



Personal Statement

As an international applicant applying to secure a place at our University in the UK, we will need you to provide a personal statement as to why you want to study at University of Wolverhampton. This document will support your application and showcase your suitability to secure an offer at the University of Wolverhampton.

Important: Please note a personal statement must be completed in your own words. We recommend 150 – 200 words per section.

Personal Information

First Name	
Last Name	
Course Title	MRes International Relation

1. Why are you applying to the University of Wolverhampton?

I am applying to the University of Wolverhampton as it has been rated to be of good teaching quality, practical way of learning as well as solid support for the student. Its inclusion in the Teaching Excellence Framework demonstrates the dedication of the university to high standards in the academic provision and overall student experience. Its ascending reputation and performance consistency is also exhibited by the fact that the university featured in the Guardian University Guide among the Top 100 Universities of the Years.

The University of Wolverhampton is also listed among the Times Higher Education World University Rankings which measures teaching, impact of research, and global activity. Being part of MillionPlus, which is a collective of contemporary universities in the United Kingdom that is oriented on applied research and innovation, Wolverhampton has positioned itself as a university that appreciates both academic progress and contribution to the society. This suits perfectly with my interest in undertaking research-based courses in international relations.

Another factor that encourages me is the major investment that the university has made exceeding the £250 million to modernise its campuses. Postgraduate study is based on new and improved facilities, such as innovative learning spaces, research facilities, and digital facilities, which provide a solid basis. In the case of an MRes in International Relations, access to properly furnished research centres, academic journals and supervision will be critical in my development as a researcher.

The University of Wolverhampton all in all provides the appropriate platform of intensive academic development, substantial research experience, and equipping towards a bold career in the sphere of international relations.

2. Why does studying in the UK interest you?

I am interested in studying in the United Kingdom since it is globally recognised to have a good system of education, high academic standards and contemporary forms of teaching. The universities in UK are always among the best universities in the world and offer an environment of learning that promotes critical thinking, study and research-based learning. A significant benefit is the shorter length of the course because most postgraduate courses in the UK can be done in one year, enabling students to acquire a globally acclaimed qualification in a time-effective way.

UK has numerous and top-rated universities in the world league tables like QS, Times Higher Education and ARWU. Its academic culture also puts much emphasis on analytical reasoning, academic debate and original research, which is quite pertinent in the case of a research-based degree in International

Relations. This method will make me gain a better insight into the international problems as well as enhance my research and analytical abilities.

Moreover, UK is a multicultural and inclusive country, which unites students of different parts of the world. This exposure is most critical in the field of International Relations, which leads to more cultural awareness and understanding of international dynamics and hence the UK is the perfect place to pursue my postgraduate studies.

3. Why does studying this course interest you?

The University of Wolverhampton MRes International Relations appeals to me because it is a research-based programme that aims at turning the students into self-reliant and strict researchers. The course will be instructed by qualified scholars who have written extensively on major challenges concerning the world including migration, diplomacy, peacekeeping and contemporary conflicts. Having direct educators who are active researchers will enable me to acquire detailed knowledge of the subject and effective research mentorship.

The course plan is also very much aligned with my academic objectives. The first modules International Relations theories and Research Design will offer a strong theoretical and methodological background, whereas the long dissertation or policy paper will enable me to implement my own research in the field of my interest. The tight supervision, feedback and research presentation opportunities will assist me in perfecting my skills in analysis, writing and presentation. In sum, this course provides me with the academic and research skills required to launch a future career in the international relations and associated areas.

Overall, attending University of Wolverhampton in the UK and doing this MRes will enable me to evolve as a scholar, acquire substantial research skills and be able to pursue a successful career in the field of international relations.

4. Why do you think you're suitable for the course and how will studying this course benefit you?

The MRes International Relations course suits me quite well due to academic preparedness and previous experience in the area of administrative and digital communication. This experience has helped me gain good coordination, information management, reporting and analysis skills that are vital in postgraduate research. The roles have also enabled me to be disciplined, detail-oriented and able to handle complex tasks without supervision.

This course will be beneficial because it will solidify my theoretical knowledge of International Relations and give me the skill to conduct research at an advanced level. The theory and research design modules, along with the close academic supervision and an end-of-course research project, will help me to come up with rigorous and original research. On the whole, this programme will equip me with future research-oriented and analytical jobs in international relations and other related areas.

5. What would you like to do after completing this course?

Upon the completion of the MRes International Relations, I will move back to Nepal and use the acquired skills in area of research, analysis and reporting to areas where such knowledge is mostly needed. In Nepal, high analytical and research abilities are especially demanded in the fields of diplomacy, development work, non-governmental organisations, research institutions and analysis in the domains of security.

I intend to work in international organisations, development agencies and research-based organisations like the United Nations Nepal, the International Crisis Group, SAWTEE, Nepal Institute of Policy Research and other international non-governmental organisations working in the country. My long-term career objective is to become a researcher or a policy analyst that assists in solving global problems such as migration, peacebuilding, regional cooperation and human security. The education, field experience, and exposure to the global scene provided by this course will help me serve at the development sector

of Nepal and be slowly initiated into the senior professional roles, which will see a stable and meaningful career in my home country.

6. If you have had a two-year gap in your studies before the course intake you have applied for, please provide information on what you have been doing during this period.

7. Please provide any skills, achievements, or other information you wish to provide to support your application.

I have gained transferable skills that are applicable in postgraduate research due to my professional experience as a Digital Marketing Manager at Hand Craft, Kathmandu. I have been tasked with the responsibility of analysing information, writing structured reports and coordinating with groups to ensure the achievement of organisational goals since August 2024.

Through these duties, my analytical skills and attention to details and present findings clearly have been enhanced. My experience with international customers and the utilization of digital collaboration platforms, including Microsoft Teams and Slack, has contributed to the development of my communications and coordination competencies in various and professional environments. My time management of independent activities has also enhanced discipline and flexibility, which is also important in a research-based programme.

All in all, these experiences have equipped me with the requirements of the MRes international relations in the aspects of analysis, research and independent study, specifically, completion of structured research and a high-quality capstone project.