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Dear Student

Now that you have entered the final year of your Bachelor's degree you may have already started to think about the future. Have you considered going on to postgraduate study? A postgraduate qualification will broaden your knowledge of your subject, and give you a competitive edge over others in the job market.

You are on track for obtaining a good result in your undergraduate degree, and we have identified you as a student we want to progress to postgraduate study with us. We would like to offer you a fast track route onto one of the postgraduate courses listed below, starting in September 2010:

Economics

- Econometrics MSc (Plan 01378) *
- Economics MSc (Plan 01380) *
- Economics – Environmental Economics MSc (Plan 08251)
- Economics & Econometrics MSc (Plan 01377) *
- Economics MA (Plan 08084)
- Financial Economics MSc (Plan 07946)

Entry onto the taught courses in Economics requires a certain background in economics/econometrics/mathematics. Therefore, if you express an interest in any of the above courses, admission is not guaranteed until we have fully assessed your 2nd and 3rd year marks to ensure that you have the required level.

Philosophy

- Philosophy MA (Plan 01364)
- Philosophy MRes (Plan 06465) *

Politics

- Human Rights - Law/ Political Science (Research Route) MA (Plan 06158) *
- Human Rights - Law / Political Science (Standard Route) MA (Plan 06160)
- Human Rights - Political Science (Research Route) MA (Plan 06159) *
- Human Rights - Political Science (Standard Route) MA (Plan 01362)
- International Politics - International Relations (Research Route) MA (Plan 06163)
- International Politics - International Relations (Standard Route) MA (Plan 06165)
- International Politics – International Political Economy (Research Route) MA (Plan 06162)
- International Politics – International Political Economy (Standard Route) MA (Plan 01217)
- Political Economy (Research Route) MA (Plan 07048) *
- Political Economy (Standard Route) MA (Plan 06969)
- Political Science - Democracy & Elections (Research Route) MA (Plan 07237) *
- Political Science - Democracy & Elections (Standard Route) MA (Plan 07236)
- Political Science - European Politics & Policy (Research Route) MA (Plan 06166) *
- Political Science - European Politics & Policy (Standard Route) MA (Plan 06169)
- Political Science - Gender Politics & Policy (Research Route) MA (Plan 07096) *
- Political Science - Gender Politics & Policy (Standard Route) MA (Plan 07094)
- Political Science - Governance & Public Policy (Research Route) MA (Plan 06167) *
- Political Science - Governance & Public Policy (Standard Route) MA (Plan 06171)
- Political Science - Political Theory (Research Route) MA (Plan 06168) *
- Political Science - Political Theory (Standard Route) MA (Plan 06172)
- Politics MA (Plan 01177)

Sociology

- Applied Social Research MA (Plan 01092)
- Sociological Research MSc (Plan 02356) *
- Sociology (Plan 01317)

Social Anthropology

- Anthropological Research MA (Plan 01086) *
- Social Anthropology MA (Plan 01311)
- Visual Anthropology MA (Plan 01342) This course has a cap of 24 places and offers are only made to suitably qualified applicants on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Social Change

- Social Change MSc (Plan 06971)

Social Statistics

- Social Research Methods & Statistics MSc (Plan 07982) *

Selection for the fast track route means that you can bypass our usual application process; all you have to do to is email us confirming the name and code for your selected course by 9 December 2009, and we will guarantee you a conditional offer to study. Please email pg-soss@manchester.ac.uk stating '*fast track application*' in the subject line, and we'll do the rest. However, before emailing us, please ensure that you have the appropriate background for your chosen course of study. Details can be found via <http://www.socialsciences.manchester.ac.uk/postgraduate/taught/courses/>

If you obtain a First Class degree, and if you register on the courses marked with * you are entitled to a £1,500 discount on your tuition fee under the Stanley Jevons Loyalty Bursary Scheme.

The postgraduate courses listed above are not the only ones available within the University and you are, of course, welcome to apply via the normal application route for one of the other courses on offer. Further details can be found at: www.manchester.ac.uk/postgraduate/taughtdegrees/

The University's Postgraduate Open Day on 25 November 2009 offers a great opportunity to discover more. Further information and details on how to register for the event can be found at: <http://www.manchester.ac.uk/postgraduate/opendays/>

The School of Social Sciences will also be holding activities on 25 November, giving you a chance to meet the Programme Directors for each of our postgraduate taught courses, as well as to talk to other staff and current postgraduate students. Further information will be available nearer the time.

If you can't make the 25th November, and have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the School's admissions team on pg-soss@manchester.ac.uk

Best wishes

Professor Fiona Devine
Head of School