The Public Value Business School





Cardiff Business School Postgraduate Programmes

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Key facts

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You'll never be far from a Cardiff Connection with 36,000 business graduates across Europe, the USA and Canada, Africa, the Middle East and Asia. £13.5m

Postgraduate Teaching Centre

This fully-customised space extends our school to three buildings and features dedicated postgraduate social and study spaces and a state-of-the-art trading room.



The Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business gave us its stamp of approval again in 2023. This international hallmark is awarded to the world's elite business schools.



We were accredited by the Association of MBAs (AMBA) in 2021, one of the world's leading authorities on postgraduate business education.

Career Enhancer Service

Our Career Enhancer Service gives you dedicated support from professional advisers to enhance your entry into the workplace and fulfil your career ambitions.



Our excellence in promoting enterprise among our students and supporting small and medium-sized enterprises has been recognised by the Small Business Charter.

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Learn to make a difference

We do everything we can to equip you with the professional knowledge and business skills to make a positive contribution to the world during your studies and beyond.

At Cardiff Business School, you'll receive a first-class business education shaped by world-leading academics and business leaders that have different points of view. They'll challenge your thinking as they show you the world of business from alternative perspectives.

You'll benefit from a range of Cardiff Connections, including our elite network of business leaders and your own lifelong community of peer experts.

We believe that business is society. You'll practice ethics and social responsibility so you can contribute to the wider world, before and after you graduate.

You'll develop entrepreneurial skills through a focus on curiosity and creativity so you can lead change – whether you want to be an innovator within a business or set up your own social enterprise.

You'll gain a competitive edge in a global market by using your energy and compassion to ensure that business is not just effective, but also a force for good.

You'll shape your own education experience by giving us your point of view and making choices that work for you.

We're focused on your future. Our Career Enhancer Team is ready and waiting to help you gain work experience and achieve your future aspirations.

We look forward to you joining us in Cardiff soon and, for now, we wish you every success in your studies.

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Professor Rachel AshworthDean of Cardiff Business School





We stand for responsibility

"Today, we're faced with a pressing need for change at a global level. However, it is at the local, individual level where we are able to contribute in our own positive way. This is something I believe we all have a responsibility to do. Connecting global with local helps us realise how."

Professor Peter Wells Pro-Dean for Public Value

≥ Find out more at cardiff.ac.uk/publicvalue

A business school with purpose

At Cardiff Business School our purpose is clear – to make a positive impact on the world. Our ethos is to bring humanity, sustainability, generosity and courage to all that we do.

We understand that businesses and organisations are facing an unprecedented pace and scale of change, and that they need business leaders with socially aware skills, knowledge and experience. They need people with empathy and a sensitivity to diverse values and beliefs.

We are inspired by our responsibility to future generations.

We celebrate our duty to communities locally and around the globe.

We champion vibrant, innovative and sustainable economies.

WE CALL THIS PUBLIC VALUE. IT'S OUR PURPOSE.

Our students - you - are central to this ethos. As leaders and innovators of the future, you'll go on to transform the world for the better. We'll equip you with the tools, techniques and attitudes needed to make these changes.

Key to our success is our research, which focuses on helping to solve pressing global issues. This research underpins our teaching, giving you insight into the latest developments. Our work centres around five grand challenges:

- decent work
- ✓ fair and sustainable economies
- future organisations
- good governance

We remain at the forefront of these issues by collaborating with organisations ranging from large multinationals to local charities, including social enterprises, co-operatives, entrepreneurial start-ups and government agencies.

We use these networks to deliver value for you through:

- □ real-world placements and projects
- peer-to-peer collaborative learning and group work
- ∠ collaboration with our Public Value Entrepreneurs in Residence
- guest lectures and seminars with business leaders
- field trips and workshops

We'll inspire you to go out into the world full of vitality, energy and optimism. With a desire to make a difference, the confidence to enact change and the skills to make it a reality.

For many of our students, graduation is not the end of our relationship, but the start of a lifelong journey of mutual learning within a community of Public Value ambassadors.

We cannot do this without you. Together we can make a difference.

Professor Peter Wells
Pro-Dean for Public Value

Your business advantage

What sets us apart are our values, but when you join us at Cardiff Business School, you can also expect the highest standard of teaching, informed by world-class research.

BUSINESS EXCELLENCE

We pursue excellence across our research, teaching and engagement activity. In recognition of this, we are accredited by the Association of MBAs (AMBA), one of the world's leading authorities on postgraduate business education. We were also successfully re-accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB) in 2023. These accreditations are a hallmark of excellence for the world's elite business schools, demonstrating the first-class academic experience you've received as you go on to make a difference in your professional career.

BUSINESS, INDUSTRY AND BEYOND

We work together with a range of different stakeholders to maximise our contribution to local, national and international communities. Engagement of this kind sees us partner and collaborate with organisations in business, industry, government and sectors beyond.

Forging these links means our students are in pole position for live business projects, professional placements and insights while building professional networks.

ENTERPRISE

Our culture of student enterprise and small business support earned us the prestigious Small Business Charter award. So, if you think you've got what it takes to start your own business, then this is the place for you. You'll get support to develop entrepreneurial skills, opportunities to attend mentoring events, competitions and, of course, first-class business support as a student and member of our alumni community.

EMPLOYABILITY

Our team of employability professionals is here for you too. Their expertise is at your disposal for advice on careers, industry placements and employability initiatives during your degree.

RESEARCH EXCELLENCE

Our teaching is informed by our world-leading research, ensuring you're exposed to the latest thinking and theory to apply to the global business challenges which lay ahead in your career.

In the 2021 Research Excellence Framework, we achieved:

- highest possible score for research environment
- ≥ 2nd among 108 UK business schools for research power

OUTSTANDING FACILITIES

We have outstanding facilities across three buildings, including Wales' largest Trading Room. This fully-equipped modern space is based in our £13.5m Postgraduate Teaching Centre and used extensively on our banking, finance and economics programmes.

YOUR STUDENT LIFE

Our investment in study, support and social facilities offers you the very best environment to achieve success.

You'll have access to a dedicated Student Support Adviser. They're your first port of call for advice on a range of issues, including fees and funding, visas, housing, counselling, mental health and well-being.

→ Find out more at cardiff.ac.uk/business-school











Business Management (MSc)

Become an effective manager who can offer creative solutions to a variety of business challenges.

AT A GLANCE

EXAMPLE MODULES

Understanding Organisations and the Business Environment

Global Marketing

Strategic and Operational Decision Making

Managing People

Analysing Financial Performance

STUDY DURATION

1 year full-time or 2 years with a Professional Placement Year

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

6.0 in each category.

2:1 degree, GPA 3.0/4.0, or equivalent from an approved university. Non-graduates with approved professional qualifications or work experience may also be considered.

IELTS: 6.5 with at least

Managers are having to respond to an increasingly complex global business environment. Contemporary workplaces often span continents, online and offline, delivering diverse products and services in a period of economic austerity.

Consequently, organisations are looking for managers who can do things differently; managers from different places and professions to lead a new movement in business.

The business of changing the world is ours.

Our MSc in Business Management starts with you. Whatever your background, we'll bring you up to speed on the latest research and practice in business management, across core areas like marketing, strategy, finance, logistics, economics and human resources.

Our experts will help you explore key management skills so that you have the competitive edge to launch a successful management career. They'll use internationally

recognised research to share essential insights into the world of business and beyond. This research-led teaching will help you evaluate the social, economic and environmental implications of management decision making in a range of sectoral and international contexts.

BUSINESS IN ACTION

Economic uncertainty, changing government policy, media coverage, protest and environmental considerations are just some of the external forces which impact upon management practice in organisations across the world.

On our Business in Action module, you'll focus on a contemporary debate or issue of this kind relevant to your future career. Taken at the end of your second semester, this is your opportunity to apply knowledge and skills acquired on the programme so far, to a large-scale and complex global dilemma of your choice.

"We've designed our new MSc in Business Management for those with the ambition to launch a successful management career. We'll build your confidence and capability through involvement in real business challenges, team consultancy projects and strategic debates."

Professor Sarah Hurlow (above)
Professor of Leadership





CONSULTANCY CHALLENGE

Organisations of all kinds recognise that every employee has a unique set of skills. In order to effectively tackle some of the most complex business challenges, it's necessary to deploy a team where everyone's strengths can contribute to the solution.

Our Consultancy Challenge module reflects this team-working environment.

You'll join classmates from all over the world to identify, investigate and implement solutions to organisational challenges in real business contexts. Recognising specific strengths and team talents, you'll support each other to speak up and out, share ideas and take action.

PROFESSIONAL PLACEMENT YEAR

Extend our MSc in Business Management to two years with a Professional Placement. This year in industry is your opportunity to put theory into practice and apply business know-how in a professional setting.

You'll get paid to make a difference to a public, private or third sector organisation in the UK or abroad.

Working together with industry professionals, you'll discover new ways of doing things by challenging assumptions, taking risks and using your imagination to bring about positive change.

This is also your chance to listen and learn as you absorb the practical skills and professional confidence to secure a management position in the graduate employment market.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

Choose to transfer into our 2-year programme with a Professional Placement Year.

Join a management programme designed for students from any disciplinary background.

Evaluate the social, economic and environmental implications of managerial decision making in a range of sectoral and international business contexts.

Shape your professional network with support from career advisers and high profile guest speakers.





International Management (MSc)

Learn tools and techniques to recognise and resolve ethical dilemmas in global business.

AT A GLANCE

EXAMPLE MODULES

Governance, Regulation and Standards in Global Business

Globalisation and Labour

International Ethics

Cross Cultural Management

Managing Nature

STUDY DURATION

1 year full-time

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

2:1 degree, GPA 3.0/4.0, in a humanities, social sciences or business programme. Alternative degree backgrounds and relevant work experience may also be considered.

IELTS: 6.5 with at least 6.0 in each category.

SELECTION OR INTERVIEW PROCESS

Applicants must submit a personal statement demonstrating their interest in the programme.

Globalisation means the world is more connected than ever. Increased trade and cultural exchange give organisations opportunities to expand internationally and meet the growing demand for goods and services that span continents.

But progress comes at a price. The people and places affected by our global marketplace face overwhelming challenges in employment and environment, regulation and responsibility, politics and profiteering.

The business of changing the world is ours.

Our MSc in International Management addresses these global issues. We'll help you ask fundamental questions about the ethics of business, so that you can become a responsible international manager capable of contributing sustainable and ethically informed solutions to society's grand challenges.

Our experts will prepare you for worldwide career opportunities, helping you explore core business functions and the role of managers in international organisations. They'll use internationally recognised research to give you a critical understanding of the social, political and ethical context of business in a globalised world where sustainable business practices are increasingly important.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

Take an International Study Tour to destinations like Airbus France and Toulouse Business School.

Understand real-world management challenges from high-profile business speakers and company visits.

Address a contemporary business challenge in your International Management Project.

"I enjoyed learning about the importance of sustainable management in the push for net-zero emissions. We analysed different sustainable management approaches and produced reports on the sustainable practices of leading international firms."

James Howells (above)
International Management (MSc)



"People go into business to change the world. If we don't look at the impact we have on society, people, and the planet then we won't leave a mark. The most effective way to view the success of a business is through the lens of public value and social impact."

Benjamin Southgate
Business Management (MSc 2021)

▶ Find out more at cardiff.ac.uk/publicvalue



Human Resource Management (MSc)

Develop professional HR skills from our academic and practitioner experts on this CIPD-accredited programme.

AT A GLANCE

EXAMPLE MODULES

Employment Relations

Leadership, Work and Organisation

Employment Law

The Practice of HR in the Modern Workplace

Reward Management

STUDY DURATION

1 year full-time 2 years part-time

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

2:1 degree, GPA 3.0/4.0 in business, social sciences, humanities, law or other relevant subjects, from an approved university or the international equivalent.

IELTS: 7.0 with at least 6.0 in each category.

Attracting the right people and nurturing their talent is crucial to the success of every organisation and a key source of competitive advantage. But in a culture which values and rewards 'a live to work' mentality, balance and wellbeing are increasingly under threat.

This must change.

Highly skilled and knowledgeable HR professionals who can question, critically evaluate and make effective judgements can be this change.

The business of changing the world is ours.

Our MSc in Human Resource Management focuses on the differences you can make to organisations and their employees. You'll develop the confidence, knowledge and skills to question, evaluate and make effective judgements on strategies and practices that deliver impact and value.

Our team of academic and practitioner experts will prepare you for a career as a HR professional, developing your critical

analysis, negotiation, problem solving and conflict resolution skills. They'll use internationally recognised research to illustrate how HR practitioners shape and influence an organisation's recruitment process, working culture and performance.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

Get the latest insights on HR research and practice from high-profile business speakers and company visits.

Address a contemporary business challenge in your Human Resource Management Project.

Choose to study alongside employment on a part-time basis.

ACCREDITATION



"The knowledge and intelligence within the walls of the Business School was just phenomenal! I loved the atmosphere created by studying with a range of multi-national students. The teaching is current and informative too."

Julie Lakin

Human Resource Management (MSc)

International Human Resource Management (MSc)

Acquire the expertise to become a responsible HR practitioner in a global business world.

Advances in business operations and technology across a global marketplace have created challenges for the management of a multicultural workforce.

This has led to an increased demand for responsible HR professionals to facilitate cross-border activities.

The business of changing the world is ours.

Our MSc in International Human Resource Management attracts a global cohort seeking to manage people differently. In preparation for a career in international HR, you'll learn to combine specialist technical knowledge with a strong understanding of the social, political, cultural and ethical contexts of business.

Our team of academic and practitioner experts will help you get to grips with the fundamentals of this influential field. You'll put human resource management into the context of multinational corporations while addressing the challenges of creating sustainable and ethically informed HR solutions.

They'll use leading research and real-life examples to give you a critical understanding of the relationship between globalisation and the management of labour, cross cultural management and employment relations, so you're equipped with the knowledge and expertise to practice human resource management in a multinational, globalised context.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

Get the latest insights on HR research and practice from high-profile business speakers and company visits.

Address a global business challenge in your International Human Resource Management Project.

Acquire knowledge and expertise to practice human resource management in a multinational, globalised context.

AT A GLANCE

EXAMPLE MODULES

Globalisation and the Management of Labour

International Management

Contemporary Issues in HR Research

Cross Cultural Management

International Business Ethics

STUDY DURATION

1 year full-time

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

2:1 degree, GPA 3.0/4.0 in business, social sciences, humanities, law or other relevant subjects, from an approved university or the international equivalent.

IELTS: 7.0 with at least 6.0 in each category.





Marketing (MSc)

Bring your interests and expertise to a marketing programme designed for students from any disciplinary background.

AT A GLANCE

EXAMPLE MODULES

Marketing Fundamentals

Marketing in Context

Digital Marketing

International Marketing

Brand Management

STUDY DURATION

1 year full-time

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

2:1 degree from an approved university. Non-graduates with approved professional qualifications or work experience may also be considered under certain circumstances.

IELTS: 6.5 with at least 6.0 in each category.

Marketing is the business of engaging with the world.

Positive relationships with customers, employees, suppliers, other businesses, local communities, government and regulatory authorities are fundamental to organisational success.

Marketing ensures the reputational alignment of all these relationships through an understanding of behaviour, decision making and market research.

The business of changing the world is ours.

Our MSc in Marketing is designed to enhance your previous study with additional insights into core marketing concepts, processes and skills. We'll help you become a marketing professional capable of analysing organisational scenarios and formulating evidence-based action plans.

Working with our academic and practitioner experts, you'll explore the principles and practices of marketing

and how they can be deployed in multiple sectors, from goods-centred activities to service environments and across contrasting international contexts.

You'll use leading research and real-life examples to identify ways in which organisations deliver value through marketing and research activities.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

See marketing in action on company visits and from high-profile guest speakers.

Address a contemporary business challenge as part of a team in a live Marketing Project.

Explore contemporary issues in marketing as you put marketing in context in different organisational settings.

ACCREDITATION



"Our MSc in Marketing is designed and delivered by academics who are world leaders in their field. It challenges students to develop core marketing skills in research, analysis and application."

Dr Mark Toon

Lecturer in Marketing and Strategy

Strategic Marketing (MSc)

Carve out your niche in the global marketing world with our practically focused programme.



Consequently, marketing professionals with the ability to plan, strategise and operationalise creative campaigns are sought after by international organisations across industries and sectors.

The business of changing the world is ours.

Our MSc in Strategic Marketing puts theory into practice. We'll help you prepare for a career as a marketing professional while making a real difference to the day-to-day operations of a local business.

As part of your Marketing Project, you'll work in a project team and spend two months learning about an organisation's operating environment. You'll analyse their business challenges and design marketing solutions before presenting your proposals to their management board.

To complement this live project, our team of academic and practitioner experts will use internationally recognised research and real-world examples to introduce you

to the latest developments in marketing and strategy. You'll learn about digital media, consumer and organisational behaviour, integrated communications and societal campaigns, to ensure you have the professional knowledge as well as the practical skills to stand out in the graduate job market.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

Address a contemporary business challenge in a public, private or third sector organisation with your live Marketing Management Project.

Join a specialist marketing programme accredited by the Chartered Institute of Marketing.

See marketing in action on company visits and from high-profile guest speakers.

ACCREDITATION





AT A GLANCE

EXAMPLE MODULES

Digital Marketing

Marketing Metrics

Integrated Marketing Communications

Marketing and Society

International Marketing

STUDY DURATION

1 year full-time

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

2:1 honours degree, GPA 3.0/4.0, in a relevant subject area such as business, marketing, or management to include a minimum of UK 60%/2:1, or equivalent, in at least 3 marketing modules (e.g. principles of marketing, marketing communications, consumer behaviour, relationship marketing) and a basic knowledge of mathematics, or an equivalent international degree.

"The marketing project was the most enjoyable part of the course for me. My team produced a practical and insightful marketing plan which was presented to the board in a formal presentation."

Jack McReavie Strategic Marketing (MSc)



Business Strategy and Entrepreneurship (MSc)

Develop your own business plan for a new venture with support from academic experts and experienced entrepreneurs.

AT A GLANCE

EXAMPLE MODULES

New Venture Plan

Entrepreneurial Marketing

Innovation Management

Leadership and Personal Development

Venture Growth and Development

STUDY DURATION

1 year full-time

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

2:1 degree, GPA 3.0/4.0 in any subject.

IELTS: 6.5 with at least 5.5 in each category.

Non-graduates with approved professional qualifications or work experience may also be considered under certain circumstances.

Some may disagree, but we know entrepreneurship can be taught. But it's not easy. It requires a certain spirit; to be bold and open-minded, curious and creative, imaginative and idealistic. You must rewrite the rules. Take risks. And learn from your mistakes. Have you got what it takes?

The business of changing the world is ours.

Our MSc in Business Strategy and Entrepreneurship is designed for graduates from all disciplinary backgrounds who want to discover new ways of doing things, by launching their own company or joining an existing organisation in a development or growth position.

We promote a culture of enterprise among our students and in 2017 received the Small Business Charter award in recognition of this. We'll help you realise your business potential, providing opportunities to learn from local businesses and social enterprises.

Our team of academic experts and business partners will prepare you for intrepreneurship and entrepreneurship, helping you explore the economic environment in which organisations operate, acquire financial backing, manage innovations and market products and services. They'll use internationally recognised research and real-world examples to encourage you to reflect on perspectives and practices, so you've got what it takes to start your own business venture or innovate in an existing organisation.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

Develop a business model under the supervision of an experienced entrepreneur.

Plan and pitch a new venture for a start-up or existing organisation to a panel of venture capitalists.

Join a programme where diversity provides a forum for debate and an opportunity to understand how business works in different cultures.

"One great thing about the course is how business is taught through different examples and ideas, and from all kinds of fields. It's given me the knowledge and skills to build on ideas I'd had studying computer science in India, and craft an entire business out of them."

Subham Agrawal (above)

Business Strategy and Entrepreneurship (MSc)





Accounting and Finance (MSc)

Prepare for your career in financial analysis, asset management or investment banking on our ACCA-accredited programme.

AT A GLANCE

EXAMPLE MODULES

Contemporary Issues in Corporate Reporting

Advanced Management Accounting

Corporate Finance

Global Investment

Financial Technology and Behaviour

STUDY DURATION

1 year full-time

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

2:1 degree, GPA 3.0/4.0 in accounting and finance (separately or combined) from a recognised institution or a related degree which includes: two financial accounting modules, two management accounting modules and two finance modules.

IELTS: 6.5 with at least 6.0 in each category.

The international financial sector has been revolutionised by global financial crises, innovations in financial securities, technological developments, the globalisation of capital markets, financial engineering and changes in regulation.

Collectively, these trends and transformations have increased demand for graduates with analytical ability, specialist knowledge and professional resilience to operate in this sophisticated global arena.

The business of changing the world is ours.

Our MSc in Accounting and Finance is designed to train a new generation of finance professionals to challenge the system with courage and confidence. This will enable you to shape innovation in all areas of business activity while appreciating the significance of accounting and finance for creating a more responsible and sustainable society.

Our team of academic experts and qualified accounting professionals will prepare you for international career opportunities in professional accountancy, management

and consultancy. They'll use world leading research and real-world examples of organisational performance, financial reporting and investment to give you a critical understanding of advanced aspects of accounting and finance.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

Put theory into practice on a programme led by academic researchers and qualified accounting professionals.

Acquire tools and techniques to respond to a volatile financial sector characterised by crises, regulation, globalisation and technological innovations.

Prepare for doctoral study or researchoriented careers with independent research under academic supervision.

ACCREDITATION



"The lecturers and tutors are very patient and communicative. They're always ready to chat with you and share their opinion, which is extremely supportive for international students who might be facing cultural barriers."

Fangyuan Chen
Accounting and Finance (MSc)

Finance (MSc)

Challenge yourself on this practice-focused programme and develop the confidence, knowledge and skills for a successful career in finance.

Technological innovation has added another layer of complexity to a growing global financial market. These innovations have led to new ways of generating wealth. This means that graduates with the desire to do things differently are in high demand.

The business of changing the world is ours.

Our MSc in Finance responds to current trends. We'll help you become a finance professional or PhD-ready postgraduate with advanced decision making and problem-solving expertise to command and interpret financial data, identify ethical trading opportunities and measure and manage risk.

Our experts will prepare you for global career opportunities on the stock exchange, in investment banking, hedge fund management or in consultancy and regulation. They'll use internationally recognised research to demonstrate how statistical and econometric techniques can be applied to model financial data. Reflecting the school's commitment to

public value, you will also have opportunities to explore ethical issues in finance, including responsible investment and corporate social responsibility.

With extensive use of our flagship trading room, you'll undertake a rigorous programme of training as you learn to operate some of the leading financial databases and develop your own trading personality.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

Hone your skills in our trading room, equipped with Global Investor Simulations' Finance Lab Professional platform, TRETS electronic trading system and Bloomberg and Refinitiv Datastream financial databases.

Acquire tools and techniques to respond to a volatile financial sector characterised by crises, regulation, globalisation and technological innovations.

Prepare for doctoral study or researchoriented careers with independent research under academic supervision.



AT A GLANCE

EXAMPLE MODULES

Asset Pricing

Investment Management

Corporate Finance

Quantitative Methods in Finance

Market Structure and Electronic Trading

Financial Technology and Behaviour

STUDY DURATION

1 year full-time

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

2:1 degree, GPA 3.0/4.0 from a recognised institution, in finance or a related degree which includes: one quantitative module with 60% pass rate and three analytical finance modules, all with 60% pass overall.

IELTS: 6.5 with at least 6.0 in each category.

"I want to follow a career in research and contribute to the latest academic thinking in finance. I've learnt about quantitative methods and empirical and mathematical finance which are all crucial tools for any early career researcher in the field of finance."

Shihao Pei (above) Finance (MSc)



Economics (MSc)

Apply advanced economic theory to reframe and resolve contemporary socio-political challenges.

AT A GLANCE

EXAMPLE MODULES

Econometrics

Advanced Macroeconomics

Mathematical Finance

Advanced Political Economy

Macro-Econometric Practice

Topics in Monetary Policy

STUDY DURATION

1 year full-time

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

2:1 honours degree, GPA 3.0/4.0, in economics or a related subject, which must include the following modules all passed with at least UK 60%/2:1, or equivalent: econometrics (or equivalent quantitative module) and macroeconomics, or an equivalent international degree.

IELTS: 7.0 with 7.0 in writing and at least 6.5 in all other categories.

From Brexit and the Bedroom Tax to wages and wealth, environment and energy to health and homelessness, economists have rarely held such influence in the direction and debate of the challenges affecting the communities of the world.

The business of changing the world is ours.

Our MSc in Economics is focused on nurturing a new generation of economics professionals with the tools and techniques to meet the demands of a global economy. We'll help you prepare for careers in government service, industry, international institutions, consultancy and central banks, equipping you with the specialist theoretical knowledge and practical skills to address significant economic challenges.

Our team of academic experts will encourage you to consider the social, economic and ethical implications of your decisions as you encounter the economics of labour, development, policy and trade. They'll draw on their world leading research and real-world consultancy experience to demonstrate how advanced analytical techniques can be leveraged to understand practical problems.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

Attend specialist workshops hosted by our Economics section and explore the latest developments in research and practice.

Learn from renowned faculty with advisory and consultancy experience in public, private and third sector organisations across the world.

Prepare for doctoral study or researchoriented careers with independent research under academic supervision.

"After learning the theory, you begin to understand how the economy is evolving in the real world. Examples such as the trade war between the US and China and the UK voting to leave the EU gave me the opportunity to put my knowledge into practice."

> Aigerim Rysbayeva Economics (MSc)

Financial Economics (MSc)

Gain the analytical, qualitative and quantitative skills to respond to economic problems faced by government agencies, central banks, financial institutions and industry.

The crises of 2008 required the financial sector to embark upon a process of self-reflection and rebuilding. New meaning has been attributed to the concepts of risk and return, and new economic reasoning has been employed to inform and illuminate financial decision-making across organisations' investment portfolios.

The business of finance has changed for good.

Our MSc in Financial Economics embodies this ethos. We'll help you become a finance professional or economist committed to responsible wealth creation, with the expertise to command and interpret financial data, identify ethical trading opportunities and measure and manage risk.

Our experts will prepare you for public or private sector careers in stockbroking, investment banking, financial analysis, corporate treasury, fund management and government agencies. They'll use internationally recognised research to demonstrate how analytical techniques can be leveraged to understand practical problems.

With extensive use of our flagship trading room, you'll undertake a rigorous programme of training to develop a critical understanding of markets for bonds, stocks, currencies and derivatives.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

Hone your skills in our trading room, equipped with Global Investor Simulations' Finance Lab Professional platform, TRETS electronic trading system and Bloomberg and Refinitiv Datastream financial databases.

Enhance your professional decision-making skills with computational methods like E-views.

Prepare for doctoral study or researchoriented careers with independent research under academic supervision.

AT A GLANCE

EXAMPLE MODULES

Microeconomics

Macroeconomics

Principles of Finance

Quantitative Methods

International Finance

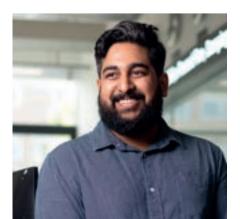
STUDY DURATION

1 year full-time

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

2:1 degree, GPA 3.0/4.0 which must include the following modules all passed with at least 60%: macroeconomics, microeconomics, and quantitative modules.

IELTS: 6.5 with at least 6.0 in each category.



International Economics, Banking and Finance (MSc)

See the 'big picture' of the macro economy and develop the skills to tackle monetary, banking, financial and economic problems across continents.

AT A GLANCE

EXAMPLE MODULES

Contemporary Issues in Money, Banking and Finance

Macroeconomics

Principles of Finance

Quantitative Methods

International Economics and Trade

STUDY DURATION

1 year full-time

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

2:1 degree, GPA 3.0/4.0 which must include the following modules all passed with at least 60%: basic quantitative methods, macroeconomics and microeconomics.

IELTS: 6.5 with at least 6.0 in each category.

The globalisation of the world's economy means that public, private and third sector organisations are especially susceptible to the impact of political and economic events or crises, and contrasting approaches to monetary policy under different central banking regimes.

The business of changing the world is ours.

Our MSc in International Economics, Banking and Finance focuses on these global challenges. We'll help you become a business professional who specialises in finance, commerce and regulation with a cross-cutting analytical, qualitative and quantitative skillset to tackle complex financial challenges.

Through extensive use of our flagship trading room, you'll undertake a rigorous programme of training in modern economics and financial methods. These analytical tools and techniques will give you a critical understanding of banking behaviour, decision-making under uncertainty and risk management in a global context.

Our experts will prepare you for international career opportunities in banking, finance, in a national treasury or government agency, with research-led teaching and practice-based learning in the areas of money, banking, finance and trade.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

Hone your skills in our trading room, equipped with Global Investor Simulations' Finance Lab Professional platform, TRETS electronic trading system and Bloomberg and Refinitiv Datastream financial databases.

Get the latest economic and financial research insights from high-profile guest speakers.

Join a new generation of thinkers and apply analytical techniques to solve economic and socio-political challenges.

"My experience and academic training helped me to break into the foreign banking world in Shanghai. Now I'm a Managing Director overseeing a corporate portfolio in China."

Xu Zhang

International Economics, Banking and Finance (MSc)



"Businesses have a responsibility to the communities in which they operate, which includes being transparent about their values and allowing them to be observed and measured by the public. Ultimately, greater accountability helps to maintain pressure on businesses to do good."

Dr Penny Chaidali Lecturer in Accounting

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Sustainable Supply Chain Management (MSc)

Become a supply chain manager of the future and learn from academics at the forefront of their field.

AT A GLANCE

EXAMPLE MODULES

Strategic Supply Chain Management

Sustainability for Business

Supply Chain Social Sustainability

Building Sustainable Supply Chains

Responsible Purchasing and Supply Management

STUDY DURATION

1 year full-time

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

2:1 degree or equivalent. We also accept students who do not have a first degree. You'll be considered for the programme if you have relevant and significant work experience.

IELTS: 6.5 with at least 6.0 in each category.

Supply chain managers are at the cutting edge of innovation, employing the latest technologies including artificial intelligence, block chain, big data analytics and automation to deliver their products and services effectively and efficiently.

The underside of such innovation is not nearly as progressive. Fierce competition within supply chains means that prices are driven down through outsourcing and subcontracting. In this race to the bottom, sustainability and ethics are often afterthoughts.

The business of changing the world is ours.

Our MSc in Sustainable Supply Chain Management has a unique focus on sustainability and ethical trading. We'll help you become a professional capable of making decisions that consider the full range of economic, social and environmental impacts of supply chains.

Our experts will draw on academic and consultancy expertise to prepare you for

global career opportunities, introducing you to all aspects of supply chain management, including procurement, supply and distribution of products. They'll use internationally recognised research to give you a critical insight into cross-cutting issues such as the impact of technology, emergency and humanitarian operations, and environmental performance and responsibility.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

Consider the full range of economic, social and environmental impacts of supply chains with a unique emphasis on sustainability.

Collaborate with an industrial partner on a research project while collecting primary data for your dissertation.

Customise your degree and follow your interests in e-business, responsible purchasing, trade or project management.

ACCREDITATION



"After my undergraduate degree, I became really interested in sustainability within the clothing industry. This course has been the perfect way to learn about economic, social and environmental sustainability and how these relate to businesses and global supply chains."

Emily Baldwin

Sustainable Supply Chain Management (MSc)

Logistics and Operations Management (MSc)

Develop the knowledge and skills to manage these critical business functions.



Producing and delivering products and services on time, in budget, effectively and efficiently, is critical to the economic viability of contemporary organisations. But with growing demand across vast geographies, viability is constantly under threat.

In order to meet these demands, logistics and operations management professionals are increasingly drawn from diverse disciplinary backgrounds including mathematics, economics, engineering, geography, law, management and psychology.

The business of changing the world is ours.

Our MSc in Logistics and Operations
Management recognises the importance
of multi-disciplinarity. We'll help you
become a management professional
prized for their problem-solving capabilities;
someone who creates order from complexity,
identifies issues and implements solutions
and ensures end-to-end efficiency, without
compromising the ethics of logistics
and operations across organisations'
products and services.

Our experts will draw on academic and consultancy expertise to prepare you for

global career opportunities, helping you explore transportation and low carbon logistics, inventories, warehousing and procurement, and resource and materials management. They'll use world leading research and real-world examples to introduce you to technological innovations in logistics, alongside the latest management techniques, systems and thinking.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

Learn from one of the largest groupings of logistics and operations management experts in the UK.

Collaborate with an industrial partner on a research project while collecting primary data for your dissertation.

Get the latest insights on logistics and operations research and practice from high-profile guest speakers and company visits.

ACCREDITATION



AT A GLANCE

EXAMPLE MODULES

Logistics and its Provision

Lean and Operational Excellence

E-business and E-logistics

Forecasting

Project Management

STUDY DURATION

1 year full-time

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

2:1 degree or equivalent. We also accept students who do not have a first degree. You will be considered for the programme if you have relevant and significant work experience.

IELTS: 6.5 with at least 6.0 in each category.

"During a field trip, I was reminded that even though automation and AI are rapidly evolving, good organisation and leadership, as well as effective communication and respect among staff, are equally important to the success of a business."

Vasileios Efstathiou (above)

Logistics and Operations Management (MSc)



Maritime Policy and Shipping Management (MSc)

Examine the maritime industry through multiple disciplines on this practically oriented programme.

AT A GLANCE

EXAMPLE MODULES

Maritime Economics

International Trade and Carriage Law

Ship Chartering

Maritime Policy

Multimodal Transport Operations

STUDY DURATION

1 year full-time

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

2:1 degree or equivalent. We also accept sea captaincy qualifications and extensive marine-related work experience.

IELTS: 6.5 with at least 6.0 in each category.

Rapid growth and competition in the global shipping industry has left a shortfall of professionals with the tools and techniques to manage ports and shipping operations, in accordance with maritime law and safety regulations.

Coupled with complex systems of ocean governance, ranging from codes of conduct to legally binding regional and international policies, maritime professionals who can chart the course ahead are in high demand.

The business of changing the world is ours.

Our MSc in Maritime Policy and Shipping Management addresses these grand challenges from a range of perspectives. We'll help you become a management or policy-making professional capable of making decisions that consider the full range of economic, social, environmental and legal impacts of maritime business.

Our experts will draw on academic and consultancy expertise to enhance your international career prospects, introducing

you to shipping within wider logistics systems. They'll use world leading research to give you a critical understanding of the maritime industry, the policy environment within which it operates, and the management of shipping operations.

DISTINCTIVE FEATURES

Learn from internationally leading academics in the field of maritime affairs.

Collaborate with an industrial partner on a research project while collecting primary data for your dissertation.

Join a global network of students past and present now working in Greece, Singapore, South Korea, Taiwan, China and the UK.

ACCREDITATION



"Interacting with like-minded young professionals and expert staff from different cultures has broadened my horizons and given me a more flexible and adaptable understanding of the maritime industry."

Lydia Alexandra Koumarela (above)

Maritime Policy and Shipping Management (MSc)

Other study options

Our master's programmes are part of a range of challenge-based postgraduate study options designed to meet your career needs.

MBA (full-time and part-time)

Accelerate your career progression with a period of focused study and personal development.

Are you an ambitious professional looking to progress to senior leadership and drive positive business change? If this sounds like you then the Cardiff MBA is a great next step.

Whatever your managerial background, we offer a challenging experience that will stretch and support you, developing your business knowledge, increasing your self-awareness and sharpening your ability as an effective and inspiring leader along the way.

Take this opportunity to thrive alongside like-minded, experienced professionals.

MBA with Artificial Intelligence

Delivered in collaboration with the School of Computer Science and Informatics, the MBA with Artificial Intelligence combines the core ingredients of our flagship MBA with the opportunity to study the technologies, algorithms and tools driving the advancement of machine learning and artificial intelligence.

PhD

Prepare for your research career in academia, as a business practitioner or public policy decision maker on our doctoral programmes.

As a PhD student, you're fully integrated into our research and academic community and become part of a dynamic and diverse research environment.

You'll be provided with the tools, support and opportunities to contribute to the advancement of knowledge and generate impact and value in your chosen academic field.

→ Find out more at cardiff.ac.uk/business-school

Cardiff: city of opportunity

Dynamic, contemporary and easy to get around, our city is an outstanding place in which to live, work and study. Full of character, heritage and ambition, Cardiff offers the best of both worlds: combining all the advantages of a compact, friendly and affordable location with the cultural and recreational facilities that you'd expect of a modern capital city.

The many thousands of students who choose to make Cardiff their home each year form part of the beating heart of the city, enhancing its rich and diverse culture. A capital city with a community feel, Cardiff is friendly, welcoming and inclusive. No matter who you are, you can be yourself here.

"The buoyant city of Cardiff has witnessed a remarkable evolution from a large town to a truly international city, with massive developments in the centre as well as on the rejuvenated waterfront. With a reputation as a party town, allied to lots of top-class sport and cultural attractions, it is one of the UK's most enticing destinations."

ROUGH GUIDES 2022

Cardiff: the university

Cardiff University has an international reputation for excellence in teaching and research, built on a history of service and achievement since 1883.



WORLD-LEADING RESEARCH

The Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2021 results show that 90% of research at Cardiff University is officially world-leading or internationally excellent. We are:

- ☑ a top 20 university in the UK for the overall quality of our research (19th), impact (11th) and environment (16th)
- 14th in the UK for research power which demonstrates the scale and quality of our research
- Wales's leading research-intensive university based on the quality of its research, research power, impact, and environment

AN INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

With over 8,500 international students from more than 130 countries, you'll be part of a vibrant community that celebrates its diverse culture.



OUR AWARDS

We've been awarded seven Queen's Anniversary Prizes, which recognise world-class excellence in UK Higher Education. We're also home to a large cohort of distinguished staff, including two Nobel Prize winners and 13 Royal Society Fellows.

STRONG EMPLOYMENT PROSPECTS

94% of our postgraduate taught graduates were in employment and/or further study, due to start a new job or course, or doing other activities such as travelling, 15 months after the end of their course. 87% of graduates working in the UK were in highly skilled employment, 15 months after the end of their course (HESA Graduate Outcomes Survey 2020/21*).



TEACHING EXCELLENCE

We have a long history of providing outstanding research-led teaching, and we're ranked in the top 40 UK universities for teaching excellence (Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2022).

TOP 2 STUDENTS' UNION

Our award-winning Students' Union is consistently voted amongst the best in the UK, achieving 2nd place in the 2023 WhatUni Student Choice Awards.

→ Find out more at cardiff.ac.uk

*Graduate Outcomes 2020/21 survey results published by Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA) in June 2023.

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Living in Cardiff

Whether you choose to live in a university residence or private accommodation, we want you to feel at home here.

UNIVERSITY RESIDENCES

Dedicated postgraduate apartments are available in university residences, allowing you the opportunity to meet, live and work alongside like-minded people who understand the demands of postgraduate study. International postgraduate students are guaranteed a single-occupancy place in university residences for the full duration of their studies, and EU students for the first year of their studies.*

OPTIONS TO SUIT EVERYONE

We offer a range of high quality student residences to suit individual preferences and budgets, including single or mixed gender accommodation.

AFFORDABLE

Cardiff is one of the most affordable UK university cities**, which is partially reflected in our inexpensive university accommodation.

A self-catered residence costs between £113 and £157 per week, while a room in part-catered residences costs around £123 per week (2023/24 prices for single occupancy residences).

PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION

There's a plentiful supply of accommodation available from private landlords in Cardiff. We run a residential house search event in August, allowing you to meet other postgraduates and look for private rented accommodation as an individual, or as part of a group. Our Students' Union also operates its own professional letting agency, Cardiff Student Letting, which provides student houses suitable for a range of budgets and does not charge agency fees.





^{*}Conditions apply.

^{**}Source: NatWest Student Living Index 2023.

International students

As an international student, you can benefit from a range of specialist support services designed to make your move to Cardiff as straightforward as possible.



APPLICATION GUIDANCE

Our international team provides a dedicated advice service to help guide you through the process of applying to study at Cardiff University. You can contact our international team at any point before, during and after the application process, and they'll help with any questions you may have: international@cardiff.ac.uk

A WARM WELCOME

We offer a free airport collection service from Heathrow airport before the academic year starts. Once you arrive in Cardiff, we'll provide you with a comprehensive induction programme and arrange activities to help you settle into your new home.

GUARANTEED ACCOMMODATION

Cardiff is one of only a small number of universities that guarantees high quality, conveniently located accommodation for single international students.*

See page 30 to find out more about our wide range of student accommodation.

EXPERT ADVICE

Alongside the support provided by Cardiff Business School, international student advisers are on hand to assist you on issues including visas, immigration and finance.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE SUPPORT

The English language teaching centre offers a variety of courses ranging from eight weeks to nine months, catering for most language levels and abilities.

Our students come from all over the world to improve their English before commencing university study in the UK. Classes are taught by our experienced, fully qualified English language tutors.

- Summer Pre-sessional Programmes: Intensive courses are available for international students holding conditional offers.
- Y English for University Study Programme: A full-time English language study skills programme with entry points in September, January and April.
- Y English language support: We provide assistance with academic writing, exam techniques and other skills to help you during your studies.

▶ Find out more at cardiff.ac.uk/international

Funding your study

We understand that advancing your education to postgraduate level is a significant financial commitment, so it's a good idea to consider your funding options as soon as possible.

MASTER'S EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS

Our competitive Master's Excellence Scholarship scheme has been designed to support high calibre UK and EU students in funding your postgraduate study.

We're investing up to £500,000 in the scheme for entry in 2023, with each scholarship awarded in the form of a £3,000 tuition fee discount – please see our website for details.

INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

We run a range of prestigious scholarship programmes to support exceptional international students, including our Vice-Chancellor's International Scholarship scheme.

Awards from £2,000 are available to international students across a wide range of subject areas and, in many cases, you'll automatically be considered when you apply for your degree programme – please see our website for details.

ALUMNI DISCOUNT SCHEME

All graduates of Cardiff University are eligible for alumni discount. The scheme gives a reduction in tuition fees of £1,000 for home students, and £2,000 for international and European students – please see our website for details.

UK GOVERNMENT POSTGRADUATE FUNDING

Postgraduate loans from the UK government are available to support UK and EU students who fulfil the eligibility criteria.

Different loans apply depending on where you're domiciled in the UK and EU – please see our website for details.

UK GOVERNMENT DOCTORAL LOANS

Doctoral loans from the UK government are also available to support UK and EU students who fulfil the relevant eligibility criteria.

As with the UK Government funding for master's study, different loans apply depending on where you're domiciled in the UK – please see our website for details.

ADDITIONAL FUNDING SOURCES

The UK's seven Research Councils fund UK and EU research students on a competitive basis through our doctoral training programmes.

Throughout the year, we advertise a range of funded PhD projects on our website.

If you're an international student, make sure you investigate funding opportunities offered within your home country via the British Council and other external funding providers.

Our Unistaff Jobshop can help you secure part-time, casual or regular employment within both the university and external organisations.

Numerous charities, trusts and foundations also offer funding for postgraduate study.

WHAT DOES MY COURSE COST?

Tuition fees vary depending on the course you choose and whether you're a home or international student.

You can find full details of the tuition fees for individual programmes on the course pages of our website.

∠ Find out more at cardiff.ac.uk/postgraduate

Making your application

You can apply for our postgraduate programmes directly through our website.

Once you have identified your area of interest and programme of study, use our step-by-step guide to help navigate through the process.

THE APPLICATION PROCESS

STEP 1

Identify your programme of study on our course webpages. Check whether there's an application deadline, when the programme starts and make sure you meet all entry requirements listed.

STEP 2

Investigate your funding options.

STEP 3

Submit your application.

You can apply directly using our online application service, which allows you to save your progress and return at a later time.

You'll receive an automatic acknowledgement of your application when submitted and be granted access to the online applicant portal, where you can track your application, upload any additional supporting documents and update your contact details.

YOUR OFFER:

You can track the progress of your application in our online applicant portal. You'll also receive an email containing the details of your offer. Most applicants will receive an offer within four weeks, although some may take longer. Your offer could be:

Conditional: You need to submit additional evidence. In most cases this will mean providing copies of your qualification certificates when they become available.

Unconditional: You've been offered a place – congratulations!

UK/EU students: In most cases, all you'll need to do to secure it is to accept your offer.

International students: You'll need to accept your offer and pay a deposit to secure your place.

FURTHER INFORMATION:

Cardiff Business School Postgraduate Admissions

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Your degree: Students admitted to Cardiff University study for a Cardiff University degree.

