# **Netherthorpe School Virtual Fair – University of Lincoln**

 Are there scholarship opportunities provided by local companies such as Siemens? How would I access these?

Currently there is not a Scholarship opportunity with Siemens, however new Scholarships are added regularly so please always check our website. You can find information on all of our Scholarships and Bursaries on our website here:

https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/studywithus/scholarshipsandbursaries/

Do you have good transport links to and from the university?

The University is a city centre campus so there is very little need for public transport or a car, as everything is so close together. Most of our accommodation is right on campus or just a short walk away meaning getting to and from the University is very easy. Lincoln Central Railway Station is in the city centre, just a few minutes' walk from the University of Lincoln's Brayford Pool Campus. Direct trains to London King's Cross take around two hours. There are also frequent rail connections to other major cities, including Sheffield, Nottingham, Leicester, and Leeds.

• Will you provide support for students after the pandemic?

Our students are supported all year round by our fantastic Student Support Team. The student support team consists of; The Advice Service, Student Funding Team, Student Wellbeing Team and Chaplaincy. We also have a NHS Medical Centre right in the centre of campus which students are more than welcome to register with. You can find more information on the support offered at Lincoln here:

https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/studentlife/supportivecommunity/

What are your most popular courses?

Many of our courses are popular for different reasons and each of those reasons will be different for each person. A great way to understand the popularity of our courses is to investigate the student satisfaction rates in University leagues tables, these figures are often listed on prospectus pages too.

If you would like to download or order a prospectus, you can do so by clicking here: <a href="https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/prospectus/">https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/prospectus/</a>

Students would like to know if you have courses in the following subject areas:
 Drama, Engineering, Musical theatre, Coding/Website Design, Computing, Gaming Design,
 Art/Design, Design/Technology, Teaching, Film Making and Production, Pharmacology/
 Pharmaceuticals, astrophysics, veterinary, astrology, geography, architecture, nursing, medicine, business, chemistry.

We offer a wide range of courses across a variety of different subject areas. To find the best course for you, please use the course finder on our website here: https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/studywithus/findacourse/?l=ug

The course pages will provide you with information on course modules, entry requirements, how you are assessed, fees and scholarships and much more. If you have any specific course questions then please do not hesitate to contact the Programme Leader who will be listed on the course page.

Is an AS grade a useful qualification?

An AS grade is useful, as we convert your grades into UCAS points. As long as you have the minimum three A levels, any additional help to meet the requirement will be considered. Please feel free to contact our Admissions team with any of your entry requirement questions at <a href="mailto:admissions@lincoln.ac.uk">admissions@lincoln.ac.uk</a>

## • What grades on average do I need to get accepted?

This will depend greatly on what course you are looking at so please always check the course entry requirements. On average entrants needs around a minimum of 112 tariff points from 3 A Levels or equivalent. Please feel free to contact our Admissions team with any of your entry requirement questions at <a href="mailto:admissions@lincoln.ac.uk">admissions@lincoln.ac.uk</a>

#### What are your facilities like?

Over the past two decades, the University has invested more than £350 million in its Brayford Pool Campus, with further plans to invest in additional facilities and refurbishments of existing buildings. Following the opening of our £28 million Isaac Newton Building and £19 million Sarah Swift Building, work is now underway to create a purpose-built medical school building to help train the next generation of doctors.

We aim to make sure our students have the latest equipment and resources available to support them through their studies. Equipment and facilities include, but are not limited to; Psychology Sleep Labs, Human Performance Centre, Television Studios, Mock Pharmacy and Drug Store, Anatomy Suites, Moot Courts and much more.

You can find more information about each of the schools within our colleges using the links below:

College of Science: <a href="https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/collegeofscience/schools/">https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/collegeofscience/schools/</a> College of Social Science: <a href="https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/collegeofsocialscience/schools/">https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/collegeofsocialscience/schools/</a> College of Arts: <a href="https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/collegeofsrts/schools/">https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/collegeofsocialscience/schools/</a> Lincoln International Business School: <a href="https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/lbs/departments/">https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/collegeofsocialscience/schools/</a>

We also have a fantastic library that is open 24/7 for much of the year. You can read more about our library here: <a href="https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/studentlife/thelibrary/">https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/studentlife/thelibrary/</a>

### • In general, what grades are required for Engineering courses at uni?

Generally, we look for a minimum of BBC (112 UCAS point from a minimum of 3 A Levels, or equivalent). This can vary depending on which Engineering course you would like to study. You can find a list of our Engineering courses and their entry requirements here: <a href="https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/engineering/undergraduatecourses/">https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/engineering/undergraduatecourses/</a>

#### Which courses take up the most time? Which are the most demanding?

We have such a wide range of courses that have lots of different studying requirements, some will be more practical based, some more theory and some have work placements. The best way to approach this is to look for your chosen course, contact the Programme Leader for that course and ask them questions about how you study, how you are assessed and what the balance is between practical work and course work.

#### Is accommodation always available? What is the average cost?

The University offers a wide range of accommodation choices to suit all budgets and needs. A bedroom in a University residence is guaranteed to all new students who apply for

accommodation before 1 September 2021. You can find all types of accommodation, along with their prices, features and 360 degree tours here:

https://www.lincoln.ac.uk/home/studentlife/accommodation/

### What proportion of graduates get into employment (linked to their degree) with 6 months of graduating?

96% of our most recent graduates were in employment or further study within six months of finishing their course, with more than 80 per cent working in graduate-level roles, according to the most recent Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education survey.

# • Do you think it's going to be easier to get in to universities, if less people want to go because of the pandemic?

It will only be easier, in respect of less people will be chasing the places available, but you will still need to meet the minimum entry requirements set by the institution.

### Are universities lowering offers because of the pandemic?

Some universities have taken that decision, four at present, but it will be up to each university to decide on their stance.

# • Would I be able to maintain my gaming life outside of university, as I'm part of a successful E-sports Fortnite team?

There are opportunities outside of your studies to partake in leisurely activities and hobbies, however it will be your responsibility to make sure you balance your leisure time with your studies. At Lincoln we do have an 'E-Sports' society which you may join if you wish to. You can find a list of all of our sports and societies at our Students' Union here: <a href="https://lincolnsu.com/activities/sports-and-societies">https://lincolnsu.com/activities/sports-and-societies</a>

# • What %/hours is lectures/independent work on average? How many hours do you spend studying on average?

On average, dependent on the course, you can spend around 12-14 hours per week in teaching. You are expected to do 2-3 times this amount in independent study.

# • If someone had a criminal record, would it affect their chances of completing a degree? Criminal records have to be declared on UCAS applications, and these applications will be looked at by an independent panel, before an offer is made. Depending on the crime, when it happened and the course applied for, it may affect an offer decision being made.

## • What is your student satisfaction rate?

There are several different categories where students can rate their satisfaction in regards to the University. You can find them on leagues tables such as The Guardian University Guide which you can find here: <a href="https://www.theguardian.com/education/ng-interactive/2020/sep/05/the-best-uk-universities-2021-league-table">https://www.theguardian.com/education/ng-interactive/2020/sep/05/the-best-uk-universities-2021-league-table</a>

#### What GCSE grades do I need to be accepted into University?

GCSE grades requirements are dependent on which course you choose; some will be higher than others. Generally students need at least 3 GCSEs at grade 4 (C) or above, courses will specifically detail if these GCSEs need to be in certain subjects such as English, Maths or Science. Please feel free to contact our Admissions team with any of your entry requirement questions at <a href="mailto:admissions@lincoln.ac.uk">admissions@lincoln.ac.uk</a>

### Do Universities automatically think better of a student that studied in a private school rather than a state school?

All our of applicants are considered equally, based on their grades, their personal statement and their application in general.

#### What makes your university different from others?

The University of Lincoln, UK, has been named as the Modern University of the Year in The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2021.

The high street shops, bars, cafés, restaurants, a supermarket, train station and student accommodation are all in walking distance from the University, making it very easy to get around.

Lincoln as a city is the perfect mix of old and new. Uphill there is the Lincoln Cathedral and Castle, boutique shops and restaurants. As you come downhill it is a lot more modern with the high street shops, bars and restaurants. The city is very much a student led city so there are plenty of places for students to visit and activities to do.

Students are at the heart of everything we do at Lincoln, from our award-winning teaching to our great industry links and outstanding student experience. We are here to help you succeed.

Employers are increasingly looking for individuals who can make a difference in today's global workplace. With our expert staff, modern facilities, close links with business, and world-leading research we aim to provide the tools you need to achieve your career aspirations.

The University of Lincoln prides itself on the quality of its teaching, which is reflected in our Gold award in the national Teaching Excellence Framework.

# • Is there any way you can make your application more appealing to have a higher chance of getting accepted?

Have a really good all round application. So meeting or exceeding the minimum grades required, a strong personal statement and academic reference that backs your application up.

# • Is having top grades and no work experience better or worse than having mediocre grades and lots of work experience?

An all round applicant is better, than someone with top grades, but no experience. It gives the applicant something more to talk about in their statement and should show us how they have developed from that experience. For us your grades don't do the talking.

#### How far away is your university from my school?

The University of Lincoln is approximately 40 miles east of your school. This is approximately around a 1 hour drive and also easily accessible by train.

# • Do you think it is beneficial to get a job whilst you are at university? Does it affect your student loan if you have a part time job?

Getting a job can be beneficial for many reasons. Not only does it provide you with extra money, it also helps you to experience a workplace environment and adds to your CV. It also helps develop those essential skills such as time keeping, organisation, communication and teamwork, all of which are extremely beneficial at University and in a future career. You could look at getting a job in the city or you could look at getting a job in a University bar or café. Many Universities will also have Student Ambassador jobs to help with Open Days,

campus tours, letter stuffing and call centres, these are normally easy to work around your studies. Getting a job whilst at University will not affect your student loan.