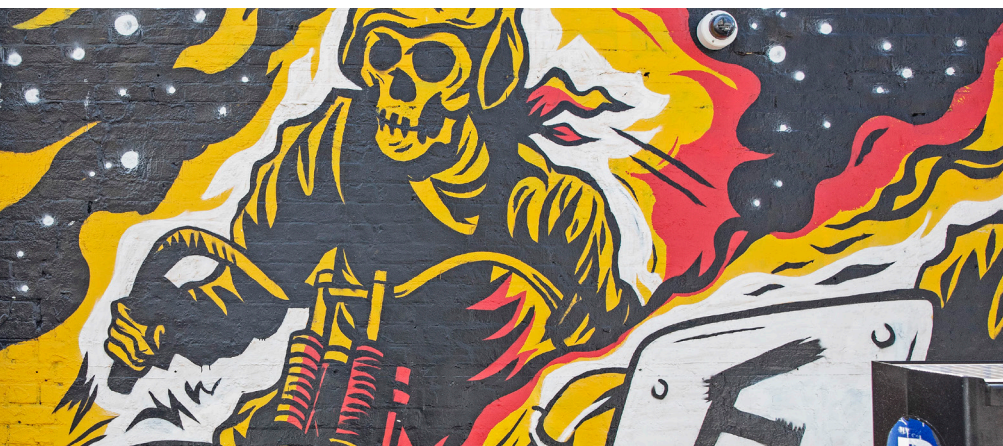
**We're located  
just 15 minutes  
from Oxford  
Circus by tube!**



Mile End was refreshing! Very close to the hustle and bustle of Canary Wharf and the main city, yet had its own peaceful canals and green spaces.

**Makarandh from India**  
International Migration  
Law course





# *Our east London*

When you live and study with us, you'll be situated in the heart of east London, one of the coolest parts of the city - a buzzing area full of cafés, restaurants, galleries and bars.

More than anywhere else in the capital it's an energetic mix of the old and the new: from medieval history to hipster hangouts, from peaceful walks along Regent's Canal and leafy Victoria Park to Victorian East End pubs, from late-night music gigs to the coolest art exhibitions, we love east London's energy and its constant ability to surprise us.

Studying at Queen Mary gives you a unique East End experience here you can enjoy authentic east London life. You are exposed to East End culture, an array of different people, places, cuisine and perspectives. East London offers a true taste of life as a local.



# *Our courses*

This year we have broadened our course offering, with courses in a variety of disciplines. Whatever you love – there will be something for you! Students are able to take one course per session and are very welcome to stay for both sessions. You'll have the academic experience of a life time.

# Culture and liberal arts

## **Anarchists, Rebels and Revolutionaries: Art in Paris and London**

### **Session 1**

Discover the history of art in Paris, and its impact on London's culture.

## **British Horror and Fantasy Cinema from Dracula to Harry Potter**

### **Session 1**

Engage with an alternative history of British cinema.

## **Chinese Language and Culture (Level 1)**

### **Session 1**

Introduction to Madarin Chinese for beginners.

## **Global Shakespeare**

### **Session 1**

This course will look at Shakespeare's afterlives in different parts of the world, and include hands-on workshops.

## **Chinese Language and Culture (Level 2)**

### **Session 2**

Designed to give false beginners in Mandarin Chinese exposure to listening and reading items to develop their fluency.

## **London in Modern Literature, Art and Film**

### **Session 2**

Examine representations of the city in popular culture.

## **London Theatre and Performance**

### **Session 2**

Immerse yourself in London's rich and historical theatre scene.

## **Timewalkers: Early Humans, Stone Tools and Environmental Change**

### **Session 2**

Explore the first dispersals of humans across Europe.

# Business, politics and law

## **Business and Politics of the Art World**

### **Session 1**

Examine and investigate the relationship between the contemporary art market and art's social, cultural, historical, political and commercial value. What makes art valuable? Who owns art and who owes what to whom? How does law protect art and the artist?

## **Gender, Difference and Rights**

### **Session 1**

The aim of the course is to engage the students with a critical global conversation on Gender, Difference and Rights. The course aims at drawing student's attention to how and why the relationship between gender and rights has been a highly fraught and tense one in local, regional and global arenas.

## **Issues and Debates in International Relations**

### **Session 1**

This course gives you a sophisticated understanding of international relations, covering such current topics as war and security, globalisation and development, and EU foreign policy.

## **Introduction to International Law**

### **Session 1**

Gain a profound overview of international law and its various areas, its relations to politics, and the current challenges of the international legal system.

## **International Business**

### **Session 2**

Gain a dynamic and internationally comparative perspective on multinational firms and the world economy, and take advantage of our campus' location on the doorstep of London's financial district!

## **State Crime: Government Violence and Corruption**

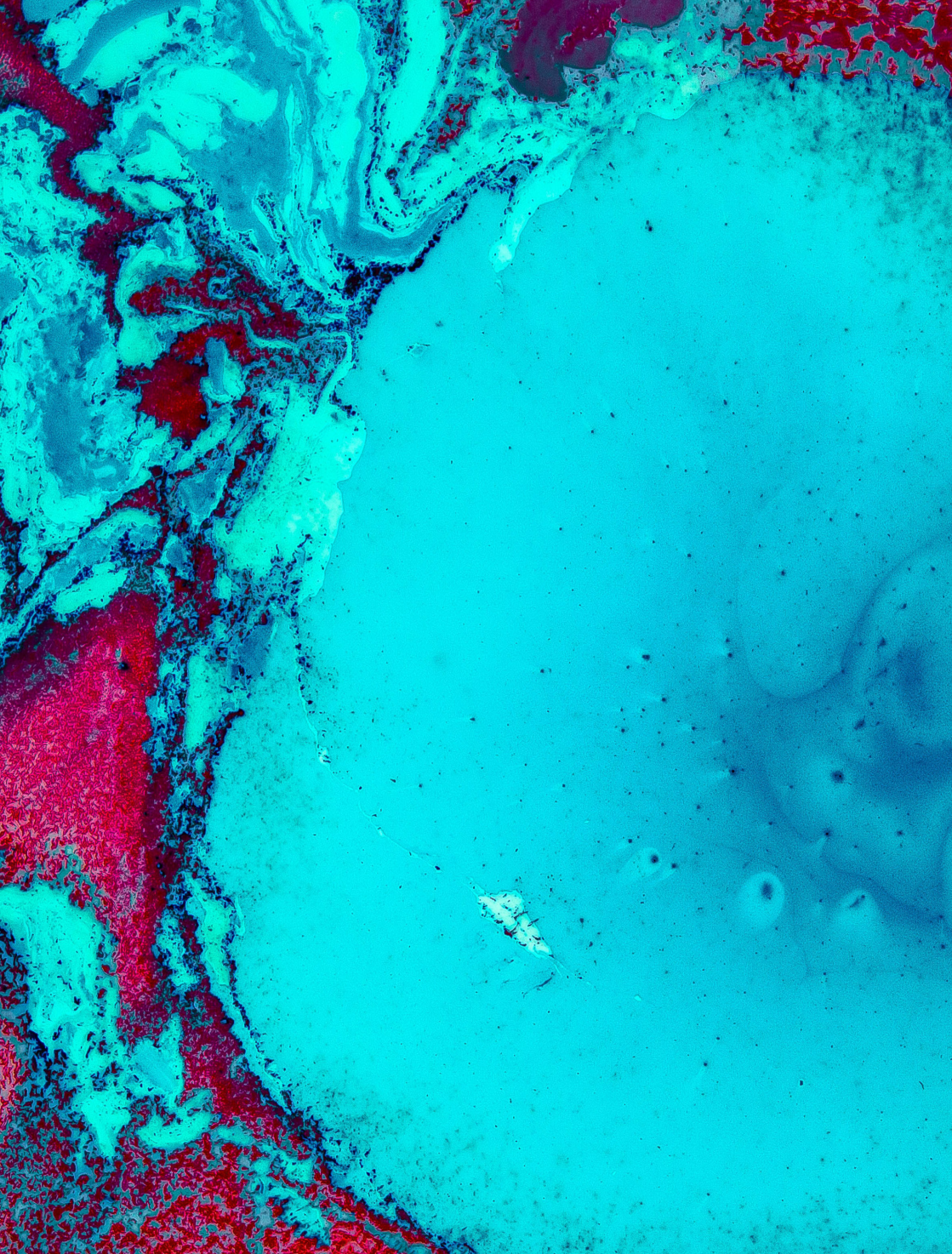
### **Session 2**

Examine crimes committed by governments and explore the definition and nature of state crime in criminological and political discourse. We'll look at examples of state crime and analyse them as a class. By the end of the course you will have a greater understanding of the worst types of crime.

**90%**

of students found the  
course teaching to be  
excellent (2019)







# Science and technology

## Surgical Skills and Science

### Session 1

Combining traditional teaching with hands-on practice and simulation, the course aims to deliver comprehensive training on basic surgical skills, as well as introduce fundamental research methodology.

## Practical Machine Learning

### Session 2

Study machine learning by using the Python programming language and the TensorFlow™ programming toolkit.

(No programming background needed).

## Chemistry for Today and Tomorrow: From Bench to Market

### Session 2

Achieve a broad understanding of modern chemistry techniques and applications via hands on experience, discussions with experts and group activities. This course aims to expose students to cutting edge techniques and explore future directions for the field using Queen Mary's state of the art laboratories.



The teaching has been very good. We have a very intelligent teacher. There's only three weeks, so you need a certain pace to reach around a subject, and I think he's done a good job of that.

**Lasse from Denmark**

Practical Machine Learning



# How to apply

To apply for the Queen Mary Summer School you will need to fill out our online application form [qmul.ac.uk/summer-school/your-application](https://qmul.ac.uk/summer-school/your-application).

In order to apply you will need to provide these documents:

- your current academic transcript or your record of studies to date
- evidence of your English Language proficiency, if your first language isn't English (Please see our entry requirements for full details)
- a written statement explaining why you'd like to attend the Summer School
- a copy of your passport

We then assess your application and send you an offer letter within 2 working days of your application.

The application deadline is **31 May 2020**.

## Entry requirements


To join our Summer School, you should have completed a minimum of two semesters' study at your home institution.

We welcome Summer School students from around the world and accept a range of qualifications:

- if your home institution uses the four-point Grade Point Average (GPA) scale, we usually require a 3.0 GPA
- if your home institution uses the letter scale, you will need to have a B+
- if your first language is not English, you must meet our English language requirements. This is typically an IELTS 6.5 or higher.

We welcome international qualifications and we consider every application individually on its academic merit.

Applicants with an alternative qualification should check it is equivalent to the above or contact us at [summerschool@qmul.ac.uk](mailto:summerschool@qmul.ac.uk).



**Visit our website  
to read our  
English Language  
requirements**

[qmul.ac.uk/  
summer-school/  
your-application](https://qmul.ac.uk/summer-school/your-application)

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# Teaching and assessment

## Teaching

You will be taught through a varied mix of lectures, seminars and academic activities/field trips. You will study by yourself, as well as take part in group work and discussions with academic staff and your fellow students.

## Course Structure

All of our courses are taught Monday – Thursday with Friday free. Typically they run from 10 am – 3pm each day with an hour for lunch. Each course is comprised of 45 hours contact time, with 105 hours of personal study.





# 94%

of students said that they enjoyed the structure of their course (2019)

## Assessment

Each course has optional assessments, usually in the form of a written assignment, class presentation or test. Completing these assessments is essential if you wish to get an official Queen Mary transcript and use the credit from your Summer School course at your home institution.

## Credit

Each of our Summer School courses is worth 15 Queen Mary credits. This usually translates to 4 credits in the US system and 7.5 ECTS in the European system. Your home institution should confirm if they will grant credit for Summer School courses before you attend the programme.

A group of four students are walking along a paved path that runs alongside a canal. From left to right: a young woman with long brown hair wearing a pink and white striped t-shirt and dark jeans; a young woman with glasses wearing a grey long-sleeved shirt and blue jeans; a young man with sunglasses wearing a pink t-shirt with a graphic and blue jeans; and a young woman with glasses wearing a denim jacket over a patterned shirt and blue jeans. The background is filled with lush green trees and a brick building. A large yellow circle is overlaid on the top right of the image, containing the text '100%' and 'of students said that they felt safe on campus (2018)'.

**100%**

of students said  
that they felt safe on  
campus (2018)

# Accommodation

As a Queen Mary Summer School student, you will be offered a place on campus in our comfortable accommodation.

## Campus Life

Our award-winning, self-contained campus is set beside the Regent's Canal, looking on to Mile End Park. It has a friendly, relaxed atmosphere: with plenty of greenery and attractive outdoor spaces, it's easy to forget that you're in the middle of a bustling capital city. As a Summer School student with us, this is where you will be based if you choose to live on campus.

Our campus has a friendly community of staff and students and is noted for its safety and convenience. You'll just be a short walk away from your classes. On campus, we also have two grocery shops, four cafés, two restaurants, a bar, a health and fitness centre, a bookshop and a bank.

See what its like: for a virtual tour of our rooms and full details of the accommodation options, visit [residences.qmul.ac.uk](https://residences.qmul.ac.uk)



I was very satisfied with the campus location because it wasn't in the middle of all the tourism and large crowds of people. It was very calming to return to it at the end of the day.

## Eleanor from the USA

British Horror and Fantasy Cinema, and London Performance Past and Present



# Social programme

To ensure that you are fully immersed in London life, the Queen Mary Summer School has curated a calendar of social activities to accompany your studies.



London as a city is amazing. Everything is very close in proximity, walking can get you anywhere. There's always something happening - you're never bored here.

## Edison from the USA

British Horror and Fantasy Cinema and London Performance Past and Present







**98%**

of students found support from the Summer School team easy to access while here (2019)

We hope to give you the full London experience: from traditional British cuisine to exciting hipster hang-outs, all against the vibrant multi-cultural backdrop of the East End. Taking part in our social programme will give you the opportunity to build friendships with your fellow Summer School students, and experience the city from the perspective of a local.

### **Welcome programme**

We want you to feel at home here the moment you arrive, so there will be a number of complimentary events taking place as part of our Welcome Programme in week 1.

We'll give you practical advice about living and studying in London, and host optional social events like a student boat trip down the River Thames, so you get to see London's historic riverside while relaxing with your fellow students.

### **What's on offer?**

Throughout the rest of the Summer School, there will be events running regularly (which may incur a small fee). We will send you more information on the social programme and these optional events before you arrive, so you have plenty of time to plan your social calendar.

Examples of events that took place in 2019 are:

- The Lion King musical on the West End
- Tour of Buckingham Palace
- East End Street Art tour
- Junkyard Golf Club
- Trips to Genesis cinema, voted best UK cinema.

# Fees and finance

## Tuition fees

There is a £50 application fee which must be paid upon submitting an application, using our online store. Your application will not be considered until this amount is paid.

One session	£1,700
Both sessions	£3,300

## Discounts

There is a 10% 'early bird' tuition fee discount available for all students who submit their application before 31 March 2020.

We also offer a 10% discount for applicants who are current Queen Mary students, Queen Mary alumni or a student from a Queen Mary partner institution. Students from partner institutions are also not required to pay the £50 application fee.

## Accommodation

On-campus accommodation costs £670 per session or £1370 for both sessions.

## Additional costs

There may be additional costs during the Summer School that you should account for, such as social programme events and field trips.

You can find further information the specific additional costs for each course by visiting our website

[qmul.ac.uk/summer-school/what-can-i-study](http://qmul.ac.uk/summer-school/what-can-i-study)





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