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Karen (UK), Aeronautical Engineering

Undergraduate Study Guide 2025

Science for humanity

17 questions (and answers) about
what it's like to study at Imperial

Imperial College London

[imperial.ac.uk](https://www.imperial.ac.uk)

Imperial is a place where we use the scientific method to ask (and answer) some of the biggest questions facing humanity today.

As you consider which university is right for you, you might be asking a few questions such as:

What am I passionate about?

What kind of career do I want to have?

Where do I want to spend the next three (or more) years of my life?

We can't answer all those questions for you, but we made this guide to help you understand why we believe Imperial is a great place to study, how to apply and what you can expect when you join our incredible campus community. We hope you find it useful.

And if you do decide to join us at Imperial, we look forward to answering some even bigger questions together.

It starts with a question



Our campus in the White City Innovation District

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What is

Our South Kensington Campus at night



What is Imperial?

Imperial?

Welcome to Imperial, a world-leading university for science, technology, engineering, medicine and business (STEMB).



Students can practise lab work in our Chemical Kitchen



Students on Dangoor Plaza, South Kensington Campus

We were founded in 1907 with a mission 'to be useful' – but we know that before anyone can usefully change something, they first need to understand it.

That's what we do here: we use science to understand more of the universe, and improve the lives of more people in it.

Imperial's scientific community studies the forces that are shaping the future. And the research and innovations we produce are right now helping to navigate some of the world's toughest challenges in global health, climate change, AI leadership and more.

Our work impacts the world, and our community reflects it. Here, you'll find a welcoming home for everyone who believes in the power of science to build, heal, and lead.

How 'to be useful'? At Imperial, our answer is to combine exceptional teaching, world-class facilities and cross-faculty collaboration to unlock scientific imagination in everyone. To chase the truth, then apply it for the good of all.

This is what we mean when we say 'science for humanity'.



Inside the university's main entrance

What does everyone else say about Imperial?

Imperial is consistently recognised as a top global research university, with a number of our departments ranked as first in the world. We are the only London Russell Group university currently rated Gold by the Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF).

Our place in rankings and league tables reflects the dedication of our community to create the best possible educational and research environment where students and staff can thrive. But rankings aren't everything. We encourage you to consider a range of factors (including your goals, availability of specialist subjects and courses, faculty expertise and campus culture) when deciding whether or not to join us at Imperial.

imperial.ac.uk/study/student-life/reputation



University of the Year for Graduate Employment

The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2024

Greater proportion of world-leading research than any other UK university

Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2021

Top for student satisfaction

among London Russell Group universities, National Student Survey (NSS) 2023

Chemical Engineering students working in our Carbon Capture Pilot Plant



What does everyone else say about Imperial?

3rd

in Europe
QS World University Rankings 2024

6th

in the world
QS World University Rankings 2024

3rd

in the UK
QS World University Rankings: Europe 2024

4th

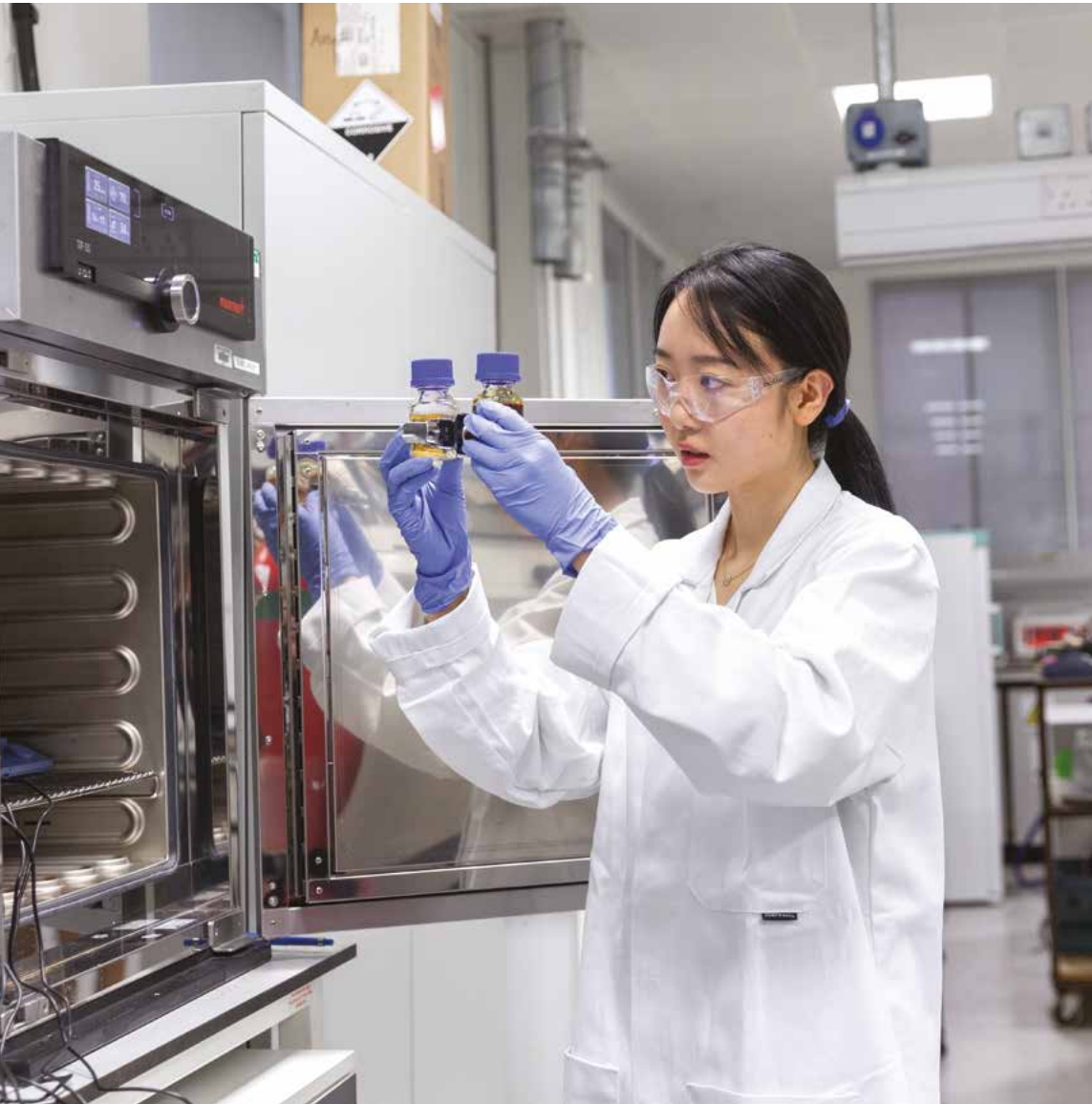
in Europe
QS World University Rankings: Europe 2024

5th

in the UK
The Guardian University Guide 2024

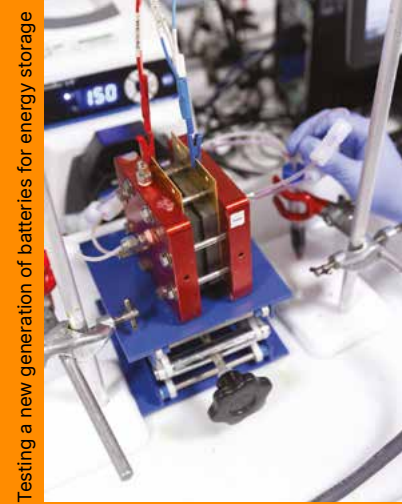
8th

in the world
Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2024



A student completing research in a lab

What questions are being asked at Imperial today?



Testing a new generation of batteries for energy storage



Developing a prototype universal controller for a UROP project

From global health to climate change, AI, technology and business leadership, our community uses the scientific method to consider some of the most urgent challenges facing the world today. Some of the tough questions we are asking – and answering – right now at Imperial include:

How do we speed up vaccine creation?

How do we protect society against climate breakdown?

How do we feed the world, sustainably?

What do tomorrow's business leaders need to understand about technology today?

We tackle these challenges together, with participatory research, cross-faculty collaboration and industry partnerships. When you study at Imperial – the UK's only university focused entirely on STEMB (science, technology, engineering, medicine and business) – you get an unrivalled opportunity to explore, discover, and make a difference in the subjects that inspire you most.

How does Imperial's research make an impact?

In the most recent Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2021, the national evaluation of all universities' research, Imperial is ranked first in the UK for research environment, with a greater proportion of world-leading research than any other UK university.



A student working on the DE NIRO Bot (Design Engineering's Natural Interaction Robot)

UROP students working at a fume hood



How does Imperial's research make an impact?

Can undergrads get involved in research?

Yes! You can get hands-on research experience both at the university and at our partner universities around the world. You can take part in Imperial's Undergraduate Research Opportunities Programme (UROP) and work on live research projects with one of our academics. Or, opt for Imperial's International Research Opportunities Programme (IROP) and gain practical experience on research projects at one of our prestigious partner universities around the world.

Find out more about research opportunities for undergrads at:

imperial.ac.uk/study/urop
imperial.ac.uk/study/irop

And get inspired by listening to the Imperial College Podcast:





Rea (left) in the university's main entrance

Ask an Imperial student:

Q. Can I explore other interests beyond my core subject?

A. “Imperial has a reputation as a world-class STEMB institution, but there are plenty of opportunities to explore disciplines beyond your degree through Horizons classes. In my second year, I studied German, and in my third year I studied Science, Policy and Power, exploring the impact of scientific advancements on wider society.”

Rea (Albania), Molecular Bioengineering

How can I sharpen my competitive edge?

Our I-Explore programme is a part of most undergraduate courses. It includes Imperial Horizons, which invites you to study something different like business, another science, languages, humanities or social sciences as part of your degree. It's an opportunity to expand your learning experience, and sharpen key skills for the future.

Find out more at:

imperial.ac.uk/i-explore
imperial.ac.uk/horizons

Ask an Imperial student:

Q. Can I do research abroad?

A. “I spent eight weeks this summer at the University of Toronto for IROP, working with a research group. The chemistry department was extremely welcoming. I was assigned a PhD student mentor, who patiently answered all my questions and helped me in the lab.

Outside of work hours, I participated in some of the research group's social activities; we went to the theme park Canada's Wonderland and went on a camping trip to Restoule Provincial Park! Toronto is also a fairly well-connected city. This allowed me to visit Ottawa during my IROP and then fly to Calgary to visit Banff once my IROP ended.

After having done my IROP, I feel much more confident going into my final MSci research year. Seeing how the research group worked together really inspired me – it's clear to me now how different the research environment is to undergraduate chemistry.

My confidence and range of skills in the lab has also improved as I got a lot of lab time during my IROP. This process has really inspired me to potentially pursue a PhD overseas – I had a great time in Toronto and I recommend that everyone should do an IROP if given the chance!”

Susanna (UK), Chemistry

Will I fit in at Imperial?

Everyone belongs here. If you decide to enrol at Imperial, you'll be welcomed into a community where you can be yourself, find your people and pursue your passion.

imperial.ac.uk/stories/shifting-the-lens-belonging



The Imperial College Gospel Choir at the Holy Trinity Church, South Kensington



Juproop in the Carbon Capture Pilot Plant

Ask an Imperial Student:

Q. What's the student community like at Imperial?

A. "There are so many things I love about Imperial: my course, the facilities, and the opportunities I've been given. But the best thing is the Imperial community. I've met people from all over the world. It's shown me that no matter where you come from, whatever our differences, there are common struggles and interests that you can relate to people with. If I hadn't come to Imperial, I would never have met some of my closest friends! The international community, and the efforts that Imperial puts into maintaining this, are the things I most enjoy."

Juproop (UK), Chemical Engineering



The women's hockey team at Imperial's annual Varsity



Imperial College Union in Beit Quadrangle



Imperial College Union stand at our Welcome Fair

What's the Students' Union like?

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As an Imperial student, you'll automatically be part of the Imperial College Union, a 20,000-strong community of current students and future leaders. The Union is here to represent students' voices and views, nurture our campus culture and help to make sure your Imperial experience is as positive as it can be.

imperialcollegeunion.org

Is Imperial a supportive place to study?

Your wellbeing matters here. That's why we provide a wide range of services to respond to any challenge you might face while studying at Imperial:

- Student support teams can help you with practical advice on things like finances, accommodation or visas.
- Personal tutors provide guidance and academic advice, and help you access additional support for your studies.
- Hall Warden teams are here for out-of-hours support for anyone living in halls.
- Our Student Counselling and Mental Health Advice Service offers short-term counselling as well as educational workshops to help you look after your own mental health and wellbeing.
- Our Disability Advisory Service provides flexible, tailored support for students with a disability or impairment.

Check out the Imperial Student Support Zone website for more details on the types of support available, as well as the contact details for the support teams you can always reach.

imperial.ac.uk/student-support-zone



Ask an Imperial student:

Q. What about mental health support?

A. “I went through a difficult time in my first year, and the support at Imperial was great. I had counselling and my counsellor was amazing. I would say to anyone who's struggling, don't be afraid to speak up and reach out for help. It can be daunting coming somewhere like Imperial, but the mental health support system is amazing. I reached out to them and explained my situation. It was a really easy process and very accessible. I'd highly recommend it to other students.”

Benjamin (UK), Biochemistry

Is Imperial a supportive place to study?



Benjamin (middle) in the Chemistry breakout space





The Outdoor Society in Eryri National Park (Snowdonia), Wales



The African Caribbean Society

Jezebel is one of Imperial's most beloved university mascots. Originally built for the London Fire Brigade and posted to Vauxhall under the threat of Zeppelin raids in 1916, Jez was donated to the Royal College of Science in the 1950s by Joseph Crosfield and Sons Limited.



The women's football team at Imperial's annual Varsity



What student societies are there at Imperial?

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We have more than 370 student-run societies and clubs at Imperial, including:

- A Cappella
- Caving
- Environmental
- IQ (LGBTQ+)
- Model United Nations
- RAG (Raising and Giving)
- Skydiving
- TEDx
- Writers' Society
- Yoga

And many, many more...

If you don't see a society for your favourite hobby or interest, you can get support to start one.

imperialcollegeunion.org/activities



E.quinox is a student-led humanitarian organisation at Imperial working alongside rural Rwandan communities to develop scalable, low-tech research and innovation since 2009. E.quinox's three latest projects include modular rainwater harvesting for households, mushroom farming as a response to child malnutrition, and a delivery service that increases market access for farmers.

Is Imperial entrepreneurial?

We've got start-up heritage, with a culture that is nimble, innovative and collaborative. Entrepreneurialism is in our DNA. We have some of the best-resourced entrepreneurship facilities in the country, including the largest mentoring system, a top-spec prototyping hackspace, and the biggest start-up prize fund – the Venture Catalyst Challenge.

From idea exploration to venture incubation and start-up investment, Imperial has everything you need to turn an idea into tangible, real-world impact.

imperial.ac.uk/entrepreneurship

You don't need to wait until after graduation to pursue your innovative idea – at Imperial, we have opportunities to get you started:

- Our Enterprise Lab supports more than 2,000 students each year with mentoring, access to experts-in-residence, skills development workshops and more, so you can turn your idea into real impact.
- The annual WE Innovate programme awards a prize fund of £30,000* to outstanding women-led start-ups.
- Our most prestigious entrepreneurship prize is the Venture Catalyst Challenge, where students pitch their ideas to a panel of industry leaders for a chance to win a share of the £100,000* prize fund. Previous participants have gone on to gain global recognition and raise millions in funding for their idea.

- StudentShapers teams up students with staff to develop and implement new tools and approaches to improve the learning experience at Imperial.
- Each year we work with university partners on the Global Challenge Lab to bring together hundreds of students and alumni who collaborate on ideas to accelerate progress on the UN Sustainable Development Goals, and compete for a chance to win a share of the Lab's prize fund.

*subject to sponsorship

imperial.ac.uk/research-and-innovation



Between 2016 and 2022, the Enterprise Lab has helped more than 321 start-up ideas to become real businesses, including Dotplot, a company enabling early breast cancer detection through an at-home device and app for easy and accessible breast health monitoring. Pictured: Debra Babalola and Shefali Bohra, Dyson School of Design Engineering graduates, Co-Founders of Dotplot.



Cai in the Enterprise Lab

Ask an Imperial Student:

Q. Can I start a business at Imperial?

A. “Absolutely. Multus Media is a business that I set up, which started with my involvement with the Synthetic Biology Society (SynBIC). The society runs an annual competition to get projects started in the Hackspace, and provides a small amount of funding.

My team designed a reinventing growth media to feed cells that can be grown as a food. That means producing meat without the animal. It gives the same end product but it’s far more sustainable...

...At the same time, we were working towards the Faculty of Natural Sciences Make-A-Difference competition and the Venture Catalyst Competition (VCC). So lots of opportunities opened up in parallel.

The VCC got us involved with the Enterprise Lab, and made us think more commercially about what we were doing. Now we are part of the Imperial Incubator, where we do lab work and refine our business model.

Multus Media started out as an idea for a student project. Now it’s an award-winning start-up company.”

Cai (UK), Molecular Bioengineering



Pae Natwilai (right) mentor and founder of Trik drone mapping software

The Faculty of Natural Sciences Make-A-Difference competition

The 'FoNS-MAD' competition invites students to develop low-cost technology solutions that have the potential for meaningful impact in society. The top teams are given funding, space and a bursary to work on their project for eight weeks over the summer. At the end of the summer, they present their findings to an expert panel, and compete for prizes of up to £7,000. It's open to all undergraduate students from the Faculty of Natural Sciences and to team members from other faculties, too.



FoNS-MAD winners Stephen (UK), Mathematics, Paolo (Italy), Mathematics, Sarkis (Cyprus), Mechanical Engineering, and Ritsuki (Japan), Chemistry. The team created AmmonAI, a machine learning solution to help farmers stop over-fertilising and protect the environment.



The Imperial Racing Green team in the pit garage

Imperial Racing Green

Imperial Racing Green is a flagship interdisciplinary teaching project which involves students designing, making, testing and racing zero emission vehicles. Undergraduate engineers get involved in developing vehicles based around hydrogen fuel cell, battery electric and various hybrid technologies.



A performer at the Great Exhibition Road Festival which takes place in June

London on a budget

Being a student is a great (and cost-effective) way to explore everything that London has to offer. Your student ID card will help you get discounts on everything from clothes to food and many of the capital's cultural experiences.

Many of London's top attractions are also completely free – like the three world-class museums on our doorstep in South Kensington (V&A, Science Museum and the Natural History Museum) and two Royal Parks (Hyde Park and Kensington Gardens), just up the road.

You can also check out our Careers Services JobsLive portal, where students can search internship and full- and part-time job opportunities from employers specifically hoping to work with Imperial students and graduates.

Please do think carefully about the number of hours you plan to work so that you can balance it with the demands of your course. If you are studying in the UK on a visa, you'll also need to check the permitted number of hours you can work per week under your visa conditions.

Millennium Bridge looking towards St Paul's Cathedral



What's it like to study in London?

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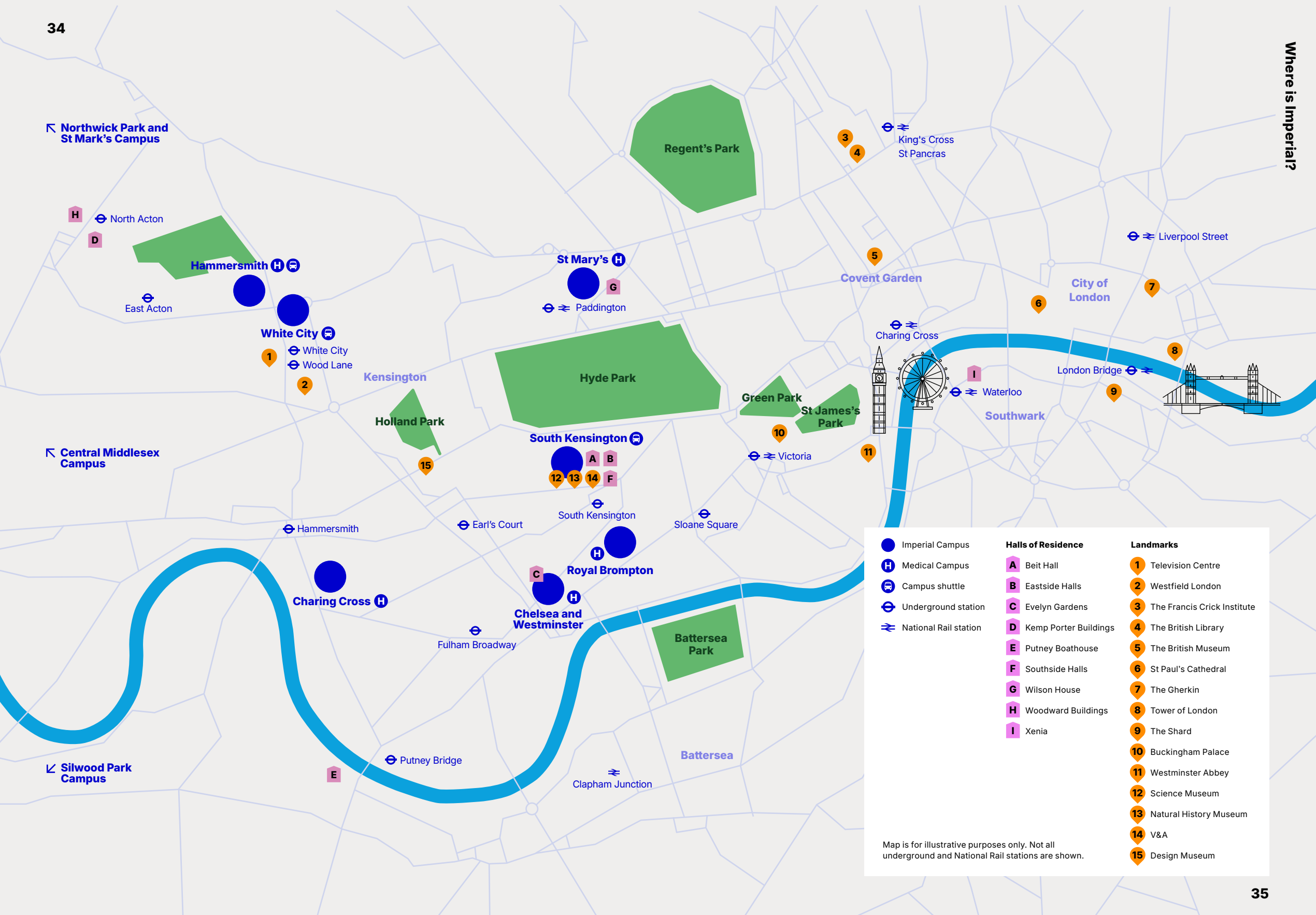
We think London is the greatest city on earth to be a student – and students tend to agree. In fact, London was ranked as the best city for students by QS Best Student Cities 2024.

London is a city where industry, policy, art, entertainment and global cultures all converge. And Imperial is at the centre – a global hub in a global city. Our work shapes the world and our community reflects it, brought together by the gravitational pull of London's energy, economy and opportunity.

imperial.ac.uk/study/london

Students by Tower Bridge





<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Imperial Campus Medical Campus Campus shuttle Underground station National Rail station 	<p>Halls of Residence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A Beit Hall B Eastside Halls C Evelyn Gardens D Kemp Porter Buildings E Putney Boathouse F Southside Halls G Wilson House H Woodward Buildings I Xenia 	<p>Landmarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Television Centre 2 Westfield London 3 The Francis Crick Institute 4 The British Library 5 The British Museum 6 St Paul's Cathedral 7 The Gherkin 8 Tower of London 9 The Shard 10 Buckingham Palace 11 Westminster Abbey 12 Science Museum 13 Natural History Museum 14 V&A 15 Design Museum
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Map is for illustrative purposes only. Not all underground and National Rail stations are shown.



Where will I live?

Like many new Imperial students, you can choose to live at one of our welcoming and comfortable halls of residence. Our on-site Hall Warden teams provide wellbeing support and oversee a schedule of events and socials, helping you feel at home and supported from day one.

If you pick Imperial as your first choice, and you're coming to Imperial on your own, you are guaranteed a place in halls for your first year. You'll find lots of options for budgets, room type and facilities preferences here:

imperial.ac.uk/accommodation

Imperial's halls vary in their location and character. We've prepared a video to help you choose the one that fits you best:



'All-inclusive rent' includes:

- Contents insurance
- Utilities (internet, electricity, heating, water)
- Once-a-term payments to help with budgeting
- Safe and secure environment with CCTV and card access
- Regular security patrols throughout the day and night

No need to move for holidays

With 38 and 40-week contracts, your room is yours for the full academic year.

And after the first year?

It's up to you! You can use our dedicated property search website to find private rented accommodation and get year-round help and advice on housing from our Accommodation Office.

imperial.ac.uk/ug-private-accommodation

Dates for your diary:

Mid-late May 2025

Once you accept Imperial as your firm choice on the UCAS Hub, we'll invite you to apply for accommodation where you can select your preferences.

Mid July 2025

Want a guaranteed place in halls? Submit your application before our mid July deadline – exact date to be confirmed here:

imperial.ac.uk/accommodation

Late July 2025

Is Imperial your insurance choice? We'll email to let you know you can apply for accommodation. We try to house everyone but can't guarantee places.

Early September 2025

We start allocating rooms based on your application preferences. Everybody is allocated a room within their preferred budget, and for around 90–95% of applicants that means a room matching one of their preferences.

Late September – Early October 2025

It's time to get those boxes ready for moving day. Current students will be on hand to help you settle in.



How will studying at Imperial help my career?



A graduate at Imperial's graduation ceremony

Imperial students are always in high demand (so high that you might even get headhunted before you graduate).

That's because many of the world's top employers know our graduates have a reputation for being exceptionally bright, entrepreneurial and hard-working. And because the questions these employers are asking – on topics like global health, climate change, AI, technology and business leadership – are the same ones Imperial students are answering right now.

From your first day here, you'll have access to a huge range of support services to help you prepare for – and secure – the next step in your academic or professional life.

Whether it's workshopping your CV, maximising LinkedIn for professional networking, connecting with employers at sector-specific careers fairs or exploring onward study, our Careers Service helps you translate your Imperial degree into a purposeful and rewarding future.

The support doesn't stop the minute you get your cap and gown, either. You can continue to use the Careers Service for up to three years after you graduate from Imperial.

imperial.ac.uk/careers

If you're studying at Imperial College Business School, you'll also have lifelong access to support from the Business School's Careers team, including 1:1 sessions, professional development webinars and targeted careers events, all focused on helping you achieve your aspirations.

imperial.ac.uk/business-school/programmes/careers

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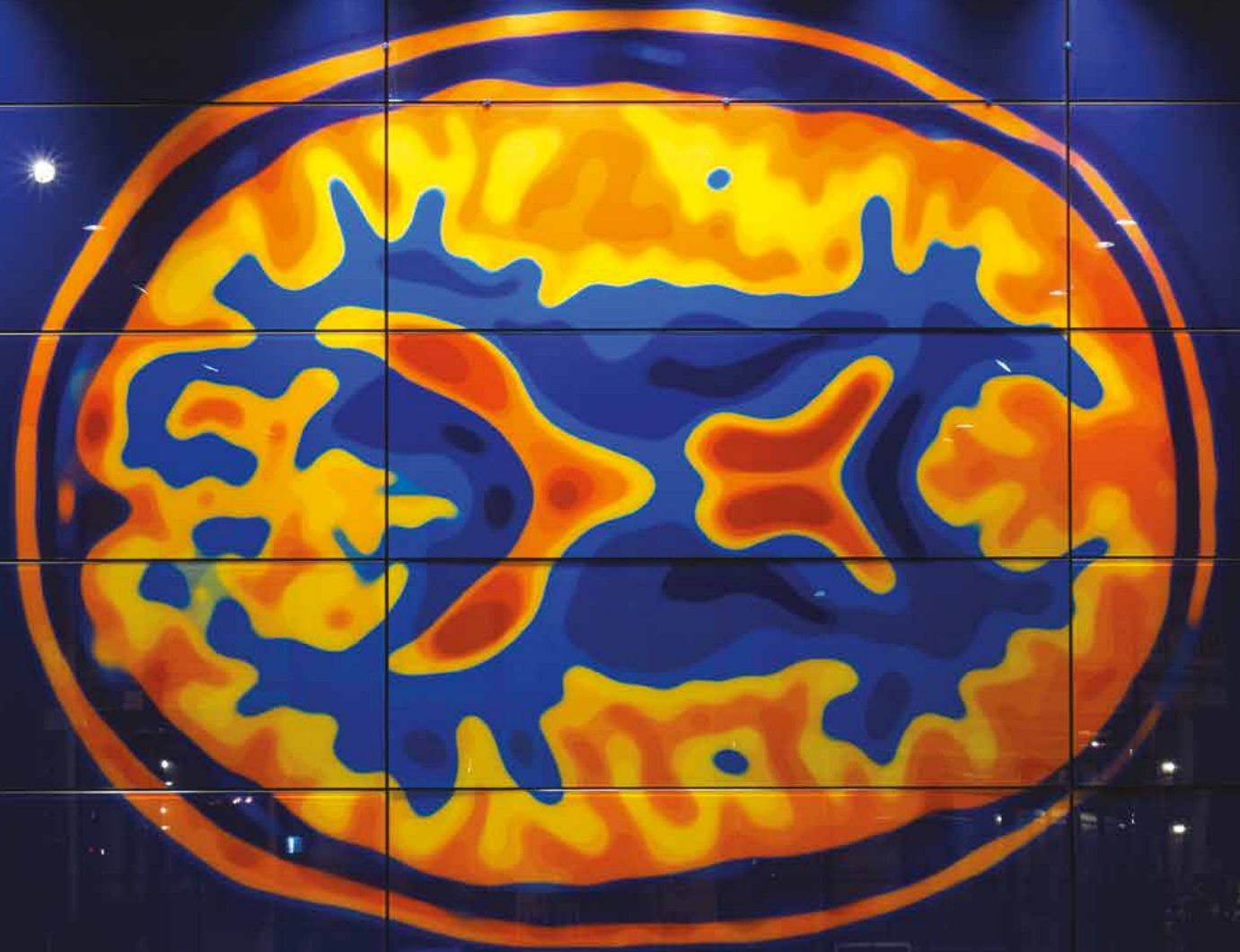
of our undergraduate survey respondents are in employment or further study 15 months after graduating.

Higher Education Statistics agency (HESA)
Graduate Outcomes Survey 2021

University of the Year for Graduate Employment

The Times and Sunday Times
Good University Guide 2024

What can I



What can I study?

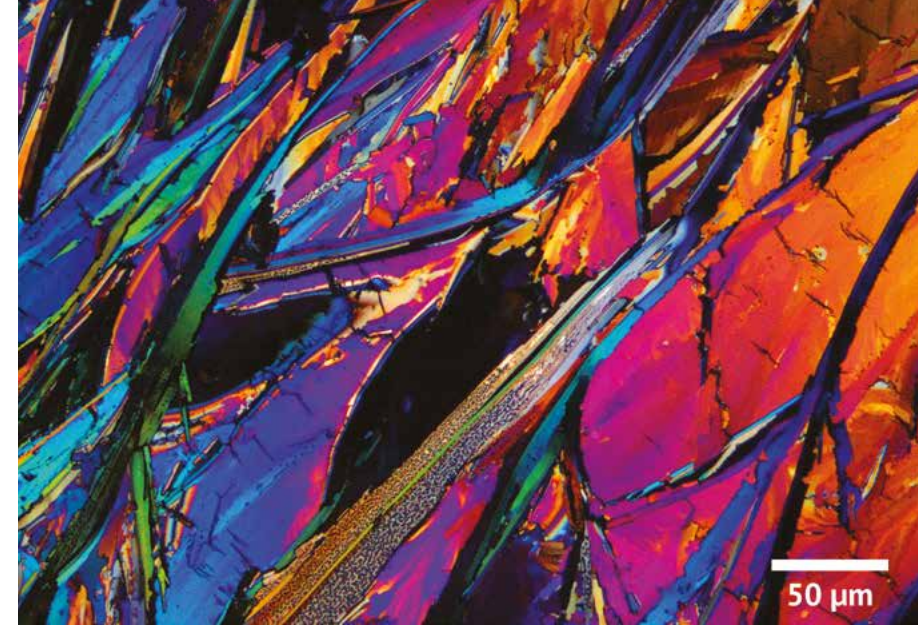
A visualisation of the human brain by Danish artist Per Arnoldi, created in collaboration with scientists from Imperial

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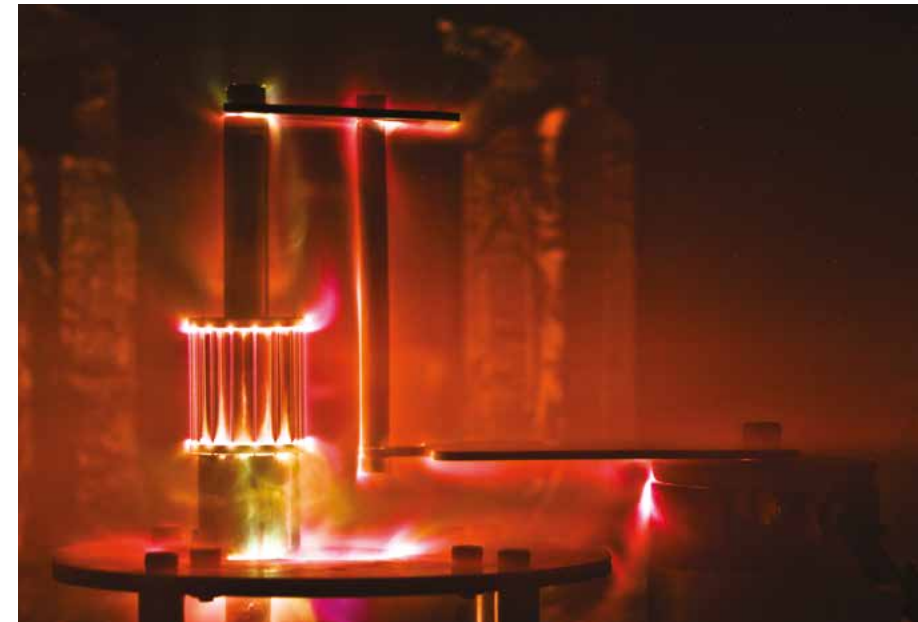
How to build How to heal How to lead



A student researching transformative quantum technologies



Microscope image of chiral layers of carbon-based polymers generated while developing new materials for light-emitting diode, with a focus on the emission of circularly polarised light.



Long-exposure photo of MAGPIE solar wind experiment.

This is science for humanity

Imperial's academic teaching staff lead the way in the subjects that shape our world. They are here to inspire, challenge and guide you as you begin your own learning journey in Engineering, Medicine, Natural Sciences and Business.

The questions we ask here can have ripple effects that change the world...

What is this mould in my petri dish – and can we use it to save lives?

Can we straighten up the leaning tower of Pisa?

How must scientific institutions change in order to welcome more women and people of colour?

Can we use solar mini-grids to bring renewable energy to refugee camps in Rwanda?

Can technology enable blind and visually-impaired people to navigate without a cane or guide dog?

Can I use metamaterials to create an invisibility cloak?

Could I be Imperial's next Nobel prize winner?

What are the parasite proteins that trigger immunity to malaria?

Can statistical methods and data science protect us from cyber attacks?

Can we create a more accurate pregnancy test?

Can I improve the image resolution of an electron microscope (and unexpectedly invent holography along the way)?

How do we feed the world's nine billion population in 2050?

How do pesticides and climate change affect bees?

How do we ensure refugees and asylum seekers can fulfil their academic potential?

How can scientific imagination create real-world impact?

How do we design more liveable and sustainable cities?

How might we calculate the earth's radiation budget – and what does that mean for the planet's future?

How do we restore the ecosystem and biodiversity of Brazil's Atlantic Forest and provide water security for farmers and residents of São Paulo at the same time?

Our courses for 2025

UCAS code	Length (years)	Industry placement	Department expected intake	Department applications : places	English language level	Admissions test (see page 69)	Interview
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What the icons mean

- Direct application not possible; apply to core course through UCAS
- Δ Mathematics Analysis and Approaches or Applications and Interpretation syllabi accepted
- B Test of Mathematics for University Admissions (TMUA)
- Ω University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT)
- Ⓞ Graduate Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT)

Entry requirements

Minimum entry standard and typical offer: see pages 68–69 to understand the difference.

English language requirement: you must meet either our standard (S) or higher (H) level requirements for entry to your chosen subject.

International Baccalaureate (IB) applicants: all subjects are required at Higher Level, unless otherwise stated.

See pages 68–69 for more information about our entry requirements.

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Imperial College Business School

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BSc Economics, Finance and Data Science	L1N3	3		81	35:1	H	✓ B	✓		A*AA overall, to include: A* in Mathematics AA in two other subjects	New course for 2023 so no data available	39 points overall, to include: 7 in MathematicsΔ 6 in two other subjects	New course for 2023 so no data available
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Faculty of Medicine

School of Medicine

BSc Medical Biosciences	B101	3		150	7:1	H	✗	✗		AAA overall, to include: A in Biology or Human Biology A in Chemistry, Mathematics, Further Mathematics or Physics A in another subject (if your second A grade is in Mathematics or Further Mathematics, your third choice must be a non-Mathematics subject)	AAA	38 points overall, to include: 6 in Biology 6 in Chemistry, MathematicsΔ or Physics	38 points
BSc Medical Biosciences with Management	B111	4											
MBBS/BSc Medicine	A100	6	✓	345	10:1	H	✓ Ω	✓		AAA overall, to include: A in Biology A in Chemistry A in a third subject	AAA–A*AA	38 points overall, to include: 6 in Biology 6 in Chemistry	39 points
MBBS/PhD Intercalated PhD option for Medical Students	---	8 or 9	✓										

The Pears Cumbria School of Medicine

Degree-level entry

Minimum entry standard

MBBS Medicine (Graduate Entry) New for 2025 entry	A102	4	✓	50	N/A	H	✓ Ⓞ	✓		2:1 in a Bioscience or Allied Healthcare Degree
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- ∅ Engineering and Science Admissions Test (ESAT)

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Faculty of Engineering												
Department of Aeronautics												
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MEng Aeronautical Engineering with a Year Abroad	---	4										
MEng Aeronautical Engineering with a Year Abroad	---	5										
MEng Aeronautical Engineering with a Year in Industry	---	5	✓									
MEng Aeronautics with Spacecraft Engineering	---	4										
Department of Bioengineering												
MEng Biomedical Engineering	BH9C	4		211	4:1	H	✗	✓	A*AA overall, to include: A* in Mathematics A in Physics A in a third subject	A*AA–A*A*A	39 points overall, to include: 6 in Mathematics [†] 6 in Physics 6 in a third subject	39–40 points
MEng Biomedical Engineering with a Year Abroad	---	4										
MEng Biomedical Engineering with a Year in Industry	---	5	✓									
BSc Biomedical Technology Ventures	B800	3							A*AA overall, to include: A* in Mathematics A in Biology, Chemistry or Physics A in one other subject	A*AA–A*A*A	39 points overall, to include: 6 in Mathematics [†] 6 in Biology, Chemistry or Physics 6 in another science, Business Management, Computer Science or Economics	39–40 points
MEng Molecular Bioengineering	H160	4							A*AA overall, to include: A* in Mathematics A in Chemistry A in a third subject	A*AA–A*A*A	39 points overall, to include: 6 in Mathematics [†] 6 in Chemistry 6 in a third subject	39–40 points
MEng Molecular Bioengineering with a Year Abroad	---	4										
MEng Molecular Bioengineering with a Year in Industry	---	5	✓									

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- Σ Interviews may still be offered to some candidates

Entry requirements

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International Baccalaureate (IB) applicants: all subjects are required at Higher Level, unless otherwise stated.

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Department of Chemical Engineering												
MEng Chemical Engineering	H801	4		168	5:1	S	✓ ∅	✓	A*A*A overall, to include: A* in Chemistry A* in Mathematics A in Biology, Business Studies, Economics, Further Mathematics or Physics	Three A-levels: A*A*A*	40 points overall, to include: 7 in MathematicsΔ 7 in Chemistry 6 in Biology, Business Management, Economics or Physics	41–42 points
MEng Chemical Engineering with a Year Abroad	---	4						Four A-levels: A*A*AA				
MEng Chemical with Nuclear Engineering	---	4										
Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering												
MEng Civil Engineering	H201	4		127	4:1	S	✓ ∅	✗	A*A*A–A*AAA overall, to include: A* in Mathematics A/A* in Physics (A* is required if applying with three A-levels, at least an A is required if applying with four A-levels) A in a third and/or fourth subject	A*A*A	40 points overall, to include: 7 in MathematicsΔ 6 in Physics	40 points
MEng Civil Engineering with a Year Abroad	H202	4										
Department of Computing												
BEng Computing	G400	3		201	17:1	S	✓ β	✗ Σ	A*A*A–A*AAA overall, to include: A* in Mathematics A*A in two further subjects or AAA in three further subjects	A*A*A–A*AAA	41 points overall, to include: 7 in MathematicsΔ 7 in another relevant subject	42 points
MEng Computing	G401	4										
MEng Computing (Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning)	G700	4										
MEng Computing (International Programme of Study)	G402	4										
MEng Computing (Management and Finance)	G501	4										
MEng Computing (Security and Reliability)	G610	4										
MEng Computing (Software Engineering)	G600	4										
MEng Computing (Visual Computing and Robotics)	GG47	4										
BEng Mathematics and Computer Science	GG14	3		59	18:1	S	✓ β	✓	A*A*A–A*A*AA overall, to include: A* in Mathematics A* in Further Mathematics A in a third and/or fourth subject	Three A-levels: A*A*A	41 points overall, to include: 7 in MathematicsΔ 7 in another subject	42 points
MEng Mathematics and Computer Science	GG41	4						Four A-levels: A*A*AA				

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Dyson School of Design Engineering													
MEng Design Engineering	28G3	4		110	7:1	S	✓ ∅	✓		A*AA overall, to include: A* in Mathematics AA in two further subjects	A*AA	39 points overall, to include: 7 in MathematicsΔ 6 in another subject	39–40 points
Department of Earth Science and Engineering													
BSc Earth and Planetary Science	F64B	3		99	5:1	H	✗	✓		AAA overall, to include: A in Mathematics A in Biology, Chemistry, Geography, Geology or Physics A in a third subject	AAA–A*AA	38 points overall, to include: 6 in Mathematics 6 in Biology, Chemistry, Geography, Geology or Physics	38–39 points
MSci Earth and Planetary Science	F647	4											
MSci Earth and Planetary Science with a Year Abroad	F520	4											
BSc Geology	F600	3								AAA overall, to include: AA in Biology, Chemistry, Geography, Geology, Mathematics or Physics A in a third subject	AAA–A*AA	38 points overall, to include: 6 in two of the following: Biology, Chemistry, Geography, Geology, MathematicsΔ or Physics	38–39 points
MSci Geology	F640	4											
MSci Geology with a Year Abroad	F601	4											
BSc Geophysics	F662	3								AAA overall, to include: A in Mathematics A in Physics A in a third subject	AAA–A*AA	38 points overall, to include: 6 in MathematicsΔ 6 in Physics	38–39 points
MSci Geophysics	F660	4											
MSci Geophysics with a Year Abroad	F664	4											
Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering													
BEng Electrical and Electronic Engineering	H600	3		200	7:1	H	✓ ∅	✓		A*A*A or A*AAA overall, to include: A* in Mathematics A/A* in Physics (A* is required if applying with three A-levels, at least an A is required if applying with four A-levels) A in a third and/or fourth subject	Three A-levels: A*AA–A*A*A Four A-levels: A*AAA	40 points overall, to include: 7 in Mathematics† 7 in Physics	40 points
MEng Electrical and Electronic Engineering	H604	4											
MEng Electrical and Electronic Engineering with a Year Abroad	---	4											
MEng Electrical and Electronic Engineering with Management	H6N2	4											
BEng Electronic and Information Engineering	HG65	3											
MEng Electronic and Information Engineering	GH56	4											
MEng Electronic and Information Engineering with a Year Abroad	---	4											

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Department of Materials												
MEng Biomaterials and Tissue Engineering	BJ95	4		137	5:1	H	X	✓	AAA overall, to include: A in Mathematics A in Chemistry or Physics A in a third subject	AAA–A*AA	38 points overall, to include: 6 in MathematicsΔ 6 in Chemistry or Physics	39 points
BEng Materials Science and Engineering	JF52	3										
MEng Materials Science and Engineering	JFM2	4										
MEng Materials with Nuclear Engineering	J5H8	4										
Department of Mechanical Engineering												
MEng Mechanical Engineering	H301	4		196	10:1	S	✓ ∅	✓	A*A*A or A*AAA overall, to include: A* in Mathematics A/A* in Physics (A* is required if applying with three A-levels, at least an A is required if applying with four A-levels) A in a third and/or fourth subject	Three A-levels: A*A*A–A*A*A* Four A-levels: A*A*AA	40 points overall, to include: 7 in Mathematics† 7 in Physics	40 points
MEng Mechanical Engineering with a Year Abroad	---	4										
MEng Mechanical Engineering with a Year in Industry	---	5	✓									
MEng Mechanical Engineering with a Year in Industry and a Year Abroad	---	5	✓									
MEng Mechanical Engineering with Nuclear Engineering	---	4										
MEng Mechanical Engineering with Nuclear Engineering and a Year in Industry	---	5	✓									

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Faculty of Natural Sciences												
Department of Chemistry												
BSc Chemistry	F100	3		235	6:1	H	×	✓	AAA overall, to include: A in Chemistry A in Mathematics A in a third subject	A*AA–A*A*A	38 points overall, to include: 6 in Chemistry 6 in MathematicsΔ 6 in a third subject	39–40 points
MSci Chemistry	F103	4										
MSci Chemistry with a Year in Industry	F105	5	✓									
BSc Chemistry with Management	F1NF	4										
BSc Chemistry with Management and a Year in Industry	FN11	5	✓									
MSci Chemistry with Medicinal Chemistry	F124	4										
MSci Chemistry with Medicinal Chemistry and a Year in Industry	F125	5	✓									
MSci Chemistry with Research Abroad	F104	4										
MSci Chemistry with Research Abroad and a Year in Industry	F101	5	✓									
MSci Chemistry with Molecular Physics	F1F3	4							AAA overall, to include: A in Chemistry A in Mathematics A in Physics	A*AA–A*A*A	38 points overall, to include: 6 in Chemistry 6 in MathematicsΔ 6 in Physics	39–40 points
MSci Chemistry with Molecular Physics and a Year in Industry	F1FH	5	✓									

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Department of Life Sciences (Biochemistry/Biotechnology)												
BSc Biochemistry	C700	3		178	10:1	H	X	X	AAA overall, to include: A in Chemistry A in Biology, Mathematics or Physics A in a third subject	AAA–A*AA	38 points overall, to include: 6 in Chemistry 6 in Biology, MathematicsΔ or Physics	39 points
BSc Biochemistry with a Year in Industry/Research	---	4	✓									
BSc Biochemistry with Research Abroad	---	4										
BSc Biochemistry with Management	---	3										
BSc Biochemistry with Management	---	4										
BSc Biochemistry with French for Science	C7R1	4							Same as above, plus: Minimum grade B at AS-level or grade C at A-level or equivalent in the relevant language for French/German/Spanish for Science courses	AAA–A*AA	Same as above, plus: Minimum grade 5 at higher level or grade 6 at standard level in the relevant language for French/German/Spanish for Science courses	39 points
BSc Biochemistry with German for Science	C7R2	4										
BSc Biochemistry with Spanish for Science	C7R4	4										
Department of Life Sciences (Biotechnology)												
BSc Biotechnology	J700	3		178	10:1	H	X	X	AAA overall, to include: A in Chemistry A in Biology, Mathematics or Physics A in a third subject	AAA–A*AA	38 points overall, to include: 6 in Chemistry 6 in Biology, MathematicsΔ or Physics	39 points
BSc Biotechnology with a Year in Industry/Research	---	4	✓									
BSc Biotechnology with Research Abroad	---	4										
BSc Biotechnology with Management	---	4										
BSc Biotechnology with French for Science	J7R1	4										
BSc Biotechnology with German for Science	J7R2	4										
BSc Biotechnology with Spanish for Science	J7R4	4										

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Department of Life Sciences (Biological Sciences)												
BSc Biological Sciences	C100	3		179	8:1	H	X	X	AAA overall, to include: A in Biology A in Chemistry, Mathematics or Physics A in a third subject	AAAA–A*AA	38 points overall, to include: 6 in Biology 6 in Chemistry, MathematicsΔ or Physics	38–39 points
BSc Biological Sciences with a Year in Industry/Research	---	4	✓									
BSc Biological Sciences with Research Abroad	---	4										
BSc Biological Sciences with Management	---	3										
BSc Biological Sciences with Management	---	4										
BSc Biological Sciences with French for Science	C1R1	4										
BSc Biological Sciences with German for Science	C1R2	4						Same as above, plus: Minimum grade B at AS-level or grade C at A-level or equivalent in the relevant language for French/German/Spanish or Science courses	AAA	Same as above, plus: Minimum grade 5 at higher level or grade 6 at standard level in the relevant language for French/German/Spanish for Science courses	38 points	
BSc Biological Sciences with Spanish for Science	C1R4	4										
BSc Ecology and Environmental Biology	C180	3		179	8:1	H	X	X	AAA overall, to include: A in Biology A in Chemistry, Mathematics or Physics A in a third subject	AAA	38 points overall, to include: 6 in Biology 6 in Chemistry, MathematicsΔ or Physics	38 points
BSc Microbiology	C500	3										

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- 6 Mathematics Admissions Test (MAT)

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Department of Mathematics												
BSc Mathematics	G100	3		256	11:1	H	✓ 6	✗	A*A*A overall, to include: A* in Mathematics A* in Further Mathematics A in a third subject	Three A-levels: A*A*A–A*A*A* Four A-levels: A*A*AA	39 points overall, to include: 7 in Mathematics† 6 in another subject	39–40 points
MSci Mathematics	G103	4										
BSc Mathematics (Pure Mathematics)	G125	3										
BSc Mathematics with Applied Mathematics/Mathematical Physics	G1F3	3										
MSci Mathematics with a Year Abroad	G104	4										
BSc Mathematics with Mathematical Computation	G102	3										
BSc Mathematics with Statistics	G1G3	3										
BSc Mathematics with Statistics for Finance	G1GH	3										
BEng Mathematics and Computer Science	GG14	3		59	18:1	S	✓ B	✓	A*A*A–A*A*AA overall, to include: A* in Mathematics A* in Further Mathematics A in a third and/or fourth subject	Three A-levels: A*A*A Four A-levels: A*A*AA	41 points overall, to include: 7 in MathematicsΔ 7 in another subject	42 points
MEng Mathematics and Computer Science	GG41	4										
Department of Physics												
BSc Physics	F300	3		281	7:1	H	✓ ∅	✗	A*A*A overall, to include: A* in Mathematics A*A to include Physics and another subject	A*A*A–A*A*A*	40 points overall, to include: 7, 6, 6 including Mathematics† and Physics	42 points
MSci Physics	F303	4										
MSci Physics with a Year Abroad	F309	4										
BSc Physics with Theoretical Physics	F325	3										
MSci Physics with Theoretical Physics	F390	4										

I want to come to Imperial.

How do I make it happen?

Great news! Here's all the practical stuff you need to know about how to apply.

The journey to Imperial begins when you register through the UCAS Hub and start your application:

1. Register at ucas.com
2. Add course selection for Imperial to your application

Choosing a course

You can apply for up to five courses (at Imperial or at different institutions). We normally only make one offer per department, so if you're interested in multiple courses from one department, we recommend you get in touch for advice. Explore all our courses on pages 46–63.

Writing your personal statement

We're looking for students with a genuine enthusiasm for the subject – and we want to see that you understand what that subject involves. It helps our selectors get an insight into who you are, and if the course is right for you. You can only submit one personal statement for the five courses and universities you apply for, so make sure it fits your subject.

Contextual admissions and students from diverse backgrounds

Imperial is a world-changing institution, and our community should reflect that world. That's why we welcome applications from students with diverse backgrounds. Our single institutional approach to contextual admissions means that our selectors take into account any additional barriers you might be facing, which may affect your ability to show us your potential through your grades. Eligibility criteria apply, but if we consider you through the contextual admissions route it may mean you are entitled to a guaranteed minimum offer or some other special considerations. We encourage you to find out more and use our eligibility checker tool to see if this applies to you.

imperial.ac.uk/study/admissions-schemes

Dates for your diary

The Student Space in the Sheffield Building, South Kensington Campus



May 2024

You can start your application in the UCAS Hub.

Early September 2024

UCAS starts to accept submissions.

ucas.com/how-it-all-works

Mid October 2024

UCAS deadline for our Medicine (MBBS/BSc) and Medicine (Graduate Entry) courses. If this applies to you, then you'll need to sit the University Clinical Admissions Test (UCAT) or the Graduate Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT) the year you apply – see page 69.

17–19 October 2024

First test sitting for students who need to sit the ESAT or TMUA as part of their application – see page 69. Registration opens approximately 10 weeks before.

November 2024–February 2025

Interviews (if applicable) take place in person and online.

7–9 January 2025

Second ESAT and TMUA test sitting for 2025 entry – see page 69.

Late January 2025

UCAS deadline for all of our courses except Medicine.

Late March 2025

We aim to make application decisions by this point. You'll be able to see the status of your application in UCAS Hub after you apply.

What are the entry requirements?

Competition for places at Imperial is strong. If you're considering applying, we recommend you review the relevant entry requirements and ask yourself a few questions:

Am I studying the right subjects?
Do my predicted grades meet the entry expectations? Do I need to sit an admissions test? How can I demonstrate that I am a good match for this course, and for Imperial?

imperial.ac.uk/study/ug-requirements

Academic grades

You can find course specifics on pages 46–63 including minimum entry requirements. We also list departments' typical offers based on those made to A-level and IB applicants in 2022–23. These are often higher than the minimum entry requirements (especially for competitive courses).

We also accept a wide range of international qualifications. Find out which at:

imperial.ac.uk/study/courses

English language requirements

Wherever you're from – even if English is your first language – you'll need to show that you meet our English language requirements for entry. We have two levels of achievement – Standard (S) and Higher (H). Find course specifics on pages 46–63.

We accept a range of English language qualifications. Find out more at:

imperial.ac.uk/study/english-language

Admissions tests

Most Imperial departments use an admissions test to help them in the selection process.

For courses in the Department of Computing (including joint Mathematics and Computer Science), and BSc Economics, Finance and Data Science, you'll need to sit the Test of Mathematics for University Admissions (TMUA).

For Physics or Aeronautics, Chemical Engineering, Civil and Environmental Engineering, Design Engineering, Electrical and Electronic Engineering and Mechanical Engineering, you'll need to sit the Engineering and Science Admissions Test (ESAT).

For Medicine, we use the University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT). For Medicine (Graduate Entry) we use the Graduate Medical School Admissions Test (GAMSAT).

The Department of Mathematics uses the Mathematics Admissions Test (MAT), and will include a STEP requirement for offer holders who have been unable to take the MAT.

These are all external tests, so if they are required for the course you're interested in, make sure to register for the test separately (and make a note of the deadlines).

imperial.ac.uk/study/apply/undergraduate/process/admissions-tests

Interviews

For the majority of our departments, if your UCAS application and admissions test (where applicable) show potential, you'll be invited for an interview. If you're shortlisted for an interview, we'll be in touch with all the details, including interview format and location.

Watch our students share their top tips on preparing for an undergraduate interview at Imperial:



A student on a placement at ZSL London Zoo



Students using virtual reality to enhance surgical education in orthopaedics

What about international students?



Students receiving support from our Centre for Academic English

We're proud to be a place where people with scientific imagination from all over the world find a home. If you're an international student, your Imperial journey may require a few extra steps.

Register and apply in the UCAS Hub at:

ucas.com

Like UK students, you don't need to have your required grades before applying – we make offers based on predictions. But you should first check that your qualification is accepted by Imperial.

imperial.ac.uk/study/courses

Getting your student visa

You'll need a student visa to study if you:

- Don't have a full British passport
- Don't have UK settled or pre-settled status
- Don't have another visa that lets you study for the full length of your course.

imperial.ac.uk/student-visas

Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS)

Applying for a student visa? You'll need a reference number called a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS). If you accept our offer and meet our conditions, it gets sent automatically.

ATAS certificate

For some courses, you may need to apply for an Academic Technology Approval Scheme (ATAS) certificate from the UK government.

imperial.ac.uk/study/courses

If this applies to you then we'll include it as an offer condition. You can apply for ATAS up to nine months before your course starts.

gov.uk/guidance/academic-technology-approval-scheme

Academic English Support

If English isn't your first language and you received an unconditional offer from Imperial, we're here to help you prepare for the challenges of studying in English. Our Centre for Academic English offers an intensive three-week pre-sessional course to boost your academic language skills and help you settle in and make friends before you begin your studies.

imperial.ac.uk/academic-english

International Student Support

We've got a dedicated, year-round International Student Support team here to give you advice. Whether it's about visas, moving to the UK or social activities you'd like to explore, we'll help you feel at home in our Imperial community.

imperial.ac.uk/study/international

What are the costs?

Whether you need to pay UK or Overseas tuition fees depends on things like your nationality and place of residence. This is known as your fee status and we assess it after you apply using the criteria set out in the UK government's fee regulations. Check your eligibility carefully here:

imperial.ac.uk/study/fee-status

UK tuition rate

We update our fees annually. For 2024, this was £9,250 per year. Check our course webpages for 2025 fees.

Overseas tuition rate

Fees for Overseas students vary depending on the Imperial course you apply for. We update our fees annually. For 2024, they ranged from £37,900 to £53,700 per year. Check our course webpages for updates for 2025.

imperial.ac.uk/study/courses

Are there any extra course costs?

Yes, sometimes there are costs not covered by your tuition – like field trips, books and protective clothing. You can find out about any extra course costs on our course webpages.

imperial.ac.uk/study/courses

What about costs for living in London?

Like many capital cities, London has a reputation for being pricey, but with thoughtful planning, it can be manageable on a student budget. We've created some helpful resources on budgeting and how to access student discounts. We've also provided a rough guide to key costs such as accommodation, food and travel in London here:

imperial.ac.uk/study/living-costs

An Imperial graduation ceremony at the Royal Albert Hall





How can I finance my studies?

We encourage applications from all backgrounds and financial circumstances.

imperial.ac.uk/study/fees-funding

UK student tuition fee loans

As a UK student you can apply for a Tuition Fee Loan from the UK government. This means receiving the full cost of tuition every year without paying upfront.

imperial.ac.uk/study/tuition-loan

UK maintenance loans

UK students can get a government loan to help towards living costs. The size of this loan depends on your household income and whether you're living at or away from home during term time. This is paid each term.

imperial.ac.uk/study/maintenance-loan

Repaying loans

Tuition Fee Loans and Maintenance Loans have to be paid back, but not until you have left your course and you're earning over the repayment threshold set by the UK government.

imperial.ac.uk/study/fees-and-funding/loan-repayment

Can I get more help?

UK students may be eligible for extra government funding, for example if you have children, a disability, mental or physical health conditions or a learning difficulty like dyslexia.

gov.uk/student-finance/extra-help

What about scholarships?

We offer a range of scholarships for UK and international students. The type and amount of funding varies across departments, and unlike loans, you don't have to pay these back. Discover more and apply for Imperial scholarships online:

imperial.ac.uk/scholarships



A Biological Sciences student using a microscope

Students on a geology field trip to Sardinia



How do I make it happen?

The Imperial Bursary

What is it?

It's one of the most generous bursaries of its kind in the UK.

Who for?

All UK undergraduate students who meet the income criteria, and who are eligible for UK government funding. You don't have to take out the loans to qualify.

How much?

Up to £5,000 per year towards living costs.

How to qualify?

You qualify automatically if your annual household income is under £70,000.

What if I have different home circumstances?

If you're a UK student and a care leaver or no longer in touch with your household, you will be eligible to receive £5,500.

Do I have to pay it back?

No, this is a grant, and you'll receive it on top of any government loans you're also eligible for.

How do I apply?

There is no separate application process for the Imperial Bursary. You have to apply for a means-tested government loan like a Maintenance Loan to be considered, but you don't have to take out the government loan.

imperial.ac.uk/imperial-bursary

The IB Excellence Scholarships for international students

What is it?

More than 20 scholarships across three of our Faculties: Engineering, Natural Sciences and Imperial College Business School.

Who for?

International students studying the International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma programme.

How much?

Up to £5,000 per year for the duration of your studies.

Do I have to pay it back?

No.

How do I apply?

Everything you need to apply is online:

imperial.ac.uk/ibscholarships



Michelle testing automotive technology

Ask an Imperial student:

Q. Is there support for low-income students?

A. “Yes. The Imperial Bursary played a crucial role during my time at university.

Living in London can be quite expensive, especially when it comes to rent, and so, a significant portion went towards housing arrangements. This has allowed me to fully immerse myself in the academic and social aspects of university life without worrying about the financial strain of living expenses.

Financial concerns can be a significant source of stress for many students, but thanks to the support I received, I have been able to put those worries aside and focus on making the most of each moment at Imperial.

My time at Imperial has been more than just academic experience. From representing the first team for Hockey, joining the Art Club and finding my inner Picasso, attempting to learn salsa, helping to organise Modulate events at Metric, to having a radio podcast with my friend. I even found out the hard way that kickboxing is not my forte!

Reflecting on my time here, I am so grateful I had the chance to explore what was on offer. Many of these experiences were made possible through the support provided by the Imperial Bursary – it has allowed me to create memories that will last a lifetime.”

Michelle (UK), Mechanical Engineering

Find out more about the Imperial Bursary:

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Measuring tyre particle capture

Sometimes

is one of the bravest things you can say

I don't know

What's your question?

Science at Imperial is more than any single subject – it's a mindset, and a way of seeing things. It's a bias for inquiry and action. It's the pursuit of knowledge and new ideas with grit, humility, creativity and courage.

And it all starts with a question – a curiosity about the universe, or some wildly specific corner of it. With wonder, rigour and care, we advance towards greater understanding.

Sometimes that understanding arrives in big leaps and breakthroughs, sometimes over generations, or even out of failure. At Imperial we know there are no shortcuts to progress, only science.

So, who do you want to be?

What contribution do you want to make?

What problem do you want to solve?

Join us at Imperial – it's the place to ask your questions. And to get closer to the answers, together.

Imperial College London.
Science for humanity.

Join us at one of our 2024 Open Days:

- 26 June
- 27 June
- 14 September

Register at:

imperial.ac.uk/study/open-days

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virtual-tour.imperial.ac.uk

Ask current students:

imperial.ac.uk/study/chat

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imperial.ac.uk/study

imperial.ac.uk/students/terms-and-conditions

Examples of possible changes are set out at:

imperial.ac.uk/study/ug-guide-important-information

If we need to make changes to courses after you've received an offer or once you've started studying, these will be handled in accordance with:

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Department expected intake

Our department expected intake figures on pages 46–63 are indicative of the number of places available for 2025 entry. Figures are based on 2023 entry data and are subject to change.

A big thank you

To everyone who shared their experiences for this study guide. Find more Imperial stories online.

imperial.ac.uk/study/ug-student-stories

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Any questions?



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- Come to an Open Day*
- Join a student-led tour
- Take a virtual tour
- Attend an online taster lecture or student-led Q&A

*Go to page 82 for Open Day dates and how to register