Study at Cardiff University

www.cardiff.ac.uk/international
Cardiff University has been producing successful graduates since the first students entered in 1883. The University has changed dramatically in the last 130 years but the commitment to quality education and a rewarding university experience remains.
21. Ranked 15 in the UK and top 150 in the world.
2. Cardiff University is a member of the elite Russell Group top 24 UK research-led universities.
3. The University teaches more than 28,000 students from more than 120 countries.
4. The campus is frequently used as the film set for BBC hit TV shows ‘Dr Who’ and ‘Sherlock’.
5. Accommodation in University residences is guaranteed for most international students and is within walking distance of the University.
6. The University has 15 libraries and 25 IT suites, some of which are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
7. The Cathays Park campus is situated in the very centre of Cardiff, the capital city of Wales. Cardiff is only 2 hours from London by train.
8. The University generates more than £100 million annually from research grants and contracts.
9. The University has 2 Nobel Prize winners – Sir Martin Evans for Medicine and Robert Huber for Chemistry.
10. Since 1883, Cardiff University’s world-leading scientists and academics have achieved prominence for their innovations, discoveries and advancements which have changed the face of their areas of work.

### Top 25 UK Universities
Top 5 in
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Architecture
- Business
- Celtic Studies
- Civil Engineering
- Communications and Media Studies

Top 10 in
- Earth Sciences
- Education
- English Language and Literature
- Law
- Mathematics
- Nursing
- Social Policy
- Sociology
- Town and Country Planning

### RANKINGS AND LEAGUE TABLES
In 2013 Cardiff University was ranked 136 out of approximately 10,000 universities worldwide, putting Cardiff in the top tier of international education. This shows that Cardiff University is an established and recognised university with a global profile. The ranking table above is based on the Research Assessment Exercise (RAE), which is the only independent Government assessment of universities in the UK. While rankings are a guideline, you should also pay close attention to the course you wish to study and what the university and individual school can offer you.

### SUBJECT RANKINGS
You can view the scores for subject areas in the Schools directory (pages 14-34). The Top 5 and Top 10 lists show subject areas at Cardiff University ranked by independent newspaper rankings and the RAE results.
How will studying at Cardiff be different?

Studying at Cardiff University may be different from the style of teaching in your country. You will be expected to use the libraries and internet to research topics. You will be asked to contribute your opinion, collate information and present evidence. Your own ideas will be encouraged.

Cardiff University is an innovator in "problem-based" learning. This means your lecturers will set you a "problem" and you will have to work out the answer. This is a much more effective method of learning than just from a book.

What is a Russell Group university?

Cardiff University is a member of the Russell Group.
- The Russell Group are the 24 leading research-led UK universities.
- They are committed to maintaining the very best research.
- They are committed to an outstanding teaching and learning experience.
- They have unrivalled links with business and the public sector.
Many students come to the UK to improve their job prospects. Even if you have not chosen a career, you will want to know that you are being prepared for work and that after your degree you will have opportunities and options. A degree is an investment for life and you will want to invest wisely.

**What is the value of a Cardiff University education?**

‘Employability’ is not just about getting a degree from a UK university. In an increasingly competitive global market, employers are looking for more than information and technical skills. At Cardiff, cutting-edge research is used to develop an exciting and up-to-date curriculum, which gives you:

- knowledge, but also trains you to think independently
- the ability to analyse problems
- the ability to consider innovative solutions
- the ability to work effectively in a team

These are valuable skills in the workplace that you will need to demonstrate to potential employers. Many of our graduates work for reputable, international companies, starting in graduate level - Arup
- Aramco Petroleum
- AOC Archaeology Group
- Adecco Ltd
- Accenture
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- the ability to consider innovative solutions
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**Employment**
The University has a free Careers Service with specialist international support. They offer advice and guidance on choosing a career, interview techniques, job seeking and improving your résumé, as well as providing dedicated weekly international appointments. They also run scheduled events so you can meet potential employers recruiting on campus. www.cardiff.ac.uk/careers

**How to improve your career prospects?**

Everybody wants to stand out from hundreds of other graduates. Below are some recommendations for getting that competitive edge, available to you at Cardiff University:

1/ Choose a top university with a worldwide reputation
Cardiff is a highly ranked university, recognised both in the UK and across the world.

2/ Make the most of your studies
It may seem obvious but applying yourself and making the most of opportunities within your School will give you the edge over other candidates.

3/ Join free training programmes
In a competitive workplace it is important that you can be creative and apply your knowledge effectively. The Skills Development Service (SDS) provides a range of free courses aimed at building your confidence, improving your transferable skills and increasing your employability potential. Certificates are awarded for successful completion of courses and are highly regarded by employers. www.cardiff.ac.uk/skills

4/ Get advice and meet employers
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5/ Enhance your résumé
Employers don’t want robots; they want interesting people who are driven and able to work in teams. At Cardiff for example, you could get involved with running a club or society, or join the Student Volunteering Unit.

6/ Gain work experience
Work experience is a great way to show that you can apply your degree. You can get work experience through a part-time job or by opting for a Cardiff University degree that includes a year in industry. The School’s section (from page 14) lists courses which have year in industry options. The University’s Careers Service also runs highly competitive ‘internship’ placements with employers.

7/ Network and build lifelong friendships
The Cardiff Alumni Network consists of 130,000 graduates and supporters across the globe. Professors and other staff will offer advice and direction while other students, both from your country and other countries, can provide valuable insights.

Many of our graduates work for reputable, international companies, starting in graduate level positions. Below is a selection of Cardiff University’s international graduate destinations:

- Indian Express
- Intel (China) Ltd
- Jaguar Landrover
- Knight Frank
- Korean Broadcasting System
- KPMG
- LG Manufacturers
- Lufthansa
- Maersk
- Magna Publishing Co. Ltd
- Microsoft
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Most McDonald
- NDtv
- Oman Arab Bank
- Oracle
- Pepsi Cola
- PwC Pakistan
- Prysmian Coopers LLP
- Reuters
- Shell
- Shukman Development AG (Russia)
- Siemens
- Sony
- Tata Group
- TV Today Network
- Uniliver
Cardiff, the capital of Wales

Cardiff has one of the lowest living costs of any major UK university city. See page 41.

Cardiff is located on the coast of South Wales, which has beautiful national parks and beaches only 30 minutes away. Cardiff is approximately 230km (145 miles) west of London and is easily accessed by train in about 2 hours. Cardiff has excellent transport links with an international airport that has flights to many cities in Europe.

12 facts about Cardiff

1/ Cardiff University is in the city centre of Cardiff.
2/ Lonely Planet crowned Coastal Wales ‘Best Region to Visit 2012’ and described Cardiff as the ‘epitome of cool’.
3/ Cardiff is home to one of the key UK Ice Hockey teams – Cardiff Devils.
4/ The popular TV shows Dr Who, Torchwood and Sherlock are filmed in Cardiff.
5/ Cardiff is in one of the safest regions in the UK.
6/ The National Museum Cardiff is home to one of the best impressionist art collections outside Paris, boasting works by Monet, Renoir, Van Gogh and Cassatt.
7/ Cardiff is the world’s first Fairtrade Capital City.
8/ Cardiff has a 70,000 seat stadium, an international sports village and a premier league football club: Cardiff City FC.
9/ Cardiff is the European Capital of Sport for 2014.
10/ Cardiff has more than 330 parks and gardens.
11/ Wales has more than 500 castles.
12/ Home to Europe’s oldest living language, Welsh is spoken by 20% of the population, but don’t worry everybody speaks English!

Weather in Cardiff

The average temperature in Cardiff in winter is 7°C and in summer temperatures can reach up to 30°C. With four seasons, UK weather is generally unpredictable and can vary considerably, however, Cardiff experiences less rainfall than other areas of Wales and is consistent with the rest of the UK.

Did you know?

In August 2014 Cardiff hosted the UEFA Super Cup final between Real Madrid and Sevilla at the Cardiff City Stadium!

The perfect student city

Cardiff is a small city with a population of about 336,000 people. Approximately 20% of the population are students, which makes it safe, friendly and affordable (see page 41). Cardiff, however, is also a capital city with all the culture, sports, shops, entertainment, work opportunities and atmosphere you would expect of a modern European metropolis.

This means you get a small cheap city you can easily walk around, but also an exciting city where there is always something to do. To find out more about the city of Cardiff visit: www.whycardiff.com

A diverse, international city

Cardiff was one of the UK’s first multi-cultural cities and an estimated 94 languages are spoken here. This is a real benefit for international students because many of the food and ingredients you have in your country are also sold in Cardiff. You can also be assured that there are many religious and cultural facilities across the city, including mosques, synagogues, churches and temples.
The University knows that where you live is very important to you. You will want to settle quickly and live in a secure, well-located, sociable and conducive study environment. This is why Cardiff University provides a guarantee of accommodation in one of our highly-ranked University residences.

Safe and supportive
One of the advantages of University residences is the support you are offered. Each residence has a network of residences staff, student wardens and security staff that provide 24 hour assistance.

How much does it cost?
The cost of residences depends on several factors which include the residence you choose, length of stay, meal options and whether you want private bathroom facilities. University residences are very good value as the cost includes water, electricity, security, furniture and internet access (where supplied). As everything is included in one price, it helps you budget more easily. To help with budgeting there is more detail about living expenses on page 41.

For the 2014/15 year self-catered residences range from £82-£115 a week. Part/full-catered residences range from £99-£119 a week. Rooms with private bathrooms are generally more expensive than rooms with shared bathrooms.

University residences
The University has 15 residences, each with different facilities, in different locations and at different costs. Your choices include:
- single or mixed gender accommodation.
- private or shared bathrooms. About 70% of University residences have private bathrooms (called ‘ensuite’).
- self-catered, part-catered or fully catered (with vegetarian options).
- a variety of social and sporting facilities.

You will have your own study bedroom. Cardiff University does not have shared rooms or dormitories.

What do University residences provide?
The diagram below shows a layout of a typical flat in University residences. In this example there is 6 study bedrooms, each with their own bathroom. The 6 occupants share a kitchen. Every student has their own bedroom. Each room has a bed, desk, chair, wardrobe and storage. You won’t need to buy additional furniture.

Also Halls of Residence bedrooms are connected to the University high-speed Wi-Fi network. In your flat you will have access to a shared kitchen/dining room. This area includes a cooker, refrigerator, sink, table and chairs. If you choose ‘ensuite’ you will have your own bathroom with shower.

How do I reserve residences?
After you apply, and if you accept an offer to study, you will be sent full information on how to apply for University residences.

Coming to Cardiff with your family
The University has a limited number of flats, houses and studios available for first-year international students with family members. These residences are very much in demand and you may have to seek private accommodation. If you do choose private accommodation ensure you start looking as soon as possible and ask for assistance from the University.

Close to campus
Cardiff’s residences are very well located, with most residences being less than 2km to either the Cathays Park campus or Heath Park campus. The majority of students are able to easily walk or cycle to their lectures every day. The table below gives the approximate walking times from three residences to four popular locations in Cardiff.
Look at the map on page 42 to see where residences are located. You will also find that like the University, residences are within easy reach of shops, the city centre and parks.

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university life

The Students’ Union
— The University’s social life revolves around an organisation called “The Students’ Union”.
— Every student enrolled at Cardiff University is automatically a member of Cardiff Students’ Union.
— The Union is run by a committee of students and is dedicated to the social and welfare needs of all students on campus. All profits made go back into improving the services available to you.
— The Union building includes a bar, nightclub, concert venue, retail shops, cafes, letting agency and advice centre.
— The Union runs its own student newspaper, magazine, radio station and television station.

You might be wondering what life is like for the 28,000 students at Cardiff University. Outside of academia you will find a vast range of opportunities to try new things, meet new people and enjoy the exciting atmosphere on campus.

The Lounge
Built with international students in mind, this modern venue is situated on the third floor of the Students’ Union and is open to all, free of charge. It boasts of state of the art multimedia stations with Skype and VOIP capabilities, versatile work spaces, modern meeting rooms and touch screen tables giving students access to international channels and games.

International societies
The best way to make friends is to join a “student society”. These clubs are very important to student life and are run by other students. There are more than 120 societies, many of which represent areas of the world including: Canada, Libya, China, Malaysia, India, Pakistan, Nigeria and many more.

For two weeks every year the international societies celebrate “Go Global” – a festival that showcases the University’s diversity involving dance, music and food.

Sport & keeping fit
The University takes sport very seriously, and the Athletic Union runs 60 sports clubs and arranges fixtures against other universities. Almost every popular sport is played at the University and whatever your level you will find an opportunity to play and participate. If you are interested in keeping fit, the University has three gyms and runs classes dedicated to mental and physical well-being.

Orientation
Before you arrive at the University you may be worried about settling in, making friends and life in the UK. The International Office aims to make your transition as smooth as possible with an ‘induction programme’ in September and January.

The September induction programme includes:
1 a free collection service from Cardiff and Heathrow airports. International Office staff will provide a warm welcome at the airport and take you and your luggage to your accommodation.
2 practical information and fairs to help you settle quickly into living and studying in Cardiff.
3 tours of the University and the city of Cardiff to help you find your way around.
4 social events and parties, including traditional Welsh dancing. These are a great way to make friends.
5 a bank letter service to help you open a bank account when you arrive in the UK.
6 a coach tour of South Wales. Visit some of Wales’ historic monuments with the International Office.

supporting you
The University knows that while you are here you may need some help. You might have an academic question, or you might have a more personal issue. Cardiff University offers support in many ways.

— Every student at the University is allocated a personal tutor. Your tutor can assist with any academic or personal problems you may have.
— The Student Support Centre has specialist international advisers who can help you with visas, housing, finances and anything which you would like to talk about: www.cardiff.ac.uk/studentsupport
— If you want to talk to someone outside the University, the Students’ Union also has an advice centre.
— Cardiff University is one of only a few UK universities to provide postgraduate students with dedicated social, training and academic facilities at the University’s Graduate Centre: www.cardiff.ac.uk/gradc
— If you are not sure where to turn or who to talk to, you can always visit the International Office for advice.
Campus horizons

Cardiff University’s international network currently spans over 200 partners including Peking University, the University of Pennsylvania, the University of Sydney, the University of British Columbia, the University of Tokyo, National University of Singapore, University of Hong Kong and many more.

Building on this vision, Cardiff University has embarked on an ambitious project to develop and expand its current campus with buildings that are exceptional, sustainable and accessible.

The project has three main strands: building a new science and innovation campus, creating a modern IT and communications infrastructure and improving the Cathays and Heath Park Campuses.

The Science and Innovation Campus in Maindy Park will ultimately showcase the University’s academic excellence in interdisciplinary and multi-disciplinary research. This campus will undergo gradual development in the area of research and postgraduate education, culminating in a new and exciting research space.

Developments to Maindy Park have already begun. The state of the art Hadyn Ellis Building has been completed whilst directly opposite, the Business School is soon to open its £13.5 million building dedicated to postgraduate study. More developments are soon to follow.

This will, overall, be a prestigious undertaking for the university. Research students can be assured of cutting-edge technology available for their use, in an environment of learning and working with leading scientists in their field.

International partnerships

Your relationship with Cardiff University does not end at graduation. As an alumnus you can also contribute to the University’s future. By taking the skills and knowledge you learn at Cardiff into the wider world you will showcase the University as an institution that develops the very best graduate talent.

So long as you keep us informed of your up-to-date contact details, we will stay in contact with you and send you the latest news about your University. We also have a dedicated website for alumni with information relating employability and mentoring, networking and reunion events:

www.cardiff.ac.uk/alumni

Your future, our future

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In the future, the University’s ambition is to rank consistently among the top 100 universities in the world and the top 20 in Britain. To cement our position as a global university, Cardiff will be forming a tight-knit collaboration with other elite international universities to promote research and share best practice.

Colleges and courses directory

- **College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences**
  - Business
  - English, Communication and Philosophy
  - History, Archaeology and Religion
  - Journalism, Media and Cultural Studies
  - Law
  - Modern Languages
  - Music
  - Planning and Geography
  - Politics and International Relations
  - Social Sciences
  - Welsh

- **College of Physical Sciences & Engineering**
  - Architecture
  - Chemistry
  - Computer Science & Informatics
  - Earth and Ocean Sciences
  - Engineering
  - Mathematics
  - Physics & Astronomy

- **College of Biomedical & Life Sciences**
  - Biosciences
  - Dentistry
  - Healthcare Sciences
  - Medicine
  - Optometry and Vision Sciences
  - Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
  - Postgraduate Medical and Dental Education
  - Psychology
The Welsh School of Architecture is one of the UK’s most distinguished centres for the study of the built environment. Your learning experience will focus around the studio project, with a one-to-one approach to design teaching and support from the finest computer modelling, design tools and research facilities available.

The School’s worldwide reputation makes talented WSA graduates sought after by leading employers in the architectural and construction industries. Admission, however, is highly selective and most programmes will require you to show a strong design portfolio in addition to a good academic record.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
ARUP / Foster + Partners / Rogers Stirk Harbour + Partners
Scott Brownrigg / Wilkinson Eyre Architects

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Architectural Studies BSc/MArch

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Building Energy & Environmental Performance Modelling MSc

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
Architectural History & Theory Building Construction

INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION PROGRAMME
Health & Life Sciences

Location Bute Building (map ref 4S)
Total students 480
Number of staff 50
% international students 25%

The Welsh School of Architecture
www.cardiff.ac.uk/archi

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School of Biosciences
biosciences
www.cardiff.ac.uk/bio

Under the leadership of its current director, MRC Professor Ole Petersen CBE FRSE, the School provides a dynamic and stimulating research and learning environment with impressive modern facilities and high-calibre staff.

2011 saw the launch of three new University Research Institutes: Neuroscience and Mental Health, Sustainable Places and the European Cancer Stem Cell Institute. The institutes, all of which involve School of Biosciences academics, were created to pursue new approaches to pressing concerns about cancer, mental health and sustainability.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
GE Healthcare / GlaxoSmithKline / Merck Sharp & Dohme / Nestle / Pfizer

TOp 10 Anatomy and Physiology
1 — Cambridge
2 — Oxford
3 — UCL
4 — Cardiff University
5 — Dundee
6 — King’s College London
7 — Manchester
8 — Aberdeen
9 — Bristol
10 — Ulster

Note: all subjects available, apart from Biotechnology, as 3 or 4 year programmes only. 4 year programmes include a Professional Training Year.

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Biochemistry BSc
Biology BSc
Biomedical Science BSc
Biomedical Sciences - Anatomy BSc
Biomedical Sciences - Neuroscience BSc
Biomedical Sciences - Physiology BSc
Biotechnology BSc
Ecology BSc
Genetics BSc
Microbiology BSc
Molecular Biology BSc
 Zoology BSc

PHD/MPHIL/MD RESEARCH AREAS
Bioantibiotics MSc
Biosciences MRes
Toxin Engineering MSc

Location Sir Martin Evans Building (map ref 35)
Total students 1928
Number of staff 225
% international students 3%

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UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Biochemistry BSc
Biology BSc
Biomedical Science BSc
Biomedical Sciences - Anatomy BSc
Biomedical Sciences - Neuroscience BSc
Biomedical Sciences - Physiology BSc
Biotechnology BSc
Ecology BSc
Genetics BSc
Microbiology BSc
Molecular Biology BSc
 Zoology BSc

PHD/MPHIL/MD RESEARCH AREAS
Bioantibiotics MSc
Biosciences MRes
Toxin Engineering MSc

Location Sir Martin Evans Building (map ref 35)
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School of Dentistry

dentistry
www.cardiff.ac.uk/dent

Only dental school in Wales. Based at the University Dental Hospital on the Heath Park campus. Programmes aim to enable you to practice dentistry in appropriate training environments.

TOP DENTISTRY
1 — King’s College London
2 — UCL
3 — Queen Mary
4 — Sheffield
5 — Cardiff University
6 — Dundee
7 — Newcastle upon Tyne
8 — Leeds
9 — Birmingham
10

R Ace ranking by GES see www.cardiff.ac.uk/rg/results

OTHER RANKINGS
17th — The Guardian 2015
18th — The Times Good University Guide 2014
19th — The Complete University Guide 2015

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Dentistry BSc

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Clinical Dentistry (M Clin/Dent)
Implantology MSc/Pgdip
Orthodontics MSc/Dip

PhD/MPhil RESEARCH AREAS
Applied Clinical Research and Public Health Learning & Scholarship
Tissue Engineering & Reparative Dentistry

Location University Dental Hospital (map ref 106)
Total students 516
Number of staff 152
% international students 10%

School of Earth & Ocean Sciences

earth & ocean science
www.cardiff.ac.uk/eo

Taught at Cardiff for over 100 years. Studies enhanced by Wales’ accessible and spectacular natural geology.

Courses include practical experience on field trips and some courses offer a year in industry.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
BHP Billiton / Environment Agency / Geo-Services International / Pursuit Brückenthal / Titan Environmental Surveys

TOP EARTH SYSTEMS & ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES
1 — Cambridge
2 — Oxford
3 — UCL/Nottingham (joint)
4 — Bristol
5 — Reading
6 — Cardiff University
7 — Durham
8 — Edinburgh
9 — Lancaster
10 — Leeds
11 — Manchester
12 — Open
13 — Royal Holloway
14

R Ace ranking by GES see www.cardiff.ac.uk/rg/results

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Earth and Environmental Science BSc/Msc
Marine Geography BSc/Msc
Geology BSc/Msc
Environmental Geoscience BSc/Msc

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Applied Environmental Geology MSc

PhD/MPhil RESEARCH AREAS
Geomicrobiology
Earth Surface Processes
Palaeobiology

Location Main Building (map ref 39)
Total students 602
Number of staff 37
% international students 5%

School of Engineering

engineering
www.cardiff.ac.uk/eng

Cardiff School of Engineering is based in a modern, purpose-built building, housing some of the UK’s most advanced facilities. The School’s research activity has a worldwide reputation and a record of collaboration with industrial partners such as Tata, Lloyds O’Shea, Hinkley, National Grid, Bolts Ross, NASA, Mott MacDonald, BP, REWR, and Astrium. This means you will receive cutting edge and career relevant teaching from global experts in their field. Engineering graduates are highly employable and Cardiff gives you the opportunity to further enhance your prospects by offering a year in industry on undergraduate programmes. All of the School’s courses provide accreditation from the relevant professional bodies and competitive scholarships are available.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
AED Engineering / BAE Systems / Corus / Mott MacDonald / Network Rail / Araw

TOP 10 CIVIL ENGINEERING
1 — Imperial
2 — Napier
3 — Cardiff University
4 — Newcastle
5 — Nottingham
6 — Dundee
7 — Sheffield
8 — Bristol
9 — Southampton
10 — Queens, Belfast

% international students 23%

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Integrated Engineering BEng/MEng
Civil & Environmental Engineering BEng/MEng
Electrical & Electronic Engineering BEng/MEng
Mechanical Engineering BEng/MEng

TOP 10 MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
1 — Imperial
2 — Southampton
3 — Sheffield
4 — Cardiff University
5 — Leeds
6 — Bath
7 — Nottingham
8 — Lancaster
9 — Loughborough
10 — Dundee

% international students 10%

OTHER RANKINGS
8th — The Complete University Guide 2015
9th — The Complete University Guide 2015

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Architectural Engineering BEng/MEng
Civil Engineering BEng/MEng
Civil & Environmental Engineering BEng/MEng
Electrical & Electronic Engineering BEng/MEng
Integrated Engineering BEng/MEng
Mechanical Engineering BEng/MEng

% international students 15%

NOTE: all BEng/MEng courses offer an optional year in industry.

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Advanced Mechanical Engineering MSC
Civil Engineering MSC
Engineering Materials MSC
Communication Technology and Entrepreneurship MSC
Electrical Energy Systems MSC
Environmental & Water Engineering MSC
Geoengineering Engineering MSC
Hydro-environment Engineering MSC
Orthopaedic Engineering (surgical only) MSC
Professional Engineering MSC
Structural Engineering MSC
Sustainable Energy & Environment MSC
Wireless and Microwave Communications Engineering MSC

Location Trevithick and Queen’s Buildings (map ref 58)
Total students 1600
Number of staff 95
% international students 23%

Note: all BEng/MEng courses offer an optional year in industry.
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<td>% international students</td>
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**School of English, Communication and Philosophy**

- **POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
  - English Language & Literature MA
  - Applied Linguistics MA
  - Creative Writing MA

- **PHD/MPhil RESEARCH AREAS**
  - Creative Writing
  - Critical and Cultural Theory
  - English Language and Literature
  - Philosophy and Applied Ethics

**School of History, Archaeology & Religion**

- **POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
  - Ancient History MA
  - Archaeology MA
  - Religious Studies MA
  - History of the Crusades MA

- **PHD/MPhil RESEARCH AREAS**
  - Ancient History
  - History
  - Archaeology
  - Religious Studies

**School of Healthcare Sciences**

- **GRADUATE DESTINATIONS**
  - Occupational Therapist / Operating Department Practitioner / Physiotherapist / Radiographer / Nurse / Midwife

- **POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
  - Nursing: Advanced Practice MSc/PGDip/PGCert
  - Generic route
  - Community Health Studies
  - Education for Healthcare Professionals
  - Non-medical Prescribing
  - Safeguarding Children

**Healthcare Professions**

- **Top 10 Professions**
  1. **Cardiff**
  2. **Aberdeen**
  3. **Northumbria**
  4. **Manchester**
  5. **Liverpool**
  6. **Edinburgh**
  7. **Ulster**
  8. **Bristol**
  9. **Oxford**
  10. **York**

**Courses and Schools Directory**

- **Graduate Programmes**
  - Courses are designed to offer new ways of thinking about your subject and therefore provide excellent preparation for careers requiring you to critically engage with language and ideas. The School's size also makes it a vibrant community offering you many opportunities to make friends and establish networks.

**Undergraduate Courses**

- **Ancient History MA**
- **Archaeology MA**
- **English Literature MA**
- **Critical and Cultural Theory MA**
- **Creative Writing MA**
- **Applied Linguistics MA**
- **English Language and Literature BA**
- **Philosophy BA**
- **Religious and Theological Studies BA**

**Postgraduate Courses**

- **Ancient History MA**
- **Archaeology MA**
- **History of the Crusades MA**
- **Islamic in Contemporary Britain MA**
- **Early Modern, Modern and Modern History**
- **Religious Studies MA**
- **History and Archaeology of the Greek and Roman World MA**
- **History MA**
- **Languages and Communication Research MA**

**Research Areas**

- **Creative Writing**
- **Critical and Cultural Theory**
- **English Language and Literature**
- **Philosophy and Applied Ethics**

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**Location**

- John Percival Building (map ref 16)
- Total students 1530
- Number of staff 50
- % international students 3%

**Ranking**

- University of Oxford / University of Sydney
- BBC / Cameco Corporation / The Guardian / The Guardian
- % international students 3%
- Number of staff 50
- Total students 1010
- Location
  - John Percival Building (map ref 16)
  - Total students 1010
  - Number of staff 60
  - % international students 1%

**City of Cardiff**

- A range of options available to students wishing to expand their knowledge.
- Many of our postgraduate programmes are suitable for healthcare professionals including nurses, midwives, physiotherapists, occupational therapists and radiographers wishing to advance their knowledge and expertise. Students embarking on these programmes join a well-supported and lively community, with access to scholars working on world-leading research.
Cardiff School of Journalism, Media and Cultural Studies

www.cardiff.ac.uk/jomec

Cardiff School of Journalism, Media and Cultural Studies is a world-leading centre for media teaching and research. You will be taught by highly qualified staff many of whom have international experience and are involved in collaborative ventures with leading universities and top journalism schools worldwide. Programmes offer scholarly excellence, renowned vocational training or a combination of both where you will be encouraged to reflect on the way the media operates nationally and internationally. Cardiff’s international popularity means you should benefit from your fellow students’ shared professional and cultural experiences, ensuring you leave with contacts in countries from around the world. The School also offers one £7,000 scholarship on each MA programme.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS

TOP 10 COMMUNICATION, CULTURAL & MEDIA STUDIES
1 — Goldsmiths
2 — Nottingham
3 — Westminster
4 — Cardiff University
5 — Bristol
6 — Sussex
7 — Royal Holloway
8 — Leeds Metropolitan
9 — Ulster
10 — Sheffield

Location School of Journalism, Media and Cultural Studies
Bute Building (map ref 45)

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
Acme and Associates, Kuala Lumpur / Bzikely and Duckersari, Canada / Fox, Mandel and Little, Delhi / Freshfields, London / Hassan and Hassan, Pakistan / Nigerian Ports Authority / Shanghai Kai Jing Law Firm, China / Shearman & Sterling, Hong Kong

TOP 10 LAW
1 — LSE
2 — UCL
3 — Oxford
4 — Durham
5 — King’s
6 — Kent
7 — Cardiff University
Cambridge
Queen Mary
10 — Edinburgh

Postgraduate courses are designed to build on your existing skills and cover specific areas of your choice. You will be taught by highly qualified staff many of whom have international experience and are involved in collaborative ventures with leading universities and top journalism schools worldwide. Programmes offer scholarly excellence, renowned vocational training or a combination of both where you will be encouraged to reflect on the way the media operates nationally and internationally.

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Journalism and Communications BA
Journalism, Media and Culture BA
Journalism, Media and Sociology BA
Journalism, Media and English Literature BA
Journalism and Welsh BA
Media and Communications BA

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Computational Journalism MSc
Digital Media and Society MA
International Journalism MA
International Public Relations and Global Communications MA
Journalism, Media and Communications MA
Management MA
MBA Media Management
Political Communications MA
Science, Media and Communication MSc

PHD/MPhil RESEARCH AREAS
Children and the Media
Digital Media and Society
Feminist Media Studies
Journalism Studies
Mediated Conflict
Race, Representation & Cultural Politics
Risk, Science, Health & Media

Location Law Building (map ref 28)

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
Actis and Associates, Kuala Lumpur / Bzikely and Duckersari, Canada / Fox, Mandel and Little, Delhi / Freshfields, London / Hassan and Hassan, Pakistan / Nigerian Ports Authority / Shanghai Kai Jing Law Firm, China / Shearman & Sterling, Hong Kong

TOP 10 LAW
1 — LSE
2 — UCL
3 — Oxford
4 — Durham
5 — King’s
6 — Kent
7 — Cardiff University
Cambridge
Queen Mary
10 — Edinburgh

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Order of merit scholarships and entrance bursaries for high achievers. You can also work with real clients and experience law in action by participating in the Law School’s Pro Bono Scheme and Innocence Project.

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Specialist LLM Programmes:
- General LLM
- Canon Law
- European Legal Studies
- Governance and Devolution
- Human Rights Law
- International Commercial Law
- Law and Governance of the European Union
- Legal and Political Aspects of International Affairs
- Legal Aspects of Medical Practice
- Social Care Law
- Shipping Law

Bar Professional Training Course (BPTC)*
Graduate Diploma in Law (GDL)
Legal Practice Course (LPC)

*Formerly the Bar Vocational Course

PHD/MPhil RESEARCH AREAS
Areas of supervision include:
- Commercial Law
- Criminal Law
- Environmental Law
- European Law
- Human Rights Law
- Law and Sociology
- Legal Theory
- Medical Law
- Mental Health and Social Care Law
- Public International Law

Location Law Building (map ref 28)
Total students 1600
Number of staff 83
% international students 28%
POSTGRADUATE COURSES

Advanced Surgical Practice* MSc/PdDip/PgCert
Aging, Health and Disease MSc/PdDip/PgCert
Bioinformatics and Genetic Epidemiology & Bioinformatics – MSc/PdDip/PgCert
Biomedical Research Miles
Critical Care* MSc/PdDip/PgCert
Diabetes* MSc/PdDip
Dermatology, Clinical MSc/PdDip
Dermatology, Practical* MSc/PdDip
Genetic Counselling MSc
Master of Public Health MPH
Medical Ultrasound MSc/PdDip/PgCert
Medical Toxicology* MSc/PdDip/PgCert
Obstetric and Gynaecological Ultrasound MSc/PdDip/PgCert
Occupational Health, Policy and Practice* MSc/PdDip
Pain Management* MSc/PdDip/PgCert
Pain Management (Primary and Community Care)* MSc/PdDip/PgCert
Palliative Care/Medicine* MSc/PdDip/PgCert
Postgraduate Certificate in Biomedical Research PgCert
Psychiatry MSc/PdDip/PgCert
Psychiatry (E-Learning)* MSc/PdDip
Thoracic* MSc/PdDip
Wound Healing & Tissue Repair* MSc/PdDip/PgCert

*Courses are taught entirely via online distance learning.

POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH COURSES

Biomedical Research Miles
Postgraduate Certificate in Biomedical Research PgCert

PPHR/MD/MPH RESEARCH AREAS

Cancer and Genetics
Infection and Immunity
Molecular and Experimental Medicine
Primary Care and Public Health
Psychological Medicine and Clinical Neuroscience
Translation, Innovators, Methodology and Engagement

School of Medicine

Location: Heath Park campus (map ref 110)

Total students: 3447
Number of staff: 992
% international students: 27%

School of Mathematics

Location: Mathematics Building (map ref 42)

Total students: 460
Number of staff: 35
% international students: 40%

School of Music

Location: Music Building (map ref 23)

Total students: 250
Number of staff: 17
% international students: 1%
Our 4-year language degrees provide an opportunity to study abroad with our European and international partners or to work as a Language Assistant. Translation is crucial in a globalised world. Multinational businesses and international institutions are constantly looking for translators and language specialists. The School of Modern Languages offers studies at Undergraduate and Postgraduate level. All members of staff at Cardiff are passionate about their subject and are keen to share their enthusiasm and research-led knowledge.

Graduate Destinations
BBC / Council of European Union, Translator / European Commission / Public services / Teaching posts in the UK and abroad

Top 10 English Language & Literature
1 — Oxford
2 — Cambridge
3 — Glasgow
4 — Leeds
5 — Exeter
6 — York
7 — Cardiff University
8 — Birmingham
9 — Sheffield
10 — Queen Mary

RAE ranking by Research Power see www.cardiff.ac.uk/rae/results

Undergraduate Courses
French *† BA
German *† BA
Italian * BA
Japanese and Business Studies BSc
Japanese joint honours with a European language
Modern Languages and Translation BA (4 year)
Spanish * BA
Translation BA (3 year)

* available with another humanities subject
† available with law as an LLB

Postgraduate Courses
European Studies MA
Translations Studies MA

PhD/MPhil Research Areas
Area Studies
Culture & Identity
Languages & Translation Studies
Literature & Visual Cultures

Location
Park Place (map ref 24)

Total students 750
Number of staff 36
% international students 2%

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School of Optometry & Vision Sciences

Cardiff School of Optometry was founded in 1935 and is an internationally recognised research centre. The School is the only optometric training department in Wales, and one of the largest of its kind in the UK, with an outstanding reputation in both teaching and research. In 2007 the School moved to a custom-designed £21 million building, where you will benefit from outstanding facilities including clinics, laboratories and teaching rooms with the latest state-of-the-art equipment. The undergraduate degree unites both the scientific and the clinical, and provides you with experience of clinical practice in ophthalmic and orthoptic hospital departments.

Graduate Destinations
Community practice / Hospital practice / Optical or pharma industry / Refractive surgery clinics / Research

Top 10 Allied Health Professions & Studies
1 — Cardiff University
2 — Aston
3 — Manchester
4 — Glasgow Caledonian
5 — Ulster
6 — Bradford
7 — City
8 — Anglia Ruskin
9 — Kingston

RAE ranking by Research 4* & 3* see www.cardiff.ac.uk/rae/results

PhD/MPhil Research Areas
Clinical Investigation & Vision Sciences
Visual Neuroscience
Structural Biophysics

Location
Optometry Building (map ref 15)

Total students 270
Number of staff 60
% international students 19%

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School of Modern Languages

modern languages

www.cardiff.ac.uk/modern-languages

Undergraduate Courses
French *† BA
German *† BA
Italian * BA
Japanese and Business Studies BSc
Japanese joint honours with a European language
Modern Languages and Translation BA (4 year)
Spanish * BA
Translation BA (3 year)

* available with another humanities subject
† available with law as an LLB

Postgraduate Courses
European Studies MA
Translations Studies MA

PhD/MPhil Research Areas
Area Studies
Culture & Identity
Languages & Translation Studies
Literature & Visual Cultures

Location
Park Place (map ref 24)

Total students 750
Number of staff 36
% international students 2%

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School of Optometry & Vision Sciences

optometry & vision sciences

www.cardiff.ac.uk/optom

Undergraduate Courses
Optometry BSc

Postgraduate Courses
Clinical Optometry MSc
Clinical Optometry Diploma *
Clinical Optometry Certificate *
Glaucoma Certificate*
Eye Care Governance Certificate*

PhD/MPhil Research Areas
Clinical Investigation & Vision Sciences
Visual Neuroscience
Structural Biophysics

Location
Optometry Building (map ref 15)

Total students 270
Number of staff 60
% international students 19%
Cardiff School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences
www.cardiff.ac.uk/pharmacy

The Welsh School of Pharmacy is among the leaders in clinical skills development in the U.K. Accredited by the General Pharmaceutical Council, the Master of Pharmacy degree equips you with a sound knowledge of the pharmaceutical sciences and the necessary skills to proceed confidently into pre-registration training. It also offers you the experience of working closely with pharmacy practitioners and produces graduates highly-qualified for career opportunities in hospital, community, industrial and academic pharmacy. Towards the end of your degree, staff at the School will assist you in finding a pre-registration placement. For more than a decade, ALL of our graduates have secured posts before graduation.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
RAL Systems / DWP / EZK / Jagger Landrover / NASA / Rolls Royce / Banking

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Pharmacy MPharm

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
Astronomy & Astrophysics
Astronomy Instrumentation
Condensed Matter and Photonics
Gravitational Physics
Musical Acoustics

School of Physics & Astronomy
www.cardiff.ac.uk/physx

Cardiff School of Physics and Astronomy has an international reputation for excellence and a strong commitment to innovative and supportive teaching. The undergraduate degree schemes are designed to offer you an intellectual challenge and tuition in solving real-life problems. The adaptability of Cardiff graduates makes them highly sought after by industry, commerce and academia. The School has research interests covering a wide range of physics and astronomy topics, and you will be fully integrated into these research areas.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
BBC / Deloitte / European Commission / Political research / Public services / Teaching posts in the UK and abroad

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
European Governance & Public Policy MScEcon
European Relations MScEcon
International Relations & Politics MScEcon
International Relations & Politics with a language MScEcon (joint with School of Modern Languages)
Politics & Modern History MScEcon
Politics & Sociology MScEcon

Department of Politics and International Relations
www.cardiff.ac.uk/politics

Political Science at Cardiff University in the Department of Politics and International Relations prides itself on world-class research and an international reputation for excellence. A vibrant student body combined with highly-qualified academic staff provides the perfect environment to explore this dynamic and fast-paced field. Research expertise includes political theory, public policy, the politics of devolution, and international relations, including international law, global ethics, security and piracy.

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School of Postgraduate Medical & Dental Education
www.cardiff.ac.uk/pgmdo

The School provides postgraduate courses designed for all health care teachers, trainers, supervisors and course coordinators who wish to improve their skills at planning, teaching and evaluating courses. Many of the School’s graduates progress to higher level roles and responsibilities in educational institutions such as director of studies, course leaders, co-ordinators of clinical skill facility, senior tutors and associate deans. As a student you will be joining professionals from across the world that have benefitted from the School's international reputation as a centre of excellence for medical education courses.

Location Queen’s Buildings (map ref 58)
Total students 395
Number of staff 37
% international students 4%

Location Redwood Building (map ref 33)
Total students 710
Number of staff 60
% international students 15%

Location Heath Park Campus (map ref 122)
Total students 220
Number of staff 9
% international students 12%
Cardiff School of Planning and Geography

Cardiff School of Planning and Geography has been independently acknowledged as the largest and best planning school for over 20 years. By studying in an internationally recognised school, you will benefit from being taught by acclaimed academics delivering courses that confront the challenges of 21st century planning. We have students from over 40 different countries studying within the School and this creates a supportive learning environment which enables international students to flourish. Cardiff’s reputation and professional course recognition, ensures that our graduates have excellent career prospects and are highly desired by private and public organisations. The diversity of our PhD students reflects the School’s European and worldwide links, providing you with a vibrant research environment and access to an international network of researchers.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
China Academy of Urban Planning and Design / Chinese University of Hong Kong / Environmental Solutions and Remediation Services, Canada / Harvard Graduate School of Design, USA / NSW State Government, Australia / Technische Universiteit Muenchen / Via Natura Sdn. Bhd., Malaysia

TOP 10 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING
1 — Cardiff University
2 — Leeds
3 — Newcastle
4 — Oxford Brookes
5 — Cambridge
6 — UCL
7 — UWE
8 — Sheffield
9 — Manchester
10 — Sheffield Hallam

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
- Eco-Cities MSc
- Food, Space and Society MSc
- PLANET Europe: European Spatial Planning, Environmental Policies and Regional Development MSc
- Planning Practice PG Certificate
- Geography, Policy and Practice MSc*
- International Planning and Development MSc
- Spatial Planning and Development MSc
- Sustainability, Planning and Environmental Policy MSc
- Transport and Planning MSc
- Urban Design MA
- Urban and Regional Development MSc

*Currently not running but will be reinstated in 2014/15

PHD/MPhil RESEARCH AREAS
- Environment
- Spatial Analysis
- Spatial Planning and City Environments
- Urban and Regional Governance

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OTHER RANKINGS:
8th — The Times Good University Guide 2014
8th — The Complete University Guide 2015
9th — The Guardian 2015

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
- City and Regional Planning BSc
- Geography (Human) BSc
- Geography (Human) and Planning BSc

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School of Social Sciences

The Cardiff School of Social Sciences has an international reputation for excellence in interdisciplinary research and teaching. We are one of the largest centres of social science research in the UK and the leading university in the UK for research quality and capacity in the social sciences.

Our goal is to build upon this world-class environment for students to enjoy an outstanding learning experience.

We offer a wide range of courses, ranging from traditional academic subjects to courses with a professional focus, but all are closely related to our research into the problems and challenges of modern society.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
Human Resource Management / Police Services / Research Consultancy / Social Work / Teaching

TOP 10 SOCIOLOGY
1 — Cardiff University
2 — Manchester
3 — Edinburgh
4 — Exeter
5 — Loughborough
6 — Open
7 — Warwick
8 — Goldsmiths
9 — LSE
10 — Luton

RAE ranking by Research Power see www.cardiff.ac.uk/rae/results

PHD/MPhil RESEARCH AREAS
Crime, Security and Justice
Culture, Transformation and Subjectivity
Health, Wellbeing and Social Care
Knowledge, Science and Technology
Methods and Methodology

PROFESSIONAL DOCTORATES
Education EdD
Health Studies LHS
Social Work LSW
Social and Public Policy SPFP

LOCATION
Glamorgan Building (map ref 49)

Total students 1530
Number of staff 156
% international students 2.5%

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LOCATION
Glamorgan Building (map ref 49)

Total students 639
Number of staff 80
% international students 28%

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Graduate courses are accredited and provide a platform to professional branches of psychology. Year-long work placements and paid summer internships available. Entrance and Merit Scholarships available to international students.

Top 10 for Psychology in the UK

1. Undergraduate courses are accredited and provide a platform to professional branches of psychology.
2. Year-long work placements and paid summer internships available. Entrance and Merit Scholarships available to international students.
3. The School plays a vibrant role in Welsh public life and Welsh-language arts and culture.
4. The School hosts two international research centres - the Cardiff Centre for Welsh American Studies and the Language, Policy and Planning Unit.
5. The School hosts a diverse body of research students from all over the world.
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Location: John Percival Building (map ref 16)

Total students: 130
Number of staff: 60
% international students: 2%

Top 5 for Celtic Studies in the UK

1. Undergraduate courses are taught through the medium of Welsh.
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4. Undergraduate courses are taught through the medium of Welsh.
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Location: Tower Building (map ref 27)

Total students: 700
Number of staff: 60
% international students: 3%
Who can apply?
You can apply for a Study Abroad or international exchange programme if:
- you have studied for two years at another university which is recognised by Cardiff University.
- you have achieved certain grades in the preceding years. Commonly this is a GPA of 3.0 or equivalent (on a 4.0 scale), although some Schools may require a higher average.
- your home University will permit you to Study Abroad and recognise grades achieved at Cardiff University as contributing to your degree.
- You are from outside the European Union.

Note: for some modules (classes/courses/units) you may be required to show you have certain pre-requisites/background knowledge.

Build your own Study Abroad Programme
Cardiff University’s academic system is modular which means you will be able to choose classes from several different subjects. You will be able to build your own programme to suit your interests and match with your degree at your home university.
The full range of available modules is online: www.cardiff.ac.uk/studyabroad

A unique Welsh cultural experience
Studying abroad at Cardiff University provides the exciting opportunity to explore Wales and the distinctive Welsh culture. Many Study Abroad students choose to undertake classes about Wales and learn some of the Welsh language while they are here. It is also very easy to reach the rest of the UK and Europe. Cardiff has excellent rail services and low-budget airlines operating out of Cardiff Airport.

More information
For more information on your choices and to check your eligibility please visit the website: www.cardiff.ac.uk/studyabroad
You may also contact the Study Abroad Office: studyabroad@cardiff.ac.uk or follow us on Twitter @studyabroadCU

Study abroad & international exchange

Studying for a short time at Cardiff University is a great opportunity to gain some valuable international experience while being immersed in a unique Welsh cultural tradition.

You will gain an alternative perspective on your chosen subject, enhance your résumé and make worldwide friends.

Study Abroad and international exchange students are fully integrated into the student body at Cardiff University. You will be taught and assessed alongside all other students and have access to the same social and academic facilities featured in this prospectus.
Key facts about the Cardiff IFP
- Classes are taught on campus by Cardiff University staff.
- You will be a full member of Cardiff University and benefit from all academic, welfare, social and sporting facilities.
- The IFP offers high levels of pastoral care through the dedicated IFP office and system of personal tutors.
- University accommodation is guaranteed for the duration of the course.
- The IFP office has well-established and successful working relationships with many embassies and sponsorship organisations throughout the world.
- You will receive a comprehensive induction programme including free coach collection services, information events and social activities.

Who can apply?
The International Foundation Programme is for you if:
- you hold a secondary school-leaving qualification meaning that an extra year’s study is necessary to reach the appropriate level for undergraduate study in the UK.
- you additionally have appropriate academic qualifications but need to develop your English language and study skills in preparation for an undergraduate degree programme in the UK.
- you are from outside the European Union. Undergraduate degree programmes that foundation students can progress into:
  - Biosciences
  - Business
  - Chemistry
  - Computing
  - Earth Sciences
  - Engineering
  - Optometry
  - Pharmacy
  - Psychology

More information
To download an application form, or for more information please visit www.cardiff.ac.uk/ifp or e-mail foundation@cardiff.ac.uk

Pre-sessional English language courses
www.cardiff.ac.uk/elt/presessional

The Pre-sessional programme provides an excellent opportunity for students holding offers from or applying to study at Cardiff University, at postgraduate or undergraduate level, to take short courses in English for Academic Purposes. These courses are highly intensive and are designed specifically for students who need only a short period of study to reach the required English language entry standard for their academic course.

You can take a course for 10 or 8 weeks depending on your level of English and academic requirements. The minimum entry requirement for the Pre-sessional course is IELTS 6.0. Successful completion of a Pre-sessional summer course will usually satisfy your conditions of entry. Most offers will require you to take a recognised English language examination, such as IELTS, at the end of the course to prove you have reached the level stipulated in your offer letter.
Application procedure

To apply for an undergraduate /bachelors degree course you need to use an organisation called UCAS and apply online at www.ucas.com. UCAS allows you to apply to up to five (four for medicine/dentistry) courses at any combination of UK universities using the same application form. The institution code for Cardiff is C13. Course codes are listed on the University’s website. If you want to apply for an undergraduate degree but only have 12 years of education, you may need to take a foundation programme/year zero. More information on applying to Cardiff University’s International Foundation Programme is available on page 37.

Is there an application fee?
Cardiff University does not charge an application fee. For the vast majority of courses Cardiff does not charge an application fee. However Ucas will charge a small fee, currently £23, to process your application. If you are applying for a medicine or dentistry course the application fee, however Ucas will charge a small fee, currently £23, to process your application. If you are applying for a medicine or dentistry course the application fee, however Ucas will charge a small fee, currently £23, to process your application.

How to work out your English level
If you do not have an English language qualification it is recommended you take an IELTS or TOEFL exam. The British Council (www.britishcouncil.org) can provide information on test centres in your country. When you have worked out your level you will know which course is right for you.

Common Questions
What if I don’t have all my qualifications/transcripts?
You do not need all your qualifications before you apply. You can take exams and submit your results after your initial application.

My studies have been completed in English – do I still need an English qualification?
If you have previously studied in the medium of English this may be sufficient for the English requirement. This is at the discretion of the School. If you believe this could apply to you please state your reason in your application. You may still be required to provide a recognised qualification.

Applying for a place at University can seem complex – but at Cardiff the International Office is here to guide you every step of the way:

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Fees and living expenses

Tuition Fees
To help plan your budget for your time in Cardiff, the University has fixed tuition fees for the duration of the course. This means your tuition fee will not rise.

Tuition fees are different for each course and there may be some exceptions. You should check the website or contact the International Office for further advice.

You can also pay your tuition fees in 3 installments each year, to help manage your finances.

Funding and Scholarships
In recognition of the outstanding talent of many international students, Cardiff University offers a highly prestigious International Scholarship Fund, designed to attract and reward the best students.

In addition to its own scholarship programmes, Cardiff University is also pleased to offer a number of scholarships in association with partnership organisations. Please see our website for the most up to date funding opportunities: www.cardiff.ac.uk/international/scholarships

Living Expenses
For the 2014/15 session the University estimated that:
- An undergraduate student (September – June) needed £7,045 a year.
- A postgraduate student (September – September) needed £9,573 a year.

These estimates include university accommodation, bills, food, books, clothes, travel, telephone and social expenses.

If you are intending to bring family members, such as a spouse or child, you will need to have at least an extra £440 a month for each family member.

How does Cardiff compare with other places?
Cardiff has many advantages which make it a cheaper place to study than other university cities. These include:
- Cardiff is a compact city and the University is in the middle - therefore you won’t have far to travel between the University, city centre shops and your accommodation.
- Cardiff is also very flat making it easy to walk or cycle around. You won’t need to spend money on buses or taxis.
- Cardiff council runs bicycle and car sharing schemes. This will make it even easier for you to get around without large extra costs.

Cardiff is also one of the most affordable of the traditional University cities. The table below compares the Russell Group of Universities, and the average cost of rent for students per week. Rent in Cardiff is approximately 47% cheaper per month than rent in London. This does not include other items such as food and entertainment which are also significantly more expensive in other cities, especially London.

UK room rental prices index
Location Room Rental (£)
London 536-579
South East 404-413
South West 364-370
East Anglia 369-382
West Midlands 324-326
East Midlands 308-322
North East 311-316
North West 327-331
Scotland 344-349
Wales 303-305
Northern Ireland 270-244

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