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WHY STUDY LANGUAGES, CULTURES AND SOCIETIES AT LEEDS?

The School of Languages, Cultures and Societies (LCS) at Leeds is a leading UK centre for international-quality research, scholarship and teaching. We are home to over 2,000 students, together with approximately 140 staff, many of whom are native speakers of the languages they research and teach.

The study of languages, cultures and societies enjoys over a century of history at the University and the School is one of the largest and most diverse of its kind in the UK. Here you can enjoy state-of-the-art facilities, the expertise and dedication of internationally recognised scholars, and a wider range of courses than at any other university in the country.

Top 10 for modern languages and linguistics
(The Guardian University League Table 2017)

- University of the Year 2017
  (National Student Survey 2016)
- Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Cultures ranked 60th in the world
  (QS World Rankings by Subject 2017)
- Top 10 for East and South East Asian Studies
  (Complete University Guide 2018)
- Top 20 for German
  (Complete University Guide 2018)
- Top 20 for Linguistics
  (Complete University Guide 2018)
- Top 10 for Italian
  (The Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018)
- Top 5 university targeted by employers
  (High Fliers 2017)

Our researchers are working at the very forefront of their disciplines and the 2014 Research Excellence Framework ranked the University of Leeds in 10th place for research power and 9th place for impact power, which judges research by its impact on the economy, public policy, civil society or culture.

This means you will become part of a community of leading researchers and will be taught by staff who are just as passionate about their subjects as you are.

To find out more about our School, visit www.leeds.ac.uk/lcs
LEARNING AND SUPPORT

Learning at Leeds
We strive to make the transition to university as smooth as possible. We have well-established student support systems to allow you to get the most from your time with us and help you gain in confidence and experience to become an independent learner. In the early part of your degree we will help you through the transition from school or college to university, and we will guide you as you take your learning to the next level to work increasingly independently. You will have a personal tutor to help guide you through your time at Leeds.

We strive to make the transition to university as smooth as possible

Studying at university is different from school or college in that you will benefit from a variety of teaching and learning styles. These include lectures, small-group seminars or tutorials and, in some modules, workshops. While your lecturers are all experts in their fields, and their teaching reflects this, there is greater emphasis on independent learning. You will prepare for lectures and seminars by doing some independent research, which means reading, checking sources and discovering more information or new ideas related to your subject.

Often you will do this on your own but you may also work in groups. Whichever the case, your lecturer or tutor will always be on hand to help.

Facilities
You will have access to the University’s Virtual Learning Environment, which houses online resources to support all our teaching, and the University Portal, which provides you with all the information you need for the day-to-day management of your degree. The UniLeeds app brings together useful information such as campus maps, computer cluster availability, your personalised timetable and much more.

The University has invested in a state-of-the-art lecture capture and multimedia management system. This means you will be able to access video and audio recordings of most of your lectures and other learning activities so that you can study at your own pace and revisit course content at any time.

Our Language Centre includes digital language labs, audio/video practice booths and CALL (Computer Assisted Language Learning). Resources include an extensive collection of foreign language films, documentaries, magazines and newspapers and global satellite television feeds. You will also have free access to Rosetta Stone, allowing you to learn a wide range of languages from beginner to intermediate level.

Within our building we have Interpreter Training Suites, a computer cluster, and the Electronic Resources Information Centre, with computing facilities for Translation Studies.

You will also have access to over 1,800 networked PCs across campus and most areas have high-speed wifi for you to connect your own devices.
Leeds University Library

Leeds University Library is a world class research library with over 3.5 million print and online resources, and a wealth of manuscript, archive and early printed material in its Special Collections. We have four libraries on campus which provide a variety of different working environments, including flexible group study areas and silent individual study spaces. They are open seven days a week and have a variety of opening hours to suit your needs.

The Library also develops a range of materials to develop your core academic skills.

library.leeds.ac.uk

My favourite part of the course was my year abroad in Morocco. I studied in a university there, improving my Arabic and learning all about the culture and meeting new people.

Hamzah Potia
BA Arabic and Middle Eastern Studies
Arabic, Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies

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There is no better time to be studying Arabic, Islamic and Middle Eastern Studies. From Morocco in the West to Iran in the East, the region has long been an important hub of culture, religion and history. Today, given the economic importance of the Middle East and its changing political landscape since the Arab Spring began in 2011, there is a pressing need for experts who have knowledge of the history, politics and religious traditions of the region.

The Arabic language is spoken by over 300 million people across the world and is the official language of 26 countries. You will be supported to achieve an advanced level of Arabic which will open up a wide range of career opportunities and allow you to connect with peoples and cultures across the Middle East.

We have expertise in Modern Standard Arabic, Middle Eastern politics, history, Islamic studies and Arabic literature, and our graduates have gone on to careers in the Foreign Office, the Civil Service, the United Nations, NGOs and as journalists or interpreters. Many also continue to postgraduate study either at Leeds or another university.

What is great about studying languages is you can also study history, politics and literature modules alongside your language studies, so you get a real mix of subjects and a much better understanding of the countries and cultures of your chosen languages.

Skye Ferguson
BA Arabic and Spanish
Classical Civilisation

Classics is an exciting and naturally multi-disciplinary subject area which incorporates all aspects of the ancient Greek and Roman worlds: not just the history, literature and material culture, but diverse subjects such as religion, philosophy, mythology, art and architecture, and the reception of the classical world in modern times.

Our enthusiastic team of lecturers – leading scholars in their fields – share a passion for the lived experience of Graeco-Roman antiquity. Our research translates directly into learning opportunities for you, allowing us to provide one of the largest and most exciting range of Classical study options in the UK.

East Asian Studies

If you want to study an East Asian language – be it Chinese, Japanese, or Thai – and learn about the cultures, societies, religions, literatures, histories, politics, economies and international relations of this dynamic region, then East Asian Studies has a wide range of courses for you to choose from, including joint honours combinations. Many of our teaching staff are native speakers of Chinese, Japanese and Thai, and we have visiting scholars from around the world.

Being surrounded by people who are enthusiastic about their subject and areas of expertise, and who want you to want to learn about what they are teaching you, makes for an animated environment in which studying and academic pursuits are encouraged and supported whole-heartedly.

Tory Popplewell
BA Classical Civilisation
My course was really, really good with great opportunities to go abroad for one term at the end of second year and then a full year in third year before returning to Leeds, so I had lots of experience abroad.

Natalie Raperport, BA French and German

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French

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Not only is France renowned for its rich cultural heritage, but French is one of the most valued and influential languages in the world, as well as the official working language in many international companies.

We offer one of the most diverse courses in the UK, enabling you to study the language, culture and history of France and the Francophone world, and to gain a good understanding of France’s position in modern European and global politics.

As well as ensuring you obtain a high level of written and spoken fluency, French at Leeds opens up a wealth of study opportunities, including Francophone film, linguistics, literature and society, and other more career-based modules. The expertise of our staff will help you increase your knowledge of French and Francophone cultures, focus on the areas that most interest you, and develop the skills to pursue your intellectual interests with increasing independence and academic rigour. You will study or work in a French-speaking country, honing your language skills through intensive daily use and gaining first-hand knowledge of the contemporary culture.

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German

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You will join one of the largest and most vibrant German departments in the country. We are a close-knit community of scholars, and students and staff engage at the highest academic level with the language, culture and history of German-speaking countries.

Your course will combine intensive language training with the study of German history, literature and film and offers the opportunity for independent research into the topics that interest you the most.

You will work with experts in their specialist field, giving you access to cutting-edge research about their specialist interests. Regular talks by guest lecturers and practitioners will bring the subject to life and give you the opportunity to discuss your studies in a friendly, informal environment.

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I love how close-knit German at Leeds is; students really do know their lecturers so it isn’t a problem when you need help with work.

Lauren Cowgill, BA German
Italian

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We are a small, friendly community of staff and students with a shared love of Italy and Italian life. We regularly host concerts and talks by contemporary Italian musicians and writers through our LivItaly series, which are open to students from across the University and the general public. Our active student-led society is a great way to meet students from across different year groups who share your interests.

Throughout your course, you will engage with the culture, society and history of Italy, from the poetry of Dante to the art of the Renaissance, or the cinema of the present day. Our research expertise is matched by our experience in teaching students Italian to a very high level, both from scratch and from A-level standard. You will study or work in Italy, honing your language skills through intensive daily use and gaining first-hand knowledge of the contemporary culture.

**Italian A** is an advanced course designed for students who have an A-level in Italian, or equivalent knowledge of the language.

**Italian B** is a beginners’ course designed for students who have little or no previous contact with the Italian language. It has an excellent record in teaching Italian, with ex-beginners often gaining top marks in final-year language exams.

If you are unsure if your existing ability is of advanced standard please contact us.

When researching different language courses around the country, Leeds really struck me as my best choice. Not only did the course appeal to me, with its interesting variety of syllabus, active atmosphere and opportunities for time abroad, but I loved the sense of community at Leeds and the sheer volume of opportunities on offer to the students here.

**Kathryn Marshall**
BA French and Italian
Linguistics and Phonetics

BA Linguistics and Phonetics  Q100

Language plays a pivotal role in all human affairs and you will be taught by academics who are actively researching a wide range of topics, including language acquisition, psycholinguistics, syntax, phonology, instrumental phonetics, pragmatics and sociolinguistics.

Studying linguistics means:
- learning how to analyse the structure of language (for example grammar, pronunciation, vocabulary)
- exploring how language is acquired, processed and employed by different people in different contexts.

Studying phonetics means:
- examining how speech sounds are produced by the vocal tract
- understanding how speech sounds are transmitted through the air and processed by the ear and brain.

Studying Linguistics and Phonetics together involves learning how to analyse and interpret the structure of language, both in terms of its constituent parts and in its use by speakers all over the world. You will learn how language is processed by the brain and the ear, and explore how it is used in a range of contexts and social relationships.

Russian

BA Russian A  R710
BA Russian B  R705

We incorporate the latest developments in teaching methods to offer a curriculum that provides you with intensive language learning, traditional areas of study such as literature, politics and philosophy, and new fields such as visual culture and the media. The course is organised around four main areas featuring modules that can be studied in a variety of combinations: Language, Literature, Visual Culture and Russian Thought.

You will spend a year studying in Moscow, honing your language skills through intensive daily use and gaining first-hand knowledge of Russian culture. We aim to broaden and deepen your knowledge of Russian language and culture, and to equip you for employment and/or postgraduate study.

Russian A is an advanced course designed for students who have an A-level in Russian, or equivalent knowledge of the language.

Russian B is a beginners’ course for those who have no prior knowledge of Russian, or who have studied it at, for example, GCSE level. We have an excellent record in teaching Russian, with ex-beginners often gaining top marks in final-year language exams.

If you are unsure if your existing ability is of advanced standard please contact us.

The teaching on my course is excellent but the best thing would have to be the studying abroad for a year at the Moscow State University in Russia. It is an unrivalled experience that taught me a great deal.

Sam Platt
BA French and Russian B
Spanish, Portuguese and Latin American Studies

Spanish and Portuguese are among the most widely spoken languages in the world, with speakers in Europe, the Americas, Africa and the Far East. Spanish is the second language of the United States and an official language of the United Nations, while Portuguese is the official language of eight countries in four different continents.

Your language classes are geared to help you achieve a high standard of proficiency in spoken and written Spanish and/or Portuguese, and we aim to ensure accuracy and foster confident use of the language in any situation. You will be able to choose from a wide range of modules on translation, the literature, film and history of Spain, Portugal and Latin America and the option to study Catalan from beginner to advanced level. You will spend time abroad, honing your language skills through intensive daily use and gaining first-hand knowledge of contemporary culture.

You will also benefit from access to the facilities of the Instituto Cervantes, the Instituto Camões and the Institut Ramon Llull, the language and cultural arms of the Spanish and Portuguese governments and the Catalan autonomous government respectively. All these institutes host events and invite guests from the world of culture, including literature, film and music.

The thing I’ve enjoyed the most about studying Spanish at Leeds is their collaboration with the Instituto Cervantes – there were huge opportunities to watch interesting foreign films, hear poetry and listen to talks about things that are beyond the University’s curriculum.

Clive Rodgers
BA French and Spanish
JOINT HONOURS

Our joint honours courses are very popular as they allow you to combine the study of many different subjects in the School including a modern language, classics, ancient history, or linguistics with another subject: there are over 300 combinations in total!

Two languages

If you have a particular aptitude for languages, a combination of two languages can be ideal. A popular choice is to combine a post A-level language with a new one ab initio (from beginner level).

If you combine two European languages, you can generally choose the country in which you will spend your year abroad, which could consist of studying at a partner university, undertaking an approved work placement, or working as an English Language Assistant with the British Council.
If you are studying a non-European language from beginner level, you will typically be required to spend a year at a university in an appropriate country (usually in the second year) rather than on a work placement.

Courses involving two of Arabic, Chinese, Italian B, Japanese, Russian and Thai are five-year courses with two years abroad (although BA Italian B and Portuguese is also a five-year course).

For exact information see www.leeds.ac.uk/courses

Two non-language subjects

It is possible to study two non-language subjects in the School as a joint honours degree, for example Linguistics and Russian Civilisation, or you may choose to study from a range of non-language subjects from across the University, for example Classical Literature and English.

The following non-language subjects within the School can only be studied as part of a joint honours course:

- Classical Literature
- Ancient History
- Russian Civilisation

BA Liberal Arts

You can study modern languages, linguistics and Classics subjects as your major for this degree. See www.leeds.ac.uk/liberal-arts

Joint honours cornerstone modules

Most first year joint honours students in our School must take a cornerstone module to connect the two subjects of their degree. Drawing on the range of cultures studied in the School, these modules enable you to explore the connections between your subjects, and to think about some of the key questions for your chosen disciplines from different cultural and intercultural perspectives.

A language with a non-language subject

You can study a language with many non-language subjects from across the University including film studies, sociology, economics, history, philosophy, management, cultural studies, theatre and performance and more. Whichever combination you choose, a year abroad will be an integral part of your course and if you study a European language this can be spent at another university, on an approved work placement or as a Language Assistant with the British Council. If you study a non-European language you will normally spend your second year at a university or language institute in an appropriate country. For exact information see www.leeds.ac.uk/courses
RESIDENCE ABROAD

Experience of living in another country is at the heart of our language courses and offers the opportunity both to develop a high level of competence in the language(s) you are learning and to immerse yourself in the culture of the country in which you are living.

Single honours language courses
You will spend a year in a country in which your language of study is spoken. For those studying Arabic, Russian or an East Asian language this will usually involve following a specially devised course offered by one of our partner institutions in Morocco, Russia, China, Taiwan, Japan or Thailand. For those who are studying French, German, Italian and Spanish you have the option to study at a university, teach English in a school (with the exception of Portuguese), or undertake a work placement.

Single honours non-language courses
There is the opportunity to study abroad at one of the 400 partner institutions across the world. Alternatively, you can take an approved work placement year. For degrees with Classics subjects, we have exchange links in Greece, Italy and Germany.

Joint honours language combinations
You will normally spend a year in one of the countries whose language you are studying, and a term in a country in which your other language is spoken. Depending on the combination of languages, your course may specify which country you spend which period of time in. If you are required to spend a term abroad, you will normally attend an approved university course. Work placements are also an option for students of French, German and Italian. Courses involving two of Arabic, Chinese, Italian B, Japanese, Russian and Thai (also including BA Italian B and Portuguese) are five-year courses with two years abroad.

Joint honours language and non-language combinations
You will spend a year in a country in which your language of study is spoken. For exact course information see www.leeds.ac.uk/courses
I was able to combine my love for languages and my interest in politics and I absolutely loved it! My year abroad was spent in Chile, living and studying in Santiago so I discovered a new continent and new people.

Marie Seng
BA International Development and Spanish

Supporting and preparing you for your residence abroad

You will be supported by a well-established network of staff and students to prepare you for your residence abroad. Before you leave, you will attend a number of meetings with your personal tutor and/or residence abroad tutor and have an informal network of returning students who will have plenty of hints and experiences to share with you from their time abroad. Dedicated study abroad staff, both within the School and the wider University, will support you to apply for work and university placements, talk through your options and help you make a smooth transition. Throughout your time abroad there will be support and communication available and regular reports on your wellbeing and academic progress. Once you return to Leeds, you will be supported back into your studies and will be able to mentor outgoing students.

I spent a year in Beijing, studying 8am-12pm everyday and then we had free time to do a bit of travelling. There were other University of Leeds students as well as students from Japan, Korea; from all over really!

Sylvia McFarlane
BA Chinese

I studied at the University of Illinois and took modules that I wouldn’t have been able to at Leeds, including the politics of hip hop and computational linguistics. I stayed on campus and lived in a dorm with other American students, it was really fun!

Alison Rogers
BA Linguistics and Phonetics
WORK PLACEMENTS

‘Being in a professional environment day in day out really changes your perspective on what you want from life and how to achieve it. I met many people from a great variety of roles which has helped me identify which career path I want to follow after I finish University.

Annabel Moody
BA Economics and Spanish, Year Abroad working at Tetra Pak Spain

Depending on your course you can apply to spend a year on a work placement. The School’s dedicated Work Placements Officer works closely with academic placement tutors and the University’s Careers Centre to provide you with a high level of support both during the placement search and whilst you are on placement. You can either apply for a placement that draws on University contacts or identify your own placement.

Courses in French, German, Italian, Spanish or Portuguese

If your year abroad will be in a French, German, Italian or Portuguese-speaking country, your work placement options may include working for the British Council as a Language Assistant teaching English in a local school (with the exception of Portuguese) or an approved work placement. If you are studying a joint honours language course combining French, German or Italian with a second language you also have the option of applying for a work placement for your term abroad.

Courses with Arabic, Russian or East Asian languages

You will spend your year abroad studying at a partner university, therefore you will be unable to take a work placement year. However you can still take advantage of the opportunities offered by the University to help you gain work experience. Our award-winning Careers Centre sources short-term internships and offers networking sessions, career guidance appointments, taught modules and an online jobs and internships portal. Our School regularly receives opportunities from employers who want to recruit Leeds students to positions both in the UK and overseas, and Leeds University Union has plenty of opportunities to get involved with student societies.

Non-language courses

If you study a non-language single honours course you have the option to spend your third year on a work placement, which will extend your degree to four years. The placement can be in the UK or abroad and can be spent with any suitable organisation that is able to offer you degree-level work experience.

Exact course information can be found at www.leeds.ac.uk/courses
Languages for All gives you the chance to take modules in a foreign language, or additional foreign language, as part of your course. You can choose a language which is completely new to you or continue a language you have studied before.

Studying a language as part of your course develops your cultural knowledge, enhances your employability and helps you to differentiate yourself from other graduates. It can also help prepare you for an international placement.

We offer French, German, Italian, Japanese, Korean, Mandarin Chinese and Spanish at a range of levels – see the table opposite for further details.

Find out more at www.leeds.ac.uk/languages

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CAREERS AND EMPLOYABILITY

Employers look for individuals with a strong portfolio of transferable skills, including the ability to work effectively under pressure, good presentation and writing skills, problem solving, and the ability to gather, organise and communicate information.

During your time at Leeds you will build and develop these skills alongside the academic qualities you will gain from your degree. Your module choices will guide the skills and qualities you gain, enhancing your prospects if you wish to use your degree directly upon graduation. Career development support is offered by the School and the award-winning University Careers Centre.

Studying modern languages is a great way to enhance your career prospects. Many companies operate internationally and need linguists, whilst employers want broad abilities and not just subject knowledge.

Our non-language graduates have found success in numerous sectors, including journalism, teaching, accountancy, business, finance, management and retail. The skills you gain while studying for your degree will prove valuable to employers and the modules you choose will make you a specialist in your chosen subject area.

All our courses will develop your communication, time management, presentation, team work and self-motivational skills.

The year abroad (optional for non-language students) will enhance your personal development and language skills, giving you an edge over other candidates at interviews when it comes to maturity, oral and written communications skills, and the way in which you present yourself.

Discovery modules
As part of your course you will be able to choose from hundreds of discovery modules which represent the breadth of our teaching at the University. You could choose something related to your subject or try something completely new, while developing skills that will prepare you for life after graduation.

Join a global network of Leeds graduates
Many of our graduates return to Leeds to share their experiences, offer internships and work placements and generally provide guidance so that you have an insight into graduate employment. You will also have access to the Leeds Network; a group of alumni who represent industries across the globe who want to mentor and work with you.

Leeds for Life
The University’s Leeds for Life scheme will help you make the most of your time at Leeds and prepare you for the future. It helps you to have effective personal tutorials and provides an easy way to find opportunities to enhance, record and reflect on your skills.

There is a chance to compete for funding for student-led projects. All this helps you to become a confident, articulate and highly employable graduate.
University Careers Centre

Our award-winning Careers Centre offers a range of free services delivered by experienced advisors and has strong relationships with graduate recruiters. The Careers Centre will help you right from the start and provide support after you graduate.

Find out what the Careers Centre has to offer at careerweb.leeds.ac.uk

Studying Thai at the University of Leeds has given me many unique work experiences, as well as preparing me with specialist skills and knowledge that have allowed me to thrive in the media, travel, international relations and communications industries in Thailand.

Grace Robinson
BA Thai and South East Asian Studies
The University of Leeds is one of the UK’s top civic universities, in the heart of one of the UK’s most vibrant and student friendly cities. Established in 1904, Leeds is one of the largest universities in the UK and one of the giants of the higher education system. The Sunday Times University Guide

At Leeds you will experience the best of both worlds: a friendly, campus community and a vibrant city only a 10-minute walk away. The University has invested heavily to provide you with a first-class learning environment, including modern lecture theatres, first-rate computing resources, an award-winning students’ union, online learning provision and an internationally acclaimed university library. Throughout your degree, you will be supported by a network of specialist services which work together to ensure that any problems you may have are carefully resolved. This includes support from the School, as well as the wider University and Leeds University Union.

A city within the city, the campus has everything you would expect from a traditional redbrick university as well as a large supermarket, places to eat and drink, and spaces to relax and catch up with friends.

You can pursue your sporting interests, whether that’s competing at club level or simply playing for fun, or to keep fit. The Edge, in the heart of campus, is a £12.5m indoor facility providing a variety of fitness, wellbeing and sport opportunities, including: a fitness suite, swimming pool, sauna and steam room, personal training studio, climbing wall and three studios offering over 140 classes per week during term time.
City life

Arts and culture
The city has a vibrant cultural life, so whether you are a fan of cinema, opera, live music or theatre, Leeds has something to suit you. Nightlife in and around the city is known for its diversity and popularity, and there are lots of live music venues, including the Refectory at the University. Leeds also offers a unique selection of commercial and independent cinemas and hosts an annual international film festival. It is the only city outside of London to have its own opera and ballet companies and boasts several theatres, which all offer student discounts. There are plenty of museums on offer too.

Shopping
Leeds is the third largest shopping destination in the UK outside of London and has an eclectic mix of high street favourites, independent boutiques and vintage stores, all within easy reach of campus. You will be able to explore Trinity Leeds, a retail and leisure development home to over a 100 shops, cafés, bars and restaurants, and Victoria Leeds, which is home to a range of high-end shops including Harvey Nichols.

Exploring Yorkshire
Leeds is one of the greenest cities in Britain and within easy reach of traditional towns and cities, as well as stunning countryside and coastlines. From the romantic ruins of the 12th century Kirkstall Abbey to the Palladian splendour of Harewood House, there are many areas of natural beauty and interest in or close to Leeds which are great for a low-cost day out.

Sport
Whatever your sport of choice, Leeds is home to some great sporting teams including Leeds United Football Club, Yorkshire County Cricket Club and Yorkshire Carnegie rugby team.

Food and drink
You are never far away from a restaurant, café or bar in Leeds, whether on the city centre or one of the popular student suburbs. Many offer student deals or early-bird menus ideal for a student budget.
Entry requirements for all our courses are listed on [www.leeds.ac.uk/courses](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/courses).

All applications must be made through UCAS by 15 January for admission the following September. [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com)

**Access to Leeds**

Access to Leeds, the University’s widening access scheme, guarantees special consideration if you have personal circumstances that have affected your ability to demonstrate your talent and potential through grades alone.

Applicants to the scheme who receive a standard offer will also receive an Access to Leeds offer of two A-level grades (or equivalent) below the standard offer. To find out more visit [www.leeds.ac.uk/accessstoleeds](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/accessstoleeds)

**Student funding**

Student funding has been designed to ensure that you don’t have to pay for your degree up front. There is plenty of help available in the form of government loans and scholarships from the University. Find out more at [www.leeds.ac.uk/yourfinances](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/yourfinances)

**I chose Leeds because the staff and students I met at open days were friendly, encouraging and most importantly seemed motivated about their teaching or studies.**

Laurence Newbery-Payton

BA French and Japanese

**Accommodation**

All first year undergraduates at the University of Leeds applying before July 1st in their year of entry are guaranteed a place in our accommodation. Find out more at [www.leeds.ac.uk/accommodation](http://www.leeds.ac.uk/accommodation)
Visiting us

The University organises several open days throughout the year (usually in June, September and October). During your visit you will be able to explore our campus, meet our staff and students and attend subject talks and activities. Open days are very popular and booking is essential. Find out more at www.leeds.ac.uk/opendays

We can also arrange independent visits if you are unable to attend an open day. For more information email lcsadmissions@leeds.ac.uk

If you are made an offer you will also be invited to one of our applicant visit days.

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I visited Classics on an open day and absolutely fell in love with it in the same way I did with Leeds that day. I was just meant to be visiting the University to accompany a friend but couldn’t picture myself studying and living in any other place once I had attended that open day.

Katie Nelson
BA Classical Civilisation