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Cardiff University has been producing successful graduates since 1883, combining a prestigious heritage with modern and innovative facilities. The University has changed dramatically over the last 135 years, but the commitment to quality education and a rewarding university experience remains.

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The photographs in this prospectus are of Cardiff University students, locations at Cardiff University and the city of Cardiff.
Cardiff University is truly international. With over 7,500 international students from more than 140 countries stepping through our doors each year, our student population is diverse and multicultural. We attract the best academic staff from across the globe who help to deliver a rich and engaging study environment.

The University reaches far beyond its home in Wales, with hundreds of overseas partnerships and research projects around the world, contributing to our ever-growing global community.

#weareinternational

Matthew Waskiewicz, Massachusetts, USA
MSc Urban and Regional Development, 2017

“I immediately fell in love with both the city and the University for its vibrant culture, rich history and bountiful green spaces. I can sample food and hear languages from dozens of cultures from around the globe.”

Carlos Jiminez Santillan, Mexico
MSc Operational Research and Applied Statistics, 2018

“Cardiff is such an amazing city to live in... This is what I called a true student city... Coming to Cardiff is one of the best experiences of my life.”

Dr Tiago Alves, Portugal
Senior Lecturer in Earth Sciences and Head of the 3D Seismic Laboratory

“One of the things that is most surprising is how closely-knit students and staff are at Cardiff. We actually grow together with the students as they finish their BScs and many of the students end up staying at Cardiff and continue their career as MSc or PhD students.”

Juliet Bawuah, Ghana
MA International Public Relations and Global Communications Management, 2018

“Living in Cardiff has opened my eyes to a whole new perspective about life... I like the variety Cardiff offers in terms of what you can get with its beautiful sights and sounds.”

Satwik Shivohan, India
BA Journalism, Communications and Politics, 2018

“I chose Cardiff because it offers everything a student could possibly ask for - whether it’s an exemplary degree programme, unstinted staff support or an opportunity to pursue your other interests, Cardiff has it all! This place makes you feel like home even before you realise it.”
“Cardiff offers what a capital city should offer, but it is also a peaceful city that does not overwhelm people. Compared to more crowded cities in Europe and the UK, Cardiff is cheaper and therefore the standard of living is higher.”

Elif Istanbulluoglu, Turkey
MSc Sustainable Mega-Buildings, 2018

“Cardiff University I would say this is a fantastic place to work and most importantly, a fantastic place to live as well. It is such a beautiful place. Within 20 minutes you can go to the most exciting part of the UK, with very beautiful beaches. It’s a beautiful place to live.”

Dr M Sankar, India
Catalysis Institute Research Fellow

Abdul Rahman Deeb, Lebanon
Master of Business Administration (MBA), 2017

“The best thing about living in Cardiff was the perfect combination of study/life balance. Cardiff has a quiet environment, yet everything is available at its city centre, which is buzzing on weekends and within walking distance of student accommodation.”

Xinying Wang, China
BSc Computer Science, 2016

“I love the people here! They are friendly and kind, if you are taking a map and looking around on the street, there is always someone who will ask if you need any help. I love the view here! There are few high-rise buildings, so you can always get a sweeping view of the beautiful scenery.”

Thu Thao Nguyen, Vietnam
MSc Social Science Research Methods, 2018

“People are super friendly, and the city is affordable for students... There are also plenty of coffee shops and restaurants that you can hang out with your friends.”

Jessy Lee, Malaysia
MSc MPharm Pharmacy, 2017

“I have really enjoyed my student life here. There are always fun things to do and discover ranging from the world’s largest coal exporting port, Cardiff Bay and the Brecon Beacons. Cardiff is an amazing city to study in. Coupled with friendly people from diverse backgrounds, it has everything to offer to make the most out of your student life here.”

International partnerships
Cardiff University is proud of its ties and partnerships across the globe, particularly our strategic partnerships with KU Leuven, University of Campinas (UNICAMP) and Xiamen University which support joint research collaboration and offer mobility opportunities for students and staff.

Our international network currently spans over 200 partners, including:
- Beijing Normal University
- Boston University
- IIT Madras
- Monash University
- Peking University
- University of Bremen
- University of Namibia
and many more.

Researchers at the Danau Girang Field Centre work to preserve biodiversity and conserve endangered species in Borneo.
Cardiff University is ambitious and innovative, with many of our Academic Schools among the best in the UK. We are driven by creativity and curiosity, and we encourage our students to fulfill their potential.

10 key facts

1. **Cardiff is a world top 100 university***. .................................................................

2. The University is home to a community of over 31,500 students from more than 140 countries. .................................................................................................................................

3. **We are a member of the elite Russell Group of the UK’s top 24 research-led universities.** .................................................................................................................................

4. We generate more than £100 million annually from research grants and contracts. .................................................................................................................................

5. **The University has 16 libraries and a range of IT suites, offering 24/7 study facilities.** .................................................................................................................................

6. **We are ranked 5th in the UK for research excellence****. .................................................................................................................................

7. **Cardiff University has over 165,000 alumni across the globe, from more than 180 countries.** .................................................................................................................................

8. The campus is frequently used as the film set for BBC hit TV shows "Dr Who" and "Sherlock". .................................................................................................................................

9. **Accommodation in University residences is guaranteed for most international students and is within walking distance of the University.** .................................................................................................................................

10. **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.** .................................................................................................................................

*Shanghai Academic Ranking of World Universities 2017

**Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014
Awards

Cardiff is home to award-winning academics, Nobel Prize winners, Queen’s Anniversary Prize winners and more, delivering cutting-edge research and innovative teaching.

- 2 Nobel Prize winners – Sir Martin Evans (Medicine) and Robert Huber (Chemistry)
- 7 Queen’s Anniversary Prizes, including the Down’s Syndrome Vision Research Unit in 2017
- 13 Fellows of the Royal Society
  - 11 Fellows of the Royal Society of Engineering
- 7 Fellows of the British Academy
  - 21 Fellows of the Academy of Medical Sciences
- 34 Academics in the Academy of Social Sciences
  - A Regius Professorship for Professor Graham Hutchings in the School of Chemistry

Rankings and league tables

Cardiff University has a national and international reputation for quality and excellence, ranking highly among the world’s top universities.

In 2017 Cardiff University was ranked 99 out of approximately 10,000 universities worldwide, putting Cardiff in the top tier of international education.

This confirms Cardiff University is an established and recognised university with a global profile.

5th for Research Excellence**

1 — Imperial College London
2 — London School of Economics and Political Science
3 — University of Oxford
4 — University of Cambridge
5 — Cardiff University
6 — King’s College London
7 — University of Warwick
8 — University College London
9 — London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine
10 — Queen Mary University of London

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.

Top 5 in

- Anatomy and Physiology
- Celtic Studies
- Civil Engineering
- Communications and Media Studies
- Dentistry
- Healthcare Sciences and Professions
- Journalism
- Optometry
- Occupational Therapy
- Public Administration
- Psychology
- Sociology

Subject rankings

You can view the scores for subject areas in the Schools directory (pages 19-39). The Top 5 and Top 10 lists show subject areas at Cardiff University ranked by independent sources.
Choosing to study at Cardiff University will allow you to join a global academic community of staff and students. Our mission is to undertake world-leading research with impact and pass this knowledge onto our students to make a social, cultural and economic difference.

How will studying at Cardiff be different?

Studying at Cardiff University may be different from the style of teaching in your country. 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.

You will be:
- Expected to use the libraries and internet to research topics
- Asked to contribute your opinion, collate information and present evidence
- Encouraged to share your own ideas
- Educated through a variety of teaching and assessment methods.

Teaching methods

You will be taught in formal lectures, in small groups (called ‘seminars’) and one-to-one with the tutors. Depending on your subject you may use laboratories, meet members of the public, operate specialist equipment and go on field trips. You will also have access to Cardiff’s virtual learning environment to enhance and support your learning. It allows you to download lecture materials, communicate with your tutors and submit assignments online.

Assessment methods

Assessment methods are different for each course. Most courses include some form of written examination and essays, but you may also be assessed on presentations, class tests, laboratory results and group work.

Free English assistance

If you want some additional help with English language, you can get free support from the University. The ‘in-sessional’ English courses can help you with presentations, reading strategies, pronunciation and academic writing. Even if you are confident in your language abilities you will probably improve your assignments and increase your job prospects.

Independently verified and reviewed

You can be confident of the quality and standard of a Cardiff degree. The University is recognised by more than 40 professional bodies which ensure that the University maintains its high standards of teaching. In 2017 the Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF) panel awarded Cardiff University a Silver award. This means that the University consistently delivers high quality teaching, learning and outcomes for its students, and it consistently exceeds rigorous national quality requirements for UK higher education.
Why is research important?

Universities that are considered to be the best in the world are research-led. Cardiff University is a member of the Russell Group - the top 24 research-led universities in the UK.

The Russell Group:
- Is committed to maintaining the very best research
- Strives to create outstanding teaching and learning environments
- Offers unrivalled links with business and the public sector.

Studying in a research-led, Russell Group institution like Cardiff University has many advantages:
1. Degrees recognised worldwide
2. Innovative courses based on the latest discoveries and research
3. Teaching by globally respected staff who are pioneers in their subjects
4. Enhanced career prospects as employers often favour well-informed graduates from research-led universities
5. Excellent teaching facilities funded by research grants and contracts
6. Joining a worldwide network of alumni holding top positions in governments, the private sector and academia.

Research Projects

Our researchers collaborate with partners worldwide to tackle critical global issues, such as poverty reduction and health promotion in Africa to biodiversity and conservation in Borneo.

Phoenix Project – Through our partnership with the University of Namibia, we have launched the Phoenix Project, focusing on poverty reduction, health promotion and supporting a sustainable environment. Over the past 4 years, we have educated doctors and nurses, created a vibrant software sector, enshrined a value for culture and language among young people, and enabled the police and ambulance service to save lives. The next 5 years will encourage and develop leadership skills of nurses, produce library and information services, support sustainable access to water and more.

www.cardiff.ac.uk/phoenix-project

Danau Girang Field Centre – A team of Cardiff University researchers are currently working to preserve biodiversity and conserve endangered species in Borneo, focussing on two species – orangutans and elephants. The Danau Girang Field Centre has been recently recognised by the Malaysian State Government of Sabah for its contribution to the conservation effort of its most valued areas of natural beauty.

www.cardiff.ac.uk/research/impact-and-innovation/research-impact/conserving-endangered-species
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 positions. Below is a selection of Cardiff University’s international graduate destinations:

- ABN Amro
- Accenture
- Adecco Ltd
- AOC Archaeology Group
- Aramco Petroleum
- Arup
- Bank of Uganda
- BBC World Service
- Capita Symonds
- China Bank Regulatory Commission
- China Daily
- Cisco systems
- Citibank
- Corus
- Deloitte
- Deutsche Bank
- DTZ
- Emirates airline
- Ernst & Young
- ESPN Star Sports
- Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer
- Halcrow Group Ltd
- Harvard Graduate School of design
- Hindustan Times
- HSBC
- ICICI Bank
- Indian Express
- Intel (China) Ltd
- Jaguar Landrover
- Knight Frank
- Korean Broadcasting System
- KPMG
- LG Manufacturers
- Luthra & Luthra
- Maersk
- Magna Publishing Co.Ltd
- Microsoft
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Malaysia)
- Mott McDonald
- NDTV
- Oman Arab Bank
- Oracle
- Pepsi-Cola
- PNRA Pakistan
- Pricewaterhouse Coopers LLP
- Reuters
- Shell
- Shtokman Development AG (Russia)
- Siemens
- Sony
- Tata group
- TV Today Network
- Unilever

* HESA Destination of Leavers in Higher Education survey 2016/17
How to improve your career prospects

Everybody wants to stand out from hundreds of other graduates. Above 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. On many degree schemes you can also widen your experience by studying part of your degree at a University in another country. Cardiff University has partners in the USA, Australia, South America, Europe and across Asia.

3. summer work, volunteer or study placements
   As well as spending time abroad as part of your degree, our Global Opportunity Centre provides opportunities for students to work, volunteer and study during the summer months. These placements usually range from 4-6 weeks and are offered world-wide.

4. join free training programmes
   In a competitive work-place 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.cardiffstudents.com

5. get advice and meet employers
   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. They also provide dedicated careers events for international students throughout the academic year and regular opportunities to meet potential employers recruiting on campus. www.cardiff.ac.uk/careers

6. 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.

7. gain work experience
   Work experience is a great way to show that you can apply the skills gained from 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 19) lists courses which have year in industry options. The University’s Careers Service Work Experience team also offer a range of opportunities from highly competitive ‘internship’ placements to shorter work experience opportunities.

8. network and build lifelong friendships
   The Cardiff Alumni Network consists of 170,000 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.
Cardiff
the capital city of Wales

Located on the coast of South Wales, Cardiff is just 30 minutes away from beautiful beaches and mountainous national parks, while being only a 2 hour train journey from London. Cardiff is regularly ranked as one of the UK’s best cities for students, with its affordable living costs, excellent transport links and our campus at its heart.

Find out more about the city of Cardiff at: www.visitcardiff.com

5 facts about Wales

- Beyond Cardiff you can explore the natural beauty of National Parks like the mountainous Brecon Beacons and the rugged coastlines of Pembrokeshire.
- Home to Europe’s oldest living language, Welsh is spoken by 20% of the population, but don’t worry as everybody speaks English!
- Traditional Welsh foods like Welsh cakes, Bara Brith and Cawl can still be found today, even in the modern city of Cardiff!
- Wales has a rich history with more than 500 castles, including the 2,000 year old city-centre Cardiff Castle.
- The red dragon is the national symbol of Wales, with legends telling the story of how the red dragon defeated an invading white dragon in a fierce battle.
Cardiff is one of Europe’s youngest capital cities - small enough to be friendly and big enough to offer the best of living in a major city.

*The Complete University Guide 2017*

**Green** - Over 330 parks and gardens make Cardiff one of the greenest cities in the UK, with the 130 acre Bute Park located right next to our campus.

**Affordable** - Ranked as the UK’s cheapest student city (NatWest Student Living Index 2017), yet Cardiff still offers everything you would expect from a modern capital city.

**Safe** - The city centre is our campus and your home. It is one of the safest regions in the UK which has been named as the third best European city for quality of life (European Cities Survey, EU, 2015).

**Cultural** - Cardiff has a buzzing arts and events scene, being home to the Welsh National Opera, Roald Dahl, the Wales Millennium Centre and innovative Chapter Arts Centre. The iconic Principality Stadium hosts international sport and music events from the UEFA Champions League Final to concerts by global stars such as Ed Sheeran and Coldplay. Our city and campus are even used as a film set for popular BBC TV shows like Sherlock and Doctor Who!

**Students** - Cardiff is a small city with a population of around 350,000 people. Approximately 20% of the population are students, which makes it safe and friendly.

**Shopping** - The city has recently been named the 6th best for shopping in the UK, with beautiful Edwardian and Victorian arcades and modern shopping centres with designer brands and unique independent shops.

**Foodie** – Cardiff’s ever growing food scene features international cuisines from Thailand to Mexico and beyond. International supermarkets also make it easy for you to find the ingredients you use at home!

**Connected** – With excellent transport links to the rest of the UK and an international airport on our doorstep, Europe and beyond is just a short journey away.

**Sporty** – Our capital is home to world class sport including Premier League Cardiff City Football Club, international Welsh rugby, the Cardiff Devils ice hockey team and the Cardiff University Cardiff Half Marathon. We’re proud to have international sporting venues like the Principality Stadium, Cardiff City Stadium, the International Sports Village and more.

**Diverse** - Cardiff was one of the UK’s first multi-cultural cities and an estimated 94 languages are spoken here. There are many religious and cultural facilities across the city, including mosques, synagogues, churches and temples.

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**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.

**Travel time by train**

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<td>Birmingham:</td>
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Safe and supportive
One of the advantages of University residences is the support you are offered. Each residence has a network of residences staff, Residence Life Assistants 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. 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 46.

For the 2018/19 year self-catered residences range from £108-£137 a week. Part/fully catered residences range from £122-£147 a week. Rooms with private bathrooms are generally more expensive than rooms with shared bathrooms.

University residences
The University has 17 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.

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.

"Living in University Residences has been an amazing experience. It helped me find a home away from home and settle into PhD life in Cardiff. I wouldn’t pick anywhere else!!

Violina - Aberdare Hall"
What do University residences provide?

The diagram opposite shows a layout of a typical ensuite flat in University residences. Please note that this is an example and the number and size of rooms in each flat varies.

In this example there are 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.

All 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.

Your guarantee of accommodation

You are guaranteed a single-occupancy place in University residences for the full duration of your studies. This is providing you apply through the normal admission and allocation process, and re-apply for residences each year through the overseas returners process.

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.

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<td>Heath Park Campus</td>
<td>5 minutes</td>
<td>40 minutes</td>
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<td>Main Building &amp; Students Union</td>
<td>25 minutes</td>
<td>10 minutes</td>
<td>15 minutes</td>
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<td>City Centre</td>
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Look at the map on page 47 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.
The Students’ Union
— The centre of social life for university students
— All students enrolled at Cardiff University are automatically members
— Run by a student committee dedicated to the social and welfare needs of all students on campus
— A not-for-profit organisation, where all profits go back into improving the services available to you
— A multi-million pound investment is transforming the Students’ Union into the Centre for Student Life, in the biggest campus upgrade of a generation!
— The Union includes a bar, nightclub, concert venue, shops, cafes, letting agency and advice centre
— The Union has its own student newspaper, magazine, radio station and TV channel.

www.cardiffstudents.com

The Lounge
Built with international students in mind, this modern venue is open to all, free of charge. It boasts state of the art multimedia stations with Skype access, versatile work spaces, modern meeting rooms and touch screen tables.

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 200 societies, many of which represent areas of the world including: Africa, Canada, China, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Latin America, Malaysia, Oman, Pakistan, Nigeria and 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.

More information can be found online at www.cardiff.ac.uk/sport

Top 4 Students’ Union in the UK
According to the Which? University Student Survey 2017

You might be wondering what life is like for the 31,500 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.
Supporting you
From academic questions to personal issues, Cardiff University offers students support in many ways:

— Every student at the University is allocated a personal tutor who can assist with any academic or personal problems
— 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
— 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 Postgraduate Study Zone
— If you are not sure where to turn or who to talk to, you can always visit the International Office for advice.

Orientation
There’s no need to worry about settling in, making friends or life in the UK. Our aim is to make your transition to Cardiff as smooth as possible with an ‘induction and orientation programme’ in September and January.

The September induction programme includes:
— a free collection service from Cardiff and Heathrow airports, providing a warm welcome and taking you and your luggage to your accommodation
— practical information and fairs to help you settle quickly into living and studying in Cardiff
— tours of the University and the city of Cardiff to help you find your way around
— social events and parties which are a great way to make friends
— a bank letter service to help you open a bank account when you arrive in the UK.

over
31,500
students
Centre for Student Life
£50 million is being invested in improving your student experience at Cardiff University, with the sustainable and iconic Centre for Student Life being built at the heart of our campus. The Centre will be home to our Student Support services as well as offering modern, flexible social learning spaces and a technology-rich 550-seat lecture theatre. Construction work has already begun, and the exciting new Centre is expected to be completed in time for the 2019/20 academic year.

Our new home for Journalism
The School of Journalism, Media and Culture is relocating to a brand new home for September 2018 at the heart of the city centre. Located alongside BBC Cymru Wales, this new home will pave the way for building stronger industry links and boosting student employability through direct access to major media organisations. With modern facilities, purpose-designed study spaces and TV and radio stations, there has never been a more exciting time to join the School of Journalism, Media and Culture.

Maths + Computer Science = Centre of Excellence
In our on-going efforts to continually improve campus facilities, bring you innovative new spaces, modern equipment and the best possible student experience, Cardiff University has committed to investing £23 million in a new Maths and Computer Science Centre of Excellence. This new facility will bring the Schools of Maths and Computer Science together, offering opportunities for collaboration, inter-disciplinary research and an enriched student experience.

Innovation campus
£300 million is being invested into Cardiff Innovation Campus, which will be a centre designed to nurture partnerships between entrepreneurs, business leaders, professional advisers, academics and students. With state-of-the-art facilities, labs and serviced offices, the space will work hand-in-hand with business, from start-ups to established companies, to provide support and resources to encourage growth and help innovation flourish. The Innovation Campus will also be home to SPARK – the world’s first Social Sciences Research Park.

Your future, our future
Your relationship with Cardiff University does not end at graduation. As a Cardiff alum, you will join our 165,000-strong community who thrive as leaders in their fields, and are committed to making a real difference to the world we live in. Cardiff alumni are our best ambassadors and continue to help the University in many ways – as alumni speakers, alumni recruiters, and global ambassadors. By championing Cardiff across the globe, you will learn new skills and gain hands on experience. Your Cardiff education will continue.

To make the most of opportunities available to you as a Cardiff alum, please keep your contact details up-to-date on your University SIMS account. To find out more, visit: www.cardiff.ac.uk/alumni

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Established in 1920, the Welsh School of Architecture is one of the top-ranked schools of architecture in the UK. Through our research and teaching we seek to create a built environment that enhances people’s lives, without destroying the planet for future generations.

We provide a vibrant collaborative environment with people from diverse national, cultural and professional backgrounds and a strong studio culture.

COURSES

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

- BSc in Architectural Studies (Part 1)
- Master of Architecture (Part 2)

POSTGRADUATE COURSES

- Architectural Design MA
- Building Diagnostics for Energy and Environmental Performance MSc
- Computational Methods in Architecture MSc
- Environmental Design of Buildings MSc
- Environmental Design of Buildings (Distance Learning) MSc
- Master of Design Administration (MDA)
- PgDip in Architecture: Professional Practice (Part 3)
- Sustainable Mega-Buildings MSc
- Sustainable Building Conservation MSc

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS

- Architectural History and Theory
- Architectural Science
- Design and Practice Research
- PhD in Creative Practice in Architecture

The course was the perfect balance of practice and theory. Every lecture was with a different professional which enriched our debates and added a multidisciplinary approach.

The study trips and workshops contributed to my hands-on experience but also made me realise how Wales is astonishingly rich in terms of heritage, castles, and culture.’

Millena Moreira Fontes (Chevening Scholar), MSc Sustainable Building Conservation, Brazil
Supported by a range of high-quality facilities and modern, state-of-the-art equipment, our topical courses and advanced research span the full range of the biomedical and life sciences, from cancer and neuroscience to ecosystems and molecular biology. Through world-leading research and innovative teaching, we equip graduates with the knowledge and understanding to help confront some of the world’s greatest challenges.

‘Due to the techniques I’ve learned and the facilities I’ve had access to, my time at Cardiff has really prepared me for my chosen career path after university. If I was to apply to university again I would definitely choose Cardiff – I’ve had the chance to make new friends, be involved in high-end research and live in an amazing city.’

Beth Mansfield, BSc Biomedical Sciences, UK
Accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International) and a signatory of the Principles for Responsible Management Education (PRME) initiative, we are the world’s first business school to put public value at the heart of our activity. Through interdisciplinary research and teaching we are seeking to address the grand challenges of our time, and promote economic and social improvement.
Chemistry has an established tradition at Cardiff University having been taught here since 1883. Our internationally leading research and education is focused on tackling the important scientific challenges of the 21st century. We provide an outstanding and stimulating environment for chemical research and education. Our excellent reputation in modern chemical science attracts students from around the world.

### COURSES

**GRADUATE DESTINATIONS**
- 3M / Cadbury / GlaxoSmithKline / Intellectual Patent Office / Jones
- Environmental Forensics / Graduate entry Medicine & Dentistry courses

**UNDERGRADUATE COURSES**
- Chemistry BSc/MChem
- Chemistry with a Placement Year Abroad BSc
- Chemistry with a Year in Industry BSc
- Chemistry with a Preliminary Year BSc
- Chemistry with a Year in Industry MChem
- Chemistry with a Placement Year Abroad MChem

**POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
- Advanced Chemistry MSc
- Catalysis MSc
- Biological Chemistry MSc
- Medicinal Chemistry MSc

**PHD/MPhil RESEARCH AREAS**
- Advanced Spectroscopy & Dynamics
- Biological Chemistry
- Catalysis & Interface Science
- Materials & Energy
- Molecular Synthesis

Our BSc, MChem and most MSc degrees are accredited by the Royal Society of Chemistry, a mark of the teaching quality you can expect during your degree.

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We are an exciting and dynamic School offering a variety of challenging and stimulating degrees suitable for students from diverse backgrounds. We place a strong emphasis on employability and work with industry to ensure that the content of our courses is contemporary and relevant. We are a research-led School with a long-standing, international reputation for applied research activity.

### COURSES

**GRADUATE DESTINATIONS**
- Software Engineer / Web Developer / Computer Programmer / Software Developer / Business Analyst and Systems Development Officer

**UNDERGRADUATE COURSES**
- Applied Software Engineering BSc
- Computer Science BSc*
- Computer Science with High Performance Computing BSc*
- Computer Science with Security and Forensics BSc*
- Computer Science with Visual Computing BSc*

**POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
- Advanced Computer Science MSc†
- Computing MSc†
- Information Security and Privacy MSc
- Computing and IT Management MSc†
- Data Science and Analytics MSc
- Computational and Data Journalism MSc
- Software Engineering MSc

**PHD/MPhil RESEARCH AREAS**
- Computer Science and Informatics (PhD, MPhil)

The School’s degrees are regularly reviewed and professionally accredited by BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT.
The School of Dentistry offers international entry onto one undergraduate programme and five postgraduate taught programmes providing high quality clinical and academic training. Students have the opportunity to work with leaders in their respective fields and have access to some of the finest clinical, educational and research facilities in the UK.

COURSES

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
Restorative dentistry / Orthodontics at a specialist level / Private practice / PhD study / Wider healthcare sector

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Dentistry BDS
DentalUGAdmissions@cardiff.ac.uk

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Clinical Dentistry MClinDent
Implantology MSC/Pgdip
Oral Biology MSC
Orthodontics MSC/D
Tissue Engineering MSC
dentalpgadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
Microbial Diseases
Advanced Polymer Therapeutics
Matrix Biology and Tissue Repair
Mineralised Tissue
Stem Cells, Wound Repair and Regeneration
Dental Public Health
Violence Research
3-D Facial Imaging
dentalpgadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk

In 2017, 100% of the School’s BDS graduates secured a Dental Foundation Training position in the UK.

1st in the UK for Dentistry Research Environment in the latest Research Excellence Framework.

The School of Earth and Ocean Sciences is a supportive and inspiring place to learn about the evolution of the Earth, its life and how it works. You can expect to work in a supportive and inspiring learning environment, complimented by approachable staff who are experts in their fields with a passion for teaching. Fieldwork is integral to our teaching and research, and our location in South Wales provides us with easy access to fascinating landscapes for us to study, whether by land or by sea in our own research vessel, the Guiding Light.

COURSES

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
BHP Billiton / Environment Agency / Geo Services International / Parsons Brinckerhoff / Titan Environmental Surveys

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Environmental Geoscience BSc/MSc*†
Exploration & Resource Geology BSc/ MSc*†
Geology BSc/MSc*
Marine Geography BSc/MSc*†
Environmental Geography BSc/MSc*
*MSc available with a year at an overseas university.
†BSc available with a professional placement year.
earth-ug@cardiff.ac.uk

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Applied Environmental Geology MSc
brabham@cardiff.ac.uk

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
Processes in mineral deposit formation
Ocean lithosphere processes
Microbial biogeochemistry
Geomicrobiology
Earth surface processes
Micropalaeontology, evolution and stratigraphy
Paleoecology and climate systems
Cold climates
Early land ecosystems and floras
Life and environment through time
earth-pg@cardiff.ac.uk

Many of our programmes are accredited by professional bodies.
The School of Engineering has a worldwide reputation for research and has a record of collaboration with industrial partners from around the world. This means you will receive cutting edge and career relevant teaching from global experts in their field.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
Atkins / Tata Steel / BAE Systems / Corus / Mott McDonald / Network Rail / Arup / National Grid / Renishaw / Ford / Airbus

TOP 5 CIVIL ENGINEERING
1 — Cardiff University
2 — Imperial College London
3 — University of Dundee
4 — University of Sheffield
5 — University of Manchester

Ranking by REF Research Quality Standard 2014

TOP 10 GENERAL ENGINEERING
1 — University of Oxford
2 — University of Cambridge
3 — University of Sheffield
4 — Imperial College London
5 — King’s College London
6 — University College London
7 — Cardiff University
8 — University of Dundee
9 — University of Bristol
9 — Heriot-Watt University
9 — University of Edinburgh

Ranking by REF Research Quality Standard 2014

OTHER RANKINGS
9th — General Engineering - The Complete University Guide 2019
14th — General Engineering - The Times Good University Guide 2018
19th — Civil Engineering - The Complete University Guide 2019

Top 150 for Civil and Structural Engineering - QS World University Rankings by subject 2018/19

COURSES

INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION PROGRAMME
Engineering
foundation@cardiff.ac.uk

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

Our graduates are highly employable and undergraduate students have the opportunity to further enhance their prospects by undertaking a year in industry. Competitive scholarships are available for a number of our degree courses.

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Advanced Mechanical Engineering MSc
Building Infrastructure and Information Modelling for Smart Engineering MSc
Civil Engineering MSc
Communication Technology and Entrepreneurship MSc
Compound Semiconductor Electronics MSc
Electrical Energy Systems MSc
Civil and GeoEnvironmental Engineering MSc
Civil and Water Engineering MSc
Manufacturing Engineering, Innovation and Management MSc
Structural Engineering MSc
Sustainable Energy and Environment MSc
Wireless and Microwave Communications Engineering MSc
engineering-pg@cardiff.ac.uk

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
Energy and Environment
Health, Technology and the Digital World
Mechanics, Materials and Advanced Manufacturing
engineering-pr@cardiff.ac.uk

All of the School’s established courses provide accreditation from the relevant professional engineering institutions.

‘There is more hands-on (practical work) being done in Cardiff while a great portion of the courses back home is theoretical.’
Shu-Ngwa Asa’a, BEng Integrated Engineering, Cameroon
We are committed to internationalism and to ensuring our graduates are equipped for the modern world of work. Thinking across disciplines, we value critical rigour, creative thinking, and intellectual inquisitiveness. We celebrate ideas and conceptual strength, and how our disciplines can enhance the world in meaningful ways.

**School of English, Communication and Philosophy**

Location Percival Building (map ref 16)
Total students 1165
Number of staff 73
% international students 4%
40% (postgraduate research)

RANKINGS
Top 10 — English Language and Literature in the UK (REF 2014)
Top 100 — English Language & Literature - QS World Rankings 2018

Our innovative engagement platforms include Cardiff BookTalk, Cardiff Philosophy Festival, Cardiff Poetry Experiment and Assuming Gender.

**COURSES**

**GRADUATE DESTINATIONS**
Teaching English as a foreign language / (Digital) journalism / Marketing and PR / Sales and advertising / Copywriting and editing / The civil service / Management / HR / Communications / Third sector / Local government / Publishing

**UNDERGRADUATE COURSES**
English Language* BA
English Language and Literature BA
English Literature* BA
English Language and Creative Writing BA
Philosophy* BA
*Available with another humanities subject.

encap-admissions@cardiff.ac.uk

**POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
Applied Linguistics MA
Creative Writing MA
English Literature MA
Ethics and Social Philosophy MA
Forensic Linguistics MA
Language and Communication Research MA
Language and Linguistics MA
encap-pg@cardiff.ac.uk

**PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS**
Creative and Critical Writing / Critical and Cultural Theory
English Literature / Language and Communication
Philosophy / Applied Linguistics (Lexical Studies)

encap-pg@cardiff.ac.uk

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History, Archaeology and Religion

www.cardiff.ac.uk/history-archaeology-religion

We are an innovative and internationally-recognised centre of excellence in research and teaching devoted to the study of the past and beliefs from prehistoric times to contemporary societies. We offer flexible programmes allowing you to develop your interests and ambitions. Our capital city status provides extra resources notably through our partner the National Museum of Wales and access to a number of historically significant sites.

**School of History, Archaeology and Religion**

Location John Percival Building (map ref 16)
Total students 1195
Number of staff 76
% international students 3%
17% (postgraduate)

RANKINGS
10th — Religious and Theological Studies (REF 2014)
Top 150 — Archaeology (QS World University Rankings 2018/19)
Top 150 — History (QS World University Rankings 2018/19)

**COURSES**

**GRADUATE DESTINATIONS**
Media and heritage / The civil service / Teaching and education / Law / Charities / Marketing / HR

**UNDERGRADUATE COURSES**
We offer a broad choice of single, integrated and joint honours, focussing on our key disciplines:
Ancient History, Archaeology, Conservation, History, Religious and Theological Studies.
We also offer Joint Honours with other Schools.
SHARE-admissions@cardiff.ac.uk

**POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
You can focus wholly on your chosen field or benefit from our carefully designed interdisciplinary Master’s.
Ancient History
Archaeology
Archaeological Science (MSc)

Ancient and Medieval Warfare
Care of Collections
Conservation Practice
Early Celtic Studies
History
History & Archaeology of the Greek & Roman Worlds
Islam in Contemporary Britain
Late Antique and Byzantine Studies
Medieval British Studies
Professional Conservation
Religious Studies
Theology
Welsh History
SHARE-admissions@cardiff.ac.uk

**PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS**
Ancient History, Archaeology, Conservation, History, Religious Studies, Welsh History
SHARE-admissions@cardiff.ac.uk
We are an internationally recognised centre of excellence for teaching, research and engagement in human geography, spatial planning and urban design. We apply critical thinking and practical knowledge in addressing grand challenges faced by people and places. Our research-led teaching bridges academic knowledge and real world situations, making connections between human geography and spatial planning.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
Government / Planning consultancies / Environmental planning companies / Environmental consultancies / Urban design companies / Transport planning and civil engineering organisations / Charities / Teaching
91% of undergraduates were in employment or further study within six months of graduation.

TOP 10 TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING & LANDSCAPE
1 — University of Cambridge
2 — University of Sheffield
3 — University College London
4 — University of Birmingham
5 — Queen’s University, Belfast
6 — University of Edinburgh
7 — Loughborough University
8 — Heriot-Watt University
9 — Cardiff University
10 — University of Reading
Ranked by The Times Good University Guide 2018

OTHER RANKINGS
11th — The Complete University Guide 2019 (Town & Country Planning and Landscape Design)
9th — Planning & Geography (REF 2014)
Top 100 for Geography in QS World University Rankings 2018.

COURSES

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Geography (Human) BSc
Geography (Human) and Planning BSc
Geography (Human) and Planning (Accredited) with a Professional Placement Year BSc
Urban Planning and Development BSc
Urban Planning and Development (Sandwich) BSc
gandpenquiries@cardiff.ac.uk

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
City Futures MSc
Eco-Cities MSc
Environment and Development MSc
Food Politics and Sustainability MSc
International Planning and Development MSc
International Planning and Urban Design MSc
Planning Practice PgCert
Social Science Research Methods (Environmental Planning) MSc/PgDip
Spatial Planning and Development MSc
Sustainability, Planning and Environmental Policy MSc
Transport and Planning MSc
Urban and Regional Development MSc
Urban Design MA
gandpenquiries@cardiff.ac.uk

PHD/MPhil RESEARCH AREAS
Environment
Social and Cultural Geography
Spatial Planning and Analysis in City Environments
Urban and Regional Governance
gandpenquiries@cardiff.ac.uk

A third of our academic staff come from countries outside of the UK and we have a research footprint in four continents of the world. This means our courses are truly international in both content and delivery.

‘I immediately fell in love with both the city and the University for its vibrant culture, rich history and bountiful green spaces.’
Matthew Waskiewicz, MSc Urban and Regional Development, USA
We aim to have a unique, multidisciplinary nature providing a rounded experience for our students, ensuring they become skilled and compassionate professionals committed to an ethos of evidence-based care. Join our innovative community who stand at the forefront of healthcare and commit to the development of impactful knowledge that directly improves health outcomes and healthcare for patients and families.

Healthcare Sciences
www.cardiff.ac.uk/healthcare-sciences

We aim to have a unique, multidisciplinary nature providing a rounded experience for our students, ensuring they become skilled and compassionate professionals committed to an ethos of evidence-based care. Join our innovative community who stand at the forefront of healthcare and commit to the development of impactful knowledge that directly improves health outcomes and healthcare for patients and families.

COURSES

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Operating Department Practice: Intra & Perioperative BSc (2 pathways; Anaesthesia and Generic)
hcareadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Advanced Practice MSc/PGDip/PGCert (suitable for nurses/nursing))
— Generic route
— Community Health Studies
— Education for Healthcare Professionals
— Managing Care in Perioperative Practice
— Anaesthesia Practice MSc
— Occupational Therapy MSc/PGDip
— Physiotherapy MSc/PGDip
— Radiography MSc/PGDip
— Sports & Exercise Physiotherapy MSc
hcarepgtadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
Our research areas are suitable for healthcare professionals including nurses, midwives, physiotherapists, occupational therapists and radiographers.
hcarephdenquiries@cardiff.ac.uk

Students benefit from state-of-the-art clinical facilities and dedicated postgraduate study spaces.

Number 1 in the UK for Occupational Therapy in the Complete University Guide 2019.

100% of our submitted research was rated at least of international standard with 94% classed as internationally excellent or world-leading.

‘I find Cardiff to be a very multicultural and multinational place. The city is vibrant and eventful with the rugby, cricket and football.’

Lady Kgawane, MSc Occupational Therapy, Botswana
We are a world-leading centre for media teaching and research where 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. Our programmes offer scholarly excellence, renowned vocational training or a combination of both.
We are committed to providing an outstanding teaching and learning experience for our students. Our vibrant student body combined with highly qualified academic staff provides the perfect environment to explore the dynamic and fast-paced fields of law, politics and international relations. We attract students from all over the world and offer a friendly, supportive and culturally diverse School in which to study.

**GRADUATE DESTINATIONS**

Azmi and Associates, Kuala Lumpur / Blakely and Dushenski, Canada / Fox, Mandal and Little, Delhi / Freshfields, London / Hassam and Hassam, Pakistan / Nigerian Ports Authority / Shanghai Kai Rong Law Firm, China / Shearman & Sterling, Hong Kong / Reed Smith, London

100% of our submitted research was rated at least of international standard with 84% classed as internationally excellent or world-leading.

**TOP 15 LAW IN THE UK**

1 — King’s College London
2 — London School of Economics
3 — University of Durham
10 — University of Oxford
10 — University of Warwick
10 — University of Sheffield
13 — Cardiff University
14 — University of Edinburgh
15 — Queen’s University Belfast
15 — University of Nottingham

Ranked by Research Quality Standard, REF 2014

**OTHER RANKINGS**

Top 150 — Law in QS World University Rankings 2018/19

We are the only Russell Group University in the UK to offer complete professional legal training: the Graduate Diploma in Law (GDL), Legal Practice Course (LPC) and Bar Professional Training Course (BPTC).
# Politics & International Relations Courses

## Undergraduate Courses

- BScEcon Politics
- BScEcon International Relations and Politics (available with a language)
- BScEcon Politics and Economics / Modern History / Philosophy
- BA Politics and French / German / Italian / Sociology / Spanish / Religious Studies / Welsh
- BScEcon Social Analytics and Politics
- BA Journalism, Communication and Politics

[lawpladmissions@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:lawpladmissions@cardiff.ac.uk)

## Postgraduate Courses

- International Relations MScEcon
- Politics and Public Policy MScEcon
- Welsh Government and Politics MScEcon

[lawpladmissions@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:lawpladmissions@cardiff.ac.uk)

## PhD/MPhil Research Areas

- Comparative Politics, Policy and Governance
- Public Policy
- Wales, Territorial and Devolutionary Politics
- European Politics and Area Studies
- Political and International Theory
- Critical Global Politics
- Gender and International Relations
- International Law and International Relations
- The Cold War
- Security Studies
- Critical Military Studies
- Intelligence and Security
- Nuclear Politics
- Digital Technologies, Internet Governance and Cyber-Security
- Global Environmental Politics
- Development and Postcolonialism

[lawpol-pgr@cardiff.ac.uk](mailto:lawpol-pgr@cardiff.ac.uk)

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‘I am currently in my final year of studying the LLB at the School of Law and Politics. I have studied a variety of modules including European Law, Equity and Trust Law, Commercial law, and Global Problems and Legal Theory.

I have also been given the chance to work on the Pro Bono scheme, Bail Observation Project, which has been a great experience which I have found life-changing.’

Afrina, LLB
Cardiff University School of Medicine exists to develop and inspire outstanding clinicians, scientists, innovators and teachers. Students value our innovative, challenging courses, our “real focus” on the patient and opportunities to work with world experts.

GERADUATE DESTINATIONS
NHS / General Practices / Armed Forces / private health sector / voluntary sector / Universities / many diverse areas where medical knowledge or clinical skills are needed

97% student satisfaction rate in the 2016 National Student Survey.

TOP 10 CLINICAL MEDICINE IN THE UK
1 — University of Oxford
2 — University of Cambridge
3 — King’s College London
4 — Institute of Cancer Research
5 — Imperial College London
6 — Edinburgh
7 — Queen Mary
8 — Cardiff University
9 — University of Glasgow
9 — Newcastle University
9 — University College London
Ranked by Research Quality Standard, REF 2014

OTHER RANKINGS
17th — Complete University Guide 2019
Top 150 - Life Sciences and Medicine – QS World University Rankings 2018/19

COURSES

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Medicine MBBC
Medical Pharmacology BSc/MPh
medadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk
Medical student final year elective programme
electives@cardiff.ac.uk

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Advanced Surgical Practice* MSc
Ageing, Health and Disease MSc
Bioinformatics / Bioinformatics and Genetic Epidemiology MSc
Clinical Leadership and Leading Change in Cardiology MSc /PgDip/PgCert
Critical Care* MSc
Diabetes* MSc/PgDip
Dermatology, Clinical MSc
Dermatology, Practical* MSc/PgDip
Genetic and Genomic Counselling* MSc
Medical Education MSc/PgDip
Medical Education (e-learning) MSc/ PgDip/PgCert
Medical Toxicology* MSc/PgDip/PgCert
Neonatal Medicine* MSc/PgDip
Occupational Health: Policy and Practice* MSc
Pain Management* MSc
Pain Management (Primary and Community Care)* MSc/PgDip/PgCert
Palliative Medicine for Healthcare Professionals * MSc
Psychiatry* MSc
Public Health (Masters)
Therapeutics* MSc/PgDip/PgCert
Wound Healing & Tissue Repair* MSc
learning.pgtmedadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk
*Courses are taught largely via online distance

PHD RESEARCH AREAS
Cancer and Genetics
Infection and Immunity
Population Medicine
Psychological Medicine and Clinical Neuroscience
pgrmedic@cardiff.ac.uk
Medical & Clinical Education
medicaleducation@cardiff.ac.uk

JOB ROLES

One of the UK’s largest medical providers of postgraduate distance learning programmes.

Opportunities to study abroad across Europe as part of the Medicine MBBC.
### Mathematics

Our flexible and intellectually exciting degrees introduce students to the fascinating, challenging and elegant world of mathematics. Our welcoming and dynamic study and research environments will allow you to follow your mathematical interests as you develop your professional and mathematical skills.

#### COURSES

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<td>Mathematics, Operational Research and Statistics (MMORS)**†</td>
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**Also available with a year abroad**  
†Also available with a professional placement

### Joint Honours

- Mathematics and Music (BA)*  
- Mathematics and Physics (BSc)*

*mathematics@cardiff.ac.uk

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### Music

We provide a stimulating, friendly and supportive environment for performance, composition and musical scholarship. Our students receive rigorous musical training and opportunities to explore a wide range of studies, both intellectual and practical, within a lively liberal arts environment that encourages student excellence in both theory and practice.

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#### Undergraduate Courses

- Music BMus  
- Music BA  
- Mathematics and Music BA  
- Music and English BA  
- Music and History BA  
- Music and Philosophy BA

*musicschool@cardiff.ac.uk

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### School of Mathematics

- Location Mathematics Building (map ref 42)  
- Total students 609  
- Number of staff 60  
- % international students 8%  
- 40% (postgraduate taught)

- The majority of our courses are accredited by the Institute of Mathematics and its Applications.

### School of Music

- Location Music Building (map ref 23)  
- Total students 244  
- Number of staff 23  
- % international students 8%  
- 41% (postgraduate taught)

- 100% satisfaction scored in the Post Graduate Taught Student Experience Survey.
- 96% NSS student satisfaction rating.
- Ranked 2nd among UK university music departments for the quality of our research environment (REF 2014).

- Rankings  
  - 8th — Music in the UK (The Times Good University Guide 2018)

- The school runs professionally led performing groups, which has included Symphony and Chamber Orchestras and Choirs, a Contemporary Music Group, Wind Band, Jazz, Gamelan and West African ensembles, along with student led groups.
Cardiff University boasts one of the largest and most dynamic modern languages schools in the UK. With an international reputation for excellence in research and teaching, we give students the opportunity to pursue their interest in languages in an exciting, interdisciplinary environment. Located at the heart of the University, we offer an impressive range of degree courses for those with an active interest in language and culture.

**GRADUATE DESTINATIONS**

International Sales and Marketing / International Law / Management Consultancy / Venture Capitalism / International IT Support / Translation / Teaching / Manufacturing / Financial Services / International Business

We have strong links with a broad range of employers; links we make the most of in our teaching, placement modules and career events.

We are an innovator in Wales with key links to decision makers in Welsh Government.

**TOP 10 FOR MODERN LANGUAGES AND LINGUISTICS**

1  —  Queen Mary
2  —  University of Edinburgh
3  —  Queen Margaret University
3  —  University of Kent
5  —  University of Southampton
5  —  Queen’s University Belfast
7  —  Cardiff University
8  —  University of Essex
9  —  University of Cambridge
10 — University of Glasgow

Ranking by Research Quality Standard, REF 2014

**COURSES**

**UNDERGRADUATE COURSES**

- Chinese BA*
- French BA † *
- German BA † *
- Italian BA † *
- Japanese and Business Studies BSc
- Japanese BA*
- Portuguese BA*
- Spanish BA † *
- Modern Languages and Translation BA (4 year)
- Modern Chinese BA (in partnership with Beijing Normal University)

*Joint honours with another language
† Available with another language and other humanities subjects

languages-ug-admissions@cardiff.ac.uk

**POSTGRADUATE COURSES**

- MA in Translation Studies
- MA in Global Culture and Creativity

languages-pg-admissions@cardiff.ac.uk

**PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS**

- History & Memory
- Culture & Identity
- Languages & Translation Studies
- Global Area Studies
- History & Ideologies
- Conflict and Development
- Literary and Textual Studies
- Cultural Studies
- Visual Cultures

languages-pg-admissions@cardiff.ac.uk

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

The department has five central research themes:

- Borders and Bodies
- Capitalism, Crisis and Ideology
- Conflict, Development and Disaster
- Picturing Others
- Translation, Adaptation and Performance

Within these research themes, the following research strands feature:

- Translation, adaption and multimediadity (radio, film, television, new media)
- Translation in/and performance
- Representing mobility and migration including cultures of travel and transportation (in literature and photography)
- Post-colonial and transnational literatures, cultures and identities
- Peripheral and minority cultures and identities
- The study of socialist and post-socialist Europe
- Comparative NGO and civil society studies
- Zizek and ideology studies
- Lacanian cultural (especially film) analysis
- Popular cultures especially crime fictions and film
- Comics and graphic fiction
The School of Optometry and Vision Sciences is an internationally recognised centre for undergraduate and postgraduate optometric education and for basic and applied vision research. Our degree schemes combine both a scientific and a clinical training. Our staff are highly motivated world-leading experts in their disciplines.

**GRADUATE DESTINATIONS**
Primary healthcare optometry / Hospital optometry / Academia

**TOP 10 OPTOMETRY, OPHTHALMOLOGY & ORTHOPTICS IN THE UK**
1. Glasgow Caledonian University
2. Ulster University
3. Cardiff University
4. Aston University
5. University of Manchester
6. City, University of London
7. University of Sheffield
8. University of Bradford
9. University of Liverpool
10. University of Hertfordshire

Ranked by The Complete University Guide 2019

**OTHER RANKINGS**
7th — Health Professions in The Guardian University Guide 2019
4th — Allied Health Professions, ranking by Research Quality Standard, REF 2014
16th — Subjects Allied to Medicine in the Times Good University Guide 2018

The pass rate of our graduates in their Professional Exams is consistently 15-20% above the national average.

College of Optometrists 2013-2017

**COURSES**

**UNDERGRADUATE COURSES**
3 Year Optometry BSc
4 Year Optometry BSc
optomadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk

**POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
Clinical Optometry MSc
Clinical Optometry Diploma
Clinical Optometry Certificate
Glaucoma Certificate
Eye Care Governance Certificate
Postgraduate Certificate in Independent Prescribing
pgoptom@cardiff.ac.uk

**PHD RESEARCH AREAS**
Clinical Investigation & Vision Sciences
Visual Neuroscience
Structural Biophysics
visionpg@cardiff.ac.uk

The School is housed in a custom-designed £22 million building in the heart of Cardiff.

The School contains the Welsh Optometric Postgraduate Education Centre (WOPEC), which provides a range of postgraduate taught courses.

‘Coming to Cardiff has been a phenomenal chapter in my life. I’m fascinated by vision and Optometry combines my love of Physics, problem solving and working with people. The building has a network of clinic bays, modern and well-equipped for clinic and research and the £22m building is an energising environment.’

Libby Ainsworth, BSc Optometry, UK
The School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences is one of the UK’s leaders in clinical skills development. It’s also where world-leading research takes place that’s recognised internationally for its quality and impact. Students work alongside our dedicated academic team and enjoy excellent research facilities while being based in the thriving capital city of Wales.

**COURSES**

**GRADUATE DESTINATIONS**
Hospital pharmacy / Community pharmacy / Primary care pharmacy / Industrial pharmacy / Academic pharmacy

**UNDERGRADUATE COURSES**
Pharmacy MPharm
pharmacy-ug@cardiff.ac.uk
Towards the end of your degree, staff at the School will assist you in finding a pre-registration post. For more than a decade, all of our graduates have secured pre-registration posts before their graduation.

**POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
Cancer Biology and Therapeutics MSc
Clinical Research MSc/PgDip (part-time/distance learning)
pgtphmyadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk

The adaptability of our graduates makes them highly sought after by industry, commerce and academia and the option of a one-year professional undergraduate placement further increases their skills and employability.

The School of Physics and Astronomy has an international reputation for research excellence and a strong commitment to innovative and supportive teaching. Our undergraduate and MSc degree programmes are designed to offer you an intellectual challenge and tuition in solving real-life problems.

**COURSES**

**GRADUATE DESTINATIONS**
BAE Systems / DWP / EDF / Jaguar Landrover / NASA / Rolls Royce / Banking

**UNDERGRADUATE COURSES**
Astrophysics MPhys/BSc
Physics* MPhys/BSc
Physics with Astronomy* MPhys/BSc
Physics and Mathematics BSc
Physics with Medical Physics BSc
physics-ug@cardiff.ac.uk

*Also available with placement year

**POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
Astrophysics MSc
Compound Semiconductor Physics MSc
Data Intensive Physics MSc
Data Intensive Astrophysics MSc
Gravitational Wave Physics MSc†
Physics MSc
physics-pg@cardiff.ac.uk

† Subject to final approval

**PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS**
Astrophysics
Biophotonics
Brain Imaging
Compound Semiconductors
Gravitational Waves
Nanoscale Diamonds
Observational and Theoretical Astronomy and Quantum Devices

physics-pg@cardiff.ac.uk
Cardiff University’s School of Psychology is one of the largest and most successful departments in the UK. We offer outstanding undergraduate and postgraduate teaching informed by international cutting-edge research. We are proud to recruit the best students and faculty from anywhere in the world.

**GRADUATE DESTINATIONS**
Clinical Psychology / Educational Psychology / Forensic Psychology / Mental Health Support / Human Factors Consulting / Human Resources / Speech Therapy / PhD Research / Public Health / Teaching / Business / Government / Civil Service

**TOP 10 RESEARCH QUALITY IN THE UK**
1 — University of Oxford
2 — Cardiff University
3 — University of Cambridge
4 — University of York
5 — Birkbeck College
6 — Royal Holloway College & Bedford New College
7 — Imperial College of Science, Technology & Medicine
8 — University of Birmingham
9 — Newcastle University
10 — University of Sussex

*REF ranking by Research Quality Standard 2014*

**OTHER RANKINGS**
40th — QS World University Rankings 2018/19
7th — Guardian University Guide 2019
14th — The Times Good University Guide 2018

**COURSES**

**FOUNDATION COURSE**
Psychology
foundation@cardiff.ac.uk

**UNDERGRADUATE COURSES**
Psychology BSc
Psychology with Professional Placement BSc
psychology-ug@cardiff.ac.uk

**POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
Certificate and Diploma programmes in Cognitive Behavioural Therapies
cbt-admin@cardiff.ac.uk
Neuroimaging: Methods and Applications MSc
psych-masters@cardiff.ac.uk
Social Science Research Methods MSc
ssrm@cardiff.ac.uk

Undergraduate courses are accredited and provide a platform to professional branches of psychology.

**PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS**
Psychology
Neuroscience:
— Behavioural Neuroscience
— Cognitive Neuroscience
— Imaging Science
Cognitive Science:
— Perception and Action
— Cognitive Psychology
Developmental & Health Psychology
Social & Environmental Psychology:
— Social Psychology
— Risk and Environment
psych-phd@cardiff.ac.uk

Year-long work placements and paid summer internships available.

‘The independence that I gained during my stay and studies in Cardiff is something that has shaped my life and career until today.’

Yang SuYin, BSc Psychology, Singapore
The School of Social Sciences is an engaged and interdisciplinary teaching and research community. We are internationally recognised as a centre of excellence across a range of subject areas, including sociology, social policy, criminology, education and social work. Our interdisciplinary approach creates an engaging and enjoyable learning environment for all of our students.

We enjoy excellent links with local and national government, major private and public sector organisations and the third sector.

We offer a range of support schemes for our students including peer mentoring, personal tutors, English Language tuition and our unique ‘iSOCSI’ mentoring scheme for international students.
Welsh literature, language and culture, long-recognised for research and teaching excellence. We have welcomed many international students over the years who have worked with our expert faculty exploring areas such as bilingualism, language planning and policy, minority language rights, translation technologies, education and literature. If you choose to study with us, you will become part of a close-knit, friendly and supportive community in the heart of Wales’ capital. We are committed to helping you achieve your academic and professional ambitions.

Ysgol y Gymraeg/School of Welsh

Location John Percival Building (map ref 16)
Total students 81
Number of staff 18
% international students 2%

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
Education / Marketing and PR / Arts & Culture / Public Policy / Civil Service
Translation / Media production / Journalism / Heritage / Publishing

Our MA programme has achieved a 100% score for overall student satisfaction for two consecutive years (PTES 2016 & 2017). 100% of our undergraduates were in employment or further study within six months of graduating (NSS 2017).

TOP CELTIC STUDIES IN THE UK
1  — University of Cambridge
2  — Bangor University
3  — University of Glasgow
4  — Aberystwyth University
5  — Cardiff University
6  — Queen’s University Belfast
7  — University of Highlands & Islands
8  — Swansea University
9  — Ulster University
Ranked by the Complete University Guide 2019

OTHER RANKINGS
5th — Celtic Studies in The Times Good University Guide 2018
7th — Modern Languages and Linguistics Research Quality, REF 2014

COURSES

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Welsh language proficiency is required for our undergraduate programmes, full details are available on our website.

Welsh BA
Welsh and the Professional Workplace BA
Law and Welsh LLB
Welsh and Education BA
Welsh and English Language BA
Welsh and English Literature BA
Welsh and French BA
Welsh and History BA
Welsh and Italian BA
Welsh and Journalism BA
Welsh and Music BA
Welsh and Philosophy BA
Welsh and Politics BA
Welsh and Religious Studies BA
Welsh and Spanish BA
Business Management with Welsh BSc
derbyncymraeg@caerdydd.ac.uk

You can study our postgraduate programmes through the medium of Welsh or English.

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Welsh and Celtic Studies MA
derbyncymraeg@caerdydd.ac.uk

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
Our postgraduate research students undertake projects in the following areas:

Welsh Literature (Medieval, Renaissance, Modern)
Welsh American Studies
Literary and Critical Theory
Textual Transmission: Oral and Written
Creative and Critical Writing
Bilingualism and Second Language Acquisition
Sociolinguistics
Language Planning and Policy
derbyncymraeg@caerdydd.ac.uk

We supervise research on language and literature in both Welsh and international contexts. Recent student projects include:

– From ‘Black’ Wales to the ‘White’ Page: Re-constructing Otherness and Multiculturalism in Fiction from Wales, since 1990 (Lisa Sheppard)
– Igaeltacht: replicating a rural linguistic community in an online and cross-platform world (John Caulfield)
– A comparative study of trilingual families in Helsinki and Cardiff (Kaisa Pankakoski)
– Language Variation and Change in Cardiff Welsh (Ianto Gruffydd)
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.

Studying 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.

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.
Cardiff is a truly international university, with partnerships and projects around the world which our students are able to take advantage of. Our Global Opportunities (GO) team is here to make spending time abroad as part of your Cardiff experience a reality for undergraduate students studying at Cardiff.

Studying, working or volunteering abroad as part of your undergraduate university experience is a great way to broaden your academic knowledge, immerse yourself in another culture and gain skills valued by employers.

*Spend time abroad*

**As part of your degree**

Study or work abroad as part of your degree – gain valuable experience and international perspective on your chosen subject through our exchange opportunities.

**During your summer holiday**

**Study** abroad with opportunities to explore Spanish culture and language in Mexico, global business at the University of Hong Kong, entrepreneurship and innovation in Singapore or engineering and sustainability in Germany.

**Work** abroad through an international internship to help you stand out in the global jobs market, with opportunities in Hong Kong, China, Thailand, USA, Colombia and more.

**Volunteer** in India, Fiji, Japan, Europe and beyond, joining teams of students knowing that your hard work will make a positive contribution to your host community.

**Why GO?**

Studying, working or volunteering abroad will not only enhance your CV by demonstrating key skills such as cross-cultural communication, flexibility and collaborative working, but can also enable you to broaden your perspectives and develop personally.

Students spend time abroad to:
- experience different cultures
- learn new languages and skills
- improve their understanding of the world around them
- make new friends and share unforgettable experiences
- develop international connections
- enhance their CV and improve career prospects.

Find out more at:
www.cardiff.ac.uk/global-opportunity

*Opportunities listed are available for 2018 entry and provided as a guide. Opportunities will vary from year to year and you should check with the GO team for the most up to date information.*
International Foundation Programme

The International Foundation Programme (IFP) is a one year academic programme taught at Cardiff University. It is designed to give you the academic and English language skills needed to enter an undergraduate degree scheme.

Why choose 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

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.

More information
For more information and to make an application, please visit www.cardiff.ac.uk/ifp or e-mail foundation@cardiff.ac.uk

The International Foundation Programme offers direct routes to the following subject areas:

- **Business**
  Accounting & Finance, Business Management and Economics.

- **Engineering**
  Engineering, Computer Science, Physics, Geology and Geography.

- **Health & Life Sciences**
  Biosciences, Chemistry, Pharmacy and Optometry.

- **Psychology**

- **Humanities & Social Sciences**
  Geography & Planning, Journalism, Law & Politics, Music, Modern Languages, Social Sciences.

Students can also apply for progression to a variety of other courses offered at Cardiff University.
English language programmes

The English for University Study Programme is a full-time English language and study skills course in academic English. It is specifically designed for international students.

English for University Study Programme
www.cardiff.ac.uk/elt/

It is a good choice if you:

– plan to continue your higher education studies at foundation, undergraduate or postgraduate level
– are looking for an intensive course with an academic focus to improve your general English.

You will need to take a test to demonstrate your English is of an appropriate level.

The programme provides you with the skills and language needed for a smooth transition into academic study. The aim is to develop confident and successful students who are equipped for university study in the UK. Our Academic Schools will accept the English for University Study Exit Test scores instead of IELTS. Exit tests can be taken in December, March and June.

The English for University Study Programme has three entry points in September, January and April.

Included in the course:

– 20 tuition hours per week (plus self-study and assignments)
– A formal transcript showing assessments completed and indicating your level of language proficiency at completion of the course
– one-to-one tutorial guidance and support
– use of all University academic and social facilities, including resource centres, computer workstations, sport and fitness centres, and the Students’ Union.

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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.

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

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.

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Resitting IELTS is not needed to progress onto courses at Cardiff University.

More information
For more information and to make an application, please visit: www.cardiff.ac.uk/elt or email elt@cardiff.ac.uk
how to apply

1. Find your course
Find the academic and English language requirements for your course on our website:

www.cardiff.ac.uk/study

2. Check your eligibility
Check your qualifications are suitable on our country advice pages

www.cardiff.ac.uk/study/international/your-country

or contact the International Office:

international@cardiff.ac.uk

In some countries an educational advisor may also be able to help you

3. Apply

Undergraduate / Bachelor
Undergraduate applications must be submitted online through UCAS:

www.ucas.com

Postgraduate Taught / Master’s / PhD
You can apply directly to the University and track your application through our online portal (SIMS) at:

www.cardiff.ac.uk/apply

4. Gather your documentation
To complete the application form you will need:

– Exam results (original certificates and transcripts)
– References
– Personal statement
– English language certificates

PhD students - If you are applying with your own research idea you must also find a supervisor and submit a research proposal:

– Search for academic staff in the School who match your area of research interest
– contact the academic with your proposal and introduce yourself

Find useful tips at: www.cardiff.ac.uk/postgradapply

5. Submit your application

Is there an application fee?

Undergraduate – The University does not charge an application fee, however UCAS will charge a small fee of £24 to process your application

Postgraduate – For the vast majority of courses, the University does not charge an application fee

When is the application deadline?

Undergraduate – The official UCAS deadline for most courses is 30 June. If you want to apply after this date, please contact the International Office: international@cardiff.ac.uk. If you are applying for Medicine or Dentistry, the application deadline is 15 October prior to entry in September the following year

Postgraduate – Most postgraduate courses do not have a deadline, however the University encourages you to apply as early as possible to avoid disappointment. You must ensure you have enough time to complete the application process and, where applicable, get a visa. Some courses can become full quite quickly. It is recommended that you apply 9-12 months in advance of the course starting
How to write your personal statement

Your personal statement is an opportunity to tell the University about yourself, say why you’re interested in the course and provide details of any relevant experience you have. Here are some useful tips for writing a good personal statement:

Be enthusiastic
Admissions tutors are looking for students who are passionate about the area they are studying. Tell us why you are interested in the course, what research you have done into the subject and what you plan to do after you graduate.

Include any work experience
Telling us about any relevant work or volunteering experience will demonstrate your commitment. This is very important for any healthcare related courses, which requires you to demonstrate an understanding of the demands of working in these professions.

Show you can be part of a team
Admissions tutors are looking for students that will integrate and work well with other students. If you have been a member of a team or held a position of responsibility, you should show how these experiences will help in your studies.

Include your interests
The University looks for students who will contribute to the wider student community. You should provide information on your social and cultural hobbies, such as community volunteering, playing a musical instrument and sport.

Demonstrate ability in English
Detail how you have used English since your last English exam (for example: at work or during your studies) and check your spelling and grammar. It is a good idea to ask somebody to proofread your personal statement.

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.

How long will it take to have a decision made on my application?
The University endeavours to make a decision on applications within six weeks, however during busy times it may take longer. If you have not had a response after six weeks please contact the International Office. Because PhD applications are more complicated, they can take longer to assess.

Common questions

English language requirements

In addition to academic qualifications, the University also requires an English language qualification from all applicants. We accept IELTS, TOEFL, and IGCSE/GCSE amongst many other qualifications including Indian Year 12 and WAEC. Different courses will require you to achieve different scores, however, most courses usually require a score of 6.5 in IELTS (with at least 5.5 in each sub-score) or equivalent qualification.

Some courses require a higher overall score, especially those that are language-based and require more complex English usage. You should check the website, contact the School or ask the International Office if you are unsure of the requirement. If you do not have the required English language level you may want to consider an English language course at Cardiff University. More information is on page 42.

You may also find this table of equivalencies useful:

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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.

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 2018/19 session, the University estimated that:

— An undergraduate student (September – June) needed £8,996 a year

— A postgraduate student (September - September) needed £11,405 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 £680 a month for each family member.

Working Part-Time

Cardiff University is in the middle of one of Europe’s fastest growing cities and there are many opportunities for part-time employment both on campus, and in the city. The University’s “Jobshop” offers a free service to help you find part-time employment. Usual jobs for students include helping out in shops and at events, call centre work and basic office assistance.

Most international students can work up to 20 hours during term time and full time during the holidays. The University does not recommend you work the full 20 hours during the term because studying in the UK is intensive and you will need to make sure you have enough time to complete all your coursework and reading.

The table below compares average monthly rent across the UK according to the Natwest Student Living Index 2017.

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<th>City</th>
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