



An Introduction to Durham University

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DURHAM

Established in **1832**

Third oldest university in
England

UNESCO World Heritage site

17 Colleges of residence

21,588 students

33% international students



OUR LOCATION

Situated in the **North East** of England

3 hours by train to London

A green and **very safe** city

Nearby **beautiful countryside** and beaches

70+ Castles





Avengers Endgame



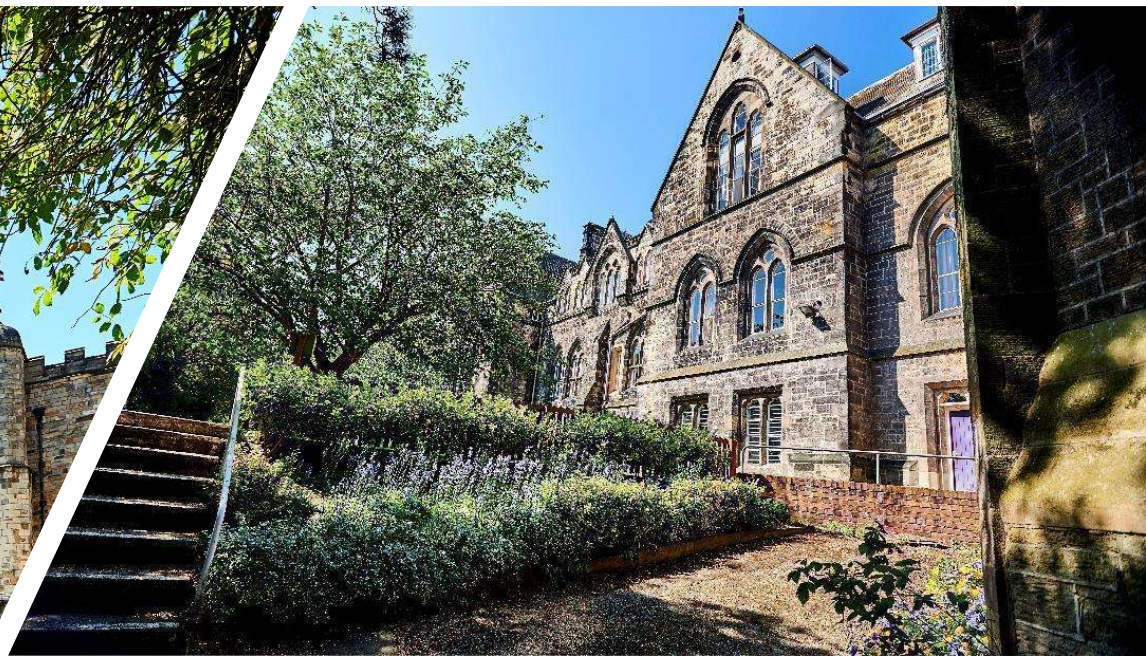
Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone



Harry Potter and the Chamber of Secrets



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RUSSELL GROUP



Our World Rankings in Numbers 2025

85th with the QS World University Rankings

3rd in the UK with the Times and Sunday Times

5th in the UK with the Complete University Guide

7 Subjects in the QS World Rankings Top 50

22 Subjects in the QS World Rankings Top 100



Faculties:

Business School

Accounting
Economics & Finance
Marketing & Management

Triple accredited



Arts & Humanities

Classics- **29th in the world**
English Studies- **26th in the world**
History- **44th in the world**
Modern Languages- **40th in the world**
Music- **1st in the UK**
Philosophy- **39th in the world**
Theology & Religion- **4th in the world**

Science

Biosciences- **2nd in the UK**
Chemistry- **6th in the UK**
Computer Science- **8th in the UK**
Earth Sciences- **7th in the UK**
Engineering- **5th in the UK**
Mathematics- **9th in the UK**
Physics- **67th in the world**
Psychology- **70th in the world**

Social Sciences

Anthropology- **25th in the world**
Archaeology- **5th in the world**
Education- **1st in the UK**
Geography- **6th in the world**
International Relations- **79th in the world**
Law- **49th in the world**
Sociology- **4th in the UK**
Sport & Exercise Sciences- **3rd in the UK**

COLLEGIATE EXPERIENCE

Durham is a **collegiate** university

All students request one of our **17 colleges**

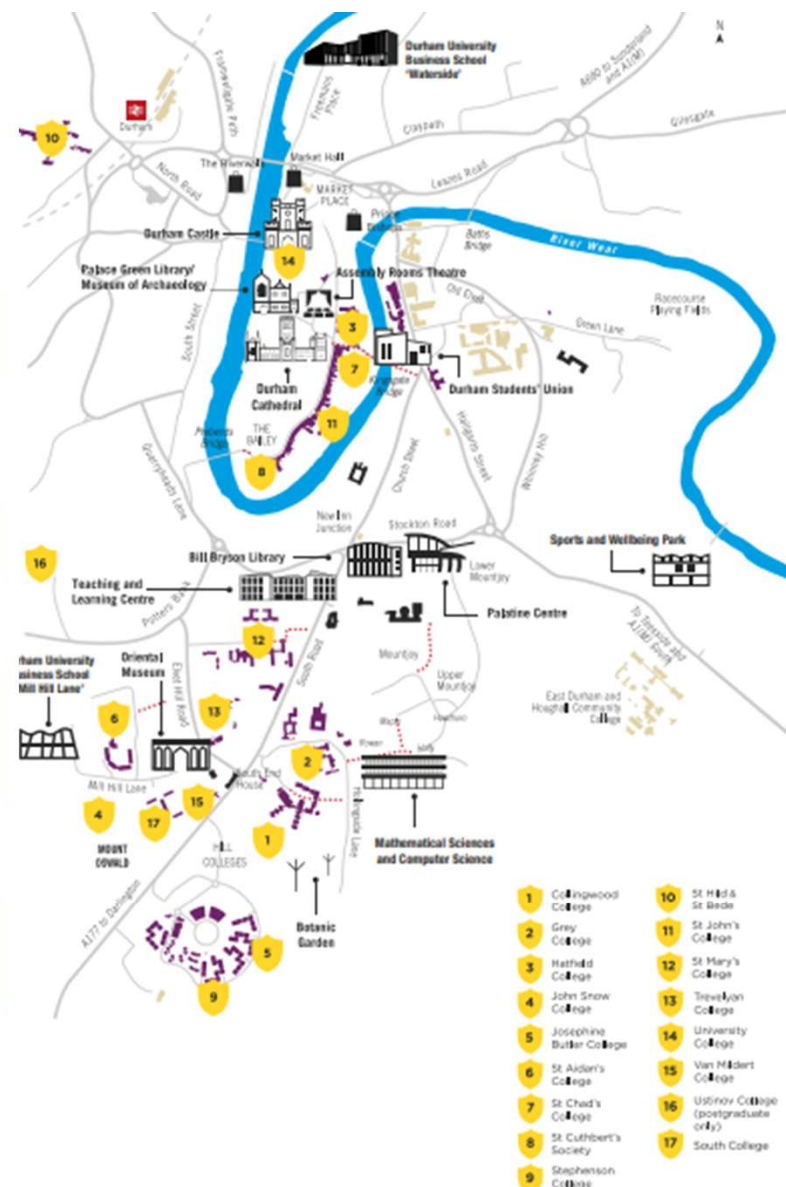
Forms part of your **social** experience at Durham

Students may rank their top 3 Colleges once they accept their conditional or unconditional offer



Colleges at a glance

	Collingwood College	Grey College	Hatfield College	John Snow College	Josephine Butler College	South College	St Aidan's College	St Chad's College	St Cuthbert's Society	St Hild & St Bede	St John's College	St Mary's College	Stephenson College	Trevelyan College	University College	Van Mildert College	Ustinov College (PG only)
Year of foundation	1972	1959	1846	2001	2006	2020	1947	1904	1858/88	1839	1909	1899	2001	1966	1832	1965	1965
Self-catered (S) Catered (C) (Undergraduate) (Postgraduate)	C	C	C	S	S	S	C	C	CS	S	C	C	S	C	CS	C	X
Gowned formal dinners*	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No
Total number of students living in (UG & PG)	555	463	400	496	546	496	384	249	468	426	251	395	433	359	538	376	495
Total number of 1st year undergraduate rooms	431	318	272	350	376	317	245	134	301	341**	165	213	312	238	260	9	n/a
Total number of postgraduate rooms	42	83	60	92	90	92	93	44	72	80**	40	68	78	48	120	61	382
Total number of full-time student members	1,826	1,385	1,416	1,432	1,522	1,312	1,069	709	1,423	1,426	733	1,147	1,312	1,017	1,635	1,576	1,143
Chapel/ Multifaith room	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No



SPORT

Top 5 University in the UK for team sport since 2013

700 sports teams

£32m investment in refurbishment for sports facility

Maiden Castle

- Artificial Pitches
- Aerobics Rooms
- Ergo Gallery
- Outdoor Facilities
- Sports Centre
- Rowing Tank
- Fitness Centre & Classes



TEAM DURHAM SPORT SCHOLARSHIPS

- Up to a **40% tuition discount** scholarship to any Durham master's program
- Postgraduate students have the opportunity to compete on one of our Team Durham leagues. Popular sports for US students include:
 - Volleyball
 - Basketball
 - Football (Soccer)
 - Water Polo
 - American Football
 - Rowing
 - Fencing
 - Golf
 - Lacrosse
 - Tennis
- If interested, please contact Team Durham by email at teamdurham.postgraduate@durham.ac.uk or by completing the Team Durham Interest Form by scanning the QR code:



Team Durham Sports

Full list of Team Durham sports and their affiliated pages



American Football



Archery



Athletics



Badminton



Baseball



Basketball



Boats



Boxing



THEATRE & MUSIC

27 Theatre companies

90 student theatre productions a year

Success in:

- Durham Drama Festival
- **Edinburgh Fringe Festival** (10+ a year)
- National Student Drama Festival

#1 in UK for **Music**

84 Music societies, around 80 concerts a year



PERFORMING ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

- Launching in 2027, this will be a small bursary for students engaged in the **performing arts** who wish to continue this passion at Durham.
- **The scholarship will target the following areas:**
 - Symphonic conductors
 - A Cappella singers/arrangers
 - Classical singers
 - Classical theatre actors
 - Musical theatre performers
- Exact scholarship amounts and how to apply will be confirmed in **Autumn 2026**.



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

No GRE/GMAT scores needed

No application fees for any of
our postgraduate programmes

3.3 average GPA

Application Requirements

- Transcripts
- Letter of Intent
- 1 or 2 letters of recommendation

Application Timeline

1st October 2026- 30th June
2027



TUITION & RESIDENCE CHARGES

Tuition ranges from **£25,500- £41,000**

Residence Charge with Catering ranges from **£11,884- £15,438**

Residence Charge without Catering ranges from **£8,563- £15,339**

TOTAL
£34,063- £56,438
(\$45,973- \$76,171)



DURHAM INSPIRING EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

£5,000 & £10,000 Scholarship Awards

- Open to any one-year, full-time (in-person) taught MSc, MA, LLM or MDS
 - MBA, MSW programmes and MA-Theology and Ministry are excluded
- Students will fill out a form and answer 3 short-answer questions to apply
- **Deadlines (new deadlines for 2027)**
 - **16 January 2026**- 1st Round Scholarship Application Closes
 - **February 2026**- 1st Round Scholarship Winners are Announced
 - **29 May 2026**- 2nd Round Scholarship Application Closes
 - **June 2026**- 2nd Round Scholarship Winners Announced



BUSINESS SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

Master's Achievement Awards

- Up to a **£10,000** tuition fee discount
- 100 awards available
- No separate scholarship application is required

Master in Business Analytics Scholarships

- Up to a **£12,500** tuition fee discount
- 10 awards available
- Students will need to submit a separate scholarship application

Full-Time MBA Scholarships

- Scholarship Amounts: **£18,000- £20,500**
- 40 awards available
- No separate scholarship application is required

Online MBA Scholarships

- **Scholarship Amounts: £10,000- £17,000**
- 40 awards available
- No separate scholarship application is required





OTHER FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Part-Time Work

- In the UK, students may work up to 20 hours per week during term time and 40 hours per week during any holiday breaks
- **On-Campus Positions:**
 - International Ambassadors
 - Part-Time Researchers
 - Part-Time Tutors
 - Working in their Colleges
 - Working in the Students' Union
- **Off-Campus Positions**
 - Restaurants
 - Retail
 - Events Staff
 - Museums

LOANS

Federal Loans

- Students will need to fill out the FAFSA and send the information to Durham University using the Federal School Code: **G08587**

Private Loans

- Currently, there are two providers we work with- Sallie Mae and Earnest

Students may contact our Loans Office with any questions at us.loans@durham.ac.uk

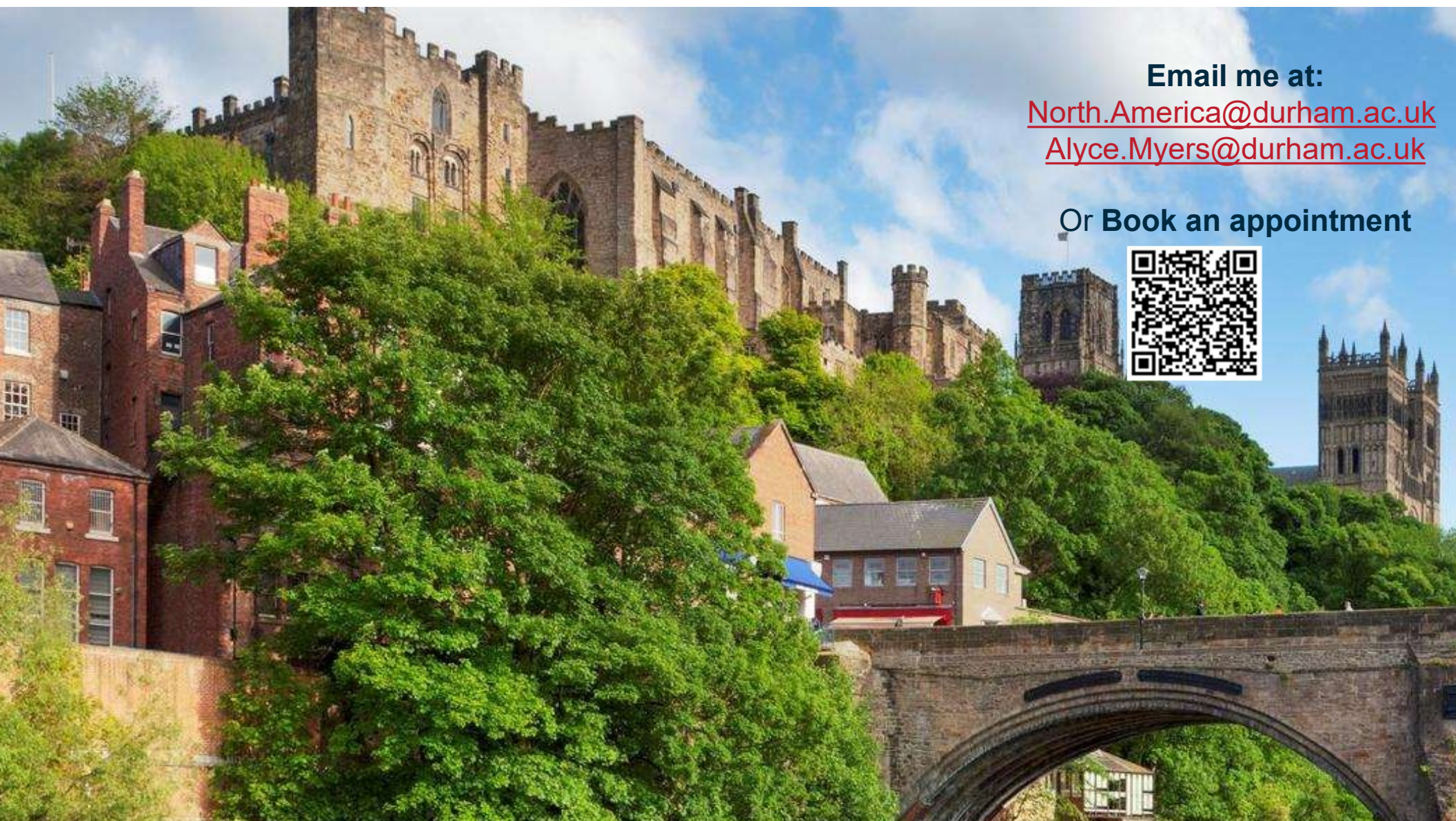


VETERANS BENEFITS

We currently have 32 approved master's and PhD programmes for GI Bill benefits:

- MSc Accounting
- MA & PhD Ancient Philosophy
- MA & PhD Archaeology
- MA Biblical Studies
- MBA
- MA & PhD Classics
- MSc Criminology & Criminal Justice
- MSc Defence, Development and Diplomacy
- MA Research Methods (Developmental Psychology)
- MSc Environmental and Natural Resource Management
- MA Forensic Archaeology & Anthropology
- MA & PhD Greece, Rome and the Near East
- MA Intercultural Communication and Education
- MA International Relations
- MSc Management
- MSc Medical Anthropology
- MA Medieval and Early Modern Studies
- MA Museum and Artefact Studies
- MSc Paleopathology
- MSc Particles, Strings and Cosmology
- PhD Politics
- MA Politics & International Relations
- MA Spirituality Theology and Health
- PhD Theology
- MA & PhD Theology and Religion





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Or Book an appointment





Faculty of Arts & Humanities

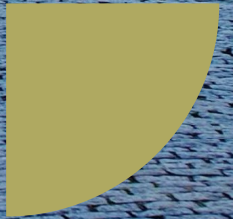
Tom Wynn

- Deputy Executive Dean (International) in the Faculty of Arts and Humanities
- Professor in the School of Modern Languages & Cultures



Welcome to the Faculty of Arts & Humanities

Inspiring the extraordinary





QS World Rankings

Arts & Humanities at Durham: 31st



Music



English Studies



Philosophy



**Classics and
Ancient History**



History



**Modern
Languages and
Cultures**



**Theology and
Religion**

Transformative Humanities



**Enriching,
shaping and
changing lives**

Our projects include:

RELISH

Reframing European gastronomy legacy through Innovation, sustainability and heritage)

Funded by EU, RELISH explores how recipes can serve as pathways to address community matters, such as a loss of social cohesion, or to build cultural resilience when faced with environmental challenges



Our projects include: Green Corridors North East

Led by Durham, in association with the National Trust, universities, local authorities, and community organisations.

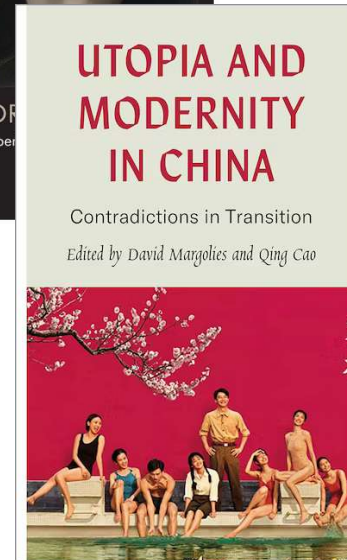
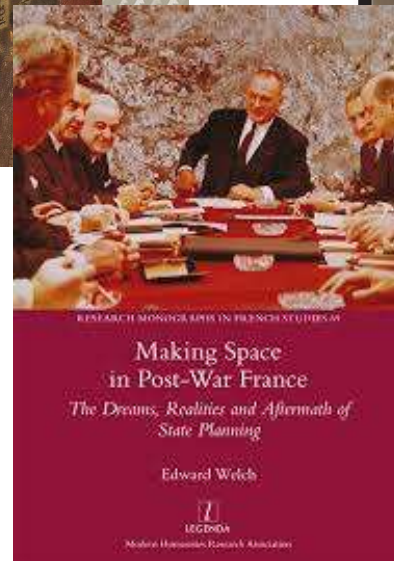
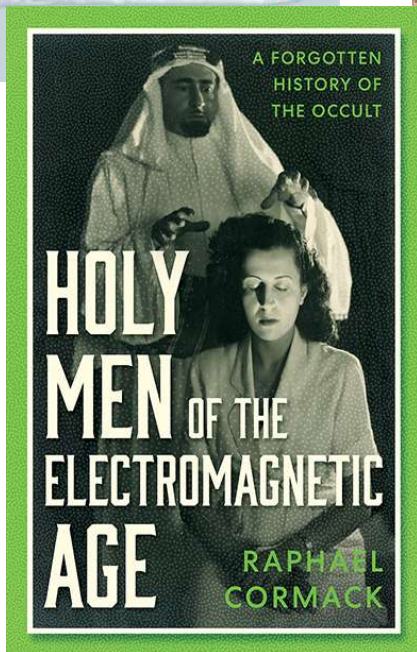
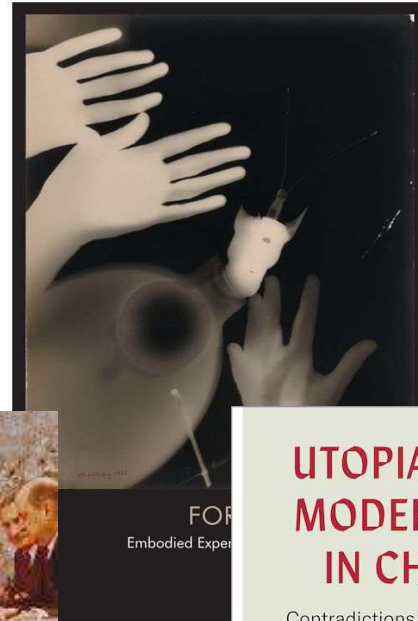
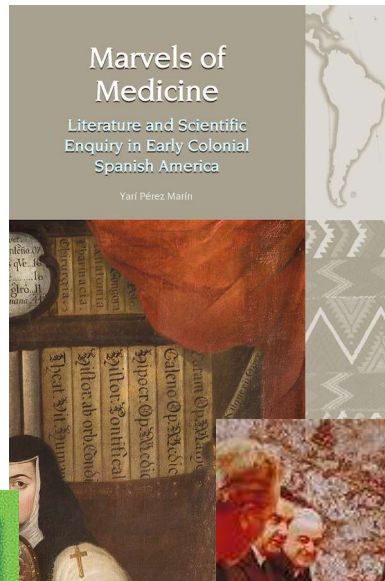
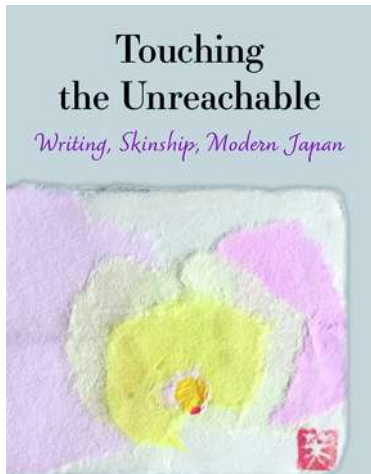
We connect the region's history, nature, and culture to city, village, and town inhabitants, both human and non-human. The routes will improve the well-being of communities, nurturing new forms of environmental and cultural stewardship.

School of Modern Languages and Cultures

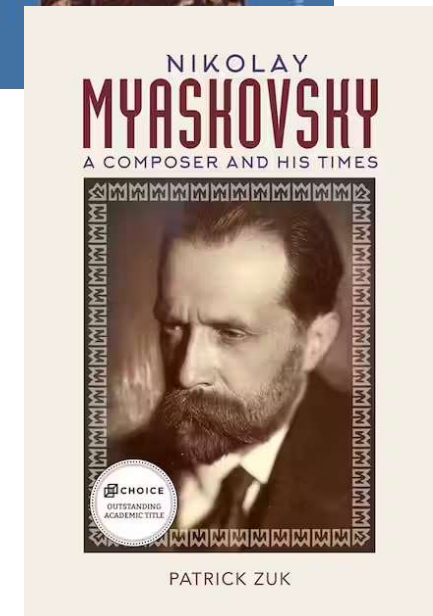
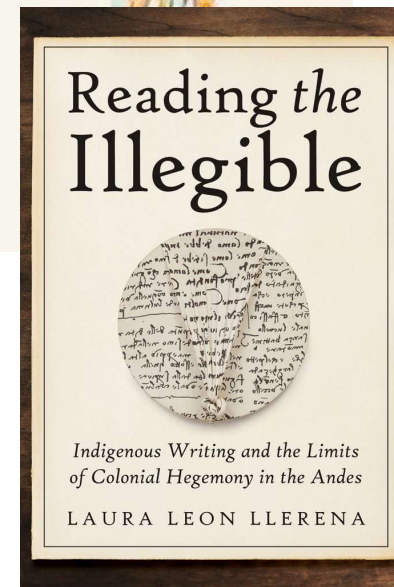
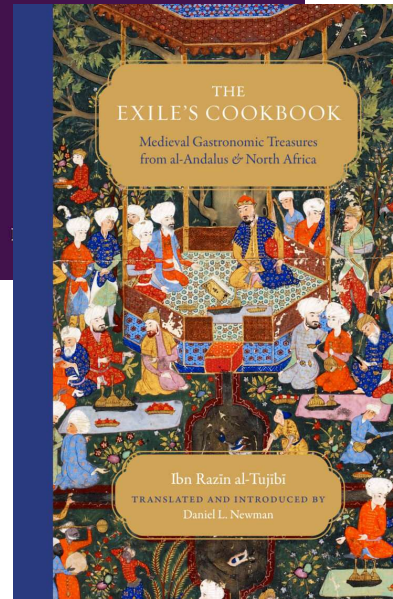
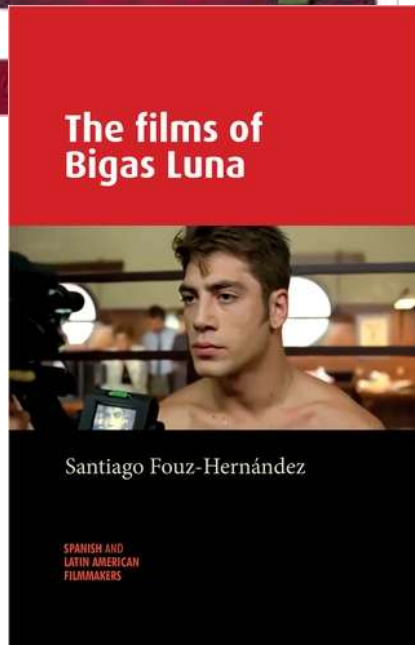
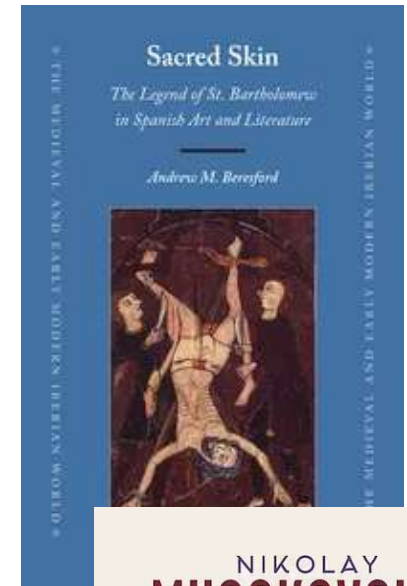
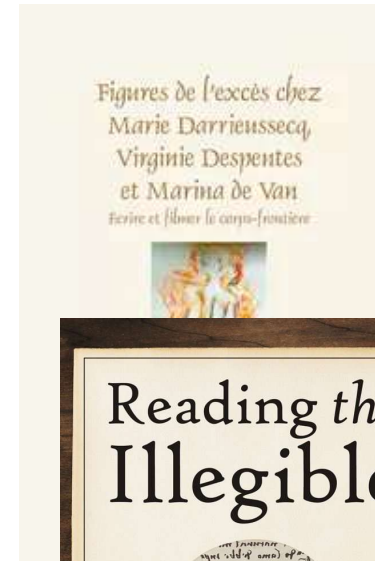
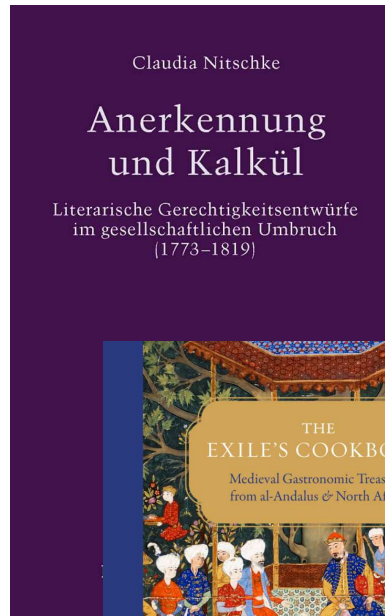
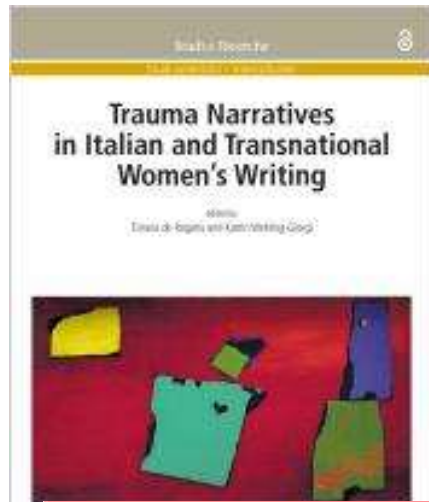


Staff who enable you to thrive

- Over 70 staff
- 8 languages (Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Spanish, Russian)
- Specialisms incl. politics, visual art and film, literature, music, theatre, translation, history etc.
- Expertise from across the globe, and from the Middle Ages to now



Research-led teaching



Research-led teaching

MA courses in MLAC

- MA in Languages, Literatures, and Cultures
- MA in Medieval and Early Modern Studies
- MA in Visual Culture
- MA in TESOL and Applied Linguistics
- MA in Translation Studies

Research groups in MLAC

- Digital Studies
- Translating Languages and Cultures
- Living Texts
- Performance and Performativity
- Transnational Cinema



Personalised academic journeys

- Every programmes starts with a strong disciplinary core
- Explore and develop your chosen area of expertise with an individual capstone project, supervised by specialists in the field
- You can choose modules close to your discipline and/or across the faculty
- <https://tinyurl.com/bdhryvp3>

Be part of our community!

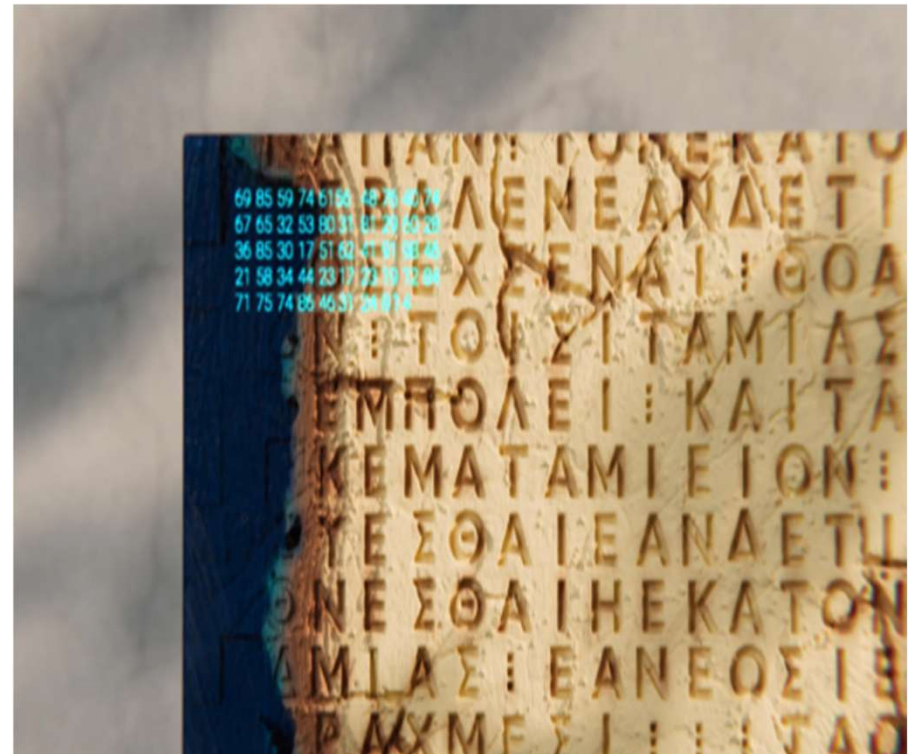
Some of our research centres
and institutes



Digital Humanities

Projects include:

- How Music Shapes Imagination
- Modelling the Black Death and Social Connectivity in Medieval England
- Ithaca. Co-led by Dr Thea Sommerschild with Google DeepMind; see her article in *Nature*.





Durham
University

Institute for Medieval and Early Modern Studies

Centre for Visual Arts and Culture



PRIISM and Centre for Algorithmic Life

- How do we wish to live with and alongside algorithmic technologies?
- Based at Durham, collaborating with Universities of Amsterdam, Edinburgh and York
- Funded through Leverhulme Research Centre competition





Institute for Medical Humanities

- Co-ordinates and supports research into the lived experience of health and illness
- Colleagues from 8 departments including English, History, and Anthropology (all in QS top 50)
- Recently awarded over \$12 million to develop new platform to co-develop new approaches to widespread health challenges



Postgraduate Student Q&A

Darby Hanes

- Texas, USA
- MSc Biomedical Engineering