Cardiff University has been producing successful graduates since the first students entered in 1883. The University has changed dramatically in the last 130 years but the commitment to quality education and a rewarding university experience remains.
The photographs in this prospectus are of Cardiff University students, locations at Cardiff University and the city of Cardiff.
ten key facts

1/ Ranked 5th in the UK* and top 125 in the world**
2/ Cardiff University is a member of the elite Russell Group top 24 UK research-led universities.
3/ The University teaches more than 30,000 students from over 120 countries.
4/ The campus is frequently used as the film set for BBC hit TV shows ‘Dr Who’ and ‘Sherlock’.
5/ Accommodation in University residences is guaranteed for most international students and is within walking distance of the University.
6/ The University has 16 libraries and 25 IT suites, some of which are open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
7/ The Cathays Park campus is situated in the very centre of Cardiff, the capital city of Wales. Cardiff is only 2 hours from London by train.
8/ Cardiff University’s research attracts awards from the most prominent funding organisations in the UK: the Engineering and Physical Sciences Research Council, the Medical Research Council, Cancer Research UK and Arthritis Research UK.
9/ The University generates more than £460 million annually from research grants and contracts.
10/ The University has 2 Nobel Prize winners – Sir Martin Evans for Medicine and Robert Huber for Chemistry.

* (REF 2014)
** (QS World University Rankings 2014/15)
– 2 Nobel Prize winners
– 12 Fellows of the Royal Society
– 11 Fellows of the Royal Academy of Engineering
– 5 Fellows of the British Academy
– 22 Fellows of the Academy of Medical Sciences
– 32 Academicians of the Academy of Social Sciences
– 5 Queen’s Anniversary Prizes

**Top 25 UK Universities**
ranked by research quality (REF 2014)

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
11 — University of Edinburgh
12 — University of Bristol
13 — University of Sheffield
14 — University of Bath
15 — University of York
16 — University of Manchester
17 — University of Southampton
18 — Lancaster University
19 — University of Durham
20 — University of St Andrews
21 — University of Leeds
22 — University of East Anglia
23 — University of Glasgow
24 — Swansea University
25 — Royal Holloway, University of London

**Cardiff University is**

**Top 5 in**
Architecture
Business
Celtic Studies
Civil Engineering
Communications and Media Studies

**Top 10 in**
Anatomy and Physiology
Engineering
Nursing
Radiography

**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 newspaper rankings and the REF results.

**Rankings and league tables**
In 2014 Cardiff University was ranked 123 out of approximately 10,000 universities worldwide, putting Cardiff in the top tier of international education. This shows that Cardiff University is an established and recognised university with a global profile. The ranking table above is based on the Research Excellence Framework (REF), based on the quality of our research, a meteoric rise that confirms our place as a world-leading university.

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.
How will studying at Cardiff be different?

Studying at Cardiff University may be different from the style of teaching in your country. You will be expected to use the libraries and internet to research topics. You will be asked to contribute your opinion, collate information and present evidence. Your own ideas will be encouraged. Cardiff University is an innovator in ‘problem-based’ learning. This means your lecturers will set you a ‘problem’ and you will have to work out the answer. This is a much more effective method of learning than just from a book.

What is a Russell Group university?

Cardiff University is a member of the Russell Group.
- The Russell Group are the 24 leading research-led UK universities.
- They are committed to maintaining the very best research.
- They are committed to an outstanding teaching and learning experience.
- They have unrivalled links with business and the public sector.
Universities that are considered to be the best in the world are ‘research-led’. Being a taught or research student in a research-led institution like Cardiff University has several advantages:

1 — RECOGNITION
Your degree will be recognised worldwide. The most famous and respected universities are research-led. Cardiff is part of the elite Russell Group of top research-based universities in the UK.

2 — INNOVATIVE COURSES
The curriculum of your course will include the latest information and be relevant to your career.

3 — TEACHING BY GLOBALLY RESPECTED STAFF
You will work with, and be taught by, staff who are pioneers in their subjects and contribute to the advancement of knowledge. It is important to Cardiff University’s culture that all our academic staff teach students. In a recent survey of the Russell Group universities, Cardiff University ranked 3rd with regards to learning support and quality of lectures.

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 the highest possible standards in teaching. In 2014 the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education (QAA) judged that academic standards, the quality and enhancement of student learning opportunities, and the quality of information about learning opportunities all met UK expectations.

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 “Portal” to enhance and support your learning. It allows you to download lecture materials, communicate with your tutors and submit assignments from any internet connection.

4 — ENHANCED CAREERS PROSPECTS
Your career prospects will be enhanced. Employers usually favour research-led universities because they know graduates will be very well informed.

5 — EXCELLENT TEACHING FACILITIES
You will find excellent teaching facilities because research-led institutions attract more funding. Cardiff University generates more than a £460 million annually from research grants and contracts.

6 — JOINING A WORLDWIDE NETWORK
Your fellow students will also be of a high standard. This means you will get more out of your seminars and study groups. After graduation you will join a close network of alumni that hold top positions in governments, companies and universities.

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 ASSISTANCE IN ENGLISH AND MATHS
If you want some additional help with English language, or you find mathematics difficult, 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.
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.
How to improve your career prospects?

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

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

2/ Make the most of your studies
It may seem obvious but applying yourself and making the most of opportunities within your School will give you the edge over other candidates. 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, as well as providing dedicated weekly international appointments. They also run scheduled events so you can meet potential employers recruiting on campus. www.cardiff.ac.uk/careers

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 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 Schools section (from page 19) lists courses which have year in industry options. The University’s Careers Service also runs highly competitive ‘internship’ placements with employers.

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.

95.1% of Cardiff graduates find work or further study 6 months after graduating.

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
Cardiff, the capital city of Wales

Cardiff is located on the coast of South Wales, which has beautiful national parks and beaches only 30 minutes away. Cardiff is approximately 232km (145 miles) west of London and is easily accessed by train in about 2 hours. Cardiff has excellent transport links with an international airport that has flights to many cities in Europe.

12 facts about Cardiff

1/ Cardiff University is in the city centre of Cardiff.
2/ Cardiff named the best place to live in the UK (Money Supermarket)
3/ Cardiff is home to one of the top UK Ice Hockey teams – Cardiff Devils.
4/ The popular TV shows: Dr Who, Torchwood and Sherlock are filmed in Cardiff.
5/ Cardiff is in one of the safest regions in the UK.
6/ The National Museum Cardiff is home to one of the best impressionist art collections outside Paris, boasting works by Monet, Renoir, Van Gogh and Cezanne.
7/ Cardiff is the world’s first Fairtrade capital city.
8/ Cardiff has a 70,000 seat Millennium Stadium, home to international sports, events, concerts and more.
9/ Cardiff is the host city for the IAAF World Half Marathon Championships 2016.
10/ Cardiff has more than 330 parks and gardens.
11/ Wales has more than 500 castles.
12/ Home to Europe’s oldest living language, Welsh is spoken by 20% of the population, but don’t worry everybody speaks English!
Weather in Cardiff

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

Did you know?

In September and October 2015 Cardiff will be hosting some of the Rugby World Cup matches.
The University knows that where you live is very important to you. You will want to settle quickly and live in a secure, well-located, sociable and conducive study environment. This is why Cardiff University provides a guarantee of accommodation in one of our highly-ranked University residences.

**Safe and supportive**

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

**How much does it cost?**

The cost of residences depends on several factors which include the residence you choose, length of stay, meal options and whether you want private bathroom facilities. University residences are very good value as the cost includes water, electricity, security, furniture and internet access. 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 2015/16 year self-catered residences range from £85-£120 a week. Part/fully catered residences range from £106-£128 a week. Rooms with private bathrooms are generally more expensive than rooms with shared bathrooms.

**University residences**

The University has 16 residences, each with different facilities, in different locations and at different costs.

Your choices include:

– single or mixed gender accommodation.
– private or shared bathrooms. About 70% of University residences have private bathrooms (called 'ensuite').
– self-catered, part-catered or fully catered (with vegetarian options).
– a variety of social and sporting facilities.

You will have your own study bedroom. Cardiff University does not have shared rooms or dormitories.
**What do University residences provide?**

The diagram below shows a layout of a typical flat in University residences.

In this example there 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.

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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.

**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.

**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.
You might be wondering what life is like for the 30,000 students at Cardiff University. Outside of academia you will find a vast range of opportunities to try new things, meet new people and enjoy the exciting atmosphere on campus.

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

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

International societies
The best way to make friends is to join a “student society”. These clubs are very important to student life and are run by other students. There are more than 120 societies, many of which represent areas of the world including: Canada, Libya, China, Malaysia, India, Pakistan, Nigeria and many more. For two weeks every year the international societies celebrate ‘Go Global’ – a festival that showcases the University’s diversity involving dance, music and food.

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

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

The September induction programme includes:

_1_ a free collection service from Cardiff and Heathrow airports. International Office staff will provide a warm welcome at the airport and take you and your luggage to your accommodation.

_2_ practical information and fairs to help you settle quickly into living and studying in Cardiff.

_3_ tours of the University and the city of Cardiff to help you find your way around.

_4_ social events and parties, including traditional Welsh dancing. These are a great way to make friends.

_5_ a bank letter service to help you open a bank account when you arrive in the UK.

Supporting you

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

— Every student at the University is allocated a personal tutor. Your tutor can assist with any academic or personal problems you may have.

— The Student Support Centre has specialist international advisers who can help you with visas, housing, finances and anything which you would like to talk about: www.cardiff.ac.uk/studentsupport

— If you want to talk to someone outside the University, the Students’ Union also has an advice centre.

— Cardiff University is one of only a few UK universities to provide postgraduate students with dedicated social, training and academic facilities at the University’s Graduate Centre: www.cardiff.ac.uk/gradc

— If you are not sure where to turn or who to talk to, you can always visit the International Office for advice.

Ranked 1st in the Russell Group for coach collection service.
Campus horizons

Building on this vision, Cardiff University is undergoing a major transformation of its campus to provide new state-of-the-art research, teaching and student facilities. This first phase focuses on the development of the Innovation campus to provide better facilities for students. The Science and Innovation Campus in Maindy Park will ultimately showcase the University’s academic excellence in inter-disciplinary and multi-disciplinary research.

The Centre for Student Life will be a one-stop shop for students, providing easy access, a wide range of student services and advice in a welcoming and modern environment. The centre will offer open, informal spaces for socialising and learning, as well as being an ideal location for large events such as careers fairs and showcase events.

The Master Plan includes the building of a new £44m brain research imaging centre (CUBRIC) that will lead Europe in helping scientists understand the causes of brain conditions such as dementia, schizophrenia and multiple sclerosis. The new CUBRIC will be four times larger than the University’s existing brain research imaging facilities and will bring staff from different departments together under one roof, leading to increased collaboration and innovation.

Your future, our future

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

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

International partnerships

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

In the future, the University’s ambition is to rank consistently among the top 100 universities in the world and the top 20 in Britain. To cement our position as a global university, Cardiff will be forming a tight-knit collaboration with other elite international universities to promote research and share best practice.
COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES & SOCIAL SCIENCES
- Business
- English, Communication & Philosophy
- History, Archaeology & Religion
- Journalism, Media & Cultural Studies
- Law
- Modern Languages
- Music
- Planning & Geography
- Politics & International Relations
- Social Sciences
- Welsh

COLLEGE OF PHYSICAL SCIENCES & ENGINEERING
- Architecture
- Chemistry
- Computer Science & Informatics
- Earth & Ocean Sciences
- Engineering
- Mathematics
- Physics & Astronomy

COLLEGE OF BIOMEDICAL & LIFE SCIENCES
- Biosciences
- Dentistry
- Healthcare Sciences
- Medicine
- Optometry & Vision Sciences
- Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical Sciences
- Postgraduate Medical & Dental Education
- Psychology

courses and schools directory
The Welsh School of Architecture (WSA) is 29th in the world for the study of the built environment. Your learning experience will focus around the studio project, with a one-to-one approach to design teaching and support from the finest computer modelling, design tools and research facilities available.

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

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS

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

Ranked 29th in the world for Architecture by the QS World University Rankings 2015
Top in the UK for research impact, 90% ranked as ‘outstanding’ in REF 2014

TOP 10 ARCHITECTURE
1 — UCL
2 — Cardiff University
3 — Kent
4 — Cambridge
5 — Bath
6 — Huddersfield
7 — Manchester School of Architecture
8 — Manchester School of Architecture
9 — University of Creative Arts
10 — Coventry

Ranked by the Guardian 2016

OTHER RANKINGS
5th — The Times Good University Guide 2015
4th — The Complete University Guide 2016

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES

BSc in Architectural Studies
Master of Architecture

POSTGRADUATE COURSES

Diploma/MA in Professional Studies
Environmental Design of Buildings MSc
Environmental Design of Buildings (Distance Learning) MSc
Theory & Practice of Sustainable Design MSc
Sustainable Mega-Buildings MSc

Sustainable Building Conservation MSc

Urban Design MA

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS

Architectural History and Theory
Architectural Design and Practice
Architectural Science

Location Bute Building (map ref 45)
Total students 480
Number of staff 50
% international students 25%
Under the leadership of its current director, Professor Jim Murray, the School provides a dynamic and stimulating research and learning environment with impressive modern facilities and high-calibre staff with research and teaching across the full range of biological and biomedical sciences from molecular biosciences to physiology, anatomy, neuroscience, whole organisms and molecular ecology.

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

In the 2014 Research Excellence Framework (REF) Cardiff (Biosciences) was ranked 10th in world-leading research power.

In the authoritative 2014 Annual World University Ranking, Life Sciences at Cardiff University is in the top 100 worldwide and in the top 10 in the UK. At undergraduate level, the School gives flexibility, allowing you to switch courses after the first year and also offering a four year programme. The extra year is undertaken on a placement, enhancing the knowledge you gain in the School’s laboratories or with an outside academic or commercial partner providing valuable practical work experience and insight into future career options.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
biotechnology / pharmaceutical companies / university lecturers / Health Service education / research and development

TOP 10 ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY
1 — Cambridge
2 — Dundee
3 — Oxford
4 — East Anglia
5 — University College London
6 — Cardiff University
7 — Bradford
8 — Glasgow
9 — Newcastle
10 — Huddersfield

Ranked by The Complete University Guide 2016

OTHER RANKINGS
Top 150 for Biological Sciences, QS World Rankings 2015

INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION PROGRAMME
Health & Life Sciences

Biotechnology BSc
Biology BSc
Biomedical Science BSc
Biomedical Sciences – Anatomy BSc
Biomedical Sciences – Neuroscience BSc
Biomedical Sciences – Physiology BSc
Biotechnology BSc
Ecology BSc
Genetics BSc
Microbiology BSc
Molecular Biology BSc
Zoology BSc

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

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Biophotonics MSc
Biosciences MRes
Tissue Engineering MSc

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
Arthritis
Cancer Cell Biology
Integrative Neuroscience
Molecular Biosciences
Neuroscience
Organisms and Environment
Pathophysiology and Repair

Location Sir Martin Evans Building (map ref 35)

Total students 1522
Number of staff 320
% international students 3%

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

Location Sir Martin Evans Building (map ref 35)

Total students 1522
Number of staff 320
% international students 3%
Cardiff Business School is a leading UK business school and is accredited by the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business (AACSB International). With a dynamic student community from more than 60 countries, studying at the Business School will provide you with access to a global network of contacts and an international perspective. You will benefit from specialist careers advice, mentoring and the opportunity to enhance your skills in excellent facilities such as the School’s real-time simulated Trading Room.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
Deloitte / HSBC / KPMG / PWC / Unilever / Rolls Royce / L’Oreal / Microsoft

TOP 10 BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT STUDIES
1 — London School of Economics & Political Science
2 — University of Cambridge
3 — Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine
4 — Oxford
5 — London Business School
6 — Cardiff University
7 — City University
8 — University of Bath
9 — University of Leeds
10 — University of Strathclyde

REF ranking by Research Quality Standard

OTHER RANKINGS
7th — The Times Good University Guide 2015
Top 100 for Accounting and Finance and Business and Management, QS World Rankings 2015

INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION PROGRAMME
Business
foundation@cardiff.ac.uk

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Accounting BSc
Accounting & Economics BScEcon
Accounting & Finance BSc
Accounting & Management BScEcon
Banking & Finance BScEcon
Business Economics BScEcon
Business Management BSc:
— General Route (Integrated Work Placement )
— Human Resources
— International Management
— International Management (Route B Semester Abroad)
— Logistics & Operations
— Marketing
Business Management & Finance BSc
Business Studies & Japanese BSc
Economics BScEcon
Economics & Finance BScEcon
Economics & Management Studies BScEcon
business-ug@cardiff.ac.uk

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
MBA
Media MBA
Accounting and Finance
Accounting & Finance MSc
Finance MSc
Economics
Financial Economics MSc
International Economics, Banking & Finance MSc
Human Resource Management
Human Resource Management MSc
International Human Resource Management MSc
International Management MSc
Logistics and Operations Management
International Transport MSc
Logistics & Operations Management MSc
Marine Policy MSc
Marketing and Strategy
Business Strategy & Entrepreneurship MSc
Strategic Marketing MSc
CARBS-PG-Admissions@cardiff.ac.uk

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
Accounting & Finance
Economics
Human Resource Management
Logistics & Operations Management
Marketing & Strategy
business-research@cardiff.ac.uk

Location Aberconway Building (map ref 11)
Total students 2980
Number of staff 287
% international students 47%
_1 Chemistry taught at Cardiff University since 1883. _2 Recent investment exceeding £10 million. _3 Study Abroad available along with salaried year in industry. _4 Degrees are accredited by Royal Society of Chemistry. _5 Dedicated teaching laboratories and analytical/spectroscopic suites. _6 Excellent employment prospects for graduates with vast majority following their chosen career path within 6 months.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
3M / Cadburys / GlaxoSmithKline / Intellectual Patent Office / Solutia

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Chemistry BSc/MChem
Chemistry with Industrial Experience BSc
Chemistry with a Year in Industry MChem
Chemistry with a Year Abroad MChem
Chemistry with a Preliminary Year
chemistry-ug@cardiff.ac.uk

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Catalysis MSc
Chemical Biology MSc
Physical Organic Chemistry MSc
Advanced Chemistry MSc
Advanced Chemistry with Biological Chemistry MSc*
Advanced Chemistry with Catalysis MSc*
Advanced Chemistry with Medicinal Chemistry MSc*
Medicinal Chemistry MSc
*Approval expected Oct 2015
chemistry@cardiff.ac.uk

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
Advanced Spectroscopy & Dynamics
Biological Chemistry
Catalysis & Interfacial Science
Materials & Energy
Molecular Synthesis
chemy-pgr-admissions@cardiff.ac.uk

Location Main Building (map ref 39)
Total students 440
Number of staff 35
% international students 10%

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Housed in the multi-million pound Queen’s Building complex. 5 dedicated multi-platform teaching laboratories featuring state of the art equipment and industry standard software. The School’s degrees are regularly reviewed and professionally accredited by BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT. Excellent employment prospects for graduates, with the vast majority following their chosen career path within 6 months. 79% of our research submitted in the Research Excellence Framework classed as internationally excellent or world leading.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
American Express / BAE Systems / Fujitsu / IBM / Thomson Reuters

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Applied Software Engineering BSc*
Business Information Systems BSc*
Computer Science BSc*
Computer Science with High Performance Computing BSc*
Computer Science with Security and Forensics BSc*
Computer Science with Visual Computing BSc*
comsc-ug@cs.cardiff.ac.uk

*Available as a 3 or 4 year programme. The 4 year programme includes a year in industry between year’s 2 and 3 where the School supports students in finding a year-long, paid placement in the UK or overseas.

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Advanced Computer Science MSc+
Advanced Computer Science with Visual Computing MSc
Advanced Computer Science with Distributed and HPC MSc
Computer Science MRes
Computational Journalism MSc
Computing MSc+
Computing & IT Management MSc+
Data Science with Analytics MSc*
Information Security & Privacy MSc
Information Systems MRes
Performance Computing MSc
*Approval expected Oct 2015
comsc-pg@cs.cardiff.ac.uk

+ Available as a 1 or 2 year programme. The 2 year programme includes a professional work placement between the taught elements of the course and your final dissertation where the School supports students in finding a 7-10 month paid placement in the UK or overseas.

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
Visual Computing; Shape Modelling & Analysis; Distributed & Parallel Systems; Cyber Security and Data Privacy; Text & Data Mining; Social Computing; Knowledge Representation & Reasoning
comsc-pgresearch@cs.cardiff.ac.uk

Location Queen’s Building (map ref 58)
Total students 480
Number of staff 65
% International students 12%
dentistry
School of Dentistry
www.cardiff.ac.uk/dentl

1 Only dental school in Wales. 2 Based at the University Dental Hospital on the Heath Park campus. 3 Programmes aim to enable you to practice dentistry in appropriate training environments.

TOP 10 DENTISTRY
1 — Cardiff University
2 — Queens, Belfast
3 — Glasgow
4 — Plymouth
5 — Queen Mary
6 — Liverpool
7 — Dundee
8 — Birmingham
9 — Manchester
10 — Sheffield
The Guardian 2016

OTHER RANKINGS
9th — The Times Good University Guide 2015
2nd — The Complete University Guide 2016

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Dentistry BDS
DentalUGAdmissions@cardiff.ac.uk

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Clinical Dentistry (MClinDent)
Implantology MSc/PgDip
Orthodontics MSc/D
Tissue Engineering MSc/PgDip
DentalPGAdmissions@cardiff.ac.uk

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
Applied Clinical Research and Public Health
Learning & Scholarship
Tissue Engineering & Reparative Dentistry
DentalPGAdmissions@cardiff.ac.uk

earth & ocean science
School of Earth & Ocean Sciences
www.cardiff.ac.uk/earth-ocean-sciences

The School of Earth and Ocean Sciences is committed to achieving the highest standards in research and education and to providing a rich and varied research-led environment where all staff and students can achieve their full potential to the benefit of society. All students benefit from the practical experience of field work and Cardiff is fortunate to be surrounded by the spectacular and accessible South Wales geology which is used as a foundation for teaching. The School gives flexibility, allowing you to switch courses after the first year and offering a four-year programme. There is also the potential to spend a year on placement in industry or at an overseas university. The School’s courses are accredited by the relevant professional bodies.

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

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

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Applied Environmental Geology MSc
earth-ug@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
Palaeoclimates and climate systems
Cold climates
Early land ecosystems and floras
Life and environment through time
earth-pg@cardiff.ac.uk

earth & ocean science
School of Earth & Ocean Sciences
www.cardiff.ac.uk/earth-ocean-sciences

No 1
for Dentistry
in the UK

Location
University Dental Hospital
(map ref 106)

Total students 516
Number of staff 152
% international students 10%

Location
Main Building (map ref 39)

Total students 580
Number of staff 40
% international students 6.5%
Cardiff School of Engineering is based in a modern, purpose-built building, housing some of the UK’s most advanced facilities. The School’s research activity has a worldwide reputation (rated 1st in the UK for the impact of its research in the latest research assessment) and has a record of collaboration with industrial partners such as Tata, Laing O’Rourke, Halcrow, National Grid, Rolls Royce, NASA, Mott Macdonald, BP, RWE Npower, and Atkins. This means you will receive cutting edge and career relevant teaching from global experts in their field. Engineering graduates are highly employable and Cardiff gives you the opportunity to further enhance your prospects by offering a year in industry on undergraduate programmes. All of the School’s courses provide accreditation from the relevant professional bodies and competitive scholarships are available.

**TOP 10 CIVIL ENGINEERING**
1. Cardiff University
2. Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine
3. Dundee
4. Sheffield
5. Manchester
6. Newcastle
7. Leeds
8. Strathclyde
9. Queen’s, Belfast
10. Birmingham

**TOP 10 GENERAL ENGINEERING**
1. Oxford
2. Cambridge
3. Sheffield
4. Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine
5. King’s College London
6. University College London
7. Cardiff University
8. Dundee
9. Bristol
10. Heriot-Watt University

**OTHER RANKINGS**
5th — The Times Good University Guide 2015
11th — The Complete University Guide 2016

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

**INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION PROGRAMME**
Engineering

**POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
Advanced Mechanical Engineering MSc
Civil Engineering MSc
Communication Technology and Entrepreneurship MSc
Electrical Energy Systems MSc
Electrical and Electronic Engineering MSc*
Electrical Power Systems MSc*
Civil and Geoenvironmental Engineering MSc
Civil and Water Engineering MSc
Manufacturing Engineering, Innovation and Management MSc
Orthopaedic Engineering (surgeons only) MSc
Professional Engineering MSc
Renewable Energy and Clean Technology MSc*
Structural Engineering MSc
Sustainable Energy & Environment MSc
Wireless and Microwave Communications Engineering MSc

**PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS**
Energy
Environment and Sustainability
Health, Security and the Digital World
Materials and Advanced Manufacturing

**Location**
Trevithick and Queen’s Buildings (map ref 58)

**Total students**
1400

**Number of staff**
98

**% international students**
23%

Note: all BEng/MEng courses offer an optional year in industry.
The School of English, Communication and Philosophy is one of the largest schools in the University. Our research-inspired teaching is delivered by academics who shape the future of their disciplines. Our courses are designed to offer you dynamic new ways of thinking about your subject, providing robust preparation for careers that require you to engage critically with language and complex ideas.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
legal & education professions / publishing & the creative industries / journalism & media / private sector business
1 — Warwick
2 — York
3 — Newcastle
4 — Durham
5 — Queen Mary
6 — St Andrews
7 — University College London
7 — Swansea
9 — Sussex
10 — Cardiff University
10 — East Anglia
10 — Nottingham

Top 10 for English Language and Literature in the UK

REF ranking by Research Quality Standard
www.cardiff.ac.uk/ref-2014/units-of-assessment

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
English Language* BA
English Language and Literature BA
English Literature* BA
Philosophy* BA

Encap-admissions@cardiff.ac.uk
*Available with another humanities subject.

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Analytic and Modern European Philosophy MA
Applied Linguistics MA
Creative Writing MA
Critical and Cultural Theory MA
English Literature MA
Ethics and Social Philosophy MA
Forensic Linguistics MA
Language and Communication Research MA
Encap-pg@cardiff.ac.uk

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
Creative Writing / Critical and Cultural Theory
English Literature / Language and Communication
Applied Linguistics (Lexical Studies) – p/t distance learning
Philosophy and Applied Ethics
Encap-pg@cardiff.ac.uk

Location John Percival Building (map ref 16)
Total students 1530
Number of staff 60
% international students 4%
Over 20 years of providing education to international students. Vocational relevant programmes balance practice and theory. A range of options available to students wishing to expand their knowledge. Many of our postgraduate programmes are suitable for healthcare professionals including nurses, midwives, physiotherapists, occupational therapists and radiographers wishing to advance their knowledge and expertise. Students embarking on these programmes join a well-supported and lively community, with access to scholars working on world-leading research.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
Occupational Therapist / Operating Departmental Practitioner /
Physiotherapist / Radiographer / Nurse / Midwife

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Nursing: Advanced Practice MSc/PGDip /PGCert
- Generic route
- Community Health Studies
- Education for Healthcare Professionals
- Non-medical Prescribing
Healthcare Science MSc/PGDip
Managing Care in Perioperative Practice MSc and
Surgical Care Practice (MSc/PGDip)*
Occupational Therapy MSc/PGDip
Physiotherapy MSc/PGDip
Radiography MSc/PGDip
Sports & Exercise Physiotherapy MSc
*not available as a PG Dip in 2015/2016
hcareadmissions@cardiff.ac.uk

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
Enhancing palliative, emotional and supportive care
Workforce, innovation and improvement
Maternal, child and family health and wellbeing
Repair, re-ablement, rehabilitation and recovery
hcarephdenquiries@cardiff.ac.uk

TOP 10 NURSING
1 — Sheffield
2 — Swansea
3 — Southampton
4 — Cardiff University
4 — Nottingham
6 — Bath
7 — Manchester
8 — Surrey
9 — Aston
10 — Queen’s, Belfast
REF ranking by Research Quality Standard
www.cardiff.ac.uk/ref-2014/units-of-assessment

TOP 10 PHYSIOTHERAPY
1 — Cardiff University
2 — Birmingham
3 — East Anglia
4 — Robert Gordon
5 — Nottingham
6 — Keele
7 — Liverpool
8 — King’s College London
9 — Glasgow Caledonian
10 — Oxford Brooks
Ranked by The Complete University Guide 2016

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

Location Heath Park Campus (map ref 116)
Eastgate House (map ref 59)
Total students 2483
Number of staff 246
% international students 5%
Cardiff School of Journalism, Media and Cultural Studies is a world-leading centre for media teaching and research. You will be taught by highly qualified staff many of whom have international experience and are involved in collaborative ventures with leading universities and top journalism schools worldwide. Programmes offer scholarly excellence, renowned vocational training or a combination of both where you will be encouraged to reflect on the way the media operates nationally and internationally. Cardiff’s international popularity means you should benefit from your fellow students’ shared professional and cultural experiences, ensuring you leave with contacts in countries from around the world. The School provides a number of scholarships across its MA programmes.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS

TOP 10 COMMUNICATION, CULTURAL & MEDIA STUDIES
1 — London School of Economics & Political Science
2 — Cardiff University
3 — Goldsmiths’ College
4 — Leicester
5 — Westminster
6 — Wolverhampton
7 — Loughborough
8 — King’s College London
9 — Royal Holloway College and Bedford
10 — Leeds

REF ranking by Research Quality Standard
www.cardiff.ac.uk/ref-2014/units-of-assessment

TOP 10 JOURNALISM
1 — Cardiff University
2 — Oxford Brookes
3 — Sheffield
4 — Nottingham Trent
5 — Lincoln
6 — Kent
7 — Westminster
8 — Teesside
9 — Sheffield Hallam
10 — Leeds

OTHER RANKINGS
5th — The Times Good University Guide 2015
7th — The Complete University Guide 2016

Location Bute Building (map ref 45)
Total students 808
Number of staff 45
% international students 22%
Cardiff Law School is one of the UK’s most prestigious law schools and is internationally renowned for teaching and research excellence. You will benefit from globally relevant teaching and one of the largest libraries in the UK, with more than 100,000 volumes and a wealth of online resources. To ensure you make the most of your studies, the School offers study skills and English language support and a number of merit scholarships and entrance bursaries for high achievers. You can also work with real clients and experience law in action by participating in the Law School’s Pro Bono Scheme and Innocence Project.

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Law LLB
Law & Criminology LLB
Law & Politics LLB
Law & Sociology LLB
Law & Welsh LLB
Law & French LLB
Law & German LLB

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

PHD/MPhil RESEARCH AREAS
Areas of supervision include:
- Aspects of Islamic Law
- Civil Justice
- Contract
- Discrimination Law
- Family Law (inc. international aspects)
- Public law theory and policy
- Religion
- Shipping Law
- Tort
- Trusts
- Governance and Devolution
- Intellectual Property
- Nanotechnologies
- Commercial Law (including international aspects)
- Criminal Law and Justice
- Environmental Law
- European Law
- Human Rights Law (including international aspects)
- Legal philosophy/sociology
- Medical Law
- Social Care Law
- Public International Law (all aspects)

OTHER RANKINGS
Top 150 for Law, QS World Rankings 2015

Location Law Building (map ref 28)

Total students 1600
Number of staff 83
% international students 28%

Cardiff Law School

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Law

Cardiff Law School

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One of the largest Schools in the UK and linked with institutions worldwide.

Based at one of the UK’s biggest hospitals. The UK’s largest medical school provider of postgraduate distance learning programmes.

TOP 10 CLINICAL MEDICINE
1 — Oxford
2 — Cambridge
3 — King’s College London
4 — Institute of Cancer Research
5 — Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine
6 — Edinburgh
7 — Queen Mary
8 — Cardiff University
9 — Glasgow
9 — Newcastle
9 — University College London

REF ranking by Research Quality Standard
www.cardiff.ac.uk/ref-2014/units-of-assessment

OTHER RANKINGS
3rd — The Complete University Guide 2016
9th — The Guardian 2016
Top 150 for Medicine, QS World Rankings 2015

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Medicine MBCh
Medical Pharmacology BSc/MPh
Medical student final year elective programme
hughesmj1@cardiff.ac.uk

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

*Courses are taught entirely via online distance learning.

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
Cancer and Genetics
Infection and Immunity
Molecular and Experimental Medicine
Primary Care and Public Health
Psychological Medicine and Clinical Neuroscience
Translation, Innovation, Methodology and Engagement

Location Medical School, Heath Park campus (map ref 110)
Total students 3447
Number of staff 992
% international students 27%
**GRADUATE DESTINATIONS**
BAE Systems / Deloitte / Ernst and Young / PriceWaterhouseCoopers LLP / Roche Pharmaceuticals

**UNDERGRADUATE COURSES**
- Mathematics MMath/BSc
- Mathematics & its Applications* BSc
- Mathematics, Operational Research & Statistics* BSc
- Mathematics & Physics BSc
- Mathematics & Computing BSc
- Mathematics & Humanities BA

*Available with an optional year in industry.

**POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
- Operational Research and Applied Statistics MSc
- Operational Research, Applied Statistics and Financial Risk MSc
- Data Science with Analytics* MSc

*approval expected October 2015

**GRADUATE DESTINATIONS**
Monteverdi Choir / Royal Opera House / Royal Academy of Music / BBC / Norrkoping Symphony Orchestra / Cheltenham Festival / San Francisco State University / Decca Records / Welsh National Opera / BBC National Orchestra of Wales / Cambridge University

**UNDERGRADUATE COURSES**
- Music BMus
- Music BA
- Music & Humanities Subject BA
- Physics with Music BSc

**POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
- Composition MMus
- Ethnomusicology MA
- Music MA
- Music, Culture & Politics MA
- Musiology MA
- Performance MMus

**PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS**
- Composition
- Performance
- Ethnomusicology

**Location**
Mathematics Building (map ref 42)

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**Location**
Music Building (map ref 23)

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<td>250</td>
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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. Proven teaching expertise in French, Portuguese, German, Italian, Spanish and Japanese means that students will gain an in-depth understanding of their chosen language, literature, culture and history. In addition to our language degrees, three year programmes are also available in Translation – a skill which is increasingly crucial in today’s globalised world. Translation modules include Translation Theory, Translation Methods, Specialised Translation and Professional Translation.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
British Council / Foreign and Commonwealth Office / Deutsche Bank / Microsoft / Wolfstone Translation Service

TOP 10 MODERN LANGUAGES & LINGUISTICS
1 — Queen Mary
2 — Edinburgh
3 — Queen Margaret
3 — Kent
5 — Southampton
5 — Queen’s, Belfast
7 — Cardiff University
8 — University of Essex
8 — University of Cambridge
10 — University of Glasgow

REF ranking by Research Quality Standard
www.cardiff.ac.uk/ref-2014/units-of-assessment

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

PHD/MPHIL RESEARCH AREAS
History & Memory
Culture & Identity
Languages & Translation Studies
European Studies
Literature & Visual Cultures
Global Area Studies

RESEARCH INTERESTS
Translation, adaption and multimediaility (especially radio adaptation)
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

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
European Studies MA
Translations Studies MA
MPhil and PhD

Location Park Place (map ref 24)
Total students 830
Number of staff 60
% international students 2%

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languages-pg-admissions@cardiff.ac.uk

The impact of our research was measured in the 2014 REF with the School receiving the maximum score possible, 100% for its research impact.
Cardiff School of Optometry & Vision Sciences was founded in 1935 and is an internationally recognised research centre. The School is the only optometric training department in Wales, and one of the largest of its kind in the UK, with an outstanding reputation in both teaching and research. In 2007 the School moved to a custom-designed £21 million building, where you will benefit from outstanding facilities including clinics, laboratories and teaching rooms with the latest state-of-the-art equipment. The undergraduate degree unites both the scientific and the clinical, and provides you with experience of clinical practice in ophthalmic and orthoptic hospital departments.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
Community practice / Hospital practice / Optical or pharma industry / Refractive surgery clinics / Research / Academia

TOP 10 ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONS & STUDIES
1 — Sheffield
2 — Swansea
3 — Southampton
4 — Cardiff University
4 — Nottingham
6 — Bath
7 — Manchester
8 — Surrey
8 — Aston
10 — Queen’s, Belfast

REF ranking by Research Quality Standard
www.cardiff.ac.uk/ref-2014/units-of-assessment

NB: Only institutions with Schools of Optometry who returned to the Allied Health Professions and Studies UoA are included in this table.

OTHER RANKINGS
7th — The Times Good University Guide 2015
6th — The Guardian 2016

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
3 Year Optometry BSc
4 Year Optometry BSc

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
Clinical Optometry MRes MSc*
Clinical Optometry Diploma*
Clinical Optometry Certificate*
Glaucoma Certificate*
Eye Care Governance Certificate*
MRes* in Vision Sciences
*All above courses are studied via distance learning and are part-time.

Top 5 for allied health professions in the UK

PHD/MRES RESEARCH AREAS
Clinical Investigation & Vision Sciences
Visual Neuroscience
Structural Biophysics

visionpgr@cardiff.ac.uk

Location Optometry Building
(map ref 15)
Total students 462
Number of staff 60
% international students 16%
The Welsh School of Pharmacy is among the leaders in clinical skills development in the UK. Accredited by the General Pharmaceutical Council, the Master of Pharmacy degree equips you with a sound knowledge of the pharmaceutical sciences and the necessary skills to proceed confidently into pre-registration training. It also offers you the experience of working closely with pharmacy practitioners and produces graduates highly-qualified for career opportunities in hospital, community, industrial and academic pharmacy. Towards the end of your degree, staff at the School will assist you in finding a pre-registration post. For more than a decade, all of our graduates have secured posts before graduation.

**TOP 10 PHARMACY & PHARMACOLOGY**
1  —  Sheffield  
2  —  Swansea  
3  —  Southampton  
4  —  Cardiff University  
4  —  Nottingham  
6 —  Bath  
7 —  Manchester  
8  —  Surrey  
8 —  Aston  
10  — Queen’s, Belfast  

REF ranking by Research Quality Standard
www.cardiff.ac.uk/ref-2014/units-of-assessment

**OTHER RANKINGS**
2nd  —  The Complete University Guide 2016  
3rd  —  The Guardian 2016  
7th  —  The Times Good University Guide 2015

**UNDERGRADUATE COURSES**
Pharmacy MPharm  
(pharmacy-ug@cardiff.ac.uk)

**POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
Clinical Research MSc/Diploma (part-time/distance learning)  
International Pharmacoepidemiology & Health Economics* MSc  
(pgphrmymmissions@cardiff.ac.uk)  
*studied in Germany.

**PHD/MPhil RESEARCH AREAS**
Drug Delivery & Microbiology  
Medicinal Chemistry  
Pharmacology & Physiology  
Pharmacy Practice & Clinical Pharmacy  
(davieswp@cardiff.ac.uk)

**Location**  Redwood Building (map ref 33)
**Total students**  710  
**Number of staff**  40  
**% international students**  15%

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

**TOP 10 PHYSICS**
1  —  Strathclyde  
2  —  Oxford  
3 —  St Andrews  
3 —  Edinburgh  
6 —  Cardiff University  
7  —  Cambridge  
7  —  Manchester  
9  —  Durham  
10  —  Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine  

REF ranking by Research Quality Standard
www.cardiff.ac.uk/ref-2014/units-of-assessment

**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 & Mathematics BSc  
Physics with Medical Physics BSc  
Physics with Music BSc  
Physics with a Preliminary Year BSc  
Theoretical & Computational Physics BSc  
(physics-ug@cardiff.ac.uk)

*Also available with an optional professional placement year.

**POSTGRADUATE COURSES**
Biophotonics MSc / Physics MSc / Astrophysics MSc  
(physics-pg@cardiff.ac.uk)

**PHD/MPhil RESEARCH AREAS**
Astronomy & Astrophysics / Astronomy Instrumentation /
Condensed Matter and Photonics / Gravitational Physics /
Musical Acoustics  
(physics-pg@cardiff.ac.uk)

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

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Cardiff School of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences  
www.cardiff.ac.uk/phrmy

Cardiff School of Physics & Astronomy  
www.cardiff.ac.uk/physx
Graduate Destinations
BBC / Deloitte / European Commission / Political research / Public services / Teaching posts in the UK and abroad

Undergraduate Courses
Politics *† BScEcon
Politics, Diploma in Etudes Politiques BScEcon
Politics & Economics BScEcon
International Relations & Politics BScEcon
International Relations & Politics with a language BScEcon (joint with School of Modern Languages)
Politics & Modern History BScEcon
Politics & Sociology BScEcon
lawpladmissions@cardiff.ac.uk
*Also available with another humanities subject
† Also available with law as an LLB

Postgraduate Courses
Political Theory MA
European Governance & Public Policy MScEcon
International Relations MScEcon
Politics and Public Policy MScEcon
Welsh Government and Politics MScEcon
lawpladmissions@cardiff.ac.uk

PhD/MPhil Research Areas
Comparative Politics, Policy and Governance
European Politics and Area Studies
International Relations and Politics
Political Theory
Welsh Politics
europ-pg-admissions@cardiff.ac.uk

Location
Park Place (map ref 24)
Total students 380
Number of staff 55
% international students 2%

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

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

Postgraduate Courses
Medical Education MSc/PGDip
Medical Education (e-learning) PGCert / PGDip / MSc
medicaleducation@cardiff.ac.uk

PhD/MPhil Research Areas
Adult Learning & Teaching
Clinically Based Learning
Curriculum Development
Learning in Groups
Educational Assessment & Evaluation Technology
Enhanced Education
medicaleducation@cardiff.ac.uk

Location
Neuadd Meirionnydd, Heath Park Campus (map ref 122)
Total students 220
Number of staff 9
% international students 12%

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

Postgraduate Courses
Medical Education MSc/PGDip
Medical Education (e-learning) PGCert / PGDip / MSc
medicaleducation@cardiff.ac.uk

PhD/MPhil Research Areas
Comparative Politics, Policy and Governance
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Location
Park Place (map ref 24)
Total students 380
Number of staff 55
% international students 2%
The School of Planning and Geography is independently recognised as one of the world’s leading centres for research and teaching in city and regional planning, human geography and urban design.

Our students are taught by acclaimed academics, delivering courses that confront 21st century challenges in the fields of urban design, human geography, planning and development.

We have a student community from over 40 different countries studying within a supportive learning environment that enables international students to flourish. Our reputation and professional course recognition means that our graduates have excellent career prospects and are highly desired by private, public and third sector organisations.

The diversity of our PhD students reflects the School’s international links, providing a vibrant research environment and access to an international network of researchers.

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

TOP 10 TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING
1 — Cambridge
2 — Cardiff University
3 — University College London
4 — Newcastle
5 — Heriot-Watt
6 — Sheffield
7 — Reading
8 — De Montfort
9 — Birmingham
10 — Gloucestershire

Ranked by The Complete University Guide 2016

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Urban Planning and Development BSc
Geography (Human) BSc
Geography (Human) and Planning BSc

cplan-studentenquiries@cardiff.ac.uk

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

kkythreotisA@cardiff.ac.uk

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

kkythreotisA@cardiff.ac.uk

Location Glamorgan Building (map ref 49)
Total students 752
Number of staff 80
% international students 35%
We welcome students from around the world to join our interdisciplinary, dynamic and vibrant teaching and research community. We are an internationally recognized centre of excellence across a range of subject areas, including sociology, policy studies, criminology, education and social work. Our programmes of study benefit from the research expertise and achievements of our staff. Our interdisciplinary approach creates an engaging and enjoyable learning environment for all of our students.

Research Excellence - In the latest UK Research Excellence Framework exercise (REF) the School of Social Sciences ranked 3rd for research quality in Sociology and 5th for Education. Our research influences policy and practice; we enjoy excellent links with Government, major private and public sector organizations and the third sector.

CAREERS AND EMPLOYABILITY
Our students go on to a wide range of careers and further study including; Teaching / Public Services / Government and Politics / Social Work and Healthcare / Business and the voluntary sector / Research

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
Our suite of undergraduate programmes includes:
Criminology
Education
Social Policy
Sociology
Human and Social Sciences
Social Analytics
We offer both single and joint honours programmes, including the opportunity for interdisciplinary study.

TAUGHT POSTGRADUATE COURSES
The School offers a range of postgraduate taught programmes in line with our research strengths. These include;
Science, Media and Communication MSc
Childhood and Youth MSc
Crime, Safety and Justice MSc
Education, Policy and Society MSc
Social and Public Policy MSc
Social Science Research Methods MSc
Skills and Workforce Development (based in Singapore) MSc
The School also offers a range of professional programmes, including social work and teacher training for post-compulsory education and training.

POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH (PHD)
We have a thriving postgraduate research community, with both PhD and professional doctorate opportunities available. We welcome applications for PhD study in the areas of sociology, social policy, criminology, education, science and technology studies and social care/ social work
We offer professional doctorate programmes in Education, Health Studies, Social Work and Social and Public Policy
To see the full list of programmes we offer please visit www.cardiff.ac.uk/social-sciences/courses

Location Glamorgan Building (map ref 49)
Total students 1530
Number of staff 156
% international students 2.5%

Ranked top 150 in the world for Sociology and Education (QS World University Rankings 2015)
Undergraduate courses are accredited and provide a platform to professional branches of psychology. Year-long work placements and paid summer internships available. Entrance and Merit Scholarships available to international students.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
- Assistant Clinical Psychologist / Assistant Psychologist (Eating Disorders) / Forensic Support Worker (Mental Illness) / Psychological Wellbeing Practitioner / Speech Therapy / Technical Instructor

TOP 10 PSYCHOLOGY, PSYCHIATRY & NEUROSCIENCE
1. Oxford
2. Cardiff University
3. Cambridge
4. York
5. Birkbeck
6. Royal Holloway College and Bedford
7. Imperial College of Science, Technology and Medicine
8. Birmingham
9. Newcastle
10. Sussex

OTHER RANKINGS
12th — The Times Good University Guide 2015
12th — The Complete University Guide 2016

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
- Psychology BSc
- Psychology with Professional Placement BSc

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
- Certificate and Diploma programmes in Cognitive Behavioural Therapies
- Graduate Diploma in 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

Location: Tower Building (map ref 27)
Total students: 700
Number of staff: 60
% international students: 3%
The School of Welsh is a dynamic and successful centre for research and teaching of the highest quality. Government assessments have acknowledged the excellence of our research and its impact on society. We have also been highly commended for the academic care provided to students. A diverse body of students from all over the world can be found at the School, exploring issues such as bilingualism and language planning, education and literature under the supervision of leading experts in these areas.

We play an active role in Welsh public life and Welsh-language arts and culture and we host two international research centres – the Cardiff Centre for Welsh American Studies and the Language, Policy and Planning Unit.

GRADUATE DESTINATIONS
BBC / Education / IT and software development / Marketing and PR / National Museum Wales / Welsh Government

TOP 10 CELTIC STUDIES
1 — Cambridge
2 — Bangor
3 — Cardiff University
4 — Glasgow
5 — Trinity Saint David
6 — Oxford
7 — Aberystwyth
8 — Queen’s, Belfast
9 — Swansea
10 — Edinburgh
Ranked by The Complete University Guide 2016

TOP 10 MODERN LANGUAGES & LINGUISTICS
1 — Queen Mary
2 — Edinburgh
3 — Queen Margaret
3 — Kent
5 — Southampton
5 — Queen’s, Belfast
7 — Cardiff University
8 — University of Essex
8 — University of Cambridge
10 — University of Glasgow
REF ranking by Research Quality Standard
www.cardiff.ac.uk/ref-2014/units-of-assessment

OTHER RANKINGS
4th — The Times Good University Guide 2015

UNDERGRADUATE COURSES
(all taught through the medium of Welsh)
- Law and Welsh LLB
- Welsh BA
- Welsh and Ancient History BA
- Welsh and Archaeology BA
- Welsh and Education BA
- Welsh and English Language BA
- Welsh and English Literature BA
- Welsh and French BA
- Welsh and German BA
- Welsh and History BA
- Welsh and Italian BA
- Welsh and Journalism BA
- Welsh and Mathematics BA
- Welsh and Music BA
- Welsh and Philosophy BA
- Welsh and Politics BA
- Welsh and Religious Studies BA
- Welsh and Sociology BA
- Welsh and Spanish BA

POSTGRADUATE COURSES
available through the medium of Welsh and/or English
- Welsh and Celtic Studies MA

SCHOLARSHIPS
For more information about the range of Scholarships offered by the School of Welsh please contact:

Location
John Percival Building
(map ref 16)

Total students 130
Number of staff 18
% international students 2%
Study Abroad & international exchange

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.
The International Foundation Programme 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. The Cardiff University IFP is the only foundation programme that offers direct routes to Cardiff University.

Who can apply?
The International Foundation Programme is for you if:

- you hold a secondary school leaving qualification meaning that an extra year’s study is necessary to reach the appropriate level for undergraduate study in the UK,
- you additionally have appropriate academic qualifications but need to develop your English language and study skills in preparation for an undergraduate degree programme in the UK,
- you are from outside the European Union.

Undergraduate degree programmes that foundation students can progress into:

- Biosciences
- Business
- Chemistry
- Computing
- Earth Sciences
- Engineering
- Optometry
- Pharmacy
- Psychology

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

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.
- want to improve your exam performance for university entrance or professional development.

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 (see our table of equivalences at www.cardiff.ac.uk/elt/efus). 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.
- free internet access on all University computers.
- 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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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.

Successful completion of a Pre-sessional summer course will usually satisfy your conditions of entry. Some offers will require you to take a recognised English language examination, such as IELTS, at the end of the course to prove you have reached the level stipulated in your offer letter.
Applying for a place at University can seem complex but at Cardiff the International Office is here to guide you every step of the way.

Entry Requirements
- Look on the website. We have a dedicated section for many countries. This will give you an overview of qualifications we consider: www.cardiff.ac.uk/international/country
- Contact the International Office.
- Contact an educational adviser.
The University has an international network of educational advisers (agents) who give free advice (see the website above for their contact details).
Some courses may require additional information or exams. For example: undergraduate architecture students must submit a portfolio. Check with the School, the International Office, online via the University’s course finder or with an adviser.

English Language Requirements
In addition to academic qualifications, the University also requires an English language qualification. The University accepts IELTS, TOEFL and IGCSE/GCSE however the University also considers other English language qualifications, including the Indian Year 12 and WAEC. Different courses will require you to get different scores, however most courses require an average of 6.5 in IELTS or equivalent. You will also be required to achieve a certain grade in sub-scores. 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 study an English course at Cardiff University. More information is on page 42.

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

You may also find this table of equivalencies useful:

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How to write your personal statement

All Cardiff University applications require you to write a personal statement. A good personal statement will help you get the edge over other applicants and is your opportunity to tell the University about yourself, say why you’re interested in the course and provide details of any relevant experience you have. Below are some tips for writing a good personal statement:

— be enthusiastic
Admission tutors want students that are passionate about the area they are studying. You should write why you are interested in the course, what research you have done into the subject area, and what you plan to do after you graduate.

— include any work experience
If you have any relevant work or voluntary experience this will help show your commitment. For example: if you are applying for a journalism course, include any experience you have working on student newspapers. This is very important for students considering applying to healthcare related courses. The admission tutors will want to be convinced that you understand the demands of working in these professions.

— show you can be part of a team
Admission 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 you in your studies.

— include your interests
The University is also looking for students that will contribute to the wider student community. You should provide information on your social and cultural hobbies, for example: community volunteering or playing a musical instrument.

— demonstrate ability in English
It is a good idea to ask someone to proof-read your personal statement, and remember to run a spell-check. Even if English is your first language, you should detail how you have used English since your last English exam. For example: at work, or during your studies.
Common Questions

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

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

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.

Application procedure

Undergraduate / Bachelors
To apply for an undergraduate / bachelors degree course you need to use an organisation called UCAS and apply online at www.ucas.com. UCAS allows you to apply to up to five (four for medicine/dentistry) courses at any combination of UK universities using the same application form. The institution code for Cardiff is C15. Course codes are listed on the University’s website. If you want to apply for an undergraduate degree but only have 12 years of education, you may need to take a foundation programme/year zero. More information on applying to Cardiff University’s International Foundation Programme is available on page 42.

Is there an application fee?
Cardiff University does not charge an application fee, however UCAS will charge a small fee, currently £23, to process your application.

When is the application deadline?
The official deadline for undergraduate courses is the 30th June each year. If you want to apply after this date you should contact the International Office. If you are applying for a medicine or dentistry course the application deadline will be October 15th prior to entry in September the following year.

Postgraduate Taught / Masters
You apply directly to the University for a postgraduate taught course. You can apply online at www.cardiff.ac.uk/apply or you can download paper application materials from the website. It is recommended that you apply online because it is quicker and you can track your application.

Postgraduate Research / PhD / MPhil
The application procedure for postgraduate research is the same as postgraduate taught (above), however you will also need to include a research proposal. You should also make contact with a member of academic staff who could act as a potential supervisor to your studies.

1 — look at the University School’s website to see if there is a member of academic staff who matches your area of research.
2 — send the member of staff a short e-mail outlining your area of interest.
3 — mention on your application form which member(s) of staff you have contacted regarding your supervision.
If you are unsure whether the School is able to offer supervision for your research you can contact them directly. Email addresses for PhD enquiries are included in the Schools section of this prospectus where you will also find Cardiff University’s areas of research.

Is there an application fee?
For the vast majority of courses Cardiff University does not charge an application fee.

When is the application deadline?
Most postgraduate courses do not have a deadline. The University however encourages you to apply as early as possible to avoid disappointment. You will need to ensure you have enough time to complete the application process and, where applicable, get a visa. Some courses can also become full quite quickly. It is recommended you apply 9–12 months in advance of the course starting.
Fees and living expenses

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

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

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

Funding and Scholarships
In recognition of the outstanding talent of many international students, Cardiff University offers a highly prestigious International Scholarship Fund, designed to attract and reward the best students. In addition to its own scholarship programmes, Cardiff University is also pleased to offer a number of scholarships in association with partnership organisations. Please see our website for the most up to date funding opportunities: www.cardiff.ac.uk/internationalscholarships

Living Expenses
For the 2015/16 session the University estimated that:
— An undergraduate student (September – June) needed £7,841 a year.
— A postgraduate student (September - September) needed £9,833 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 £460 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.

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

Cardiff is also one of the most affordable of the traditional University cities. The table below compares the Russell Group of Universities, and the average cost of rent for students per week.

Cost of living for first year students in UK Universities (including weekly essentials, rent and travel)

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<td>University of Cardiff</td>
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<td>The University of Oxford</td>
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Source: HSBC living cost table – August 2014
The International Office will support you throughout the application process and welcome you to the University. If you have any questions or would like more information at any stage, please contact us.

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