

Agents News

Your Monthly Update

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University of Exeter in world top 100 for Arts and Science

The 2013/14 Times Higher Education (THE) World University rankings have placed Exeter in the top 100 for both Arts and Humanities and Life Sciences. These two Colleges were ranked 65 and 95 respectively.

These THE rankings are the only global university performance tables to judge world-class universities across all of their core missions: teaching, research, knowledge transfer and international outlook. For more information, please [click here](#).

Business School accredited by prestigious international body – EQUIS

The University of Exeter Business School has just been accredited by EQUIS, the leading international system of quality assessment, improvement and accreditation of higher education institutions in management and business administration. Through this accreditation, the Business School has joined an elite group of international Business Schools. It is now one of under 150 schools worldwide to gain this accreditation, placing it in the top 1% of business schools globally. For more information, please [click here](#).

College of Humanities launches MA in International Film Business

This unique MA, offered in partnership with the [London Film School](#), is designed to immerse students in the international film business. By combining unrivalled industry expertise and networks with world-class academic resources, students will be trained in essential economic, production, finance and programming skills, ensuring a head start in this most competitive industry. Included in the programme is a research trip to the Berlin International Film Festival, one of the leading world cinema events in the international film calendar. For more information, please [click here](#).



New Engineering MSc Programmes

The College of Engineering, Mathematical and Physical Sciences is pleased to announce the development of two new exciting one-year full-time MSc programmes available for September 2014. For more details, including programme structures and entry requirements, click on the appropriate programme below:

[MSc Advanced Civil and Environmental Engineering](#)

[MSc Computational Mathematics](#)

Launch of new PG application process – update

In the three weeks since the new online postgraduate application form was launched, over 1,600 applications have been received with no problems reported. In addition, the new Business School £50 application fee for taught Masters programmes has also been successfully launched and over 1,000 payments have now been received.

Early feedback from one Agent states: *“I do find this new application form is a lot easier when inputting the information and the whole process takes a shorter amount of time by comparison to the old form. I am confident this will make our job much more efficient and effective.”*

If you have any questions or concerns about the new application form, please contact either Postgraduate Admissions Office on pg-ad@exeter.ac.uk or your International Officer.

Postgraduate deposit now £1,500

Following a comparison study of other UK universities and their respective deposit levels, the University of Exeter is pleased to announce that the deposit fee for accepting a postgraduate offer has been reduced to £1,500 with immediate effect. This brings our deposit fee in line with our peer competitors and we hope that our agents will find this move helpful.

Please note that, as a consequence, MSc applicants from last year, seeking a deferral of their offer to September 2014, will now only be required to pay £1,500 (not £2,500 as was required last year). Any such applicant has a deadline of paying the deposit by 15 November and the Admissions Office will be reminding such students both of the deadline and the new lower amount very shortly.



Fraud warning – new telephone ‘scam’ affecting international students

Over the last year, there have been several versions of a scam where students or family members in the home country are telephoned by people pretending to be from the Home Office. We have been alerted to a new scam where the phone call appears to have been made from the Office of the Immigration Services Commissioner (OISC), indicating that money has to be sent to resolve immigration irregularities. If you are contacted by a student or family member please contact your [International Officer](#) immediately.

International students’ new route to success in the College of Humanities

The College of Humanities is delighted to welcome five new students who have progressed from INTO University of Exeter to a Humanities degree programme. After successfully completing their International Foundation in Humanities, Law and Social Science at INTO University of Exeter, students Hana Tsunoi, Yan Tsang and Yu Ching Ng have all progressed to BA English while Tsugumi Kuzuno and Tak Yee Ho have progressed to BA Classics.

INTO students are taught by a team of experienced lecturers who have substantial experience of teaching at university level. All teaching quality and assessment is assured by the University and student progress is closely monitored, with clear forms of feedback on all formative assessment. This enables students to perform to the best of their ability on summative assessment in order to achieve the required grades for progression onto an undergraduate degree. These requirements are particularly high for progression onto Humanities subjects and reflect entry requirements for direct admission to the University. The progression of these students onto Humanities degree programmes fulfils the aims of the College to expand its International student body and for inclusivity and diversity in the classroom.

Key dates for International Office representative visits:

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| 1 November | Oman | 13 – 15 | S. Korea |
| 1 – 6 November | Thailand | 16 – 22 | Iraq |
| 2 – 6 November | Qatar | 22 – 24 | Thailand |
| 7 – 13 November | Turkey | | |