

MSc Globalization and Cities

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Globalization and urbanization are two key social processes shaping the world in the 21st century. This programme provides a unique focus on the economic, social and political dimensions of globalization and the increasingly important role of cities in responding to and affecting global agendas.

Loughborough University is recognized as a world leader for research in this field, with this ground-breaking, multi-disciplinary Masters programme combining the expertise of geographers, social and political scientists, and business analysts to provide students with a unique opportunity to examine globalized urbanization.

Programme of study

Cities in globalization are widely recognized as focal points for the big societal challenges of delivering sustainable economic growth, fostering global citizenship and establishing secure and resilient societies. This programme critically evaluates theories, processes and outcomes of globalization and globalized urbanization, drawing on the strength of Loughborough University's research specialisms, notably its founding role in the establishment of the highly acclaimed Globalization and World Cities (GaWC) Research Network www.lboro.ac.uk/gawc

The programme explores the intersections of globalization and urbanization by examining the changing nature and roles of cities within wider processes of global transformation relating to the global economy, global culture and media, and international politics. This holistic approach to understanding globalization and cities gives the programme its unique appeal.

Students will benefit from the wide-ranging, world-renowned expertise of our academic staff all of whom are committed to high quality, research-informed teaching ensuring the very best learning experience.

Topics include

Students will explore a range of core study areas including:

- Globalization: Key Debates and Issues
- Cities in Globalization
- Financial Globalization

They will have the opportunity to pursue an optional study area – examples include:

- Critical Perspectives on the Global Financial System
- Global Communications
- Governing Crises

Students will also undertake a research-led dissertation.

Who should apply?

This programme has been designed for recent graduates as well as business people, government and voluntary sector employees, planners, teachers and local community representatives who are interested in extending their knowledge and skills in this field. It is relevant for a wide variety of careers within public, private or third-sector companies, ranging from national and international businesses to city governments, urban consultancies and think-tanks and non-governmental organizations. The programme is also designed for students wishing to progress to a research degree in this field.

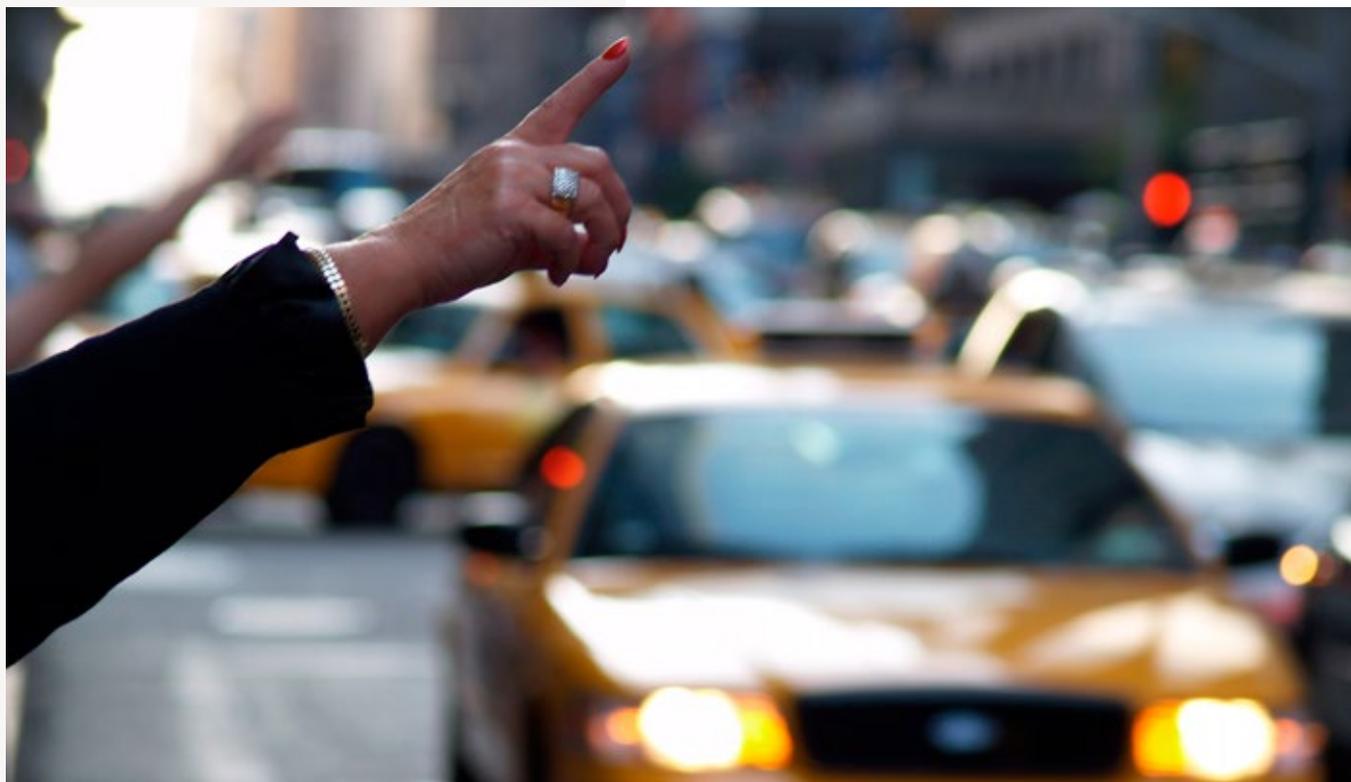
Entry qualifications

The minimum you will be expected to have is an upper second class honours degree in Geography or other social sciences/ humanities discipline from a UK university or equivalent overseas qualification recognized by Loughborough University. Applicants with appropriate professional expertise will also be considered.

English Language requirements: IELTS 6.5 overall, with a minimum of 6.0 in each subtest (Reading, Listening, Writing and Speaking) or equivalent.

Our expertise... your opportunity

Loughborough University is one of the UK's leading universities with an international reputation for excellence in teaching and research, strong links with industry and unrivalled sporting achievement. It was voted the Best Student Experience for six consecutive years and is consistently ranked in the top 10 of UK universities in national league tables. Key research areas relevant to this programme include Globalization and World Cities (GaWC), Communication and Culture, Financial Globalization, and International Politics.



Founded in Geography and Environment, GaWC operates as the leading academic thinktank on cities in globalization and has been at the forefront of advances in researching global urban networks over the past 20 years. The GaWC website annually attracts over 50,000 hits from across more than 150 countries.

The Centre for Research in Communication and Culture (CRCC) is the largest research centre of its kind in the UK, crossing over social science and humanities disciplines to draw on theories and methods in social psychology, sociology, politics, history and geography. Renowned for the breadth and world-leading quality of its work, key research themes at the CRCC include Culture, Economy and Policy, Nations, Migrations and Citizenship, and Political Communication.

The Centre for Security Studies (CSS) is a multidisciplinary research centre based within Politics and International Relations (POLIS). The centre brings together researchers from across the university to analyse emerging security challenges from a mix of innovative, cross-disciplinary perspectives.

Our research expertise cuts across four principal thematic areas:

- Diplomacy and International Governance
- Crisis and Emergency Governance
- Peace and Conflict
- International Political Theory

Students on this programme will gain:

- An understanding of processes of contemporary globalization as manifest in geographies of globalized urbanization and the geographies of global finance;
- A thorough understanding of the relationship between globalization, urbanization, and issues relating to the global economy, global culture and media, and international politics;
- A detailed appreciation of globalized urbanization and its impacts at local, regional, national and global scales;
- An awareness of the way forms of governance shape the political economy;
- Experience of research techniques and methods used to undertake original research in this field;
- An ideal multi-disciplinary grounding to inform business and policy practice and to pursue doctoral research in the social sciences.

Scholarships and bursaries

Loughborough University Alumni Bursaries are available to self-funding UK/EU and international students who obtained their previous degree from Loughborough.

Further details about this and other bursaries and scholarships can be found at: www.lboro.ac.uk/students/finance/pgt/scholarships

How to apply

To apply for this course please submit your application online: www.lboro.ac.uk/study/postgraduate/masters-degrees

Your application must be supported by documentary evidence of entry qualifications, including English language, academic transcripts and references. You are strongly advised to send your documents, including transcripts and references, as soon as you make your online application.





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