

Queen Mary University of London Postgraduate Research

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1785

The
London
Medical
College is
founded



1791

St Bart's
Medical
School is
formally
recognised

1882

Westfield
college is
founded.



1887

The
people's
palace
technical
school is
opened by
Queen
Victoria

1905

The East
London
Technical
College has
a new aim –
to promote
Higher
Education
in East
London



1934

East London
College
becomes
Queen
Mary
College

1989

Queen
Mary
College
merges
with
Westfield
College to
become
Queen
Mary and
Westfield
College

1995

Queen Mary
and Westfield
College merges
with Barts and
the Royal
London School
of Medicine
and Dentistry



2005

Queen Mary
and Westfield
College
changes its
name to
Queen Mary
University of
London

2012

QMUL
joins the
Russell
Group

Many of Queen Mary's foundations can be traced back to our philanthropic origins of bringing education to the east end.

These foundations are evident today:

- Champions public engagement, and research that makes a contribution to both the international research community and local people
- We are a 'civic university' that champions local agendas and seeks to strengthen communities.
- We support local schools - St. Paul's Way Trust and Drapers' Multi-Academy Trust
- Seeks to foster a vibrant but inclusive research community



So where are we now?

- ca. 27,000 students - including **~2000 PhD students** - and ~4600 staff
- Working in 3 Faculties: Humanities and Social Sciences, Science and Engineering, and Medicine and Dentistry
- Across 5 campuses: at Mile End, Whitechapel, Charterhouse Square, West Smithfield, and Lincoln's Inn Fields
- Also, one of the world's 20 most international universities – with students from 170 different countries, and 35% of staff born outside of the UK



A Research Intensive University

- **9 Nobel Prize winners** among former staff and students
- Ranked **92nd in the world and 9th the UK** by U.S. News & World Report 'Best Global Universities 2024'.
- **~£130m annual research income**
- Ranked joint **7th in the UK** for quality of research in 2021 Research Excellence Framework (REF)
- Ranked **14th in the world** for the quality of our research, THE World Ranking 2024
- **Top 10** in the UK for a number of subjects including: Drama, Film, Computer Science & Informatics, Politics & International Studies, Engineering, Economics and History
- A member of the **Russell Group** of research intensive universities
- Ranked **1st in the Russell Group and 3rd among UK universities** for social mobility
- **First university** to receive a Platinum Engage Watermark from National Co-ordinating Centre for Public Engagement

Internal Organisation

QMUL is home to more than **50 Research Centres** – ranging from the Centre for the Study of the History of Emotions in HSS, the Antennas and Electromagnetics Research Group in Science and Engineering, to the Centre for Experimental Cancer Medicine in the Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry.

We hold funding for PGRs from every UK Research Council, The Wellcome Trust and a number of charities and research organisations.



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Doctoral Training Partnership

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ARTS & HUMANITIES
PARTNERSHIP



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ARTHRITIS**



Our internal organization:

Humanities & Social Sciences

School of the Arts

- Department of English
- Department of Drama
- Comparative Literature
- Film Studies
- Modern Languages & Cultures
- Language Centre
- Linguistics

School of Business & Management

School of Economics & Finance

School of Society and Environment

- Geography
- History
- Politics & International Relations

School of Law

- Centre for Commercial Law Studies
- Department of Law

Medicine and Dentistry

Barts Cancer Institute

The Blizard Institute

Institute of Dentistry

Institute of Health Sciences Education

William Harvey Research Institute

Wolfson Institute of Population Health

The Centre of the Cell

Science & Engineering

School of Biological & Behavioural Sciences

School of Electronic Engineering & Computer Science

School of Engineering & Materials Science

School of Mathematical Sciences

School of Physical & Chemical Sciences

Materials Research Institute

Centre for Bioengineering

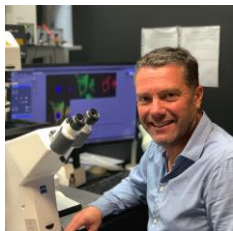
So...what does all that mean for me?

- You are not alone! You are part of a long-standing tradition of postgraduate researchers! We are experts at working with researchers to guide them through the research degree!
- You are part of your school, institute and faculty, as well as the wider QMUL research community.
- You are also a member of an incredibly rich intellectual environment that stretches across Queen Mary - embrace it!
- Many of the best ideas in research come from 'left field' – from conversations with people working on other projects, and in other fields: seek out those conversations
- You are also a member of Queen Mary's Doctoral College...

Queen Mary Doctoral College

The Doctoral College oversees the admission, training and development, academic progression and award of degrees for all of Queen Mary's PGR students

We are here to support you and help you make the most of the opportunities Queen Mary has to offer: making sure the wide range of activities that go into successful research connect up!



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Dean for PGR



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The Doctoral College team!

What the Doctoral College does:

Our Mission:

To ensure our postgraduate researchers to have the best possible research experience at Queen Mary University of London. We want our postgraduate researchers to feel confident in their research skills and go on to use their research experience with us to support their future careers both within and beyond research.

Our key areas of work:

- Communities
- Research Skills and Research Careers
- Data, Research Culture and DTE's
- PGR Finance

Funding and support

Funding for research:

The Doctoral College holds two types of research funding.

Postgraduate Research Fund (PGRF)

£2,500 for funded research trips, including conferences. This can only be applied for once in your studies and in a competitive fund. <https://www.qmul.ac.uk/doctorscollege/doctors-students/current-students/postgraduate-research-fund/>

Doctoral College Initiative Fund (DCIF)

£1000 for funded projects at QMUL to support PGRs to deliver initiatives like conferences and network meetings at QMUL.

<https://www.qmul.ac.uk/doctorscollege/doctors-students/current-students/dcif/>

Questions and who to ask

Speak with your supervisor.

Speak to the PGR manager
in your school

Speak to your Director of
Graduate Studies (DGS)

Speak to your Deputy Dean
for Research

<https://www.qmul.ac.uk/doctorscollege/about-us/contact-dgs/>

Speak to the Doctoral College

Thank you



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