

The Russell Group

The Russell Group represents 24 leading UK universities. The Group has a shared focus on world class research and a reputation for academic achievement.

What the Russell Group says:

“Our students work with world-class experts, use first-rate libraries and facilities, are part of a highly motivated and talented peer group and often engage with cutting-edge research.

Graduate recruiters rank ten Russell Group universities in the top 30 universities worldwide, and Russell Group graduates typically receive a 10% salary ‘top-up’ over others. Why? Because the combination of teaching and research excellence creates the ideal learning environment which produces ‘work-ready’ graduates.

Providing a world-class student experience is a top priority for us and our universities have higher than average student satisfaction and the lower than average drop-out rates.”

Wendy Piatt | Director General of The Russell Group

For more information on The Russell Group use www.russellgroup.ac.uk

List of Russell Group universities

There are currently 24 universities belonging to the Russell Group:

- [University of Birmingham](#)
- [University of Bristol](#)
- [University of Cambridge](#)
- [Cardiff University](#)
- [Durham University](#)
- [University of Edinburgh](#)

- University of Exeter
- University of Glasgow
- Imperial College London
- King's College London
- University of Leeds
- University of Liverpool
- London School of Economics & Political Science
- University of Manchester
- Newcastle University
- University of Nottingham
- University of Oxford
- Queen Mary, University of London
- Queen's University Belfast
- University of Sheffield
- University of Southampton
- University College London
- University of Warwick
- University of York

The Russell Group are seen by many as the ‘top’ universities, however please research all universities before you make a choice as there are many non-Russell Group universities that are also excellent.

Students / Parents use <https://www.informedchoices.ac.uk>

Informed Choices brings together guidance from admissions teams at Russell Group universities to give pupils clear information about the subjects they should consider if they are hoping to progress to a competitive university, plus much more.

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