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## International Summer School 2010



What are you doing this summer? Travel, study and earn credit at the University of Leeds International Summer School...

# The University of Leeds

The University of Leeds is surrounded by some of the most beautiful countryside the UK has to offer. Located in the county of West Yorkshire in the north of England, Leeds is approximately 2 hours from London and 2 hours from Edinburgh.

Founded in 1904, the University of Leeds is the UK's second largest university with 30,500 students from over 130 countries. Study Abroad and exchange students come to Leeds from North America and continental Europe as well as Asia, South America and Australia seeking to internationalise their student experience.

The University campus is a mix of old and new. State-of-the-art learning and teaching facilities coexist with impressive landmark buildings of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. We are internationally renowned for research and teaching excellence, and we are a committed member of the Russell Group – a consortium of the top research-led universities.





### The City of Leeds and Yorkshire

Come and see why Yorkshire is England's most popular holiday destination... Home to the famously beautiful countryside of the Dales and Moors, a dramatic and unspoilt coastline, loads of historic towns and cities, spectacular ancient ruins, and some of the most magnificent historic houses in the country – Yorkshire is affectionately known as "God's Own County", and Leeds is nestled right in the middle!

One of the fastest-growing commercial and financial cities in Europe, we have got an extensive range of shops, restaurants, bars and nightclubs, and have been voted the UK's most popular student city. You can walk from the University to the city centre in ten minutes and a variety of public transport options mean that you can always get where you need to be easily and quickly.

Leeds is a city where, over the years, communities from all over the world have chosen to settle. This gives the place a strong



multicultural vibe – and makes it an especially welcoming place for international students like you!

Our nightlife is known for its diversity and popularity. Leeds clubbing scene is a relaxed experience with a great range of music to suit all tastes, attracting clubbers not just from Leeds but from across the region. And if that isn't your thing, you can take advantage of the variety of live music that Leeds has to offer, ranging from chamber music and jazz to folk festivals and rock, to the hugely acclaimed 3-day summer 'Leeds Festival' where Radiohead, Kings of Leon



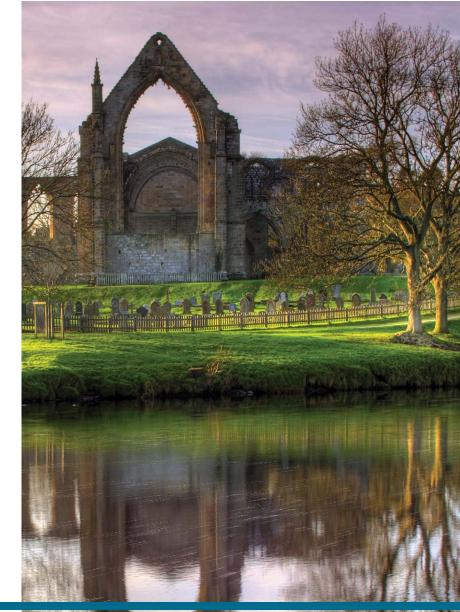
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and Arctic Monkeys headlined in 2009. On top of that, the University's Students' Union is one of the largest and best Unions in the country and is home to 'The Refectory', a well-renowned music venue, where bands such as The Rolling Stones, The Who, Led Zeppelin, Bob Marley, Pink Floyd, The Kaiser Chiefs, and Arctic Monkeys have all played.

You might want to see some of the more traditional culture that we have to share with you - Leeds is home to Opera North, the Northern School of Contemporary Dance and the nationally renowned West Yorkshire Playhouse. If you are arty, there is also a wide range of museums and galleries, including the City Art Gallery, The Henry Moore Institute, and the award-winning Royal Armouries museum.

And to round us off, we have a proud sporting tradition with Leeds United Football Club, the Yorkshire Cricket Club, the Leeds Rhinos (rugby league) and the Leeds Tykes (rugby union).

We've got it all, and it's here for you to enjoy!





### The University of Leeds International Summer School

Time spent at an overseas institution is stimulating and challenging academically as well as being a life enhancing opportunity. The University of Leeds International Summer School offers you an opportunity to experience the UK education system at one of the UK's leading universities with fellow international students. You will be able to immerse yourself in genuine British culture in one of the best student cities in the UK. Leeds is a great base to travel to other parts of the country. You will learn from Leeds academic staff about the fascinating and beautiful area of Yorkshire, famous for its lush green scenery, long, social and artistic history, and warm, friendly people!

#### Experiential Learning and Field Trips

Our summer school takes advantage of the rich history, culture and natural beauty of Yorkshire, enabling you to take part in academic-related, experiential field trips to complement the academic modules available as well as going further afield to the city of London. The field trips have been carefully chosen to complement all academic modules, so everyone can participate and enjoy the inter-disciplinary nature of on-hand experiential learning.

#### Potential Field trips:

- The City of York and York Minster
- Country House visits to places such as Temple Newsam House, Harewood House and Castle Howard (used for the filming of 'Brideshead Revisited')
- Pop music in Manchester
- The Yorkshire Dales and the Lake District
- Haworth, home of the Brontë sisters
- London and Shakespeare's Globe theatre



#### Social Activities

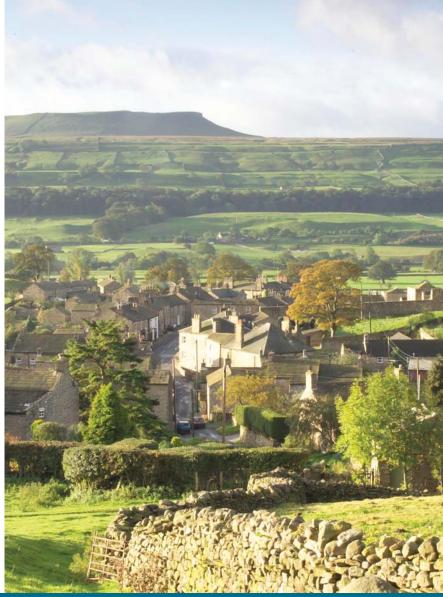
As part of the Summer School, you will have access to a variety of social events during the evenings and at weekends. These activities will vary from a Welcome Reception upon arrival, theatre trips, local sporting fixtures and for the more adventurous, some outdoor activities in the surrounding area! Your social programme will culminate with a Farewell Party before returning home or on to the next stage of your travels.

### Programme format, modules, credit and assessment

The Summer School will last 4 weeks and is composed of two 2-week blocks, running back-toback. You should select 2 modules; each module is taught during one of the 2 week blocks and is worth the equivalent of 3 US credits (10 Leeds credits). You can choose from the following suite of modules:

- A Social History of the English Country House
   British Literature
- Pop Music of the North

The Olympic Games – Sport in the UK Transfer of credits is subject to the approval of the student's home institution.





#### A Social History of the English Country House

Country houses are one of Britain's greatest contributions to world culture, but who created them and why? Have they always functioned as 'containers' for art collections or have they had deeper meanings and a wider social impact? Using Yorkshire's world-class country houses as case studies, this course will introduce you to:

- The builders of the country house
- The rise and fall of the great estates
- The 'upstairs' lives of the men, women and children who lived in the country house and the 'downstairs' world of the men and women who served them
- The idea of a 'court style' and its regional variations
- The often difficult relationship between patron and architect
- The allied arts of interior design and decoration
- The relationship between the aristocratic great house, the more modest gentleman's house and the villa

Tutor-led visits to houses such as Temple Newsam, Harewood House and Castle Howard are an important feature of this course.

#### Pop Music of the North

Joy Division, The Smiths, The Kaiser Chiefs, Arctic Monkeys... But what about The Stone Roses, Echo and the Bunnymen, Reverend and the Makers and the Happy Mondays? Oh, yes, and a little band called the Beatles... The trouble is the list is just way too long. It's true that the north has a most formidable reputation for innovation in pop music, but why is this the case? How do these ground-breaking and acclaimed musicians and performers speak of their region and the wider culture in their music? Using the stage@leeds space (and incorporating the legendary Leeds Refectory venue), this module will explore these questions through presentations, workshops and visits. Led by Steve Ansell and Dr Philip Kiszely, and featuring guest lecturers, Pop Music in the North will focus on musical and lyrical content, culture and heritage, and identity and iconography.



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#### British Literature and the Brontës

This module will provide students with an introduction to British Literature with a particular focus on well-known authors from the region including the Brontës.

Charlotte, Emily, and Anne Brontë lived at Haworth Parsonage, only a few miles from Leeds which will be visited as part of this module. During the 1840s and 50s, they wrote some of the most original and challenging fiction of the Victorian period which retains its popularity and still inspires criticism, fiction, popular culture, and film adaptations. Other British authors such as Charles Dickens, Oscar Wilde, Robert Louis Stevenson and the Lakeland Poets may be included in the curriculum.

The School of English at the University of Leeds is one of the top-rated departments in the country and ranks in the top 10 for Research.

#### The Olympic Games – Sport in the UK

Inspired by London hosting the 2012 Olympic & Paralympic Games, the course aims to provide participants with a fantastic opportunity to learn more about the Olympic Games and to gain knowledge and understanding of Olympic sports through participation, observation and skill acquisition. There will be a focus on the two quintessentially English sports of Fencing and Archery with an opportunity to gain practical experience in one of these areas as well as a chance to visit Olympic facilities and attend British sporting events. There will also be a chance to learn more about the history and values of the Olympic Movement, the development of the Paralympics and other relevant issues in sport.

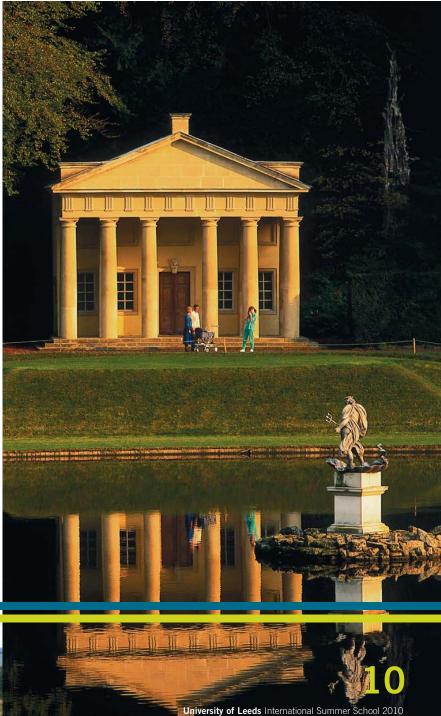


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### Entry requirements

You must be over 18 years of age, have a minimum GPA of 2.8 or equivalent, be enrolled at a university (or in receipt of an offer) or recent graduate. Non-native speakers of English are required to have IELTS 5.5 or equivalent.

#### Cost and application information

The cost of the 4 week University of Leeds International Summer School is **£2450**. This fee includes:

- Tuition fees
- Field trips and excursions
- Accommodation
- Social activities
- Sports Centre membership

The cost of flights, insurance and meals is not included.

Application deadline: May 31st
Deposit: £250 to be paid upon acceptance of an offer (non-refundable after May 31st)
Final balance: the fee must be paid in full by June 30th

For an application form, please e-mail: summer@leeds.ac.uk

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