So, which UNIVERSITY is it to be?

Which one is The One?
Which one will inspire you, challenge you and surprise you?
Which one will make you feel at home, in a place where you can be yourself?
Which one will give you the freedom, the support and the space to develop your talent?
We are The One. We are York St John University.

We are proud of our friendly community, outstanding courses and supportive staff. We care about you, your passions and your ambitions.

It is this, and so much more, that makes us...

“We think the highlight of being here is the feeling of community and inspiration. I always feel encouraged to do bigger and bolder things and this university has become a big part of my personal identity. To me, this place really is a home away from home.”

Morgan | Film Studies and Media

TOP 30 out of 122
Higher Education Institutions in England for overall student satisfaction
(National Student Survey 2019)
This is a university that represents everything good about education – equality of opportunity and high aspirations for all.

Reeta Chakrabarti

Our Chancellor

Reeta Chakrabarti, esteemed journalist and BBC presenter, is to become our Chancellor. Throughout her career, Reeta has championed marginalised groups, promoted the arts and reported on some of the biggest issues in the world today.
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Because we know you are about to find The One
One thing we hear time and time again from our students is that this is a place where they feel like a name and not a number. The best way to experience our personal, supportive approach to education is to come along and meet us. Find out for yourself what makes our York St John University community special.

Our Open Days are your opportunity to meet the people who will support and inspire you as you study. They are a chance to see where you could be living and get to know our vibrant campus. Best of all, you can ask all your questions in person and have them answered by our friendly staff and students.

Campus Tours
Led by a friendly Student Ambassador, a Campus Tour is a great way to see our campus and get an introduction to our university. They take place throughout the year at 3pm on Wednesdays and at 1pm on Thursdays. You can book a place online by visiting: yorksj.ac.uk/campustours

Mature Learners Information Sessions
These sessions are especially for those returning to learning after a long break from education. See pages 42-43 for more information.
Since 1841 we have been serious about education. We believe students from every background should be supported and inspired to reach their full potential.

We stand for equality, ambition and social justice. We know that education has the power to create a fairer world. Our unique Opportunity and Excellence Scheme breaks down the barriers to attending university.

Find out more at: 
yorksj.ac.uk/offerscheme

From our ethical supply chains to our green energy sources and hedgehog friendly campus, the environment matters to us. We celebrate diversity, value our community and take pride in our University of Sanctuary status for commitment to supporting refugees and asylum seekers.

All this and more means our graduates go out into the world with confidence, resilience and purpose.

We take pride in being a place of acceptance and inclusivity. This was recently recognised on a national level. Achieving 49th place in the Stonewall 2020 Top 100 Employers list, York St John also became one of the few UK universities to make Stonewall’s Top 100 Trans Employer list.

Recognising our efforts to encourage both staff and students to reach their full potential, these awards are something we are hugely proud of. By celebrating our differences, we aim to empower individuals every day.

For more information visit: 
yorksj.ac.uk/ourvalues

Research with impact

Our commitment to creating a fairer world is reflected in the research we do and the causes we choose. Our academic experts’ work doesn’t just enhance what you learn, it also changes people’s lives.

We are building new ways of understanding online gambling, finding new approaches to help children with autism, offering free courses for mental health service users and advising the BBC about programmes on body confidence. The people you learn from have a strong track record of making an impact on the world we live in.

We make positive change when we come together as a community. That’s why we actively involve students across our research – giving you the chance to make a difference too.
You are an individual. You have thoughts, ideas and opinions like no one else. Not only do we recognise that, we encourage it. We make your learning experience personal and let your ideas and the topics that interest you shape it. 

In your first week, you will meet your academic tutor, a member of staff who can support you through your time with us. They will help you develop your ideas and improve your writing. They will get to know you, your interests and how these can make an impact on the world. 

We make seminar sizes small to make sure your voice is heard.

“The staff at York St John University are brilliant. They go out of their way to make sure every student feels like a person and not just a number. They have made me feel that my voice and opinions are not only heard but respected.”

James | Film Studies and Media

Top 10 in the UK

For teaching quality in The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2020
The challenge with the greatest reward

University will challenge you. Our ambitious courses will encourage you to push yourself. We want you to achieve things you never thought you could and get the most out of your experience. Our academic staff will help you get there, supporting you from your first day to the day you graduate and beyond.

Making sure you settle into your course when you arrive is a big part of preparing you for your degree. We make sure that the first week you spend with us is dedicated to getting to know your tutors, peers, our campus and the support available to you. That way you are ready to embrace the challenges of your course, confront the big issues of today and make an impactful change.

The opportunities for learning and growth go beyond the classroom. With us you will experience new things and step outside your comfort zone. University is a time to challenge yourself intellectually and develop your independence. We give you the opportunity to go out on placement, take on an internship, volunteer or study abroad. These things not only enhance your experience, they expand your mind and broaden your horizons.

A degree takes hard work, dedication and perseverance, but it’s the challenge that makes the reward so satisfying. You can achieve great things and we will make sure you never feel alone. Our students say time and time again that their achievements make the hard work worth it. They praise the support and encouragement provided by our staff and when they graduate in York Minster, they are proud of what they have achieved.

“Developing meaningful working relationships with my students is very important to me. We are really community minded at York St John University. Our time in the classroom working together and learning from each other is special.”

Dr Janine Bradbury | Senior Lecturer in Literature specialising in African American literature and American popular culture

Our academic staff are experts in their field. Their research is recognised internationally and they love to share that knowledge with you. Work with them to question the status quo and the way the world works, engage in debates and push your intellectual boundaries.

“At its best, teaching is a dialogue, and when students question the nature of knowledge, it brings the best out of all of us. You can work with us as producers of knowledge. I’ve developed aspects of my work by working with students in classes. You can help us understand our ideas more sharply.”

Dr Steve Rawle | Senior Lecturer in Media Production
Graduation is a defining moment. You have made friends for life and worked hard to earn your degree. This unforgettable day is dedicated to you and your achievements. Celebrate your success in the iconic York Minster, soak up the atmosphere and share the moment with friends, family and the staff who have inspired you along the way. This is your time.

Watch graduation unfold on our website yorksj.ac.uk/graduation
The One for people who think outside the box.
of York St John University students were in work or further study 6 months after graduating.

(Destination of Leavers from Higher Education 2017)

“Grad2Director is an opportunity to explore the idea of starting a business. What struck me most was how accessible it all was and how the concept of running my own business was far less daunting with the support. The programme opened my eyes to the resources and information available to help me start my own business.”

Alex | English Literature graduate and owner of cosmetics company Flowery Whiff
The One for hands-on experience

Placements

At York St John University we offer a range of placement opportunities to suit you and your course. Our dedicated Careers, Placements and Student Opportunities team is here to help you every step of the way.

Professional placements
Some of our courses include compulsory placements, such as Physiotherapy and Primary Education. Our team of experts will source a placement that is right for you and meets the course requirements, making sure there are no barriers to your success.

Work-related learning
Many of our courses have integrated work experience modules with a 15 day placement related to your course. They are a great way to dip your toe into the world of work, try something new and build a valuable network. The team has fantastic links with local industries to help you find a work placement that is right for you.

Year in industry placements
These placements are available on almost all of our courses. They are your chance to try a career and see if it fits. They will build your confidence and give you a true taste of working life. But here, we do them a little differently. You can settle onto your course before you decide whether a placement year is for you. If you choose this option we will give you the tools you need to succeed in the recruitment process.

Our Careers, Placements and Student Opportunities team help you to make the most of your experience. They offer placement preparation sessions to help you with your CV, practice interview skills and connect with employers. While on placement you will have full access to university services and our team is always on hand to help and advise. It’s all part of our flexible, tailored approach.

For more information, visit: yorksj.ac.uk/placements

The One that takes you places

Study abroad

Studying abroad is an experience you will never forget. Discover a different culture, make friends for life and gain new perspectives on your subject. We offer study abroad options on most of our undergraduate courses and our Study Abroad team can help match you with one of our partner institutions. We have partnerships in the USA, Japan, Canada, Australia and across Europe.

To find out more, visit: yorksj.ac.uk/studyabroad

Rose | English Literature | Study abroad placement at Stockholm University
The best thing about being a student in York?

Your beautiful city centre campus is right in the exhilarating, beating heart of it.
A great food scene, a thriving night life, streets full of quirky independent shops and city walls steeped in history. It’s no wonder York is such a popular place to visit and call home.

We are proud to be part of the history and community of this fantastic city. The years you spend with us won’t feel like long enough to take in all that York has to offer. Explore York’s Roman, Viking and Medieval past, find your new local in one of its many pubs, walk the city walls and dance the night away.

Explore everything the north has to offer from your base in York. With easy access to rolling countryside, bustling beach towns and cities like Leeds and Manchester, we are well connected for weekend adventures and big city action.

To find out more about where to go and what to see, pick up a copy of our York Guide.
York St John University stood out to me from the moment I arrived. The beautiful old part of campus is eye catching and the atmosphere when walking around the university is something else. Everything is so cosy, welcoming and homely.

Molly | Journalism
Our campus is a place where modern buildings meet Victorian architecture. A place to study in state-of-the-art specialist learning spaces. A place to unwind in award-winning gardens.

If you are an early bird or a night owl, our Learning Centre is open 24 hours a day so you can learn on your terms. It is home to a range of digital resources, Macs and PCs and specially selected books to help you with your studies.

Are you a frappé or a pumpkin spice latte kind of person? Either way, we've got you covered with a Costa and Starbucks on site.

When it comes to entertainment, meet your friends at our Students’ Union and then head into town. With a campus as close to the city as ours, there is always something to do.

The One to inspire future creators

We are building a new Creative Centre on our main campus. It will be a space for you to cultivate your creativity and bring your ideas to life. It will include:

- 200+ seat auditorium
- Lecture theatre
- Critical listening room
- Specialist studios
- Editing suites
- Games laboratories
- Flexible working spaces.

Our Sports centre houses:

- Sports hall
- Strength and conditioning suite
- Human performance laboratory
- Sports therapy room
- 2 classrooms
- Changing rooms
- A café and social spaces.

Outdoors, we also have:

- 2 3G pitches (1 for football, 1 for rugby)
- 3 floodlit tennis courts
- 2 floodlit netball courts
- 2 grass rugby pitches
- 3 grass football pitches.

London campus

We are an ambitious institution at the cutting edge of education. The Glasshouse, our London campus, is a new venture which gives us a base in the heart of the capital’s creative business ecosystem. With London just two hours away from York by train and The Glasshouse only two stops away from King’s Cross on the Underground, this new campus keeps us closely connected to the exciting, fast-paced city. While we only offer postgraduate degrees in London, the new connections and opportunities we explore through our new campus will benefit all of our students.
LIVING IN OUR ACCOMMODATION MEANS BEING CLOSE TO BOTH THE CITY AND CAMPUS. PERFECT FOR SLEEPING IN BEFORE YOUR 9AM LECTURE OR A CHEAP TAXI FARE BACK FROM TOWN.

WHEN YOU ARRIVE IN A NEW CITY IT’S IMPORTANT TO FEEL SAFE. YORK IS ONE OF THE SAFEST AND FRIENDLIEST CITIES IN THE UK, BUT FOR ADDED PEACE OF MIND, WE OFFER 24 HOUR SECURITY SUPPORT ON OUR ACCOMMODATION SITES.

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT YOUR NEW HOME AND HOW TO APPLY: YORKSJ.AC.UK/ACCOMMODATION

100% OF FIRST YEAR UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS ARE GUARANTEED ACCOMMODATION.

(providing our application deadlines are met)
THE ONLY WHERE YOU CAN BE DIFFERENT
University is about more than your degree. It’s a time for experiences, independence and self-discovery. The friends you make here will help to shape who you become. They will make the memories you cherish forever. Together, you make student life at York St John University.

“My time at York St John has been incredible. I’ve made great friends and had so much fun!”

Grace | Physical Education and Sports Coaching
Our students love the sense of community they feel on campus. The Students' Union (SU) lets you embrace all that student life has to offer. Join a sports team, take up a new hobby, campaign for causes you care about and have a say in how the university is run.

**The One where you feel part of something**

Join one of our sports teams, from football and netball to ultimate frisbee, and cheer on your friends in our annual varsity competition. Share your love of all things nerdy with the Geek Society, put on a show with the Musical Production Society or do your bit for the planet with the Environmental Society.

There are over 60 clubs and societies to join, and if you don’t find something for you, all it takes to start a new one is a few like minded people and the drive to make it happen.

**Have your voice heard**

We are the collective voice of our students at university committee level, at course level via course reps, and locally, regionally and nationally. Every year you will have the chance to vote for the Students' Union Presidents who will represent you. You can come to us for advice or support on academic issues and we can also connect you with university services and external specialist services.

The SU building includes a bar and coffee shop and throughout the year we host everything from quiz nights to karaoke.

We are a registered charity and all income raised by the Students’ Union is reinvested in services, activities and support for you. We are here to provide you with the best possible student experience.
The university works tirelessly to improve the support and facilities available to students. It inspires me to never stop learning.

— Georgia | English Literature

We know that your path to university is unique

There should be no hurdles between you and your education, so we are committed to providing practical, psychological and spiritual support you may need.

Our Wellbeing team includes mental health, welfare and counselling professionals, offering a confidential service to help you achieve your academic potential.

**Faith support**

All faiths are recognised and respected at York St John. Our chapel is a multi-faith space open to all. It includes a prayer room, quiet room and peace garden. We celebrate many different religious festivals on campus, and the Chaplaincy team includes Faith Advisors who between them represent most of the major world religions. They are here to support and encourage you, engage in dialogue and promote understanding.

We can help support you by offering:

- One-to-one study support
- Group study support
- Workshop programme for improving study skills
- Counselling
- Mental health advice
- Welfare advice
- Advice for students with long-term conditions or disabilities
- Success programmes for care leavers, estranged students, sanctuary scholars and trans students
- Specialist training in specific study skills software
- On-campus medical centre.

If you would like to talk to us you can contact us on:

T: 01904 876477
E: SID@yorksj.ac.uk

Find out more at:
yorksj.ac.uk/studentservices
RETURNING TO LEARNING

It’s never too late to change your career, embrace new ideas and reach your full potential.

While plenty of applicants come to us straight from school or college, many have spent some time in the world of work, gaining valuable skills and knowledge. Around 20% of our student population are mature learners. This diversity of experience is a great asset to our university. Our mature learners add to the conversation by bringing different ideas, perspectives and skills to those just starting their careers. If you choose to study later in your career you are making a decisive, bold choice to take on a new challenge and change your life. We share your ambition and will do everything we can to make it happen.

We encourage those who never expected to come to university to give higher education a go. Do not worry if you have not studied for a long time or feel your study skills need some improvement – extensive support is available to help you build your confidence and feel prepared to take on this new challenge.

How we support you

We take various factors into consideration when we decide on the offer we make you. Being a mature student is one of these factors. Our mature entry offer scheme, which takes into account professional experience as well as traditional qualifications, could help you find a place with us.

We also support you through our flexible approach to your learning. Part time options are available on most of our courses, meaning you can fit study around work, family or other commitments.

While you study with us we offer a tailored introduction day for mature learners so that you can meet others who are in the same position as you and get to know the support services available. You will have a dedicated contact to signpost you to any extra support you may need and there are events throughout the year especially for mature students. There is also a Mature Students’ Society which you can get involved with through the Students’ Union.

Access Diplomas

If you do not have the qualifications we usually ask for, the next step may be to study for an Access to Higher Education Diploma. Many Further Education colleges offer these on a part time basis and they are designed to fit around other commitments. They are for adults looking to return to education and prepare you for degree level study.

To find an access course near you visit: www.accesstohe.ac.uk

“When I lost my husband to cancer a few years ago I thought ‘life is short’ and I wanted to pursue a lifelong interest. I am finding it challenging but rewarding studying at 53 years of age. Classroom dynamics are friendly and accepting and I feel very much part of my group. I have been active in the Students’ Union, particularly in forming our Mature Students’ Society.”

Tracy | Fine Art

We are proud to be in the Top 10 UK universities for giving equal access to students from all backgrounds.

(Higher Education Policy Institute analysis 2018)
OUR SUBJECT AREAS

- Art and Design
- Biosciences
- Business
- Children and Education
- Geography
- Health and Sport
- History, War and American Studies
- Languages, Linguistics and TESOL
- Law, Crime and Society
- Literature, Creative Writing, Film and Media
- Maths and Computing
- Performance
- Politics, Religion and Philosophy
- Production
- Psychology and Counselling

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ART AND DESIGN

We offer courses in these subject areas:
Art, Illustration and Photography | Digital and Visual Design | Product and Interior Design

Push the boundaries of creative practice and explore new ways of making and thinking.

At York St John University we encourage your creativity. We provide opportunities to exhibit your work across the region and beyond, giving you a platform to engage with a wider creative network. Regular contact with our academic staff underpins your critical thinking and lets you develop and position your practice. Work-based learning and live briefs give you the experience you need to graduate as an innovative and socially engaged professional.

Enrich your learning with bespoke workshops, masterclasses and a great range of guest speakers. Attend our national and international field trips and experience creative practice relevant to your course, and your passion.

At York St John University, Art and Design is about more than a qualification. It’s a platform for your creative voice.

100% of Interior Design students were satisfied with their course. (National Student Survey 2019)

100% of our Fine Art students were in work or further study 6 months after graduating. (Destination of Leavers from Higher Education 2017)

Our studio spaces and specialist workshops include:
- Traditional print room
- Digital print room
- Dark room
- Photography studio.

We work with the latest software so you can develop industry-standard skills. All with the support of our specialist technicians.

“There is never a dull moment in the studios. All three year groups work together in an exciting and engaging space allowing us to build an amazing community of friends.”

Jamie | Animation
Self portrait character drawing by Jamie.
BIOSCIENCES

We offer courses in these subject areas:
Applied Biosciences | Biomedical Science

Bioscience is the study of the biology of living things. All of our courses have a strong research-informed curriculum. Applied Biosciences provides you with opportunities for industry placements, or NHS placements for Biomedical Science, in addition to your extended research projects. As a graduate of these courses you will be able to demonstrate essential scientific skills alongside key transferable skills relevant to your future career goals.

All of our courses allow you some flexibility to tailor your degree progression to suit your passions and developing skill-set. They incorporate extensive practical sessions in state-of-the-art laboratories, designed to support your subject specific knowledge.

Discover a new world:

- Ever wondered who analyses your tissue or blood sample? It is not the doctor or nurse, it’s a Biomedical Scientist.
- Explore the causes of disease at the molecular level. Discover a range of exciting and novel treatment strategies.
- Do you have a natural curiosity? Investigate molecular mechanisms and disease stratification of cancer.
- Bioinformatics is the future of Biology. At the frontier of Biosciences, you will investigate big data to benefit society.

Join our Students as Researchers scheme and work alongside staff on a research project.

We have outstanding laboratory facilities to help support you in your studies. These include:

- Modern teaching laboratories for 15-20 students
- Bespoke and brand new scientific equipment for all practical classes
- Support from subject-specific technical staff
- Further laboratories with specialist equipment for student research projects and academic staff research
- Opportunities for students to develop laboratory skills in supported open learning sessions.

93% of Biomedical Science students were satisfied with their course.
(National Student Survey 2019)

See all of the courses we offer on pages 79-84.
BUSINESS

We offer courses in these subject areas:
Accounting, Economics and Finance | Business and Management | Marketing | Tourism, Hospitality and Events Management | Sports Management

In joining York Business School you will become part of our vibrant learning community, built on teaching, research and enterprise.

We support you to act sensitively, ethically and holistically as future business leaders and managers, in ways that are sustainable. You will take modules such as ‘Responsible Business’, ‘Business Ethics’ and ‘Business and Sustainability’ to advance your understanding of the impact that corporations have. You will be challenged to consider what your role will be as a future manager and leader dealing with these increasing challenges.

York Business School has a long-standing commitment to the local, national and international business community. We use our strong industry connections to gain access to live projects.

This allows you to experience working at a professional level. This could be creating a new strategic marketing plan for Hiscox Insurance or analysing the accounts of Theakstons Brewery. Our focus is on getting you ready for the workplace, ensuring you are employable and helping you to develop the skills needed for a successful career in business. This is why we include the option to undertake a placement year in industry across all of our courses (see page 22).

Whatever option you choose, we support you to develop the confidence and skills needed to join the next generation of business leaders. Our graduates will go on to make a positive contribution to an inclusive and sustainable global economy.

90% of Business Management students were satisfied with their course.
(National Student Survey 2019)

97% of Business students were in work or further study 6 months after graduating.
(Destination of Leavers from Higher Education 2017)

What makes York Business School different?

• Our Success Lab develops additional skills alongside your degree.
• You will work on live projects to get relevant experience as part of your course.
• You can study abroad and your credits will count towards your degree.
• We will help you start your own business or consultancy.
• We have an Employability Boot Camp which helps to prepare you for graduate positions once you reach your final year.
• You can work as a consultant on live projects through our Consultancy Clinic.
• We are recognised by the United Nations for creating responsible business leaders through their Principles for Responsible Management Education initiative.

See all of the courses we offer on pages 79-84.
Our focus is on making a real difference in the lives of children and young people. For you this could mean creating a supportive and inclusive classroom environment, helping to provide the best possible start in early childhood or guiding young people to find their path in life. Join us with a desire to make an impact and leave with the experience and knowledge you need to start a rewarding career.

If you know you want to teach, our Primary Education courses will prepare you for this career and lead directly to Qualified Teacher Status. However, if you are interested in education but are not sure that teaching is your goal, a degree in Education Studies allows you to explore the big issues surrounding the topic while keeping your career options open.

You can also choose to specialise in Special Education Needs and Inclusion (SENI), giving you a competitive edge if you want to work in this area. Studying one of our Childhood and Youth courses means engaging with challenging discussions about the issues and barriers affecting children and young people today, including mental health, abuse, crime, human rights, social mobility and injustice. This can prepare you for many different roles working with children and young people.

Our school partnerships, which play an essential part in our Primary Education courses, allow you to gain teaching experience with pupils across a wide range of ages, backgrounds and needs. On our other courses you will have opportunities to work on placements or volunteering projects. These include positions with Refugee Action York or the Men into Childcare steering group. You can also engage in learning beyond the classroom at sites such as York Art Gallery or the National Railway Museum.

100% of Education students were in work or further study 6 months after graduating.

(DESTINATION OF LEAVERS FROM HIGHER EDUCATION 2017)

"Everyone involved in the partnership is committed to creating the teachers of the future. Employing headteachers believe that NQTs are ‘classroom ready’ and fully equipped to tackle the realities of being a primary school teacher.”

(OFSTED 2017)

I chose York St John University because of its reputation for teacher training and because of its great careers service. The highlight of my studies so far has been the Settings Other Than Schools placement in my second year, when I spent a week at the National Railway Museum. I learnt about the role of museum educators, including sensory storytelling, and how to make object handling exciting. I enjoyed it so much that I went back to volunteer at half term.

Sarah | Primary Education (5-11)
GEOGRAPHY

We offer courses in these subject areas:
Geography | Environmental Geography | Human Geography

Geography is for people who like to go beyond the classroom and get out into the world. From day trips around Yorkshire’s diverse landscape to overseas residential projects, our field trips aren’t just an added extra – they are a crucial part of your studies and the research you carry out in the field will complement your classroom-based learning. This means that your travel and accommodation on the trips is included within your tuition fees.

Whether your interests lie with human or environmental geography, we want to provide you with as many perspectives and new ideas as possible, giving you a rounded understanding of the subject. That’s why we bring in guest lecturers with specialist expertise and professional experience on many of our modules. Whether in the classroom or in the field, this keeps your study relevant by hearing first hand from those working to tackle the issues we explore.

You will be assessed through coursework, with no exams. Your assessments will be varied and are always focused on developing employable skills which will be valuable in your future career. On many of our modules you will have the chance to focus on the areas of a topic which interest you most. Apply geographical concepts and theories for yourself in real contexts and use your own initiative to get to the heart of these issues.

As a university and a department we are part of the wider community of York. Our growing list of connections with local organisations gives you great opportunities to get involved with projects across the region and hear from inspiring guest speakers. Our partnerships include close links with City of York Council and St Nicks Environment Centre in York, as well as a formal partnership with Natural England.

Take part in a residential field trip on every year of your course.

Learning beyond the classroom

Sites of previous field trips have included:
• Malta
• Slovenia
• Humberhead Peatlands National Nature Reserve, where we work with Natural England
• The North York Moors
• Potteric Carr and Sherwood Forest Nature Reserves
• Yorkshire Wildlife Park
• Cities across the north including Hull, Manchester and Newcastle.

See all of the courses we offer on pages 79-84.

100% of Geography students were in professional or managerial roles or further study 6 months after graduating.

(Destination of Leavers from Higher Education 2017)

100% of Geography students were satisfied with their course.

(National Student Survey 2019)
Start your career in Physiotherapy or Occupational Therapy with our Health Science courses. You will adopt a problem-led approach using a blend of traditional and innovative teaching methods.

Our Occupational Therapy course is validated by the Health and Care Professions Council and approved by The Royal College of Occupational Therapists. As a student on our course, you will get the chance to work with a lecturer on a piece of research. Current projects include working with refugees and people living in care homes. Our course will allow you to make a positive contribution to the health and wellbeing of individuals and communities.

Our Physiotherapy course is also validated by the Health and Care Professions Council and accredited by The Chartered Society of Physiotherapy. We give you a range of inspirational learning opportunities to help you reach your potential as a physiotherapist of the future. You will have access to the clinical simulation laboratories at York Hospital to support your studies.

On our health courses you will undertake a minimum of 1000 hours of professional practice allowing you to gain valuable skills for your future career.

Studying Sport with us is different. We prepare you to help athletes train, perform and recover more effectively. Our research pushes the boundaries of what we know about sport, exercise and health. You can even choose to integrate a master’s qualification into your study. But what we are really dedicated to, what feeds our passion for sport, is how it can benefit the community. We believe that positive social change can be achieved through sport and our inclusive approach is apparent in everything we do.

The British Association of Sport and Exercise Sciences endorse all of our Sport courses.

We provide opportunities to gain industry experience through our extensive connections with local schools, sports teams and community volunteer projects. We offer study abroad options in the USA, Canada, Australia and Europe.

Facilities
- Physiotherapy clinical rooms
- Occupational therapy simulation rooms
- Sport and exercise therapy suite
- Strength and conditioning suite
- Human performance laboratory
- Cardiovascular health research laboratory.

See all of the courses we offer on pages 79-84.
HISTORY, WAR AND AMERICAN STUDIES

We offer courses in these subject areas:
American Studies | History | War Studies

Our department consists of three separate disciplines.

Choose American Studies for an interdisciplinary study of the history, literature, politics, and culture of the United States. You can develop your own pathway through the degree by choosing modules which fit your interests and correspond to our research specialisms. These include the American presidency, US crime culture, women’s writing and African American history.

War Studies offers a range of theoretical approaches to war, including historical, political, international, sociological and philosophical. We will help you build a sophisticated understanding of war and global relations, both as subjects worthy of study and as preparation for a variety of career options. Our research and teaching areas range from Ancient Rome, through to the Napoleonic Wars, the Cold War and the War on Terror.

On our History course you will explore a broad range of periods, places and peoples, from antiquity to the twenty-first century. You can develop your own specialism focusing on the periods, themes or locations you are interested in, while studying in one of the UK’s most historic cities. Specialist modules, such as History, Community and Culture, incorporate work placements at sites like York Explore Library, York Museums Trust, The National Railway Museum and Yorkshire Film Archive.

Our joint honours options mean you can broaden your knowledge and study across two subject areas you feel passionate about. Students on all of these courses have the opportunity to study abroad for either a semester or a year in Europe or the USA. This amazing opportunity to independently experience another culture will offer a valuable new perspective on your subject and prove impressive to future employers.

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Penny | History

100% of History and American Studies students were satisfied with their course.
(National Student Survey 2019)

See all of the courses we offer on pages 79-84.
When you join one of our courses, you join our community. A place where staff and students share your passion for language. A place to work with the community to enrich their lives, and your studies.

Be part of our York English as an Additional Language (EAL) voluntary initiative, working with EAL pupils in local schools to help improve their English. Join our Japanese Society or Taiko Drumming to immerse yourself in Japanese culture. Practice your British Sign Language communication at our Sign Bar or raise money for Hearing Dogs for the Deaf.

Our staff members are active researchers. It informs their teaching and puts you at the cutting edge of language learning and analysis. Gain research experience and work alongside your tutors with our Students as Researchers scheme.

Many of our courses allow you to experience a new culture by studying abroad. It’s an experience you will never forget and a great way to apply your learning. Explore a new country, meet friends for life and broaden your world view.

See all of the courses we offer on pages 79-84.

“You won’t meet friendlier, more approachable or more helpful staff than those at York St John University. Nothing is ever too much to ask and they always find the time to help you, should you need it.”

Libby | English Language and Linguistics
LAW, CRIME AND SOCIETY

We offer courses in these subject areas:
Law | Sociology, Criminology and Policing

The range of subjects we offer allows you to study in specialist areas or combine modules in various ways to suit your career ambitions. Our academic staff are known for their expertise in research and are on the pulse with industry developments. Our smaller classes also enable our lecturers to get to know you as an individual.

Enhance your interpersonal skills in our specialist workshop spaces. Gain experience of problem solving, teamwork and leadership and draw knowledge from staff publishing work in the fields of murder, terrorism and political violence, sex work and more.

From 2020, as a police officer you will be required to hold a professional qualification in policing to be confirmed as a police constable in England and Wales. Our Degree in Professional Policing is delivered under licence from the College of Policing and will satisfy the academic requirements of the pre-join programme, allowing you to apply to become a police officer. The modules of the course follow the National Policing Curriculum.

Our Law course has excellent links with local legal practitioners, providing you with an excellent learning experience. As well as your classes, there are a range of law-related extracurricular activities for you to get involved in, such as the Student Law Society, debating and mooting, mock trials, presentation activities, practical legal problem solving and legal research.

As part of the Working with Criminology module, you will experience guest lectures from professionals in the industry.

Our Law LLB (Hons) is a Qualifying Law Degree approved by the Solicitors Regulation Authority and Bar Standards Board.

No.1
Our Sociology course is number one in the country for student satisfaction.
(Complete University Guide 2020)

“In Criminology we look at how various factors about a person or group of people might affect how they function in society. I think I can take this skill and understand how to best lead a team.”
Anna | Criminology
LITERATURE, CREATIVE WRITING, FILM AND MEDIA

We offer courses in these subject areas:
Creative Writing | English Literature | Film Studies | Media and Communications

In English Literature our philosophy is that words matter – we believe that words shape our world and have the power to change it. We are not only interested in the details of the texts we study, but how they interact with and impact on wider issues, debates and movements. York is a great place to study literature – with inspiring events throughout the year enriching your student experience. We are a partner of York Literature Festival, a vibrant annual event which has previously hosted high profile authors such as Margaret Atwood, Michel Faber and Will Self. Staff and students can get involved in these events, and some are hosted on campus.

York Centre for Writing, based at the university, is a hub for exciting writing events, projects and publications. By studying Creative Writing as part of the centre you will be collaborating with and taught by award winning writers. You may even have the opportunity to get your work published. If you study the Working with Words: Publishing and Performance module, you will build valuable, employable skills as you work as a team to edit, design, publish and launch our annual anthology of student work: Beyond the Walls.

If you study Film or Media and Communications you will have plenty of opportunities for new experiences. For example, you will be encouraged to get involved with the writing and production of Neutral, our online magazine. Every year you can immerse yourself in the events, screenings and talks which make up the BAFTA qualifying Aesthetica Short Film Festival, and you can take part in national and international field trips to explore your subject in new contexts.

100% of Media students were satisfied with their course.
(National Student Survey 2019)

97% of English Literature students were in work or further study 6 months after graduating.
(Destination of Leavers from Higher Education 2017)

Study these courses on their own or as part of a joint honours degree, allowing you to focus on two subject areas which interest you.

“I have always loved film and the fact that York St John has a joint honours course with media made me feel confident that I could apply both elements of the course to a future career. This year I’ve found that the Gothic and Horror and Independent Cinema modules have encouraged me to think more about film and inspired me to carry on watching all kinds of new genres.”
Morgan | Media and Film Studies

See all of the courses we offer on pages 79-84.
We offer courses in these subject areas:
Computing | Mathematical Sciences

The skills of greatest value in the future workplace will be those which complement and enhance the incredible advances of technology.

If you are a creative problem solver with an inquisitive and analytical mind, then our innovative courses are for you. We will give you a diverse, international outlook and the analytical, computational and communication skills needed to take on the world of tomorrow.

Our mathematics courses were created in partnership with employers and have a unique focus on communication, creative problem solving, employability and digital literacy.

Mathematical scientists find occupations in all walks of life, such as the financial sector, start-ups, industrially applied maths, logistics, teaching and government departments or charities.

A key feature of our computing courses is that we purposefully keep taught class sizes small, so that the lecturers can get to know you as an individual and understand your personal learning needs.

Our teaching involves a range of immersive learning experiences such as lectures, live projects, seminars, workshops, teaching laboratories, supported open learning, guest talks and exciting field trips.

Live projects and testing – apply your skills to projects that engage with real life challenges.

Mathematics is the global language that we use to describe the world. It underpins all aspects of life, including transport, shopping, physics, architecture, insurance, music and ecology.

Facilities

- 30 workstation Mac laboratory
- 66 workstation Linux/Windows dual booted laboratory
- Industry-standard software.

92% of Computer Science students were in work or further study 6 months after graduating.

(Destination of Leavers from Higher Education 2017)
PERFORMANCE

We offer courses in these subject areas:
Drama, Theatre and Dance | Music

Here at York St John University we encourage creativity. Your ideas can develop and ignite new opportunities and that excites us. We want you to explore these ideas, try new things and experiment. Immerse yourself in your art and become a performer, dancer, composer or theatre maker.

From working on placement in industry, local schools or with our partnership in regional women’s prisons, our creative practice benefits the society we live in. Collaborating helps build new ideas and inspiring projects. So we encourage you to work together with students from other courses and the wider community. It’s all about being part of something bigger and making change happen.

Access state-of-the-art performance spaces and receive support from our experienced lecturers and specialist technicians. They can help you turn your ideas into reality. Our new Creative Centre will include a 200+ seat auditorium with stunning views of York Minster.

Our approach to performance is about preparing you for a life working in the arts. When you graduate you will be ready to become a professional in your field. Your time with us will have provided the skills, attitude and network you need to succeed.

100% of Drama: Education and Community students were satisfied with their course.
(National Student Survey 2019)

94% of Music students felt that staff were good at explaining things.
(National Student Survey 2019)

“I’m beyond lucky to have such down to earth, experienced lecturers. They have been there through the good and the bad and have always been on hand for the right advice. I have been given guidance I will treasure for life and am very grateful to have worked with them. I’ve learnt from the best and don’t think I would have got this anywhere other than York St John.”

Jasmine | Drama: Education and Community
When you study philosophy, theology, international relations or politics, you explore what it means to be human. What makes individuals and societies behave the way they do? How do ideologies originate, develop and influence our lives? Tackling huge questions like these not only shows future employers that you are not afraid to take on complex problems, it will also change the way you see the world.

We will challenge you to respond to contentious ethical debates around morality, suffering, genetic engineering, medical intervention, social justice, state surveillance, feminist ethics, human rights and globalisation. Learning to consider different points of view and construct your own reasoned argument is an incredibly valuable skill, both in your career and in life.

The topics you study aren’t confined to theoretical debate – they address issues with significant contemporary relevance and practical implications. You will consider, debate and respond to some of the most pressing issues of our time; from climate change to international state security. In an era of fake news and growing intolerance, it is more important than ever to develop religious literacy, a solid understanding of global politics and an empathetic appreciation of other ways of thinking.

We offer courses in these subject areas:

International Relations | Philosophy and Ethics | Politics | Religion and Theology

Politics and International Relations can be studied alongside another complementary subject area, such as History or War Studies.

“This course has been great in helping me to develop my skills. Between writing assignments and preparing for lectures, I have seen huge improvements in my ability to think critically, manage my time, research topics and present key information. I have especially loved working on case studies from religious discrimination cases, to anthropological studies of aboriginal tribes in Australia. This course is giving me the tools I need to succeed in the world of work.”

Andreas | Theology and Religious Studies

96% of Theology and Religious Studies students were in work or further study 6 months after graduating.

(Destination of Leavers from Higher Education 2017)
PRODUCTION

We offer courses in these subject areas:
- Film and TV
- Journalism
- Media Production
- Music Production

Are you someone who learns best by doing? Then you will feel at home here. Our production courses have a practical focus – but we do things a little differently. We build work placements and live industry briefs into our courses. You could work with musicians at the iconic Abbey Road Studios and gain industry experience that makes you stand out. Crew a TV documentary, work with BBC Radio or produce your own magazine and leave the university with a CV full of experience. We will help you to turn your passion for film, music, TV or journalism into work that people will want to engage with.

Our lecturers have strong industry backgrounds and will pass their expertise onto you. We also have a dedicated team of course technicians who are ready to help you turn your ideas into reality. You will have the opportunity to attend specialist masterclasses and industry days throughout your degree. These are your chance to meet and learn from inspirational industry professionals.

92% of Journalism students felt that staff made the subject interesting.
(National Student Survey 2019)

100% of our Media Production students were in work or further study 6 months after graduating.
(Destination of Leavers from Higher Education 2017)

We have outstanding production facilities, and we are building more.
They include:
- 2 multi-camera TV studios
- Radio studio
- Dedicated editing labs
- 2 music recording studios
- Specialist mastering suite

See all of the courses we offer on pages 79-84.
PSYCHOLOGY AND COUNSELLING

We offer courses in this subject area:
Counselling and Mental Health

Our Counselling and Mental Health course places an emphasis on helping others while also providing an extensive look at theories and models. In weekly skills sessions, our experienced counsellors and coaches will help you develop your practical skills, and professional placements on every year of the course allow you to apply these skills. You will learn how to make a real difference to people’s lives.

We will teach you how to nurture your unique talents, clarify your ambitions and realise your potential. With us, you will discover yourself. We will help you to open doors to a variety of job roles or further study. Counselling isn’t the only graduate destination; our graduates also work in mental health nursing, social work, education, youth work and more.

100% of our Counselling students were in work or further study 6 months after graduating.  
(Destination of Leavers from Higher Education 2019)

“‘I really enjoyed the placement modules, they allowed me to find something that I truly love doing and could picture myself pursuing as a career.”

Kiera | Counselling, Coaching and Mentoring

We offer courses in this subject area:
Psychology

Our courses cover all aspects of psychological science, including human cognition, cognitive neuroscience, social psychology, and clinical and forensic applications. You can also follow specialist pathways in child psychology or counselling psychology. Our academic staff are active researchers, with a range of specialisms including memory and language, body image and bullying, social influence and psychopathology. Their research informs their teaching, so you will learn about contemporary advances in the field and develop the skills to conduct your own research. You will have access to specialist laboratories and equipment including EEG, virtual reality headsets and eye trackers. The focus on research and data analysis skills throughout the courses prepares you for your final year project and careers beyond university.

93% of Psychology students were satisfied with their course.  
(National Student Survey 2019)

“‘The highlight of my studies was conducting my own piece of research in my third year. I loved researching a topic which interested me and seeing it develop into something I was proud of. I always had the support of my lecturers and academic tutor. Without this, I would not have finished my degree.”

Danielle | Psychology

See all of the courses we offer on pages 79-84.
A STRONG FOUNDATION

A foundation year prepares you for degree level study, giving you the confidence and skills needed to make the most of your course.

This option is ideal if you do not yet meet the minimum requirements for entry straight onto a degree course, or feel you are not quite ready for the transition to Higher Education.

You will spend a year familiarising yourself with academic writing, university life and your chosen subject. Passing this year guarantees you a place on one of our undergraduate degrees, which you will choose when you apply. This means you will graduate with a BA or BSc Honours degree.

The content of the foundation year is usually broader than you will study in a typical degree course. Instead you gain a comprehensive overview of a diverse area, such as Humanities or Business, which can lead into several different specialisms. Studying alongside others with a range of academic interests and perspectives will allow you to have interesting debates and discussions. You will leave the foundation year with new ideas, new friends and a head start on your degree.

Minimum entry requirements for a foundation year are:
- 48 UCAS points
- 1 GCSE in English Language at grade 4/C (or equivalent).

We offer foundation years in Business, Sport, Humanities and Psychology.

“I’ll be studying English Literature next year, but having the opportunity to dabble in History and other subjects encompassed by the foundation year is one of the reasons I’m really enjoying the course. All of this alongside our sessions on assessments, critical thinking and how to write well means that this course is well rounded and a great stepping stone into degree level study.”

Erin | Foundation Year in Humanities
We offer exciting undergraduate courses in more than 30 subject areas. Wherever your interests lie, whatever passion drives your ambition, we know that you will find The One.

Our courses give you a platform to develop big ideas, debate issues you are passionate about and see things from a new perspective. We have designed each one carefully to give you an academic experience which you will carry with you for life.

This course directory will help you find the courses that interest you the most. But don’t stop there: explore more about our courses on our website. Our course pages are the best place to find out why York St John is The One. It’s the place to discover what modules you will study each year and the topics you will explore. A place where current students and alumni talk about their experiences and share why they love studying with us. Get excited about your future and the course you will study.

Start your future. Find a course. Visit: www.yorksj.ac.uk/our-courses

More information on our entry requirements is available on page 86.

See page 95 to check how many UCAS Tariff points your qualifications hold.
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## Undergraduate Prospectus

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**Music:** Performance BA (Hons) | W3P8 | 96 | 3 | X | | | yorksj.ac.uk/W3P8

Musical Theatre BA (Hons) | W3MT | 96 | 3 | X | | | yorksj.ac.uk/W3MT

**Politics, Religion and Philosophy**

International Relations BA (Hons) | L210 | 104 | 3 | | | | yorksj.ac.uk/L210

International Relations and History BA (Hons) | L230 | 104 | 3 | | | | yorksj.ac.uk/L230

International Relations and War Studies BA (Hons) | L240 | 104 | 3 | | | | yorksj.ac.uk/L240

Politics BA (Hons) | L200 | 104 | 3 | | | | yorksj.ac.uk/L200

Politics and Economics BA (Hons) | L1N7 | 104 | 3 | | | | yorksj.ac.uk/L1N7

Politics and History BA (Hons) | L2V1 | 104 | 3 | | | | yorksj.ac.uk/L2V1

Politics and International Relations BA (Hons) | L220 | 104 | 3 | | | | yorksj.ac.uk/L220

Politics and War Studies BA (Hons) | L2L2 | 104 | 3 | | | | yorksj.ac.uk/L2L2

Politics, Philosophy and Economics BA (Hons) | L1N9 | 104 | 3 | | | | yorksj.ac.uk/L1N9

Politics, Philosophy and Ethics BA (Hons) | L2V5 | 104 | 3 | | | | yorksj.ac.uk/L2V5

Religion, Philosophy and Ethics BA (Hons) | VV65 | 104 | 3 | | | | yorksj.ac.uk/VV65

Theology and Religious Studies BA (Hons) | V600 | 104 | 3 | | | | yorksj.ac.uk/V600

**Production**

Digital Music BA (Hons) | J932 | 96 | 3 | X | | | yorksj.ac.uk/J932

Independent Music Production BA (Hons) | J933 | 96 | 3 | X | | | yorksj.ac.uk/J933

Media Production BA (Hons) | P3P3 | 96 | 3 | X | | | yorksj.ac.uk/P3P3

Media Production: Film and Television BA (Hons) | P3Q4 | 96 | 3 | X | | | yorksj.ac.uk/P3Q4

Media Production: Journalism BA (Hons) | P3L2 | 96 | 3 | X | | Successful applicants will be invited to attend a Portfolio Day. yorksj.ac.uk/P3L2

Music Production BA (Hons) | J930 | 96 | 3 | X | | | yorksj.ac.uk/J930

Music Production and Creative Business BA (Hons) | J931 | 96 | 3 | X | | | yorksj.ac.uk/J931

**Psychology and Counselling**

Counselling and Mental Health BA (Hons) | BX91 | 96 | 3 | X | | | yorksj.ac.uk/BX91

Psychology BSc (Hons) | C800 | 120 | 3 | | | | yorksj.ac.uk/C800

Psychology with Child Development BSc (Hons) | C810 | 120 | 3 | | | | yorksj.ac.uk/C810

Psychology with Counselling BSc (Hons) | C8B9 | 120 | 3 | | | | yorksj.ac.uk/C8B9

Think that York St John could be The One for you? Here’s what to do next.

### Find out more about your course

You can find detailed, up-to-date information about each of our degree courses on our website. This includes module options as well as details about how you will be assessed and how the course will be delivered.

### Book onto an Open Day

This is the best way to meet us in person and find out more about us. Our 2020 Open Days are on:
- Monday 29 June
- Saturday 15 August
- Saturday 17 October
- Saturday 21 November

### Make your application

Applications for 2021 entry open in September 2020. You apply via the UCAS website using our UCAS code Y75. You can choose up to 5 options and have until 15 January 2021 to do this. Find out more about how to apply on page 88.

### Make your decision

In the spring before you are due to come to university we will invite you to visit us again on a Decision Day. This is a chance to see anything you missed on an Open Day and get a more in depth taster of your course. You will be invited to attend one if we make you a conditional or unconditional offer.

Sort out your finances

To guarantee having the funds you need in place for the start of the academic year you need to apply for your student funding through your student finance provider before May 2021. Find out more about fees and funding at: yorksj.ac.uk/funding

Find your new home

If you are moving away from home to study with us then choosing where to live is an important decision. We guarantee all of our first year undergraduate students a place in university accommodation and you will be able to submit your preferences from February 2021 to July 2021. Find out more on page 32 or at: yorksj.ac.uk/accommodation

Get your results

August 2021 is when all of your hard work pays off. Celebrate your achievements, confirm your place with us and look forward to university life. If you didn’t get what you hoped for, we may still be able to find you a place through Clearing. Find out more at: www.yorksj.ac.uk/clearing

September 2021

Arrive at York St John University and start your degree! The Students’ Union organise a Welcome Week full of activities to help you settle into university life.
Entry requirements

We want to widen access to higher education as much as possible. This means we consider many different qualifications when making an offer.

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Some of our courses have entry requirements over and above the minimum grade requirements or ask for specific subject experience. Please check the relevant course pages on our website for further information.

All candidates for our undergraduate courses must have a minimum of grade 4 or grade C in GCSE English Language or an approved equivalent qualification plus 2 further GCSEs at grade 4 or grade C or above. For Teacher Training and Sport programmes equivalences to International Baccalaureate may not be applicable.

Minimum entry requirements

A2 Level
2 passes at A2 Level or 1 Double Award or a combination of the 2 qualifications.

Access Diploma
An approved Access Diploma – please see pages 42-43 for further details on this qualification.

BTEC qualifications
BTEC QCF qualifications at Level 3 Extended Diploma or Diploma level, or BTEC NQF qualifications at Level 3 Certificate or Diploma Level.

Irish Leaving Certificate
Offers are made in line with the UCAS Tariff, so a typical offer would be for 4 H4 grades including English Language. Please check our course pages online for more details on tariff requirements.

International Baccalaureate
Full Diploma with a minimum of 24 points (check course pages for specific requirements). Certificate with a minimum of 80 points to include 2 Higher Level subjects at grade 4 or above.

International qualifications
An equivalent international qualification, such as a full European Baccalaureate Diploma, or American SAT/ACT or other relevant qualifications. Applicants from overseas can email our Admissions team with any specific queries.

OCR Cambridge Technical
OCR Cambridge Technical at Level 3 Extended Diploma or Diploma Level.

Scottish Highers and Advanced Highers
3 Scottish Highers at grade C, plus 3 passes at grade 1-3 at Standard Level to include English Language.

Vocational qualifications
Professional qualifications may be considered. We recommend contacting our Admissions team so that we can provide personalised advice.

Welsh Baccalaureate Advanced Diploma
The Advanced Diploma comprising Core Certificate at Level 3, plus at least 2 options at Level 3, such as GCE Advanced or BTEC National Certificate at Pass.

Flexible entry requirements
York St John University welcomes students of all ages and has flexible entry requirements for mature applicants. See pages 42-43 for more details about how we support mature students.

General information
All standard offers made by York St John University will, where possible, be framed in terms of a UCAS Tariff score. We will take account of AS Levels wherever possible, but the minimum qualification for entry must be 2 A2 Levels or equivalent. AS Levels converted to an A2 Level cannot be counted twice. Offers may also require you to meet non-academic conditions, such as a Disclosure Barring Service (DBS) check or medical checks. We welcome A2 Level General Studies as a qualification and will accept a grade in General Studies as meeting part of the entry requirements. Please see individual programmes for exceptions. You will need to meet particular subject academic requirements by achieving appropriate grades in Level 3 qualifications and GCSE Level examinations.

Credit for previous study in Higher Education
If you have already completed, or partially completed a course in Higher Education it may be possible to enter onto some of our programmes with credit. We can assess how much credit is appropriate for the study you have undertaken and you could enter the second or, in exceptional circumstances, the final year of a relevant programme.

Examples of qualifications we can give credit for include BTEC Higher National Diplomas and Certificates, Diplomas of Higher Education or Foundation Degrees. Successful completion of part of a degree programme elsewhere in the country may also lead to entry with credit. You will still need to apply for entry with credit through UCAS. We also recommend that you contact the Admissions team at York St John University first to assess whether entry with credit is possible. We will normally require a full academic transcript and module breakdown to assess whether you have sufficient credit and whether there is a reasonable match between what you have studied and what you now intend to study. Please note that only credit obtained through study at York St John University will count towards your degree classification.

Inclusive offers
York St John University was founded on the belief that helping more people from a variety of backgrounds to access education contributes positively to individuals and society.

To support this, we take several factors into account when we make you an offer. We look at your academic potential and we also look at factors that prove to be barriers preventing students from attending university.

You can find further information about our inclusive offers on our website: yorksj.ac.uk/admissions

This information is for guidance only and offers may vary depending on individual circumstances at the time the offer is made.
For entry onto our full time degrees you must apply through UCAS using institution code Y75. UCAS allows you to save and amend your application as often as you like before submitting it and the on-screen guidelines will help you through the process. Please check your application carefully before sending it to UCAS, making sure that you have entered the correct course and institution codes.

Apply online at: www.ucas.com

If you are unable to apply online then application materials can be requested by phone via the UCAS Customer Service Unit:
T: 0371 468 0468
E: admissions@yorksj.ac.uk

When should I apply?
Whichever course you are interested in, it is a good idea to apply as early as possible. For autumn 2021 entry UCAS will start accepting applications from 1 September 2020. The normal closing date for applications is 15 January 2021.

UCAS Extra
UCAS Extra opens from mid February and closes in June. If you find yourself without an offer and you have used all 5 choices already, or if you wish to change your subject or institution and decline your previous offers, UCAS Extra enables you to submit an additional choice. Universities and colleges with vacancies in UCAS Extra will list them on the UCAS website.

Clearing
Clearing opens in July and continues through to the start of term. This gives you the opportunity to change the course or institution you have chosen once you have received your exam results. You don’t need to wait until Clearing to continue looking for a place to study – if you are eligible you can apply as soon as UCAS Extra opens.

What happens next?
Most applications to York St John University are sent to us via UCAS. We will then carefully check each one to make sure all entry requirements are met. We may be able to make you an offer immediately or, if your course requires it, we may ask for further information or invite you to an interview.

You can check the course pages on the university website to see if a particular subject requires an interview. You will receive all of your offers through UCAS and they will let you know the deadline for choosing your firm and insurance choices.

We will also invite you to attend a Decision Day on campus. This is another opportunity to meet staff and students and get a taste of university life.
We are here to help you with your finances. There will always be someone who can offer advice and support.

Tuition fees
To study for an undergraduate degree with us, you will need to pay tuition fees for your course. How much you pay will depend on whether you are a UK and EU student or an international (non-EU) student. Tuition fees are charged for each year of your course. Please visit our course pages for detailed tuition fee information.

If you are from the UK or EU and studying for your first degree or other Higher Education course you will not need to pay anything while you study. Graduates will start to make contributions to the repayment of their tuition costs only when they are earning above a minimum threshold.

Paying your tuition fees
To pay for your studies you may be able to take out a loan from a student finance provider such as Student Finance England. The student finance provider will pay your tuition fees directly to the university at the start of each year. To find out more about applying for student finance, visit:

Placement fees
The majority of our undergraduate BA or BSc Honours courses include the option to take a placement year, giving you valuable work experience alongside your degree (see page 22). If you choose to take this opportunity your fee for the year will be reduced to 15% of the usual annual fee.

Scholarships and bursaries
Depending on your circumstances and your academic achievements, scholarships or other sources of funding may be available to you. It is worth doing your research to see if you are eligible for any additional support. You can find this out at:

www.gov.uk/studentfinance

To find out about the scholarships and bursaries we offer at York St John University, please visit:

yorksj.ac.uk/funding

Top tips
Don’t leave it too late – Apply as soon as possible for funding to make sure everything is in place for when you start. Applications normally open in January of the year you are due to start university.

The holiday hustle – If you can find work in the months away from university then it can be a great way to top up your bank account and take the pressure off when you get back to studying.

If you can spare the time whilst studying then part time work can let you earn while you learn. Our Jobs and Opportunities website can help you find employment relevant to your studies so that you are building those employability skills at the same time.

yorksj.ac.uk/careers

Know your budget – Without knowing how much attending university is actually going to cost you, it will be difficult to know what your budget might look like while you study. To make life a little easier, you can use a free online tool like Student Calculator, to get a handle on your budget and become your own financial advisor.

www.gov.uk/student-finance-calculator

Blackbullion – We have an online money tool, Blackbullion, which offers our students mini courses on topics such as budgeting, starting university, saving and lots more. Register for free at:

www.blackbullion.com

using the code YSJOD.

Don’t be afraid to ask for help
The Student Funding Advice team is here to help. Find us online, email us or pick up the phone. Don’t hesitate to get in touch – we are here to help you.

Find out more at:

yorksj.ac.uk/funding

E: fundingadvice@yorksj.ac.uk
T: 01904 876 939
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Travelling times to York

By rail from
Leeds 25 mins
Newcastle 1 hour
Manchester 1 hour 25 mins
London 1 hour 50 mins
Birmingham 1 hour 55 mins
Edinburgh 2 hours 30 mins

By road from
Leeds 40 mins
Newcastle 1 hour 50 mins
Manchester 1 hour 50 mins
London 4 hours 10 mins
Birmingham 2 hours 30 mins

Information set out in the prospectus is for students applying for 2021 entry and was correct at the time of publication.

For the most up-to-date information, please visit our website: yorksj.ac.uk

UCAS TARIFF TABLE

We consider a range of qualifications for entry to our degree programmes. If you can't find your qualification below, you can check how many UCAS points your qualifications hold using the Tariff Calculator on the UCAS website. For more information on the qualifications we accept see pages 86-87.
2020 OPEN DAYS

Mon 29 June
Sat 15 August
Sat 17 October
Sat 21 November

Book your place online at: yorksj.ac.uk/opendays

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