Lancaster University

GLOBAL SUMMER SCHOOLS

Introducing Britain: Culture, Language and Society from the Age of Empire to Brexit
Understanding Britain: Developments in British Culture, Language and Society (1800-Present)

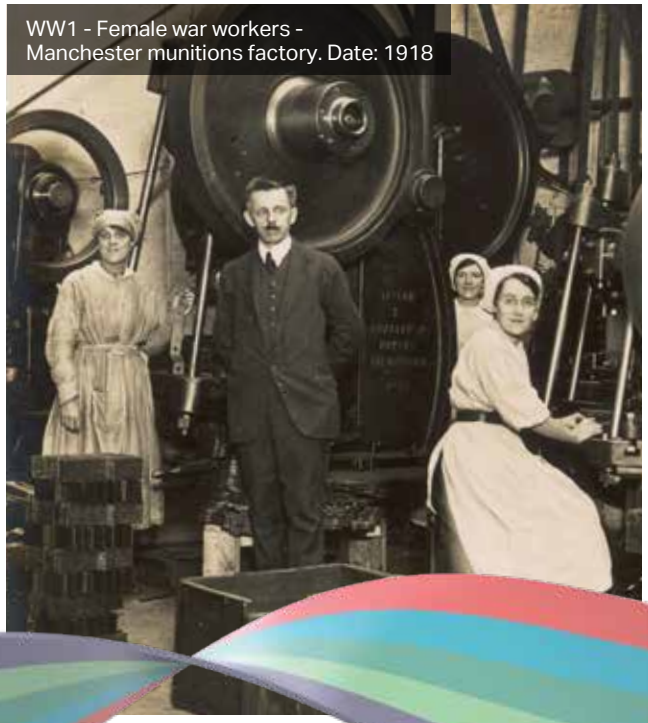
Your Global Experience at Lancaster University

Join a global student cohort for one of our exciting summer schools at Lancaster University, The Times and Sunday Times University of the Year 2018. Taught by world-class academics, our short courses include interactive lectures and small-group seminars, film screenings, field trips with on-site instruction or multi-day residential visits to fascinating places, and stimulating social events.

COURSE [1]	DATES	CREDITS [2]	COST
Introducing Britain	1st – 21st July 2018	3 US/6 ECTS or 4 US/8 ECTS	£2250
Understanding Britain	16th August – 14th September 2018	4 US/8 ECTS	£2550

This is a fantastic opportunity to be part of an international learning environment and to explore British culture whilst enjoying our stunning regional landscape. London, Manchester, Edinburgh and Liverpool are all within 2.5 hours, and the magnificent scenery of the Lake District, the Yorkshire Dales, and the Forest of Bowland is on our doorstep.

"Amazing experience, I learned a lot about British culture. Great way to get introduced to Lancaster, great way to meet new people, awesome organised trips."



WW1 - Female war workers - Manchester munitions factory. Date: 1918

Media City, Salford, Manchester

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Introducing Britain:
Culture, Language and Society from the Age of Empire to Brexit

You will get an overview of British culture, history, and politics over the past three hundred years, focusing on crucial historical events and their impact on Britain, such as:

- the impact of political revolutions in Europe and America on a newly united 18th-Century Britain;
- the vast social changes accompanying the Industrial Revolution in the 19th Century;
- the effects of the World Wars in the 20th Century;
- the end of Britain as a global empire from the 1940s and the subsequent events that have led Britain to the brink of Brexit in the 21st Century.

You will learn about what Britain and the United Kingdom are, who lives there, and the country's role in a larger global political stage by looking at political developments, changes in language and literature, and the individual experiences of migrants over the centuries.

Understanding Britain:
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This course covers four main areas of study:

- romantic literature and how it changed perceptions of nature, particularly with regard to the English Lake District;
- the emergence of the North-West of Britain as an industrial powerhouse and how scholars, political thinkers, writers and artists of the time perceived these changes;
- different experiences of World War I, both at home and on the front, and the lasting effects of the war on British culture and memory;
- the transformation of Britain since the 1950s, the legacy of its colonial past and the rise of new multicultural communities.

FAQs

Who can attend?

The courses are ideal if you want to experience teaching and learning at a world-renowned academic institution. Current students or recent graduates of English Literature, Linguistics, History, Politics, Sociology (or any other disciplines) who wish to deepen their knowledge of the UK are very welcome. All teaching and assessment is in English so you are expected to have a GPA of 3.0, a credit or grade B average or equivalent, and a language proficiency level of CEFR C1 or IELTS 6.5 overall or equivalent, to get the most out of the programme.

Can I combine the courses with the rest of my studies?

Each course can be taken as a stand-alone module or as part of a study-abroad experience before/after you come to study at Lancaster or another British university.

What is the difference between the courses?

Apart from the dates, Introducing Britain is equivalent to a first-year undergraduate Lancaster University course, while Understanding Britain is a more advanced module equivalent to a second-year course.

Introducing Britain includes multi-day trips including overnight stays at sites that are relevant to the topics being studied, while Understanding Britain students are based at Lancaster University campus and go on field trips during the course.

What does the cost include?

The programme fee covers orientation, teaching, assessment, field trips, transport, and three or four weeks of accommodation. Some meals will be provided for students taking Introducing Britain during residential visits. Students on both courses will have access to venues that serve hot food, or are welcome to use communal kitchens to cook their own food in the accommodation provided.

How will I be assessed?

You will be assessed using typical UK university methods such as written tests, oral presentations, essays and other shorter coursework. Depending on which version of the course you choose (3 or 4 weeks, 3 US/6 ECTS or 4 US/8 ETCS) assessment will differ slightly, but full details will be provided as part of the course orientation. The courses are a good way to get used to, or improve at, UK university-style learning, assessment and writing.

Disclaimer and notes

The university makes all reasonable efforts to ensure that the information in this prospectus is correct.
Please see www.lancaster.ac.uk/compliance/legalnotice for further information.

1. Each course is subject to a minimum enrolment of 12 students – if this number is not met, we reserve the right to cancel the course.
2. Introducing Britain has two credit options: the course content is the same, but the version with extra credit includes an additional essay-based assessment, which will be completed and submitted online after the course finishes.
3. Please note that this curriculum content is subject to change, and (particularly for the 3-week version) may be delivered in a different order.

Book your place by 10th April 2018

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