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Why can I not see my mark on MyDMU (after the results day).

There can be a number of reasons why you can't see your mark on MyDMU. It is best if you contact the Student Advice Centre and/or your administration team. They will be able to investigate why you haven't had your marks released on MyDMU yet. Find the contact details here - Contact - ASK BAL De Montfort Univeristy (dmu.ac.uk). How do I login to WiFi?

If on phone go to Settings --> Locate "Eduroam" WiFi --> change Authentication to PWD.

A: Student needs to use their outlook details WITHOUT 365, so:

Login: P Number + @dmu.ac.uk

password: MyDMU password

If on the computer / laptop:

Locate "Eduroam" -- > connect.

I failed my module what do I do?

If you failed a module you need to refer to "progression advice" on the MyDMUportal, here is a step-by-step guide for what you have to do.

- 1. Access MyDMU Portal:
 - Log in to the MyDMU portal using your credentials provided by the university.
- 2. Navigate to the Results Tile:
 - Look for a section or tile called "Results" on the portal homepage.
- 3. Find Progression Advice:
 - Within the Results section, there should be a subsection or link related to "Progression Advice".
- 4. Review the Information:
 - Click on the link or section dedicated to progression advice. This is where the university provides guidance and information regarding what steps to take after failing a module.
- 5. Understand the Feedback:
 - Pay close attention to any feedback or recommendations provided by the university regarding your performance in the failed module. This information is crucial for understanding the areas that need improvement.
- 6. Contact the Student Advice Center Contact ASK BAL De Montfort Univeristy (dmu.ac.uk).
 - If the progression advice is not clear or if you have questions get in touch with us.

Will my re-sit/s, deferral or extension affect thetime of my graduation?

Yes, if you had any resits, extension and deferrals closer to the original date of the end of your course, your graduation will be postponed.

• Example: A student had a deferral in August and their original end date was in July. Student graduation will be after their passed all their courses successfully e.g. January / February.

I am very close to a first class / lower second class (student received 59% or 69%). Can I get it rounded up?

The final decision on whether you can get your mark rounded up makes an assessment board. They will review your consideration band according to the regulations.

What is consideration band? - The consideration band is a two per cent band used in the calculation of integrated master's and honours degrees. It provides additional scrutiny where a student's average for classification falls close to a degree classification band boundary. It is rules-based and uses a student's performance at the culmination of their studies (level 6, or level 7 for an integrated master's degree) to decide whether the student should be awarded a degree in the higher classification band.

Please refer to the academic regulations page 15 - <u>L6 and PGT continuing ac regs 2023-24 (dmu.ac.uk)</u>.

I am changing courses and I have already filled out the form, but I don't have the Dean's signature, what do I do?

You don't need the Dean's signature to change courses. The programme Leader signature is required and nothing else.

I am an international student and want to change courses, what do I do?

In order to change your programme, you need to fill out the Change of Programme Form which you can find on our ASK BAL website Change Of Programme – ASK BAL De Montfort University (dmu.ac.uk).

New change of programme process commencing w/b 12 February. Below is information on how the process will work and our involvement. Jo Burt, who is leading this will also be providing guidance but I just wanted to give you a heads up so you have an idea of what to expect.

Form

- Form will be similar to MS Forms.
- International students will not need to provide a supporting statement instead there will be additional questions they will need to answer.
- We will have access to a SharePoint site where we can monitor which stage the student is at.

Process

- 1. Student needs to complete the form. They will be advised to speak to the new programme leader before completing the form (like we do now) to ensure that they are eligible to change, we want to try to avoid them completing it without talking to the PL so that they know exactly what is expected of them, what the course entails etc. and in case it could be a reject (it will save them time from completing the form and avoid some disappointment) but that said they can submit the form without speaking with the PL but it is in their best interest that they do.
- Student will need to add the programme leader's email address on the form, this <u>must</u> be correct otherwise when the student submits the form it will get lost in the ether (going forward this information will be picked up automatically by SAP but this functionality isn't available for the pilot)
- 3. Once the form is submitted it will go to the Programme Leader and if they are and International Student it will also go to immigration and compliance.
- 4. The programme leader can either accept, accept with conditions (the conditions will be pre-printed on the form for the programme leader to tick and if the condition is not on the list there will be a free text section for them to write their own condition) or reject (I have asked Jo if there will be a list of reasons of a free text box for the reject option, she will be speaking the ADAs and get back to us).
- 5. Once the PL and I&C (if its in an international student) have accepted or rejected, the form will come into the SAC mailbox and we will then forward it on to the relevant admin mailbox (like we do now) for processing on SAP.

Timeline

- PL will have 5 working days to sign the form, on day 4 they will receive an auto reminder if after day 5 they have not signed the form it will be timed out for them and we will get an email informing us of this, we will then send an holding email (wording to follow) to the student telling them that it's in the progress.
- We'll be given 10 working days (we will be aiming for 5 working days) to try and get hold of the PL if we're not having much luck then we will escalate it to AHEs (I am hoping this won't happen!)
- They will give send us the decision and we will add this to the form and forward it on to the appropriate admin mailbox for processing.

Who is my personal tutor, and how do I find one?

- 1. Log in to MyDMU:
 - Use your credentials to log in to the MyDMU portal.
- 2. Navigate to "Student Overview":
 - Once logged in, locate and click on the "Student Overview" section.
 This might be on the homepage or in a menu.
- 3. Access "Personal Details":

- Within the "Student Overview," find the section labeled "Personal Details." Click on this section to access details about yourself.
- 4. Locate "Personal Tutor":
 - In the "Personal Details" section, scroll or look for information related to your personal tutor. The personal tutor's name and contact details should be displayed.
- 5. Contact Your Personal Tutor:
 - Double click on the name of your personal tutor. This should take you to the page with the contact details.

Can I repeat the year?

The option to repeat the year depends on your academic situation:

- 6. Reassessment with Attendance:
 - You may choose to re-study a failed module with attendance before submitting reassessments.
 - A reassessment with attendance counts as one of the two available reassessment opportunities, and the module mark will be capped at the pass mark.
- 7. Repeat Year with Attendance:
 - Undergraduate students who have failed more than 60 credits of a level of study at the reassessment board point (usually September) will be required to undertake a repeat year with attendance.
 - Module marks will not be capped for repeat years.
- 8. Choice for 60 Credits Failure:
 - If you have failed 60 credits of a level of study at the reassessment board point (usually September), you will be given the choice to either repeat the year or be reassessed with attendance in the failed modules only.
- 9. Reassessment Without Attendance:
 - Students who have failed up to 30 credits of a level of study (and not eligible for compensation) will be required to undertake reassessment in the following year without attendance.
- 10. Mandatory Repeat Year for Fewer than 30 Credits Passed:
 - If you have only passed 30 credits or fewer, you must repeat the year with attendance, regardless of whether the remaining credits are failed, compensatable, or deferred.
- 11. Marks and Reassessment:
 - Students undertaking a repeat year will not have their marks capped.
 - If assessed more than once in the same module, the highest mark achieved will be recorded.
- 12. Student Route (Tier 4) Consideration:
 - Student Route (Tier 4) students sponsored by the university cannot choose to re-study a failed module.
 - They are eligible to undertake reassessment with attendance only when academically necessary, as defined in regulations, and aligned with Home Office Student Route regulations.

13. Financial Consideration:

 When being reassessed in a failed module with attendance, including as part of a repeat year, a student must pay the appropriate module fee.

I want to withdraw from my studies due topersonal / mental health and /or financial problems, what do I do?

I understand that you might be considering withdrawing from your studies, and I want to offer support during this important decision-making process. Before making any decisions, we always suggest to explore the available resources and discuss your concerns with the appropriate individuals. Support and Wellbeing:

- If you're feeling overwhelmed or unsure about your decision, consider reaching out to the Wellbeing team. They are there to provide support for your emotional and mental well-being.
- You also have the opportunity to book a 1-to-1 meeting with one of our student support officers. These meetings can be instrumental in discussing your concerns, understanding your options, and receiving personalized guidance. To schedule a meeting, please contact the Student Advice Centre.

Terminating Your Studies:

• If you decide that withdrawing from your studies is the best option, you can find detailed information on the process by visiting [Terminating My Studies – ASK BAL De Montfort University - Terminating My Studies – ASK BAL De Montfort University (dmu.ac.uk).

Consider Exploring Alternatives:

 Before finalizing your decision, it may be helpful to explore alternative options. Your personal tutor, academic advisor, or career services might offer insights into potential solutions or adjustments that could address your concerns without the need to withdraw.

Can I study online?

No there is no option to study online. Everything takes place face to face.

Only in a situation where there is a resit (e.g., in August) and a student has to submit a piece of work such as assignments or essays. This can be submitted online.

I need proof/evidence that I am a student, how do I go about it?

- 1. Log in to MyDMU:
 - Use your credentials to log in to the MyDMU portal.
- 2. Navigate to My Documents:
 - Look for a section or link labeled MyDoc. This section contains important documents related to your university journey.
- 3. Locate Student Status Letter:
 - Within the My Documents section, "Student Status Letter."

I can't see any of my results, what do I do? (When a student doesn't see any of the results on the learning zone or MyDMU)

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Can I get a completion award letter or "to who it may concern" certificate/award letter, proving I

completed my studies (a student would usually ask this before graduation, before getting the certificate)

Your HEAR transcript which can be accessed here - <u>Digitary CORE</u> is your official transcript and can be used as your award letter. I am afraid we don't issue separate award letters or "to who it may concern" letters. You can share your HEAR transcript directly with organizations on the website via the share option.

If you require a reference, we ask that all references are made via - <u>Homepage | Higher Education Degree Datacheck (hedd.ac.uk)</u>. This is an official verification website for references between a university and an organization.

If you don't have your HEAR yet you can complete this form to get a course completion letter - Microsoft Forms.

Can I get a reference for my job / further studies? How do I obtain one?

If you require a reference, we ask that all references are made via - <u>Homepage | Higher Education Degree Datacheck (hedd.ac.uk)</u>. This is an official verification website for references between a university and an organization.

Am I eligible for compensation (in a specific module)?

A student is only available for compensation if the exam board decided this. Normally a student needs to be within 2% mark reach e.g., 38%, 59%, 69% etc.

Can I get a certificate / diploma before my graduation?

If you have not graduated yet you can obtain a course completion letter here - Microsoft Forms. We wouldn't be able to provide you with a certificate before your graduation. You will receive your certificate during your graduation and you will be able to access your transcript via Digitary Core.

Can I get my predicted grades (I am a second year orfinal year student and need a module list for further studies)

Although we wouldn't be able to provide you with your predicted grades, we would be able to print a module list for you to apply for a postgraduate studies.

You can also use your HEAR transcript from the previous years to apply for a postgraduate degree. Please login to Digitary Core to view your HEAR transcript.

To obtain your module list please contact the Student Advice Centre.

I have submitted my interruption/termination of studies. How do I stop my student finance?

If you are pausing or terminating your studies you will have to get in touch directly with the student finance. They will be able to advise you best on the financial implications of pausing your studies.

You will have to notify the Student Finance that you are pausing your studies. Once your termination / interruption of studies has been processed the university the student finance will be notified about your registration.

My assessment was capped at 40/50 % due to late submission, is there anything I can do?

Once an assignment has been submitted late, it is generally challenging to rectify the situation unless there are valid reasons or extenuating circumstances. In standard academic procedures, late submissions without acceptable justifications will be capped at 50% if you are a master's student and 40 % if you are an undergraduate student.

If you believe you have a valid reason or extenuating circumstances that affected your ability to submit the assignment on time, I strongly encourage you to communicate with your module and/or programme leader. Explain the situation clearly and provide any necessary documentation / evidence to support your case. In some instances, instructors may consider granting extensions or making accommodations based on the circumstances.

It is essential to take responsibility for meeting deadlines in the future to avoid any potential negative impact on your academic performance. Consistent communication with your lecturers, proper time management, and seeking help (for example with the Student Advice Centre) is strongly encouraged within the university setting.

Can I get my module / programme handbook from previous years?

I understand that you are seeking access to the module and/or programme handbook from previous years.

In order to fulfill your request, we will need to reach out to the Programme Leader Support Team (PLS).

However, it's important to note that the availability of these materials is not guaranteed, and access may be subject to certain limitations.

I will initiate the request with the PLS on your behalf. Please allow some time for us to process your request and liaise with the relevant team. If the information is accessible, we will provide you with the required module and/or programme handbooks.

I want to access my HEAR transcript, how do I go about it? (Before the results release, before moderation)

HEAR transcripts are generated and made available after the official results release and the completion of the moderation process. This means that you will not be able to obtain your HEAR transcript before these key academic procedures are finalized.

The moderation process ensures the accuracy and fairness of assessment outcomes, and it is only after this process is completed that official results are released. Once the results are officially declared, the HEAR transcripts are then generated to reflect the finalized academic achievements.

I encourage you to keep an eye on official communications from the university regarding results release dates. Once the results are made available, the HEAR transcript production will follow, and you will be notified about the accessibility of your HEAR document via an email.

In a nutshell, please keep an eye on your university email.

I missed the module selection deadline. Can I stillchoose my modules?

If you missed the module selection deadline I would highly suggest getting in touch with the administration team as soon as possible. You can find their contact details on the official university website at https://askbal.dmu.ac.uk/contact/. They will be able to book you onto the modules. Alternatively you can visit our Student Advice Centre and speak to the administration team in person to book you onto the modules.

Who is a module leader for XXX?

If you need to find out the module leader, there are three convenient ways to do so:

- 1. Learning Zone in the Module Shell: Navigate to the Learning Zone and click on the module shell to find a corresponding module leader. The module leader's information is often available there, providing you with quick access to their details.
- 2. University Website Staff Details: Visit our website at https://askbal.dmu.ac.uk/staff-details/. Once there, you can search for the module leader based on the school to which your module belongs. The three schools are:
 - Accounting, Finance, and Economics
 - Law School
 - Leadership, Management, and Marketing
- 3. Student Advice Centre: Another option is to visit the Student Advice Centre. They are equipped to provide information about module leaders and can guide you in the right direction.

Utilizing these three methods should help you easily identify and connect with your module leader. If you encounter any difficulties or have further questions, don't hesitate to reach out to the Student Advice Centre for assistance.

NOTE: In the Upcoming months we will implement a search function to search a module leader on our website, which should make things a lot easier for a student.

I want to take a gap year, what do I do?

If you are considering pausing your studies, officially known as "Taking a Leave of Absence," please take note of the following steps and important information:

- 1. Discuss Your Options with Your Personal Tutor: Before making the decision to pause your studies, we strongly recommend scheduling an appointment with your personal tutor. They can provide valuable guidance and help you explore alternative solutions.
- 2. Financial Implications: It's essential to consider the potential financial implications of taking a Leave of Absence. We encourage you to reach out to our Income Team at income@dmu.ac.uk to discuss any financial concerns or questions you may have.
- 3. International Students: If you are an international student, taking a Leave of Absence may have implications for your visa. We advise contacting our Immigration Compliance Team at immigrationcompliance@dmu.ac.uk to discuss the impact on your immigration status.
- 4. Leave of Absence Form: If, after seeking advice and considering your options, you decide to proceed with a Leave of Absence, please complete the Leave of Absence form. Submit the form to your Programme Leader for approval.
- 5. Processing the Leave of Absence: Once your Programme Leader approves the form, the Faculty Office will process it for you.
- 6. Course Completion Timeline: Keep in mind that you must still complete your course within the maximum registration period. Typically, students can take a maximum of two years away from their studies.

If you have any further questions or need additional assistance, please feel free to contact the Student Advice Centre. Additionally, you can find more detailed information and access the Leave of Absence form at https://askbal.dmu.ac.uk/pausing-my-studies/.

I passed some of my modules, some not, which one can I re-sit?

If you have passed some of your modules and want to know if you are eligible to re-sit the ones you haven't passed, it's important to follow these steps:

- 1. Wait for Progression Advice: To determine which modules require re-sits, you'll need to wait until the progression advice is made available to you on MyDMU. This information is typically updated on the official results day.
- 2. Check MyDMU for Progression Advice: Log in to your MyDMU account to access your progression advice. This will provide details on which modules you have successfully passed and if there are any that require re-sits.
- 3. Master's Students: If you are a master's student, please note that you generally have the opportunity for one re-sit attempt.

- 4. Undergraduate Students: If you are an undergraduate student, you typically have the option for up to two re-sits.
- 5. Review University Policies: Familiarize yourself with the specific re-sit policies and guidelines outlined by the university. These details may vary, so it's essential to be aware of the regulations governing re-sits for your particular program <u>Academic regulations and recognition of prior learning</u> (dmu.ac.uk)

If you have any questions or need further clarification after reviewing your progression advice, don't hesitate to reach out to your academic advisor or the Student Advice Centre for personalized assistance.

Remember, the progression advice on MyDMU will be a key resource in understanding your academic standing and determining the necessary steps for any re-sits.

Will I receive an academic transcript with my certificate?

Congratulations on reaching the final stages of your academic journey! As you approach graduation, we would like to inform you about accessing your HEAR (Higher Education Achievement Report) transcript.

Approximately a month prior to your graduation, you will be able to view your HEAR transcript through the following link: https://core.digitary.net/r/user/login. This document comprehensively showcases your academic achievements throughout your time at the university.

During the graduation ceremony, you will be presented with your graduation certificate. In the event that you are unable to attend the graduation ceremony, rest assured that your certificate will be sent to you. For further details regarding the process of sending certificates, kindly contact academicawards@dmu.ac.uk.

Who do I speak to about graduation ceremonies?

If you have any questions or need further details regarding your graduation ceremony or any related matters, we recommend reaching out to the Academic Awards team at academicawards@dmu.ac.uk.

Will I still have access to my learning materials after graduation?

Please note that access to your learning materials will not be available after graduation.

We recommend that you download or save any important materials you wish to retain for future reference before your graduation date. If you have any specific concerns or if there are particular materials you need, consider reaching out to your lecturers or the Student Advice Centre -https://askbal.dmu.ac.uk/student-portal/.

How long do I have access to my University emails?

You have access to your university email for life. Your email address will be your P Number followed by @alumni365.admu.ac.uk, and you can continue using your current password. Should you encounter any issues or have questions regarding your email access, please don't hesitate to reach out to the Information Technology and Media Services (ITMS) team. You can contact them through their service desk at ITMS Service Desk.

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Where Can I see my outstanding balance?

To view your outstanding balance, please log in to your MyDMU student portal. Once logged in, navigate to the "My Balance" section, where you will find detailed information about your financial status, including any outstanding balances.

If you encounter any difficulties or have questions while accessing this information, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Technology and Media Services (ITMS) team. They can be reached through their service desk at ITMS Service Desk.

I need a proof that I am registered as a student?

If you need to verify your student status, you can use the student status letter available in the "MyDOC" section of your MyDMU portal (which stands for My Documents). This letter serves as official documentation of your current student status.

Should you encounter any difficulties accessing the student status letter or have further inquiries, feel free to reach out to the Information Technology and Media Services (ITMS) team. They can be contacted through their service desk at ITMS Service Desk.

For additional support or general advice, you can also contact the Student Advice Centre through their website at <u>Student Advice Centre</u>.

Where do I find XXX room?

To locate the XXX room, the format typically follows the UK room numbering system. The first number before the full stop represents the floor, and the number after the full stop indicates the room number. For example:

- Room 0.1 is on the ground floor and room number 1
- Room 1.2 is on the first floor and room number 2
- Room 2.1 is on the second floor and room number 1
- Room 3.1 is on the third floor and number 1 etc.

Can I book an appointment with the module / programme / AHE or other member of staff?

To book an appointment with an academic staff, you can directly email the relevant academic staff member. Please provide details about the nature of your inquiry, your availability, and any specific topics or questions you'd like to discuss during the appointment.

How do I go to XXX section on MyDMU? (Please see "Navigating MyDMU" tab here)

There are number of questions a student can ask here please go to "Navigating MyDMU" tab in this OneNote.

How do I go to XXX section on MyLearning Zone? (Please see "Navigating Learning Zone" tab here)

There are number of questions a student can ask here please go to "Navigating Learning Zone" tab in this OneNote.

What disability support for my XXX condition do you provide?

If you are seeking support for your specific condition, it is best to connect directly with the Disability Team. They can provide tailored assistance and guide you on the available support options.

To reach out to the Disability Team, please email them at disability@dmu.ac.uk. Additionally, you can find more information and explore the range of services they offer by visiting this link.

Feel free to share details about your condition and any specific requirements you may have. The Disability Team is here to ensure you have the necessary support to excel in your academic journey.

I got a postgraduate diploma instead of a master's degree, can I still get a master's degreeand if yes how do I go about it?

If you've received a postgraduate diploma and wish to upgrade to a master's degree, you have the opportunity to do so through Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) or a top-up process.

Here are the steps to proceed:

- 1. Waiting Period: You will need to wait for a minimum of 12 months. The application can be made 5 months prior to the start date. The start date should be at least 12 months from the end date of your current studies.
- 2. RPL Application: To initiate the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) process, submit your application on the following website: <u>RPL</u> Application.

3. Module Retake: As part of the RPL process, you will be required to redo only the subjects you did not pass previously. Successfully passing these modules will accumulate the necessary credits for a master's degree (180 credits).

Feel free to reach out to the relevant academic department or the Student Advice Centre if you have any questions or need further guidance during this process

Is there an official transcript?

HEAR (Higher Education Achievement Report) transcript is an official and comprehensive document that provides a detailed record of your academic achievements during your time at the university.

The HEAR transcript includes information such as your grades, awards, extracurricular activities, and other notable accomplishments. It serves as an official and recognized transcript that can be shared with employers, educational institutions, or other relevant entities.

I failed an assignment and I would like get a more in depth feedback about it and I would like to speak to someone who will help me improve?

I understand that receiving detailed feedback and seeking guidance on improvement are crucial after encountering challenges with an assignment. Here are steps you can take:

- 1. Review Feedback: Begin by thoroughly reviewing the feedback provided on the failed assignment. Pay close attention to the comments and suggestions made by your lecturer.
- 2. Module/Programme Leader: It is highly recommended to connect with the module and/or programme leader for further assistance. They are there to help you understand the feedback and provide guidance on how to improve.
- 3. How to Find Them: To locate the contact details of your module and/or programme leader.
- 4. Communication: Once you have identified the appropriate contact, send them a polite and concise email explaining your situation. Request a meeting or feedback session to discuss the failed assignment in more detail and seek advice on improvement.

I failed the re-sit, can I have a second opportunity?

I understand that facing a failed re-sit can be challenging. If you are a master's student typically, there isn't a second opportunity for re-sits as per regulations - <u>Academic regulations</u> and recognition of prior learning (dmu.ac.uk). However, there are exceptional cases where a second re-sit may be considered, especially in extenuating and serious circumstances.

If you believe that your situation qualifies as an exceptional case, it is recommended to reach out to the Student Advice Centre. They are equipped to provide guidance on the necessary steps to take and can advise you based on your specific circumstances.

Feel free to share the details of your situation with the Student Advice Centre, and they will assist you in understanding your options and any potential avenues for additional support.

I can't see my timetable what do I do?

If you are unable to view your timetable, please follow these steps:

- 1. For Mobile Users:
 - If you are using the MyDMU application on your phone, try uninstalling and reinstalling the app. This can often resolve display issues.
- 2. Computer/Laptop Access:
 - If the timetable is still not visible on your phone, try accessing it through a computer or laptop. Log in to MyDMU on a web browser to check if the timetable is visible on a different platform.
- 3. Contact Student Advice Center:
 - If the issue persists after trying the above steps, we recommend reaching out to the Student Advice Center for further assistance. They can provide guidance on resolving technical issues and help ensure you have access to your timetable.

You can contact the Student Advice Center through their website: <u>Student Advice</u> Center.

Is my timetable correct?

The timetable displayed on MyDMU is considered accurate and up-to-date. However, if you have any doubts or concerns about its correctness, you can always double-check by reaching out to the Student Advice Centre.

Feel free to contact the Student Advice Centre for additional confirmation or assistance. They are here to help ensure that you have the correct information and can address any questions you may have.

You can reach the Student Advice Centre through their website: Student Advice Centre.

I can't see my module on the learning zonewhat do I do?

If you are unable to see your module on the Learning Zone, please follow these steps:

- 1. Contact Module Leader:
 - Reach out to the Module Leader responsible for the specific module. The Module Leader has the authority to make the module shell available to students. They can provide assistance and ensure that you have access to the necessary materials.
- 2. Finding the Module Leader:
 - To find the contact details of the Module Leader, you can visit the Student Advice Centre website. They have a comprehensive list of Module Leaders, and you can locate the specific information you need - <u>Staff Details</u> – <u>ASK BAL De Montfort Univeristy (dmu.ac.uk)</u>.
- 3. Visit Student Advice Centre:
 - If you prefer in-person assistance, you can also visit the Student Advice Centre for support. The staff there can guide you on the next steps and help you get in touch with the Module Leader.

I can't see my mark on Turnitin what do I do?

If you are unable to view your mark on Turnitin, the best course of action is to contact your Module Leader. They have the necessary access and information to provide clarity on your assessment results.

Feel free to reach out to your Module Leader through email or any communication method they have specified. If you are unsure about how to contact them, you can check the course materials or syllabus for their contact details.

I can't login to MyDMU / email, learning zone etc, what do I do?

If you have any issues logging into any of the DMU student services such as MyDMU, email, or Digitary Core it's best if you contact our ITMS (Information Technology and Media Services) team.

They will be able to assist you further.

For general information about the ITMS - ITMS - Service desk (dmu.ac.uk).

ITMS contact details:

Email: itmsservicedesk@dmu.ac.uk.

Telephone Number: +44 (0)116 250 6050

Make sure to quote your **P Number**, **Full Name** and your **Course** while contacting ITMS.

How do I get a student card?

To obtain your student card, please follow these guidelines based on your student status and intake:

- International Students:
 - International students will receive their ID cards immediately after face-to-face registration. You can collect your ID card from the Gateway House.
- October Intake (Home Students):
 - Home students enrolled in the October intake typically collect their student cards from the Student Advice Centre.
- January Intake:
 - January intake students should collect their ID cards from the Gateway House.

Make sure to bring any required documentation or identification with you when collecting your student card. If you have specific questions or need further information, feel free to reach out to the Student Advice Centre.

My card is not working what do I do?

If you are experiencing issues with your card and it's not working, we recommend visiting the Student Advice Centre for assistance. The staff there will be able to help troubleshoot the problem, assess the card's functionality, and provide any necessary support.

Feel free to bring your card and any relevant details with you to the Student Advice Centre, and they will guide you through the process of resolving the issue.

Some of my modules are missing from my timetable what do I do?

If you notice that some of your modules are missing from your timetable, we recommend reaching out to the administration team for assistance. They will be able to investigate the issue and provide guidance on how to address any discrepancies.

Please contact the administration team through the following link: <u>Contact Administration</u> Team.

Feel free to provide them with details about the specific modules that are missing, and they will work to resolve the matter promptly.

Can my parents ask for my personal information when I am away?

We wouldn't be allowed to give student's details to anyone outside of the university without a formal consent. This is to protect personal data and any personal information related to students. This is why we always asked our students to get in touch with us directly via the **university email** and **not the personal** email. This is so that we can easily identify the student and respond to the student directly from our student advice centre email.

I need a recommendation letter.

If you require a recommendation letter, we recommend reaching out to the relevant academic staff who are familiar with your academic performance and can provide a comprehensive recommendation. Typically, the Module Leader, Supervisor, and/or Programme Leader would be suitable candidates for this task.

Here are the steps to follow:

- 1. Module Leader/Supervisor:
 - Contact the Module Leader or Supervisor of the relevant course or research project. They can speak to your academic achievements, skills, and qualities.
- 2. Programme Leader:
 - If the recommendation is needed at a programmatic level, consider getting in touch with the Programme Leader. They can provide insights into your overall academic journey.

Make sure to provide sufficient information about your goals, achievements, and any specific points you would like them to highlight in the recommendation letter.

Are there any summer term classes / modules I could take to fast track my studies?

Unfortunately, De Montfort University doesn't provide any summer term offerings. We do have summer terms for some of our current students, but they are for students with a start date other than October (e.g., January, April Start) and master's student that are enrolled on a 12-month course. In these cases, the summer term is just a part of a degree and doesn't speed up a process of the studies.

My module leaders are not replying to my emails and I need help with my assignment ASAP. What do I do (Summer Term, a lot of lecturers on annual leave).

If you are facing challenges getting a response from your module leaders and need urgent assistance with your assignment, especially during the Summer Term when many lecturers may be on annual leave, here are steps you can take:

- 1. Check Annual Leave Status:
 - Use your Outlook email and search through all your module leaders. Outlook will display information on the new email if the lecturer is on annual leave. Look for a response indicator or an out-of-office message.
- 2. Identify Available Module Leader:
 - Try to identify a module leader who is not on annual leave and is available to assist you. Look for any available contacts who may be able to provide the help you need.
- 3. Student Advice Centre:
 - If you are unable to find a module leader who is currently available, consider reaching out to the Student Advice Centre.

Can you confirm my term time calendar for my rightto work check?

To confirm your term time calendar for the right to work check, please visit the following website: <u>Academic Calendar</u>.

The academic calendar provides detailed information about term dates, holidays, and other important academic events. Ensure you have the

How do I obtain an academic reference for my postgraduate studies?

It's best to contact your supervisor or a module leader to obtain a reference for your postgraduate studies. This is because academic staff such as your personal tutor, a supervisor

or programme/ module leader have more insights into your work throughout the course of your studies at DMU than we do.

They will be able to provide you with a reference that outlines how you progressed and what you achieved as well as highlight other individual achievements. This is why it's always best to ask an academic staff that knows your academic progress best.

I have been struggling. Is there any mental health support available for me as a student?

I am sorry to hear you had a difficult time this year. Remember that our Wellbeing team is always there for you and if you wish to make a 1 to 1 appointment you can do so by contacting them via this email - wellbeing@dmu.ac.uk. For general information about the wellbeing, you can read up on our website here - Wellbeing and disability (dmu.ac.uk).

If you need support, please book a SPA (Single Point of Access) Appointment on MyGateway - MyGateway Login (dmu.ac.uk)

The company that I am applying for needs a reference. How do I got about it?

If you require a reference, we ask that all references are made via - <u>Homepage | Higher Education Degree Datacheck (hedd.ac.uk)</u>. This is an official verification website for references between a university and an organization/company. Your employer will need to use this website to request an official reference from us.

My university won't accept HEAR as an official document what do I do?

In order for another university to accept the HEAR as an official document you have to share it via the share option on the Digitary Core website where your HEAR is - <u>Digitary CORE</u>. Login into your Digitary Core account and share your HEAR with the university you are applying to.

What do I do if I don't remember my login details?

In order to retrieve your login details, you have to contact our ITMS team - itmsservicedesk@dmu.ac.uk.

If you forgot your password, click on the "Forgotten Password" option under the login menu and follow the steps to retrieve your password.

You will receive a verification code to your email which you will have to cope and paste into the box.

I want to work during my studies. What do I do?

It's best if you contact our careers team - <u>balcareers@dmu.ac.uk</u>. They will be able to help with your query further. If you would like to speak to them in person their office is in Hugh Aston building on the ground floor.

For general information please see - (there will be a link to the page on our website here).

How long do I have to wait for a decision from an APO?

Typically, the decision-making process may take up to 2 weeks. However, the exact timeframe can vary depending on the complexity of the situation and the volume of requests they are handling.

Your patience is appreciated.

How do I get my term-time work letter?

Term-time work letters are normally issued at the Gateway House - <u>Further enquiries and contact The Student Gateway (dmu.ac.uk)</u>. They can be contacted by telephone on 0116 257 7595, Monday to Friday 9am-5pm or by email studentgateway@dmu.ac.uk

I really need to work full-time during my studies. Isthis possible?

The main problem is that final year often times require strenuous efforts from students, and working full time would make it incredibly difficult to attend all of your classes and put time and energy into your assignments and exams.

Our advice, to all students, would be that they should not **work full time** alongside their **full-time studies.**

I **completely appreciate** that you need to be able to have money to live, but doing this would put you under an immense amount of pressure physically and mentally. You would effectively be working an 80+hour week and we cannot encourage that.

Naturally though we also do not want to see a student in a position where you can't pay your bills and have nothing to eat . I would encourage you to book an appointment with the student finance and welfare team - Appointments (dmu.ac.uk).

For all information about financial support and funding - Student Finance (dmu.ac.uk).

For all information about Wellbeing - Wellbeing and disability (dmu.ac.uk).

There is also the Unitemps team available to help you find part time work if you are interested - <u>De Montfort University Jobs - Unitemps</u>.

How do I get in touch with my administration team?

To get in touch with your administration team, please visit the following page: <u>Contact</u> <u>Administration Team</u>.

On this page, you will find the contact details and relevant information for reaching out to the administration team. Feel free to inquire about any specific concerns or assistance you may need.

How do I get in touch with the Student Advice Centre?

To get in touch with the Student Advice Centre, please visit the following page: <u>Student Advice Centre</u>.

On this page, you'll find relevant contact information and details on how to reach out to the Student Advice Centre for any inquiries or assistance you may need.

Feel free to explore the resources available on the page, and if you have any further questions, the Student Advice Centre is ready to support you.

Am I eligible to change my international fee statusto home fee status?

You can complete the Fee Status Assessment Questionnaire to be considered for a change from an **international fee status** to **home fee status**.

To obtain the latest version of the form please contact the admissions office - admissions@dmu.ac.uk.

I urgently left the UK, what do I need to do?

With regards to you leaving the UK you need to **read the information and follow the steps on our website here** - International Students Travel – ASK BAL De Montfort Univeristy (dmu.ac.uk)

The "Absence Request Form" will be on the following page after you click "Next".

I hope this helps. If you have any other questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

I will be away from the university / I will be coming late to the university what do I do?

If you are going to be away from the university as an international student, you will have to complete the "Absence Request Form" form on our website here -<u>International Students Travel – ASK BAL De</u> Montfort University (dmu.ac.uk)

I hope this helps. If you have any other questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

I would like to know how the to convert GPA to UK grading system?

The GPA (Grade Point Average) on 4.0/5.0 scale is not used in the United Kingdom.

At the universities in the UK, we use a different method of classification (see the below).

Degree Class	Percentage Score	
First-Class Honours	70% - 100%	
Upper Second-Class Degree	60% - 69%	
Lower Second-Class Degree	50% - 59%	
Third Class Degree	40% - 49%	
Fail	0 - 39%	

As you can see above Fail is the lowest and First-Class Honours is the highest.

This is how GPA translates to the UK grading system:

How to convert UK Grades to 4.0 GPA Scale There's no set standard, but according to Fullbright US UK Commission, here's the comparable scale to convert UK grades to a 4.0 GPA scale.					
UK module marks	UK degree classification	GPA			
70+	First class honours	4.0			
65-69	Upper-second class honours	3.7			
60-64	Upper-second class honours	3.3			
55-59	Lower-second class honours	3.0			
50-54	Lower-second class honours	2.7			
45-49	Third class honours	2.3			
40-44	Third class honours	2.0			
35-39	Ordinary/Unclassified	1.0			
Below 35	Ordinary/Unclassified	0.0			

If you received a mark of **66** overall that correlates to **Upper-Second Class Honours degree.** This translates to **3.7 GPA.**

I hope this helps. If you have any other questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

What is my APO meeting about?

Examples of ethics breaches include (but are not limited to):

Plagiarism in Academia: When a student or researcher presents someone else's work, ideas, or research as their own without proper attribution, it is considered an ethics breach in academia.

Academic Research Misconduct: Falsifying research data, manipulating research results, or omitting important information to deceive the scientific community is considered an ethics breach in research and academia.

Those are just examples, and the ethics breach can include various different concerns around ethics.

Please ensure to read your APO letter carefully so that you don't miss any important information.

I hope this helps. If you have any other questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Student Advice Centre.

What is academic offence?

Academic offenses committed by students can vary in severity and can include actions such as:

Plagiarism, Cheating on Exams, Fabricating Data, Collusion, Unauthorized Collaboration, Contract Cheating, Unauthorized access to exam/assignment answer sheets, Misrepresentation, tampering with grading, unauthorized multiple submissions, disruptive behaviour.

I hope this helps. If you have any other questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Student Advice Centre.

I would like my certificate to get delivered to adifferent address. How do I do that?

If you would like your certificate to be delivered to a different address, please contact the Academic Awards team at academicawards@dmu.ac.uk. They will provide guidance on the necessary steps and any additional information required to facilitate the delivery to your preferred address.

Feel free to reach out to them with your request, and they will assist you in ensuring that your certificate is delivered to the correct location.

If you have any more questions or need further assistance, don't hesitate to contact the Academic Awards team.

Can you provide me with a letter stating universityand course details including holiday periods?

You can use your council tax or student status letter available to you on MyDMU in My Documents section, which has all of the information such as your, university and course details.

With regards to holidays, you can view the DMU academic calendar here - <u>Academic calendar</u> (dmu.ac.uk).

What do I need to apply for RPL (student still registered and can login to the account)?

1. You will require programme and individual modules' details such as the outline, description, criteria, objectives etc., you will have to buy an enhanced transcript from our DMU shop here - Enhanced Transcript | De Montfort university (dmu.ac.uk). If you don't require that many details, you can look at the alternatives for £20 and £5.

- 2. You will need your HEAR transcript on Digitary Core <u>Digitary CORE</u>. Login with an educational provider and select De Montfort University
- 3. You should have received your certificate during your graduation or get it delivered if you didn't attend your graduation
- 4. The number of credits you achieved will be equivalent to the award you received (You received 105 credits and got awarded Postgraduate Certificate)

I hope this helps. If you have any other questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Student Advice Centre.

When I will receive my timetable if I am master's student?

You will receive your timetable on the 1st of October.

Your programme starts on the 2nd of October.

I hope this helps. If you have any other questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Student Advice Centre

Why do I have modules missing on the learningzone?

Your module leader makes the content of the module available to you on the learning zone. We wouldn't be able to make it available.

You have to contact your module leader for the specific module that is missing from your learning zone and ask for the module tile and content.

I hope this helps. If you have any other questions, please don't hesitate to contact the Student Advice Centre.

When will I get my certificate if I have re-sits in August?

You will receive your certificate during your graduation.

If you had re-sits in August your graduation will be in the winter period (January/February).

If you cannot attend your graduation the academic awards team will send the certificate to your permanent address.

If you have queries you can contact the academic awards team via: academicawards@dmu.ac.uk

How long does it take for your certificate to be delivered? - It really depends on different factors and it take anything from a week to over a month.

I hope this helps. If you have any other questions, please don't hesitate to contact Student Advice Centre

The student wants to change the program during2nd year (mid-year so deadline has passed?

The deadline to apply for a change of program has already passed this year.

Although not guaranteed, it might be possible for you to apply for a change of program for your 3rd year, but this would require you to successfully finish your 2nd year.

A change to a different program for your 3rd year requires:

approval from program leaders (both current and accepting program leader).
 You would have to speak to the program leader of a program that you are interested in to see if you are eligible to change (you would have to see if the modules from your 1st and 2nd year would be relevant for your 3rd year.

I hope this helps. If you have any other questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

I need to travel during my studies (for a certain period of time)?

The University encourages all students to remain in the UK during their teaching.

We understand, however, that in emergencies you may need to leave for short periods of time.

If you would like to request permission for a short term absence you will need to complete a request form.

You can find this form here - <u>International Students Travel – ASK BAL De Montfort Univeristy</u> (dmu.ac.uk)

Please read all information on this page as it includes important information.

Once you have completed the form please send it to ASKBALstudentadvice@dmu.ac.uk.

We will need to speak to your Programme Leader before we can approve your absence. This is to make sure that an absence will not impact your studies.

We may also need to speak to Immigration Compliance to make sure there will be no problems with your visa.

Please note that we cannot guarantee your request will be granted.

Accomodation FAQs

Why do I keep being diverted to a 'Service busy' page?

This is due to the high volume of use. Please keep trying to log in.

The system keeps timing me out. What should I do?

Once you have picked your room, you have three minutes to complete the transaction. Please try again and complete within the allotted time.

There are no rooms available in the residence that I want a book. What should I do?

You will need to select a different residence. It is always advisable to have a shortlist of a few preferred residences in case your first choice is unavailable. Please note that availability changes regularly.

Why do I have to make a booking payment?

Your booking payment is required for all bookings to complete your provisional booking. The total booking payment is £200.

The £200 represents either an advance rent payment or a damage deposit (depending on the accommodation that you have chosen) which is refundable if a booking is cancelled.

The £200 payment referred to above will be treated as advance rent in relation to The Glassworks, Newarke Street, Castle Court, Liberty Park, and Newarke Point, and as a damage deposit in relation to Bede Hall, New Wharf Hall.

What if I'm on holiday or travelling when I need to book/confirm my room?

If you are unable to get access to the internet to complete your booking or check your emails during the application period, you can nominate someone to act on your behalf. To do this, please email us from the email address that we have on record for you, providing the details of the person that you are authorizing to book your accommodation. This will then allow us to discuss your application with your nominated person if they should have any queries or experience any problems. Any emails that are sent out as part of the booking process will continue to be delivered to the email address that the university has on record for you.

Will I get my first choice of accommodation?

Our online booking system allows you to choose your preferred hall and a specific room within that hall, subject to availability. Rooms are booked on a first-come first-served basis, so we recommend that you book as early as possible to have the best chance of securing your first-choice location.

Is accommodation allocated to students according to their course?

Not usually, although there are certain courses for which we do allocate students together in specific halls, e.g. <u>Art & Design Foundation students</u> are accommodated in Castle Court and Bede Hall, as they begin earlier than students on other courses.

<u>NHS students</u> (Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedicine & Ambulance Practice) are also offered accommodation at either <u>Bede</u> or <u>New Wharf Hall</u>, as they will be working shifts and require longer contracts.

Can I book a room next to my friend?

The only way to try and arrange a room next to, or in the same flat as, a friend is to make your online bookings at the same time, choosing rooms in the same flat or close to each other if available.

What happens once I have chosen my room online?

After you have made your choice online you will be asked to make a booking fee payment of £200.

The £200 represents either an advance rent payment or a damage deposit (depending on the accommodation that you have chosen) which is refundable if a booking is cancelled.

You will need to confirm your booking within 30 days or before a specified date, for which we will email you the necessary details. This will involve completing tenancy documents, guarantor details and setting up your future rent payments. (If you hold a conditional offer, you will have a 14-day cooling off period once it becomes unconditional.)

In August, once you have confirmed your booking, we will send you an email with login details to your university pre-induction. Within this there is a mandatory halls module, which all students must complete before moving into their room. After completing the pre-induction you will be asked to book an arrival slot for the intake weekend.

See more information on how to book.

What if I do not get the grades that I was hoping for?

If you do not receive the results to meet your conditional firm offer, unless you also have an insurance offer with DMU, your booking will be cancelled immediately. If you have paid a booking fee, the £200 advance rent/damage deposit will be refunded to the same account that you used to make the payment within 5-14 working days.

I cannot make the booking fee payment online. What should I do?

If you would like to pay by either bank transfer or another method of payment that takes longer than 24-hours to clear, please contact the accommodation office so that we can ensure your booking is not cancelled after the 24-hour deadline.

How do I conform my booking?

You will be sent an email detailing how to confirm your booking.

If you have booked a place in a DMU-managed hall you will need to log back into the booking system and complete step three.

Private accommodation confirmation steps vary. However, you will be sent a separate email from your accommodation provider. You will need to register on their system, agree to a tenancy document, provide guarantor details, and set up your future rent payments. You may also be required to pay the first rent instalment. If you have already returned your tenancy documents when you receive your unconditional offer you will have a 14-day cooling-off period.

N.B. Once you have confirmed your booking you are contracted to the room and will be liable for the rent for the duration of the tenancy, the first rent payment may be due before you receive your student loan.

See <u>more information on the booking process</u>.

What is a guarantor?

A guarantor is someone who agrees to confirm that a tenant has the ability to pay the rent, and for any damages. They will be held responsible for any payments due that are not paid by the tenant.

Without a suitable guarantor, some halls of residence will require you to pay all of your annual rent in advance.

What happens if DMU is my insurance choice, or if I come through clearing?

If you decide to accept your insurance offer or apply for a course through clearing, then you will be able to book a room in halls online – subject to availability – once you have made your offer firm.

At this point in the application cycle there may be limited availability. Please contact the <u>Accommodation Office</u> if you cannot find a room online.

How can I cancel my booking?

If your room booking is still provisional (or if you still have a conditional offer), you can cancel at any time by putting your request into writing. If you have paid the booking fee, you will be entitled to a refund which will be returned to the same bank account that you used to make the original payment. If you have confirmed your booking (and have an unconditional firm offer) but no longer want your room then you will not be able to cancel the contract unless a suitable replacement can be found.

Exceptions to this are if you cancel your room within a cooling-off period outlined in your contract, if you are an international student who is no longer going to be studying at DMU due to visa problems, or if you have booked a DMU-managed hall and will no longer be attending DMU (these exceptions are all subject to terms and conditions outlined in documentation available throughout the booking period. For more information, please contact the Accommodation Office). If you feel that your circumstances may entitle you to cancel your contract, but the above conditions do not apply, then please write to us detailing your situation and we will advise you.

My booking has been cancelled but I still need a room. What shall I do?

Your booking will have been cancelled because you have either not paid the booking payment within 24 hours of reserving a room, or you have made the booking payment but failed to confirm your booking within the set timeframe.

You can log back into the system and reserve a room. In both cases, you will need to make the booking payment within 24 hours.

What happens if I do not want University-sourced accommodation?

If you do not want to live in university-sourced accommodation then there are a lot of other options for students in Leicester. Although we do not deal directly with private-sector bookings, and cannot endorse any private providers, we can advise you regarding what options are available, where to look for private accommodation, and what to look for when choosing somewhere to live. If you wish to stop receiving emails regarding accommodation then please contact the Accommodation Office.

Can I book in my second and third year?

Only students that meet the <u>specified criteria</u> are eligible to book. Students who are eligible to book must make the booking payment for each booking, including those made in subsequent vears.

Costs

How much does it cost?

Weekly prices range from £95 - £158.50, though the contract length will affect the overall contract fee. Please note that you will have to commit to paying for the whole contract length as an accommodation contract is legally binding.

What are the start-up costs likely to be?

Start-up costs will vary, but for essential items like bedding, cutlery, crockery, kitchen utensils etc., £150 would be an average cost.

When do I pay rent?

The rent payment schedule varies depending upon which hall you book, so it is important for you to consider this before choosing your hall. All payment options and schedules are detailed on the individual hall pages of the website.

For DMU managed halls contracts you will not be required to make the first rent instalment until after you enrol and have received your first loan payment.

Whilst the halls do not require a payment prior to arrival check the instalments dates and ensure you have your finance available to make the payments. Your student loan is not usually be deposited until after you have enrolled on your course. Some useful links while considering your options and budget:

- Gov.uk student finance calculator
- <u>UCAS budget calculator</u>
- NHS student bursaries information

The amount due and the instalment options available depend on which hall you select and the type of guarantor you have. In some cases, you may be required to pay the full rental amount for the entire contracted period if you do not have a suitable guarantor. The first rent payment due is in addition to the booking payment.

I've booked and confirmed my room, but now do not thin I can make the first rent payment. What should I do?

The dates of the instalments listed on the website are when the payments are due once you are contracted to the room. In certain circumstances, halls can be flexible with the initial instalment date. Please contact your hall of residence directly to discuss.

I have booked a room and paid the booking payment, but I've changed my mind and do not want accommodation. What should I do?

You may cancel your provisional booking at any time by contacting the <u>Accommodation Office</u>. We will cancel your booking and arrange a refund of your booking payment.

How can I change the room I have booked?

You can cancel your *provisional* booking and rebook a different room online (subject to availability).

In order to do this, you will need to select the 'Request cancellation' button under 'My booking'. Once your original room booking has been cancelled, you will need to go back into the online booking system and book another room. You will not have to make another booking payment.

I don't have the money available to pay the online booking payment. What should I do?

Unfortunately, if you are unable to make the booking payment, we cannot reserve a room for you. Please contact our <u>Money and Welfare team</u> who will be able to give you some advice and guidance on options you may wish to explore.

Applying for halls

When can I book accommodation? The booking system for 24/25 entry opens on 12 March.

N.B. It is important that you let your faculty know if you change your email address at any time as this will be how we contact you. If you need to update it, please change it on your UCAS account or contact admissions@dmu.ac.uk

My course starts in January. Can I book a place in halls?

As long as you meet the <u>eligibility criteria</u> you can book a room in university-sourced halls of residences, subject to availability.

How can I make DMU my firm choice?

If you have applied through UCAS, you will need to use <u>UCAS track</u> to reply to the offer with either a firm acceptance or an insurance acceptance.

If you are an international student not applying through UCAS then you will need to contact the admissions department in order to accept your offer of a place on a course and make the tuition fee deposit payment before you are eligible to apply.

How do I book accommodation?

We use an online booking system. Watch the below video for an explainer on the booking process:

https://youtu.be/b7IOD_DVk8E

You are eligible to book once you have made DMU your first choice. Once we have opened the booking system, we will email you with your login instructions.

At each stage of the booking process you will be sent an email advising you of the next stage and what you need to do.

https://www.dmu.ac.uk/Study/accommodation/how-to-book.aspx

Hall facilities

For more information regarding the facilities in halls of residence, please see the individual hall pages.

Are halls mixed or single gender?

Halls are mixed gender, but flats are either single or mixed gender.

It will be clear which type of flat (single gender or mixed) you are booking when you book online. In rare cases we may need to make a flat single/mixed gender for operational reasons, but if this applies to your booking you will be notified by email.

Is there any car parking available at the halls?

Parking is extremely limited. Some halls have a few parking spaces available, but we recommend that you don't bring a car unless absolutely essential. Most facilities are within walking distance of the university and public transport in Leicester is very good. Halls with parking facilities allocate their spaces according to different criteria; some have disabled parking spaces available, whilst others allocate on a first-come, first-served basis. You will need to contact the hall directly regarding car parking. If you secure a parking space there will generally be an additional charge.

How far are the halls from campus?

All the halls are either on, or otherwise very close to campus. They are also close to the city centre, so you are near to all facilities, and are all within easy walking distance of each other, so you won't have far to walk to visit your friends.

Are any meals provided in halls?

No. All accommodation is self-catered with a shared kitchen. However, there are shops, cafés, pubs, and campus catering nearby for those occasions when you are just too busy to cook, or fancy a treat.

Is there a cleaner?

You are responsible for cleaning your own room and kitchen. In DMU halls, bathrooms are cleaned. If you have en-suite or studio accommodation then you will be responsible for cleaning your own bathroom.

Do I have to pay Council Tax?

No. All full-time students are exempt from Council Tax. Local councils require a certificate as evidence of student status before they can grant exemption to you. To obtain this, please log onto MyDMU and select the 'My Documents' tile. You will then be able to download and print the certificate.

Do I need to bring?

Halls are fully furnished, but you'll need to bring your own cooking utensils, crockery and cutlery, bedding and towels. You may want to wait until after you arrive to purchase any items needed for the communal areas so that you don't end up with everybody bringing the same items for your flat.

Is there internet access in halls?

Yes. All halls have internet access. The type & speed varies depending on which hall you choose. The service provider for The Glassworks and Newarke Street is Ask4. The service provider for Bede Hall, New Wharf Hall, Castle Court, Newarke Point and Liberty Park is Glide. You will be able to register for access upon arrival.

Will I have to share a room?

No – all our university-sourced rooms are single occupancy.

How many faculties does DMU have?

The University origins go back to 1870 when it was known as the Leicester School of Art, fast forward to 1992 and De Montfort University (DMU) was granted university status, taking its name from Simon de Montfort, Earl of Leicester, who established the first parliament in 1265.

De Montfort University Faculties

Today, DMU has around 20,000 students divided across its four faculties:

- Faculty of Arts, Design and Humanities
- Faculty of Business and Law
- Faculty of Health and Life Sciences
- Faculty of Computing, Engineering and Media

The university places a strong emphasises on career-relevant skills with many courses endorsed by professional bodies and teaching is tailored to fit with current industry practices. Its common for students undertake a work placement, taking advantage of connections with a variety of organisations that include Deloitte, the NHS, and the BBC.

DMU's campus is a five-minute walk to the city centre, where students can find a range of shops, cafes and a thriving nightlife. The university's leisure centre has a wide range of facilities open to students including a climbing wall, a 25-metre swimming pool and a dance studio.

https://one-educationgroup.com/en/universities/de-montfort-university/

https://www.google.com/search?q=HOW+MANY+FACULTIES+IN+DMU&rlz=1C1GCEU_enK E1096KE1096&oq=HOW+MANY+FACULTIES+IN+DMU&gs_lcrp=EgZjaHJvbWUyBggAEE UYOdIBCDY5NzNqMGo5qAIIsAIB&sourceid=chrome&ie=UTF-8

University Leadership Board

The University Leadership Board plays a crucial role in developing and implementing the university's strategy and plans.

The University Leadership Board is chaired by Vice-Chancellor Professor Katie Normington and is comprised of:

- The Vice-Chancellor
- The Deputy Vice-Chancellor
- The Registrar (Academic)/Secretary to the Board of Governors

- The Chief Transformation Officer
- The Pro Vice-Chancellors (Education and Equalities, International and Research)
- The Four Faculty Pro Vice-Chancellor/Deans
- The Executive Director of Finance and Procurement
- The Executive Director of Marketing and Communications
- The Executive Director of People Services

See Terms of Reference.

University Leadership Board membership:

Professor Katie Normington, Vice-Chancellor

Nikki Pierce, Registrar (Academic) and Secretary to the Board of Governors

Debbie Muddimer, Executive Director of Finance and Procurement

Tracey Jessup, Chief Transformation Officer

Professor Susan Orr, Pro Vice-Chancellor Education and Equalities

Professor Mike Kagioglou, Pro Vice-Chancellor Research and Business Innovation

Dr Simon Oldroyd, Pro Vice-Chancellor Sustainability and Dean of Health and Life Sciences

Mr Simon Bradbury, Pro Vice-Chancellor International

Jill Cowley, Pro Vice-Chancellor Skills and Training and Dean of Arts, Design and Humanities

<u>Professor Heather McLaughlin, Pro Vice-Chancellor Academic Staff Development, Dean of</u> Business and Law

Professor Shushma Patel, Pro Vice-Chancellor Student Experience and Dean of Computing, Engineering and Media

Melanie Fowler, Executive Director of Marketing and Communications

https://www.dmu.ac.uk/about-dmu/academic-staff/business-and-law/christopher-odindo/christopher-odindo.aspx

https://www.dmu.ac.uk/governance/ulb/index.aspx

What is unique about De Montfort University?

The University is renowned for its innovative teaching and research in unique subjects such as contour fashion and footwear design, which are only studied at a handful of other institutions in the

world.

What does DMU Specialise in?

What Does De Montfort University Specialise in? DMU has two main subject specialisms which are in art and design and the faculty of business and law.

What is the rank of De Montfort University in the UK?

The university is consistently ranked among the best universities UK. As per the THE (Times Higher Education) University Ranking 2023, De Montfort University is ranked 601-800, making it among the top universities in the country. Meanwhile, QS World University Ranking 2024, ranked the university at 801-1000

What facilities does DMU have?

- Facilities.
- Diffusion Lab.
- Audiovisual Lab.
- Sound Art Lab.
- PACE.
- Additional Resources.

What online learning resources are provided to students by De Montfort University?

An e-resource is an electronic information resource that you can access through the Library website, on or off campus. You can get the information you want, when you need it, 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

E-resources include electronic journals, electronic books and online databases. There are many thousands of articles and books available - and the numbers keep growing as new resources are added to our collections. Using our e-resources will guarantee that you are using quality information for your assignments. You can **find out more about e-Books here.**

<u>This troubleshooting guide</u> has been created by the library's Content Delivery Team to provide guidance for library users when they face problems connecting to online content.

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What can I access?

As well as the content provided by your home institution, you can access eResources from DMU. These include ebooks, electronic journals, and other types of material available electronically.

- Search across the majority of our e-content using the **Library Search engine** above.
- Or search individual databases from our databases A-Z page.

How do I access resources?

You will be issued with a Single Sign-On Username and Password.

- **P number**, which acts as your username.
- **Default password**. You should **change your password** as soon as possible to keep it secure.
- It is against university regulations to share your password with anyone.
- eResources can only be used for educational purposes. Please make sure you follow the **acceptable use policy**.

If you forget your password, use the **password self-service portal** to regain access.

a). Databases

Databases are collections of journals or other types of material, searchable from one search box. They enable you to find good quality subject-specific research.

- Some are general and others have a specific subject focus
- Some will concentrate on case studies and data that may be useful for your course.

To find a relevant database, select the broad **subject category** below, click on the **database link** and enter your **single sign-on username and password**.

- Arts, Design and Humanities
- Business
- Computing and Engineering
- Health and Life Sciences

Alternatively, browse for a database using the **A-Z list of databases**.

Other free databases and repositories exist to find ebooks and ejournals. See the **Free Online Resources** page tab for more information.

Database Tutorials and Guides

Proquest Databases

Databases such as ABI/Inform, Art & Architecture Archive, Arts and Humanities Full-text, Design & Applied Arts Index are provided by Proquest and share a similar interface

- Proquest Basic Search Guide
- Proquest Advanced Search Guide
- Proquest Search Tips Guide

EBSCO Databases

Databases such as Business Source Complete, Academic Search Premier, Art Full-Text are provided by EBSCO and share a similar interface

- Business Source Complete Basic Search Tutorial
- EBSCO Academic Search Premier Tutorial
- Reading an Article in EBSCO Databases Tutorial
- EBSCO Databases Advanced Search
- Browsing Subject Terms in EBSCO Databases

Emerald Database

- Emerald Quick and Advanced Search Tutorial
- Navigation Results in Emerald Tutorial
- How to Get the Most From Your Emerald Search Guide
- Browsing Content on Emerald Tutorial

FAME Database

Click on the Question Mark on the front page of the database to see a guided tour of FAME.

Financial Times

- Accessing the FT.com Partners
- Accessing the FT via ABI/Inform Partners

Science Direct

- Science Direct Advanced Searching Tutorial
- Reviewing Results in Science Direct Tutorial
- Browsing Journals in Science Direct Tutorial

Statista

Most relevant sections include the Consumer Insights section, plus the Market Insights. Users can interrogate their consumer / brand data to create bespoke reports for download.

- How to use Statista consumer insights
- Quick guide: Statista Market Insights

b). Journals

The term journal can mean either:

Peer-reviewed: articles in these journals are assessed by a panel of experts and subject specialists before the article is allowed to be published. Most research published in peer-reviewed journals is highly referenced allowing you to judge the quality of the research yourself. They are very thorough taking a long time to research, write and review; so whilst they may not mention the most current developments they will look at a subject in very specific detail.

Professional/Trade: articles are written by experts in a particular profession or trade and will cover current topics and trends within that field. Content will be catered to other professionals so will assume inside knowledge. Articles may have a reference list.

Popular magazines: examples include the Economist and Spectator and their articles are written by reporters for a general audience. They are published on a more regular basis so the articles will not be as well researched as articles in peer-reviewed journals but they will be more current, reporting on recent events. They are rarely referenced making a judgment on quality difficult.

Use journals to find:

• useful information, research and discussions

- different viewpoints from different authors
- relatively current information, journals are published quicker than books.

Popular magazines are a great way to develop your commercial awareness. You should be using peer-reviewed journals in your assignments to build on knowledge gathered from books

Searching for journal articles

- Use the **Database A-Z** link to find a specific database
- Use **Library Search** above to search across a range of databases
 - Use the Journal Article filter under content type
 - o Use the Full-text online filter to only find journals in an electronic format

Library Access Browser Extension

<u>Library Access from Lean Library</u> is a browser extension that helpfully pops up whenever it finds articles subscribed by De Montfort University.

It requires that you login as a member of DMU, using your Single Sign On details.

The browser is particular helpful if you are searching using tools such as Google Scholar.

https://library.dmu.ac.uk/partnerstudents_uk/online

c). E-books

You will have access to the key print and online books via your institution library.

DMU also provides access to the following ebook collections, covering a broad range of subject areas.

Click on the **links** to access and enter your **single sign-on username and password.**

- Proquest ebook central (Academic Complete)
- eBook Academic Collection (EBSCOhost)
- VLEbooks / Askews and Holt collection of ebooks

For help accessing ebooks try this guide.

A-Z Databases and Library Learning Resources:

https://library.dmu.ac.uk/az.php?v=69127

Does DMU require ielts?

To be considered for a place at DMUIC you need to meet our standard of English Language requirements. Our courses require an IELTS of 5.5 or equivalent, with a minimum of 5.5 in every component.