



DMU STUDENT CHARTER

2019–2020

A man with glasses and a grey sweater is pointing at a large digital display on a blue wall. He is surrounded by a group of people, including students, who are looking at the display. The display shows a colorful, abstract image. The background is a blue wall with several other digital displays showing various images, including a person in a boat and a person in a car. The ceiling has track lighting.

Introduction

This Student Charter has been created collaboratively – by De Montfort University (DMU), by De Montfort Students' Union (DSU), and by DMU students themselves, who will be encouraged to take an active role in its continuing development and success.

The Student Charter sets out what we expect from each other, as partners in our scholarly community. It will be reviewed annually by the Academic Board, which includes student members and DSU representatives.

“The DMU Student Charter takes constructive ideas from across the university community and applies them, encouraging positive changes that reflect the values we’re committed to. It puts respect, student choice and success at the heart of what we do - in both learning and in life experience.

“It highlights how, in meeting our commitments towards one another, we work closely together to build a vibrant, successful and empowering learning community here at DMU.”

Professor Andy Collop,
Interim Vice-Chancellor

“Everyone leaves their time at DMU crossing the stage, collecting their degree certificate, but that’s not all there is to achieve at university. These three years are a time for you to shape your future, create lifelong memories and develop into your best possible self. The Students’ Union is proud to commit to the 2019 Student Charter and we do this by ensuring that you, as students, are at the forefront of everything that we do! The charter is named the Student Charter because it’s for you to own and to thrive!”

De Montfort Students’ Union
Executive Officer Team

“DMU is engaging with new frontiers of research that seek to address inequality. University is a place that encourages aspiration among every student, wherever you have come from. It is not about the past but the future, and where you are going next. I am proud to be part of the DMU family. I am DMU for life.”

DMU, School
Representative Co-ordinator

SUSTAINABLE
DEVELOPMENT
GOALS



I will as a student at De Montfort University...

- ... respect fellow students, staff and the wider community to contribute to a safe and inclusive environment for all, in line with the Student Code of Conduct
- ... demonstrate commitment towards my course by attending and engaging in academic activities and maintaining academic integrity throughout my university experience
- ... make the most of the services provided by DMU and DSU that could enhance my personal and professional development
- ... regularly engage with my personal tutor to help me reach my full potential
- ... engage with extracurricular activities, which may be facilitated by the university, Students' Union and local community, in order to enrich my overall student experience
- ... take advantage of opportunities that allow me to amplify the student voice, in order to enhance the student experience for myself and others



DSU will...

- ... respect all students, staff and the wider community thereby contributing to a safe and inclusive environment
- ... represent your academic interests
- ... provide tailored student advice on your course and student experience
- ... create opportunities through our student-led activities for your enjoyment, development and to strengthen your sense of belonging
- ... be an independent voice at university, supporting you where needed
- ... provide elected officer roles that represent and celebrate the diversity of students at DMU
- ... provide fresh and effective communication through face-to-face opportunities, email updates, the web and social media
- ... provide an inclusive and creative environment that hosts social events in our very own campus centre building
- ... give you a voice to represent your peers and create change through democratic structures across the university
- ... be led by YOU. We are your Students' Union, where you can come to your annual general meeting, and regular student councils, vote and stand for election

DMU will...

- ... respect all students, staff and the wider community to contribute to a safe and inclusive environment
- ... provide excellent teaching, learning opportunities, and student support
- ... continually review our development of curricular, co-curricular, and extra-curricular activities
- ... encourage your personal growth and support collaborative working between students, staff, employers and DSU to co-create a rewarding student experience
- ... provide you with a personal tutor to support you through your university experience
- ... give you the tools and confidence to help you to succeed and to achieve your potential at university and in life
- ... give you opportunities to represent students and the student voice and create change through democratic and/or representative structures at every level of the university
- ... continue to enhance our digital environment through IT investment to aid your studies and transform your experience
- ... provide practical opportunities for learning such as through #DMUworks, volunteering, sports, the arts, #DMUlocal and #DMUglobal
- ... recognise and celebrate students' contributions to the success of the university
- ... provide an equitable learning experience for every DMU student through Universal Design for Learning