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# OPEN DAYS

**Choosing a degree and where to study are big decisions. We're here to help!**

But the best way to know if a university is right for you is to go and take a look around at an Open Day.

University of South Wales Open Days offer you the full experience. You can explore the campus, sample lectures, see where you'll live, and speak to tutors and students – all giving you a great idea of what it's like to study here.

You can even meet and make friends with people you might study with when you arrive. This year's Open Day programme is packed with everything you need – from workshops and tours, to trying out some of our newest facilities.

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**Download our free app to get an enhanced Open Day experience: [southwales.ac.uk/app](https://southwales.ac.uk/app)**

"When I came to an Open Day at USW I could see myself living and studying here. This was something I did not feel when I looked at any other university. I just got the feeling I would be happy here and I was right. Everyone is so friendly and I think I made the perfect choice."

**Daisy Peskett,  
LLB (Hons) Law**

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**2016  
OPEN DAYS**

**Saturday 2 July  
Tuesday 13 September  
Saturday 22 October  
Saturday 3 December**





# YOUR JOURNEY STARTS HERE

The University of South Wales is one of the largest universities in the UK, offering you more opportunities and bright prospects. Our students benefit from superb programmes, facilities and support, as well as our growing reputation as a major university for jobs and employers.

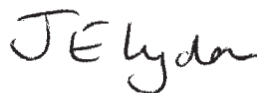
We're committed to offering a broad range of distinctive, high-quality programmes that are delivered by inspirational staff in stimulating environments. This rich learning environment will give you a rounded university education and broaden your outlook from within your chosen discipline.

We're also committed to getting our students into the jobs they want to do by reflecting and recreating the demands of industry in our programmes and facilities. Our students gain knowledge, skills and experience that will maximise their intellectual and personal fulfilment, and enable them to succeed in the challenging economic environment we now face. Indeed, we are consistently ranked as a top UK university for student employability, with 94% of our students in employment or further study within six months of graduating (HESA Performance Indicator for Employment of Leavers 2013/14).

We're justly proud of our growing reputation for applied research and innovation, which provides solutions to problems and informs key decisions that affect society, culture and the economy. In the 2014 Research Excellence Framework, we were named among UK leaders in many fields, including the creative industries, social policy, and sports and exercise sciences. This research and influence ensures that our programmes reflect the latest thinking and advances, giving your university education an added distinction.

I hope you find all the information you need in this prospectus, but remember you can discover much more about what the University can offer you at one of our popular Open Days. If you cannot visit us in person, please contact us – we'll be happy to discuss your options and help you make your decision.

I look forward to welcoming you to the University.



Professor Julie Lydon OBE  
Vice-Chancellor



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Newport City Campus

# SUCCESS STARTS HERE

It's an exciting time to get involved with us and discover what we have to offer.

The University of South Wales is one of the largest universities in the UK and the largest in Wales, offering our students excellent opportunities and prospects.

A course at the University of South Wales is more than just a degree. Inside and outside the classroom, we help you achieve your potential professionally and personally.

Here's what we think you need to know about studying here.

## Career focused

Employability is at the heart of everything we do. We seek to ensure you'll be ready to start a successful career as soon as you graduate. We've even made employability part of the curriculum, with teaching informed by what happens in the real world and skills you will need for the workplace.

But learning isn't just about books and theories – work experience is a key part of your education. We make sure you have every opportunity to experience the workplace and put what you learn into practice.

It's an approach that works. 94% of our graduates are in employment or further study within six months of graduation – a figure well above the UK average.\* You can find our graduates all over the world, building strong careers and making a difference in their chosen field. You can read some of their stories in this prospectus, or find many more on our website.

Turn to page 16 to for more about our careers support and look for 'sandwich' year details next to each course.



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Aerospace Centre, Pontypridd Campus

# STAY CONNECTED

Follow us for subject information, exclusive videos and much more. Search: **University of South Wales**



## Investing in your future

Facilities and equipment are a major part of your university education. At the University of South Wales, we continually invest in our campuses to ensure you have the best possible student experience and gain all the skills you need.

Our Pontypridd Campus has seen key developments in recent years, with brand-new Halls of Residence and Students' Union. We've also revamped the library to include student services, so you can easily access all support services in one place.

It's an exciting time to start studying at our Cardiff Campus, with an extension to the ATRiuM campus opening its doors to students this September. We've got ambitious plans for our Newport City Campus too, with developments happening all the time at this innovative campus on the riverside.

Turn to page 10 to discover more about the campus where you'll study.

## Seal of approval

Many courses at the University have been accredited by professional bodies. This means they are of the highest standard and can grant you exemptions from professional exams as an added extra.

Many employers will be looking for graduates who have studied accredited courses, so our students can be sure they have the right skills and knowledge to impress employers at interviews. You'll find details of professional accreditations next to each course in this prospectus.



"University has been a great experience all round. My course was fantastic, I have made friends for life and more importantly, I graduated and went straight into a job. It's been a whirlwind experience but one I would recommend to anyone. Graduation was a day I'll never forget, I looked odd in dress robes but it was fun – a great way of celebrating three years with family and friends."

Jacob Roberts,  
BSc (Hons) Media Technology

**WE CONTINUALLY INVEST IN OUR CAMPUSES TO ENSURE YOU HAVE THE BEST POSSIBLE STUDENT EXPERIENCE**



## Right tools for the job

Our students learn about their profession in environments that recreate the workplace, using the same equipment and software they'll find there too. This approach ensures you'll be ready for the workplace and have the confidence to succeed.

Wherever you look on campus, you'll find industry-standard equipment and exciting places to learn new things. From a Clinical Simulation Centre and an aircraft hangar, to photography, music and TV studios, you'll gain essential skills using some of the best facilities in the UK.

There's more about the facilities for your subject at the start of each course section, or turn to page 10 for more about the campus where you'll study.



"My university experience has been everything and more! I'm glad I came here. The tutors' open door policy is great and there is a fantastic support network of lecturers and fellow students."

Hannah Lane,  
BN (Hons) Nursing

## USW INSIGHT

Find out what it's really like to be a student here — turn to page 24 or go to:  
[southwales.ac.uk/uswinsight](http://southwales.ac.uk/uswinsight)



## USW IN A YEAR

See what our students got up to in 2015:  
[southwales.ac.uk/uswinayear](http://southwales.ac.uk/uswinayear)

## YOUR WORLD AWAITS AT USW

Come to an Open Day — simply register online:  
[southwales.ac.uk/opendays](http://southwales.ac.uk/opendays)

### Student life

At university you'll make friends for life, try out lots of new things and become more independent than ever before. At the University of South Wales, you'll find countless opportunities and award-winning support to help you along the way. As the largest university in Wales, we have thousands of students who come here to study every year, so you'll meet plenty of people and have a fantastic social life.

For a taste of student life just go to page 34, or turn over to discover more about our great campus locations.



Analytical Instrumentation Laboratory, Pontypridd Campus

### Research that matters

Research at the University of South Wales makes a real difference. It provides solutions to problems and informs decisions that affect society, culture and the economy.

In the latest Research Excellence Framework (REF 2014), half of our research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent. We're also among UK leaders in many fields, including social policy, sports and exercise sciences, and the creative industries.

We offer a rich resource of expertise, which is called on by government, industry and the public sector to provide fresh thinking and new evidence. This all means you'll be taught by lecturers who are at the forefront of their fields, giving you a window to the latest thinking and developments.

# THE PERFECT LOCATION

**If location is everything, we've got it covered.**

We have three campuses throughout the region, making us the largest university in Wales. With campuses in Pontypridd, Newport and Cardiff, you can enjoy all that south Wales has to offer – city life and culture, stunning beaches and breathtaking countryside.

South Wales is a welcoming place to study and our students love the friendly atmosphere on our campuses. They're all easily reached by road, rail and air, so wherever you come from you're never far from home. Here's a taste of what you'll find.

"My university experience has been absolutely brilliant. Once I attended an Open Day and saw the facilities and spoke to the lecturers, my mind was made up that I wanted to study here."

Ceri Brett,  
BSc (Hons) Biology

## WATCH ONLINE

Get a bird's eye view of campus —  
watch our aerial video:

[southwales.ac.uk/  
pontytour](http://southwales.ac.uk/pontytour)

Pontypridd Campus, Treforest

## PONTYPRIDD: A BREATH OF FRESH AIR

**You'll find our Pontypridd Campus in the heart of south Wales, just 10 miles from Cardiff.**

Pontypridd is ideal if you prefer somewhere a little quieter for your studies, surrounded by green open spaces and plenty of fresh air. Our students say they love the community atmosphere, as well as the convenience of living and studying in the same place.

Pontypridd is a welcoming place, so you'll soon feel right at home. The University's growing population means that the town

is largely a student area, with plenty of shops, pubs and restaurants. Pontypridd is a great market town, with a huge park that's home to the National Lido of Wales, plus there's a Showcase cinema and bowling nearby.

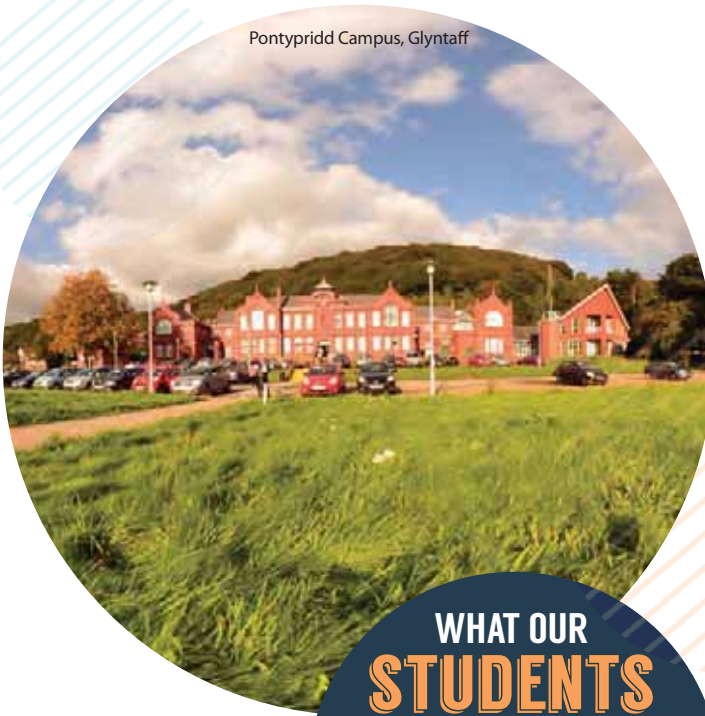
For a change of pace, you can be in Cardiff city centre in just 20 minutes by train. Plus with services running day and night, and a train station that's practically

on campus, getting into the city couldn't be easier.

Contrary to popular opinion it's not always raining in Wales, so you can take advantage of some of the most stunning countryside in the UK. With countless mountains and beaches, south Wales is the ultimate outdoor playground – from walking and climbing to mountain biking or surfing, there are endless ways to get your kicks in the great Welsh outdoors.



Pontypridd Campus, Glyntaff



## Pontypridd Campus

Our Pontypridd Campus is made up of two sites; Treforest and Glyntaff.

From listed buildings to new, modern, structures, **Treforest** reflects the University's history and its ambitions. Here, you'll find everything you need in one place – your classes, the library, cafes and bars to eat and drink, and friends to spend time with. This is where you'll be based if you study computing, engineering, business, psychology, law, accounting, or the humanities. It's also where you'll find our Halls of Residence, the largest of our Students' Union buildings, and the University's Sport Centre.

**Glyntaff** is home to health, sport and science students. Our Treforest and Glyntaff sites are a short walk from each other, or there's a shuttle bus that runs between them if you'd prefer. USW Sport Park is just a couple of miles away. This excellent training facility is where sport coaching and development students learn, rubbing shoulders with professionals and international sports men and women.

There have been lots of changes at the Pontypridd Campus lately thanks to our ongoing investments. Recent years have seen a brand-new Students' Union and Halls of Residence, as well as a redesign of the Library and Student Centre, which now has all your learning and support needs in one place.

We've also created a new lecture theatre that seats up to 300 students and uses the latest AV technology, as well as an extension to the Aerospace Centre at Treforest that opened earlier this year. A recent £15m development in science means our laboratories at Glyntaff are purpose-built and full of industry-standard equipment, while the £3.7m USW Sport Park is an impressive coaching, training and conditioning centre.

### WHAT OUR STUDENTS SAY

Go online to see what our students say about south Wales and find tips about what's on:  
[southwales.ac.uk/student-life](https://southwales.ac.uk/student-life)

GREEN OPEN SPACES AND PLENTY OF FRESH AIR

Library and Student Centre, Pontypridd Campus



FIND OUT WHY OUR STUDENTS LOVE STUDYING IN NEWPORT →

# NEWPORT: A CITY ON THE RISE

Newport is the gateway to Wales. It's a modern city with a bright future.

The city has undergone significant development in recent years and there's plenty more in store. Friars Walk is a brand-new £100m retail development that opened its doors in autumn 2015, right opposite the Newport City Campus. As well as an eight-screen multiplex cinema, you'll be able to enjoy food with friends at Nandos, Gourmet Burger Kitchen or Chiquito, and enjoy a spot of retail therapy in any of the 75 shops, including student-friendly brands like New Look, River Island, Topshop and Debenhams.

Thanks to excellent transport links and increasing investment in the city,

Newport offers fantastic opportunities for work placements and graduate employment. There are several large employers in Newport, including Admiral, the Office for National Statistics, the Patent Office and GoCompare.com.

You don't have to go far to find culture and entertainment in Newport either. The Riverfront Theatre is right next to the campus and offers comedy, live music and film screenings. With just a short walk into town, you'll reach the city's old Market Quarter. Newly redeveloped, it combines Newport's history with contemporary design, and there are lots of shops, cafes and bars to for you to enjoy.

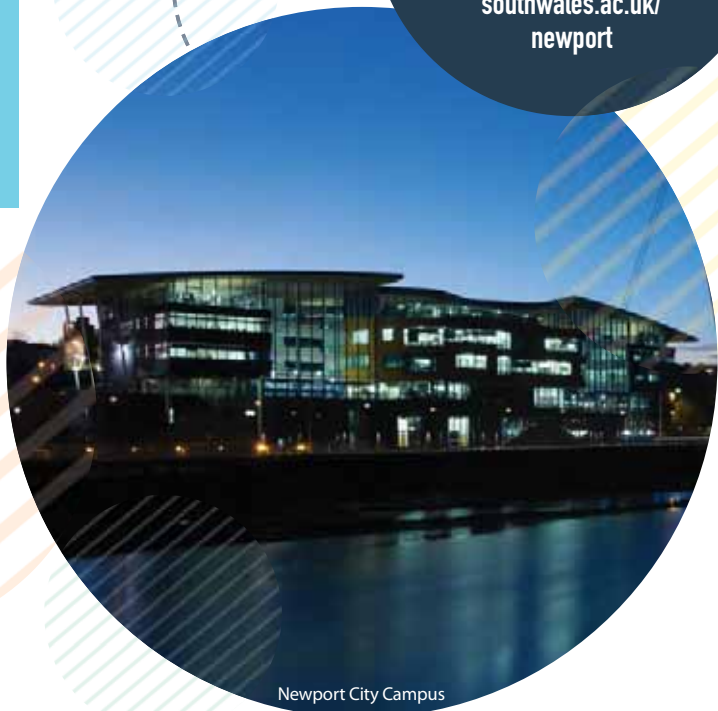
Newport has a lot to offer sport enthusiasts too, with a wide range of activities. The Newport Centre, with its recently refurbished gym, is a stone's throw from the campus and offers a great student membership deal, along with a number of other local fitness centres and regular park runs at nearby Tredegar House. You can also enjoy weekly sport with Newport Gwent Dragons rugby and Newport County FC, within walking distance of the campus.

"I love this campus because it looks stunning. It's easy to find your way around. All the academics are in the same place and the facilities for the courses run here are brilliant. The refectory and library is open plan and we even have open roofed and floating classrooms!"

Paige Hunter,  
BA (Hons) Film

## TAKE A CLOSER LOOK

Check out student life in Newport:  
[southwales.ac.uk/  
newport](http://southwales.ac.uk/newport)



Newport City Campus





Newport City Campus

"Newport nightlife is like no other city! You're only ever steps away from a classmate or housemate, and the atmosphere is as social as social can be. Be sure to check out Delilah's, Meze and Warehouse 54 for all your clubbing hotspots! Music ranges from motown, to chart to trance, so there is something to suit everyone. If you live in the Halls in town it's easy to walk home with your flatmates. If you're further out in a houseshare, then a taxi home will cost you as little as £6 – equivalent to £1.50 per passenger if you cab share!"

**Drew Burman,**  
SU Vice-President, Newport  
2015

## Newport City Campus

Our campus is right at the heart of the city, overlooking the River Usk. This impressive £35m campus opened in 2011; it's one of the University's most iconic buildings and it couldn't be in a better location to embrace city life in Newport. Plus, the Halls of Residence are just a few minutes walk away, so you won't have to get up too early for your 9am lectures!

Our Newport City Campus houses a wide range of subject areas. You'll mix with students from business, early years, social work, teacher training, and youth work courses every day, so you'll benefit from studying in state-of-the-art surroundings with a diverse atmosphere.

We're continually developing facilities at the campus and we're making a £3m investment to enhance current provision. There's a new cafe with Starbucks coffee, new Students' Union facilities and study spaces, with more exciting developments planned as part of a long-term project.

Whether you're studying one of our business courses and making use of the learning resource centre, or training to be a teacher in the dedicated primary school classroom, you won't be disappointed by the fantastic facilities at our Newport City Campus.

Students at Newport also enjoy one of the best student bus services in Britain. For less than the price of a bottle of water each day, you can access the entire Newport Bus network, including travel to Cardiff and other towns in south Wales. To find out more, visit: [southwales.ac.uk/unigo](http://southwales.ac.uk/unigo)

## DID YOU KNOW?

Newport has its very own beer! Newport brewery, Tiny Rebel, won Champion Beer of Wales two years running and stocks of Dirty Stop Out, FUBAR and Urban IPA beers are sold throughout Newport and Cardiff and at their own new bar. It would be rude not to try it!

**DISCOVER WHAT'S WAITING FOR YOU IN CARDIFF** →

# CARDIFF: A CAPITAL ATTRACTION

Cardiff is a great place to live and study. Our campus is in the city centre, putting you at the heart of the country's capital.

Cardiff has everything you'd expect to find in a major city and more. The capital has a vibrant arts scene, great nightlife, history, culture, top sporting venues, fantastic shopping – and that's just for starters. It's also a city of parks and has more green space per person than any other UK core city.

If you study in Pontypridd or Newport but want to make the most of what Cardiff has to offer, travelling there is easy, with regular trains and buses day and night. Cardiff is a compact city so it's easy to get around – shops, bars, the campus and transport links are all within minutes of each other.

Cardiff is a city of attractions, drawing people from all over the UK and abroad. As well as countless bars and great food, you'll find a Medieval castle, Victorian and Edwardian arcades full of independent shops and cafes, alongside St David's – a modern shopping centre full of high street names and designer brands.

The city is well known for its nightlife, so if you like your entertainment live and loud, you'll love the thriving music scene, featuring venues and festivals with no end of exciting acts. From bands in Metros or the legendary Clwb Ifor Bach, to big names at the Motorpoint Arena, or maybe you're a devoted clubber, you won't be disappointed.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Cardiff beat London, Manchester and Glasgow as the place where people feel most satisfied to live in the UK. The city came top of the list for having green spaces and being easier to find work. (Urban Audit, 2014)

There's plenty for sport lovers to enjoy, right in the city centre. Cardiff Blues rugby and Cardiff City FC play matches week-in week-out, plus there's ice hockey, test cricket, and international football and rugby – you'll experience no better sporting atmosphere than Cardiff on an international rugby day!

Just a mile from our campus is Cardiff Bay – an area that's been transformed from an industrial powerhouse into a centre for culture, socialising and watersports. From a day out with friends to a night at the theatre, you're sure to spend some time down the Bay. If you fancy a day trip out of the city, just head to the nearby seaside towns of Penarth and Barry Island. Or if you venture a little further, you can hit the beautiful beaches of the Gower Peninsular.



Student Event, St David's Shopping Centre

"Cardiff is a great city to live in. Even if you're going to a different campus I would recommend taking a few trips down to Cardiff! At night time Cardiff changes and students flood to the city to go to the multitude of clubs. Within walking distance you have the beautiful Roath Park Lake, Bute Park and the castle grounds you can roam in. Also a short train ride away is Barry Island – home to Gavin and Stacey with a long stretch of sandy beach!"

James Biss,  
BA (Hons) Popular Music



Bute Park

## DID YOU KNOW?

Cardiff is home to Spillers Records – open for business since 1894, it's the oldest record shop in the world!

# STUDENT LIFE IN CARDIFF

See what the capital has to offer students: [southwales.ac.uk/10postcodes](http://southwales.ac.uk/10postcodes)



Fashion and Photography Induction Week

## Cardiff Campus

The Cardiff Campus is made up of two buildings in the city centre; ATRium and Atlantic House.

ATRium is a base for our creative industries students, but it has library resources and student support for everyone studying at the Cardiff Campus. There's also a Students' Union and places to eat or grab a coffee between lectures.

ATRium is our largest building in Cardiff – and it's about to get even bigger. We're investing £14.7m to extend ATRium and provide more specialist facilities, so students can develop their creative work in a professional environment. There's a video of our plans online – take a look: [southwales.ac.uk/cardiff](http://southwales.ac.uk/cardiff)



ATRium, Cardiff Campus

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR CREATIVE INDUSTRIES STUDENTS ARE ENDLESS

Due to open in September 2016, this new building will have extensive studio facilities for our design and fashion courses. There'll also be dance studios, drama rehearsal spaces and substantial photographic studios and labs. This is in addition to new fabrication workshops for media, performance and design courses, and model making facilities for animation.

Cardiff is a centre for major media production in the UK, with the BBC's Roath Lock drama studios on the doorstep and Pinewood Studios nearby. Well known as a city of culture and entertainment, the opportunities for creative industries students are endless.

Atlantic House is where many of our professional courses are taught. It's also home to our Legal and Financial Advice Clinic, where law students gain valuable experience by advising members of the public and small businesses on legal matters. There's space for creative industries students too, with extra lecture and seminar rooms.

## COME AND FIND OUT FOR YOURSELF

Coming to an Open Day is the best way to find out what the University is like. Why not stay for an extra day and take some time to explore? Our students love the area and you'll soon find out why. It's really easy to book – simply register online:

[southwales.ac.uk/  
opensdays](http://southwales.ac.uk/opensdays)

# IT'S YOUR CAREER. BE READY.

It's never too early to think about what you want to do after university. Most students go to university to prepare for a successful career. So, we've made your priority our priority.

Our Careers and Employability Team can offer you a wide range of services, including information and guidance. We'll help you consider your career options and the skills, qualifications and experience you will need, as well as practical help with finding work placements, completing job applications or practising interview techniques.

Simply call in to the Careers and Employability Service at any time to use the resources. If you're too busy to come and see us, you can access these resources online whenever suits you. You can find out about new vacancies and careers workshops and events, get updates on work placements, or search our employer directory for opportunities.

Visit [southwales.ac.uk/careers](http://southwales.ac.uk/careers) to see what we offer and watch videos of what our students have to say.

"My placement has really helped with the theory because I've seen it in action. Without support from Careers and Employability Service, I definitely wouldn't have got the job with GE Aviation. I'm fortunate that they've offered me a position and are funding my final year and my qualifications – it's fantastic. I'm really glad I came to this university."

**Stephanie Thomas,**  
BA (Hons) Accounting and Finance



Project management placement: Keepmoat

# 94%

of our graduates are in work or further study within six months of graduating, which is much higher than the national average.\*



## Work experience

Meaningful work-related experience is becoming essential in today's competitive job market. The University of South Wales is the only university in Wales with a dedicated, central work experience team. We can even help you explore work experience overseas, which could count towards your course.

There are many different types of work experience, so you're sure to find one that suits you. Here are just some of the ways in which you could get valuable work experience during your studies here:

### On your course

Work experience and employability are so important, they are built in to all our courses. From projects that mirror working practices to spending time in the workplace, we'll help you get relevant experience for your career.

Many courses also have modules that focus on your employability by developing appropriate skills and preparing you for graduate applications. These tailored resources allow you to explore career sectors, and enhance your confidence and creativity when it comes to preparing and planning for success after University.

Some of our courses have a year of work experience, called a 'sandwich year', built in – just check the study options next to each course. These are a great opportunity to spend time in the workplace to understand what is required of new graduates and gain relevant experiences to talk about at interview.

Plus, our links with industry in the UK and overseas mean that what you learn is informed by actual practice and reflects real-life trends. Many of our courses also hold accreditations by professional bodies, which demonstrates that course content meets industry standards.

### Live briefs

Live briefs provide a great opportunity to experience working to a client-led brief. Integrated into courses, subject-relevant live briefs are a chance for you to apply your new skills, build a strong portfolio, get a taste of the working world and deepen your professional networks.

Industry engagement of this kind is at the core of our curriculum. The University welcomes organisations to campus and arranges industry visits, allowing you to question and learn in a realistic way. Live briefs are often associated with creative courses, but they can cover a variety of areas, from sports development and business, to geography or education. Recent briefs include a social media campaign for Sports Disability Wales, identifying cost savings for a multinational manufacturing company, and creating photographic artwork for a local town centre.

### Placements

You can gain business experience with a full-time commercial placement. There's a flexible approach to finding opportunities, with placements lasting between three months to a year, to work on specific projects or fill resource gaps. Alternatively, you could take a vacation placement and make the most of your time outside lectures.

### Live project work

Live project placements are wide ranging and challenging. You'll get to use your academic expertise to address work-related problems over a six-week period.

### Voluntary work

Volunteering in an area you're passionate about is a great way to get experience and make a contribution to the community at the same time – a bonus for your CV. Many students have completed volunteer work in the UK and overseas. From teaching children in Africa to writing a marketing plan for a local charity, you can gain many skills and fresh outlook that can benefit your studies while at university.

Pontypridd Campus



# GRAD EDGE™

### Grad Edge Award

The Grad Edge Award is all about getting out into the workplace or being enterprising, and completing at least 70 hours of work-related experience. Of this, 35 hours need to be career-related. The rest can be general experience of employment through your part-time job, volunteering, being a course rep or running a society.

All this will give your CV a solid foundation and you'll understand what it takes to perform well in graduate interviews and the workplace. You will be asked to put this to the test in an assessment that incorporates many elements of the interview process and will equip you to navigate the graduate labour market.

**TURN OVER FOR MORE EMPLOYABILITY SUPPORT** →





Michelle Woodward,  
BA (Hons) Sport Studies placement

# WORK EXPERIENCE

## WHAT'S IN IT FOR YOU?

- You'll develop your skills and achievements, and know how to present them to employers.
- Placements can lead to employment and many students are offered positions in their host company.
- You'll gain new skills and build confidence.
- You get paid on some placements and could gain credits towards your course.
- You'll develop key skills for employment such as team working, making decisions and solving problems.
- You can network and build contacts with industry professionals and potential employers.

## Employer links

Making the right connections is critical. We have excellent links with employers who contribute to our employability programme.

Over 700 employers advertise opportunities to our students, while we work with 300 employers each year to deliver events on campus, from skills workshops and talks to recruitment assessment centre tests.

Here are just some of the companies we work with:

- A-Com • Acorn • Alert Logic
- Arriva Trains • Audit Commission
- Audit General for Wales • AXA Ltd
- Balfour Beatty • BBC • Boots
- Bouygues • BT • Cable & Wireless
- Capital Law • CGI • CIPFA
- Deloitte • DS Smith
- Enterprise Rent-A-Car • Equiniti
- Ernst & Young • Exxon Mobil
- EY Building • FDM Group
- Fujitsu • GCHQ • GE Aviation
- General Dynamics • GlaxoSmithKline
- Gleeds • Gors • Gradcracker
- Hilton Worldwide • HSBC • Hugh James
- Intapeople • John Lewis Partnership
- Kautex Textron • Klockner Pentaplast Ltd
- KPMG • L'Oreal • Lead • Logica
- MBDA Careers • NCC group
- Network Rail • NHS
- Office for National Statistics
- PriceWaterhouseCoopers
- Raymond Brown Construction Ltd
- RH Environmental
- Rhys Davies Logistics • Rolls-Royce
- Royal Navy • Sainsbury's • Siemens plc
- South Wales Police • SPTS
- Stepping Stones • Superstars • TATA Steel
- Tesco • Turner & Townsend Ltd
- Vodafone Ltd
- Watkins and Gunn Solicitors
- Welsh Government • Willmott Dixon

**Elliot Davies, BA (Hons) Logistics and Supply Chain Management, completed a placement as a Supply Chain Intern. At the end of the placement, Elliot was offered a part-time role with his company, which will run alongside his studies.**

"One of my biggest achievements was implementing a cost-saving exercise, by moving six parts from one factory to another. It's estimated this will save the company in excess of £32,000 a year. I was heavily involved in the whole business process, from meeting with the supplier to managing internal meetings to make sure everyone involved knew what was happening and were informed of any issues. Having this kind of experience on my CV will give me a huge advantage."

## Sponsored Degrees

The Sponsored Degree Scheme in the Faculty of Business and Society is the equivalent of a modern apprenticeship. It's available to students in a range of disciplines, including accounting and finance, human resources, supply chain management, retail management and law.

Studying a sponsored degree offers a fantastic opportunity to work while you study. Students work for their host company for three days each week and study at University for the other two days.

To find out more and apply online, visit: [southwales.ac.uk/sponsored-degrees](http://southwales.ac.uk/sponsored-degrees)

## Enterprise and entrepreneurship

If you want to become an enterprising employee, are considering freelance or have an idea for a new business, Bright Ideas can help. Bright Ideas runs skills development boot-camps, events and competitions, as well on-campus business advice, training and funding to help you strike out on your own. To find out more, visit: [southwales.ac.uk/careers](http://southwales.ac.uk/careers)

## Sustainability

The University is part of the Green Academy, which integrates sustainable development and education into University life. Students are at the heart of the project because sustainability skills can help with employment. Increasingly, employers are demanding graduates who understand sustainability. To find out more, visit: [southwales.ac.uk/greenacademy](http://southwales.ac.uk/greenacademy)

## Network75

The Network75 scheme combines work and study to improve your employability. Network75 students are in University for two days each week and in work for the other three, so they put what they learn into practice straight away.

You get a minimum tax-free bursary of £5,000 per year that increases by £500 each academic year. Plus, around 65% of students get additional payments from their host companies. Your course tuition fees will also be paid for you, so you can choose to graduate without any student debt.

There's a 100% employment rate too. All Network75 students have been offered jobs by their host companies upon graduation, often at a level higher than other graduates.

Subject areas that take part in Network75 are engineering, surveying, and computing.

To find out more about this scheme and to apply online, visit: [southwales.ac.uk/network75](http://southwales.ac.uk/network75)

Careers and Employability Service, Pontypridd Campus



**MAKE A  
DIFFERENCE**

Make a difference to  
your career:  
[southwales.ac.uk/  
careers](http://southwales.ac.uk/careers)

# TEACHING AND LEARNING SUPPORT

The University delivers courses to thousands of students across south Wales and beyond, so we work hard to provide the best learning support.

## Learning to meet your needs

As well as the great facilities for your subject area, you'll use the latest technologies to enhance your studies. Our approach means you can access your course materials anytime and anywhere through Blackboard.

We have virtual learning systems and you'll experience some of your learning through these. They add to the ways you can learn and provide materials in a range of formats, including text, audio, visual and multimedia. We also use blogs, wikis and podcasts to deliver learning in a way that best suits you.

We also provide training so you can get the most out of our technology. You'll soon learn how to communicate with students and tutors through virtual classrooms, tutorial groups and chat rooms, and keep up-to-date with timetables, bulletins and special events.

## ONE STOP SHOP

The Library and Student Centre at our Pontypridd Campus has way more than just books – from the employability team to a coffee shop and money advice, you'll find all your support needs in one place.





## Libraries

You'll find a library on every campus, each with a wide range of services and resources. Our libraries have different types of study spaces, from social to silent, as well as access to books, journals, PCs and Wi-Fi.

Many of our resources are online too, so you can access ebooks, ejournals, databases, check your library account, and renew and reserve books. You can also use our website to contact the librarians who will help you find the information you need for assignments and dissertations.

## ICT facilities

When you enrol, you'll get an email address and access to our ICT facilities through the student portal. You can log on to access email, virtual learning, library systems and high-speed internet anywhere in the University. Plus the University has wireless networking for real flexibility.

We have an impressive number of computers for students to use and many of these are available at evenings and weekends. You can even book a PC workstation online if you want to secure your spot.

There's lots of technical support available too, either face-to-face in the open access labs, by phone or online chat, so you can get the help you need whenever you need it.

## Media services

If you plan to study media modules, we can provide specialist media equipment and facilities. These include editing suites and studios that are open during weekends and evenings, depending on your course and campus. Whatever subject you study, if you need to use audio, video or photographic equipment, our staff can help and advise you.

## DID YOU KNOW?

You can download a **free Blackboard app for Android or Apple** and keep up-to-date with all your materials on the go. Or just download it to your tablet and save lots of money on printing!

"The library is fantastic and staff are always willing to help. There are tutorials and workshops to support you, especially with things like referencing, as that is something new at university."

Ceri Brett,  
BSc (Hons) Biology



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# DO THE MATHS

The benefits of a degree far outweigh the cost – from career opportunities and earnings, to friends, skills and experiences you'll have for life.

## Student Money Advice Team

There are plenty of ways to manage the cost of your education. While student grants and loans make university affordable, we offer a little extra support at the University of South Wales.

Our team of experts can help you with anything money-related, from applying for a loan or learning how to budget. So, if you need advice on fees, scholarships and money, visit:  
[southwales.ac.uk/money](https://southwales.ac.uk/money)

## Tuition fees

It's not surprising that tuition is the biggest cost of going to university – but the good news is that no eligible student has to pay tuition fees up front.

Most students are eligible to take out a tuition fee loan that effectively defers payment of your fees until after you graduate and earn money. The Student Loans Company (SLC) will pay your fees directly to the University, then you repay the SLC at a later date.

## DON'T FORGET

Before you apply, you need to check our website for the latest information on fees and student support for the course you want to study:  
[southwales.ac.uk/money](https://southwales.ac.uk/money)

## DID YOU KNOW?

You can talk with our experienced money advisers at an Open Day. To book your place, simply visit:  
[southwales.ac.uk/opendays](https://southwales.ac.uk/opendays)



Engineering Laboratory,  
Pontypridd Campus



## How much are tuition fees?

As a guide, in 2016-17, the University will charge £9,000 per year for full-time Honours degrees, and Foundation Years, and CertHE courses. Students on a full-time Foundation Degree or HND will be charged £8,000 per year.

Most full-time students who normally live in Wales before starting university, only have to pay £3,900 per year in tuition fees.\* The rest is paid by the Welsh Government through the tuition fee grant. Please note that the Welsh Government will decide if you are eligible for this grant when you apply.

At the time of print (January 2016), student financial support and fee levels haven't been confirmed for 2017-18. The Welsh Government is also reviewing arrangements for fees in Wales. We strongly advise you to keep up-to-date by visiting the relevant website for government information about financial support:

- Wales: [www.studentfinancewales.co.uk](http://www.studentfinancewales.co.uk)
- England: [www.gov.uk/studentfinance](http://www.gov.uk/studentfinance)
- Northern Ireland:  
[www.studentfinanceni.co.uk](http://www.studentfinanceni.co.uk)
- Scotland: [www.saas.gov.uk](http://www.saas.gov.uk)

You should check the University of South Wales website for the latest on fees and student support:

[southwales.ac.uk/money](http://southwales.ac.uk/money)

## Additional costs

Some courses involve additional costs as part of your learning. While you can expect to pay for books and electronic essentials, there may also be subject-specific costs such as field trips or studio time. You can find details in each course entry on our website:

[southwales.ac.uk/courses](http://southwales.ac.uk/courses)

## Scholarships

We do everything we can to help you be successful. Our scholarships reward achievement to help you reach your full potential. You can find out more on our website, including how to apply:

[southwales.ac.uk/money](http://southwales.ac.uk/money)

Psychology Suite, Pontypridd Campus



IT ALL  
ADDS UP

Visit our student money pages:  
[southwales.ac.uk/money](http://southwales.ac.uk/money)

## International students

Tuition fees for international students are on page 36.

## EU students

EU residents may be eligible for financial support from the Welsh Government to help with tuition fees – turn to page 38 to find out more.

## Part-time funding

If you study part-time, there is funding to help with fees and course-related costs. You can find out more on the student funding site for where you live.

\*At the time of print, student funding support in Wales for 2017-18 has not been confirmed. This amount is based on 2016-17.

# USW INSIGHT

**Our USW Insight students share what it's like to study at the University of South Wales. You'll hear about USW student life in their own words.**

As well as day-to-day student life, our vloggers can offer lots of advice about applying to university – from Open Days and your personal statement to making the most of student life.

You can also ask them any questions you've got about being a student here – just get in touch through Tumblr, Facebook or Twitter.



## Making friends at uni!

So hopefully you're all settled into your new digs, and have started your induction to your new life at uni! When I first started at USW two years ago, one of the things I worried about was whether I would make any friends in this new city full of new people. So I've pulled together some handy tips and hints that my friends and I found useful. It might take a little time, but don't be anxious, soon you'll have an awesome new group of friends!



## DANIEL THISTLETHWAITE

A third year Natural History student from Great Yarmouth. As a lover of the great outdoors and President of the Mountaineering and Climbing Society, through Daniel's blog you can discover USW and beyond!

## LAUREN HARPER

A third year TV and Film Set Design student, TV addict and creative type from Hampshire. From her day-to-day life at uni to tips for better getting grades or making friends, Lauren's blog is packed with good advice for new students.

## JAMES EVANS

A third year Primary Studies student from Cardiff. 20 years young, 6' 6" tall, and a part-time rock star, you'll find most things you need to know on James's blog – from results day advice, to packing for university and what to expect in Freshers' Week.

## Freshers! What to expect!

'Freshers' Week' will be packed through with new places, new activities and new faces, and a lot of partying! It can be a daunting time for many who are living away from home for the first time, but also exciting and interesting! One of the main things to remember is that, however confident and 'at home' other new students appear, they are probably just as nervous as you. Once you have been left on your own leave your door open and prepare to make friends! You may feel a little overwhelmed by everything, but my best bit of advice is to just enjoy every minute, have fun and make some lasting memories!



## IRA MOHAMAD

Ira came to south Wales from Malaysia to study Renewable Energy Systems. When she's not learning how to saving the planet, Ira loves to travel and meet new people, so her blog has got lots of advice for new students from the UK and overseas.



AWARD-WINNING  
ONLINE SUPPORT



Follow their blogs through Tumblr,  
[southwales.ac.uk/uswinsight](http://southwales.ac.uk/uswinsight),  
or look for us on Facebook  
and Twitter: @uswinsight

# HOME FROM HOME

Where you live is just as important as what you learn. Whether you want to live on campus or in the city, we'll help you feel right at home.

## Accommodation Services

The University is affiliated to and compliant with the Universities UK Code of Practice for the Management of Student Housing.

We'll tell you how to apply for a room as part of the University application process. In the meantime, you can find out more on our website:

[southwales.ac.uk/accommodation](http://southwales.ac.uk/accommodation)

If you don't want a place in Halls, we can discuss other options with you and help you find the right place to live. Our experienced staff can give you all the information you need about student accommodation and finding your new home.



Halls of Residence, Newport City Campus

## TAKE A LOOK AROUND

Come to an Open Day to see our student Halls for yourself. If you can't make it in person, there are 360° tours and videos online:

[southwales.ac.uk/  
accommodation](http://southwales.ac.uk/accommodation)



Glamorgan Court Halls of Residence,  
Pontypridd Campus



Mountain Halls,  
Pontypridd Campus



### Living in Halls

Living in Halls is a great way to meet people and make new friends. If you choose Halls of Residence, you'll be close to the library, lectures and the Students' Union, plus you won't have to budget for travelling costs. We've got lots of accommodation options, so you can choose what suits you best – turn over to find out more.

"There are fantastic Halls here – I was very impressed. Living in Halls you get to meet so many people from different places, different courses and different backgrounds. There's a proper community feel and I still live with my Halls flatmates in my second year."

Susana Silva,  
BSc (Hons) Police Sciences



SEE MORE  
OF OUR HALLS  
OVER THE PAGE



Halls of Residence, Pontypridd Campus



# WHAT WILL I GET FOR MY MONEY?

## Pontypridd Halls

- From £103 per week\*
- Own room with en suite shower room and toilet
- Shared kitchen and dining area with five other people
- Fast-speed internet access
- Bills included
- Insurance for personal belongings

## Newport Halls

- From £79 per week\*
- Own room with en suite shower room and toilet
- Shared kitchen and common room with Sky TV
- Fast-speed internet access
- Bills included
- Insurance for personal belongings

## Cardiff Halls

- From £118 per week\*
- Own room with en suite shower and toilet
- Shared kitchen, dining and living area
- Internet access
- Shared common room with TV and pool table
- Bills included

## Privately rented house

- From £50 per week\*
- Own bedroom
- Shared kitchen, bathroom and lounge, usually with three to five others
- Bills not included (approximately £15 per week)

All Halls have coin-operated laundry facilities and are staffed 24 hours a day.

\*Based on 2015 prices. Please check our website for the latest information.

# STUDENT HALLS – WELCOME TO YOUR NEW HOME

## Pontypridd

The University has Halls at our Pontypridd Campus, so you can live and study in a friendly, community atmosphere that our students love. Not only is it convenient, but it's competitively priced too.

A typical en suite study bedroom at Halls costs from £103 per week – including all your bills.\* All rooms have a free internet connection and optional services include IPTV, IP telephony and gaming online.

There are nearly 400 study bedrooms and 100 premium bedrooms at the new Mountain Halls, as well as 20 self-contained studio flats, while Glamorgan Court has over 700 study bedrooms. As a campus resident, you can head to The Hub for social events like cooking lessons and curry nights, or organise your own with your new flatmates.

## Newport

In Newport city centre, the University has teamed up with private provider, CLV, to offer modern Halls of Residence very close to the campus and overlooking the River Usk. There are six room packages to choose from, with prices ranging from £79 to £109 for an en suite room.\* If you'd like some extra space, there are studio flats available too.

All options have everything you need – from internet connection and contents insurance, to common rooms with Sky Sports.

## Cardiff

In Cardiff, we work with private provider, Liberty Living, to offer you rooms in their Halls of Residence. These en suite rooms are right in the city centre – one Halls is directly opposite the ATRIUM building at our Cardiff Campus. All rooms also come with an internet connection and contents insurance, plus you can enjoy a common room with a TV, pool table, and table tennis.



Halls of Residence, Newport City Campus



Halls of Residence,  
Pontypridd Campus

### Private options

Some students choose to live off campus in houses owned by private landlords. When we say off campus, we don't mean miles away – most properties are within walking distance of the University.

To ensure a good standard of off-campus accommodation, we keep a database of local authority-registered landlords. To make the list, these properties have to meet the legal minimum standard and safety regulations.

You can search our database for private accommodation at:  
[www.southwalesstudentpad.co.uk](http://www.southwalesstudentpad.co.uk)

### What about food?

All our accommodation is self-catering, so each kitchen is well-equipped with microwaves, ovens, toasters and fridges.



If you're not quite ready for Masterchef, there are plenty of places to eat on campus and that sell Fairtrade products – there's sure to be something to suit your tastes.

We're a Fairtrade university, so we're committed to using Fairtrade products at all University functions and stocking them in our shops and cafes – just look for the Fairtrade logo when you shop. For more information, visit:  
[www.fairtrade.org.uk](http://www.fairtrade.org.uk)

If you choose to live in Newport or Cardiff, there's an endless variety of bars, restaurants and cafes to enjoy in each city centre, as well as places to eat on campus.

## NEED HELP?

Go online for more about private rentals and lots of practical advice:  
[southwales.ac.uk/accommodation](http://southwales.ac.uk/accommodation)

"No matter how many pots, pans and plates you buy, you will never be fully prepared emotionally for leaving home, but I think that's all part of the experience. You have to take the risk some day, after all 'every flight begins with a fall', so you may as well jump straight in!"

Daisy McMahon,  
BSc (Hons) Psychology and  
Counselling



Mountain Halls, Pontypridd Campus

# OUTSTANDING STUDENT SUPPORT

Student support services are there to help your time at University run as smoothly as possible. For information or advice, whatever the issue, there's a network of people ready to help.

## Award-winning online support

The University has an award-winning student web portal called 'UniLife', where you'll find all the information you need for your student life. There's the latest news and events, a comprehensive directory of student information, access to e-learning through the industry-standard Blackboard Learn, student email, online storage and other tools to support your study. We even have student job listings and a much-loved classifieds board.

## Advice Centres

You'll find an Advice Centre on every campus, offering a friendly and non-judgemental service. If you have personal or academic difficulties that affect your ability to study, you should head to your Advice Centre. Our student advisers can work with you to find a resolution, or guide you towards any specialist support you may need. Find out more online: [southwales.ac.uk/advicecentres](http://southwales.ac.uk/advicecentres)


## Counselling and wellbeing

The University's Wellbeing Service offers a professional, confidential counselling service and mental wellbeing support for students. There's also Nightline, which is a telephone helpline for students during term-time, while our website has lots of alternative sources of help: [southwales.ac.uk/wellbeing](http://southwales.ac.uk/wellbeing)



**DID YOU KNOW?**

You can book appointments online through our student portal – help is only a click away.



# THE UNIVERSITY HAS AN AWARD- WINNING PORTAL WHERE YOU WILL FIND ALL THE INFORMATION YOU NEED

Cardiff Campus

## Student mentoring

The University has a Student Mentoring scheme so that starting at university is as easy and enjoyable as it can be. Our student mentors are trained volunteers, offering practical advice and support. New students can ask their mentor questions by email or Facebook, even before they arrive on campus.

## Health

Our nurse-led University Health Service offers a wide range of services – simply phone or walk in for advice. We're here to act as a supplement to the service provided by your GP. For more information, visit:  
[southwales.ac.uk/health](http://southwales.ac.uk/health)

## Student money

We have experienced staff who can help with your money matters. Turn to page 22 for details.

## Students in care or leaving care

We are committed to supporting young people in care and leaving care who want to go on to higher education. We have dedicated staff who can provide advice and guidance on all aspects of the student experience. For details, visit:  
[southwales.ac.uk/care-leavers](http://southwales.ac.uk/care-leavers)

## The Chaplaincy

While rooted in the Christian tradition, they offer spiritual guidance and support to students of all faiths and none. Our service is independent and confidential, irrespective of religion. They also arrange various events each year – look them up and join in! To find out more, visit:  
[southwales.ac.uk/chaplaincy](http://southwales.ac.uk/chaplaincy)

## Childcare

The University of South Wales offers a number of resources that can help with childcare. The University has its own Playcentre at the Pontypridd Campus and can offer support in finding other local childcare providers. For more information, visit:  
[southwales.ac.uk/childcare](http://southwales.ac.uk/childcare)

## Students' Union

For support that's independent from the University, the Students' Union also offers a confidential welfare service. Turn to page 35 for details.

## Disability and Dyslexia Service

Whether you have a physical, sensory, mental health or unseen disability, the Disability and Dyslexia Service is here to support you. We work with students to draw up individual support plans, which are reviewed regularly.

We encourage you to discuss your requirements with an adviser as early as possible. Facilities include specialised support such as electronic note takers and a comprehensive Information Access Service. We also arrange full educational psychologist assessments and one-to-one support from specialist dyslexia tutors.

For more information visit [southwales.ac.uk/disability](http://southwales.ac.uk/disability), or call us on 03455 76 77 78. You can also use this phone number to request this prospectus or any other guide in a different format, eg, large print.





# PLAY THE GAME

**USW Sport has some of the best facilities in the UK, offering clubs, courses and qualifications.**

USW Sport is for everyone – there are plenty of ways to get active, keep fit and stay healthy while you study here.

The Sport Centre at our Pontypridd Campus has a huge main hall, a gym with multimedia entertainment while you train, and the latest integra machines for use by wheelchair and able-bodied users.

There are also squash courts, a climbing wall, a large free weights room, sauna and steam room, and a studio for dance and martial arts. There are daily fitness sessions too, with zumba, spin, kettlebells and pilates on offer. If you're just chilling out, you can watch Sky Sports with all the latest channels.

Students who live or study in Newport or Cardiff can use sport facilities at Pontypridd, but we've also arranged discounted rates with gyms and health clubs in Cardiff. Plus, Newport City Campus is right opposite the Newport Centre, which has a pool, fitness centre, health suite, sports hall, and a fantastic student deal.

**REPRESENT  
USW AT ONE  
OF THESE**

**There are 48 sports in the BUCS league competition**

- lacrosse • tennis • ultimate frisbee • archery
- mountain biking • swimming • golf • surfing
- sailing • canoeing • archery • water polo
- snowsports • shooting • futsal • and many more

"I enjoy playing in the team as part of the BUCS League against other universities. I wanted a uni whose sport was of a high level, as well as providing my course. When I realised USW offered both of these I knew I had to go here. You don't have to be doing a sport degree to get involved, you can be any ability and still reap the rewards of playing in a team."

**Samantha Burton**  
BA (Hons) Police Sciences and  
member of USW Netball Team



USW Sport Park



## YOU CAN ENJOY THE SOCIAL SIDE OF SPORT, OR TRY SOMETHING TOTALLY NEW

### Play Sport

What's on offer goes way beyond weights and equipment. You can enjoy the social side of sport, or try something totally new. From indoor climbing to yoga, archery and everything in between, there's sure to be something you'll enjoy.

Going to university doesn't mean giving up the sports you love either. USW Sport has over 65 teams that compete in the British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS) leagues.

### USW Sport Park

USW Sport Park is our purpose-built playing area just three miles from the Pontypridd Campus – it's one of the best university sport coaching and training venues in the country.

There are over 30 acres of playing fields, including five floodlit pitches. We have the latest sand-dressed 'astroturf' pitch, as well as a full-size FIFA-approved 3G pitch. The indoor centre has a six-court hall, a performance analysis suite, a strength and conditioning room, and lecture rooms.

Many professional teams regularly use USW Sport Park for training, such as the Wales national football team and Cardiff City Football Club, as well as the touring British Lions, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa rugby squads. The University was also included in London's 2012 Pre-Games Training Camp Guide.



USW Sport Park

## JOIN OUR TEAM

Come to an Open Day or watch our video to find out how:  
[southwales.ac.uk/sport](http://southwales.ac.uk/sport)

### Sport qualifications

USW Sport also provides academic courses, from Foundation degrees to PhD research. Alongside these, we offer National Governing Body coaching awards to all students. These awards and work experience will put you in a strong position for a range of employment opportunities, even for careers outside sport. Turn to page 174 to find out more.

### Spectator sport

South Wales is a great place to watch sport and it's home to some top venues, all near the University. Newport's Celtic Manor Resort has hosted the Ryder Cup, while the Team GB Olympic cycling team trained at the Newport Velodrome – one of the best track cycling facilities in the UK.

The Principality Stadium in Cardiff hosts internationals all year round, while Cardiff City FC play football just down the road. You'll also find cricket at Sophia Gardens, world rally stages in Cardiff Bay, and top-flight rugby in Cardiff and Newport city centres.

### Performance Sport Programme

The Performance Sport Programme aids the development of talented student athletes while they study. Focus Sport helps students achieve excellence in their sport, and there are scholarships for students who compete nationally or internationally and represent the University in one of the BUCS sports.



The University of South Wales, Cardiff University and Cardiff Metropolitan University have formed the Cardiff/USW Institute Centre for Cricketing Excellence. It's one of only six centres in the UK where the best young cricketers can combine higher education with their sporting development.

# STUDENT LIFE. BE PART OF IT.

The Students' Union plays an important part in the life of every student, and it's much more than a place to party.

It's where you can seek advice, play sport, make new friends, find work and have your voice heard. That said, there's plenty happening when it's time to put your studies aside and relax!

With Union facilities across the University, we're always here for you. You automatically get membership of the Union and you can enjoy what's on offer at any campus, no matter where you study.

The Union offers a wide range of services and activities, so when you're not studying it's the place to be.

## Social life

There's no shortage of entertainment at the Union. In a warm and friendly atmosphere, you can watch live sport on the big screen, enjoy a meal, grab a coffee, or just take a break and relax. And things pick up when the sun goes down – from live bands and pub quizzes, to film screenings and theme nights:  
[www.uswsu.com/events](http://www.uswsu.com/events)

**ACCESS  
ALL AREAS**

Visit [www.uswsu.com](http://www.uswsu.com)  
for a look at Union life



Freshers' Fair, Pontypridd Campus

## Clubs and societies

Whatever your passion, from human rights to snowboarding or pizza, there's a club or society for you. If you join a club or society at the Freshers' Fair, you'll meet lots of new people and get involved in all sorts of activities, from demonstrations and day trips to nights out and parties. If there isn't a club for your preferred activity, simply find enough like-minded people and set up your own!

Most importantly, you'll get more out of your time at University – it's your chance to try something completely new or keep up interests you already have. Plus, if you get elected to a committee, the skills you'll gain will be good for your CV. Find out more at: [www.uswsu.com/societies](http://www.uswsu.com/societies)

"Joining clubs and societies is a great way to meet people from all across the university. You can pursue something you enjoy or discover something new that sparks your interest.

A prime example of the benefits of joining a society is my experience with the Amnesty International Society; this year I did a skydive with them to raise money. This was an amazing experience that I never expected to have the opportunity to do."

Daisy Peskett,  
LLB (Hons) Law



**USWSU**

University of South Wales Students' Union  
Undeb Myfyrwyr Prifysgol De Cymru

Students' Union, Pontypridd Campus

## Employment

If you want some extra cash from part-time work while you study, you can mix business with pleasure. The Union needs staff for lots of roles, such as bar work or courier. The Job Shop advertises vacancies across all our campuses. They can also advise you on getting experience through volunteering, or help you get your business ideas up and running.

## DID YOU KNOW?

If things get on top of you, the Nightline service can help. You can talk through your problems with trained student volunteers to find solutions that will work for you.

## Get involved

The Union is run by students for students, so you get to vote and elect your representatives. The Student Council is made up of reps from all walks of student life. Whatever and wherever you study, you can raise concerns, suggest changes, or just tell people how great things are by getting in touch with Student Council members.

Councillors also support each campus Vice-President. They attend meetings, run campaigns, pass on information and give feedback – all to help you, the student. Look out for the Council noticeboards on each campus or check online. You could even come to a Council welcome event to meet your reps.



## Welfare

University is a fantastic experience, but being a student can be completely different from the life you led before and it's understandable if you have a few problems along the way. But you don't have to get through it alone – whether your problem is financial, emotional or educational, the Welfare Service is here to listen and support you.

## FRESHERS' WEEK

See why Freshers' Week 2015 was awesome:  
[southwales.ac.uk/freshers2015](http://southwales.ac.uk/freshers2015)

# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

The University of South Wales has an international outlook and welcomes students and staff of many nationalities.

Each year, over 4,500 students from over 120 countries come here to study. You will be a valued member of our academic community, and your ideas and culture will enrich the University.

Here is an introduction to the services that will help you through the application process. Turn over to find out about support for international students at the University.

## Enquiries and applications

The International Recruitment Team can help with your questions about the University and our courses. We also have representatives in many countries who can help you. You can find their details on the country pages of our website: [southwales.ac.uk/international](http://southwales.ac.uk/international)

The University recognises many qualifications from around the world. Our staff and representatives overseas can advise you on the equivalence of your qualifications and recommend a study plan suitable for you. Different courses have different entry requirements. There are details next to each course in this prospectus, or on our website: [southwales.ac.uk/courses](http://southwales.ac.uk/courses)

For undergraduate study, you need a good command of English and must prove you have the equivalent of an IELTS 6.0. If you do not meet our English language requirements, we can arrange for you to undertake a pre-sessional course in English. For details of our language entry requirements, visit: [southwales.ac.uk/international](http://southwales.ac.uk/international)

## International Foundation Programme (IFP)

If you have completed 12 years of high school in your home country, you may not be able to join a degree programme in the UK straight away. We provide an excellent International Foundation Programme (IFP) to help prepare you for undergraduate studies. Once you have completed this programme successfully, you will be able to progress to a Bachelors degree at the University of South Wales in a wide range of subject areas. Usual entry requirements for the IFP are a high school leaving certificate and a level of English equivalent to a UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) IELTS level 6.0 (with no element less than 5.5) or 5.0 (with no element less than 4.5) for the International Foundation programme (Intensive English).

## Fees for overseas students (non-EU)\*

- Degree courses £11,900
- Degree placement year £2,380
- International Foundation Programme (IFP) £7,350

"I love Wales. This is a lovely place with lovely people. I can't forget my teachers from my course, they helped me so much – not only with English, but also with all kinds of support and advice about living in the UK."

**Ziwen Yao, China**  
Pre-sessional English and International Business (Top-Up)

## DID YOU KNOW?

We have an International Alumni Association, so you can keep in touch with friends for life, all over the world.

## Scholarships

Partial tuition scholarships of up to £1,500 are available for undergraduate and Higher National Diploma (HND) programmes (terms and conditions apply).\*\* Please note that scholarships do not apply to the IFP, pre-sessional English language courses or placement years. You do not need to make a separate application for a scholarship – you will be automatically considered when you apply to study. You will get confirmation of any scholarship award(s) with your offer letter.

## Chancellor's International Development Scholarships\*\*

Undergraduate International Development Scholarships of £2,500 per year are available for students from the following countries:

- Bangladesh • Brazil • India • Kenya
- Mexico • Myanmar • Nepal • Nigeria
- Sri Lanka • Tanzania • Thailand • Turkey
- Uganda • Vietnam • Zambia • Zimbabwe

\*Based on 2016-17 fees.

\*\*Based on 2016-17 scholarships. Please contact the University for details for 2017-18 entry. The Chancellor's International Development Scholarship would replace the standard £1,500 undergraduate scholarship. Higher National Diploma (HND) students and Foundation Degree students are not eligible for the Chancellor's International Development Scholarship.



## HOW TO APPLY

Applicants for English and IFP courses should complete the University's application form online: [southwales.ac.uk/international](https://southwales.ac.uk/international)

Applications for an undergraduate degree should usually be made through UCAS (see page 192). You should check our website for the latest information before you apply. Once you have received an offer, our staff will tell you how to book accommodation, make a fee payment and apply for a visa. Successful applicants will also need to make sure they can meet UKVI financial/maintenance requirements. The University has comprehensive information to guide you at: [southwales.ac.uk/visas-and-immigration](https://southwales.ac.uk/visas-and-immigration)

## FIND OUT MORE

There's a guide for international students too – go online to download your copy: [southwales.ac.uk/international](https://southwales.ac.uk/international)

International  
Welcome Week



"This has been a particularly good place to develop my ideas and myself. With amazing facilities, very active and helpful lecturers and teaching staff, and a good study environment, the University provides a perfect setting for your studies.

Besides study, I have had a brilliant chance to get myself involved in many extracurricular activities. Joining various societies and playing sport allows you to meet many new people, to share and learn from one another, as well as to develop your skills. Wales has many wonderful locations to enjoy. I have met many people, made tonnes of friends and learnt a lot this far; it's been an amazing experience."

Christine Kariuki, Computing, Kenya

## MORE SUPPORT FOR OVERSEAS STUDENTS



# STUDENTS FROM THE EU

Studying in a different country is a life-changing experience. It will help you grow academically and personally, and prepare you for your career.

Every year, we welcome students from all over Europe who want to improve their employability and develop their language skills. Students from the EU also currently benefit from financial support towards their tuition fees.

Once you've chosen the course you want to study, you can find information specific to your country on our website. You can also watch videos, read about students who have already studied here, and see what they have to say:  
[southwales.ac.uk/international](http://southwales.ac.uk/international)

The University offers lots of support for overseas students. As well as help with everyday life in the UK, there are societies and events where you can get together with people from your home country, and make new friends from other countries. There's more information on the page opposite.

The University recognises many qualifications from the EU – you'll find details of specific entry requirements on the country pages of our website.

Information about how to apply is on page 192 of this prospectus.

If you would like some advice in person, our website has dates of when our EU team will visit your country, as well as contact details of University representatives in your country.

## DID YOU KNOW?

You could be eligible for additional financial support towards your study. For the latest information, visit:  
[southwales.ac.uk/money](http://southwales.ac.uk/money)

International and EU students' tour of Pontypridd



"Studying at the University of South Wales has been a very pleasurable experience. I really like how our University offers such supportive facilities, and of course lecturers here are simply amazing. They are very encouraging and as far as I know, every one of them has previously worked in the industry they teach before becoming lecturers, so they really know their field well and that is seen in their lessons. Everything in the studying process they provide us with is given with great enthusiasm and a big amount of joy!"

Inge-Helene Pello, Estonia  
BA (Hons) Media, Culture and Journalism

# IMMIGRATION AND INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADVICE

At the University of South Wales, we make sure you have all the help you need to succeed in your studies and have the most positive experience possible.

"I only have good things to say about the International Welcome Programme. When I arrived I was afraid that I would feel alone, but the activities really helped me bond with other students.

Actually I didn't miss my family and friends at all, since I was enjoying the trips and parties. The best friends that I have now are the ones that I met in the first week."

**Felipe Barrocco, Brazil**  
BA (Hons) Graphic  
Communication

We have advisers dedicated to the welfare of international students. They can offer support and advice before you arrive, during your time here, and even after you leave!

The Immigration and International Student Advice (IISA) team offers information and advice to international students on many non-academic issues such as immigration, cultural issues and daily life in the UK. They also oversee the USW1World project, which aims to give students the opportunity to mix with people from all over the world, as well as the local community, to ensure that our students develop as truly global citizens.

To help your travel to the University, we organise Arrival Services for when you

land in the UK. To help you settle in and make friends before your course starts, we also organise an International Welcome Programme in September and February. This is a great chance to learn more about University life and UK culture before starting your studies.

There are lots of events and trips throughout the year, which will help you mix with your fellow students and make the most of your time in the UK. Information about these activities is sent directly to your University e-mail account, so you'll know what's happening and when.

To find out more, visit:  
[southwales.ac.uk/intsupport](https://southwales.ac.uk/intsupport)



Cardiff Walking Tour – International Welcome Week

## CAREERS AND EMPLOYABILITY SERVICE

The University's Careers and Employability Service can help you with your CV, interview techniques and work experience. International students can work 10 or 20 hours per week in term-time, and any number of hours in vacations.

Our Careers and Employability Service and the Students' Union Employment Service can help you find casual or part-time work while you are studying. You can find more information on our website:  
[southwales.ac.uk/ukworking](https://southwales.ac.uk/ukworking)

# CYMRAEG: MAE'N GWNEUD GWAHANIAETH

Mae llawer o gyfleoedd i ti ddefnyddio dy Gymraeg yn y Brifysgol – yn gymdeithasol neu fel rhan o dy gwrs. Manteisia ar y cyfleoedd hyn er mwyn ehangu dy orwelion a datblygu sgiliau dwyieithog a fydd yn cryfhau dy botensial gyrfaal.

## Cyfleoedd cyfrwng Gymraeg

Ein nod fel Prifysgol yw cefnogi myfyrwyr cyfrwng Gymraeg i barhau i ddatblygu eu sgiliau yn y ddwy iaith. Mae ymchwil yn dangos bod cyflogwyr yn edrych fwyfwy ar recriwtio pobl sy'n medru cynnig gwasanaeth a sgil pellach o allu gweithio yn y Gymraeg a'r Saesneg yng Nghymru.

O ganlyniad, darperir cyfleoedd ar lefel academaidd:

- BA (Anrh) Gymraeg Byd Gwaith (tud 80)
- BA (Anrh) Astudiaethau Cynradd gyda Statws Athro Cymwysedig (tud 184)
- BA (Anrh) Cynhyrchu'r Cyfryngau (tud 133)
- BA (Anrh) Theatr a Drama (tud 93)
- BSc (Anrh) Peirianneg Sain (tud 145)
- BA (Anrh) Rheoli Busnes (tud 67)
- BA (Anrh) Rheoli Adnoddau Dynol (tud 67)
- BA (Anrh) Marchnata (tud 68)
- BSc (Anrh) Gwyddorau'r Heddlu (tud 152)
- BN (Anrh) Nyrsio (tud 126)

Mae cyfle i fyfyrwyr y cwrs BA (Anrh) Astudiaethau Cynradd gyda Statws Athro Cymwysedig i wneud eu profiad gwaith mewn ysgolion cynradd cyfrwng Gymraeg.

Rydym hefyd yn cynnig rhai modiwlau a chyfleoedd o fewn pynciau eraill drwy gyfrwng y Gymraeg – darperir cyfleoedd yn Chwaraeon, Tîrfesureg, Dylunio Mewnol, a Chyfathrebu Graffeg. I wybod mwy, e-bostia: [cymraeg@decymru.ac.uk](mailto:cymraeg@decymru.ac.uk)

## Ysgoloriaethau

Mae'r Brifysgol yn cynnig ysgoloriaeth i fyfyrwyr sy'n dymuno astudio o leiaf 40 credyd (hy, traean) o gwrs cymwys trwy gyfrwng y Gymraeg. Am rhestr gyrsiau cymwys a gwybodaeth pellach, cer i: [www.decymru.ac.uk/cymraeg-de-cymru](http://www.decymru.ac.uk/cymraeg-de-cymru)

Mae'r Brifysgol hefyd yn rhan o gynllun ysgoloriaethau'r Coleg Gymraeg Cenedlaethol. Cer i wefan y Coleg Gymraeg i gael gweld pa gyrsiau sy'n gymwys ac am wybodaeth ymgeisio: [www.colegcyfraeg.ac.uk](http://www.colegcyfraeg.ac.uk)

Trwy gydweithio â phrifysgolion Cymru, mae'r Coleg Gymraeg Cenedlaethol yn sicrhau ac yn datblygu rhagor o gyfleoedd astudio cyfrwng Gymraeg i fyfyrwyr Cymru. Mae'n noddio darlithwyr cyfrwng Gymraeg ac yn cynnig ysgoloriaethau sy'n galluogi i fyfyrwyr israddedig ac ôl-raddedig ddilyn cyrsiau

addysg uwch drwy gyfrwng y Gymraeg. Gelli di wneud apwyntiad i gael sgwrs gyda staff am y ddarpariaeth sydd ar gael ar dy gwrs di. I gael mwy o wybodaeth, manylion diweddaraf ac i ymaelodi â'r Coleg Gymraeg, cer i wefan y Coleg.

"Mae lot o gyfleoedd ar gael trwy'r Gymdeithas Gymraeg, sy'n ennyn pobl i ddod i 'nabod eu cyd-fyfyrwyr a'u tiwtoriaid trwy gyfrwng y Gymraeg – mae'n arbennig yma!"

Trystan ap Owen,  
BA (Anrh) Theatr a Drama



# WELSH: IT MAKES A DIFFERENCE

There are two official languages in Wales – Welsh and English. You can see and hear both across the country, from signs in shops to students studying through the medium of Welsh at the University.

If you speak Welsh, you can study some courses and modules here through the medium of Welsh. This isn't just for courses about the Welsh language, but in other subject areas like drama, music, and business.

## Welsh for Adults Centre

There is a need for employees who can speak Welsh and English, so learning the language could benefit your career if you stay in Wales after graduation. You can find some useful sayings and learning opportunities at: [southwales.ac.uk/learnwelsh](http://southwales.ac.uk/learnwelsh)

One of six in Wales, there is a Welsh for Adults Centre at the University. It delivers high-standard courses with fun, interactive opportunities for learners at all levels. Visit [southwales.ac.uk/learnwelsh](http://southwales.ac.uk/learnwelsh) for more information and to sign up for your Welsh phrase of the day.

## CYFLEOEDD CYMRAEG

Edrycha am y symbol hwn am  
wybodaeth am gyfleoedd  
cyfrwng Cymraeg y  
Brifysgol.

### Cyflwyno dy waith yn y Gymraeg

Anogir myfyrwyr sydd â diddordeb i gyflwyno eu gwaith drwy gyfrwng y Gymraeg i siarad â'u tiwtor personol neu'r darlithydd i drafod yr opsiynau. Yn sgil y drafodaeth hon, bydd y Brifysgol yn chwilio am ddarlithydd perthnasol a fydd yn medru marcio ac asesu dy waith neu'n trefnu cyfieithu dy waith i'r Saesneg. Mae'r Brifysgol hefyd yn cynnig gwasanaeth cefnogaeth astudio trwy gyfrwng y Gymraeg.

### Tiwtor personol sy'n medru'r Gymraeg

Mae siaradwyr Cymraeg ymhlith darlithwyr rhai meysydd astudio'r Brifysgol. Mae rhestr lawn ar wefan y Brifysgol neu e-bostia: [cymraeg@decymru.ac.uk](mailto:cymraeg@decymru.ac.uk)

### Llety penodol

Os wyt ti'n siarad Cymraeg, neu'n dysgu'r iaith, ac eisiau byw gyda siaradwyr Cymraeg eraill yn y neuaddau preswyl, mae'r Brifysgol yn cynnig opsiwn i ti wneud hynny. Gelli di nodi'r dewis hwn ar dy ffurflen gais am lety.

### Y Gymdeithas Gymraeg

Mae myfyrwyr y Brifysgol wedi sefydlu Cymdeithas Gymraeg er mwyn rhoi cyfle i fyfyrwyr Cymraeg gymdeithasu gyda'i gilydd. Maen nhw'n trefnu gweithgareddau amrywiol iawn – mae mwy o wybodaeth ar dudalen Facebook: 'Y Gymdeithas Gymraeg – Prifysgol De Cymru!'

## INSPIRED?

Find out more at:  
[southwales.ac.uk/  
learnwelsh](http://southwales.ac.uk/learnwelsh)

# WHAT WILL YOU CHOOSE?

Finding the right degree course is a big task. With so many courses on offer, deciding what to study can be difficult. Here's some advice on how to choose the course and type of study that's right for you.

## Who?

Think about the kind of person you are and what you like doing. What are you good at? What have you enjoyed studying? What kind of career do you want?

It's important you enjoy what you study and how you are taught. Do you prefer research with written sources, or do you want hands-on experience? It's possible to study some of our courses part-time or take a year out in the workplace – check each course for details.

## Where?

When you see our excellent courses, facilities and graduate employment rate, we hope you'll choose the University of South Wales. If you want to see our campuses before you decide, why not come to one of our Open Days?

## BEFORE YOU APPLY

The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

You should also check our website for the latest information on fees and student support for the course you want to study: [southwales.ac.uk/money](http://southwales.ac.uk/money)

"At the end of the day it's the course that matters. Be prepared for hard work and to be dedicated. My favourite is project work and doing visuals on a computer. You get ideas in your head, then they come together and you can show them to people."

Sara Foster,  
BA (Hons) Interior Design

## NEED HELP?

If you want advice on what and how to study, we have a team of professionals who can help you decide what's right for you.

Call us today:  
03455 76 77 78

ATRIUM, Cardiff Campus





**DON'T FORGET,  
THIS PROSPECTUS  
IS JUST THE  
BEGINNING.**

To find out more about the University and our courses, go to our website or download our free UNIBOX app – you'll find profiles, pictures and videos, as well as what our students have to say.

Open Days are the best way to find out about our courses, by going to talks and tours, and chatting with lecturers and students. Book your place online: [southwales.ac.uk/opendays](http://southwales.ac.uk/opendays)

## What?

What could you study? We've grouped our courses by subject, so you can browse courses in areas that interest you. These subject areas are arranged A-Z. We've also listed related courses at the start of each subject area. So you may start looking in one area, but find your ideal course somewhere else.

You'll see different types of courses in this prospectus. Here's what you need to know about each type of course:

### Single Honours degrees

Single Honours degrees let you concentrate on one subject. Although you study this subject in depth, there's still some flexibility. As well as core modules, you could choose some other modules and specialise in areas of interest to you.

### Major/Minor or Joint Honours degrees

With these degrees, you can study two subjects at the same time. If you're interested in more than one subject, or want to keep your career options open, this is probably the best route for you. There's more information on page 44.

### Combined Honours degree

Our Combined Honours degree is the most flexible option – you can pretty much design your own BA or BSc. Tutors will help you choose subjects and modules to transform your interests into a programme of study. See page 45 to find out more.

### Foundation degrees

Available Foundation degrees are listed next to the related course information – please visit our website for more details: [southwales.ac.uk/courses](http://southwales.ac.uk/courses)

### Integrated Masters degrees

Many of our courses offer an integrated Masters award – you'll notice they have 'M' in the title instead of 'B', such as MEng or MSci. An integrated Masters course combines an undergraduate Honours degree with a Masters-level qualification. So it's a great chance for high-achieving students to gain extra technical skills and expertise, but with all the benefits of being an undergraduate student. If an integrated Masters award is available for your course, you'll find details in the course entry.

### Honours degree with Foundation Year

If you don't have the right qualifications to start a three-year degree straight away, or if you want to gain confidence in higher-level work, you can choose an Honours degree that has an integrated Foundation Year.

On a Foundation Year, you'll be introduced to subjects that underpin and support your future study. When you complete the Foundation Year, you can progress to degree-level study on the relevant course. Though, progression to BN (Hons) Nursing will require a successful interview.

The Foundation Year has the same status as other undergraduate courses, so it has tuition fees and you can apply for student loans. To find out more, visit: [southwales.ac.uk/foundation](http://southwales.ac.uk/foundation)

# MAKE IT YOUR OWN

If you want to study more than one subject, you can combine areas that interest you. This is how it works.

## Major and Minor Honours

Major/Minor degrees combine two subjects, with more time spent studying one (the Major) than the other (the Minor). They usually involve four modules in the Major subject and two modules in the Minor subject. The two subjects are linked by 'with' in the title of the award.

If the Major element is arts-based (eg, English) you'll be awarded a BA (Hons). If the Major element is a science (eg, Mathematics) you'll graduate with a BSc (Hons). The final award will read BA (Hons) or BSc (Hons) Subject A with Subject B, eg, BSc (Hons) Psychology with Education.

Some Major awards have professional body accreditation. For example, a Major in Law would still qualify you for an LLB, and a Major in Psychology would give you the Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership with The British Psychological Society.

## Joint Honours

On a Joint degree you study two subjects equally, with three modules in each. The title of the award will contain both subjects linked by 'and'.

If both subjects are in the arts, you'll graduate with a BA (Hons). If both subjects are in the sciences, you'll be awarded a BSc (Hons). If you have one of each, the science-based subject will appear first and you'll graduate with a BSc (Hons). The final award will read BA (Hons) or BSc (Hons) Subject A and Subject B, eg, BA (Hons) English and History.

## FIND OUT MORE

There are popular combinations at the start of each subject area in this prospectus, or you can find a full list on our website – just click on the 'Interested in more than one subject' option:  
[southwales.ac.uk/courses](https://southwales.ac.uk/courses)







Pontypridd Campus

## NEED ADVICE?

If you need advice on what  
and how to study, call us  
today: **03455 76 77 78**

"I had a few ideas about what I would like to study at university, but was having trouble deciding what course would encompass all my interests. I didn't fancy being tied down to a particular subject for three years when there were so many that interested me. The Combined Studies course allowed me to try a few subjects to see what I was good at and what I enjoyed doing.

The degree has allowed me to achieve my full potential by giving me the flexibility to explore my talents. Employers value multi-skilled employees and my Combined Studies degree is opening doors for me. I would highly recommend Combined Studies for its uniqueness, as it sets graduates up perfectly for the world of work."

**Miranda Burdett,**  
BA (Hons) Combined Studies

### Combined Honours

Our Combined Studies degree is a more flexible course of study – you can choose between two and five subjects from a varied list to design your own degree.

It's a great choice if you want to study different areas that match your career aims exactly, or if you want to keep your options open. We'll give you support and guidance to make sure your programme of study reflects what you want to do.

If you study mostly arts modules, your certificate will read BA (Hons) Combined Studies. If you study mostly science modules, you'll graduate with BSc (Hons) Combined Studies.

Class contact hours, teaching and assessment methods vary from module to module. A typical arts module may have one lecture and one seminar each week. For a science module, you may have a lecture, a tutorial and a practical session every week. On average, the total class contact hours per week would be 12-18 hours.

Employers often appreciate that students who design their own degrees can be more decisive, think independently and have good self-management skills.

These subjects are available currently: Accounting, Applied Sciences, Business, Computing, Criminology, Education, English, History, Law, Welsh, Psychology, Sociology, and Sport Science. You can find the latest information on our website: [southwales.ac.uk/combined](http://southwales.ac.uk/combined)

**UCAS code:** Y003

It's important you contact us to check if your preferred combination of subject areas is possible: **03455 76 77 78**

**Entry:** Band 1 – turn to page 191  
There may be additional, specific requirements depending on the combination you choose.

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time

# COURSES

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If you know the name of the course you're looking for, turn to page 202 for our A-Z listing.

# YOUR WORLD AWAITS

AWARD-WINNING  
ONLINE SUPPORT

EXTENSIVE  
INDUSTRY LINKS

TRAVEL  
DEGREE  
AS PART OF YOUR

RESEARCH  
THAT MATTERS

# ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE

"I secured a graduate job with KPMG towards the end of my work placement. Starting a career as an audit trainee with one of the Big Four companies and having my ACCA qualifications financed is like a dream come true for me!"

Kerily Joakit,  
BA (Hons) Accounting graduate



## Accountancy and finance careers offer great salaries and the chance to work your way to the top.

Accounting and finance training at the University of South Wales has everything you need – there's a solid grounding in theory and the practical experience to know what you're doing.

Many of our degrees offer maximum exemptions from the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) – the global body for professional accountants. This means you'll graduate with a degree and you'll be just five papers away from a professional qualification, making you especially attractive to employers.

Some of our courses also offer exemptions from other professional programmes such as the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) and the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW).

If you study our BA (Hons) Accounting and Finance or BA (Hons) Forensic Accounting, you can also gain the CIMA-accredited Sage certificate as part of your degree – and at no extra cost. The Sage certificate demonstrates that you have the practical accounting skills that employers want, as well as academic knowledge of accounting and finance, or forensic accounting.

## DID YOU KNOW?

94% of our Accounting and Finance graduates are in employment or further study within six months of graduation (Graduate Survey 2013/14).

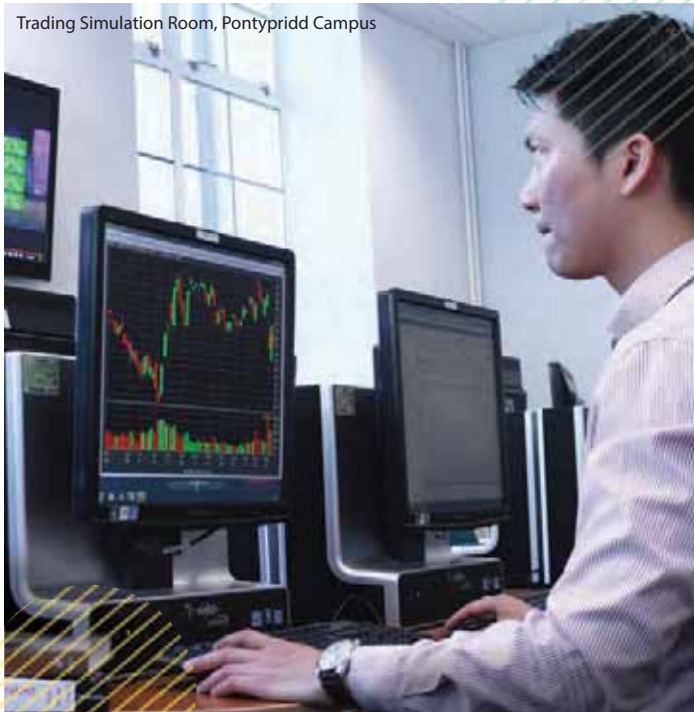


### Facilities

The University has its very own Legal and Financial Advice Clinic at our Cardiff Campus. Here, you can provide advice to members of the public and small businesses. This allows you to gain hands-on experience and skills that are valued in any workplace, such as effective communication and team work.

To enhance your CV and career prospects, you will use accountancy and auditing software that you will find in the workplace when you graduate. Our Cardiff and Pontypridd Campuses have new trading rooms that are powered by leading industry software from Thomson Reuters Eikon, which is used by investment bankers every day. TraderEx software simulates the trading of shares, commodities, derivatives and foreign exchange, giving you the opportunity to put theory into practice using real-time access to financial markets. These facilities will give your learning an extra dimension, as you will experience the exciting environment of real-time trading in the classroom.

Trading Simulation Room, Pontypridd Campus



**Start your accounting career at the University of South Wales. Come to an Open Day or visit: [southwales.ac.uk/accounting](http://southwales.ac.uk/accounting)**

### Employability

The best way to put theory into practice is to complete a work placement as part of your course. The benefits are many – you will know how to apply what you've learned to real-life situations, and you will gain new skills and understanding that can help your studies in your final year.

You will also have a better understanding of what is required in the workplace and relevant experiences to talk about at interview. Ultimately, it will enhance your CV and make you a more attractive candidate to employers. Recent placements have included Atradius, Natwest, and KPMG.

### Careers

Accounting and financial professionals are in demand all over the world, working in some of the most important and respected careers. There's probably no better entry to top jobs in business, industry, management and financial consulting, than becoming a highly qualified accountant or a finance specialist.

Our graduates can enter all kinds of financial careers in a variety of organisations. You could specialise in management or financial accounting, tax-related work, or management consultancy. Forensic specialists also have career options with auditors, specialist firms, commercial anti-fraud units, or law enforcement agencies. Financial planning graduates will be well prepared for careers in banks, investment management, and consultancy.

**"The tutors support you to achieve your potential. You really are learning something new every day. You also get a huge number of exemptions, so you only have to sit five ACCA exams to be chartered. Plus, my work placement year counts towards one of the three years' experience I need. I'm definitely really glad I came to this university!"**

**Stephanie Thomas,  
BA (Hons) Accounting and Finance**

### Related study

Business courses	64
Mathematics courses	138

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## BA (Hons) Accounting and Finance

With 100% student satisfaction in the National Student Survey 2015, this multi-accredited degree offers you the chance to develop and practise your technical knowledge, skills and expertise, while gaining professional recognition from the world's leading accountancy bodies.

You will gain a solid grounding in the core elements of accounting and finance, ensuring you are well prepared for a variety of accountancy careers. Topics covered include financial reporting, management accounting, corporate finance, taxation, audit, and computerised accounting systems.

The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) has fully accredited this degree, so you will gain maximum exemptions from a professional qualification when you graduate. We are also a recognised Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW) 'Partner in Learning' and, depending on your module choices, you can gain exemptions from ICAEW, with further exemptions offered towards Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) examinations.

You will have the chance to gain a CIMA-accredited certificate in Sage, which is the UK's biggest accounting software provider. You can also complete a work placement. Recent companies have included Atradius, Alcatel-Lucent and the Welsh Government.

### Key content

Your first year includes financial accounting, management accounting, an introduction to finance, quantitative techniques for accounting, the business environment, and business and corporate law. Year two studies include financial reporting, performance measurement and control, accounting and audit simulation, audit and assurance, corporate finance, and taxation.

The final year explores advanced aspects of accounting and has specialist optional modules, including forensic accounting, international taxation, Islamic finance, and the theory and practice of securities trading, where you can use our simulation trading room on campus. You can also apply for a short-term placement (up to three months) between your second and third year. It's a great option if you want a mixture of academic and practical learning, teaching and assessment.

UCAS code: N420

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time | Part-time | Sandwich

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

Accreditation: Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA), and Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)



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## BA (Hons) Forensic Accounting

UCAS code: N490

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time | Part-time | Sandwich

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

Accreditation: Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA), and Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)



**Forensic accounting is financial detective work. It combines accounting, IT, legal, and investigative skills. Professionals often work on fraud and hidden asset investigations, valuations, dispute resolution, and act as expert witnesses in court.**

In the first year you will take the same modules as BA (Hons) Accounting and Finance. This will give you a solid grounding in the principles of accounting. In years two and three, you will focus on applying forensic accounting techniques while continuing with the core accounting subjects. You will also learn from our computer forensic experts, and use the specialised digital analysis software, Encase, and the data analysis package, IDEA.

The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) has fully accredited this course, so you will gain maximum exemptions from a professional qualification when you graduate. We are also a recognised Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW) 'Partner in Learning' and, depending on your module choices, you could gain exemptions from ICAEW, with further exemptions offered towards Chartered Institute of Management

Accountants (CIMA) examinations. You can also gain student membership of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE), the world's leading anti-fraud educational organisation.

### Key content

Your first year includes financial and management accounting, an introduction to finance, quantitative techniques for accounting, the business environment, and business and corporate law.

Year two covers the principles of forensic accounting, and develops your knowledge of financial reporting and management accounting. You will study financial management and audit, and undertake a software simulation module, where you will have the opportunity to gain the CIMA-accredited Sage Accounting Certificate. Sage is the UK's biggest accounting software provider.

You will specialise further in your final year, with modules on forensic accounting and the expert witness, and financial crime investigation. You can also choose optional modules from a range of subjects, including advanced financial reporting, business analysis, and cases in auditing and taxation.

## BSc (Hons) Financial Planning, Investment and Risk

UCAS code: N302

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time | Part-time

Campus: Cardiff, Atlantic House (B)

**If you aspire to a career in the financial services sector, this degree will give you the skills and experience to succeed. Your studies will prepare you for the workplace through an in-depth knowledge of financial decision making, risk management and the financial services environment.**

This degree has been developed in conjunction with employers, members of the Institute of Financial Planning (IFP), and the Financial Conduct Authority (FCA). As a result, you will be prepared for careers in banking, insurance, financial planning, investment management and consultancy.

There are many opportunities to put what you learn into practice while you study. As well as work placements, you could advise clients in our Legal and Financial Advice Clinic. You can also learn in our trading simulation room, which gives you a hands-on introduction to the theory and practice of equity trading.

### Key content

The first year provides an introduction to financial services regulation and ethics, customer service, and personal taxation. You'll also understand accounting in a business context and financial protection.

In year two, you will develop specialist financial knowledge in areas such as financial management, pensions and retirement planning, and mortgages and the housing market. You'll also undertake a three-month internship with an employer in the financial services sector.

In your final year, you will study corporate governance, wills and trusts, and you will experience equity trading in the simulated environment of our trading room. As well as your choice of optional modules, you will be expected to produce a practical research project and give advice to clients in our Legal and Financial Advice Clinic, under the supervision of financial planners.

# ANIMATION, GAMES AND VISUAL EFFECTS

Animators, visual effects artists and games designers are a major force in 21st century entertainment.

Study  
in the heart  
of Cardiff

## DID YOU KNOW?

Our games graduates are employed throughout the world at leading companies, including Code Masters, Creative Assembly, Gameloft, and Lionhead.

'Minerva Union', Alex Williams, Max Cutler and James Mcleod, BA (Hons) Visual Effects and Motion Graphics

The University of South Wales offers an exciting range of courses for you to choose from in an industry that has seen growth in investment and employment, and that is expected to open significantly in 2016, according to a report into the UK games industry in January 2016 ([tiga.org](http://tiga.org)).

Our established portfolio of courses covers traditional film-based 2D and stop-motion, as well as the growth areas of computer animation, 3D computer generated imagery, and games design.

We'll help develop your creative talent, give you new technical skills and teach you how to work as a creative professional. University of South Wales graduates are employed throughout the world, with credits on the latest blockbuster movies and computer games.





Tom Davies, BA (Hons) Animation

### Employability

Our courses are designed to develop your creative talent, give you new technical skills, and teach you how to work as a creative professional in the industry. Our graduates are employed throughout the world in roles with Sony Pictures Imageworks (USA), DreamWorks (USA), Core (Canada), and EA Games (UK and USA), as well as many going on to set up their own companies such as Toxic Games.

A number of our courses are accredited by Creative Skillset, a Sector Skills Council that works with higher education providers to ensure that creative courses meet the needs of employers. The Creative Skillset tick indicates courses recognised for excellence by industry.

### Industry advice from Dreamworks

Last year, animation and visual effects students got the chance to pitch to one of the industry's leading figures, Shelley Page, Head of International Outreach for DreamWorks Animation. In one-to-one sessions, students were given advice about improving their work and how best to present their ideas.

All our courses benefit from strong industry support through visiting lecturers, presentations and live projects. These links with the industry are key to preparing you for work in the sector when you graduate. From site visits to work placements and even pitching to industry experts, you'll have all the experience and insight you need for the start of your career.

### Careers

Our graduates have gone on to forge successful careers at some of the largest companies in the world. Others have set up their own companies.

There's a huge range of careers available to graduates in the industry, including working as part of a TV or film company, working as a freelance designer, developing, designing or marketing games. There are numerous commercial and educational opportunities too. You'll also be prepared to work freelance and with a wide variety of organisations.

**Go online to watch student showreels, read graduate stories, and to book an Open Day:**  
[southwales.ac.uk/animation-games](http://southwales.ac.uk/animation-games)

*"All of the third year animation students had the opportunity to apply for work experience on the current series of the children's TV show **Rastamouse**. The skills I developed in University massively improved during my time at **Rastamouse**. I can't stress enough how much I underestimated advice from lecturers about the importance of work experience."*

**James Carlisle,**  
 BA (Hons) Animation

### Related study

Film courses	114
Design courses	82
Art Practice	58

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## BA (Hons) Animation (2D and Stop-Motion)

If you want to work in the 2D or stop-motion animation industry, and have a passion for storytelling through animation, this course is for you.

You'll gain plenty of hands-on experience of traditional and digital animation techniques to complement your strong drawing skills and imagination. You'll be encouraged to find ways to apply these skills throughout the entire animation process.

There is a strong emphasis on teamwork and professional practice on this course, which will give you a realistic understanding of how the industry works and will enhance your employment prospects.

This course is Skillset accredited, meaning that it provides an exceptionally high standard of education that is endorsed by industry. You may benefit from additional links through this network, including masterclasses and work experience.

### Key content

The first year concentrates on core traditional and digital skills for animation and animated storytelling. You'll improve your skills and learn how to work as part of a creative team.

During the second and third years, you'll develop your specialist areas of animation and identify your strengths in small production teams, working on live briefs.

You'll also work towards high levels of skill in animated outcomes, whether these are in pre-production (eg, concept, storyboard, backgrounds, character design) or in 2D traditional or digital/stop-motion production (eg, character animation, sets, props, puppet and model-making), or post-production compositing.

Graduate outcomes can be short animated films or a showcase reel.

**UCAS code:** 23X6 (see page 193 for deadline)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An interview and portfolio are required for this course. Your portfolio should demonstrate strong artistic and design abilities. Your portfolio should be a carefully constructed selection of your work, preferably produced during your most recent course of study, and can include any personal work or projects that you feel are relevant to the course.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)



## BA (Hons) Computer Animation

The industry-facing CG content on this degree is underpinned by solid artistic and creative practices, enabling you to produce the best results possible.

You'll complete your work using industry-standard software across a range of projects, many of them designed to help you identify what you are good at and specialise in it. During major projects, you'll work with others in a collaborative manner in a work-simulation environment that mirrors industry studio practice.

You'll also study historical and contextual aspects of animation, as well as marketing and business factors, which will all further enhance your employability.

This course is Skillset accredited, meaning that it provides an exceptionally high standard of education that is endorsed by industry. You may benefit from additional links through this network, including masterclasses and work experience.

### Key content

The course starts with an introduction to 3D computer animation and 3D digital art principles, progressing to advanced computer-based animation and 3D digital art. You'll graduate with comprehensive traditional and digital artistic skills, including life drawing, character and creature animation, 3D CG art, and technical expertise in animation.

You'll have the choice of a variety of careers in feature films, animation, VFX, TV, commercials and games. Our graduates enjoy a high level of entrepreneurship and employment in production companies. Students have worked on *Gravity*, *Guardians of the Galaxy*, *Exodus*, *Harry Potter*, and *Spider Man* films.

Graduates have been employed at prestigious film/VFX studios, including Sony Pictures Imageworks (USA), DreamWorks (USA), Animal Logic (Australia), Core (Canada), Framestore, MPC, Double Negative, and Aardman CG, and games companies such as Sony Computer Entertainment, Rockstar North, and EA Games (UK and USA).

**UCAS code:** WW26 (see page 193 for deadline)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An interview and portfolio are required for this course. Your portfolio should demonstrate strong artistic and design abilities. Your portfolio should be a carefully constructed selection of your work, preferably produced during your most recent course of study, and can include any personal work or projects that you feel are relevant to the course.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)





Mariya Kozhuvravo, BA (Hons) Computer Animation

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## BA (Hons) Visual Effects and Motion Graphics

Visual effects and motion graphics are an integral part of everyday life, from the latest films in the cinema, to commercials and promos on television.

This course will develop your creative instincts in VFX and motion graphics. It is extremely industry focused, with many opportunities for working with industry while you study.

You'll have a hands-on approach to your study and bring your ideas to life using the latest digital technologies, plus you'll learn how to pitch your project ideas and concepts. These practical elements will fully prepare you for employment in film and broadcast graphics, commercials and the VFX industries. You'll work on live projects and briefs, with many opportunities for practical experience through placements. Students have worked on *Sherlock*, *Doctor Who*, *Bastard Executioner*, and *Beowulf*.

This course is Skillset accredited, meaning that it provides an exceptionally high standard of education that is endorsed by industry. You may benefit from additional links through this network, including masterclasses and work experience.

### Key content

There's an emphasis on practical work, with visits from industry professionals, exhibitions and workshops (additional costs may apply).

In your first year, you'll study concept development and time-based design, motion graphic design and audiovisual technique. In year two, modules will include 3D tracking and professional studies, as well as advanced motion graphics and VFX projects with work experience. Your final year consists of projects, including a major final project, undertaking research and developing your design management skills. You'll also take part in design competitions.

Graduates can pursue careers as VFX supervisors, composers, roto artists, modellers, and motion graphics designers, as well as in lighting, rigging, greenscreen set-p, tracking and crane shots. Our graduates work in companies that include Bait Studio, Thud Media, Gorilla Films, Cloth Cat Animation, Milk Visual Effects, BBC Wales, Rough Collie, MPC, Double Negative, and Framestore. Our best students get multiple job offers and are headhunted by industry.

**UCAS code:** W280 (see page 193 for deadline)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An interview and portfolio are required for this course. Your portfolio should demonstrate strong artistic and design abilities. Your portfolio should be a carefully constructed selection of your work, preferably produced during your most recent course of study, and can include any personal work or projects that you feel are relevant to the course.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)



"The course can be very challenging, but there is always help if you get stuck. University has introduced many new and exciting specialist areas, and allowed me to make an educated choice in career direction. I have also made some great new friends and had the opportunity to work with some very creative people."

Toke Jepsen,  
BA (Hons) Computer Animation

'Tempest' – Collaborative project by Jackson Rolls-Gray, Zack Finlet, Tom Goddard and Josh Thurston, BA (Hons) Computer Games Design



## BA (Hons) Game Art

**UCAS code:** W281 (see page 193 for deadline)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An interview and portfolio are required for this course. Your portfolio should demonstrate strong artistic and design abilities. Your portfolio should be a carefully constructed selection of your work, preferably produced during your most recent course of study, and can include any personal work or projects that you feel are relevant to the course.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRIUM (B)

**This degree in game art will stretch your imagination and your technical drawing skills. We hope it will be the start of a very interesting and rewarding career pathway.**

Gamers' demands for realistic and imaginative animation and graphics are increasing as new technologies are developed. In our computer studios, you will gain the technical skills to bring your ideas to life and create the next generation of game art and animation.

You'll develop traditional art skills alongside cutting-edge digital artwork. But the great thing is that you'll develop as an artist and choose your own pathway as you experience the diversity of this course.

### Key content

Over the three years, you'll develop a portfolio to take to industry when you graduate. Your studies will explore the professional and theoretical elements of the games industry, which is ever growing. Through live projects, you'll develop originality of thought and

creativity. You'll be able to understand and break down industry briefs, working independently and in teams.

You will begin with an introduction to core game art skills such as concept design, 3D modelling, 2D digital painting, and game environment development, using the latest game engine software. You will also work on projects with students from other courses to design and develop games for PC, console and mobile game environments.

Your studies will be commercially orientated, so you will develop the skills to succeed in the industry. You will also study elements of marketing and business to enhance your employability.

Graduates will be prepared for work in a games development studio in roles that include character artist, environment artist or concept artist. They can also consider work in related industries and roles such as freelance artists and designers in graphic art, game publishing, and in some animation studios.

## BA (Hons) Computer Games Design

**UCAS code:** WGF4 (see page 193 for deadline)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An interview and portfolio are required for this course. Your portfolio should demonstrate strong artistic and design abilities. Your portfolio should be a carefully constructed selection of your work, preferably produced during your most recent course of study, and can include any personal work or projects that you feel are relevant to the course.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRIUM (B)

**Game is ideas-led and your studies here will give you the ability to create a game.**

This course teaches you to be highly creative, helping you take a concept from prototype stage to a working game. You'll also know how to develop your game in such a way that your work could form the basis of a start-up games company. We want you to challenge traditional ideas about gaming and the gamer, to experiment and develop new games.

Graduates could find employment in gaming companies, design companies, digital media companies, and business start-ups, or as visual artists, level designers, games testing, advertising, motion graphics, illustration or teaching.

Graduates have entered employment with industry notables, including Electronic Arts, Blitz and Rocksteady, while many have started their own companies that produce successful games. Alumni have also been nominated and won awards from BAFTA Games (UK), BAFTA Cymru, BAFTA Prince William Scholarship, and the Welsh Graduate Design Awards.

### Key content

We aim to challenge you right from the start. You'll be involved in practical group and individual projects, as well as lectures, talks, seminars, drawing sessions and technical workshops.

You'll study key elements of games design, from concept sketching, games culture and game mechanics, to 3D modelling, game engine and prototyping, as well as pitching, project management and development. Working individually and as part of a team, we'll help you develop examples of working games that you can present to industry in a portfolio of your best work.

In your second year, you'll work on larger industry-focused projects, with a major project in your final year. This will be a professional production you can present to industry and develop into a strong portfolio that will enhance your employability.

# ART

## Being an art student is an unmissable chance to explore your creativity and experiment with different art forms.

The University of South Wales offers a supportive environment where you can challenge yourself artistically and technically. From ceramics to printmaking, from sculpture to painting, you can discover new ways to express yourself and your ideas.

You will be taught by and work alongside lecturers who are all practising artists with extensive professional experience, both of exhibitions and of exploring ideas through making.

Each year our students have the opportunity to visit major collections of historical and contemporary art and design at home and abroad. Recent trips have included London, Venice, Madrid and Berlin (additional costs apply).

### Facilities

Our Art Practice degree encourages you to explore and experiment with many art forms. You'll think and work across different disciplines to experience and understand the possibilities and benefits of working in this interdisciplinary way, and to develop your creative talents.

Studying art at the University of South Wales means you can work in dedicated studio spaces at our Pontypridd Campus. You will be able to create a high standard of work that you can be proud of in our extensive specialist facilities: 3D workshop, print room and ceramic studios, all equipped with traditional

and state-of-the-art facilities, including digital suites and a fully equipped lighting studio for photography.

Facilities at our nearby Cardiff Campus range from photographic darkrooms and professional-level printers, to video and audio production studios. These are primarily for students studying related courses, but they are available more widely to students who want to explore multimedia techniques. You can also borrow a full range of equipment, including cameras, microphones and lighting.

### Employability

In a world dominated by visual imagery, artists need the right skills, reflexive approaches and attitudes of critical enquiry to work as effective professionals.

Here, you can develop the confidence to experiment with your individual style, as well as learning how to challenge genres, ideas and concepts.

We take pride in our links with industry and provide numerous opportunities for our students to work with creative professionals through live projects, as well as through links with our former students who are now pursuing successful careers in the creative sector.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Art students can volunteer and gain experience of curating exhibitions at our art gallery on campus – Oriely Bont. The gallery presents a rolling programme of exhibitions based on the University's art collection, as well as visiting works.

We also have employability initiatives as part of our courses, so that graduates can stand out in a competitive jobs market.

This means that by the time you graduate, you'll be well equipped to pursue further study with us, or enter a range of exciting and rewarding careers.

### Careers

Creative industries continue to grow faster than the average sector of the UK economy. Our graduates can be found in a variety of stimulating and vibrant careers locally and nationally, practising skills they developed during their time at the University.

Art Practice graduates can consider careers in arts administration, studio practice, community arts, public art, gallery curatorship, youth projects, illustration, art dealership, art writing, art conservation, teacher training, and arts in health. Graduates also progress to postgraduate study at the University of South Wales, where they further develop their artistic practice.

### Related study

Creative and Therapeutic Arts	159
Design courses	82
Fashion Design	112
Photography courses	148

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Develop your creative potential at the University of South Wales. Visit us at an Open Day or go online to see our students' work: [southwales.ac.uk/art](https://southwales.ac.uk/art)



Sian Thomas, BA (Hons) Art Practice

## BA (Hons) Art Practice

**UCAS code:** W990 (see page 193 for deadline)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Interview and portfolio required.

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

"I chose the University because it offers such a wide range of skills – from ceramics to photography and painting to printmaking – you can pick from so many things, it's so diverse."

Carly Wride,  
BA (Hons) Art Practice

**Art practice covers a broad range of disciplines and on this course you'll develop your identity as an artist, and explore personal, social and political issues to work out how you might contribute to the wider world.**

As you develop your voice and artistic identity, you'll engage with a wide range of art practices and critical debates. You'll have the freedom to experiment with many art forms and experience the possibilities of different disciplines. You'll use varied materials and processes, with a team of artists and technicians to support you.

Your studies will allow you to gain technical and critical skills, experience and knowledge. This will enable you to create and exhibit your work with confidence and professionalism. You'll also explore how your artistic practice can be applied in public art, health, education, and curation.

### Key content

You will be introduced to a range of materials, skills and ideas in projects that

blend disciplines: painting and ceramics, drawing and mixed media, or digital and printmaking. You will work in response to different contexts: galleries, museums, site-specific or installation, so that by your final year, you'll have the skills to research, develop and critique your practice, and to create work to professional standards.

Professional practice and critical studies are embedded in the course. This enables you to gain professional skills and experience, preparing you for careers in the arts and beyond. You'll compile a professional portfolio to document your work and expertise, and have the opportunity to work on 'live' briefs. Recent projects have included collaborating with arts organisations, residencies in artist studios and dance companies, curatorial experience in contemporary gallery spaces, and artwork commissions for hospitals. By the final year, you'll be able to apply your skills to real working environments, working independently to create a substantial public exhibition of your studio practice.





"I knew that I wanted to become a Chartered Quantity Surveyor. The career prospects and salary are good, so it's a great profession to enter. The course enables me to gain the skills to fulfil my aspirations and manage multi-million pound projects. It's also approved by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS), which employers value, so the course meets industry standards."

**Kushal Rambojun,**  
BSc (Hons) Quantity Surveying  
and Project Management

## BUILT ENVIRONMENT

If you enjoy the challenge of practical problems and want to be at the heart of projects, a career in quantity surveying or project management may be what you're looking for.

This diverse field means you'll enjoy both the commercial and practical elements of construction. You could find yourself working on motorways, construction sites, or even the sea bed.

The University of South Wales is the largest provider of industry-accredited courses of this type in Wales. Both our

undergraduate degrees are accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS). This is the world's leading professional body in land, property, construction and associated environmental issues. Successful completion of one of our degrees is the first step to gaining RICS professional membership.

### DID YOU KNOW?

100% of our BSc (Hons) Quantity Surveying and Commercial Management students were satisfied with their course (National Student Survey 2015).

Our BSc (Hons) Quantity Surveying and Commercial Management course is one of the top 10 courses of its type in the UK (Guardian League Tables 2015).



"The skills and knowledge I have learned on the course have been put into practice during my sandwich placement at Keepmoat. The placement will hugely benefit me as I go into my final year."

**Adam James,**  
BSc (Hons) Quantity Surveying and Commercial Management



### Employability

Our degrees are based on the requirements of the sector. We work closely with professional bodies and employers to ensure our courses reflect industry practice and that graduates have a range of skills relevant to the world of work.

Your studies here won't confine you to a classroom. We don't believe you can learn vital skills like analytical decision making and problem solving by just reading about them. That's why we offer practical activities that help you understand and apply the theory you learn in lectures.

Your studies will also involve practical examples from industrial case studies, which will develop problem-solving skills that are relevant to the workplace. Plus throughout your course, you'll have the chance to take part in site visits to local companies.

We also recommend you spend a year working in the construction industry as part of your degree. During this 'sandwich' year, you'll get hands-on experience that will make you a more attractive candidate to employers and will inform your studies in that important final year.

For added experience, you'll use industry-standard facilities on campus. These include computing laboratories with engineering software such as Revit, ArchiCAD, AutoCAD, Autodesk QTO, CostX, Synchro, and Navisworks.

**98%**  
of our Built Environment graduates are in employment or further study within six months of graduation (Graduate Survey 2013/14).

### Careers

Construction is one of the largest industries in the world, and none of it would be possible without surveyors and project managers

Our strong industrial and commercial links mean we know what employers want from you when you graduate. From this, we tailor our courses so that what you learn meets employers' needs and develops key skills. We have a proud history of developing industry-ready graduates for over four decades.

There are varied career opportunities in this field, nationally and internationally.

Our graduates find employment in many branches of industry. You could work in private practice, property departments, construction and development companies, central and local government organisations, or become self-employed.

 **Related study**  
Engineering courses

98

The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

**Start your career in surveying at the University of South Wales.**  
Come to an Open Day or go online: [southwales.ac.uk/built](http://southwales.ac.uk/built)

## BSc (Hons) Project Management (Surveying)

**Project managers are involved with a project throughout its lifecycle; from early feasibility and design stages, through to construction and handover.**

This degree prepares you for a variety of project management roles in the construction industry. You will develop core project management skills that reflect the needs of the profession, such as programming and planning, project administration, risk management, construction technology, contract practice, health and safety, sustainability, and managing people.

The course is accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS). When you graduate, you'll have the ability and confidence to begin a graduate career as a project management surveyor and work towards corporate membership of the RICS.

### Key content

You will study the latest practice and procedures for the project management of new-build and refurbishment projects. Your studies will cover industrial initiatives such as strategic partnering and collaboration, prefabrication and offsite manufacture, lean construction techniques, and dispute resolution. You will also learn how to apply critical thinking to your experiences, which will help you work towards continuous professional development.

Your degree will allow you to manage effectively the range of tasks involved in a construction project. You'll be able to take responsibility for time, quality, and health and safety, and overcome the challenges of new-build or refurbishment projects.

Project management is a thriving profession in the UK and internationally. By the time you graduate, you will have the skills and confidence to progress as a project management surveyor.

**UCAS code:** K290

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**Accreditation:** Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS)



Surveying is also available at HND and HNC levels.

## BSc (Hons) Quantity Surveying and Commercial Management

**Quantity surveyors are in high demand and earn attractive salaries. Studying this course, you will learn skills and competencies that are directly relevant to industry practice and standards.**

Quantity surveyors understand all aspects of construction. They are the financial managers of the construction industry and need to manage costs effectively, while considering quality, sustainability and client needs. They are involved in all stages of the design, construction and operation of property developments, including residential, commercial, industrial and retail, as well as infrastructure projects such as roads, railways and airports.

This course is accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS). When you graduate, you'll have the skills and qualifications for a successful career in quantity surveying and commercial management, and be able to work towards corporate membership of the RICS. The course is also accredited by

the Chartered Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors, giving you further recognition for the skills you will develop during your studies.

### Key content

You will gain the skills to manage the range of tasks involved in a construction project, learn how to take responsibility for financial planning and management, and be able to overcome challenges.

Your studies will cover industrial initiatives such as lifecycle costing, strategic partnering and collaboration, target cost contracts, dispute resolution and open-book accounting. To help you work towards continuous professional development, you will also learn how to apply critical thinking to your experiences.

The course includes a project in each year of study. These are delivered in partnership with employers and involve real-life case studies, which will help you develop key skills for the workplace.

**UCAS code:** K242

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**Accreditation:** Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) and the Chartered Institution of Civil Engineering Surveyors



Surveying is also available at HND and HNC levels.

"After taking a break from my studies in 2010, I decided to complete my final year at the University of South Wales. I found the lecturers extremely helpful – they always provided feedback and advice where they could, and gave me the confidence I needed to complete my projects. I have no doubt that this was the best option for me, and I would highly recommend the University to any future applicants."

**Vicky Greenfield,**  
Balfour Beatty Rail,  
BSc (Hons) Quantity Surveying  
and Commercial Management  
graduate



# BUSINESS

## If you want a business degree for the real world, the University of South Wales is the right choice.

The business environment changes every day, so organisations need graduates who have a broad range of skills and can adapt. Our courses give you a realistic view of business, and you'll have plenty of opportunities to apply what you learn to the real world.

### Employability

Making you more employable is at the heart of everything we do. All our courses have been designed in consultation with businesses, so we know exactly what employers will expect from you when you graduate.

Many of our business courses are accredited by professional bodies, which means you can be sure you're working with the best – you'll see relevant details next to each course. What's more, some professional postgraduate programmes offer exemptions depending on what you studied for your degree, so becoming a fully qualified professional in your chosen field could be closer than you think.

You'll also hear from guest speakers working in industry, from multinational mobile phone network providers to local whisky distillers. These talks will relate what you're learning to their experiences, so you can see how business theories work in the real world. It will also give you an insight into the many careers available when you graduate, helping you choose which path to take.



Adam Thomas on a business consultant work placement at Hays Recruitment

## NEW FOR 2017

### BA (Hons) Sustainable Hotel Management

The hotel industry is huge and places value on the sustainability of its operations, particularly, the need to reduce carbon footprints and lessen its environmental impact.

This new course provides a broad foundation in hospitality, sustainability, leadership and management, operations, marketing, and information technology. You will also gain local, regional and global perspectives on current and pressing sustainability issues, and a full understanding of the benefits this can bring to the hospitality industry.

Find out more at:  
[southwales.ac.uk/courses](http://southwales.ac.uk/courses)



Demi Niblett,  
BA (Hons) Logistics and Supply Chain Management  
student at Ortho Clinical Diagnostics



### Work placements

As well as a dedicated employability module, we encourage all our students to complete a work placement. When employers receive hundreds of applications for a graduate-level job, many are similar. What makes some graduates stand out from the crowd is practical experience. So with a work placement on your CV and relevant experiences to talk about at interview, you'll increase your chance of landing your dream job.

Sandwich placements are an option on all of our Honours degrees. It's a year of supervised work experience in industry between years two and three.

Work placements bring many rich rewards. They give you a chance to see how what you learn in the classroom works in the real world. You'll also gain skills and experiences that build on the academic knowledge from your degree. Recent placements have involved everything from streamlining a company's supply chain network to managing overseas clients.

Placements can even lead to offers of sponsorship or funding from your host employer when you return to the University, or employment when you graduate. Plus, what you learn on placement can inform your studies and could improve your final grades.

*"My placement has confirmed that procurement is definitely the career for me. It has also shown me the options available to me in terms of job types and has given me the confidence to pursue these job goals. The best part about working at UK SBS has been the opportunities they have provided. I have been allowed to manage and take control of several projects, which has meant I have learnt through doing everything myself, rather than through watching someone else."*

**Victoria Parsons,**  
BA (Hons) Logistics and Supply  
Chain Management

**95%**  
of our Business graduates are  
in employment or further study within  
six months of graduation  
(Graduate Survey 2013/14).

### Careers

By the time you graduate, you'll have the tools and the confidence to contribute to the management of an organisation, or even start your own business.

With an understanding of how different areas of business work together, you'll be in a strong position to succeed as a business professional. If you choose to specialise in a particular area of business, you'll have the specialist skills and knowledge to apply for positions in your field.

### What will you choose?

Go online for student stories and module tasters, or to book your place at an Open Day:  
[southwales.ac.uk/management](http://southwales.ac.uk/management)

### Related study

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Fashion Promotion	113
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The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Sponsored degree students work at a host organisation part-time throughout their studies, so they can use what they learn right from the start. Turn to page 19 to find more about this scheme.

## BA (Hons) Business

**Businesses need graduates who are adaptable, with the skills and ability to put their knowledge into practice. That's why this degree focuses on your personal and professional development, which is essential in modern business.**

Designed specifically for part-time students, you can apply your knowledge from this course in your workplace. You may even be exempt from some modules based on experience you have already. From your employer's perspective, this course offers an excellent staff development opportunity that can be tailored to the needs of their organisation.

You'll be taught through lectures and tutorials in the afternoon/evening on one day each week. For flexibility, you'll complete 'Learning through the Workplace' modules in the summer months.

### Key content

You can complete your studies in four years and gain a realistic view of business. You'll study subjects usually included in a business degree such as accounting, economics, law, management, marketing and strategy, alongside plenty of opportunities to apply what you learn to the real world.

'Learning through Employment' modules allow you to complete projects related to your workplace. Also, our Leadership and Management, and Coaching and Mentoring modules will help you develop your full management potential.

Assessment methods vary from module to module, but they are all within the context of today's challenging business environment to increase your employability.

Graduates are able to develop and progress within their chosen career, or progress to study at postgraduate and professional levels such as our Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM) courses, or our MBA.

**UCAS code:** You can apply to the University directly:  
[southwales.ac.uk/apply](http://southwales.ac.uk/apply)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Part-time

**Campus:** Newport City (C)

Business courses are also available at Foundation Degree level (see page 43).

Jake Jones, BA (Hons) Human Resource Management graduate



## BA (Hons) Business Management

UCAS code: N201

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time | Part-time (through sponsored degree route) | Sandwich

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A) or Newport City (C)

Business courses are also available at HND and Foundation Degree levels (see page 43).



### CYMRAEG: WELSH

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**The business environment is changing all the time. While you can't predict the future, you can certainly be prepared for it.**

Organisations need flexible employees with a range of skills, who understand the different areas of business and how they work together. This degree will give you a well-rounded business education to make you a versatile and employable graduate.

By studying this degree you will get a full overview of how businesses perform, meaning you can adapt and succeed in a competitive jobs market. There are compulsory modules that cover essential topics such as marketing, how to manage people, purchasing and logistics. As you progress, you can choose specialist modules in areas that match your interests and career aims. There are also many opportunities to gain practical experience of the business world, including work placements and hands-on challenges.

You'll gain experience of working with industry, either through a year-long sandwich placement, an internship or an employment experience project. This project module has input from employers, so you'll know what is expected from you in the workplace when you graduate.

#### Key content

You'll focus on the academic requirements of business topics and develop the skills demanded by today's employers.

We also take your learning outside the classroom to help you understand the theory. You'll have the chance to participate in team-building exercises and assessed field trips. In your second year, you'll also take part in 'Dragon's Den' style assessments and 'The Apprentice' themed challenges, and run your own mini-business.

## BA (Hons) Human Resource Management

UCAS code: N602

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time | Part-time (through sponsored degree route) | Sandwich

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A) or Newport City (C)

Accreditation: The University has been awarded Accredited Centre status by the CIPD

CIPD



### CYMRAEG: WELSH

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**Human resource management (HRM) plays a vital part at every level of all organisations.**

People are an organisation's most important asset, so HRM concerns all people and people-related issues. Organisations will only succeed if their people are well managed, motivated, committed and engaged.

Your studies will give you an all-round understanding of business and specialist knowledge of HRM. This means you will understand how HRM fits into the bigger picture and be a more employable graduate. HRM graduates are highly attractive to employers throughout the world, especially in many emerging markets. The ability to lead and get the best out of people is challenging yet vital for the modern manager, and this degree will prepare you for such a role.

We have an excellent reputation for delivering high-quality teaching in this field and we have strong links with the Chartered Institute of Personnel and

Development (CIPD) – the UK's professional HR body. The course is also validated with CIPD membership. Plus, 100% of our HRM students were satisfied with their course (National Student Survey, 2015).

#### Key content

You'll explore HRM theory and practice, and consider people and people-related issues in organisations at operational and strategic levels. You'll take compulsory modules to learn essential business knowledge and skills, so you understand how HRM contributes to an organisation's success. Specialist HRM topics include talent management, leadership, and employee engagement.

You'll have the opportunity to gain experience of working with industry, either as a year-long sandwich placement, an internship or an employment experience project.

## BA (Hons) Logistics and Supply Chain Management

Supply chains are not just about buying – they also involve operations management, logistics, and project management.

It's a growing, specialist area that is a key part of any business. Supply chain managers handle the majority of an organisation's spending and they control international logistics.

This degree is accredited by the Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply, and has been designed with input from leading professionals, so you can be confident you'll graduate with commercial skills that will unlock doors to higher-level jobs and impress future employers.

You'll gain experience of working with industry, either through a year-long sandwich placement, an internship or an employment experience project. This project module has input from employers, so you'll also know what is

expected of you in the workplace when you graduate.

### Key content

You'll study essential business modules and specialist modules. These include commercial procurement, projects and operations management, logistics and materials management, strategic procurement and commercial relationships, and supply chain risk and sustainability.

This mix of general and specialist modules reflects real life, and enables you to learn about different parts of a business and how they work together. Through our strong links with industry, you'll also learn methodologies and techniques used in the workplace.

You'll gain the knowledge and ability to work in many areas, including supply chain management, operations management, purchasing and logistics. Our graduates have an excellent track record in relevant, well-paid careers.

UCAS code: JN92

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time | Part-time (through sponsored degree route) | Sandwich

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

Accreditation: The Chartered Institute of Purchasing and Supply



## BA (Hons) Marketing

Did you know that Nike once catered almost exclusively to marathon runners? But they saw a fitness craze emerge and knew they needed a new approach – so the "Just Do It." campaign was launched. The Nike 'swoosh' is now one of the most famous logos in the world and it's all down to marketing.

This course will help you develop an extensive understanding of business and marketing through a combination of relevant and contemporary modules. You'll have the opportunity to join the University's Marketing Chapter and to network with members of the industry's professional body, the Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM) – added extras that will give you a competitive advantage at job interviews.

You'll experience working with industry, either as a year-long sandwich placement, an internship or an employment experience project. This project module has input from

employers, so you'll know what will be expected from you as a new graduate.

### Key content

Your studies will cover essential business modules and specialist marketing modules. What you learn is related to real-world events, so you'll understand the theory and the practice of marketing.

You'll learn about the complexity of the marketing communication process and what it takes to make effective advertising. You'll also analyse major brands from a consumer perspective and assess why we can't live without them.

By studying emerging themes in marketing, you'll stay focused on marketing's vital contribution to successful organisations. Knowledge of specific areas such as marketing public relations will enable you to enter the workforce with highly relevant and transferable skills.

UCAS code: N502

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time | Part-time (through sponsored degree route) | Sandwich

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

### CYMRAEG: WELSH

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## BA (Hons) Event Management

UCAS code: N820

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time | Sandwich

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

### CYMRAEG: WELSH

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**This course gives you hands-on experience of events management from the start. You'll graduate with knowledge and experience of running events, which will be impressive on your CV, plus you'll have essential business skills for all kinds of careers.**

You'll have the opportunity to take part in workshops delivered by key organisations, including established festival organisers and national heritage bodies. This will help you understand how your learning relates to the real world.

We have excellent links with a variety of organisations such as AP Security, British Petroleum BP, Sŵn Festival, Amplified Business Content, Welsh Government, and CADW. Field trips also offer you the opportunity to apply theory to practice and gain even more experience.

Events are held in all industries, so your skills will be in demand in the private, public and voluntary sectors. Your business skills could also lead to careers

in other areas such as sales and marketing, PR, or general management.

#### Key content

Year one: Events in society • Events in theory • Events in practice • Business skills and professional development • Foundations in marketing • Understanding and managing people

Year two: Legislation, regulation and licensing for events • Digital context • Event finance • Live event • Event risk management and operations • Research for events • Event marketing

Year three: Strategic issues in event management • Event Management project • Public relations and reputation management • Dissertation • Management skills for event managers • Professional practice and employability • Professional selling and sales

"I have thoroughly enjoyed my time studying event management. The course has provided me with a wide array of knowledge through the variety of modules that we study. I was privileged enough to gain valuable work experience during the Rugby World Cup 2015, which enabled me to develop practical skills in the industry I want to work in. The opportunity also meant that I gained a number of valuable contacts, as well as memories that I will always treasure."

Joanne Emanuel,  
BA (Hons) Event Management



# COMPUTING

Computing degrees at the University of South Wales are relevant to industry and perfect if you enjoy a challenge.

Our courses cover the full range of subject areas required by industry, including programming, computer security, and computer games development. All our courses develop your skills in a focused and supportive environment.

"The Information Communication Technology course at the University of South Wales is varied and covers a range of subjects. I didn't want to specialise in a specific area, so the course was perfect for me."

Blair Price,  
BSc (Hons) Information  
Communication Technology

## Employability

Our courses are designed with industry's requirements in mind. This ensures that what you learn is relevant and prepares you to start your career as soon as you graduate. To enhance your employability, there are added extras relevant to each specialist area. Computer Forensics students, for example, have training in courtroom skills and how to present evidence.

There are opportunities to spend up to a year working in industry as part of your course, either in the UK or abroad.

You can also take part in live projects and taster weeks, or choose a shorter three-month placement. Work experience allows you to use the skills and knowledge you learnt at University in the real world. This will be impressive on your CV and you'll have relevant experiences to talk about at graduate-level interviews.

Work experience can also help your grades in the final year, and it can often lead to employment with the host employer. Recent placements include E-Finity, IBM, Fujitsu, GCHQ, and the Welsh Government.

Many of our computing degrees are fully accredited by the BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT. Graduates of these courses meet the academic requirements to work towards Chartered IT Professional (CITP) status. MComp graduates also meet the educational requirements for Chartered Engineer (CEng) status, while those studying a BSc (Hons) partially meet the requirements. So you'll not only graduate with a degree, but you'll be well on your way to being professionally qualified too.

Some employers recruit preferentially from accredited degrees, and an accredited degree is likely to be recognised in other countries.

All our courses offer an MComp award, where you study to Masters level as an undergraduate student. These four-year courses allow top-performing students to distinguish themselves with advanced professional and technical skills. If this sounds right for you, there are module details on our website.

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Discover computing at the University of South Wales. Go online for student projects, graduate stories, lecturer profiles and more: [southwales.ac.uk/computing](https://southwales.ac.uk/computing)

## DID YOU KNOW?

We have excellent links with industry, including IBM, BT, EADS, and Fujitsu.

Pontypridd Campus, Treforest



### Facilities

The University continually improves and invests in facilities to ensure they stay at the cutting edge of computer development. This means you'll use the latest technologies in high-spec labs.

There's a Digital Investigation Lab, which is a computer forensic facility typical of those used by law enforcement agencies to analyse computer files and digital media for use as evidence in court. We've just invested in a new Cyber Security Suite, with computer and research laboratories, as well as student meeting spaces, a large TV screen and a server for you to undertake project work.

"If given the chance I would do the course again. The staff helped me produce better and better work until I graduated with first-class Honours. I enjoyed my time so much during my studies. I'll be staying for another three years to do a PhD."

Jack Betts,  
BSc (Hons) Computer Games  
Development

Our Games Development facility features the latest Intel hardware to provide extra high-powered gaming PCs. There are also console development kits, large curved monitors and cutting-edge gaming PCs, allowing you to develop games in a realistic testing environment.

You'll also find dedicated spaces on campus for computing students, including Windows, Apple Mac, Linux and Networking suites, all with the latest software.

### Careers

Computers and computer systems are involved in nearly every aspect of our lives, and are vital to industry and commerce. This means the demand for highly trained professionals continues to grow.

Our graduates have advanced analytical, creative and technical skills, with a wide range of career opportunities available in many industries. Types of roles include software engineering, the design and development of computer systems, computer forensic investigation, consultancy, systems administration, and teaching.

# 90%

of our Computing graduates are in employment or further study within six months of graduation (Graduate Survey 2013/14).



### Related study

Computing Mathematics 140

The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

## BSc (Hons) | MComp Computer Applications Development\*

The purpose of this course is to prepare you to work in a variety of exciting roles developing software and systems. It has a strong practical element and you will gain expertise in how to develop information systems and manage software projects.

We've worked closely with industry and professional bodies to ensure that what you learn is relevant to what you'll do when you graduate, and your skills will meet the standards that employers expect.

This course builds on a foundation of 'core computing' and introduces you to software development, web development, information engineering, computer architecture and operating systems. You'll develop more focused skills to develop the kinds of system most modern organisations use, for example, using mobile and desktop client software to access complex data sets using web services.

Computer systems are fundamental to many industries, so you can apply your skills in many fields. Companies of all sizes need project managers, software developers, information managers, web application developers, and more. This course offers you a thorough grounding in the skills needed to open up a flexible career in computing.

This course is also offered at MComp level, including topics such as big data and analytics, and distributed systems, and you'll also undertake a major group project. For further details see page 70.

### Key content

- Software development • Information engineering • Computer systems and network technologies • Operating systems • Web and mobile application technologies • Project management, including PRINCE 2 (additional costs apply to gain certification) • Information system management • Spatial databases and geographical information systems (GIS) • Computing individual project

**UCAS code:** BSc (Hons) C68Q | MComp W86C

**Typical offer:** BSc (Hons) Band 1 | MComp Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

BSc (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

\*Subject to validation

## BSc (Hons) | MComp Computer Forensics

Data stored on digital devices reveals what we do and where we have been. Authorities can use this information to identify and convict people who break the law. This means that skilled professionals who can gather and interpret digital data are in high demand.

This practical course produces such professionals. You'll study the computer forensic process, tools and procedures, computer forensic and digital evidence, criminology, cryptography, information security, and computer crime. By graduation, you'll be able to manage a forensic case and perform technical analysis of computer-based evidence.

Course content is informed by our consultancy and research work. We've handled cases for police forces and government. You'll be trained in courtroom skills and learn how to give evidence in a court of law. You will also have the opportunity to achieve AccessData Certified Examiner status as part of your studies, which is an industry-recognised qualification.

### Key content

- Professional computer forensic security • Forensic digital evidence • Team project (evidentiary practice) • Advanced digital investigation techniques • Information engineering • Computer systems and network technologies • Website development • Mathematics and statistics for computing • Procedural programming • Computer programming • Operating systems • Computer systems security • Cryptography and information assurance • Software development • Advanced legal, social, ethical and professional issues • Computers and the law • Plus a choice of optional modules

MComp students would additionally study:

- Forensics techniques and data recovery • Major group project • Independent study • Security management • Network security

For more information about our MComp award, see page 70.

**UCAS codes:** BSc (Hons) GG4M | MComp 38N2

**Typical offer:** BSc (Hons) Band 1 | MComp Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**Accreditation:** BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT, and Engineering Council



BSc (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).



## BSc (Hons) | MComp Computer Games Development

**UCAS codes:** BSc (Hons) GG46 | MComp TH4W

**Typical offer:** BSc (Hons) Band 1 | MComp Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**Accreditation:** BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT, and Engineering Council



BSc (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

**This degree can help turn your love of gaming into your dream career. Rather than simply playing games, you'll learn how to create them.**

The computer games industry is an expanding area that offers many opportunities. This course places an emphasis on programming for computer games, but it also prepares you for a career in software development and is your first step towards a rewarding career in the creative industries.

You will learn by doing, making use of high-performance computers and working individually and in teams to produce games to tight deadlines. You'll work on real problems that will prepare you for employment, and that will help you to keep pace with this rapidly changing field.

Our four-year MComp award gives you the chance to enhance your knowledge further in key areas, including advanced real-time rendering techniques, game engine optimisation, and distributed computing, with the opportunity to undertake a further major group project (see page 70).

### Key content

- Game development fundamentals and practice
- C++ programming
- Information management
- Computer systems concepts
- Information insurance and security
- Maths and statistics for computer science
- Social issues and professional practice in computing
- Team project
- Game engine architecture
- Computer graphics
- Data structures and algorithms
- Operating systems
- Game engine optimisation
- Concurrent and parallel programming
- Artificial intelligence for computer games
- Real-time rendering techniques
- Computing individual project

"The course encourages students to work closely with others in team projects. This is an essential skill, so having the experience in this environment is definitely useful. It's the sort of experience that is necessary on a CV for someone applying to be a games developer, which is the job I want this degree to take me to."

James Burr,  
BSc (Hons) Computer Games Development

## BSc (Hons) | MComp Computer Science

Computer science is a wide field, from its theoretical and algorithmic foundations to cutting-edge development in robotics and intelligent systems.

This course has been designed in line with professional standards and is your first step towards a career in software development. You'll work on real problems in readiness for employment, enabling you to keep pace with this rapidly changing field.

You'll learn about abstraction, complexity, evolutionary change, sharing of common resources, security and concurrency. From system functionality to usability and performance, you'll also be better placed to solve real-life problems with an understanding of how they affect people's lives. As a computer scientist, you'll learn by doing, making use of high-performance computers, and working individually and in teams to produce solutions to tight deadlines.

Our four-year MComp award gives you the chance to enhance your knowledge in key areas, including advanced data structures and algorithms, distributed computing, and data analysis, with the opportunity to undertake further group or individual project work. For more information about our MComp award, see page 70.

### Key content

- C++ programming • Software development fundamentals • Social and professional issues in computing • Maths and statistics for computer science
- Information management • Computer systems concepts • Information assurance and security • Team project
- Data structures and algorithms
- Computer networks • Operating systems • Software engineering
- Concurrent and parallel programming
- Individual project • Intelligent systems
- Plus a choice of optional modules

**UCAS codes:** BSc (Hons) G40C | MComp 56M3

**Typical offer:** BSc (Hons) Band 1 | MComp Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**Accreditation:** BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT, and Engineering Council



BSc (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

"The facilities at the University of South Wales are excellent, especially the dedicated computer forensics laboratory. The lab contains industry-standard forensic tools and can easily be accessed by students. The courtroom training during the second year is a highlight and makes the course unique."

**Matt Davies,**  
MComp Computer Forensics

## BSc (Hons) | MComp Computer Security

**UCAS codes:** BSc (Hons) G590 | MComp 21K2

**Typical offer:** BSc (Hons) Band 1 | MComp Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**Accreditation:** BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT, and Engineering Council



BSc (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

**The security of computer systems is vital, with more and more of our details collected and held by companies and government.**

As attempts to breach these security systems become more sophisticated, preventing unauthorised access is an important role in society.

This degree has a practical emphasis to prepare you for a career in computer security. You'll understand how computer systems are designed and secured, and learn how to protect them against all kinds of attacks. Your studies will also cover effective computer systems management and how to complete an effective IT health check.

The University is recognised as a Centre of Excellence for information security and computer forensics by the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO).

### Key content

- Professional computer forensics and security
- Computer systems and network technologies
- Computer programming
- Information engineering
- Website development
- Cryptography and information assurance
- Computer systems security
- Operating systems
- Team project (penetration testing)
- Data structures and algorithms
- Project management and professional practice
- Ethical hacking
- Systems security and administration
- Computers and the law
- Computing individual project
- Plus a choice of optional modules

MComp students would additionally study:

- Major group project
- Practical Unix security
- Practical Windows security
- Vulnerability development

For more information about our MComp award, see page 70.

## BSc (Hons) | MComp Information Communication Technology

**UCAS codes:** BSc (Hons) G500 | MComp G50M

**Typical offer:** BSc (Hons) Band 1 | MComp Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

BSc (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

Also available at HND level.

**Information communication technology (ICT) continues to play a crucial part in effective computer systems that can meet increasing user demands.**

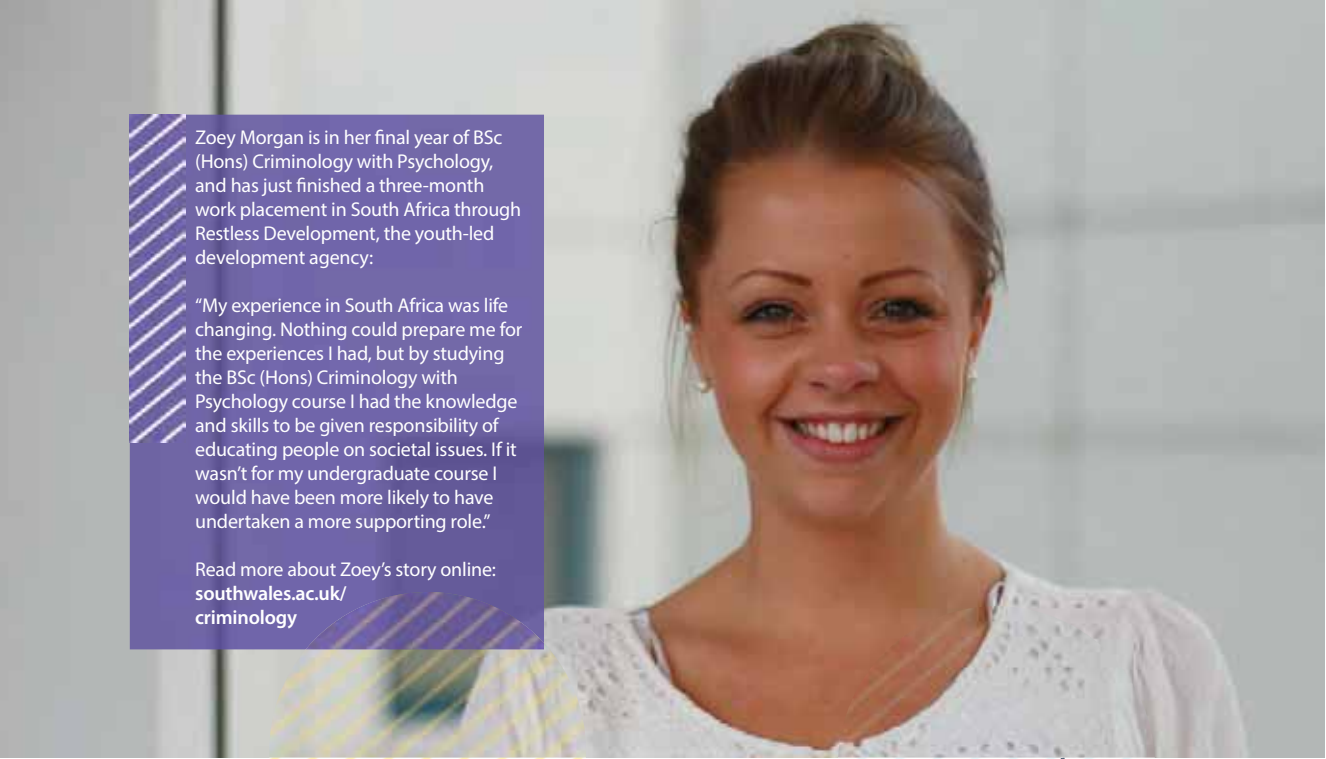
We live in a world dominated by online services and social interactions, so the ICT systems behind them must be responsive, reliable and secure. This practical course covers the development and use of ICT systems in business and industry, and focuses on core business technologies. You also have the chance to gain a vendor qualification (at an additional cost), as a substantial part of the Cisco curriculum (CCNA) is covered as part of this course.

While we concentrate on developing the skills you need to understand an organisation's information and technical needs, you'll also study elements of computer programming and gain additional skills for a career in technical and end-user support, or application development.

MComp topics include software development, distributed systems, network security, and a major group project. For more information about our MComp award, see page 70.

### Key content

- Web development
- Content management systems (CMS)
- Human-computer interaction (HCI)
- Database development
- IT service management
- Applied computer networking
- Operating systems
- Business applications
- Advanced applied computer networking
- Advanced databases and modelling
- Information systems management
- Geographical information systems (GIS)
- Computer systems and network technologies
- Information engineering
- Developing web and business applications
- Optional individual computing project
- Group project

A portrait of Zoey Morgan, a young woman with brown hair tied back, smiling warmly. She is wearing a white lace-trimmed top. The background is a soft-focus indoor setting.

Zoey Morgan is in her final year of BSc (Hons) Criminology with Psychology, and has just finished a three-month work placement in South Africa through Restless Development, the youth-led development agency:

"My experience in South Africa was life changing. Nothing could prepare me for the experiences I had, but by studying the BSc (Hons) Criminology with Psychology course I had the knowledge and skills to be given responsibility of educating people on societal issues. If it wasn't for my undergraduate course I would have been more likely to have undertaken a more supporting role."

Read more about Zoey's story online:  
[southwales.ac.uk/criminology](http://southwales.ac.uk/criminology)

# CRIMINOLOGY AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

**The scientific study of crime asks important questions that affect every member of society.**

Why do different types of people commit different types of crimes? How does society react to people who commit crimes? How does the criminal justice system operate and deal with offenders? Why has anti-social behaviour become a growing issue in recent years?

You can study a broad range of topics on our courses, from gang warfare, gun cultures and youth justice, to how crime is reported in the media. This means you can choose modules that reflect your interests. You could even combine your

study of criminology with another subject, which opens up a whole new range of career options.

Criminology at the University of South Wales has an established record of excellence in teaching and research. Our academic staff are all actively involved in research, so you'll be taught by staff who are at the forefront of their specialist fields. It also means what you learn is constantly updated to stay relevant, progressive and stimulating.

"I would definitely recommend studying at the University of South Wales. I have secured a one-year work placement at the Community Safety Division at the Welsh Government – an opportunity that will help my future employability."

**Mirain Gruffydd,**  
BSc (Hons) Criminology and  
Criminal Justice



**Employability**

We support you to find voluntary work placements while you study. These are a great way to get relevant experience on your CV. Opportunities include working with Victim Support, Citizen's Advice Bureau, the Welsh Government, Women's Aid, Detached Youth Service, and the police.

**We support you to find voluntary work placements while you study.**

You'll also hear from a wide range of professionals through guest lectures. These offer an inside view of organisations you may want to work for, plus you'll understand their daily work and how theory is put into practice in the real world. This insight is boosted by learning outside the classroom, with visits to places such as working prisons and a young offender's institution.

As part of your degree, you could study for up to a year in Europe, the USA or further afield. Studying abroad is a great boost to your CV. You'll get an international perspective on criminology, become more independent and confident, and make new friends.

**Careers**

From law and economics to history, you'll study topics that will help you develop valuable skills for access to a wide range of jobs.

Graduates have gone on to successful careers in the criminal justice system across the UK. Popular routes include the police, prison, probation, protection and victim support services. There are also opportunities in areas related to the

justice system such as social work, drug and housing agencies, and pupil referral units.

Many of our students also progress to postgraduate study and research in the social sciences.

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**Go online to watch criminology videos and read our student stories: [southwales.ac.uk/criminology](http://southwales.ac.uk/criminology)**

"I've enjoyed all aspects of the course. I would absolutely say to anyone considering studying criminology here to go for it. You'll have the opportunity to study an interesting subject in a friendly environment, with extensive facilities and supportive lecturers; and achieve a qualification that could help you secure a great job."

Sophie Pike,  
BSc (Hons) Criminology and Criminal Justice



**DID YOU KNOW?**

In terms of impact, we are eighth in the UK for world-leading research in social policy and criminology – this means you'll be taught by lecturers who are at the forefront of their fields (REF 2014).

The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

## BSc (Hons) Criminology and Criminal Justice

If you're interested in studying crime, criminality, victimisation and the criminal justice system, this is the course for you.

You will develop a critical awareness of theory and practice in criminology, and understand the social context of crime and how it is managed. You will also learn how agencies operate within the criminal justice system.

We have strong links with criminal justice agencies and offer modules that reflect the current nature of this subject, often inviting guest speakers to talk to you about their work. As well as volunteering opportunities, you can complete a work placement module, which could help you secure employment when you graduate.

Teaching staff run the Welsh branch of the British Society of Criminology and membership is open to our students.

### Key content

First year modules include:

- Understanding criminal justice
- Understanding crime, victims and society
- Researching crime and justice

- Crime, media and culture
- Criminological theory
- Contemporary crime

You can complete a work placement module in your second year. Other modules include:

- Policing
- Penology
- Riots, protests and public disorder
- Understanding youth crime and juvenile justice
- Contemporary issues in drugs misuse
- Professional practice

In your final year, you can develop your interests in specialist areas through optional modules. These include:

- Critical issues in criminal investigations
- Understanding homicide
- Youth gangs and troublesome youth groups
- Young people in the criminal justice system
- Terrorism and the war on terror
- Women and criminal justice
- Comparative juvenile justice

You will study your chosen optional modules alongside Comparative Criminology and completing a dissertation, which enables you to conduct your own research project.

**UCAS code:** M901

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

## BSc (Hons) Criminology and Criminal Justice and Youth Justice

This degree provides a critical introduction to two significant and challenging social issues – crime and youth justice.

The youth justice system in England and Wales is responsible for sentencing and working with young people under the age of 18 who have committed a criminal offence. The system also intervenes with young people whose behaviour is problematic before they enter the formal court system. The main aim of the youth justice system is the prevention of youth crime.

As well as understanding criminal behaviour in people of all ages, you will explore the main issues around youth crime and the youth justice system, as well as how society responds to young offenders.

### Key content

You will study a mix of compulsory and optional modules. You can also complete work placements in your second year to boost your CV and your employability.

The first year offers an introduction to the youth justice system, and criminology and criminal justice. You'll gain a better understanding of crime and the victims of crime, with an emphasis on children, young people and society.

In year two, modules include:

- Youth justice – the historical perspective
- Professional practice
- Understanding youth crime and juvenile justice
- Substance misuse
- Penology

Modules in the final year include:

- Comparative juvenile justice
- Young people in the criminal justice system
- Youth gangs and troublesome groups
- Women and criminal justice

**UCAS code:** LM3G

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

"The lecturers encourage you to undertake voluntary work throughout the course. My work with a youth offending team has allowed me to put what I have learnt at University into practice."

Jason Edwards,  
BSc (Hons) Criminology and Criminal Justice



# CYMRAEG

Rydym wedi creu'r cwrs Cymraeg Byd Gwaith ar gyfer myfyrwyr sydd eisiau cyfuniad ymarferol o sgiliau a fydd o'r fantais orau iddynt pan fyddant yn gweithio yng Nghymru yn y dyfodol.

## Cyflogadwyedd

Bwriad y cwrs hwn yw rhoi sylfaen gadarn i dy yrfa wrth dy baratoi i ymateb i wahanol sefyllfaoedd yn y gweithle yn hyderus.

Bydd gennyt sgiliau eang i'w trosglwyddo i unrhyw swydd, er enghraifft gweithio gyda phobl ac yn annibynnol, cyfathrebu, dadansoddi, meddwl yn feirniadol, datrys problemau a rheoli amser.

Manteisia'r ac y cyfle i wneud profiad gwaith yn ystod dy astudiaethau. Darperir cymorth a chefnogaeth wrth i ti chwilio am leoliad perthnasol o dy ddewis di, er enghraifft, ysgolion cyfrwng Cymraeg, cwmnïau cyfieithu, Mentrau Iaith, y Comisiynydd Iaith, a busnesau a chyrrff amrywiol eraill. Byddai dewis gweithle dwyieithog yn ffordd wych o roi dy sgiliau ar waith.

"Rwyf wedi dewis astudio'r cwrs gan ei fod yn fy nghysylltu gyda phobl eraill sydd yn rhannu'r iaith Gymraeg. Mae'n ffordd dda i barhau gyda'r iaith mewn ffordd gadarnhaol, ac rwy'n dysgu pethau sydd yn gwneud imi ddeall yr iaith yn well. Mae'n rhoi ffordd i ni gymdeithasu fel grŵp o ffrindiau mewn iaith wahanol, ac yn rhoi mantais i ni ar gyfer y dyfodol o ran swyddi."

Ffion Breese

## Cyfleoedd gyrfaol

Yn sgil y Mesur Iaith yn 2011 a'r Safonau, mae cynlluniau Llywodraeth Cymru i gynyddu'r defnydd o'r Gymraeg yn golygu y bydd statws cryfach i'r iaith o hyn ymlaen ac y bydd yn gymhwyster gwerthfawr ar dy CV.

Mae galw cynyddol am bobl broffesiynol a all gyfathrebu'n effeithiol yn y Gymraeg ac yn Saesneg yng Nghymru. Mae cael dwy iaith yn rhoi dewis ehangach o swyddi i unigolyn ac felly am fod yn fantais fawr i'n myfyrwyr wrth iddynt chwilio am swydd.

Eisoes, mae nifer o hysbysebion swyddi yn gofyn am y Gymraeg fel sgil hanfodol neu ddymunol, felly gyda deddfwriaeth bellach bydd rhagor o gyfleoedd cyffrous ar dy gyfer di.

Mae'r radd yn hyblyg iawn felly mae'n addas ar gyfer nifer o yrfaoedd, gan gynnwys addysg, cyfieithu, tiwtora, y cyfryngau, newyddiaduraeth, polisi a hyrwyddo iaith, treftadaeth, golygu, cyhoeddi, busnes, marchnata, cyfathrebu, gwleidyddiaeth neu lywodraeth leol.

## CYMRAEG

Tro at dudalen 40 i wybod am gyfleoedd Gymraeg yn y Brifysgol, neu cer i'n wefan i archebu fersiwn Gymraeg o'r prospectws hwn: [decymru.ac.uk/cymraeg-de-cymru](http://decymru.ac.uk/cymraeg-de-cymru)

## WYT TI'N GWYBOD?

Yn ôl Sgiliau Dyfodol Cymru, bydd cynnydd yn y galw gan gyflogwyr am bobl sydd â sgiliau yn y Gymraeg yn y blynyddoedd nesaf.

## Ysgoloriaethau

Gall ymgeiswyr i'r cyrsiau hyn wneud cais ar gyfer dau fath o ysgoloriaeth; un gan y Brifysgol ac un gan y Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol. Tro at dudalen 40 am fwy o wybodaeth ar ysgoloriaethau a chyfleoedd Cymraeg eraill yn y Brifysgol.

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Mae'r Brifysgol yn adolygu cyrsiau yn rheolaidd er mwyn sicrhau'r ansawdd gorau posibl. Gelli di gael hyd i'r wybodaeth ddiweddaraf ar ein gwefan - cofia wirio manylion cyrsiau a chodau UCAS cyn ymgeisio.



"Rwy'n mwynhau'r modiwl 'Cymraeg Proffesiynol' yn fawr iawn. Mae'r modiwl hwn eisoes wedi rhoi cyfleoedd i mi ddatblygu fy sgiliau allweddol wrth baratoi ar gyfer y gweithle. Mae'r rhain yn cynnwys cyfathrebu ag eraill drwy gyfrwng y Gymraeg, gweithio mewn grŵp ac ysgrifennu mewn gwahanol gyd-destunau er mwyn deall y gwahaniaeth rhwng Cymraeg ffurfiol ac anffurfiol."

Zara Gifford,  
BA (Anrh) Cymraeg Byd  
Gwaith



## BA (Anrh) Cymraeg Byd Gwaith

Cod UCAS: 5G2K

**Cynnig tebygol:** Band 1 – trowch at dudalen 191

**Ychwanegol:** Ymgeiswyr iaith gyntaf sydd wedi cael TGAU gradd C neu uwch yn y Gymraeg.

**Astudiaeth:** Amser llawn

**Campws:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

### Information

To read this course information in English, please visit our website:  
[southwales.ac.uk/welsh](http://southwales.ac.uk/welsh)

**Dyma'r cwrs cyntaf o'i fath yng Nghymru. Mae'n gwbl fodern ac yn canolbwyntio'n benodol ar sgiliau iaith gyda phwyslais ar y gweithle.**

Bydd y cwrs deinamig hwn yn codi dy hyder i ddefnyddio'r Gymraeg yn broffesiynol, gan ddatblygu dy sgiliau yn ysgrifenedig ac ar lafar. Byddi di'n ehangu dy derminoleg proffesiynol gan ddefnyddio dulliau astudio cyfoes.

Datblygwyd y cwrs yn sgil prosiect ymchwil a oedd yn dangos bod cyflogwyr angen sgiliau dwyieithog o safon uchel ar draws gwahanol sectorau yng Nghymru.

Mae'r radd hefyd yn cynnwys modiwlau Busnes a Marchnata, sy'n rhoi blas i ti o ddefnyddio'r Gymraeg ym myd busnes. Gallu astudio'r Gymraeg gydag Addysg, Saesneg a'r Gyfraith yn ogystal.

**Cynnwys allweddol**

Trwy gymryd rhan mewn gweithgareddau sy'n seiliedig ar y byd gwaith, byddi di'n datblygu sgiliau defnyddiol ar gyfer pob math o swyddi.

Byddi di'n dysgu sut i gyfathrebu, ysgrifennu ar gyfer gwahanol gynulleidfaeodda chyfieithu. Bydd cyfle i ddod i wybod am sefydliadau Cymru a'r Gymraeg yn yr oes ddigidol, ynghyd â chyflawni tasgau fel ysgrifennu CV a geirada, trefnu cynhadledd a chadeirio cyfarfod busnes.

Caiff y modiwlau i gyd eu dysgu mewn grwpiau gweddol fach, felly mae yna lefel uchel o gyswllt gyda thiworiaid a chefnogaeth gyda sgiliau astudio.

# DESIGN

**Design, advertising and communication play a key part in our lives. From billboards to mobile apps, we are surrounded by the creativity of design professionals.**

With our range of degrees in design, you can choose the course that's right for you. All courses share a common approach of creativity, gaining skills, and theoretical debate. This is supported by industry-accredited tuition that incorporates the latest technology, as well as core values of ethical and social responsibility.

## Employability

Our design courses are created with industry in mind and we aim to prepare you for the workplace by the time you graduate. This includes students working on a wide variety of professional briefs, which are built in to many of our courses. Recent local briefs range from design pitches for Boulders indoor climbing centre, to a one-stop-shop for adults with autism and aspergers. There are also opportunities to work with companies nationally, such as agencies in London and further afield. Students have worked on live briefs with brands such as Nike, British Airways and Cardiff Blues.

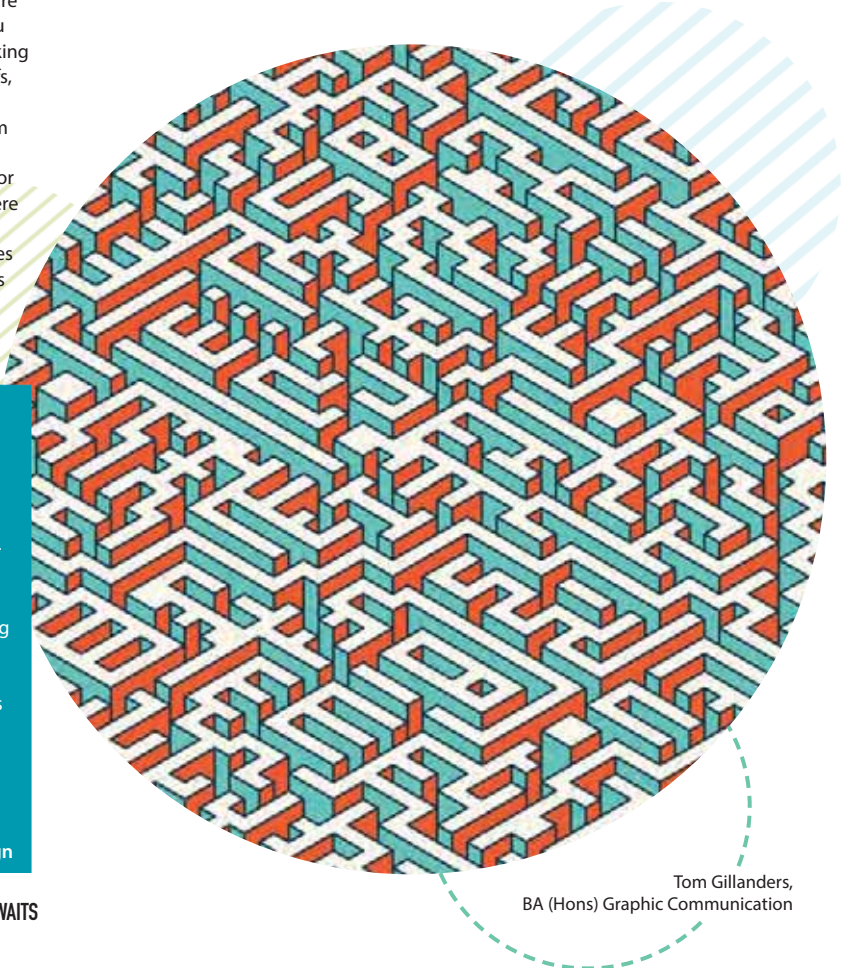
We want you to experience a creative and professional environment with strong industry links. We'll encourage you to undertake work experience as part of the course and there'll be plenty of opportunities for networking.

Our Television and Film Set Design students have taken part in placements on successful shows, including *Doctor Who* and *Sherlock*.

Design students from the University also have an established record of awards success, collecting prizes at the YCN (Young Creative Network) Student Awards 2012/2013 (Winner – The Feel Good Drinks Co.) and 2015 (Syfy Brief Winners); D&AD (Design and Art Direction) Awards (Best of Year, 2012) and nominations in two categories (2015); as well as Student Starpack design award winner (2015).

"The support from my tutors turned me from a shy individual into an award-winning London-based designer. I'm working in London for an agency called Addison as a freelance Junior Designer. I'm designing printed material, annual reports, booklets and working on web projects for large clients, including Whitbread, RSA group, Dementia Friends and National Centre for Universities and Business (NCUB)."

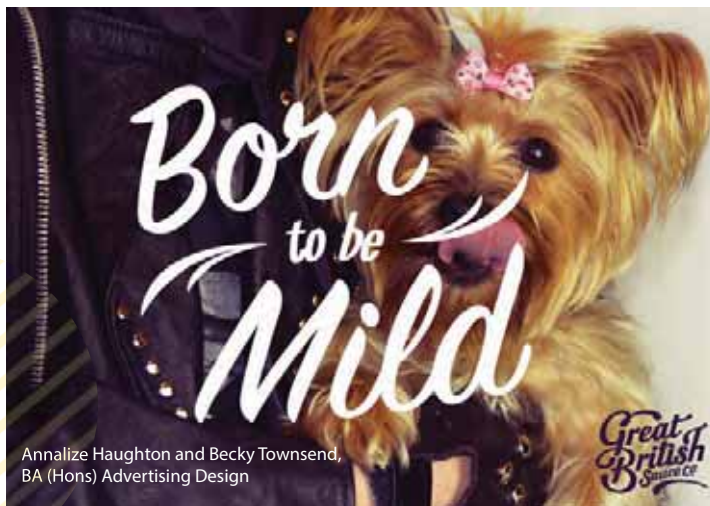
Megan Morris,  
BA (Hons) Advertising Design



Tom Gillanders,  
BA (Hons) Graphic Communication

"I feel very grateful and lucky to have a job in the field I want to be in – I didn't think it would happen so soon. The Graphic Communication course definitely helped me; we had lectures on how to create our portfolio, how to create our CVs and how to do well at interview. We had visitors from the industry who talked to us about what they were expecting from us, and the course prepared me well to have the right attitude towards looking for work."

**Gwenno Williams,**  
BA (Hons) Graphic Communication



Annalize Haughton and Becky Townsend,  
BA (Hons) Advertising Design

### Facilities

All our design courses offer a stimulating, creative environment with brand-new dedicated studio space. Our Cardiff Campus has excellent technology for design students, so you'll develop your skills using the latest hardware and software, alongside students working in related disciplines.

Other facilities at our Cardiff Campus range from photographic darkrooms and professional-level printers, to video and audio production studios. While these are primarily for students on related courses, they are also available to students who want to explore cross-disciplinary and multimedia techniques. You can also borrow a full range of equipment, including cameras, microphones and lighting.

Study  
design in the  
heart of  
Cardiff

### DID YOU KNOW?

Advertising Design and Graphic Communication students can take part in the D&AD education scheme. This gives you the chance to showcase your design work to London advertising agencies and find top jobs – even before you graduate!

You'll be taught by our experienced tutor-designers, with an emphasis on practical, studio-based work.

Our computers are currently equipped with software that includes Final Cut Pro, Adobe After Effects, Maya, Photoshop, Illustrator, In-Design, DreamWeaver and Flash.

### Careers

The inclusive nature of our courses ensures that you'll have a highly developed range of skills that are valued in many careers. This enhances your employability and career potential.

Our graduates are equipped to pursue opportunities throughout a range of advertising, design and creative careers. They work at the highest level in the design industry and in consultancies throughout the UK and overseas, while some choose to set up their own consultancies and companies. This has provided us with a wealth of hands-on work experience for students and even job opportunities for graduates.

Many graduates also choose to develop their talents with further study at postgraduate level.

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The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

Go online to see student work, graduate profiles and to book on an Open Day: [southwales.ac.uk/design](http://southwales.ac.uk/design)



## BA (Hons) Graphic Communication

Graphic design is everywhere you look, which makes the graphic designer someone who influences the way people think and behave, playing a vital role in business, politics, education and society.

Graphic communication can be found in print, online, and in the environment around you. It helps you navigate from one place to another, make choices, understand complex messages, learn, and change. It requires a special kind of intelligence and creativity, an open mind and a magpie-like approach to knowledge.

If you're interested in how people read and understand images and text, and want to help them in almost every aspect of their lives, this is the subject for you.

### Key content

You'll develop skills that are essential for creative communication, including printed media, advertising, corporate branding, publicity, editorial, information and interactive web design.

The emphasis is on practical studio-based work, reinforced by lectures and seminars. We aim to help you become a creative and skilled individual, ready to pursue opportunities in a range of advertising, design and creative careers.

From type, layout, branding and computer graphics in your first year, you'll progress to a showcase of your work in the final year. This year is your chance to shine. There are plenty of live industry briefs and competitions, building to a major project and the annual design show.

We take pride in our links with industry and students work with creative professionals through live projects and links with our graduates, who are employed in agencies all over the world.

**UCAS code:** W212 (see page 193 for deadline)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants will be required to attend an interview, to which they should bring a portfolio of relevant work.

**Study:** Full-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRIUM (B)



Eliška Koniarová,  
BA (Hons) Illustration



## BA (Hons) Advertising Design

**UCAS code:** 392A (see page 193 for deadline)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants will be required to attend an interview, to which they should bring a portfolio of relevant work.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)



**Advertising is communication that encourages people to take action. It embraces many different disciplines such as psychology, sociology, business and, of course, design.**

This course is one of only a few specialist advertising courses in the UK. We focus on creative ideas, technical skills, and understanding contemporary culture. You'll explore the areas of art direction, copywriting and strategy development, as well as how to design campaigns for all forms of traditional and new media advertising.

Your studies here will help you gain creative and technical skills, as well as the confidence, to work in the fast-paced and ever-changing world of advertising.

Graduates could pursue careers as an advertising creative, brand manager, artworker, copywriter or storyboard artist.

### Key content

Year one develops your ability to generate new ideas and concepts, and to solve communication problems. In year two, you'll 'work' for real clients and agencies, and understand professional expectations. This year also offers the opportunity for a European exchange through the Erasmus programme, or work experience.

Your final year is regarded as a professional year. You'll tackle national and international design competitions and have further opportunities to meet professional designers.

We have strong links with industry and you'll work with creative professionals through 'live' projects. We're actively involved in the D&AD education scheme, which provides opportunities for you to showcase your work to advertising agencies.

This course is Skillset accredited, meaning that it provides an exceptionally high standard of education that is endorsed by industry. You may benefit from additional links through this network, including masterclasses and work experience.

## BA (Hons) Illustration

**UCAS code:** W220 (see page 193 for deadline)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants will be required to attend an interview, to which they should bring a portfolio of relevant work.

**Study:** Full-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)

**Illustration is everywhere: in newspaper and magazine articles, advertisements and books, on products and on screen. It tells stories and reinforces messages. It makes complex ideas easy to understand and is a major part of our childhood. It makes us laugh, it makes us cry, and it makes us think.**

The illustrator is often an invisible role, but its importance cannot be underestimated. If you want to inform, entertain or educate using images, you should study illustration.

This degree offers a culturally informed programme of study. It's also structured to reflect industry practice, with a focus on employability through live projects and professional portfolios. We take pride in our links with industry and there are many opportunities to work with creative professionals and clients.

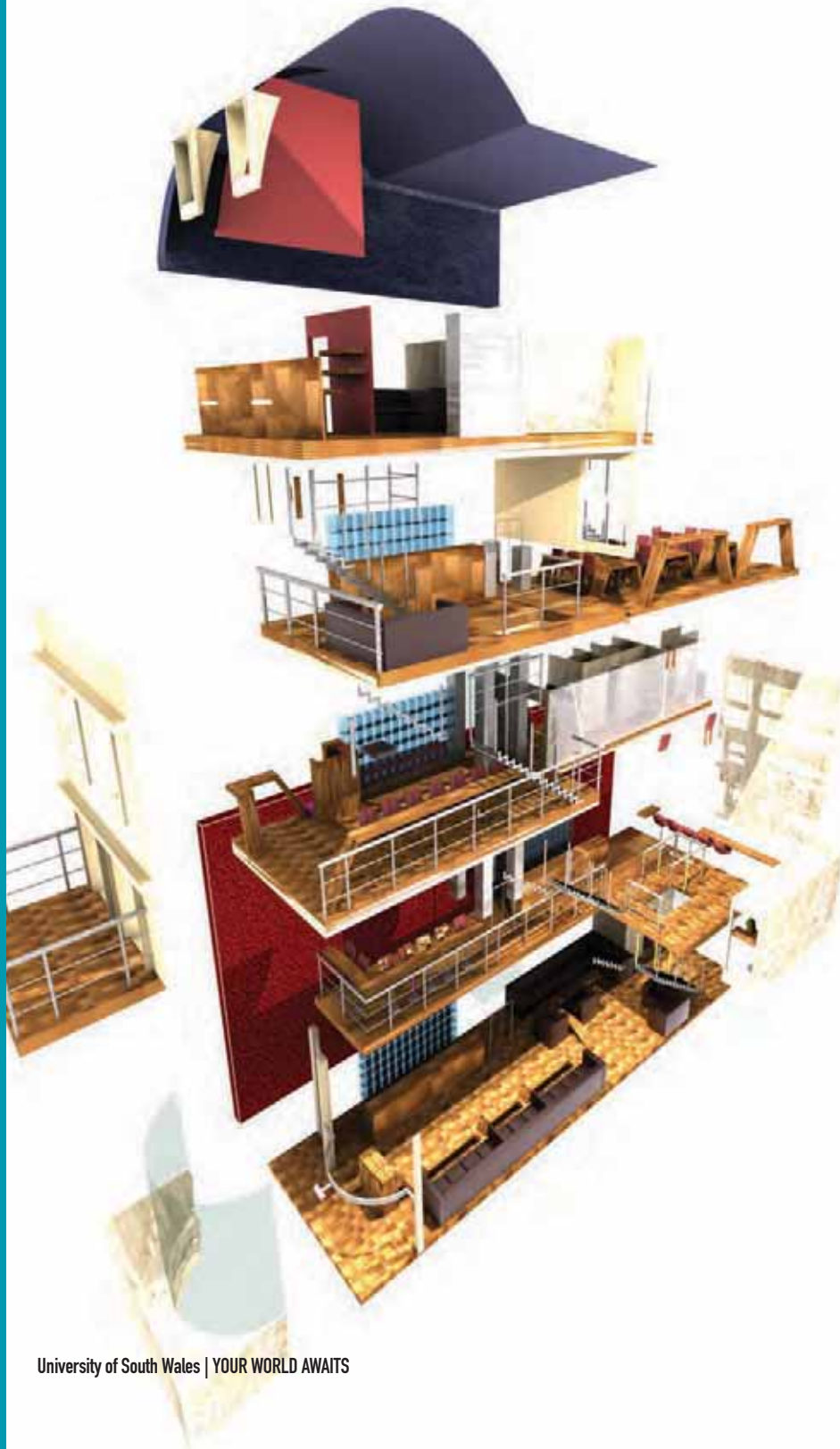
### Key content

During your studies you'll push boundaries, challenge convention, and harness new technology to solve illustration briefs, projects and design problems.

The core principles of drawing are applied throughout. You'll develop key skills in creative thinking, translating a brief, drawing and mark making, and colour theory. To prepare for today's increasingly fluid platforms of print, mobile and interactive image, you'll communicate ideas in innovative ways using traditional and digital technologies.

In the final year, you'll prepare for employment by producing a professional portfolio, entering a major illustration competition, and completing a critical research project, as well as a final major project to industry standard.

Graduates could work as a freelance illustrator, storyboard and concept artist, medical illustrator, infographics illustrator, or in publishing and editorial.



## BA (Hons) Interior Design

**UCAS code:** W250 (see page 193 for deadline)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants will be required to attend an interview, to which they should bring a portfolio of relevant work.

**Study:** Full-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)

**Interior design affects almost every aspect of modern life.**

An interior designer creates spaces that meet the needs of the people who live, work and socialise in them. It requires creativity, business understanding, technical skills and knowing how people interact with each other and the space around them.

Interior design makes a key contribution to sustainability. We specialise in remodelling existing buildings for reuse, rather than demolishing them and starting again. It's about unloved spaces and conservation.

If you're interested in creativity, art, architecture and interiors, as well as in people, this course will prepare you for a career in this well-established, ever-growing and competitive industry.

### Key content

Starting with the principles of interior design, you'll progress to larger projects, explore spatial design and work closely with industry. Live projects are a key feature of years two and three. Due to our excellent links, our students' work is regularly selected and used by partner companies.

You could also work on industry-related projects, working with professional designers, learning how to handle a project with real clients and budgets, and how to operate as a freelance designer. This can also lead to work placements and you'll gain project management skills that employers value.

Creative skills are a key element – from sketching and modelling with traditional media to using technology for digital prototypes and CAD. The course has direct access to a large format laser cutter and four large-scale 3D printers.

## BA (Hons) Television and Film Set Design

**UCAS code:** W461 (see page 193 for deadline)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants will be required to attend an interview, to which they should bring a portfolio of relevant work.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)



**Production designers are a key part of the television and film industry, creating sets that bring writers' and directors' visions to life.**

A production designer must be versatile and imaginative, with an eye for detail and accuracy. This course aims to prepare you for work in a professional art department in the film and television industry, and you'll understand how drama and entertainment are developed from script to screen.

This is a specialist course, with very few others nationally and internationally. Based in Cardiff, there are great benefits of being near a range of production facilities and studios – BBC Drama at Roath Lock, Pinewood Wales, Dragon Studios, Bay Studios in Swansea, S4C, and many other independent companies. Partnerships have included work experience on BBC dramas, including *Doctor Who*, *Atlantis*, *Casualty*, and *Wizards vs Aliens*.

This course is Skillset accredited, meaning that it provides an exceptionally high

standard of education that is endorsed by industry. You may benefit from additional links through this network, including masterclasses and work experience.

### Key content

Starting from a script or brief, you'll learn how to design studio plans to scale, produce models, construction drawings and storyboards. You'll also develop a full understanding of technical drawing, manual and in AutoCAD, model-making and visualising. For a versatile portfolio, you'll design for single and multi-camera productions over different genres, including period drama, science fiction, situation comedy, and light entertainment.

This degree has a strong reputation in industry and graduate success covers wide-ranging productions, feature films, light entertainment, commercials, music videos and TV dramas, including *Star Wars*, *Anna Karenina*, *Doctor Who*, *Da Vinci's Demons*, *The Mimic*, *Cowboys and Aliens*, *Celebrity Juice*, *The Inbetweeners* and *Benidorm*.

# DRAMA, DANCE AND PERFORMING ARTS

Through drama, dance and performance you can explore both your imagination and the world around you. Our courses open up opportunities to engage with the creative scene in Cardiff, and beyond.

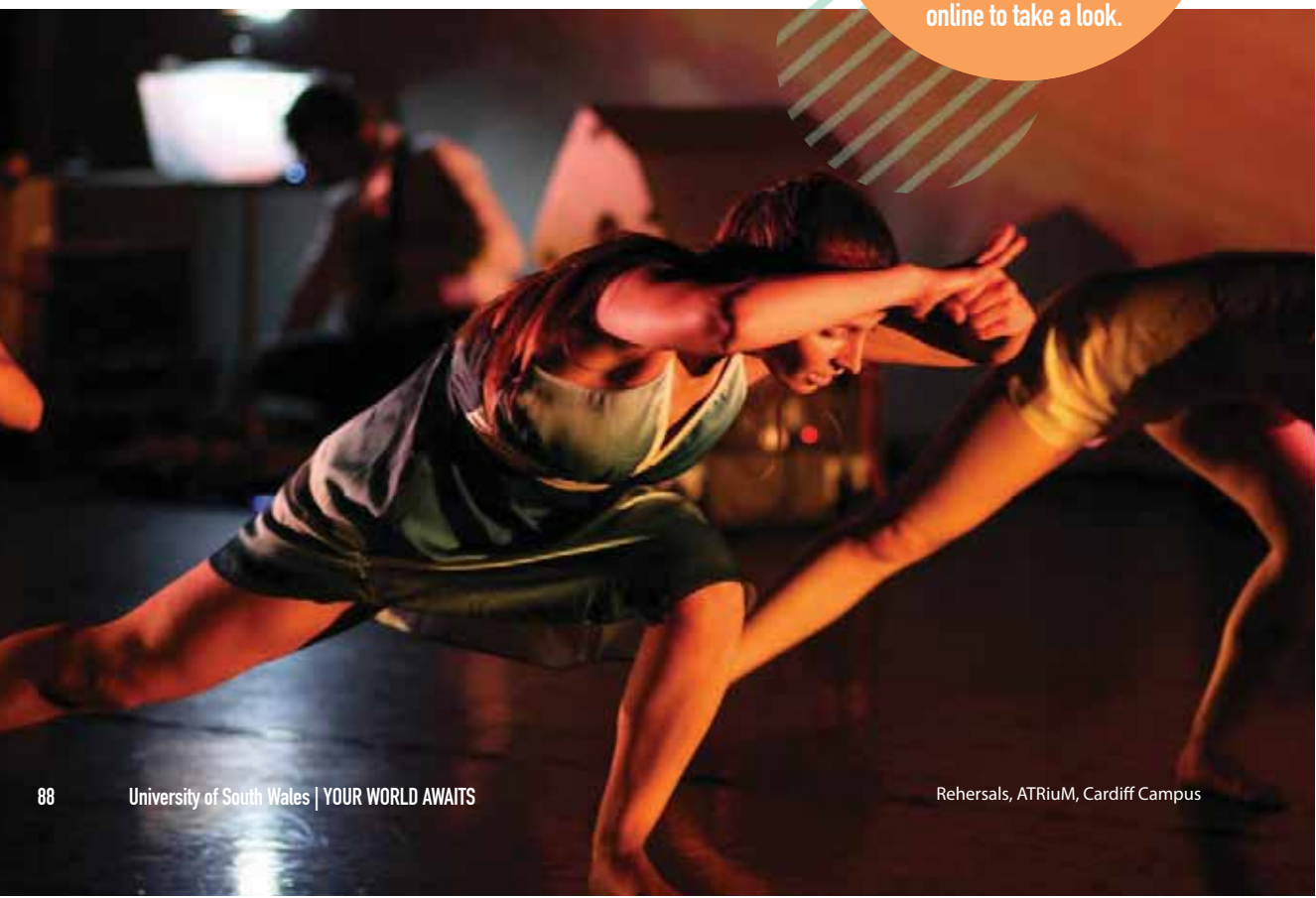
Performers, scriptwriters and directors get to ask the big questions, challenge ideas and structures, and explore why we do what we do. They can express ideas and create new ways of looking at the world.

Our degrees in dance, drama and performance will equip you with a balance of practical and theoretical skills, so you can pursue a career in the arts industry.

The experience of our teaching team covers a wide range of performance disciplines and includes acting for film, theatre and radio, directing theatre and devised performance. Our team is also active in research and have published on a wide range of topics, from the Grand Guignol and horror theatre, to theatre and performance in small nations, radio drama, and more.

## DID YOU KNOW?

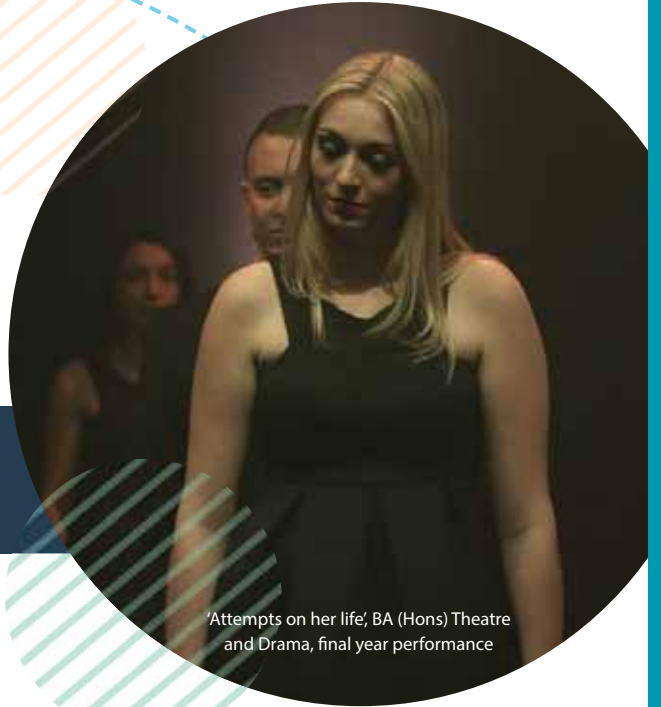
Drama students performed a horror walk to members of the public in Cardiff's Roath Park – go online to take a look.





"My first job was the Runner on BBC Sports Personality of the Year 2012, a job I truly believe I was successful for due to the skills I acquired on my degree. Some great advice I was given was you should never pass up an opportunity to work as a runner because it's only for one day. You will be shocked how much you learn on that one-day shoot. I was also told to get up and go and create opportunities to progress your career. If you don't, someone else will and they will be the one who ends up with your dream job."

**Libby Dawes,**  
BA (Hons) Performance and Media



'Attempts on her life', BA (Hons) Theatre and Drama, final year performance

## See for yourself

Go online to watch student performances, read graduate stories, and to book on an Open Day: [southwales.ac.uk/drama](http://southwales.ac.uk/drama)

### Facilities

The University has impressive new arts facilities thanks to our £14.7m extension of the ATRium building. This building now has a 160-seat auditorium theatre with a sprung stage floor, full lighting rig, two brand-new dance studios and multimedia facilities. There are also four black box studio theatres, and professional film studios with 'green screen' and motion capture facilities, among other new facilities.

### Employability

South Wales is a region with a booming arts industry, from television production to independent arts venues. With our degrees you'll study in the heart of Cardiff, surrounded by countless opportunities during your course and after graduation.

There is a range of extracurricular activities at the University, including public productions, student festivals and our campus radio station. This will support your study and help you build up experience that is relevant to the arts industry.

Students on our drama and performance courses benefit from working in a dynamic environment that is shared with students from other creative courses. This means they can work collaboratively across a range of disciplines, which offers valuable experience of real-life working practices.

### Careers

Graduates follow a wide range of careers. Many are employed in the media entertainment industries, others choose to start up their own production companies, while some enter the teaching profession. Our graduates also have a good record of finding work in the creative industries as actors, directors and freelance theatre-makers. Other areas of employment include arts administration and events management.

Scriptwriting graduates will be prepared for a number of professional roles, including playwright, scriptwriter, script editor, literary manager, script reader, storyliner, script researcher, adaptation and translation, applied forms of scriptwriting such as theatre in education and digital storytelling, and multi-platform scriptwriting.

The flexible and inclusive nature of our courses ensure that our graduates have a highly developed range of skills that are valued in many careers. This enhances their employability and career potential. All our graduates can further their studies by applying for one of our postgraduate degrees.

"I am glad that there is a balance between the practical and written aspects of theatre and drama. The ability to tailor the course towards my own specific goals and interests is fantastic."

**Jessica Andrews,**  
BA (Hons) Theatre and Drama

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The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

## BA (Hons) Dance

**Our innovative degree prepares students for a professional career in contemporary dance.**

Working with experienced dance artists, you'll explore a range of dance techniques, including contemporary, release, contemporary ballet, and contact improvisation, as well as different choreographic approaches, such as contemporary, dance theatre, screen dance, site-specific, and structuralism.

We have partnerships with regional dance companies and theatres to boost your employability, along with a strong focus on work-based learning through an undergraduate performance company.

Brand-new facilities for dance students at our Cardiff Campus will include two new dance studios, a theatre, and video filming and editing equipment.

### Key content

Our course has three integrated elements:

- Technique, which focuses on developing advanced technical, creative, and

performance skills through regular, rigorous classes and other performance opportunities.

- Creative practice allows you to develop your artistic voice through workshops in choreographic practice. To support your choreography, you'll also engage with philosophies and theories of dance.

- The professional practice element will prepare you for a career in contemporary dance through work-based learning, as well as being involved in mounting public performances presented by the degree course.

As a creative industries student at the University you can engage with other disciplines, including digital media, music, and theatre. Working with staff and students, you'll learn how professional dance companies are managed, funded, create work, and tour.

Graduates could pursue careers as a performer, choreographer, freelance artist, dance teacher, lecturer, arts manager, postgraduate study, or self-employed dance and fitness coach.

**UCAS code:** W500

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants are required to attend an audition.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRIUM (B)

"Woyzeck", a play by third year BA (Anrh) Theatr a Drama students



## BA (Hons) Performing Arts

UCAS code: W000

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants are required to attend an interview day, which will include a group workshop and an individual interview.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)

**This course invites you to explore the diverse and interdisciplinary nature of contemporary performance.**

You'll be introduced to the varied traditions within the performing arts, including dance, music, circus, carnival, drama, storytelling, cabaret, stand-up comedy, mime and more, as well as ways in which they are combined. You'll have opportunities to explore street performance and circus, the uses of technology in performance, and the chance to work across disciplines and study specialist modules.

You'll be encouraged to be an innovative contemporary performance practitioner and make work for public performance in Cardiff. You'll explore the voice and body in live performance, and how different spaces and technology can extend and transform the act of performance. Your study of music and sound, acting and physical theatre will include important histories and critical perspectives to help you create original work.

Optional modules allow you to build a particular performance profile. For

example, you may have an interest in our study areas of popular music, creative sound and musical theatre. Those with an interest in physical performance could, for example, study dance and cabaret.

### Key content

You will learn the craft of performance and show making, dance and physical theatre, circus skills, the use of technology in performance, text analysis, and writing for performance. You will also have a chance to work with established professionals as part of the international arts scene in Cardiff and further afield.

You'll learn about the theory, history and origins of practice across the performing arts, physical theatre, circus skills, sites of performance, postmodern performance perspectives, creative project management and street theatre techniques.

There will be many opportunities for you to complete independent practical projects – you can pursue a specialist area of your choice in years two and three, as well as placements and the chance to create and perform a showcase project in year three.

## BA (Hons) Performance and Media

UCAS code: W400

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants are required to attend an interview day, which will include a group audition.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)

**Our degree invites you to explore the growing and diverse field of performance by questioning the relationship between live performance and a range of recorded media.**

You'll study all major media forms such as theatre, film, television and radio through academic and practical work. You'll also examine the production of new ideas in digital, interactive and multi-media performance practices.

Course content is designed to develop your intellectual, practical and technical skills so you can explore global traditions, concepts and approaches to performance and media. You'll work alongside visiting companies, professional theatre, film, television practitioners and academic staff from various creative departments.

There are also many extracurricular activities that will look impressive on your CV, including public productions, student films and a student radio station.

### Key content

In the first year, you'll explore concepts, conventions and perspectives within the expanding field of performance by analysing texts, viewing live performances and working practically, both individually and in groups. You'll develop creative and technical skills so you can capture, record and edit your own work and performance for live and recorded media.

In years two and three, you'll examine the presence of new, interactive and digital elements in traditional theatre and media-based forms, such as video projection and audio design, as well as exploring further the creative processes for performing live and for recorded media.

To develop your interests even further, you can study related areas such as scriptwriting, applied drama, and a range of specialist modules that reflect staff research areas.

'Dan y Wenallt', live performance





## BA (Hons) Scriptwriting

UCAS code: W810

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time

Campus: Cardiff, ATRIUM (B)

**Your artistic practice as a writer is at the heart of this course, and we'll encourage you to discover and express your personal writer's vision.**

Our degree examines scriptwriting across all major media and drama forms, including theatre, film, television, radio, and transmedia (digital and interactive). You'll explore all these areas in the first two years of the course, and you'll be able to write a full-length script in your chosen specialist area in your final year.

Craftsmanship is an essential requirement of the professional artist. That's why there is also a large focus on the craft, as well of the art, of writing, and the standards of application required to achieve an excellent level of craftsmanship.

### Key content

Working with industry professionals, you'll develop essential skills for character development, dramatic structure, writing dialogue, script analysis, script editing, adaptation, pitching, creating treatments and 'spec' scripts, as well as working with producers, directors and actors.

Your studies will prepare you for professional work not only as a playwright or scriptwriter, but also for many associated roles such as script editor, literary manager, dramaturg, script reader, script researcher, adaptor, and translator.

You can take part in masterclass workshops with established writers and, with an eye on your future, you can identify your professional aspirations, explore different career paths, and consider what you need to do to achieve your goals.

## BA (Hons) Theatre and Drama

UCAS code: W403 | Welsh-medium pathway W404

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** You will be invited for interview, during which you will participate in a group practical workshop.

Study: Full-time

Campus: Cardiff, ATRIUM (B)

**This degree reflects the central principles and diverse disciplines that have influenced and defined live performance. It connects practice with theory, tradition with innovation, and personal creativity with collaborative projects.**

The theories, conventions and approaches you learn about in class are explored through both academic and practical work. You can choose from a range of modules that include performing, acting, devising, directing, physical theatre, multimedia performance and theatre, popular and musical theatre, improvisation, scriptwriting and theatre technology.

The flexible nature of our course means that you can focus on your personal interests and career goals.

### Key content

• Our range of specialist and core modules enables you to tailor the course – leaving you with a unique set of skills ready for employment.

• In practical workshops you'll explore a variety of approaches to theatre from the perspective of the actor, director, deviser and writer. In lectures and seminars, you will discuss and debate a broad spectrum of theatre, including historical approaches, theories and ideas about theatre, and performances in different parts of the world.

• You'll have the opportunity to study topics in which staff have specialist expertise such as Grand Guignol horror theatre, adaptation, Elizabethan and Jacobean drama, musical theatre, applied drama and site-specific performance, among others.

• Our workshop and seminar studies are complemented by visits to the theatre, participation in public performances, opportunities for industry placements, and workshops with guest theatre professionals.

• In year three, working with fellow students, you can present your work at our annual student theatre festival and/or at MAP (the Welsh language student theatre festival).



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# EARLY YEARS AND CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

**The study of early years and childhood development unlocks a variety of satisfying and rewarding careers.**

Degree programmes at the University of South Wales offer you the opportunity to study an interesting range of modules, from play and learning to child development and behaviour management strategies. Each course offers a different focus, while developing a knowledge base that enables you to understand the pedagogy of teaching and learning, and how this affects the lives of children and young people.

The BA (Hons) Early Years Education and Practice focuses on children from birth to eight years. Modules examine how children learn and develop, as well as the early years curriculum and the importance of working collaboratively with children and their families. The course supports your employability and you will undertake a placement one day per week in an early years setting. You can also gain qualifications in areas such as outdoor learning and how to support pupils with dyslexia.

Our BSc (Hons) Childhood Development explores how children develop and what influences this development. The course focuses on providing you with theoretical knowledge, which examines development throughout childhood and adolescence. You can take part in activities at our on-campus Behaviour Analysis Clinic in Pontypridd. This offers you the opportunity to work with practitioners to support children with autism aged five and under, using behaviour analysis techniques.

We'll provide you with the knowledge and understanding to help you explore how children develop and learn through hands-on experiences.

You also can broaden your career options by studying Education modules from the BSc (Hons) Childhood Development in combination with another subject through the Education Minor programme.

## DID YOU KNOW?

**You could gain experience on campus in our Behaviour Analysis Clinic. There are even additional placements if you want to build your skills and enhance your CV.**



Behaviour Analysis Clinic,  
Pontypridd Campus

"Being on placement every week was a vital factor in choosing this pathway. I wanted to have hands-on experience of working with children every week to build on my knowledge of the classroom and how children learn. I find placement experiences not only solidify my career choice, but also bind the modules we learn at University together. I am able to put what we learn in lectures into practice to improve and develop a child's learning and thinking.

Child Development was one of my favourite lectures in year one. I was able to see how and why children learn at different rates and why this occurs. I was fascinated by learning about different theories that could inform us why children act the way they do, even at such a young age."

Sian Brooks,  
Early years student



### Employability

Work placements are built in to our degrees, so you can enhance your professional skills in a real-life setting and reflect on how theory links to practice in a learning situation. You can also gain first-hand experience of the issues faced by those who work in the field of learning and development.

### Careers

By the time you graduate, you will have developed an informed awareness of a range of professions. There have been significant developments in the early years and education workforce in recent years, which have created new roles and opportunities for graduates to progress through further training in this field.

With a growth in occupations that support services working with children and young people, a range of interesting careers are available. Career paths typically include those in education, with graduates working in schools, children's charities, integrated children's centres, charities for child and family welfare, and youth justice.

A number of our graduates progress to a Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) to qualify as primary and secondary school teachers. You could also consider further professional training in areas such as play therapy or social work. Many graduates also develop their interests through further study or research at postgraduate level.

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**Make a difference. Go online for student stories, tutor profiles, and to book on an Open Day: [southwales.ac.uk/education](https://southwales.ac.uk/education)**

## BA (Hons) Early Years Education and Practice

This course focuses on working with children from birth to eight years, equipping you with the theoretical knowledge to support the learning and development needs of young children.

The practical opportunities embedded in this course will help you to gain knowledge, develop skills and reflect on first-hand experience of issues that face those working in the field. You'll undertake a placement for one day per week, which will allow you to link theory to practice around areas such as safeguarding, assessment and recording procedures, and Welsh language development. You'll also develop a range of professional and entrepreneurial skills by working as part of a team with practitioners in a range of settings.

Career paths typically include those in education, working in schools, nurseries, children's charities and integrated children's centres, as well as graduates going on to gain their Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) qualification and becoming qualified teachers.

### Key content

Your studies will examine contemporary issues around children's play, learning and development, as well as identifying the vital role played by parents, carers and professionals.

You'll explore children's rights and how they are incorporated in early years policy in England and Wales, as well as examining international perspectives. You'll also gain an understanding of the curriculum by looking at literacy, numeracy and outdoor learning, and strategies to support behaviour management.

In tandem with developing your academic skills and enhancing your employability through work-based placement experiences, you will have additional opportunities that will enhance your knowledge and skills. These include additional courses such as the British Dyslexia Association ALSA qualification, and Safeguarding Children qualification (Level 1).\*

**UCAS code:** DYW3

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check is required (additional cost applies).

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time

**Campus:** Newport City (C)

\*Please note that registration with professional bodies may require an additional cost.

## BA (Hons) Working with Children and Families\*

This course provides the knowledge and skills you need to work with children and families in a range of settings.

You'll examine issues that influence the lives and well-being of children and families in today's society. Your studies will cover a range of services, systems, policies and work practices that support children and families. To reflect the reality of the workplace, you'll explore multi-agency working and understand the roles of different professionals in early years, education and social work.

A key feature of the course is attending a work placement each week. Alongside your academic studies, this allows you to see how theory, policy and practice relate to each other, and will prepare you for a range of career opportunities.

Career paths usually include work in schools, children's charities, integrated children's centres, and social care settings, as well as postgraduate study in education or social work.

### Key content

Throughout this course, you'll study key debates on theories of child development and childhood. You'll explore children's rights and how these are incorporated into policy and practice in England and Wales, as well as international perspectives.

Your studies will help you understand the role of professionals in safeguarding children and young people, as well as equality and diversity, and services that support children and families. For your professional development, you'll cover leadership and management approaches in theory and practice.

As well as integrated work experience, you'll have further opportunities to improve your knowledge and skills. These include additional courses such as the British Dyslexia Association ALSA qualification, first aid, and a Safeguarding Children qualification (Level 1). \*\*

**UCAS code:** Please contact the University

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check is required (additional cost applies).

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time

**Campus:** Newport City (C)

\*Subject to validation

\*\*Please note that registration with professional bodies may require an additional cost.



## BSc (Hons) Childhood Development

**UCAS code:** L239

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check is required (additional cost applies).

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

\*Please note that registration with professional bodies may require an additional cost.

**What influences development and why do children behave the way they do? On this course, you'll explore key issues in children's development, learning and behaviour, from a range of perspectives.**

You'll learn to understand and analyse factors that influence development, and explain a range of challenging behaviours, including those associated with ADHD, conduct disorder, autism, and learning disabilities.

A key element of the course is the opportunity to gain a short period of hands-on experience working with children and adolescents in a range of settings, including schools, child and family welfare charities, and youth justice.

You'll be offered clinical experience on campus and will have the opportunity to undertake short courses and work placements, as well as completing additional qualifications such as Safeguarding Children (Level 1). You can also meet the training requirements to be a Registered Behaviour Technician, though registration requires passing a

test administered by the Behaviour Analyst Certification Board.\*

### Key content

You'll learn about cognitive, biological, social, and emotional development throughout childhood and adolescence. You'll recognise the complex influences that shape the lives of children and adolescents, including how play affects children's development and motivation.

Your understanding of historical, contemporary and international perspectives of education and learning will allow you to explore how culture and society influence the changing concept of childhood and education. You'll also investigate key issues around curriculum, pedagogy and practice.

You'll also develop an understanding of children's behaviour from an analytical perspective, taking on board the various environmental factors that contribute to behaviour. You'll also be taught how to design effective intervention strategies to help children and young people become successful at home, at school, and in their communities.

## Education (Minor)

**UCAS code:** This depends on your subject combination – contact the University or visit our website

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

\*An enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check is required (additional cost applies)

**On this course, you will study the nature and organisation of the education system, as well as the theory of teaching and learning pedagogies.**

An important element of this course is the chance to gain a short practical teaching experience in a school or college.\* Not only will you put what you've learned into practice, but you'll also gain skills that will improve your employment prospects.

You can combine this course with National Curriculum subjects, such as Mathematics. You can find more information about combining courses on page 44.

The study of education has relevance for many careers and you'll gain knowledge of teaching and learning practices that can be transferred to wider contexts such as teaching, training, youth and community work, for example, or in a wide range of child-related charity settings.

A number of graduates choose to progress to a Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) to qualify as primary and secondary school teachers, having developed a sound theoretical base and relevant practical experience from their undergraduate study.

### Key content

You'll select modules in each year from a range of options. Examples of modules include:

- Perspectives of childhood and education
- Safeguarding children and young people
- Play and learning
- Equality and diversity in practice
- Literacy and numeracy in focus
- Learning and teaching in primary schools

# ENGINEERING

**A career in engineering offers excellent prospects and endless possibilities.**

Engineering degrees at the University of South Wales offer excellent opportunities for a career in engineering, so you can enter the profession with the right knowledge and skills.

We pride ourselves on our breadth of courses that are based on the demands of industry, so they give you the skills that employers look for. Our strong links with industry mean you'll have many opportunities to engage with companies during your studies. These include site visits, industrial placements and, for students on sandwich courses, practitioner mentoring.

## Facilities

The School of Engineering has specialist facilities that provide exciting learning spaces for our students.

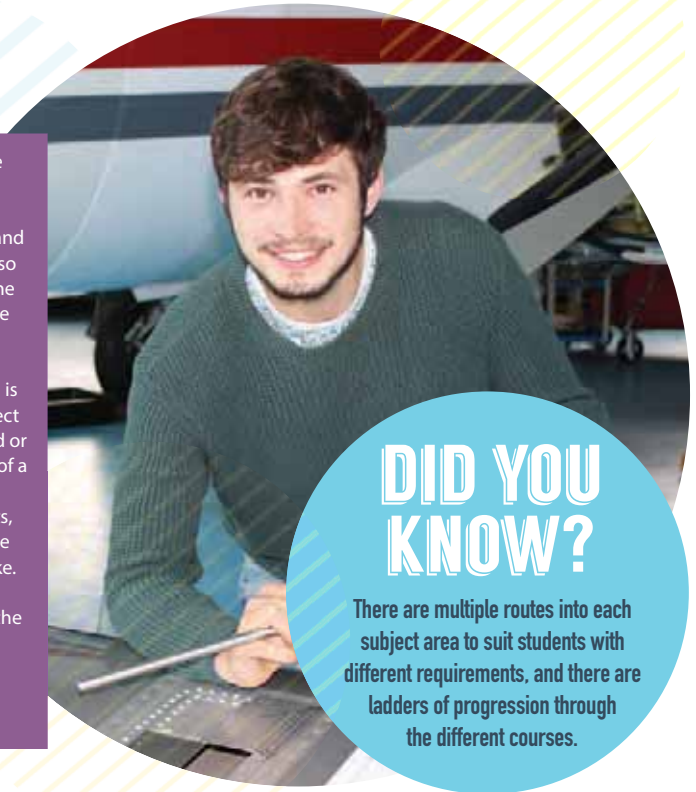
Aircraft Maintenance Engineering students benefit from the £3.3m extension to our Aerospace Centre. The Centre includes two aircraft hangars, allowing hands-on experience of Rolls Royce Spey engines, plus our own full-size BAE Jetstream 31 and a Jet Provost aircraft.

Our Mechanical Engineering students use a wide range of facilities. These include state-of-the-art engineering software, facilities for additive manufacturing, reverse engineering, materials testing, and composite manufacture, as well as workshops that are used to reinforce what you learn in lectures and to complete projects. We also have a dedicated space to support Formula Student, where students work in a multi-disciplinary environment and can design and build their own racing car.

"One of the main things I wanted was a course that was accredited, and the course at the University of South Wales is accredited by the Institution of Mechanical Engineers (IMechE) and the Royal Aeronautical Society (RAeS). I was also very impressed by the aircraft in the hangar, the flight simulator and the wind tunnel, which I've used at various stages throughout the course.

What I've enjoyed most of all about my course is the fact that the work I'm doing with my project hasn't, to my knowledge, been fully attempted or explored before. My project led to the design of a unique flapless flight control system. It is expected that this system will reduce fuel costs, decrease flight times and provide a much more comfortable ride for pilots and passengers alike. It was a massive motivation to know that my work has the potential to make an impact on the future of aviation."

**Louis Flanagan,**  
MEng Aeronautical Engineering



## DID YOU KNOW?

There are multiple routes into each subject area to suit students with different requirements, and there are ladders of progression through the different courses.

**Start your career in engineering at the University of South Wales. Go online for graduate stories, module tasters and to book on an Open Day: [southwales.ac.uk/engineering](https://southwales.ac.uk/engineering)**

Aeronautical Engineering students have access to a MP521 flight simulator where they can try out the flight characteristics of their aircraft designs. They can also use a fully instrumented wind tunnel and gas turbine engine, as well as materials testing and control laboratories.

Civil engineering facilities include new laboratories for structures, materials and geotechnics. These facilities allow us to demonstrate fundamental engineering principles and help students carry out project and research work. We test steel, concrete and masonry lintels, together with other structural materials, to improve product design and discover new methods of construction.

Our electrical and electronics labs have industry-standard tools and software. Staff are committed to exploring new ideas to improve existing systems, such as medical equipment, and mobile and satellite communications.

Lighting and Live Event students have industry-standard equipment on campus. Students gain key skills in our sound and television studios in our Cardiff Campus, optics laboratory and specialist lighting rooms, as well as in The Cube, which has traditional theatre rigging for the live events industries. Our staff are authorised WYSIWYG (lighting and venue previsualisation software) trainers and you can become qualified to the IET's 17th Edition Wiring Regulations (additional cost applies).

### Employability

The best way to put theory into practice is a work placement. We encourage our students to complete a placement as part of their course. This sandwich year offers supervised work experience in industry between years two and three. The benefits are many – you'll know how

to apply what you have learned to real-life situations, and you will gain new skills that can help your studies and future employment prospects. Professional bodies set the benchmark for employee standards and can unlock doors to high-level jobs. We make sure these standards are built into our courses. Our degrees carry accreditations from the industry's leading professional bodies – you'll find details next to each course.

Our MEng degrees offer a full educational base for professional development to become a Chartered Engineer. It allows stronger students to distinguish themselves with advanced professional and technical skills, studying to Masters level as an undergraduate student. Awards comply with the standards and expectations specified for Professional Engineering Competence-2010 (UKSPEC).

The industrial and professional relevance of our courses, along with our excellent links with industry, provide students with outstanding opportunities to secure employment in any sector.

### Careers

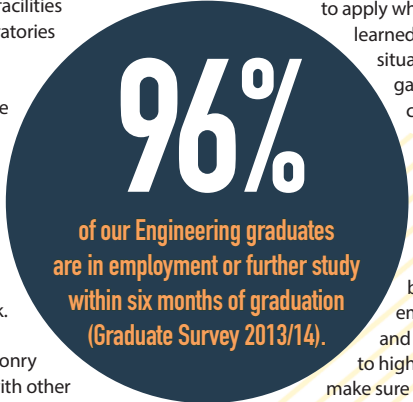
Our graduates have an excellent track record of securing employment in their field, and are sought-after by employers for their wide range of skills and experience. Graduates find employment in many branches of industry, including Airbus, British Airways, Tata Steel, GE, Bentley, Network Rail, Biomet, General Dynamics, Renishaw, Renesas, Arup, Atkins and Alun Griffiths (Contractors) Ltd. Many students also choose to continue their studies at postgraduate level.

Our civil engineering graduates have an outstanding employability record with many major firms. Typical roles include graduate civil engineer, design engineer or site engineer, and cover all sectors of the construction industry.

By graduation, our electrical and electronic engineers will be able to design, construct, maintain and conduct research into electrical systems and electronic products for use in everything from computer systems to machinery or communications technology. Many students also choose to continue their studies and research at postgraduate level.

The live event industry faces a shortage of trained engineers, including lighting directors, sound consultants, designers and broadcast experts. Our graduates have worked at venues such as Wembley Stadium, the Millennium Stadium, the O2, Royal Albert Hall, and many of London's West End theatres.

With a shortage of aeronautical engineers worldwide and an increase in demand for new aircraft, the world needs 200,000 new aeronautical engineers and over 500,000 new pilots.\* Our aeronautical courses prepare you for an exciting career in this global industry, where our graduates work as engineers, executives, managers and pilots all over the world.



The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.



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Mechanical engineering graduates are employed in a wide range of industries, including automotive, building services, steel production, aerospace, product design and development, maintenance, defence and medical engineering.

\*Global Forecast 2015-2034, "Flying by Numbers", Airbus

## BSc (Hons) Aircraft Maintenance Engineering

This course is recognised by European aviation law, as detailed by the European Aviation Safety Agency (EASA), and gives you access to real aircraft experience.

We are the only university in the UK that has integrated the industry-standard aircraft maintenance qualification 'EASA Part-66' with an Honours degree, delivered on a single campus. On completion of the required EASA training, you'll be able to obtain a full EASA Part-66 Aircraft Maintenance Engineer Licence in just two years, which usually requires five years' professional experience.\*

The University's partnership with British Airways means you'll benefit from using the same EASA curriculum and EASA-based learning materials as British Airways uses to train its own staff.

### Key content

In year one, you'll study the principles of engineering and the EASA B1 Basic Knowledge modular structure in greater depth. You'll study the basic laws and theories of electrical and electronic fundamentals, aerodynamics, physics, analytical methods, and professional practice.

In year two, you'll enhance your knowledge of aircraft materials, hardware, instrumentation systems and human factors, and hone practical and workshop skills. You'll also study engineering management and issues surrounding the aircraft maintenance industry.

In year three, you'll study aircraft structures and systems, gas turbine engines, project management strategies in an aircraft maintenance context, and aviation legislation, and complete a dissertation project.

UCAS code: H402

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 193

Study: Full-time

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

Affiliate organisation:



Available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

\*EASA Part-66 Licence: Attend 2,400 hours of the EASA elements, pass EASA modules at 75%, complete 12 weeks of approved work experience (subject to student performance and availability – additional costs apply) and you'll get a three-year reduction in your experience requirement for an EASA Part-66 Licence. Otherwise you will need five years' experience.

## BEng (Hons) | MEng Aeronautical Engineering

Aeronautical engineers apply their knowledge and skills to every aspect of air vehicles; from design, development, manufacture and certification, to maintenance and sustainable operations.

This degree was developed in close consultation with industry and the Royal Aeronautical Society (RAeS) to boost your employability. The MEng meets the academic requirements for Chartered Engineer (CEng) status in full, while the BEng requires a period of further learning. For more information about our MEng award, see page 99.

You'll study the engineering principles needed for a career in the aerospace industry, and you'll gain practical experience on campus in our state-of-the-art Aerospace Centre. You'll also take to the skies with flying lessons in your final year. Work placements and experience are strongly endorsed to complement your studies, along with visits to sites such as GE Aviation Wales, Airbus Filton, and British Airways Maintenance Cardiff (BAMC).

### Key content

Year one provides basic knowledge of mathematical methods, scientific principles, and engineering practices. It's your introduction to design tools, manufacturing/workshop techniques, health and safety protocols, and professional practice.

In your second year, you'll explore key areas such as aircraft systems and performance, supported by further mathematics, mechanics and materials, and business and financial principles. You'll develop a conceptual aircraft in a team environment and test your ideas on our engineering flight simulator.

Year three modules include aerodynamics, flight dynamics, control, propulsion, aircraft structures, and modelling techniques. You'll learn about planning, operations, airworthiness regulations, and management of aircraft fleet, which are important aspects of the industry. You'll also have flying lessons and complete a project on an industry-related topic or a topic of your choice.

UCAS codes: BEng (Hons) H410 | MEng 92N5

Typical offer: BEng (Hons) Band 1 | MEng Band 2 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time | Part-time | Sandwich

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

Accreditation: Institution of Mechanical Engineers (IMechE), Royal Aeronautical Society (RAeS), and Engineering Council



BEng (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).





## HIGH FLYERS

Watch what happened when our students took to the skies for flight testing: [southwales.ac.uk/aero](https://southwales.ac.uk/aero)

Natalie Simpson, BSc (Hons) Aircraft Maintenance Engineering graduate and winner of the 'British Airways: Aircraft Maintenance Engineering' student of the year award, Aerospace Centre, Pontypridd Campus

## BEng (Hons) | MEng Mechanical Engineering

This degree allows you to use your mathematical and analytical skills to solve real-life problems.

Mechanical engineers are sought-after in all types of industries, from food processing to pharmaceutical manufacture, as well as in high-profile sectors such as automobile and aerospace. This is a modern mechanical engineering degree that is relevant to a range of industries. You could design, analyse, research and test anything from wind turbines to turbojet engines.

The course has been developed with engineering professionals. Our MEng meets the academic requirements for Chartered Engineer status in full, while the BEng forms the educational base for Chartered Engineer status, with a period of further learning. We have strong links with industry and place considerable emphasis on student projects. For more information about our MEng award, see page 99.

### Key content

This degree includes the computing, mathematical and physical sciences required to design, develop and manufacture a range of engineering systems. You'll study the core areas that underpin mechanical engineering, which are material science, engineering mechanics, thermofluids, manufacturing systems and engineering design. This includes extensive laboratory experience, so you can gain the skills needed to test systems that you have analysed and constructed.

You'll also study a management, business and professional practice module. This will develop your initiative, and effective communication and interpersonal skills, to achieve the high level of technical leadership required in a modern engineering environment. Your new skills will be further tested through group and individual research and design projects.

**UCAS codes:** BEng (Hons) H300 | MEng L21H

**Typical offer:** BEng (Hons) Band 1 | MEng Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**Accreditation:** Institution of Mechanical Engineers (IMechE), and Engineering Council



BEng (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

Mechanical Engineering is also available at HND and HNC levels.

## DID YOU KNOW?

93% of our BEng (Hons) Mechanical Engineering students were satisfied with their course (NSS 2015).

Materials Testing Laboratory, Pontypridd Campus

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## BEng (Hons) | MEng Civil Engineering

**UCAS codes:** BEng (Hons) H200 | MEng 95TD

**Typical offer:** BEng (Hons) Band 1 | MEng Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**Accreditation:** Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE), The Institution of Structural Engineers (IStructE), Chartered Institution of Highways and Transportation (CIHT), Institute of Highway Engineers (IHE), Engineering Council, Joint Board of Moderators (JBM)



Civil Engineering is also available at HND and HNC levels.

**Civil engineering is all about people. From supplying energy and clean water to our homes, to processing and recycling our waste, civil engineers work on developing services and facilities we use every day.**

On this course, you'll study fundamental engineering principles, underpinned by mathematics, health and safety, and sustainability. You'll learn how to use industry-standard software for the design and construction of civil engineering projects. There are also opportunities for field trips and work placements.

Our courses are designed with senior industry professionals to ensure you are highly employable and a valuable addition to any area of the industry.

Our BEng award is accredited as a full educational base for professional development to become an Incorporated Engineer. The MEng meets the academic requirements for Chartered Engineer status in full, while the BEng requires a period of further

learning, for example, postgraduate study in civil engineering. For information about our MEng award, see page 99.

### Key content

You'll study core topics such as mathematics, structures, materials, geotechnics, hydraulics and surveying. Threads of design, sustainability, health and safety, and professionalism are also embedded in the course. Optional modules enable you to tailor your qualification to the area of industry you want to work in.

Most project modules are based on 'live' schemes, supported by guest lectures from professional engineers. This ensures you receive an in-depth briefing on many aspects of real-life construction.

Part-time students are able to follow an embedded route, which gives them the opportunity to achieve a professional qualification while studying and working.

## BSc (Hons) Civil Engineering

**UCAS code:** H201

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**Accreditation:** Institution of Civil Engineers (ICE), The Institution of Structural Engineers (IStructE), The Chartered Institution of Highways and Transportation (CIHT), Institute of Highway Engineers (IHE), Engineering Council, Joint Board of Moderators (JBM)



Available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

Civil Engineering is also available at HND and HNC levels.

**This degree will give you the right practical and academic training for a career in civil engineering, including structural design, geotechnical design, project management, highway and transport engineering, and sustainable design and development.**

You'll gain knowledge of fundamental engineering principles, as well as IT skills. Using industry-standard software, you'll learn how to apply these skills to engineering problems through design and project work. There are practical field courses in the UK, and you'll be encouraged to complete a work placement as part of your studies.

Our accreditation from professional bodies ensures that what you learn relates directly to industry standards. The course also forms a full educational base for professional development to become an Incorporated Engineer.

### Key content

Our courses are designed to ensure you are highly employable and a valuable addition to the industry. The areas you will study include all the subjects necessary to meet the expectations of employers, preparing you for a career in this challenging and rewarding field.

Project modules are based on 'live' schemes, supported by guest lectures from professional engineers and, where appropriate, field courses are included to consolidate the knowledge gained in class and help you apply it in real-life situations.

An open-door policy ensures that support and advice from academic staff is always available during your studies. Part-time students can follow an embedded professional qualification route, which gives them the opportunity to achieve a professional qualification while studying and working.

## BSc (Hons) Lighting Design and Technology

This degree will give you the skills to bring light into spaces and performances, using a combination of art and science.

You'll study lighting design and its technical application in a wide range of disciplines, including theatrical, concert, TV, corporate and architecture. As well as technological skills, you'll gain an insight into business practices to prepare you for freelance work or consultancy.

As part of your studies, you'll get plenty of practical experience – The Cube is a dedicated space on campus where you can practise and realise your creative ideas and designs. Our staff are authorised WYSIWYG (lighting and venue pre-visualisation software) trainers.

The Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET) has accredited this course and it meets the educational requirements to become an Incorporated Engineer (IEng).

As part of the course, you can also become qualified to the IET's 17th Edition Wiring Regulations (additional costs apply), which means that what you learn meets industry requirements.

### Key content

Industry professionals were consulted in the development of this course. You'll have access to a range of cutting-edge technologies, learning how to programme light consoles and control platforms. You can also get creative, producing video content and working as a lighting designer or programmer on a range of performances and events.

You'll gain more hands-on experience through real-life projects such as lighting castles and concerts, and by developing a lighting product with support from an industrial partner.

UCAS code: J992

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time | Sandwich

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

Accreditation: The Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET), and Engineering Council



Available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

## BSc (Hons) Live Event Technology

This course will give you the technical skills to transform live performances into events.

You'll study live sound, video, rigging and lighting technology for use in all kinds of venues, from theatre, concerts and festivals, to TV, themed attractions and corporate events.

There is a balance of theoretical and practical applications of technology, so you'll learn how to work with artistic colleagues to find creative solutions to the practical challenges of staging live events. We regularly get involved in all kinds of events, from pop-up castle cinemas to live sports broadcasts. This mix of theory and practice will prepare you for a career in entertainment, broadcasting, touring logistics, technical production companies, and technical sales.

There are plenty of opportunities to use what you learn on this course, from practical sessions on campus in The Cube, to work placements, attending events and field visits. With a vibrant live

music industry in the UK, local TV and film, and a wide range of major sporting and corporate events, you can develop skills to boost your employability in these areas.

The Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET) has accredited this course and it meets the educational requirements to become an Incorporated Engineer (IEng). You can also become qualified to the IET's 17th Edition Wiring Regulations (additional costs apply).

### Key content

You'll cover the fundamentals of sound, lighting and electrical technology, alongside key aspects of rigging and installation design. You'll also explore video technology and issues around networks, business concepts and planning. During your final year, you'll undertake a major group project to develop an industry-standard product. This will allow you to build additional skills such as creative problem solving and effective communication that are highly valued by employers.

UCAS code: JP92

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time | Sandwich

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

Accreditation: The Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET), and Engineering Council



Available with Foundation Year (see page 43).



## BEng (Hons) | MEng Electrical and Electronic Engineering

**UCAS codes:** BEng (Hons) H601 | MEng D327

**Typical offer:** BEng (Hons) Band 1 | MEng Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**Accreditation:** The Institution of Engineering and Technology (IET), and Engineering Council



BEng (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

Also available at HNC and HND levels.

**As the electronics industry continues to grow worldwide, the demand for electrical and electronic engineering graduates is high.**

This course combines technical engineering and mathematical knowledge with management and business skills, and covers embedded computing, electrical, electronic and communications engineering.

By the time you graduate, you'll be ready for a leading role in the development of modern electrical and electronic systems – researching, designing, building and marketing the next generation of products.

We encourage you to gain experience in the workplace as part of your studies. Our students have completed year-long placements with a range of companies, including Tata Steel, 3M, Renesas, Airbus UK, Renishaw, GlaxoSmithKline, Panasonic, Bosch, and IBM.

### Key content

Years one and two provide you with essential knowledge and skills to prepare you for the final years of the course. Areas of study include analogue and digital electronics, embedded systems, mathematics, power, machines and control, and signals and digital communications.

Lectures are strengthened by hands-on laboratory assignments, which use a range of modern software tools with practical hardware systems. This allows you to realise the theory in a practical way. Group and project work throughout the course will reinforce teamwork and develop transferable skills.

In your final year, you will cover electronics design, control system design, power electronics and drives, telecommunications and embedded systems design. You'll also undertake a major practical project. Turn to page 99 to find out about our MEng qualification.

Electronics Laboratory, Pontypridd Campus

### DID YOU KNOW?

Three quarters of our engineering research output is recognised as world-leading or internationally excellent – this means you'll be taught by lecturers who are recognised around the world as experts in their field (REF 2014).



"Sharing in workshops was always a useful/uplifting experience – a chance to read aloud ideas, with various voices performed and typos to have a giggle at. But it was never a fearful thing for me. Workshops were the perfect way to gain feedback and knowledge. So much of what I learned at uni helped me to write to a higher standard and the snippets of advice sit like muses on my shoulders, whispering reminders once in a while, when I'm working away at my laptop."

**Karla Brading, graduate and author of *Zombie Jig and Jive and Other Creepy Tales***

## STUDY ABROAD

You can study abroad as part of your degree in the USA or Europe. This would be a great boost to your CV – you could gain an international perspective on your studies, and become more independent and confident.

# ENGLISH AND CREATIVE WRITING

**English study is more than just texts and grammar. You'll explore literature, language, culture and history, and develop your creative writing skills too.**

As an English and creative writing student at the University of South Wales, you'll be taught by academics who are prize-winning poets, novelists and story writers.

There is a thriving research culture at the University, so you'll be taught by expert staff, many of whose publications have been recognised as internationally excellent or world leading.

Our degrees are highly flexible. There's an astonishing variety of genres, texts and periods you can study within

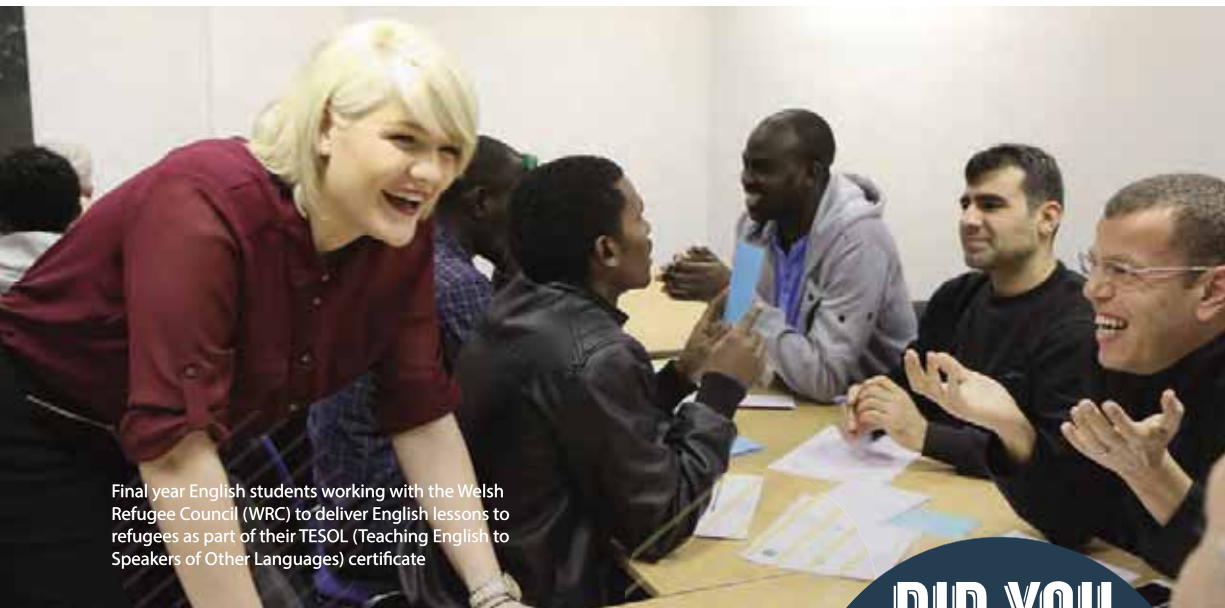
modules. This means you have the opportunity to design your own degree course, selecting options that reflect your particular areas of interest. And that's in addition to learning how to teach English to speakers of other languages (TESOL).

### Get published

You will have a chance to get your work published in DAPs, the anthology of creative writing edited by students. This provides a fantastic opportunity to learn about developing and designing a publication from start to finish.

## OUTSTANDING

Our courses have excellent student satisfaction in the subject areas of Imaginative Writing and English Studies – respectively, 100% and 97% of students were satisfied with their course (National Student Survey 2015).



Final year English students working with the Welsh Refugee Council (WRC) to deliver English lessons to refugees as part of their TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) certificate

Discover English and creative writing at the University of South Wales. Come to an Open Day or go online for module tasters and student stories: [southwales.ac.uk/english](http://southwales.ac.uk/english)

## DID YOU KNOW?

90% of our English language and literature research is recognised as internationally excellent – this means you'll be taught by lecturers who are at the forefront of their fields (REF 2014).

### Employability

As well as learning from academics who are leaders in their fields, you'll hear from a wide range of literary professionals who will share their experiences with you. These talks will give you an insight into different professions and help you decide which career path you'd like to pursue.

You have the option to choose a work placement as an important part of your course. Designed to enhance your employability, this is a great way to make your CV stand out from the rest. Past students have worked at the Riverfront Theatre and Arts Centre, Wales Arts Review, Literature Wales, Seren Press, Buzz Magazine, The Big Issue, Able Radio, schools and libraries. Some students have also worked on scripts, for example in community film projects and even with the National Theatre.

### Careers

Throughout your studies you will develop skills that are vital in any workplace. The ability to analyse information from different sources, construct reasoned arguments and communicate these effectively, are all valued highly by employers. That's in addition to critical thinking, problem solving and working with others.

Our graduates have an enviable record of establishing careers in editing, publishing, teaching, writing, advertising, public relations, the civil service, local government, arts administration and broadcasting. Many students also progress to postgraduate study at the University.

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## BA (Hons) English

This highly flexible course integrates the subject areas of English literature, English language, TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages), and creative writing, giving you the chance to design your own degree course.

You can combine the study of literature from the Renaissance to the present day, the study of language in social and cultural contexts, the teaching of language, and the study and practice of creative writing. You can follow a broad programme by choosing modules from all four subjects, or focus on one or two areas.

You'll gain a repertoire of specialist skills in analysis, close reading and writing. Your studies will also develop key skills that can be adapted and employed in many ways, which ensures you'll be prepared to succeed in the workplace.

We are ranked top 10 in the UK for course satisfaction in the area of English Studies, with 100% of our BA (Hons) English students satisfied with their course (National Student Survey, 2015).

### Key content

In your first year, you'll choose a selection of modules from each of the four subject areas. Literature modules include Thinking with Texts, Reading/Writing Women's Literature, and Shakespeare. Language modules explore the influence of communicative and sociolinguistic contexts, and the past, present and future of the English language. Creative writing modules introduce you to the practice of writing fiction, poetry, and for the media. TESOL modules cover grammar and lexis, and phonology.

In year two, you can choose modules from two or three of the subject areas. Options include Modernism, Observation and Peer Teaching, Language, Power and Ideology, and Writing for Children.

In your final year, you can specialise in one subject or continue with a combination. You can also complete a dissertation in one of the subject areas.

**UCAS code:** Q301

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

## BA (Hons) English and Creative Writing

This dynamic course combines intensive study of creative and professional writing with a range of complementary modules that explore English literature, English language, and TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages).

Alongside developing your skills in writing fiction, poetry, scriptwriting and non-fiction, you'll gain specialist skills in analysis, close reading and writing. The development of these skills means you'll be ready for the workplace when you graduate. There are also many opportunities to showcase your written work at the University.

### Key content

In your first year, you'll study core creative writing modules that will introduce you to the practice of writing fiction, poetry, and for the media. You will study English literature modules,

including Thinking with Texts, and can choose from a range of optional English literature and language modules that explore topics as diverse as women's writing, poetry, the influence of communicative and sociolinguistic contexts, and the past, present and future of the English language. Optional modules in TESOL include lexis and phonology.

In year two, you'll build on this foundation and start to choose areas of study in creative writing, including writing for children and writing non-fiction such as travel writing and autobiography. There are also options in literature, language, and TESOL if you wish.

In your final year, you can focus on creative writing or continue to broaden your study in other areas of literature and language. You'll also complete a dissertation in one of these subject areas.

**UCAS code:** 41W2

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)



"I started writing non-fiction in the second year of my degree. I've finished the novel now and it's ready to go out now into the world of agents and publishers.

I also studied TESOL as part of my degree so my grammar was brilliant by the end of it. My favourite time on the course was writing my dissertation. I wrote 14,000 words for my main project – my writing just soared throughout my dissertation thanks to amazing support from my tutors. That's when I really came into my own as a writer."

**Maria Murphy,**  
English graduate and author



# FASHION

Fashion degrees at the University of South Wales examine and nurture the connection between commerciality and creativity.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Our students have won awards at Graduate Fashion Week for many years, including childrenswear and womenswear awards in 2015.



Fashion and Photography collaboration project

Fashion is one of the largest and most dynamic sectors in the UK, employing over 800,000 people and directly contributing to over £20bn to the economy each year.

We aim to produce visionary designers who are ready for successful careers in fashion and retail. Our graduates have the skills and knowledge to excel in the fashion industry, and we prepare them to become the future faces of design.

### Employability

All students work on 'live' projects and competitions, which are supported by annual industry visits. These opportunities will help you gain maximum real-life exposure in the fast-paced and competitive work arena of fashion, retail and interior design.

We also encourage all our students to complete a placement as part of their course. There are many benefits from a work placement. You'll know how to apply what you've learned to real-life situations, and you'll gain new skills and understanding that can help your final year studies.

### Study in purpose-built facilities in Cardiff city centre

Your placement will give you a better understanding of what is required in the workplace and relevant experiences to talk about at interview. Ultimately, it will enhance your CV and make you a more attractive candidate to employers.

"My time as a fashion student at USW was amazing. It was seriously hard work but I loved every bit of it. I learned so much during the degree – pattern cutting, fashion photography, design and even how to start a business and professional branding. To anyone looking to apply for the BA (Hons) Fashion Design, I highly recommend it, as it was a truly amazing experience."

Athina Penn,  
BA (Hons) Fashion Design

**Facilities**

As part of our developments at ATRium, Cardiff Campus, facilities for fashion include custom workrooms for our fashion design, fashion promotion, and fashion marketing and retail design courses.

There are also photographic darkrooms and professional-level printers, as well as video and audio production studios. These facilities are available in the first instance to students studying related courses, but they are available more widely to students who want to explore multimedia techniques. You will also be able to borrow a full range of equipment, including cameras, microphones and lighting.

**Our graduates have the experience, skills and knowledge to excel in the fashion industry**

**Careers**

You'll graduate as rounded, focused, confident professional, equipped for your chosen career path. Our graduates have a portfolio of skills – grounded in industry practices – to support a seamless transition into the job market.

Examples of internships include Vivienne Westwood and Roland Mouret, and we have graduates employed by Harrods and Joules, among others.

There's a host of career opportunities in fashion. Fashion and textile design are the primary career options, but jobs in costume design for theatre, film or TV may also appeal to fashion design

graduates. Graduates can also work as buyers, merchandisers or managers in the fashion retail industry, based on their creativity and knowledge of customer preference and fashion trends.

Graduates from Fashion Promotion and Fashion Marketing and Retail Design courses currently work in trend forecasting, PR, brand consultancy, fashion styling and journalism, event management and social media strategy.

"We've worked with big names like John Lewis and Peacocks. This has helped me to start networking and make contacts, which should be a big help after I graduate."

**Hannah Cooke,**  
BA (Hons) Fashion  
Promotion

**Start your career in fashion at the University of South Wales. Go online to be inspired by our students' stories and to book on an Open Day: [southwales.ac.uk/fashion](http://southwales.ac.uk/fashion)**

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**DID YOU KNOW?**

Students have taken internships at the design studios of Vivienne Westwood, Mary Katrantzou, Roland Mouret, and Boudicca.



Welsh fashion designer Julien Macdonald OBE gives advice to BA (Hons) Fashion Design students



## BA (Hons) Fashion Design

**Fashion is an ever-changing industry that needs professionals who can respond to its challenges.**

Our degree offers experience of fashion design beyond the university environment and develops skills for life after graduation. You'll balance commercial success with a strong creative vision, always questioning and pushing your ideas forward.

We identify opportunities for internships, work experience and work placements, keeping you grounded and focused on your employability after you graduate. We have great links with industry and provide many opportunities for you to work with creative professionals through live projects. Previous partnerships have included Lyle & Scott, Jeff Griffin, and Debenhams.

We're fully engaged with the creative industries and our students compete and win national and international awards and competitions – they've won awards at London Graduate Fashion Week for the past three years.

### Key content

We'll challenge your ability to think, problem-solve and communicate your creativity to produce a professional portfolio of work.

Starting with core skills such as fashion communication and garment construction, you'll progress to focus on the working environment and complete live projects and industry-sponsored briefs. In practical studio sessions, you'll learn how to combine design, technology and theory to create a finished product.

Your final year builds to a specialist major project, which is showcased in Cardiff at our Graduate Fashion Event, and later in London Graduate Fashion Week and at the British Fashion Council Preview Day. This is a defining moment in your experience and enables you to enter professional life with a strong creative identity.

**UCAS code:** W230 (see page 193 for deadline)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants will be required to attend an interview, to which they should bring a portfolio of relevant work.

**Study:** Full-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)

Julia Trufin, BA (Hons) Fashion Design





## BA (Hons) Fashion Promotion

**UCAS code:** WN25 (see page 193 for deadline)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants will be required to attend an interview, to which they should bring a portfolio of relevant work.

**Study:** Full-time | Sandwich

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)

**If you love fashion, design and consumer culture, if you enjoy telling people about the latest trends, and live and breathe print, web and social media, then this fashion promotion degree will put you at the forefront of one of the UK's most vibrant creative sectors.**

Communication strategies of brands are vital to their success. Your studies will introduce you to a range of communication methods, while exploring the importance of brand identity, consumer markets and the role of fashion in society.

You can also gain practical experience and insider knowledge through a short internship or a 12-month work placement at the end of your second year.

### Key content

Fashion promotion isn't just about responding to the latest styles and events – it needs careful planning and

strategic thinking, and the ability to understand the fashion industry from multiple perspectives: commerce, news, employment, manufacturing and design. It isn't all catwalks and Milan.

Projects will expose you to the practicalities of project management, social media strategy, creative direction, and communication design and strategy. You'll work on projects with students from other courses, and take part in live projects with established fashion and retail brands.

Through all this, you'll gain the skills for a career in the fashion industry, as well as the creative and technical ability to produce original visual and textual materials for promotion across different media.

Graduates could work in brand development and marketing, fashion journalism and photography, advertising strategy planning, public relations, events management, styling, digital marketing or trend forecasting.

## BA (Hons) Fashion Marketing and Retail Design

**UCAS code:** WN2N (see page 193 for deadline)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants will be required to attend an interview, to which they should bring a portfolio of relevant work.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)

**In the past, selling fashion was largely restricted to shops; now we shop online, on our phones, and through official channels and social media. The fashion industry needs people who understand the rapidly shifting way that fashion is marketed.**

Through this course, you'll become part of a group of fashion students and graduates who are known for their skills, knowledge, professionalism and creative vision. You'll be encouraged to think independently, experiment, try new ideas, and achieve your aspirations.

This approach offers the skills you need for a career in fashion retail and marketing, as well as the creative and technical ability to produce original materials for promotion across different media. Graduates could pursue careers as a fashion buyer, visual or online merchandiser, or a retail brand manager.

### Key content

Your studies will introduce you to the expanding range of communication methods used in fashion marketing. You'll also explore the importance of brand identity, changing consumer markets and the role of fashion in society.

You can engage with industry through live briefs and work placements, making your study relevant to current and future fashion industry practice. You can also work with major brands on live projects, giving you valuable industry experience. Previous partnerships have included Motel Rocks, John Lewis and Topshop.

You could take part in national and international trips to cities known for their cutting-edge approach to fashion and retail (additional costs apply). Past visits have included London, New York, Copenhagen and Los Angeles.

# FILM

Film is one of the most popular and significant art forms of the 20th and 21st centuries. At the University of South Wales, you can explore film from a practical or theoretical perspective.

We've taught courses in film for nearly 50 years, so it's safe to say we're experts in the field. Here, you'll find all the kit you'll ever need, impressive studios and editing suites, as well as first-class support to help you along the way. Our staff, students and graduates have won numerous prizes over the years, including BAFTAs, Celtic and Royal Television Society awards.

## Facilities

Students benefit from industry-standard film facilities, including dedicated, fully equipped HD film studios complete with lighting rigs, green screen and motion capture facilities, a black box studio, Avid HD and Adobe editing suites, Pro Tools sound editing and dubbing suite, and excellent screening facilities.

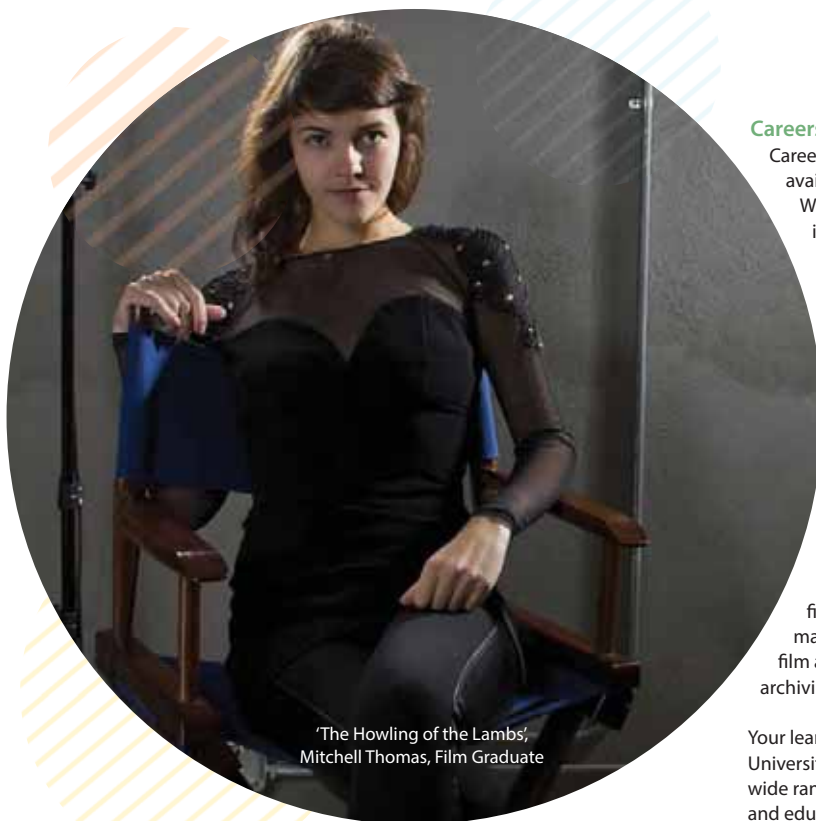
"The enthusiastic and approachable staff have helped me to think and write constructively, analytically and critically about something for which I have a great passion."

Alex Yell,  
BA (Hons) Film Studies

## DID YOU KNOW?

For the last nine years in a row, our students have reached the national finals of the Royal Television Society awards in London, winning prizes in the documentary and entertainment categories.

Second year Film students on location



'The Howling of the Lambs',  
Mitchell Thomas, Film Graduate

### Careers

Career opportunities in film are available in a wide range of forms.

Within the film, TV and video industries, roles may include film, video or television editor, camera operator, photographer, art director, TV or film producer or production assistant, runner, location/props manager, or programme researcher.

Additionally, the publishing industry, including printed newspapers, magazines, online publications and websites, may offer opportunities to write about films as a journalist, content manager or editor, or to work in film and picture research and archiving.

Your learning experience at the University will be a springboard to a wide range of careers in media, culture and education. Our graduates have skills that are sought-after in the arts, media, entertainment, culture and education, along with excellent written and verbal communication skills that will prove invaluable in any career.

### Accreditation

Industry professionals and Creative Skillset recognise that our Film course will prepare you for a career in the creative industries. Our students benefit from close contact with leading industry professionals who offer regular masterclasses and workshops, leading to work placements, job opportunities and strong international exposure.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Since 2010, we've made three full scale dramas, all of which have been broadcast on the BBC, and a fourth is in post-production and being considered by BBC Three.

**Film student, Gabby Lewis, secured an incredible internship with Paramount Pictures to work at the Cannes Film Festival in her final year.**


"It is safe to say I have been blown away in every capacity. Two of my University films were showcased as part of the Short Film Corner which was a complete honour. Receiving such positive feedback made every stress and struggle during each film's production so much more worthwhile!"

The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

**See for yourself.  
Go online to watch  
student films and to  
book on an Open Day:  
[southwales.ac.uk/film](http://southwales.ac.uk/film)**

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## DID YOU KNOW?

CILECT is the international association of film and television schools, and represents the gold standard in the industry. The University is one of only eight CILECT members in the UK and the only one in Wales.



## BA (Hons) Film

UCAS code: 36VA

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Additional: Applicants will be required to attend an interview.

Study: Full-time

Campus: Cardiff, ATRIUM (B)



**This is a world-renowned, practical degree that teaches students to tell powerful, original stories through film.**

This exciting and creative course concentrates on storytelling through moving images. We teach factual and fiction story-telling, so you are free to choose between the two. There is a clear practical emphasis that provides professional-level training, underpinned by academic content. Course content was developed with the industry, so you'll graduate with the creative ability and the skills to enter the workplace.

The University is celebrating 50 years of teaching how to make films. Our expertise in film making and the reputation of our alumni is acknowledged throughout the industry, and many staff members are award-winning film makers who continue to work in the industry, including the BBC.

This course is accredited by Skillset, meaning that it provides an exceptionally high standard of education that is endorsed by industry. You may benefit from additional links through this network, including masterclasses and work experience.

### Key content

During the course you can expect to study the art of storytelling, using digital technologies to produce films and live briefs.

You can specialise in specific areas of film making, screenwriting, producing, directing, cinematography, sound or post-production, so you'll gain specialist skills to launch your career. You'll also make a collaborative final film at the end of your third year. This will be your industry calling card and the culmination of all your hard work.

Our facilities at Cardiff Campus are of industry standard. We can provide state-of-the-art sound and camera equipment, as well as post-production suites, and you'll study in purpose-built facilities on campus.

Graduates have worked for the BBC and independent film, TV and radio companies across the world. Increasingly, our award-winning graduates set up their own production companies straight after leaving University.

## BA (Hons) Film Studies

UCAS code: W600

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time

Campus: Cardiff, ATRIUM (B)

**Film has a significant place in our understanding of the world. On this exciting and challenging course, you'll learn how to think independently, critically and creatively about film.**

Your studies will build on your love and knowledge of film and cinema, and you'll understand their contexts and histories in our global media culture.

This mainly theoretical course also has practical modules in scriptwriting. This will develop your creative thinking and writing skills, and will help you understand the relationship between practice and theory. Our aim is to develop your creative writing and thinking, and aside from gaining in-depth knowledge and appreciation of film and cinema, you'll also gain skills for the workplace. In particular, you'll develop sound written and verbal communication skills that are invaluable in any career.

### Key content

You'll encounter an eclectic mix of films throughout your studies; many familiar to you, some completely unknown.

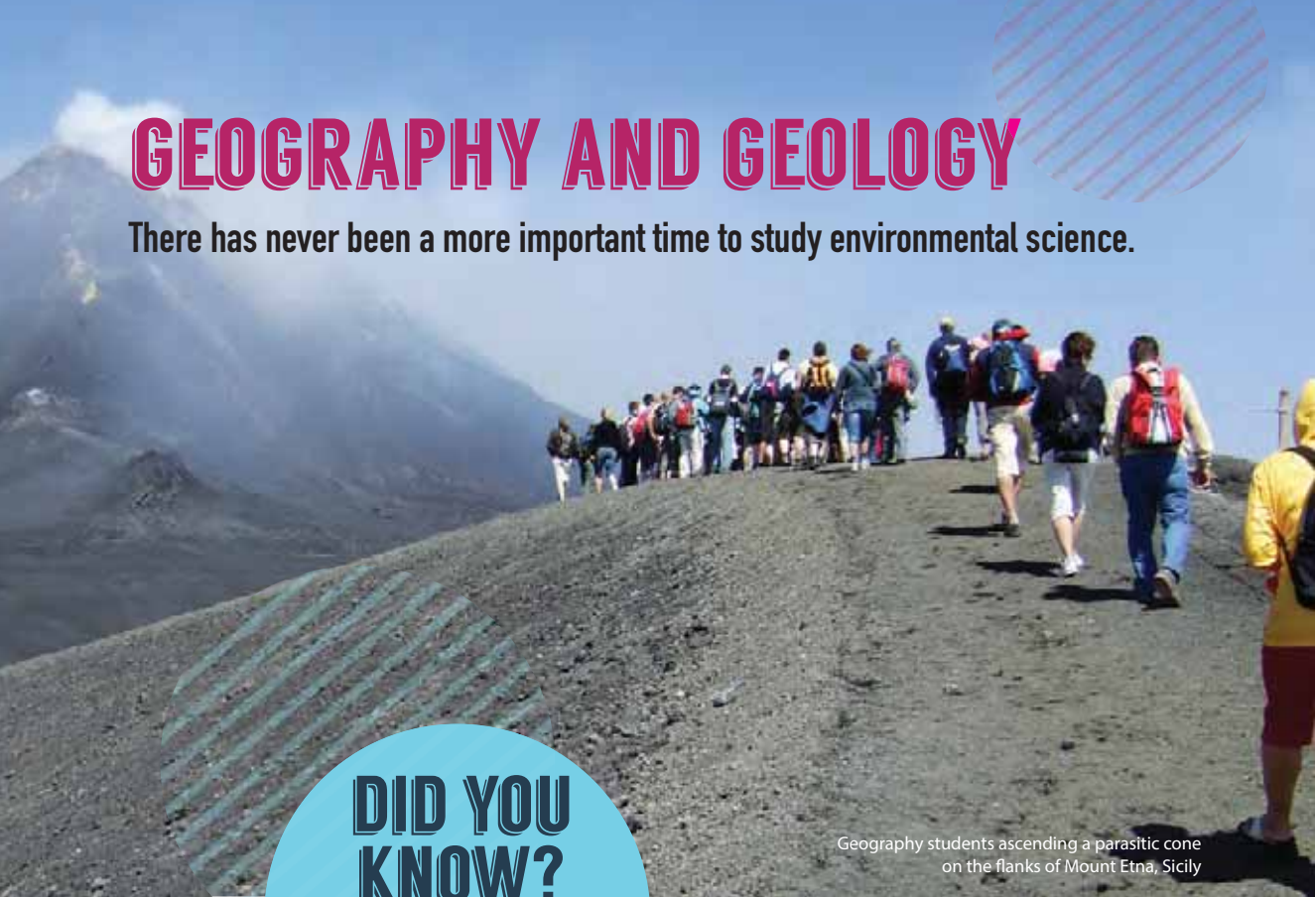
You'll engage with a broad range of genres and historical periods to open your eyes to the power and pleasures of film, beyond just 'entertainment'. All the while, you'll develop your critical and analytical skills and become a more alert and active viewer.

During the course you will study a variety of topics, including British film-making, making autobiographics, Hollywood, Cult Cinema, Comedy, and Autobiographical Filmmaking. Unique to this course, you'll also work collaboratively on Film Symposium – a module where you organise and present your own mini-conference.

Graduates can pursue career options in teaching, cinema education and scriptwriting. The skills you'll develop on the course may also assist careers in film programming, film journalism and publishing.

# GEOGRAPHY AND GEOLOGY

There has never been a more important time to study environmental science.



## DID YOU KNOW?

92% of our BSc (Hons) Geography students were satisfied with their course (NSS 2015).

Degrees in this field address the challenges facing people and the planet – from environmental and physical changes in the landscape, to differences and inequality in society.

Our courses will give you the knowledge and skills to make a significant contribution to the discovery and management of natural and human resources.

### Fieldwork

We concentrate on the practical application of theory through fieldwork, bringing to life what you learn in the classroom. Few degrees offer you the opportunity to get out in the field so quickly and as regularly as ours.

The University's location for fieldwork is second to none. Cardiff, Wales's capital city, the Brecon Beacons National Park, and the Glamorgan Heritage Coast are all nearby and provide a natural laboratory for study.

Geography students ascending a parasitic cone on the flanks of Mount Etna, Sicily

We offer a rich and diverse international portfolio of fieldwork too. You could study volcanic activity and environmental hazards in Sicily, or transect New York's Central Park. If that's not enough, you could discover conservation strategy on safari in east Africa, map geological features in Brittany, or consider deep earth processes in Iceland (additional costs may apply for fieldwork – visit our website for full details).

Learning in and through these diverse locations will provide unforgettable experiences and essential skills.

On campus, our Alfred Russel Wallace laboratories are part of a £15m investment in science to provide a modern learning environment. You'll be trained to use equipment relevant to the modules you study.

"The two-week field trip to Uganda was a profound experience that changed my perspective on life. I saw other ways of life and of living, and this gave me a more rounded and honest view of the world."

Ryan Thomas,  
BSc (Hons) Geography

### Employability

We want you to be ready for employment when you graduate. Thanks to our practical approach, you'll be able to apply scientific principles to related questions and problems. There are even modules that prepare you for job searches and interviews.

We have a range of projects with external organisations, which provide links with research, teaching or consultancy. These connections will give you experience of working with commercial organisations, local government, and community groups in the UK and overseas.

For top-performing students, we offer an MGeog award. It's a four-year course where you study to Masters level as an undergraduate student. This allows stronger students to distinguish themselves with advanced professional and technical skills.

### Careers

Geography, geology and environmental science graduates hold the key to the world's problems, so they will always be in demand. Our graduates have varied careers in the UK and overseas. They are adept in collecting and analysing information using technical and laboratory methods. They can also recognise and articulate the moral and ethical issues involved in debates and enquiries.

Graduates typically enter employment with local and central government agencies and planning departments. They also build careers in environmental management or consultancies, conservation agencies, geo-science, specialist mapping, specialist GIS and computing technology, and utility companies.

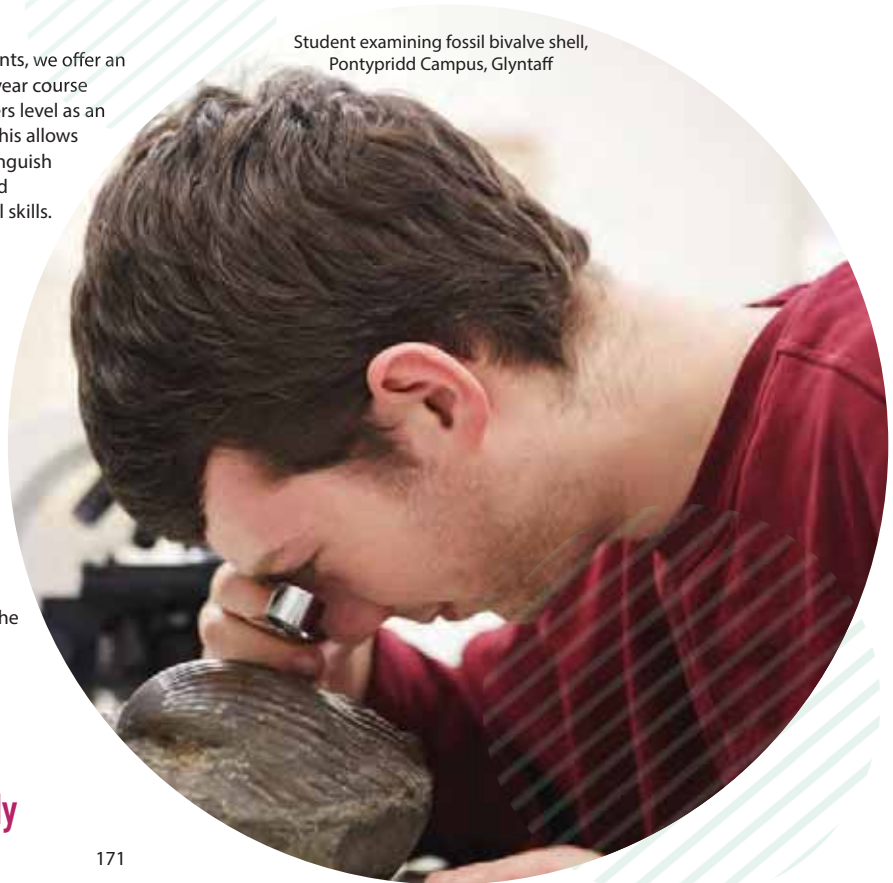
A number of students progress to taught or research postgraduate degrees in environmental and conservation areas, or undertake further training in teaching or management.

"I enjoyed the course immensely. The quality of lecturing was very high and staff were always available to discuss coursework."

Lots of practical components of the course have been very useful in my role with an environmental consultancy, conducting site investigations for contaminated land. I was able to hit the ground running from the start."

**Nick Bunn,**  
BSc (Hons) Geology

Student examining fossil bivalve shell,  
Pontypridd Campus, Glyntaff



### Related study

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Go online for student stories and to book your place at an  
**Open Day: [southwales.ac.uk/geography](https://southwales.ac.uk/geography)**

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## BSc (Hons) | MGeog Geography

**Geography is dynamic. On this course, you'll explore how the environment affects society, the economy and culture, and in turn, how we adapt and transform that environment.**

Our degree emphasises issues that shape people and places in a global society. You'll investigate critical issues that are challenging the 21st century, from the local to global scale. By focusing on current issues and recognising the links between human and physical geography, you'll gain a range of skills needed to interpret and analyse the relationship between human and non-human environments, and how to sustain their delicate balance.

The specialised fourth year of the MGeog programme provides a research-led experience through innovative, small-group teaching. There is an emphasis on employability, with modules including participatory research methods, project management, and work-based learning. See page 119 for more information.

### Key content

- This degree has been designed for students who enjoy the different traditions in geography. It incorporates major elements of physical and human geography, and some geographical information systems (GIS).
- A variety of experiential learning methods are embedded in the course to ensure you can put theory into practice, including the opportunity to participate in a community-based project.
- We have modules that prepare you for the graduate marketplace and help you with interview skills and job-search techniques.
- Field courses and the opportunity for residential fieldwork ensure a rich experiential degree. Previous fieldwork locations have included Sicily, Malta, New York, Hong Kong and Uganda (additional costs apply for optional overseas fieldwork – visit our website for full details). Please also visit our website for information about the physical demands of the fieldwork elements of this course.

**UCAS codes:** BSc (Hons) F801 | MGeog 36B2

**Typical offer:** BSc (Hons) Band 1 | MGeog Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)



BSc (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

## BSc (Hons) Geology

**Geology is the study of the world beneath your feet – it's the course to choose if you want to understand how the planet, the landscape and life have changed over millions of years.**

Geology is concerned with the Earth's origin, structure, composition and history, as well as the physical, chemical and biological processes that have formed it. By graduation, you'll understand relevant scientific principles and how to apply them to geological questions and problems.

You'll explore diverse topics, including how to describe, analyse and interpret rocks, how volcanoes are formed, how ice ages originate, how to search for oil and gas, and what Britain was like 300 million years ago. You'll also learn vital skills for the workplace, including geographical information systems (GIS), exploration geology, and geophysics.

We pride ourselves on offering some of the most extensive fieldwork of any UK university geology course, at locations in

the UK and overseas, which currently include Iceland and Italy. The course contains around 35% practical work and most modules include a fieldwork element. Please visit our website for information about the physical demands of the fieldwork elements of this course.

### Key content

- We concentrate on the practical application of theory, with fieldwork in the UK and overseas that brings the concepts of the classroom to life. Previous locations have included Iceland and Italy (additional costs may apply for fieldwork – visit our website for full details).
- We have modules that prepare you for the graduate marketplace and help you with interview skills and job-search techniques.
- Our purpose-built laboratories, part of a £15m science investment at the University, mean you'll study in a modern learning environment.

**UCAS code:** F600

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)



Available with Foundation Year (see page 43).



## BSc (Hons) Geology and Physical Geography

UCAS code: FF68

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time

Campus: Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)



Available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

**As pressures on the planet intensify, geological and geographical knowledge and insight are increasingly important.**

The combination of geology and physical geography develops knowledge and skills across a range of earth sciences. You'll study many features of the Earth, including its surface, composition, processes, and formation.

No degree in geology and physical geography can be confined to a classroom, and almost all modules are supported by field courses that make the most of our excellent location, close to some of the UK's best landscapes.

You'll develop practical fieldwork and laboratory techniques that will improve your employment prospects. You'll also explore how to identify and exploit natural resources, consider solutions to environmental concerns, and study geohazard analysis, climate change and engineering geology.

### Key content

- We have modules that prepare you for the graduate marketplace and help you

with project management, interview skills and job-search techniques. This course provides experience in industry-standard techniques and cutting-edge technologies, often in partnership with external organisations.

- Our field courses include locations such as west Wales, Dorset, Cornwall and Scotland. In previous years, our students have travelled even further to assess hazards in Sicily, study volcanic processes in Iceland, and assess climate change and environmental management in East Africa (additional costs may apply for overseas fieldwork – visit our website for full details). Please also visit our website for information about the physical demands of the fieldwork elements of this course.

- Areas in which you can specialise include Earth history, stratigraphy, petrology, geographical information systems (GIS), climate change, environmental hazards, geomorphology, sustainable coastal and environmental management, natural resource exploration and exploitation, environmental policy, and hazard management.

## BSc (Hons) Environmental Science

UCAS code: F740

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time

Campus: Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

Available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

**This course will prepare you to take a leading role in managing human effects on the Earth's wildlife and support systems, enabling you to develop solutions to a wide range of environmental problems.**

Key aspects include biodiversity evaluation, wildlife survey techniques and measurement of environmental parameters. You'll gain hands-on experience of terrestrial, freshwater and marine environmental monitoring in local, UK residential and overseas fieldwork locations, using the latest survey techniques and instruments (additional costs apply for optional overseas fieldwork – visit our website for full details).\*

In the first year, you'll develop a broad foundation in earth processes, ecology and measurement techniques. In year two, you'll learn skills in a wide range of organism identification, environmental survey and sampling methods. In your final year, these skills are applied to real-life questions and problems, often in

partnership with external organisations, in field-based modules and when you carry out your own research project.

### Key content

- Develop skills in water sampling and analysis, species identification, techniques to investigate ecological processes, use of satellite and other remote-sensing data, and how to integrate diverse information into an environmental report.

- Our fieldwork destinations include local areas and overseas excursions where you'll learn to evaluate the unique biodiversity and ecological processes of these areas (additional costs apply for optional overseas fieldwork – please visit our website for full details).

- Work-based learning placements to further develop job-relevant skills.

- You'll use a wide range of modern equipment, including portable analytical instruments in fieldwork.

\*Please visit our website for information about the physical demands of fieldwork elements of this course.



## DID YOU KNOW?

Our Clinical Simulation Centre offers a life-like clinical experience on campus. This training facility has a ward area, maternity suite and Intensive Care Unit. It's also home to a large family of sophisticated patient simulators that can mimic acutely ill adults and children. They can talk, breath, bleed, blink, cry and even give birth!

Midwifery Unit, Clinical Simulation Centre, Pontypridd Campus

# HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

**Health professionals play a vital role in the prevention, diagnosis and treatment of a huge number of health conditions, as well as rehabilitation.**

There are few careers that are as rewarding, or that allow you to work with such a variety of people. Our courses will give you the specialist skills, education and training to prepare you for the workplace.

### Facilities

At the University of South Wales, you will learn in our impressive health facilities. Our Clinical Simulation Centre replicates clinical environments for education and training. These include two, four-bedded bays to simulate a hospital setting, dedicated paediatric and maternity facilities, including a special care baby unit, an intensive care environment and an emergency department with a fully equipped ambulance simulator.

The Centre is used for healthcare education and training, dealing with everything from essential clinical skills to complex, multidisciplinary clinical scenarios. You'll use the same equipment you will find in healthcare settings, and work on patient simulators that mimic the body's reactions to illness, care and treatment.

Part of the Centre is dedicated to teaching midwifery and childcare skills. We have advanced birthing and maternal simulators that imitate various stages of pregnancy and related scenarios, including birth, and breech presentations.

The University is also home to the Welsh Institute of Chiropractic (WIoC). The WIoC contains 18 treatment rooms, a digital X-ray suite, MRI facilities and a functional rehabilitation suite to provide a stimulating learning environment. The Institute provides chiropractic services to the public and it is where you'll gain vital clinical experience as part of your training and qualification.

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### Employability

Our degrees prepare you for the challenges of modern healthcare through the right mix of knowledge, skills and experience. The theory you learn in the classroom is reinforced by practical learning on campus and work-based learning. Employers are keen to recruit our graduates because they know they are well-prepared confident, competent and safe practitioners.

Graduates from our courses in Midwifery, Nursing, and Social Work can apply to join the professional register for their chosen field and start to practise in the UK.

Our Chiropractic programme is accredited by both the General Chiropractic Council (GCC) and the European Council on Chiropractic Education (ECCE). This means graduates are qualified to apply to register with the GCC, have the ability to work in European states, and are eligible to sit entry examinations in most accredited areas worldwide.

The BSc (Hons) Medical Sciences has been granted Recognised Programme status by the Royal Society of Biology, which means it's suitable preparation for a career in biology. As a graduate, you'll be eligible for Associate Membership of the Society and then be entitled to use the letters 'AMRSB' after your name.

# 98%

of our Health and Social Care graduates are in employment or further study within six months of graduation (Graduate Survey 2013/14).

**Our courses will give you the specialist skills and training to prepare you for the workplace.**

### Careers

A health science degree offers a wide range of career opportunities. Our graduates can be found all over the world, making a real difference to people's lives.

If you know the profession you want to enter, our degrees in Chiropractic, Nursing, Midwifery and Social Work will prepare you for these.

Working through simulated clinical scenarios with actors in the role of service users, Pontypridd Campus

Other graduates can explore a wide range of career and postgraduate study options in healthcare science and related areas. These include social care, sport, rehabilitation, medicine, research, and public health. Many Medical Sciences graduates choose the fast-track medicine programme at Cardiff University.

### DID YOU KNOW?

You can achieve an MChiro qualification at the University of South Wales in just four years, so you can get started in your career sooner than studying elsewhere.

**Find out more and be inspired by our student stories:**  
[southwales.ac.uk/courses](http://southwales.ac.uk/courses)

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## Master of Chiropractic (MChiro)

Chiropractic is an independent, regulated profession that focuses on a mainly manual approach to healthcare.

If you want to be a chiropractor, this course provides the appropriate clinical methodology, education and training to meet registration requirements in the UK.

You'll study the human body in health and disease, be able to identify abnormalities of human structure and function, and manage patients through therapy and rehabilitation. Clinical experience is a major part of your training. The clinical year will improve your ability, confidence and employability. We introduce elements of clinical work from the start, and carefully integrate this to reinforce your academic study.

This is a fully integrated Masters degree programme that is accredited by both the General Chiropractic Council (GCC) and the European Council on

Chiropractic Education (ECCE). This ensures that graduates meet national and international chiropractic accreditation standards and can register with the GCC to practise in the UK.

### Key content

- The Welsh Institute of Chiropractic (WIoC) at the University provides great teaching support and offers opportunities that help graduates pursue a career in the profession.
- The WIoC has 18 treatment rooms, a student work room, a digital X-ray suite, MRI facilities and a functional rehabilitation suite.
- We have first-class learning facilities on campus, including clinical simulation, DXA scanner and a diagnostic ultrasound suite.
- Our Chiropractic degree is fully integrated into the University infrastructure, offering students a wide educational experience, including a local hospital placement programme.

**UCAS code:** B320

**Typical offer:** Turn to page 191

**Additional:** An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check (or national equivalent) is required (additional cost applies). Evidence of observation of a chiropractor in clinical practice and a statement of health is required. An IELTS (or equivalent) minimum average score of 6.5 is required for non-UK applicants.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**Accreditation:** General Chiropractic Council (GCC), and the European Council on Chiropractic Education (ECCE)

Available with Foundation Year (see page 43)

Welsh Institute of Chiropractic, Pontypridd Campus





## BSc (Hons) Medical Sciences

UCAS code: B901

**Typical offer:** Turn to page 191

**Additional:** GCSE English Language and Mathematics at grade B or above. An interview, Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check (additional cost applies), and proof of EU nationality or indefinite right to remain in the UK are required. EU applicants need IELTS 7.0 with 5.5 minimum in each component.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

This course is recognised by the Royal Society of Biology



**This course is designed primarily for students who want to become medical doctors and forms part of the graduate feeder scheme to medicine at Cardiff University (A101). The teaching of all subject areas, which range from anatomy and physiology to clinical skills and health policy, is reinforced by applying theoretical knowledge to clinical scenarios. Throughout the programme, you will gain valuable, hands-on clinical training and research experience.**

Every year, there are ten places available on the A101 programme for suitably qualified graduates of this course. For details, please refer to the published admissions policy for A101 at Cardiff University: [www.cf.ac.uk/medicine](http://www.cf.ac.uk/medicine)

### Key content

- As well as being a strong scientific qualification, a key feature of this course is the application of scientific knowledge to clinical scenarios using clinical simulation.

- You will gain experience from intensive work placements in local NHS facilities. These provide first-hand experience of medicine and healthcare in a range of departments and disciplines.

- 65% of our graduates progress to medicine and most now work in the healthcare sector.

- This programme has been recognised by the Royal Society of Biology, which ensures graduates automatically fulfil the educational requirements of Associate Membership of the Society (AMRSB).

- From studying topics as diverse as tropical medicine, clinical practice or biological anthropology, to potentially being selected to take part in human dissection, you will gain robust scientific knowledge and skills during this course. When you graduate, you'll be able to decide which area of healthcare is suitable for you and be in a very strong position for an application to postgraduate medicine.

## BSc (Hons) Health and Social Care Management

UCAS code: L510

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check (additional cost applies), and registration with the Independent Safeguarding Authority are required.

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

**A career in health and social care management is a demanding but rewarding choice.**

This degree is a gateway to a variety of careers in the health and social care sectors, from working with individuals to managing people.

You'll gain the knowledge and skills to work as a manager or support worker in a range of organisations, including those in the statutory health and social care sectors, third and independent sectors. You'll learn about all aspects of the service user's journey through health and social care agencies, considering the law, policy, research and practice that influences their experiences. In the final year, you can choose modules to help tailor the degree to meet your career aims.

During your studies, you'll also be encouraged to undertake the Institute of Leadership and Management Award

Level 3, Mental Health First Aid and Working in Dementia Supportive Communities, to enhance your CV.\*

Getting out of the classroom and into the workplace is a key part of your learning, so there are work placements in health and social care environments throughout the course.

### Key content

- This course has a multi-agency approach that encompasses social services, the NHS, third and independent sectors.

- Our students benefit from excellent academic and pastoral support, as well as being taught by research-active staff who have strong partnerships with health and social care sectors.

- You'll benefit from placements in a range of settings, which will enable you to work with a variety of people and in multi-agency environments. We have three placement options.

\*Additional costs apply

## BMid (Hons) Midwifery

Successful completion of this course allows you registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) as a qualified (registered) midwife.

This course covers all aspects of normal midwifery, complicated childbearing, and postnatal care. You'll also study wider issues such as health promotion, public health, law and ethics, and professional issues.

Midwifery is a skills-based profession and development of your practical skills is an important part of this course. You'll gain experience on clinical placements in a number of local health boards, each lasting several weeks. This may require extended travelling, and late night and early morning shift patterns.

To improve your employability, you'll develop knowledge and abilities to provide holistic care. You'll gain some of these skills in our Clinical Simulation Centre on campus, or on clinical placements in midwifery or gynaecology settings.

Currently, if you are a UK student, your course fees will be paid by the Welsh Government – visit our website for details.

### Key content

- Our Clinical Simulation Centre is a cutting-edge teaching and learning environment with dedicated midwifery and childcare facilities.
- We have advanced birthing and maternal simulators that can simulate various stages of pregnancy, including birth, and breech presentations.
- You will be fully supported on clinical placements by a qualified midwife, who acts as a mentor throughout your placement.
- On placements, you'll work alongside registered practitioners to care for patients with multiple and complex care needs. Students benefit from working across our three partner health boards.

**UCAS code:** B720

**Typical offer:** Turn to page 191

**Additional:** GCSE Science at grade C or above. Applicants are required to attend an interview. Two satisfactory references, an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check (additional cost applies), and a satisfactory medical are also part of the entry requirements.

Each year of the programme lasts a minimum of 45 weeks. Holidays are fixed and non-negotiable.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

Please note that you can only apply for either midwifery or nursing.

## BN (Hons) Nursing

Successful completion of this course allows you registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) as a qualified (registered) nurse.

You can specialise in one of four fields of nursing: adult, mental health, child, or learning disabilities. You'll study with students from all fields and other professions, as well as having sessions specific to your field. There's also the requirement to work with clients and patients from other fields, so you can care for patients with multiple and complex needs. There's an equal split between theory and practice, which is integrated throughout the course.

Supervised placements are an integral part of the programme. These are in our partner health boards, as well as in the community and independent sector.

When you are working with your mentor in clinical practice, you have to work the shift patterns of the clinical area to which you are allocated.

Currently, if you are a UK student, your course fees will be paid by the Welsh Government – visit our website for details.

### Key content

- Our Clinical Simulation Centre is a cutting-edge teaching and learning environment. It simulates hospital settings and has two, four-bedded bays, dedicated paediatric and maternity facilities, including a special care baby unit, an intensive care environment, and an emergency department with a fully equipped ambulance simulator.
- The Centre has an impressive range of human patient simulators, including baby, child and adult, which create authentic clinical simulation experiences.
- When you graduate, you'll be qualified to start work as a staff nurse. Our graduates are employed as registered nurses in the NHS and in the independent sector.

**UCAS code:** Depends on your field of practice and your start date – visit our website for details

**Typical offer:** Turn to page 191

**Additional:** GCSE Science at grade C or above. Applicants are required to attend an interview. Two satisfactory references, an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check (additional cost applies), and a satisfactory medical are also part of the entry requirements.

Each year of the course lasts a minimum of 42 weeks. Holidays are fixed and non-negotiable.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

Please note that you can only apply for one field of nursing or midwifery.

## BSc (Hons) Social Work

UCAS code: L500

Typical offer: Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants must show evidence of working in a supervised social care setting/agency for a minimum of 12 weeks, usually in the year before application. An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check is required (additional cost applies). Selection includes group interview observed by a practitioner, service user and tutor, a written response to a relevant scenario, and an individual interview. Students are required to register with the Care Council for Wales before starting the course: [www.ccwales.org.uk](http://www.ccwales.org.uk)

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Newport City (C)

**Social work is a challenging and rewarding career where you work with vulnerable people, enabling them to live as independently as possible. The profession promotes social change, empowerment and problem solving.**

This course is based on the All Wales Assessment Framework for Social Work, which incorporates the National Occupational Standards for Social Work, and the Care Council for Wales Code of Professional Practice for Social Care Workers.

There is an equal split between theory and practice, which is integrated into the programme. You'll experience a variety of practice learning opportunities throughout your studies, in the statutory and voluntary sectors.

Evaluations of this course by students, external examiners, local authority partners and other stakeholders have all been positive. We're also committed to involving individuals who access services and carers in the teaching and

management of this course. This means you'll get an insight into their needs and experiences, and students have found their input valuable.

### Key content

- You'll put theory into practice through assessed practice learning opportunities, so you'll be fully prepared to start your career.
- You'll graduate with the professional qualification required to register as a social worker.
- We use a variety of teaching methods to ensure a mix of learning opportunities. Some innovative methods include debates, law court scenarios, and role play simulations.
- If you apply through UCAS, you may be eligible for a bursary from the Care Council for Wales (subject to their conditions).



Incorporating play into everyday nursing assessment, Clinical Simulation Centre, Pontypridd Campus

# HISTORY

Studying the past offers us a greater understanding of the present, and allows us to see it in perspective.

History at the University of South Wales gives you the chance to interpret the past and present in a lively, innovative setting. We develop your thinking skills right from the start. The broad range of modules in social, cultural and political history allow you to examine a variety of histories from the middle ages to the present day.

You'll be taught by enthusiastic staff, including internationally recognised researchers. This research informs what you'll learn in the classroom, so you'll benefit from the latest historical findings. Staff research interests are wide ranging, from medieval tomb carvings and the Atlantic slave trade, to seaside resorts and leisure in the 20th century.

At the University of South Wales, there's a wealth of history on our doorstep

You'll have access to significant resources too. These include JSTOR, an online database with over 1,000 academic journals and over one million images, letters, and other primary sources.

There's also the History Reference Center, which is a comprehensive online database with full-text access to 2,000 reference books, encyclopedias and leading history publications.

At the University of South Wales, there's a wealth of history on our doorstep that you'll enjoy exploring as part of your studies. You can also go on regular field courses throughout the UK and overseas, such as Berlin and Rome (additional costs apply).

## Employability

Studying history provides many key skills that are valued highly by employers. It's the perfect training to learn how to research, source and evaluate evidence and information. You will also develop the ability to think critically, formulate reasoned arguments, and communicate your findings effectively.

We have excellent links with universities in the USA and Europe, so you could study abroad. This will give your history studies a new perspective and could count towards your degree when you return.

## DID YOU KNOW?

The History Society has lots of social events, including quiz nights, meals, nights out and much more. Members can experience history beyond the classroom through guest lectures and trips throughout the UK and abroad (additional costs may apply).

## Careers

History doesn't just question how you view the world, it prepares you for employment in a variety of professions. Our courses extend your range in written and verbal communication, encourage self-management and collaboration, and nurture analytical thinking. We also offer career planning and skills support from year one.

History graduates enter a wide variety of careers in education, industry and commerce, heritage management, museums, public services, the voluntary sector, teaching, and the media. To broaden your career options, it's possible to study history in combination with other subjects such as education. Many graduates have continued their studies and research at postgraduate level.

## Related study

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The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

"This course offered a wide range of modern history modules that I knew would help me gain a place on a teacher training course. I have gained a place on a PGCE in secondary school history, much of which is due to the help, guidance and encouragement of the staff."

Catrin Isaac,  
BA (Hons) History and  
Education graduate

Find out more about history at the University of South Wales. Come to an Open Day or visit: [southwales.ac.uk/history](http://southwales.ac.uk/history)



## BA (Hons) History

UCAS code: V100

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**History is essential to understanding ourselves and the world in which we live. It's not about the 'dead past'. After all, we're not at the end of history; we're in the middle of it.**

Our history degree will offer you new perspectives on the past. You'll examine history from the close of the European middle ages to the present day.

This course covers British and European history, the Americas from the colonial period to the present, and aspects of global history from Cuba to China and back again.

We place emphasis on 'doing' history. This means developing your skills in gathering and evaluating evidence, and learning how to build arguments that are rational and well-presented.

### Key content

In the first year, we introduce you to some major historical themes such as the growth of the modern nation state or the rise of the Atlantic world. We'll also show how new approaches can illuminate the past. Crime and vice in the 19th century, for example, looks at how Victorians dealt with drug taking and how contemporary newspapers covered the Jack the Ripper murders.

The second and third years allow you to specialise in areas that interest you most. Our lecturers draw from their own research, whether that's on early modern magic, the treatment of World War One veterans suffering from 'shell shock', or the USA in the 1960s.

We normally organise visits to historic locations in the UK, as well as optional study trips to Berlin (additional costs apply). These visits give you the opportunity to get out of the classroom and study history on the ground.

### TOP SATISFACTION

We are ranked top 10 in the UK for course satisfaction in History, with 96% of our BA (Hons) History students satisfied with their course (National Student Survey 2015).

"My aspiration is to become a history teacher and this course is perfect because it allows me to study such a range of different topics. I can choose to take a wide approach or to specialise, which is a great foundation for teaching. What's more, I am discovering topics I never would have considered before."

Francesca Ridley,  
BA (Hons) English and History student



# JOURNALISM AND MEDIA

The media plays an ever-expanding role in our lives, from newspapers and the web to film and television. It's the lens through which we view the world.

Journalism and media degrees at the University of South Wales have been developed with industry and with your employability in mind. We offer practical and theory courses that span the full range of media, from traditional print journalism to blogging, film making, radio and publishing.

The ATRiuM building at our Cardiff Campus boasts excellent facilities for media students. There's a fully functioning TV studio and control room, an industry-standard HDTV studio, facilities for broadcast, print and multimedia journalism, plus a radio studio.

"The best thing about the Media, Culture and Journalism course is that it provides a solid foundation in theoretical learning and research skills, while allowing me to explore media practice through my optional modules."

Alexander Fagan,  
BA (Hons) Media, Culture and  
Journalism

## DID YOU KNOW?

You can see some of our Photojournalism students' inspirational work online – it's well worth a look!

Media students on location

"This journalism course involves learning practical skills that can be applied to real-life situations. Other universities take more of a theory-based approach to teaching journalism, whereas this course strikes a balance between the two."

Jamie Russell,  
BA (Hons) Journalism

TV studio, ATRium,  
Cardiff Campus

### Employability

We enhance your employability through a combination of work placements, specialist facilities and projects that mirror real-life situations. Our location in the heart of Cardiff means you'll have excellent links with the thriving cultural industries scene in the city too. Plus, you won't have to go far to discover fascinating stories and subjects for your projects.

Journalism and media students benefit from creative work across disciplines at our Cardiff Campus. There are regular opportunities to work with students from different subject areas, which will prepare you for the realities of a career as a media professional. For example, we run a range of masterclasses throughout the year that are led by guest speakers, eg, from the BBC, Sky News and others. These are open to students across the faculty and often deal with topics relevant to the wider creative industries, to help with your networking and skills development.

Find out more. Go online for module tasters, graduate stories and to book on an Open Day:  
[southwales.ac.uk/media](http://southwales.ac.uk/media)

### Careers

If you want to work in journalism, it's important to build up a portfolio of work and gain as much relevant experience as possible. The University can help you with these opportunities and support you in work experience through placements. Plus, volunteering to work on the student newspaper or radio station would be beneficial for you and your CV.

Our graduates also work as part of the growing independent radio sector, building on the contacts they made while at University and carving out careers for themselves across the broadcast spectrum.

Journalism and media graduates also find employment outside the industry. These employers include media companies, PR consultancies, communications agencies, charities and marketing organisations.

### Related study

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The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

### DID YOU KNOW?

Exposure Radio is a major project involving students from a range of courses, including BA (Hons) Journalism. Students broadcast a mix of music, entertainment, news and documentaries from the University's industry-standard radio studios in Cardiff.

## BA (Hons) Media, Culture and Journalism

**This degree focuses on the relationship between the media and society, its political significance, and its role in understanding who we are.**

Although there is an emphasis on theory, you can develop your practical skills in specific areas. Thanks to this mix, our graduates have in-depth subject knowledge and strong analytical skills that are valued in the media.

Our staff have extensive professional experience in the media, while those teaching on our theory-based modules are world-leading researchers.

### Key content

In the first year, you'll be introduced to key themes in media, culture and journalism, through the practices and theory of newspapers, cinema, television, the internet, popular music and other media. You'll engage in

discussions and workshops, and you can choose to take a media production module that puts this theory into practice.

Second year study explores the relationship between media and audiences, the power of media institutions, the relationship between journalism and society, the expanding role of digital and social media, consumer cultures, and the nature of media fandom. Specialist training is available in media research skills, as well as another media production module.

You'll complete a dissertation on a topic of your choice in your final year, and choose modules that reflect the interests and expertise you have developed. Specialist modules may cover topics such as music in a digital age, international media, media and business, and press relations.

**UCAS code:** PP35

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)

## BA (Hons) Journalism

**On this exciting and challenging course, we'll teach you everything you need to know to go out there and work as a professional journalist. Our graduates have advanced communication skills and know how to tell stories using any media.**

You'll learn traditional skills that underpin all journalism, along with multimedia skills to make you more employable. These technical skills include camera work, audio recording, editing, page layout software, as well as an understanding of media law.

Three weeks' work experience is a vital part of this course, plus we'll help you publish your work and build your CV. Court visits are integral, as are your interview techniques, which are developed during live newsday simulations, including an annual press conference.

This degree is accredited by the Broadcast Journalism Training Council (BJTC), which oversees training in broadcast and digital journalism.

### Key content

Working with the latest equipment, you'll have access to our HD television studio, newsrooms, local and student radio stations.

You'll learn how to find, write, edit and produce news and features for print media, radio, television and the internet. To support this, you'll learn about media law and ethics, and know how to apply this knowledge to your journalism. You'll also look at social media as a key aspect of communication.

Graduates have found positions at the BBC, ITV and S4C, as well as independent production companies like Made in Wales, Boomerang, Indus, Media Wales, South Wales Argus, Sky Sports and Sky News.

**UCAS code:** P500

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants will be required to attend an interview, which will include a test and interview. International students require an IELTS score of 7.5 or equivalent demonstration of ability in English (see page 189).

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)

**Accreditation:** Broadcast Journalism Training Council





## BA (Hons) Photojournalism

UCAS code: WP65

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Additional: Applicants will be required to attend an interview, to which they should bring a portfolio of relevant work.

Study: Full-time

Campus: Cardiff, ATRIUM (B)

**On this specialist degree, you'll learn how to operate as a professional photojournalist across different platforms, including newspapers and magazines, industry assignments, social media, marketing and PR.**

We offer you the chance to be current, innovative and free thinking. You'll learn how to be technically proficient, handle digital work flows confidently, investigate stories, think on your feet and how best to explore your personal interests through visual storytelling.

The degree covers news photography, reportage and journalism skills, and students are sent out on assignments from the very start. You'll cover news events, cultural and community events, celebrity events, and breaking news. There is an emphasis on developing your ability to communicate stories through a variety of visual approaches, and to create work for different formats and media platforms.

Through this course, you'll have a growing understanding of the role of photojournalism in shaping and reflecting the contemporary world. From the day you start, you'll work to tight deadlines that mirror professional

working conditions. Excellent links with industry mean that the course is heavily assignment-based to prepare you for professional life, and make your portfolio and experience broader and deeper.

### Key content

In year one, you'll explore aspects of storytelling and working with people. Journalism skills are taught by our journalism colleagues. With a clear focus on the media and social media, you can produce content in minutes.

Professional practice elements prepare you for work placements by developing your network and online presence, as well as business skills.

In the final year, you'll develop a portfolio of work in ready for graduation, alongside further professional practice sessions.

By the time you graduate, you'll be an independent thinker with the ability to work internationally. You'll also have built up two or three years of work experience, and you'll know how to deal with clients and work in a professional manner. You could pursue a career as a freelance photojournalist, corporate photographer, picture editor, picture researcher, unit stills photographer, image sales, or multimedia journalist.

## BA (Hons) Media Production

UCAS code: P301 | Bilingual pathway P310

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time

Campus: Cardiff, ATRIUM (B)



### CYMRAEG: WELSH

Gellir astudio dros draean o'r cwrs hwn trwy gyfrwng y Gymraeg, ac mae ysgoloriaethau penodol ar gael i fyfyrwyr sy'n dewis gwneud hynny. Cer i [www.decyrmru.ac.uk/cymraeg-de-cymru](http://www.decyrmru.ac.uk/cymraeg-de-cymru) i wybod mwy.

**If you want a career in the media industries, this hands-on course offers the skills and theoretical understanding you need. This degree concentrates on the three most important aspects of media production – TV, radio and new media.**

You'll begin studying all areas of production, gaining practical skills to produce content across different platforms and media. You can then specialise in TV, radio or new media, with awareness of how they intersect in the modern world. Theory modules enable critical thinking and discussion, leading to insightful productions.

In the final year, you'll work on a portfolio of creative work, which can lead to you contributing to the University's multimedia broadcast, 'Exposure'. You'll also create your own showreel. Together, they will become your calling card to industry.

This course also has a bilingual pathway, with the option to study 50% of the course through the medium of Welsh in year one, and further opportunities in years two and three.

### Key content

In the first year, you'll develop practical story-telling skills in radio, video, and interactive new media production. During your second year, you'll begin to specialise in creating content for multi-platform media experiences.

In the third year, you'll carry out a major media production project that combines your interests with essential skills, in a multimedia context. You'll also write a dissertation, where you can explore some of the theoretical ideas for which you have developed a passion. You'll also gain skills for business and entrepreneurship to prepare you for employment.

# LAW

**Law is a varied subject that affects every part of life. Knowledge of the law is empowering and leads to rewarding careers in countless fields.**

Law degrees at the University of South Wales prepare you for the workplace, whether that's within the legal world or in a related area. Our teaching is informed by actual practice and our modules reflect real-life trends.


## Facilities

The University of South Wales has impressive study facilities for law. These include a courtroom with digital video facilities, a legal practice library, and dedicated teaching and practice rooms. You can take part in a range of activities, including moots and mock trials in our Moot Court, which is modelled on those you will experience as a qualified practitioner.

The University's Legal and Financial Advice Clinic is part of our Cardiff Campus, and you can get involved in the Clinic during your studies. Under supervision, you can provide free legal advice to members of the public and small businesses. This will give you vital experience and build skills that are valued in any workplace, such as effective communication and team work.

## WHY WAIT?

Our LLB (Hons) Legal Practice (Exempting) degree means that if you want to be a solicitor, you can enter the profession in just three years instead of the traditional four years. Turn over to find out more.



Frederick Ero, LLB (Hons) Law student, undertaking professional work experience at the Legal and Financial Advice Clinic, Cardiff Campus

## Employability

Your studies here will give you specific knowledge of the law and how it is applied in the real world. Teaching methods vary from traditional lectures to online simulations. What you learn is informed by practice and reflects what happens in the workplace.

We work with national law firms to offer valuable work placements, where you can use your skills and understand the realities of the workplace. A placement will also contribute towards your degree. Firms involved in the scheme include Hugh James, Eversheds, Capital Law, Clarkslegal LLP, Blake Morgan LLP, Berry Smith LLP, Harding Evans, NewLaw, Howells, and many more.

We have a programme of high-profile guest speakers, whose talks will give you an insight into the practice of law and will help you understand the many career paths and roles available when you graduate.

There is also an active Student Law Society that arranges a range of activities for law students, including professional networking events with guest speakers from legal firms, visits to the Houses of Parliament and the Supreme Court, mooting classes as well as a number of social activities.

"I know we have a fantastic library and the law building is beautiful but the highlight for me is the lecturers. They are always available, willing to help you, and talk to you about your future prospects."

Ashlee Robinson,  
LLB (Hons) Law

## Start your legal career at the University of South Wales Come to an Open Day or visit: [southwales.ac.uk/law](http://southwales.ac.uk/law)



## Careers

A university law degree is the most adaptable of academic qualifications. Law graduates have an excellent record of employability because they are educated in logical thinking, the articulate expression of complex ideas, the composition and art of argument, and how to use evidence and rules.

LLB (Hons) Law graduates can use their degree as a first step towards becoming a solicitor or barrister, or as a route into careers in a wide variety of fields, including financial services, management, education and public services, or postgraduate study.

By graduation, LLB (Hons) Legal Practice (Exempting) students will also have completed their legal practice training, so they are able to enter into a training contract with a firm of solicitors as soon as they graduate.

Many law graduates go on to become solicitors or barristers, but many others use the qualification to enter successful careers in companies, academic research, the media, the civil service, local government, journalism, teaching, or campaign organisations.

# 98%

of our Law graduates are in  
employment or further study within  
six months of graduation  
(Graduate Survey 2013/14).

## Related study

Law with Criminology and  
Criminal Justice 44  
Law with Welsh in the  
Workplace 44

The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

## LLB (Hons) Legal Practice (Exempting)

**This degree has been officially validated by the Solicitors Regulation Authority and is the only one of its kind in England and Wales.**

If you want to be a solicitor, this is a great way to combine the academic and professional parts of your training.

This course combines an undergraduate law degree (LLB) with the requirements of the Legal Practice Course (LPC) over three years instead of the usual four. When you graduate, you'll be ready to enter a law firm as a trainee solicitor without undertaking a separate LPC.

You will study alongside students on the LLB (Hons) Law course in the first year. The professional element is spread over years two and three. Your third year is spent in Cardiff, studying alongside LPC students, where you can also work at our Legal and Financial Advice Clinic.

We designed this course in consultation with practising solicitors to give you the skills to become a highly employable lawyer.

### Key content

You will study the seven foundation modules required for qualifying law degree status (see LLB (Hons) Law opposite). The professional element (Legal Practice) is spread over the second and third years.

You will also develop legal research skills and choose modules from options that may include Family Law and Practice, Employment Law and Practice, Personal Injury Law, and Advanced Property Law.

Your learning will be supported by excellent facilities, including a Moot Court that's fully equipped with the latest digital facilities, a legal practice library, and dedicated teaching and practice rooms. You will also develop essential legal practice skills in our advice clinic such as interviewing, advocacy and drafting.

**UCAS code:** Y54M

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)  
(The third year is taught at Cardiff Campus, Atlantic House)



Legal and Financial Advice Clinic,  
Cardiff Campus



## LLB (Hons) Law

**UCAS code:** M100

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**This degree combines a balanced and stimulating legal education with practical skills and work-based learning.**

You will gain knowledge of the law and its application in the real world, learn how to analyse and solve problems, and be able to present logical, reasoned arguments. This emphasis on skills means you'll be ready for the challenges of any career.

This course is recognised as a qualifying law degree (QLD) for professional purposes in the UK. This means it satisfies the academic stage of training set by the Solicitors Regulation Authority and the Bar Standards Board for progression to the vocational stage; the Legal Practice Course (LPC) to become a solicitor, or the Bar Professional Training Course (BPTC) to become a barrister. If you have already decided on a career as a solicitor, you should consider our LLB (Hons) Legal Practice (Exempting) opposite.

### Key content

You will study seven foundation subjects such as Criminal Law, Contract and Problem Solving, Tort and Transactional Learning, Land Law, and Law of the European Union. You can also study optional modules such as Commercial and Consumer Law, Family Law, Employment Law, Cyber Law, Sports Law, Equality Law, and Medical Law. There is also an extended research project in the final year.

We encourage personal development through practical options and employability initiatives. As part of the work-based learning module, Learning through the Workplace, you will gain experience in a number of career settings, perhaps in our Legal and Financial Advice Clinic in Cardiff, advising clients on legal issues. On completion of appropriate modules, you can gain exemption from Part 2 of the Chartered Institute of Legal Executives (CILEx), enabling member status.

## LLB (Hons) Law (Major)

**UCAS code:** This depends on your subject combination – please contact the University or visit our website

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**This Major option allows you to study law as your main subject, alongside another subject.**

The course will enable you to develop legal knowledge and skills, and to combine this with study in a related discipline such as Criminology and Criminal Justice or Welsh in the Workplace.

This Major course is recognised as a qualifying law degree (QLD) for professional purposes in the UK. This means it satisfies the academic stage of training set by the Solicitors Regulation Authority and the Bar Standards Board for progression to the vocational stage; the Legal Practice Course (LPC) to become a solicitor, or the Bar Professional Training Course (BPTC) to become a barrister.


Many students combine law with another subject because it provides broader career options, while still being a qualifying law degree. Two thirds of

your time will be devoted to studying law and one third to your Minor subject. Find out more about combining subjects on page 44.

### Key content

You will study core law modules, including Criminal Law, Contract and Problem Solving, Tort and Transactional Learning, Land Law, and Law of the European Union. You will also study two modules each year from your Minor subject area, together with two optional law modules in your final year such as Criminal Evidence.

Your studies will offer intellectual development and essential skills for the workplace, including effective communication, and the ability to analyse and solve problems, and present logical, coherent arguments. If you opt for the work-based learning module, Learning through the Workplace, you could also gain experience in the workplace or in our Legal and Financial Advice Clinic in Cardiff.



"One of the topics I studied in year three was statistics. I enjoyed the subject because it applied to everyday life and I could use it to forecast results. I get to use and apply the knowledge that I gained in university on a day-to-day basis in my role as a Junior Consultant in Capacitas. I had a wonderful time at university. I would recommend that any prospective students go to an Open Day and check out what it has to offer!"

Rebeca Miller,  
BSc (Hons) Mathematics graduate  
Junior Consultant, Capacitas

# MATHEMATICS

**Mathematics is everywhere and everything. Most people don't realise that it's a key part of our everyday lives, from analysing businesses to predicting sporting success.**

If you have an analytical mind, can think logically and you enjoy the challenge of problem solving, a mathematics degree at the University of South Wales will develop a wide range of skills that are sought-after in many professions.

The University is widely recognised for its excellence in teaching, graduate employability and professional accreditations. We were named top in Wales for Mathematics in The Guardian League Table 2016.

Our degrees are accredited by the Institute of Mathematics and its Applications (IMA), which is the UK's

leading professional society for mathematics. Their recognition of our degrees underlines the high standard of education at the University. Our BSc (Hons) courses meet the educational requirement for Chartered status in part, while our MMath awards meet this requirement in full.

All our mathematics graduates are eligible for Associate membership of the IMA. Benefits include access to initial professional development, graduate training schemes, and news of job vacancies. Plus it's a great way to add to your professional credentials.

**97%**

of our BSc (Hons) Mathematics students were satisfied with their course (NSS 2015).

You won't be confined to the classroom during your studies at the University of South Wales. Students have enjoyed charity field trips to Uganda to teach mathematics and interact with pupils, as well as opportunities to engage with pupils from local schools who visit the University for events and revision conferences. These are great opportunities if you want to inspire young people in mathematics, or if you're thinking about a career in teaching.

"Before university, I believed maths was all about solving equations, now I know how maths can be applied to computing, puzzles, industry, biological populations and much more!"

Jared Gore,  
BSc (Hons) Mathematics graduate



## DID YOU KNOW?

Approximately half of our published research is classed as internationally excellent – this means you'll be taught by lecturers who are recognised around the world as being experts in their field (REF 2014).

### Facilities

Our students enjoy excellent subject-specific computing facilities that are designed to meet the needs of a modern mathematician. You will use a wide variety of data analytics, modelling and programming software that is in current use in both industry and academia. Software includes SAS, VBA, Maple, Matlab, Python and Witness. Students are taught techniques to model, analyse and solve real-world problems, as well as how to interpret and present their results to a professional standard.

### Employability

Our mathematics degrees focus on giving you the best chance of securing your dream job. Graduates have an excellent track record of gaining employment.

There are opportunities to spend up to a year in the workplace as part of your course. You can also take part in live projects and taster weeks, or choose a shorter three-month placement. This work experience in industry or commerce is an excellent way to start using your new skills and knowledge in real-life situations. Work experience can also help with your final-year studies and will look impressive on your CV – plus you'll have relevant experiences to talk about at interview.

We also offer MMath awards, where you study to Masters level as part of an undergraduate programme. These four-year courses allow top-performing students to distinguish themselves with advanced skills. If this sounds right for you, there are module details on our website.

### Careers

Mathematicians and statisticians are in high demand. A graduate survey by the IMA found that mathematics graduates earn approximately 25% above the graduate average and have the lowest levels of unemployment.

There are very few areas of modern life that don't rely on mathematics, so the demand for mathematicians, statisticians and mathematics teachers continues to grow. Many employers

value the skills you'll gain on a mathematics degree, such as refined problem solving and logical thinking.

Our graduates find employment in many branches of industry, commerce and public sector organisations. They are especially successful in areas that use mathematical modelling, coding and cryptography, software development, statistics, operational research, and teaching. Many also progress to further study or research at postgraduate level.

Our mathematics degrees could be the key to your future  
Come to an Open Day or go online talk module tasters:  
[southwales.ac.uk/mathematics](http://southwales.ac.uk/mathematics)

### Related study

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"My favourite part of the course was the wide range of modules available. It meant that we could tailor our degree to the areas of mathematics we were interested in, for example, finance or statistics. The support provided in the mathematics department was outstanding. The lecturers were always willing to give extra help with work set in tutorials. As well as leaving with a good degree, I have gained skills that have helped me find employment straight after graduating."

**Rianis Dickson,**  
**BSc (Hons) Mathematics graduate**  
**Associate Patent Examiner,**  
**Intellectual Property Office**





## BSc (Hons) | MMath Mathematics

**UCAS codes:** BSc (Hons) G100 | MMath 2J4C

**Typical offer:** Turn to page 191

**Additional:** An informal interview

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**Accreditation:** Institute of Mathematics and its Applications.



**Whether it's making a mobile phone secure, helping an endangered species survive, or analysing a successful business, mathematics is key.**

Almost all areas of human activity or advanced technologies need mathematics, so the demand for mathematicians continues to grow.

This course provides a solid grounding in the methods of modern applied mathematics and brings out the intrinsic beauty of mathematical ideas. You'll become an expert in logical thinking and develop refined problem-solving skills highly valued by employers.

See page 139 for more information about our MMath qualification.

### Key content

The first year provides a firm foundation in a range of mathematical areas by extending the material you encountered in core modules at A-level. You'll also be introduced to specialist mathematical software.

In subsequent years, you can specialise in areas of mathematics that best suit your interests and career aspirations. These include codes, cryptography, non-linear systems, financial mathematics, statistics, operational research, partial differential equations and financial modelling. In the third year, you are also able to take a teaching-based module that includes a school placement.

You'll be taught by active researchers and practising mathematicians, which ensures you are exposed to current real-world problems, methodologies, and industry-standard techniques and software. In your final year, you may also study a project under the supervision of a lecturer. Recent projects have even been published in international mathematical journals.

This course is relevant whether you wish to pursue a career in industry, government institutions, academia, or become a teacher.

## BSc (Hons) | MMath Computing Mathematics

**UCAS codes:** BSc (Hons) G201 | MMath GG20

**Typical offer:** Turn to page 191

**Additional:** An informal interview

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**Accreditation:** Institute of Mathematics and its Applications



**As technology develops, the demand for computer-literate mathematicians continues to expand.**

From understanding the behaviour of complex software to designing super-fast algorithms, mathematics is essential. A broad understanding of mathematics enables better and more efficient ways to solve real-life problems.

This course combines a solid understanding of the main areas of mathematics with computing and programming knowledge. Industry-standard programming packages are taught throughout the degree, alongside cutting-edge mathematical techniques to ensure you have the theoretical knowledge and practical skills to solve complex problems. See page 139 for more information about our MMath qualification.

Graduates can apply for an interesting variety of jobs in industry, finance and government institutions, and education.

### Key content

Your studies will explore the methods of modern applied mathematics, with an emphasis on how they can be used in computing.

You will gain a solid grounding in mathematics in the first year, initially building on material you encountered in core modules at A-level. You'll also develop expertise in a number of relevant, industry-standard computer packages and programming techniques.

From the second year onwards, you can specialise in areas of mathematics and computing that match your interests and career goals, such as computer graphics, artificial intelligence, pattern recognition, operational research, and cryptography. In your final year, you may complete a project in computing mathematics under the supervision of a lecturer. You'll also develop specialist skills through a mixture of mathematics and computer science modules, designed with your employment prospects in mind.

# MUSIC AND SOUND

Are you passionate about good music? Then you're in good company.

From commercial and creative songwriting, through to performance, production, entrepreneurship and technical expertise, we can help you prepare for a successful career in the industry.

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"I would say the best thing about studying at the University is the freedom to follow whatever path you want to go down in music – be it composing, performing, making installations or production – plus you can try all of those things if you're unsure. The fact that the tutors are so nurturing with your creative development and always pushing you to try new things is something I think is quite unique."

Elin Mair Sinnett,  
Music student

## Employability

Our courses are informed by cutting-edge industry professionals. This ensures you not only have a first-rate student experience, but are also fully prepared for work in the wider music industry when you graduate.

In addition to their teaching, the music and sound staff continue to work in music at the highest level. From this, they can share with you the skills, experience and expertise needed by the modern-day music practitioner.

## Facilities

You'll have access to purpose-built, fully kitted out recording studio and editing suites, along with dedicated practice rooms. All spaces are sound isolated and acoustically treated. There are band rehearsal rooms with Ampeg, Vox Marshall and Roland equipment, plus vocal mics and PAs, as well as recording studio suites, two of which have live rooms and control rooms.

Our facilities include industry-standard software and hardware, which will enhance your employability for roles such as producer or sound engineer.



Student rehearsals at music studio,  
Cardiff Campus

Masterclass on songwriting and collaboration by Grammy Award nominee, Amy Wadge, at Cardiff Campus



## DID YOU KNOW?

Music graduates, Owain Gwilym and Angharad Van Rijswijk, have enjoyed massive success and critical acclaim as Trwbador. Owain says: "Trwbador was conceived in the second year as an idea for a final project in the third year. After leaving university we continued to play gigs and make music, then luckily one of the tracks was used on a couple of adverts. My highlight since leaving university was playing Glastonbury."

### Careers

Our graduates work in a wide range of professions inside and outside the music industry. These include creative and commercial songwriting, production, management, engineering, studio and live session players, digital marketing, live event management and music education.

### Guest speakers

Our students enjoy regular visits from music professionals. Recent guests have included Greg Haver, Manic Street Preachers producer; Amy Wadge, Ed Sheeran's co-writer; Gruff Rhys, Super Furry Animals; Steve Sidelnyk, Madonna's drummer; and David McAlmont, singer and composer.

"I've thoroughly enjoyed studying here. This degree has been brilliant, as it has helped me to focus and develop all my skills, while teaching me many different methods that I can experiment with to find ways to increase my songwriting potential. Cardiff is a brilliant campus and the facilities available have been fantastic. As I am also a drummer, I've found having electric and acoustic drum kits easily at my disposal has been great, as they aren't the easiest instrument to have in student halls."

**Eleanor Boot,**  
Music student

**What will you choose? Go online for student projects, tutor profiles and to book on an Open Day:**  
[southwales.ac.uk/music](https://southwales.ac.uk/music)

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## BA (Hons) Creative Music Technologies

If you're interested in new and emerging ways of making music, this degree is a chance to be inventive in using audio technologies to create music and sound.

Some students are musicians with instrumental skills, while others focus more on using digital technology to create music. We encourage all students to be creative in using technology for professional music, sound and multimedia applications, and to investigate fresh musical ideas.

We nurture creative and technically skilled graduates for employment in the music industries. Your studies will explore the connections between music, sound and technology, opening up a range of professional music and sound careers.

Staff have worked as producers, songwriters, and music business experts. They have many different interests and areas of expertise, supporting students across a wide range of genres, traditions and practices.

### Key content

You'll learn how emerging technologies and digital platforms can be used to create performance, production, and sound design. You'll also develop your own creative voice, technical knowledge, and gain relevant practical skills.

The course builds towards a major project that prepares you for the professional work you plan to do after graduation.

You'll benefit from live performance opportunities and enjoy recording and production in state-of-the-art studios on campus, as well as links to studios, record industry professionals, and music companies in Cardiff and south Wales and the UK.

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UCAS code: 4F74

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time

Campus: Cardiff, ATRium (B)





## BA (Hons) Popular and Commercial Music

UCAS code: A8C2

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time

Campus: Cardiff, ATRiuM (B)

**This degree in popular and commercial music encourages you to develop your own voice and musical identity.**

Your studies will embrace popular and commercial music in its many forms and subgenres, from electronica to folk, urban, rock and cutting edge-pop. With an emphasis on original work, you'll learn how to collaborate with your fellow students in performance, songwriting and production.

The course welcomes diversity, collaboration and experimentation. So whatever your musical interests, you can extend your practice to gain skills relevant not only to employment in the music industry, but also to the wider creative industries.

Staff are experienced and high-profile professionals in their own right and many have worked as producers and songwriters.

### Key content

Through a stimulating collection of modules, you'll have to be innovative and engage with ideas that will enhance your

creative vision and critical thinking. You'll understand form and content in popular music, songwriting, the business of music, and artist development and imagery. You'll also gain studio and musicianship skills, know how to network and adapt your skills to the market. Through live briefs linked to music industry practices you'll understand what it takes to be a professional musician.

There are plenty of live performance opportunities in the excellent facilities on campus and in external music venues. Studying in the heart of Cardiff, you can develop links with studios, record industry professionals, and music companies in the city, south Wales, and the rest of the UK. In your final year, you'll plan and perform at your own music festival too.

There are regular visits from music professionals. Recent guests have included Greg Haver, Manic Street Preachers producer; Amy Wadge, Ed Sheeran's co-writer; Gruff Rhys, Super Furry Animals; and Steve Sidelnik, Madonna's drummer.

## BSc (Hons) Sound Engineering

UCAS code: J991 | Bilingual pathway J938

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time | Sandwich

Campus: Cardiff, ATRiuM (B)

**Accreditation:** This course is accredited by JAMES on behalf of the Association of Professional Recording Services, UK-Screen and the Music Producers Guild



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**The music, film, television and multimedia industries all need skilled sound engineers to ensure that performances and programmes sound professional.**

Your studies here will include studio recording and production, live sound engineering, computer-based audio creation, audio electronics and acoustics, post-production, multimedia, and you'll learn about the music, sound and multimedia industries.

This degree offers you plenty of hands-on experience in key practical elements and was designed in consultation with industry experts. To ensure you become an independent, thinking practitioner in sound engineering, we also help you develop research and critical skills. This combination of theory and practice means you have a good mix of skills for employment and can build a career in any area of sound.

### Key content

Throughout the course you'll have opportunities to study recording studio engineering, synthesis and computer-based audio, audio electronics, the history of sound and music, and live sound engineering.

You'll use industry-standard equipment and software, and enjoy a practical degree experience with a solid theoretical base. This will give you essential knowledge and skills for a successful career in sound and music.

You'll also study elements of business, which will not only help you understand the industry better, but will also give you the knowledge for self-employment.



Performance in progress, music studio

## BMus (Hons) Contemporary Music Performance

UCAS code: W315

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants will be invited for interview, during which they will be asked to deliver a practical audition comprising the performance of a short instrumental piece, or song (if vocalists).

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRIUM (B)

**This degree is designed for those who wish to become professional musicians. It will develop your skills so you can work as a versatile musician and polished performer, able to respond and adapt to a range of differing professional music contexts.**

Your studies will enable you to perform, produce and collaborate. You'll polish the technical aspects of your studio skills, while learning about the industry.

Performing in Cardiff's vibrant music scene is part of your student experience, and you'll be inspired by high-calibre masterclasses and events.

You will be encouraged to work with students from other disciplines and will benefit from the creative community you can access through the University of South Wales.

### Key content

Practical activities are key to this course. You will hone your performance skills and techniques during workshops and experience a wide range of musical genres. You will work solo and in collaboration with fellow students. You'll undertake sessions in harmony and theory, as well as transcribing.

Understanding the music industry is essential for all performers, so we'll share our knowledge and experience with you.

By your final year, you'll have a professional portfolio that showcases your best work. You can work on several independent projects to develop your expertise and prepare to launch your musical career.

## BA (Hons) Music Business

UCAS code: W370

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRIUM (B)

**If you have a passion for music and making things happen, this degree is a chance to explore the many avenues available in the music business, be entrepreneurial and develop your specialist business skills.**

Students come from a range of backgrounds, sharing the common goal of wanting to develop a career in the music industry. These career options include label management, music accounting, A&R, event management, publishing, artist development, marketing and radio.

Real-world music projects in the vibrant music scene of Cardiff and south Wales will be part of your student experience. You'll be encouraged to work with students from other disciplines, benefiting from the creative community you'll have access to at the University.

### Key content

Through a comprehensive collection of modules, you'll learn how to analyse, collaborate and create. You'll also learn key principles of management and a range of business skills, all the while surrounded by artists and crafting real-world music projects. There is also a roster of carefully selected guest lecturers.

We'll help you grasp key principles of management and a wide range of business skills, alongside examining the effects of technology on the music industry and learning how to navigate legal, contractual and moral issues. You'll explore the A&R process from creation to realisation, as well as becoming a financial planner, market analyst and promotions strategist. Our carefully selected, high-calibre guest lectures will frequently energise and inspire you.

This degree has a clear emphasis on entrepreneurial skills and strategic career development, culminating in a final year project that could be the start of your bright career in the music business.

# PHOTOGRAPHY

We offer distinct courses in this area: Documentary Photography and Photography. Join us and, you could join the ranks of our graduates who work as professional photographers all over the world.

We have taught photography, including documentary photography, at the University for over 100 years. The University draws on its rich heritage in this subject to offer exciting photographic education and research that reflects and responds to the needs of the creative industries in the 21st century.

The substantial reputations of the University's photography practitioners and researchers is widely recognised in world of photography, and the associated creative and cultural industries.

## Facilities

Here at the University of South Wales, we aim to offer students an environment and equipment that replicates and rivals that found in professional studios.

We offer students comprehensive loans of specialist equipment through our dedicated media stores, including a range of cameras and lighting kits.

Studios at our Cardiff Campus have convenient, flexible access, as do our digital post-production spaces. Other facilities include dedicated photographic lighting studios and small, medium and large format cameras, and professional-level printers.

## DID YOU KNOW?

Documentary Photography graduate Simon Norfolk has been described as 'the leading documentary photographer of our time' and his work features in the Tate Modern museum London as part of their 2014 centenary project.



Tim Smith, BA (Hons) Documentary Photography



**Employability**

To experience the demands and expectations of this rich and diverse industry, you'll engage with live projects. You could also take part in Erasmus exchange schemes, or travel overseas to further contextualise your photographic work. Not only will this enrich your graduate profile, but it will broaden your perspective and expand your network of contacts.

Examples of companies we work with include Magnum Photos and Multistory, Willis Newson, Ally Capellino, Huit Denim, Quinn Radiators, Sebastian Professional, Crisis Homeless Charity, Disability Sport Wales, and Seren Group, as well as various partner European institutions and galleries.

You'll also benefit from regular lectures from high-profile guests, engage with symposia and masterclasses, and make close professional associations with major institutions that include Magnum Photos, Canon, and many galleries and publishing houses.



Sebastian Bruno,  
BA (Hons) Documentary  
Photography

“Photography at the University of South Wales endorsed a very diverse approach in which I was able to develop my own practice under excellent guidance. I do not feel that I could have had a better experience at another University. The tutors are not only exceptionally supportive, but encourage students to mature in their chosen fields and prepare for employment.”

**Oliver Norcott,**  
BA (Hons) Photography

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**Careers**

Our graduates have gone on to forge successful careers at some of the biggest names in the industry, both in the UK and overseas. The continued success of photography graduates entering a significant career in the workplace is widely acknowledged by the industry.

Career opportunities are available in a wide range of forms, with many of our former students working as documentary photographers, as artist practitioners, or applying their photographic skills in advertising, fashion and film.

Popular employers include large broadcasters such as the BBC, Channel 4 and Sky, websites, independent production companies, advertising and marketing agencies, or public sector organisations. Other students choose to continue to postgraduate study and research with the renowned European Centre for Photographic Research, which is based at the University.

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**Go online for tutor profiles and to be inspired by our students' work: [southwales.ac.uk/photography](http://southwales.ac.uk/photography)**

## BA (Hons) Photography

**At a time when everyone carries a camera and photography is part of everyday life, the demand for expertise has never been greater.**

Photography embraces everything from commercial image making in areas such as fashion, editorial or advertising, through to exhibition-based art practice. This variety is reflected in our programme of study, which is one of the most highly regarded in the UK.

We offer this exciting and innovative course in contemporary photography, through which you can develop your own photographic voice and approach.

### Key content

Our degree takes a broad approach to photography. This allows you to nurture your creativity and work towards a specialist area. You'll gain skills in digital photography and traditional analogue techniques, as well as in other related media such as moving image and sound.

All practical modules will develop your technical skills and cultivate your creativity, whether that's in fashion, advertising or fine-art photography. We work closely with commercial and artistic clients to produce live briefs, which are opportunities to work on 'real world' briefs and assignments that will boost your employment prospects.

This mainly practical degree is underpinned by the history of photography and visual culture, and as well as contextual elements. Studying these will encourage you to think critically about photography and its impact on culture and society.

Many graduates are prominent figures in the industry. Recent alumni include Matt Damsell, Senior Digital Designer at River Island; Lucy Gold, freelance interior stylist and photographer; Lisa-Jane Meates, freelance commercial photographer; and Michelle James, Photographic Manager at Kurt Geiger.

**UCAS code:** PW36

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants will be required to attend an interview, to which they should bring a portfolio of relevant work.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)

## BA (Hons) Documentary Photography

**This degree has been established internationally as one of the premier courses at which to study to become a documentary photographer. With over 100 years of photography teaching at the University, we have a long and distinguished history.**

Our definition of 'documentary' is broad. It blends the traditions of documentary storytelling with innovations in photography. You'll learn how to think critically and independently, and you'll gain the technical skills to communicate your ideas in the most effective way.

Your studies will be demanding but exciting. You'll experience the professional world of photography through lectures, workshops, seminars and field trips. You'll understand what it means to be a documentary photographer and be ready to start your career in the industry.

Here, you'll benefit from regular lectures from high-profile guests, masterclasses, and close professional associations with

major institutions, galleries and publishing houses. You can also take part in project-led field trips, study abroad with our partner institutions, and work with staff on live research projects.

### Key content

You'll learn how to work independently as a documentary photographer, able to photograph confidently around subjects that interest you and develop research skills for picture essays on a range of subjects.

Subjects are photographed over extended periods and you'll be expected to produce work to professional standards. Live projects include collaboration with photobook designers and internationally active visiting photographers.

The final year is seen as a professional year. You'll produce an ambitious body of work and respond to a live professional brief to prepare you for the photographic industry.

**UCAS code:** 7G84

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants will be required to attend an interview, to which they should bring a portfolio of relevant work.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Cardiff, ATRium (B)

David Reeves,  
BA (Hons) Photography



# POLICE SCIENCES

**A career in policing and security means you'll work towards creating and maintaining a safe and just society.**

Our degree supports the needs of police services, law enforcement agencies and the private security industry.

## Employability

Your studies will help you prepare for jobs in the police or security services. You'll not only develop the skills to operate effectively in a number of law enforcement and security roles, but you'll also know how to manage and lead within these organisations.

For effective policing in the real world, you need to know how to apply the theory you learn in the classroom, so scenario exercises are used to develop vital skills for the workplace. Our consultation with employers suggests that this practical ability is essential, so it will stand you in good stead when you apply for jobs after graduation.

If you want more practical experience, we recommend you apply to the Special Constabulary of your chosen force. Some students have also been involved in the

"Twice a year you are assessed through a process called 'interactives'. These assessments mimic the role plays you must complete during the Police Recruit Assessment Centre. I truly believe that the interactives I did with the University enabled me to successfully pass the role play scenarios with the Metropolitan Police."

Charlotte Jennings,  
BSc (Hons) Police Sciences

Police Student Volunteer Scheme with South Wales Police. You'll also hear from police and security practitioners, which will help you identify areas for career development after you graduate.

## Facilities

University facilities for policing students are outstanding. They will boost your learning experience and help you put your knowledge into practice in realistic settings.

We are one of the few universities in the world to have an integrated immersive learning facility – the Hydra Simulation Suite. This technology helps you practise dealing with realistic scenarios such as major crime enquiries and critical incidents. The simulation suite allows you to experience these incidents in a safe learning environment, where you can test your ability to make decisions, take action and see the consequences.

Our Crime Scene House is where you can practise your crime scene investigation techniques on campus. We also have forensic facilities where you can explore and analyse forensic evidence, and interview rooms with sophisticated CCTV systems so you can observe and assess your interview skills.

## Careers

Our graduates can be found serving in police and armed forces throughout the UK and overseas, putting the skills they learned at the University to good effect.

Recent graduates have found employment in police forces that include the Met, Thames Valley, Avon and Somerset, Wiltshire, Gloucestershire, South Wales, and Gwent. Many graduates are police officers, while some are police staff and community support officers.

Graduates have also found employment in the prison service and other criminal justice agencies, as well as management positions in private industry and commerce. You will also develop skills that are essential to a range of jobs in many different areas – like data analysis, problem solving, people management, communication, and dealing with difficult situations.

## DID YOU KNOW?

**Our Hydra Simulation Suite is used to train police officers at all levels – from Constable to Chief Constable. This means our students use exactly the same system that police use to train their staff to be better police officers.**

**Investigate your options. Come to an Open Day or go online: [southwales.ac.uk/police](https://southwales.ac.uk/police)**

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## BSc (Hons) Police Sciences

UCAS code: F410

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time

Campus: Pontypridd, Glynthaff (A)

Available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

### CYMRAEG: WELSH

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This degree will prepare you for the challenges of modern policing and related professions, such as the UK Border Agency, security organisations (MI5/MI6), the National Crime Agency, HM Revenue and Customs, the military police, and private organisations that provide a policing function.

You'll develop knowledge and practical applications of criminal law, scenes of crime, criminology, police management, and the latest aspects of criminal investigation. You'll also gain policing and management skills for use at all levels, from managing yourself to planning large policing operations.

What you learn is enhanced by practical exercises and visiting speakers, including serving police officers. These will give you a detailed understanding of policing and what it takes to be an efficient police officer.

As part of the course, you can gain the Certificate in Knowledge of Policing, which is currently required as a pre-join qualification for a number of UK police

forces. You can find out more about this and other initiatives, such as the Advanced Specials Programme and Prepared Candidate Status, on our website.

#### Key content

If you want to join the police service, this degree will help prepare you for job opportunities in this sector. We devised the course by consulting with the police service and the College of Policing, so what you learn is relevant and meets specific requirements set by police forces, including the Certificate in Knowledge of Policing.

You will immerse yourself fully in the practical aspects of learning in our Hydra Simulation Suite and fully equipped interview rooms.

#### Key modules include:

- Police duties and law
- Performance and development
- Introduction to criminalistics (scenes of crime)
- Management skills for police officers
- Forensic evidence and the justice system
- Investigation management and operational planning



Oliver Grant and Jemma Dicks were Police Sciences students who also worked as Special Constables.

**96%**  
of our BSc (Hons) Police Sciences students are in employment or further study within six months of graduation (Graduate Survey 2013/14).

# PSYCHOLOGY

**Psychology is the scientific study of the mind and behaviour. It tries to understand and explain how we think, act and feel.**

Psychologists apply their expertise to problems and situations in everyday life, from managing stress, health and mental illness, to personal development, social interaction and sport.

The University of South Wales is recognised for excellent teaching facilities and professional accreditations. You'll graduate with a wide variety of skills and an understanding of people that can make a real difference in the world.

Our academic staff are involved in research, so you'll be taught by staff at the forefront of their specialist fields. Tutors specialise in a range of fields, including developmental disorders across the lifespan, health behaviour and sport psychology.



## DID YOU KNOW?

You could gain clinical experience on campus – every undergraduate student is guaranteed a six-week placement in our Behaviour Analysis Clinic. There are even additional placements if you want to build on your experience.

"My course has dedicated modules to help us improve our employability skills, including CVs and placement opportunities. During our placement we are required to reflect on our skills and experience, which will help us in the future with our chosen career."

Daisy McMahon,  
BSc (Hons) Psychology



Psychology Suite, Pontypridd Campus

## DID YOU KNOW?

Psychology students have their own society, so you can meet up and experience psychology outside the classroom.

### Facilities

We have purpose-built psychology laboratories where you can develop your practical psychology skills. A range of tools are available, including eye-tracking equipment and electroencephalography (EEG) machines. There are also interview and observation rooms that you can use to conduct experiments and tests.

The University was the first institution in the UK to offer a wide range of psychological services to the public. Services offered at our clinic include play therapy, behaviour analysis, autism services, and health and sport psychology interventions.

### Related study

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The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

### Employability

Our single Honours and major psychology degrees are fully accredited by the British Psychological Society for the Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership (GBC). This is the first step towards becoming a Chartered Psychologist and will enhance your CV.

We are committed to making you employable and it's built into your study. All taught modules have clear skills outcomes, which are linked to the skills employers want from graduates.

Practical work placements are a compulsory part of all our courses, plus there are internship opportunities available in all years of study. Sport Psychology students, for example, could work with elite athletes as part of their final year studies.

Some courses offer an opportunity to study abroad at a partner university in Europe on an Erasmus exchange, or at a university in the USA or Australia. This would add an extra perspective to your studies and boost your confidence.

### Careers

Psychology has a broad range of applications in everyday life, so graduates have career options in a variety of fields. Many graduates also progress to postgraduate study or specialist professional training in psychology.

You'll develop additional skills that employers value, such as problem solving, analytical skills, communication and presentations, report writing, numeracy and teamwork. These can be transferred to other careers, including human resources management, teaching, social work, business, journalism, marketing, and police work.

Discover psychology at the University of South Wales  
Go online for module tasters, tutor profiles, student stories and more: [southwales.ac.uk/psychology](http://southwales.ac.uk/psychology)

## BSc (Hons) Psychology

Psychology is the scientific study of behaviour and mental processes. It has a broad scope and influences many other disciplines in the biological and social sciences.

On this course, you'll study the major approaches in psychology, including social, cognitive, biological, and developmental psychology, neuroscience and research methods. You'll also develop practical psychology skills in our purpose-built laboratories.

A key element is the hands-on experience you'll gain throughout your studies. You'll be offered clinical experience on campus and have access to a range of exciting opportunities, including completion of specialist short courses, professional certificates and work placements – another great boost to your CV.\*

This course is accredited by The British Psychological Society (BPS), so if you graduate with 2:2 Honours or higher, you'll be eligible for the Graduate Basis

for Chartered Membership. This is the first step towards becoming a Chartered Psychologist and is vital if you want to continue professional postgraduate training in psychology.

### Key content

In the first year you'll study key modules, including Introducing Psychology, Methods and Evidence in Psychology, and Psychology Applications. In year two, you'll investigate psychological theories in greater depth through the Understanding and Researching Psychology module. You'll also learn how to apply psychological theories in real life through Psychology in Practice.

As a single Honours student, you'll have the widest choice of topics in the third year, including clinical, forensic, occupational, and health psychology, cognitive neuroscience, adolescence and ageing, and psychology and identity. You can also investigate an area of psychology in depth through a dissertation.

UCAS code: C800

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time | Part-time

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

Accreditation: The British Psychological Society



\*A valid Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check may be required (additional costs apply)

"Learning how psychology is applied in the real world, by those who actually apply it, has been a really enjoyable experience. I can look forward to a career in psychology with confidence."

Freya Bancroft,  
BSc (Hons) Applied  
Psychology





## BSc (Hons) Psychology (Major)

**UCAS code:** This depends on your subject combination – contact the University or visit our website

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**Accreditation:** The British Psychological Society



**Studying Psychology in combination with another subject can enhance your knowledge and skills for a wide range of career options.**

Having two-thirds of your degree in Psychology and one third in your Minor subject can be useful for specific career paths. For example, for careers in forensic psychology or the prison service you might choose a Minor in Criminology and Criminal Justice, or study a Minor in Counselling for careers in counselling, while a Minor in Education\* would prepare for further training to be a teacher. There's a list of psychology combinations on page 155, some specialist Minor options are listed below, and more information about combining subjects can be found on page 44.

You'll also have access to a range of exciting opportunities, including specialist short courses, professional certificates and clinical placements on campus.\*

This course is recognised by The British Psychological Society (BPS) for the Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership, which is the first step towards becoming a Chartered Psychologist. You'll have the same career options as other psychology graduates and will be eligible to apply for specialist professional training, provided you achieve 2:2 Honours or higher.

### Key content

Psychology modules include Introduction to Psychology, Methods and Evidence in Psychology, and Understanding and Researching Psychology.

You'll explore psychological theories across a wide range of approaches to the subject: cognitive, biological, historical, developmental, social and individual differences perspectives.

You'll gain practical research skills throughout your course. In the final year of your studies, as well as a choice of advanced modules, you'll also undertake a supervised dissertation project on a psychology topic that interests you.

\*A valid Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check may be required (additional costs apply)

## Psychology Minors

### BSc (Hons) Psychology with Behaviour Analysis: A3D6\*

This specialist option provides practical skills in applied behaviour analysis. You'll gain a solid knowledge of how behaviour analysis is used to understand the causes of challenging behaviour, and how to develop therapeutic interventions to manage this behaviour.

You can complete work and voluntary placements with a range of organisations, including local pupil referral units, primary and secondary schools, local health boards and youth offending teams. In your final year, you can also design, implement and evaluate a behaviour change intervention.

### BSc (Hons) Psychology with Developmental Disorders: 9WQ3\*

As well as psychology, you'll learn about a range of developmental disorders, including dyslexia, dyspraxia and autism. This includes assessment, understanding, intervention, and safeguarding children and young people. As part of your studies, you'll complete placements in educational settings such as local schools and pupil referral units.

Graduates can consider careers in educational psychology after professional experience and postgraduate study, PGCE courses, or further study in special educational needs, occupational therapy, or speech and language therapy.

### BSc (Hons) Psychology with Counselling: 3A8U


This course combines psychology with integrative approaches to counselling, including person-centred and compassion-focused approaches. You'll be introduced to a range of therapeutic approaches, including cognitive, behavioural and person-centred approaches, before specialising in integrative approaches.

This degree is an excellent foundation if you are considering a career in the social care sector. Graduates can build careers in clinical and counselling psychology in particular, after postgraduate experience and possibly Masters-level study.



### FIND OUT MORE

For more information, including entry requirements, please visit our website: [southwales.ac.uk/courses](http://southwales.ac.uk/courses)



"We have an appointed placement officer who finds us our work placements for each academic year. In the second year I worked in a primary school with children on the autistic spectrum, as you are required to do one school setting as part of the degree."

**Harvey Gardner,**  
BA (Hons) Creative and Therapeutic Arts

## BSc (Hons) Sport Psychology

UCAS code: C601

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time | Part-time

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

Accreditation: The British Psychological Society



**Sport psychology seeks to understand the psychological factors that affect the behaviour of individuals, teams or organisations in sport, and how lifestyle issues can influence wellbeing and performance.**

You'll study the main areas of psychology and specialise in sport aspects as you progress. To complement your psychology studies, you'll have an introduction to physiology and you can choose modules from our Sport and Exercise Science course. This will enhance your employability and give you an all-round understanding of the field.

There are many exciting opportunities that can be used to boost your CV and impress future employers. You could study abroad, complete specialist short courses, professional certificates and undertake clinical placements on campus.\*

Accredited by The British Psychological Society (BPS), this degree is an ideal pathway into the profession, and graduates with 2:2 Honours or higher are eligible for the Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership. This is the first stage of qualifying as a sport psychologist.

### Key content

Taught by experts who are active researchers and consultants, with experiences of the past four Paralympic and Olympic Games, we focus on applying theoretical knowledge to real-world sporting situations.

During the first two years of study, your modules will focus on the core elements of a BPS-accredited degree scheme, plus introductory physiology and sport psychology modules. Year three has a large emphasis on building transferable skills such as interviewing and presentation skills, and you may have the opportunity to conduct a needs analysis of a sports performer.

\*A valid Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check may be required (additional costs apply)

## BA (Hons) Creative and Therapeutic Arts

UCAS code: WX93

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** Applicants to attend an interview. An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check is required (additional cost applies). You will need to produce a portfolio of your work.

Study: Full-time

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**If you're passionate about art and believe in the potential for creative practices to improve wellbeing, this course provides the opportunity to develop your future practice in community and educational settings.**

Whether you're interested in fine art, design, craft or creative community engagement, this course encompasses a wide variety of creative disciplines. You'll be taught by experts at the forefront of the creative and therapeutic arts workforce, who will provide you with an excellent platform to gain experience of working creatively with others.

The course has three distinct areas of study – art practice, professional practice placement, and theoretical input. You'll be encouraged to make meaningful connections between each core subject to become a creative arts practitioner.

### Key content

Your first year focuses on building a creative learning community among

your fellow students to support you throughout your studies. You'll work independently and collaboratively with your peers, sharing knowledge and constructively critiquing each other's work. You'll also undertake a placement in an educational setting.

In the second year, you'll be offered opportunities to diversify. Theoretical modules include Working in Diverse Settings, Collaboration and Participation in the Arts, and Application of Therapeutic Principles. This learning is developed, applied and assessed while you work creatively and therapeutically on a placement.

The final year provides scope for you to hone your identity as a creative arts practitioner. You'll be able to undertake independent study to refine your chosen specialist area and there are further placement opportunities in community, education and health settings. This year culminates in a public art exhibition.

# PUBLIC SERVICES

Public services are vital to society and our everyday lives. From refuse and recycling to 999 calls, we'd be in big trouble without them.

If you want to make a difference to day-to-day life in your local community, or make an impact at national or even global level, our Public Services degree will help you make your mark.

Your studies here will give you an insight into what it takes to run these services we rely on. Looking at issues of power and decision-making, you'll investigate how decisions come about, who makes them and what difference they make in the real world.

As part of your degree, you can also study abroad for up to a year in Europe, the USA, or further afield. Studying abroad is a great boost to your learning and your CV. You'll gain an international perspective and become more independent and confident. Plus, the time you spend overseas can count towards your degree when you return.

**You'll be invited to events where you can network with like-minded people and keep up-to-date with the latest trends in the public sector**

## Employability

We pride ourselves on courses that are relevant to the real world. Our links with the public sector and industry mean that our teaching is informed by actual practice, and our modules are regularly updated to reflect real-life trends.

We give you every opportunity to apply what you learn to real life, whether through case studies based on actual scenarios, or during a work placement opportunity embedded into the second year of your studies. There are also many added extras that can boost your prospects when you enter the workplace.

We include a number of activities and trips as part of the course. These include team building exercises with outside organisations such as the armed forces, and we have also visited the Houses of Parliament and the National Assembly for Wales. We often invite speakers from local public organisations, which will relate what you're learning to the real world of public services. It will also give you an insight into the many careers available when you graduate, helping you choose which path to take.

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## DID YOU KNOW?

In terms of impact, we are eighth in the UK for world-leading research in social policy and criminology – this means you'll be taught by lecturers who are at the forefront of their fields (REF 2014).

As a public services student, you will be invited to attend events where you can network with like-minded people and keep up-to-date with the latest trends in the public sector. Our Public Affairs Forum brings together leading speakers to address key public issues before an invited audience of senior personnel from across the public, private and voluntary sectors in Wales.

## Careers

At the University of South Wales, our modules have clear skills outcomes that are specifically linked to the skills employers want from graduates. This will give you the confidence to succeed in your chosen profession following graduation.

Our students go on to work in a range of public service fields. Recent graduates have entered careers that include prison officer, trainee paramedic, retained fire fighter, police call handler, housing officer, youth worker, and teacher.

The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

**Want to make a difference? Go online for module tasters, tutor profiles, and to book on an Open Day: [southwales.ac.uk/public](http://southwales.ac.uk/public)**





"The course provided me with a great opportunity to progress through the Fire Service. I have developed skills for management roles, which will give me the edge over other candidates."

Ben Croxall,  
BA (Hons) Public Services

## BA (Hons) Public Services

UCAS code: L430

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

HND Public and Emergency Services, is also available.

**Public services affect our day-to-day lives in many ways; from the collection of refuse to community regeneration, and the protection provided by the emergency services and the health service.**

On this course, you'll explore how these services operate and the challenges they face in the 21st century, preparing you for a career in this important and diverse sector.

A key feature of your studies is the link between theory and practice. Learning is often based on real-life data, as well as examples and case studies from public, voluntary and community organisations. This ensures that what you learn is relevant to the workplace and situations you may encounter when you graduate.

You'll also be encouraged to undertake a short-term placement during your studies. You could get the chance to work with public sector organisations

such as the NHS. This valuable opportunity will ensure you're equipped with skills needed by employers when you graduate.

### Key content

You'll study modules such as:  
• Organisation and behaviour in the public sector • Public affairs • Equality and diversity • Poverty, inequality and social exclusion • Society: problems and solutions • Public services law • Strategy and leadership

You can also specialise in areas that interest you most, choosing from modules such as Emergencies Disasters and Transport, Violence and Conflict, or Policing.

You'll be able to develop your leadership and teamwork skills, and put them to the test in the Brecon Beacons National Park. You can also undertake work experience and career planning modules, and gain the Certificate of Knowledge of Policing.

# RELIGIOUS STUDIES

**Religious studies is a fascinating subject that examines different cultures, belief systems, and philosophical and ethical theory.**

It helps you understand people and the world by appreciating diversity and how powerful these differences can be.

At the University of South Wales, you can study a broad range of faiths, including Buddhism, Hinduism, Judaism, Jainism, Islam, Sikhism and Christianity.

## Employability

Throughout your studies, you will develop key skills valued by employers. Field trips are also an integral part of this course, where you can experience the sights and cultures of countries in Europe and further afield (additional costs apply). Many students have found these trips were a life-changing experience that broadened their horizons.

You will also benefit from strong, contemporary course content, so your studies will be relevant to life here and now, and not simply in the past.

We have good links with several universities overseas, and there are opportunities to study for a semester in Europe or the USA. Your studies will benefit from these new perspectives, while you'll become more confident and independent too.

"I've loved the course here! It's been amazing, learning about different cultures and philosophies. The tutors have been so friendly and helpful."

Alex Lewis,  
BA (Hons) Religious Studies

## Careers

Religious studies graduates are valued by many organisations because of their critical and analytical skills, as well as their deep understanding of different cultures and ethical perspectives.

We live in a multi-cultural society, so people with an understanding of different cultures, their beliefs and values, as well as the ability to think for themselves, are attractive to employers.

Graduates can work in a variety of roles and in almost every employment sector. Careers in teaching, social services, the police, tourism, publishing and the civil service are just a few options for religious studies graduates to pursue.

## DID YOU KNOW?

**We're one of only a few universities in the UK to offer a module in Jainism – a little known but influential Indian religion.**



**Want to find out more about religious studies?  
Come to an Open Day or go online:  
[southwales.ac.uk/religious](http://southwales.ac.uk/religious)**

The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

Tashi Lhumpo Tibetan Monks  
on a visit to the University



### DID YOU KNOW?

You can visit many faith groups in different parts of the world to find out from them how they live their lives.

## BA (Hons) Religious Studies

**UCAS code:** V627

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

“When I went to India in my second year as part of the course, I wanted to experience the culture first-hand. It was a fantastic, once in a lifetime opportunity.”

Keri Louise Hughes,  
BA (Hons) Religious Studies

Our Religious Studies degree provides you with the opportunity to gain a better understanding of why religion is never out of the headlines. You'll study a diverse range of religions as lived by communities locally and across the world.

Your studies will be brought to life with opportunities to visit places of worship at home and abroad (additional costs apply), and meet practitioners from a wide range of faiths and traditions. You will learn beyond the classroom as you gain a real insight into the diversity of religious expression.

Recent overseas trips have included visits to India and Nepal, where students have been able to directly observe, participate and hear different perspectives from religious specialists.

#### Key content

In the first year, you'll be introduced to Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism and Sikhism, and will

concentrate on living religion. You can also visit faith communities, hear from guest speakers and benefit from practical sessions.

In year two, you'll be introduced to a module on Jainism, which isn't offered by many universities, that supplements work on other Indian religions. You can complete an in-depth study of a faith community of your choice through a module on the anthropology of religion. You will also complete a placement in your chosen area of work.

Year three examines various developments in contemporary Buddhism, Hinduism, Christianity and Islam, exploring modern political thoughts and various forms of religious and feminist movements in a globalised world. A module on Religion, Culture and Film examines religion in its broadest sense, while Digital Religion emphasises the constantly changing nature of religion.

# SCIENCE

**A science degree provides a career for life. There are countless opportunities in many fields, all of which make a positive difference to people's lives.**

The University of South Wales has highly regarded science degrees in specialist areas, from Forensic Science to International Wildlife Biology. No matter what you choose to study, you'll gain the right skills, knowledge and practical experience to be an attractive candidate to employers.

## Employability

Professional bodies set the benchmark for employee standards and can unlock doors to high-level jobs. We build these standards into our degrees and many are accredited by the relevant professional body. This means that what you learn will give you an excellent preparation for your chosen field – you'll see details next to each course.

four-year courses allow top-performing students to distinguish themselves with advanced professional and technical skills. If this sounds right for you, there are module details on our website.

Our biology courses offer exciting fieldwork. As well as making use of the varied habitats on our doorstep, you may travel much further afield. In recent years, locations have included Honduras, South Africa, Portugal, Iceland, Botswana and Borneo (additional costs may apply for overseas fieldwork – visit our website for full details).

Many of our courses offer an undergraduate Masters (MSci or MBIol) as part of their programme. These

**94%**

of our Science graduates are in employment or further study within six months of graduation (Graduate Survey 2013/14).

"I thoroughly enjoyed my degree at the University of South Wales. We had great support from the lecturers and staff. Each module had theoretical and practical aspects, and the experience gained from both has been very beneficial for me. I have gained the knowledge and laboratory experience to confidently work in industry."

Emma Evans,  
BSc (Hons) Chemistry





Crime Scene Simulation,  
Pontypridd Campus

## DID YOU KNOW?

We were one of the first universities in the UK to offer a BSc (Hons) Forensic Science degree.

"The facilities won me over – the Crime Scene House is a fantastic learning facility. There was also the option to study forensic biology as a degree, which appealed to me greatly as my background had been in biology."

Jonathan Sage,  
BSc (Hons) Forensic Biology

### Careers

Skilled science graduates are in demand by employers. By delivering specialist subject knowledge, laboratory and field skills, our courses will unlock career opportunities throughout the sector. Our graduates have an excellent track record of securing employment within their specialist fields, while many choose to continue their studies and research at postgraduate level.

Studying science also teaches you how to question, investigate, report and communicate – which are skills valued highly in any workplace.

The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

### Facilities

We value a hands-on approach to study. Over recent years, we have invested £15m in our Alfred Russel Wallace laboratories for science students. You'll be taught in a modern, purpose-built learning environment and undertake practical work in specialist laboratories. This experience of industrial equipment and techniques will be an advantage when you apply for graduate jobs.

We're also proud of our facilities for forensic sciences students. Our analytical and forensic evidence laboratories have industry-standard instrumentation, which means you'll gain the practical skills that employers demand. You'll also learn in a multi-room crime scene house. This is a unique facility where you can experience realistic and challenging simulated crime scenes, learn how to process them, and evaluate evidence scientifically.

**What will you choose? Discover science at the University of South Wales – go online and book your place at an Open Day: [southwales.ac.uk/courses](https://southwales.ac.uk/courses)**

### DID YOU KNOW?

We are the only university in the UK that offers a BSc (Hons) Natural History degree.

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## BSc (Hons) | MSci Chemistry

Chemistry is involved in every part of our day-to-day lives – the medicines we take, the fuels we use, our food and clothing, even how we dispose of our waste.

Within this degree, we place an emphasis on analytical chemistry and modern aspects of chemical science, to develop your ability to apply the principles of chemistry to your career pathway.

Our BSc (Hons) Chemistry course is accredited by the Royal Society of Chemistry for partially meeting the academic criteria for Chartered Chemist (CCChem) status. This means that what you learn meets professional requirements and will make you a more attractive candidate to employers.

To enhance your skills and career potential, there is plenty of hands-on practical experience as part of your studies.

By studying our MSci course (see page 164), you can gain a greater breadth and depth of practical, technical and research skills to impress employers, with just one additional year of full-time study.

### Key content

- We have dedicated organic, inorganic and physical chemistry laboratories, as well as several instrumentation laboratories.

- Our courses provide a depth of practical experience that employers find highly attractive.

- Our chemistry facilities are on a par with those found in industry. Students make full use of the laboratories during their studies and gain hands-on experience using the extensive chemical equipment.

- Possible careers include industrial chemist, pharmaceutical scientist, forensic scientist, biochemist, cosmetic scientist, environmental scientist, medicinal chemist, metallurgist, teaching and lecturing, research and/or development scientist, public analyst, health and safety adviser.

- 100% of our chemistry students were satisfied with their course (National Student Survey 2015).

**UCAS codes:** BSc (Hons) F100 | MSci R529

**Typical offer:** BSc (Hons) Band 1 | MSci Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

**BSc (Hons) Accreditation:** Royal Society of Chemistry



BSc (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

## BSc (Hons) | MSci Pharmaceutical Science

The pharmaceutical industry is one of the largest employers of scientists in the UK. This degree will prepare you for a career in this industry.

There's a whole range of careers for pharmaceutical scientists, from discovering the next potent anti-viral compound to worldwide marketing, or from quality control to the legal world of regulatory affairs. It's a global industry that's ever-changing to meet new challenges in healthcare and medicine, as well as developments in research and production.

Our course content has a strong grounding in the chemical and biological sciences, complemented by industry-specific topics such as pharmaceutical regulation and quality assurance. To enhance your career potential, there is an emphasis on practical experience of techniques used in the pharmaceutical industry.

You can enter the workforce with experience of these techniques, while

our MSci will allow you to develop these by potentially taking an industry-directed major research project. This additional year will also allow you to gain further skills such as project management and entrepreneurship, alongside advanced pharmaceutical science topics. For more information about our MSci award, see page 164.

### Key content

- Employers regularly comment on our graduates' excellent analytical skills, enhanced by hands-on experience of industry-standard instrumentation.

- Our students benefit from regular input from professionals who are working in the industry. This degree continues to evolve in partnership with industry to ensure graduates are highly valued by employers.

- You'll develop an in-depth knowledge of topics relevant to the field of pharmaceuticals, their design, development, quality control, and manufacture.

**UCAS codes:** BSc (Hons) F151 | MSci F152

**Typical offer:** BSc (Hons) Band 1 | MSci Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

BSc (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

## BSc (Hons) | MBIol Biology\*

**UCAS codes:** BSc (Hons) C100 | MBIol S2A1

**Typical offer:** BSc (Hons) Band 1 | MBIol Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

The BSc (Hons) award is recognised by the Royal Society of Biology



BSc (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

\*MBiol level subject to validation

**Biology is the scientific study of living organisms. It investigates structures and processes of biological organisation, from molecular, through cellular, to individuals, and how they interact as populations and communities in ecosystems.**

You can study a range of subjects on this well-established degree programme, which is ideal if you want an all-round knowledge of biology. Subjects range from medical microbiology and biological anthropology, to marine and freshwater biology, environmental modelling for wildlife management, and tropical field ecology.

We also offer exciting field courses where you will gain practical skills in the UK and abroad (additional costs apply for optional overseas fieldwork – visit our website for full details). Please also visit our website for information about the physical demands of the fieldwork elements of this course.

Our four-year MBIol course will allow you to develop your own enhanced research project and undertake further fieldwork.

### Key content

- You'll gain a thorough understanding

of essential biological theories, principles and practices, alongside techniques and skills to conduct evidence-based scientific work in the laboratory and in the field.

- You'll develop your scientific understanding in core biological subjects and select modules that best fit your interests and career aspirations. You can also develop and participate in original research projects alongside a range of supporting organisations.

- We have a record of successful and innovative fieldwork. As well as studying the varied habitats accessible in south Wales, in the past our students have undertaken overseas fieldwork in locations including Malaysian Borneo, Honduras and Indonesia (additional costs apply for optional overseas fieldwork – visit our website for full details).

- This course provides core and transferable skills, including problem solving, communication and analytical techniques. These are valued highly by employers and are appropriate for many careers, including environmental consultancy, in clinical laboratories, teaching, and biomedical and ecological research.

## BSc (Hons) Human Biology

**UCAS code:** C101

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

This course is recognised by the Royal Society of Biology.



Available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

**Human biology is a vibrant, interdisciplinary field that focuses on the biology of human populations. Human biologists study diverse topics such as human health and disease, human evolution, variation and adaptability, genetics, and human ecology.**

You'll learn about the relationships between molecular, anatomical, physiological and anthropological aspects of human biology, with a focus on biomedical aspects of human processes, such as how we respond to infection and how drugs act on the body.

This course places significant emphasis on laboratory techniques, handling data, solving problems, writing reports and oral presentations. These elements enable you to understand scientific methods and critically evaluate scientific data, which are essential skills for a wide range of scientific careers.

### Key content

- This degree provides the scientific basis for a career in a range of fields, including biomedical research, teaching, and biotechnology industries. Recent graduates of this course are working in pharmacology, quality assurance, biochemistry laboratories or completing their postgraduate teacher training.

- Our emphasis on applied biological knowledge is also ideal if you want to progress to postgraduate study, with many graduates undertaking further study in biotechnology, anthropology, and other life sciences.

- There is strong emphasis on practical learning and all students undertake an extensive project in their final year. A wide range of projects is available, from molecular parasitology to forensic anthropology, microbiology, and genetics.

## BSc (Hons) | MSci Forensic Science

This course is highly practical and diverse. You'll acquire knowledge and skills from the fields of chemistry, biology and geosciences, with a focus on how they are used in the field of criminal investigation.

The course has a strong focus on employability and you'll study the entire process from crime scene to court. You will be trained in standard practices and techniques used in crime scene investigation, as well as laboratory analysis of evidence and its interpretation. You'll study specialist branches of forensic science, including anthropology, fire investigation and toxicology. The course has a very strong scientific base, which means you'll be employable in a number of scientific sectors.

The four-year MSci course is an opportunity to enhance your career prospects. It focuses on further skills in DNA and toxicological analysis, research skills and project management. You can obtain a PRINCE2 Foundation qualification in project management and conduct an industry-related laboratory research project.

### Key content

- Our excellent facilities include a multi-room Crime Scene House, dedicated instrument laboratories and a DNA analysis suite. This gives you experience in crime scene examination and chain of custody processes, as well as potential issues at crime scenes.
- The course focuses on practical investigative skills in the forensic laboratory. You'll benefit from industry-standard instruments, providing you with skills in a wide range of evidence examination techniques.
- Graduates have gained employment with some of the UK's leading forensic science service providers, becoming reporting scientists, or working in the wider analytical sector where highly skilled graduates are in demand.
- Our BSc (Hons) course has accreditation from The Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences. This means that what you learn meets recognised standards.

**UCAS codes:** BSc (Hons) F125 | MSci 4H3W

**Typical offer:** BSc (Hons) Band 1 | MSci Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

**BSc (Hons) Accreditation:** The Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences



BSc (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

## BSc (Hons) | MSci Forensic Science with Criminology

This course allows you to explore your interests in the scientific and forensic investigation of crime, while exploring the nature, consequences and prevention of criminal behaviour.

You'll gain the practical skills and knowledge to examine crime scene evidence, and explore critical issues in the interdisciplinary field of criminal investigation and criminal behaviour.

You'll be introduced to many traditional fields of crime scene analysis, including the scientific investigations of fires and homicides, plus a range of approaches from the field of chemistry.

Graduates can expect to be employed in laboratory-based positions in the forensic science sector, such as forensic technicians or highly skilled analysts.

Our four-year MSci course offers study of subjects such as crime scene analysis and management, and advanced physical evidence analysis. You'll complete an independent forensic

science research project and you can study for a PRINCE2 Foundation qualification in project management.

### Key content

- Explore crime scene investigation and the criminal justice sector with analytical and forensic investigations, to provide a full scientific and statistical evaluation of evidence.
- Study relationships between professionals in the criminal justice sector, including how forensic scientists work alongside police forensic teams and the wider criminal justice sector to achieve successful prosecutions.
- Gain practical experience using state-of-the-art instrumentation scenarios found in modern forensic analysis laboratories.
- Comprehensive training in crime scene investigation protocols by conducting casework-based experiments and processing simulated scenarios in our Crime Scene House on campus.

**UCAS codes:** BSc (Hons) F4M9 | MSci 3K2B

**Typical offer:** BSc (Hons) Band 1 | MSci Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

**BSc (Hons) Accreditation:** The Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences



BSc (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).



## BSc (Hons) | MSci Forensic Biology

**UCAS codes:** BSc (Hons) B790 | MSci C268

**Typical offer:** BSc (Hons) Band 1 | MSci Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

**BSc (Hons) Accreditation:** The Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences



BSc (Hons) available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

**Forensic biology is a specific discipline within the forensic sciences that focuses on evidence of a biological nature.**

Forensic biologists analyse evidence such as blood, hair and DNA. They also work with other forensic scientists to investigate crimes against individuals and natural disasters.

Forensic biology covers a wide range of sciences, from criminalistics to toxicology. This interesting and practical degree provides the skills and knowledge to appreciate the value of biological evidence.

Our BSc (Hons) course has accreditation from The Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences. This means that what you learn meets recognised standards.

Our four-year MSci award enhances your knowledge in key areas and introduces you to subject areas such as advanced DNA analysis and interpretation. You'll conduct a laboratory-based research project that focuses on the use of forensic biology in industry, and study

for a PRINCE2 Foundation qualification in project management.

### Key content

- Our teaching and learning facilities include a dedicated DNA analysis suite with a state-of-the-art genetic analyser, a scanning electron microscopy suite, and dedicated laboratories for chemistry, biology and geoscience.

- There is emphasis on developing a strong understanding of analytical methodologies and mastering essential laboratory and crime scene techniques.

- Our graduates have been successful in applying their education and training to gain employment in various forensic organisations and related establishments.

- Recent graduates have found jobs as forensic biologists with forensic science service providers, as drugs analysts in forensic toxicology laboratories, and in scenes of crime teams and scientific support.

## BSc (Hons) | MSci Forensic Investigation

**UCAS codes:** BSc (Hons) FF42 | MSci 3L23

**Typical offer:** BSc (Hons) Band 1 | MSci Band 2 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

**Our Forensic Investigation course allows students without a traditional science background, or those with a specific interest in this field, to acquire knowledge relating to the use of forensic techniques in a wide range of criminal investigations. These include areas such as sport and competition, consumer protection and authenticity, wildlife crime, and various forms of terrorism.**

You'll gain practical skills in volume crime scene examination, analysis of forensic evidence, and courtroom simulations. You'll also learn about the structure and processes that regulate the criminal justice system, and the law associated with criminal investigation.

The four-year MSci course allows you to advance your studies to a higher level in the areas of volume and serious crime scene management, and the analysis of evidence and intelligence. You will also complete a laboratory-based project.

### Key content

- You'll undertake simulated investigations in our multi-room Crime Scene House, ranging from domestic burglaries and vehicle examinations to more complex scenes such as arson and homicide.

- You'll study several cases and learn about the forensic techniques used to solve the crime, and be able to critically appraise and evaluate forensic approaches.

- This course is designed to provide you with key skills for forensic investigation and should open a wide range of career opportunities in the criminal justice sector, teacher training, and crime scene and forensic investigation.

Natural History students studying a retreating glacier in Iceland



## BSc (Hons) International Wildlife Biology

**UCAS code:** C300

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

**Accreditation:** This course is accredited by the Royal Society of Biology.



Please be aware that this degree requires study abroad and involves additional costs which can be found online. These are reviewed annually and paid on enrolment in years one and two. Please visit our website for information about the physical demands of the fieldwork elements of this course.

**Wildlife biology is the study of organisms, their ecology, behaviour and environment.**

This course helps you learn and understand the biological processes that determine the diversity and distribution of species, and how to apply current scientific thinking to wildlife conservation management in changing landscapes.

You will learn a range of contemporary laboratory, field, analytical and research skills that are applicable to many career pathways, including ecological consultancies, conservation organisations, postgraduate studies and academia. Our course is also designed to equip you with transferable skills that may be applied to other careers.

There is a strong practical field element to this course, which enables you to study on three continents. You will study a variety of wildlife and habitats in different biological landscapes in South Africa, which is a unique and compulsory component of the course. You will also have the opportunity to learn scientific diving techniques to study coral reefs, and develop your

research methods in the tropical forests of Asia, Central or South America. There is also a strong focus on developing your practical skills during field trips in the UK.

### Key content

- Students typically study subjects that include big game tracking, conservation genetics, population and community ecology, plant, invertebrate and vertebrate biology, animal behaviour, microbiology, and wildlife management.

- This degree is accredited by the Royal Society of Biology, which recognises academic excellence and reflects our course's solid academic foundation in biological knowledge and key skills, preparing graduates to meet the needs of employers.

- You will have the opportunity to gain additional qualifications that will enhance your career opportunities, such as an 'Introduction to South African Ecosystems' certificate from The Nature College, South Africa, the industry-standard ESRI certificate 'Learning ArcGIS Desktop', and a PADI Open Water diving qualification.

## BSc (Hons) Natural History

**UCAS code:** CDL0

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

Available with Foundation Year (see page 43).

**Natural history is the study of animals, plants and their natural environments. To understand it fully you need to draw on scientific knowledge from many areas, which makes this a diverse and exciting subject.**

You'll study different organisms – how they are identified, their life history and relationships. You'll also understand the processes that shape our land, coastlines and climate. The interaction between plants, animals and their habitats will be studied through the themes of ecology, animal behaviour and conservation.

This course has a strong practical field element for you to gain key skills in a range of ecological environments. Presently, students go on field courses to Pembrokeshire, Portugal and Iceland, and on the optional Natural History expedition to Botswana (additional costs apply for optional overseas fieldwork – visit our website for full details). There will also be a number of full-day and half-day excursions in each year. Please also visit our website for information about the

physical demands of the fieldwork elements of this course.

Through the study of habitats and environments, you will learn to identify animal behavior and ecological interactions. You will also be taught how to use the latest digital camera equipment to record this behavior and the environment in which it takes place.

### Key content

- You'll explore the diversity of life, wildlife management for conservation, animal biology, geo-sciences and environmental survey skills.

- The optional expedition to Botswana (additional costs apply for optional overseas fieldwork – visit our website for full details) offers the exciting opportunity to look at the ecology of wildlife and of the Mashatu region, plus you'll learn tracking skills and 4x4 driving.

- Wildlife photography and film making is another exciting part of the course. You'll gain skills in still photography and film production.

# SOCIOLOGY

## Sociology addresses the challenging issues of our time.

Sociologists examine societies, institutions and other social forces such as globalisation, to understand how they shape people's beliefs, behaviours and identities. They can also look for solutions to problems and possibilities for change.

From day one of your course, you'll be challenged to look at things from different perspectives and to construct your own views on the topics you're studying – from consumerism to communism, racism to royalty, and trade unions to TV advertising.

As part of your degree, you may be able to study for up to a year in Europe, the USA, or further afield. Studying abroad is a great boost to your learning and your CV. You'll gain an international perspective on your sociology studies, become more independent and confident, and the time you spend overseas can count towards your degree.

"My favourite module was Sociology of Sport. This was because it combined two areas of personal interest. Overall, the course stood me in good stead for my career in the public sector. I would recommend it to anyone."

George Gulley,  
BSc (Hons) Sociology

### Employability

At the University of South Wales, our modules have clear skills outcomes that are specifically linked to the skills employers want from graduates. This will give you the confidence to succeed in your chosen profession.

You'll develop a host of transferable skills that are sought-after by employers, including written and oral communication skills, research skills, IT literacy, time planning and management skills, and critical thinking. Membership of the British Sociological Association is open to all University of South Wales sociology students and graduates. Benefits include journal subscription, access to online archives, and regular newsletters with events and related job vacancies.

### Careers

Our graduates are attractive to employers because of their ability to evaluate evidence and make conclusions, their critical and independent thinking, analytical and research skills, application of IT, and their knowledge of today's society.

Graduates have entered a range of rewarding careers that include teaching, professional social work training, community and youth work, charity work, and in local authorities, or in police, prison, probation, protection and victim support services. Many of our graduates also progress to postgraduate study and research.

## DID YOU KNOW?

80% of our research in social work and social policy is recognised as world-leading in terms of its impact (REF 2014).

You can also study Sociology as a single Honours degree, or as a major subject. This means you can combine it with another subject to enhance your sociology studies and broaden your career options. There's more information about combining subjects on page 44.

Specific career prospects will depend on your chosen combination, but major/minor courses stand you in good stead for a range of careers that require a high level of organisational skills.

As well as specialist skills and knowledge, you'll develop additional skills that are valued in any workplace. Graduates have advanced skills in writing, communication, research, IT, presenting information, solving problems, and leadership skills.

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Want to make a difference? Go online for sociology module tasters and to book on an Open Day:  
[southwales.ac.uk/sociology](http://southwales.ac.uk/sociology)



## BSc (Hons) Sociology\*

UCAS code: 1J13

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

Sociology is the scientific analysis of society on matters that affect everyday life. This degree gives you the chance to critically examine key issues such as money, power and control, and how they are used to shape our society.

You will study society as a contested arena, through a range of theoretical perspectives and contemporary issues. You'll be encouraged to view society in a different and more analytical fashion. By developing a better understanding of social theory and methods, your studies will equip you to make sense of the social world and prepare you for the workplace.

Membership of the British Sociology Association is open to students and graduates, so you'll have access to the latest developments in this field.

### Key content

You will study six modules in your first year such as:

- Conflict, crisis and change
- Understanding society
- Doing social science research
- Public affairs
- Public services organisations
- Poverty, inequality and social exclusion
- Sociology of childhood and youth
- Classic sociological theories

In the second year, you'll study topics such as society: problems and solutions, violent conflict, sex, gender and youth, and sociological methodological research, as well as equality and diversity.

In your final year, you can specialise in areas that match your career plans. You can choose from modules on the family, social policy, youth issues, war and peace, citizens, the self and society, governing the locality, and sport.

\*Subject to validation

"I definitely chose well in deciding to study here. The skills I learnt at University have equipped me for my career, and many of the modules I studied proved not only interesting but really relevant. There was a wide range of modules to choose from, as well as really supportive and inspirational lecturers – they brought the subject alive by organising field trips and talking about their research."

Kelly Latimer,  
BSc (Hons) Sociology,  
Anti-Bullying Project Officer



# SPORT

## Sport at the University of South Wales is more than just a course. You'll be part of the team.

We have courses that reflect different aspects of the sport industry, at lots of different levels. From coaching and performance to leadership and psychology, we'll help you prepare for the sporting career you want.

### Employability

The University of South Wales has a strong sporting background and a reputation for excellent sport degrees. We've designed our courses to produce graduates who are ready for professional careers in the sport industry.

We work closely with partners and employers to make sure our courses contain the right knowledge and skills. It also means we can provide high-quality work placements that enhance your employability.

A strong ethos of practical experience is embedded in all our courses. You'll benefit from our partnerships with local business and sports clubs, which provide opportunities that match your course and interests.

Plus, all our coaching courses are mapped to the United Kingdom Coaching Certificate (UKCC) to provide you with an industry-recognised qualification in addition to your degree.

"I chose this course as it offered lots of experience of coaching and helped to achieve my goal of being a school PE teacher. I have gained an endless amount of coaching and teaching experience, coaching qualifications and a well-rounded knowledge of sport. This University can offer you a worthwhile degree and an amazing experience."

Aimee Denning,  
BSc (Hons) Sports Studies

## DID YOU KNOW?

The University of South Wales is among UK leaders in sport and exercise science research – this means you'll be taught by lecturers who are at the forefront of their fields (REF 2014).

Sport Science Laboratories,  
Pontypridd Campus

## Facilities

At the University of South Wales, you can train and develop to your full potential. We have invested £3.7m in our sport facilities to provide one of the best teaching and learning environments for sport in the UK.

There are purpose-built laboratories full of specialist equipment. This includes a unique underwater weighing system and whole-body MRI – these measure whole and regional body fat and muscle. We also have a hypobaric chamber that can simulate temperature, humidity and altitude conditions, so subjects can be tested in different conditions and often at the extremes of endurance.

There are five main teaching laboratories, where you'll study under the guidance of our academic staff and conduct your own experimental work. You'll also have access to the biomechanics lab to measure the internal and external forces involved in performing sporting actions.

At USW Sport Park, you'll find a notational analysis suite, an impressive strength and conditioning room, and over 30 acres of playing fields, including five floodlit pitches. We have the latest sand-dressed 'astroturf' pitch, as well as a full-size FIFA-approved 3G pitch. In addition to these all-weather pitches, there are six grass football pitches, three grass rugby pitches, and a large changing pavilion.

Our facilities are regularly used by international professional teams, such as the Wales national football team and Cardiff City Football Club, as well as the touring New Zealand, South Africa and Australia rugby squads. This confirms the high quality of our pitches and the versatility of our equipment.



Sport Science Laboratories,  
Pontypridd Campus

## Careers

Sport is becoming a central part of people's lives, creating a wealth of career opportunities in the UK and internationally. Our graduates have key scientific knowledge and significant practical experience, so they are ready to take up a wide range of positions in this booming industry.

Careers that our graduates can pursue include coaching, health science, clinical science, strength and conditioning, performance analysis, sports development and coaching in schools and the community, fitness assessment, performance coaching, or leisure management. Many students also progress to postgraduate study and research opportunities.

"I really wanted to focus my coaching on rugby and gain an in-depth knowledge of the intricate workings of the game. The Rugby Coaching and Performance degree offered me the opportunity to develop my coaching skills while focusing on the game that I loved. Working alongside nationally and internationally recognised rugby organisations was also a huge pull! I'm currently employed as a Rugby Development Manager for Play Rugby USA in New York."

**Tom Hughes,**  
BSc (Hons) Rugby Coaching  
and Performance

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## BSc (Hons) Strength and Conditioning

This unique collaboration between the University of South Wales and Setanta College provides a course that is designed, written and delivered by internationally renowned industry professionals.

Strength and conditioning coaches need a unique mix of scientific knowledge, practical expertise and coaching experience, drawing from a wide range of disciplines. This degree has been designed to directly address all of these requirements.

By graduation, you'll have an understanding of the scientific principles that underpin effective conditioning, and extensive experience in the practical application of this knowledge.

### Key content

You'll learn practical skills at USW Sport Park, using the same tools and equipment used to train and assess professional athletes in the modern sports arena. You'll also become part of the University's team, delivering strength and conditioning to its numerous sport teams and athletes.

Work placements are a valuable part of understanding what is required of you when you graduate, and students have undertaken placements with Cardiff City FC, Swansea City AFC, Cardiff Blues, Newport Gwent Dragons, and Welsh Hockey.

Your studies will provide the knowledge and practical skills to gain accreditation through the United Kingdom Strength and Conditioning Association (UKSCA) and the National Strength and Conditioning Association (NSCA).

Graduates will be prepared for employment as a strength and conditioning coach, with the ability to work with performers across a wide range of levels – from beginners to elite athletes. You'll also be able to set up your own strength and conditioning business, or enter a range of fitness-related industries, such as rehabilitation, personal training, health and wellness, or gym instruction.

**UCAS code:** 62B1

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check (additional cost applies) is also part of the entry requirements.

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time | Online

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

**Partner organisation:** Setanta College: The Online Sports College



This degree is endorsed by the National Strength and Conditioning Association.



## BSc (Hons) Sports and Exercise Science

If you're interested in the science of sport, exercise and human performance, this distinctive and highly rated degree is ideal.

Through scientific investigation, you will learn which physiological, biomechanical and psychological factors govern elite performance. You will also consider the effect of exercise on human health and disease. These evidence-based modules develop essential knowledge, as well as your core practical skills in the laboratory and in the field.

These key scientific skills are a vital part of sport and exercise science, so you can expect to spend much of your study time in the physiology, nutrition and biomechanics laboratories. A unique element of this course is the chance to work in our environmental chamber, where you can assess effects of extreme conditions on human athletic performance.

This course is endorsed by the British Association of Sport and Exercise Sciences (BASES), which means that the academic and practical elements meet industry standards and requirements, giving you an advantage when you compete for graduate jobs. Many students continue their education at Masters level in health, exercise science, or related fields such as physiotherapy.

### Key content

Our degree provides an opportunity to study a wide range of modules, including human anatomy, exercise physiology, sport and exercise psychology, biomechanics, environmental physiology, strength and conditioning, physical activity and health, paediatric exercise science, and sports nutrition.

The course is taught through a mixture of lectures, seminars, tutorials and laboratory practical sessions.

**UCAS code:** C600

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check (additional cost applies) is also part of the entry requirements.

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

**Accreditation:** The British Association of Sport and Exercise Sciences (BASES)







## BSc (Hons) Sports Coaching

This degree is for students who want to join the sports coaching profession.

It has been designed in consultation with national governing bodies (NGB) for sport to ensure that graduates are ready for a career in coaching. You can also complete UKCC Level 1 and 2 qualifications to enhance your career prospects.

Placement opportunities are provided for a variety of roles and are a valuable opportunity to practise your coaching.

These placements are supported by local authorities and NGBs, so you can follow specialist coaching pathways in your chosen area or sport. Traditional coaching pathways include cricket, hockey, netball, swimming, squash, tennis, gymnastics, and athletics.

### Key content

This course is designed to prepare you for a career in sports coaching in a variety of roles. These could include participant coach, performance coach, multi-skills coach, community coach, PE teacher (following completion of a PGCE), or you could work in the sports development industry.

Course content draws on key coaching principles, informed by specific elements of the science of sports coaching. Areas of study include performance analysis, fitness testing and evaluation, strength and conditioning, working with children, fundamental movement skills, adaptive coaching, PE and school sport, and a work placement module in years two and three.

You'll follow distinct modules in sports coaching that allow you to achieve your UKCC Level 1 and 2 coaching awards (possibly Level 3 depending on the NGB). This will be supported by the relevant NGB.

UCAS code: C612

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

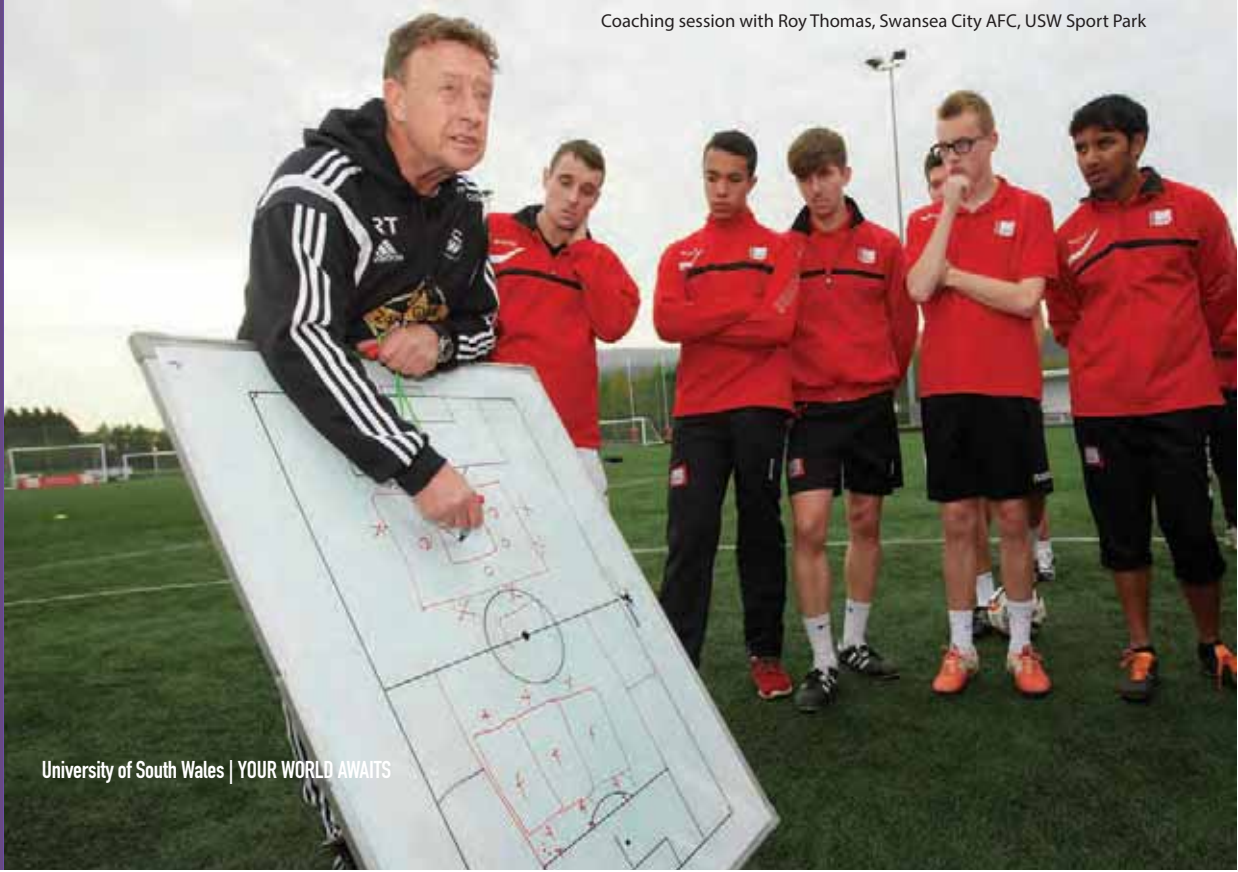
**Additional:** Evidence of sports performance profile, coaching experience and coaching qualifications will be considered in support of your application. An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check is required (additional cost applies).

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

This degree is endorsed by national governing bodies for sport.

Coaching session with Roy Thomas, Swansea City AFC, USW Sport Park



## BSc (Hons) Rugby Coaching and Performance

UCAS code: C611

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check (additional cost applies) is also required.

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

Foundation Degree Rugby Coaching and Development is also available.

**An ever-increasing workforce of skilled professionals is needed to help rugby players reach their full potential. Strength and conditioning, coaching and performance, fitness testing, team and player analysis, nutrition and psychology are all becoming vital to performance.**

This degree offers a unique opportunity to gain industry-recognised World Rugby/Welsh Rugby Union (WRU) rugby coaching awards. This means you can be confident you'll graduate with enhanced employment prospects in the field. Career options include sport science support, strength and conditioning, performance coaching and performance analytics.

The course is supported by the WRU and professional rugby regions in Wales. It has been designed in consultation with WRU Coach Education Managers, Cardiff Blues, Newport Gwent Dragons, Scarlets, and Ospreys coach educators, Sportstec Performance Analytics experts, and United Kingdom Strength and

Conditioning Association (UKSCA) strength and conditioning experts, all of whom have staff who teach at the University.

### Key content

You can work towards your Rugby Union Level 1 and 2 Children's and Senior UKCC/WRU Rugby Coaching awards, Level 1 and 2 Refereeing qualifications, Sportstec Accreditation, and United Kingdom Strength and Conditioning Association (UKSCA), and Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist (CSCS) certification.

Summer placement opportunities exist in the USA with Play Rugby USA, Elite Rugby America, USA Rugby, and in South Africa. You can also pursue opportunities in many other tier two and tier three rugby-playing nations.

You'll study in world-class facilities and conduct most of your work at USW Sport Park, which is designed to support a high-performance coaching environment.

## BSc (Hons) Football Coaching and Performance

UCAS code: C610

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check (additional cost applies) is also required.

**Study:** Full-time | Part-time

**Campus:** Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)



Foundation Degree Football Coaching and Development is also available.

**Football is a fast-growing industry that needs specialist professionals.**

This degree will give you the skills, experience and contacts to help gain employment in the football industry, whether as a coach, performance analyst, or as a member of sport science support staff.

We have designed our course content with a number of professional clubs, including Swansea City AFC, Cardiff City FC, and the Football Association of Wales (FAW) Trust, to identify the skills and qualities needed to work in the professional football industry. This input means you'll get the opportunity to learn on a daily basis from well-qualified football coaches and UEFA coach educators, some of whom work at an international level.

This unique course combines a football-specific qualification with the

opportunity to apply your knowledge in industry through our excellent placement opportunities.

### Key content

You can develop a coaching profile and work towards your FAW Level 2 (UEFA C) and Level 3 (UEFA B) coaching licences.

On this course you can study all disciplines of coaching, covering modules in strength and conditioning, community football management, coaching science, performance analysis, and fitness testing and evaluation.

Excellent summer placements are also available in the USA with a range of providers.

You'll study in world-class facilities and conduct most of your work at USW Sport Park, which is designed to support a high-performance coaching environment.

## BSc (Hons) Sports Studies

If you want a career in the sports industry, this course will give you the professional knowledge and skills you need.

You'll gain a sound understanding of several core sports, exercise and physical activity disciplines, including applied coaching and development practice, physiology, psychology and physical education, to name just a few.

You'll engage in practical and theory sessions using facilities on and off campus, including our sports hall, outdoor 3G and astro pitches, physiology and performance analysis laboratories, and our strength and conditioning suite. These sessions help you learn how to assess and evaluate individuals and teams using a range of sports science and coaching tools.

You can engage with the UK sports industry through relevant work placements, as well as by gaining sport-related qualifications that are embedded in the course. This will enhance your employability to give you a competitive edge when you graduate.

### Key content

First year modules cover key aspects of sports science, coaching, and development, including sport development in practice, and fundamentals of coaching, with an opportunity to gain qualifications linked to these areas.

In the second year, you can choose from a wide range of optional modules such as PE and School Sport, and Fitness Assessment and Management.

Our particular combination of practical sport, science, coaching and development opens up a wide range of career opportunities in the UK and abroad, and is a great route into teaching through postgraduate study.

UCAS code: C604

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check (additional cost applies) is also part of the entry requirements.

Study: Full-time | Part-time

Campus: Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

Second year Rugby Coaching and Performance students coaching Welsh Rugby Union elite children's group at Cardiff International Sports Stadium, Leckwith





## BA (Hons) Sports Leadership and Development

UCAS code: N900

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check (additional cost applies) is also part of the entry requirements.

Study: Full-time | Part-time

Campus: Pontypridd, Glyntaff (A)

**Accreditation:** Chartered Institute for the Management of Sport and Physical Activity (CIMSPA) Higher Education Partner



**Sport has the power to inspire people and change lives. But to inspire the next generation, we need the right people leading and developing sport.**

By giving you the right leadership skills and sports development knowledge, this degree will prepare you for working in the sports development and management industry.

You will gain an understanding of the varied, dynamic and constantly changing nature of sports development, from grass roots community projects that engage people to take up sport, to working with elite athletes who are at the top of their game.

Sport can be used to bring about social change, and you will learn the important role that leaders, development officers, coaches and volunteers play in the delivery of sport across the country.

You will gain first-hand experience of working in the sports industry, either with a sports development organisation, a school or a community club. Through these placements you will develop and apply vital leadership skills that are needed to work in sport.

Graduates could be employed by national governing bodies of sport, regional sports agencies, leisure providers, or sport enterprises.

### Key content

Your studies will integrate theory and practical lectures with community sport experience, so you'll develop leadership and enterprise skills, and gain experience of the industry.

Modules you will study include sports leadership, enterprise in sport and a practical sport placement.

If you choose, you can benefit from gaining coaching qualifications as part of your studies.

## BSc (Hons) Sport Psychology

UCAS code: C601

Typical offer: Band 1 – turn to page 191

Study: Full-time | Part-time

Campus: Pontypridd, Treforest (A)

**Accreditation:** The British Psychological Society



**Sport psychology seeks to understand the psychological factors that affect the behaviour of individuals, teams or organisations in sport, and how lifestyle issues can influence wellbeing and performance.**

You'll study the main areas of psychology and specialise in sport aspects as you progress. To complement your psychology studies, you'll have an introduction to physiology and you can choose modules from our Sport and Exercise Science course. This will enhance your employability and give you an all-round understanding of the field.

There are many exciting opportunities that can be used to boost your CV and impress future employers. You could study abroad, complete specialist short courses, professional certificates and undertake clinical placements on campus.\*

Accredited by The British Psychological Society (BPS), this degree is an ideal pathway into the profession, and graduates with 2:2 Honours or higher are eligible for the Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership. This is the first stage of qualifying as a sport psychologist.

### Key content

Taught by experts who are active researchers and consultants, with experiences of the past four Paralympic and Olympic Games, we focus on applying theoretical knowledge to real-world sporting situations.

During the first two years of study, your modules will focus on the core elements of a BPS-accredited degree scheme, plus introductory physiology and sport psychology modules. Year three has a large emphasis on building transferable skills such as interviewing and presentation skills, and you may have the opportunity to conduct a needs analysis of a sports performer.

\*A valid Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check may be required (additional costs apply)



# TEACHER TRAINING

Teaching is a profession unlike any other. If you are passionate about your subject and think you could motivate and encourage learners, you might have found your perfect career.

The University of South Wales has an established reputation for delivering primary and secondary teacher training courses. We have an enviable track record for the quality of our newly qualified teachers, and in helping our students secure their first teaching posts.

## Employability

We are committed to making you an employable graduate, so we build this in to all our courses. They are designed to prepare you for the challenges of a role in the teaching sector. With a combination of University study and school placements, you will develop the skills and knowledge to begin your career with confidence.

School experience is at the heart of our courses. It provides you with varied, practical experiences in a range of settings. Our excellent links with schools, nurseries, colleges and other education settings across Wales mean we can select the best possible work experience opportunities for you.

97%

of our Teacher Training graduates are in employment or further study within six months of graduation (Graduate Survey 2013/14).

Through extensive support, guidance and practical sessions on how to deliver effective teaching, you will know how to apply the theory you've learned in lectures to real-life work scenarios.

On campus, you can learn in an environment that fully prepares you for the world of work. We have new science laboratories, and a literacy and numeracy room at our Newport City Campus.

If you are a fluent Welsh speaker, you can undertake the Primary Studies with Qualified Teacher Status course through the medium of Welsh. Teaching placements are available in Welsh-medium schools as part of this course and as part of our secondary teaching courses, which will broaden your employment opportunities in Wales.

### Careers

Teaching is an extremely fulfilling and exciting career. It has unique and varied challenges, making it an increasingly popular option. The earning power of teachers, from newly qualified to head teacher status, is far higher than you may think. The profession also offers excellent opportunities for rapid career progression.

Many graduates choose to specialise in a particular area of education through postgraduate study and research, such as special educational needs (SEN), teaching English as an additional language (TEAL), or leadership and management.



### Related study

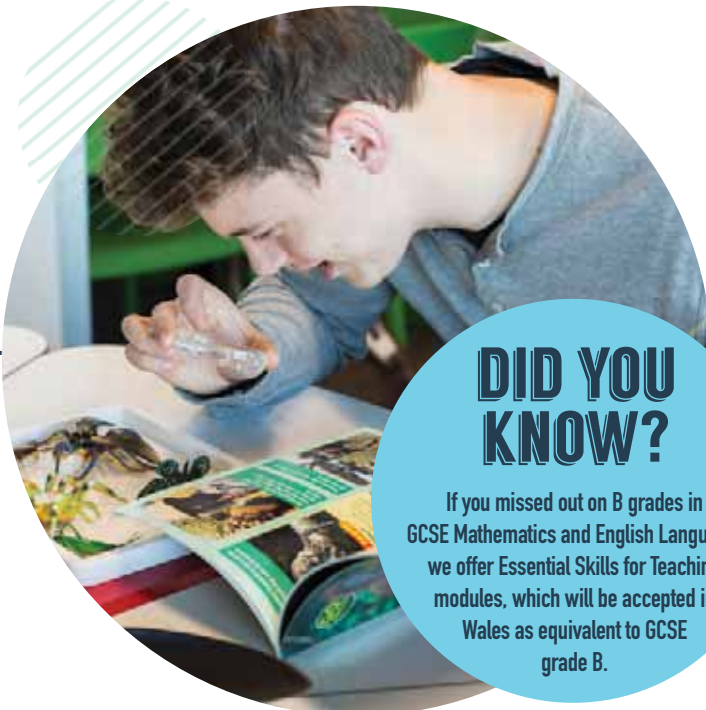
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## CertHE Introduction to Secondary Teaching

Have you always wanted to teach but found you didn't have the entry qualifications? Are you enthusiastic about mathematics, science, ICT or design and technology, and want to share your enthusiasm with others? Do you want to train for a job that is stimulating and challenging, where you learn new things every day?

If you don't have academic qualifications, this is an opportunity to begin your training as a secondary school teacher. On successful completion of this course you may apply to study on one of our two-year secondary teaching degrees, so you'll be fully qualified to teach in three years. These pioneering courses provide a route into secondary teacher training in subjects where the demand for teachers is high, attracting a wide range of applicants looking for new opportunities. For further information, visit: [southwales.ac.uk/teaching](http://southwales.ac.uk/teaching)

**Begin your teaching career at the University of South Wales. Come to an Open Day or go online for student stories and more: [southwales.ac.uk/teaching](http://southwales.ac.uk/teaching)**



## DID YOU KNOW?

If you missed out on B grades in GCSE Mathematics and English Language, we offer Essential Skills for Teaching modules, which will be accepted in Wales as equivalent to GCSE grade B.

"Our lectures were held in small groups which really helped; allowing for a lot of interaction with lecturers that you may not be able to have on other courses. The lecturers were always very supportive and full of advice, and were easy to contact via email. Many lecture rooms are set up as primary classrooms and full of resources that were useful."

Jack Mayers,  
BA (Hons) Primary Studies  
with Qualified Teacher  
Status

The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

## BA (Hons) Primary Studies with Qualified Teacher Status (QTS)

This three-year degree will provide you with the skills and knowledge to support your delivery of effective teaching and learning in a primary school.

School-based and University-based elements combine to develop a range of teaching skills, together with subject knowledge, understanding and skills. Experiences and opportunities build throughout the course to produce confident and competent primary school teachers.

This course takes the distinctive nature of education in Wales into account. However, on qualification, you can apply for posts in and outside Wales. The University has an excellent record in helping student teachers find their first teaching post and a wide variety of support is provided by staff and careers officers.

### Key content

The course is organised into two areas.

**School-based study:** You have school experiences in each year of the course. In total, you will spend 24 weeks on school placements in a range of educational settings. These experiences are in carefully selected primary schools that work in partnership with the University, both in the UK and abroad.

Your ability to plan, manage and teach a class and monitor learners' progress while being an effective part of the school team, will develop incrementally.

**University-based study:** You will gain knowledge of the curriculum in the Foundation Phase (for learners of 3-7 years) and Key Stage 2 (for learners of 7-11 years). Other key elements of University-based study will be the consideration of a teacher's role and responsibilities, and effective classroom practices to promote learning, underpinned by theory.

**UCAS code:** X120

**Typical offer:** Turn to page 191

**Additional:** GCSE Mathematics and English at grade B or above, and GCSE Science at grade C or above (or equivalent). An interview and a satisfactory Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check is required (additional cost applies). Students are required to undertake 10 days' observation in a primary school. Successful completion of literacy and numeracy tests at interview.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Newport City (C)

## BA (Anrh) Astudiaethau Cynradd gyda Statws Athro Cymwysedig (SAC)

Mae dysgu mewn ysgol gynradd yn broffesiwn amrywiol, cyffrous a chaled.

Mae'n gofyn am unigolion sydd â gwybodaeth dda am eu pwnc, sy'n ymwybodol o sut mae plant yn datblygu ac sydd â'r gallu i fod yn frwd gyda dysgwyr ifanc. Mae'r radd yma yn eich paratoi ar gyfer sialensiau dysgu mewn ysgol gynradd. Mae elfennau yn yr ysgol ac yn y Brifysgol yn cyfuno i ddatblygu sgiliau dysgu ynghyd â gwybodaeth, dealltwriaeth a sgiliau creiddiol i'r pwnc.

Adeilid ar brofiadau a chyfleoedd, gan gynhyrchu athrawon cynradd hyderus a chymwys sydd ag arbenigedd dysgu mewn ysgolion cynradd Cymraeg. Mae gennym enw da sydd wedi hen sefydlu, ar ansawdd hyfforddiant dysgu cynradd.

### Cynnwys allweddol

Mae rhan sylweddol o'r cwrs drwy gyfrwng y Gymraeg. Mae hyn yn

cynnwys agweddau ar astudiaethau proffesiynol, elfennau o astudiaethau cwricwlwm a mewn ysgolion cyfrwng Cymraeg. Mae'r cwrs yn cael ei rannu'n ddau faes penodol:

**Astudio yn yr ysgol:** Rydych yn cael profiad ysgol ym mhob blwyddyn gan dreulio cyfanswm o 24 wythnos mewn lleoliadau Cyfnod Sylfaen a Chyfnod Allweddol 2. Bydd eich gallu i gynllunio, rheoli a dysgu dosbarth a monitro cynnydd disgyblion wrth weithredu'n effeithiol fel rhan o dim yr ysgol yn datblygu drwy'r cwrs.

**Astudio yn y Brifysgol:** Byddwch yn dod yn ymwybodol o'r cwricwlwm yn ystod y Cyfnod Sylfaen (dysgwyr 3-7 mlwydd oed) a Chyfnod Allweddol 2 (dysgwyr 7-11 mlwydd oed). Byddwch hefyd yn ystyried rol a chyfrifoldebau'r athro/athrawes ac ymarferiadau effeithiol i hyrwyddo dysgu.

**Cod UCAS:** X124

**Cynnig tebygol:** Trowch at dudalen 191

**Ychwanegol:** TGAU Saesneglaith a Mathemateg gradd B neu uwch. TGAU Iaith Cymraeg a Gwyddoniaeth gradd C neu uwch. Bydd angen cyfweiliad a gwiriad Manylach gan y Gwasanaeth Dategelu a Gwahardd (DBS) (sy'n cynnwys cost ychwanegol). Cyn dechrau'r cwrs, gofynnir i fyfyrwyr ymgymryd a 10 diwrnod arsylwi mewn ysgol gynradd. Cwblhau profion llythrennedd a rhifedd yn llwyddiannus ar adeg cyfweiliad.

**Astudiaeth:** Amser llawn

**Campws:** Dinas Casnewydd (C)

### CYMRAEG: WELSH

Mae ysgoloriaethau penodol ar gael i fyfyrwyr ar y cwrs hwn. Cer i dudalen 40 i wybod mwy.



## BSc (Hons) Secondary Teaching Design and Technology with QTS

**UCAS code:** X1WG

**Typical offer:** Turn to page 191

Successful completion of our CertHE Introduction to Secondary Teaching course, or one year of higher education (120 HE credits at level 4) in a related subject(s), will meet the requirements to enter year two of this course (see page 184).

**Additional:** GCSE Mathematics and English at grade B or above (or equivalent). An interview and a satisfactory Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check is required (additional cost applies). A pass in literacy and numeracy tests at interview.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Newport City (C)

**This degree will give you the ability to encourage creativity and innovation in secondary school learners. You'll spend a significant part of the course in two secondary schools, where you'll gain practical experience of teaching design and technology.**

As part of the course, you can also take the Workshop Health and Safety Certificate, Health and Hygiene Level 2, and gain accreditation in school-based ICT packages, including ProDesktop, Artcam and SolidWorks.

We have an established reputation for the quality of our training, and this has been recognised by secondary schools. On qualification, you may apply for teaching posts in and outside the UK, and graduates can expect excellent career prospects and rapid progression. In Wales, it is not a requirement to pass the QTS Skills Tests.

### Key content

At University you'll study workshop skills, including woods, metal, plastics, 3D printing and routing, plus advanced skills in food, textiles and materials. Experience across many subject areas is a key feature of this degree. You'll also study product design, computer-based design, including CAD/CAM, computer-aided learning, and education studies.

School-based study involves 10 days' observation in primary and secondary schools in year one, followed by a 22-week school placement in years two and three. If you are fluent in Welsh, you may complete your school experience in a Welsh-medium school.

## BSc (Hons) Secondary Teaching Mathematics, Science, ICT with QTS

**UCAS code:** See course entry

**Typical offer:** GCSE Mathematics and English at grade B or above (or equivalent). One year of higher education (120 HE credits at level 4) in a related subject(s) (turn to page 191). Our CertHE Introduction to Secondary Teaching course meets these requirements (see page 184).

**Additional:** An interview and a satisfactory Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check is also required (additional cost applies). One week observation in a primary school and one week observation in a secondary school to be completed before or after your interview. A pass in literacy and numeracy tests at interview.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Newport City (C)

**These Honours degrees are unique in Wales. They are integrated University and secondary school-based programmes that develop the subject knowledge and practical skills you need to become an effective and innovative secondary school teacher.**

You can choose from the following pathways:

- Mathematics with ICT: XG11
- Mathematics with Science: XG1C
- Science with Mathematics: XF1A
- Science with ICT: XF10

With a shortage of secondary school teachers in mathematics and science, graduates can expect excellent job prospects and rapid career progression. The University has an established reputation for the quality of our training, and on qualification you may apply for teaching posts in and outside Wales. In Wales, it is not a requirement to pass the QTS Skills Tests.

### Key content

The course is delivered by a team with a breadth of experience of working with student teachers in a range of contexts and settings. At University, you will undertake degree-level study in your specialist subjects, as well as initial professional development to introduce you to educational issues.

The school-based element involves block teaching practices, where you work with school mentors and University tutors to develop your teaching skills. These experiences are key to becoming a confident and competent secondary school teacher.

School-based experiences are in carefully selected secondary schools that work in partnership with the University. If you are fluent in Welsh, you may undertake school practice in a Welsh-medium school.

# YOUTH AND COMMUNITY WORK

**Youth workers change lives. Through youth and community services, they inspire, educate and empower young people.**

Youth services and agencies support young people's personal development. They can give young people a meaningful role in society and provide positive ways for them to spend their time.

On successful completion of our Youth and Community Work degree, you will have gained a qualification that is professionally recognised by the Joint Negotiating Committee (JNC).

Covering everything from youth and community work to informal education methods and facilitation skills, our courses can prepare you for this rewarding and exciting profession. Plus, if you want to specialise, you can choose our pathway in youth justice.

You will also know how to build positive and effective relationships with young people, and work in partnership with colleagues, partners and members of the community. Plus, you'll see how what you learn in the classroom works in the real world and have relevant experiences to talk about at interview.

## Related study

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## Employability

We have strong partnerships with local employers and you will have access to professionally qualified practitioners to ensure you become a highly skilled and effective youth work practitioner.

Our partnerships provide work placements that will enhance your learning and your employability. These placements will develop your skills and abilities as a youth and community worker. You'll be able to immerse yourself in the professional field and put your knowledge and abilities into practice.

During the course there are excellent opportunities to study and practice within a European and international context. These challenging intercultural learning experiences will improve your skill base, knowledge and awareness of the global context of working with young people, as well as in local and national settings.

## Careers

This course equips you to become an effective professional youth and community worker who can work in partnership with young people and communities, and within current policy. You'll work in a range of settings using individual and group work, mentoring and communication skills, with individuals and groups.

# 100%

**of our Youth and Community Work graduates are in employment or further study within six months of graduation (Graduate Survey 2013/14).**

At the University of South Wales, our modules have clear skills outcomes that are specifically linked to the skills employers want from graduates. This will give you the confidence to succeed in your chosen profession following graduation.

As well as specialist skills and knowledge in this field, you will develop additional skills that are valued in any workplace. Graduates have advanced skills in writing, communication, research, information technology, presenting information, solving problems, and leadership skills.

"The knowledge gained on the Youth Justice pathway has been extremely beneficial in learning about what works and what doesn't to reduce youth re-offending. The course helped me to develop the skills that I now apply in youth work practice, and to understand young people who offend, those at risk of offending and to how to assess their needs."

**Jason George,**  
BA (Hons) Youth and Community Work (Youth Justice)

The University regularly reviews its portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. You can find up-to-date information on all our courses online – don't forget to check course details and UCAS codes before you apply.

**Want to make a difference? Go online to see what our students get up to, work placements and more:**  
[southwales.ac.uk/youth](http://southwales.ac.uk/youth)

## BA (Hons) Youth and Community Work

**UCAS codes:** L521: Youth and Community Work | L594: Youth and Community Work (Youth Justice Pathway)

**Typical offer:** Band 1 – turn to page 191

**Additional:** An interview and an Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check are required (additional cost applies). Minimum of 100 hours of related community and youth work experience.

**Study:** Full-time

**Campus:** Newport City (C)

**Accreditation:** ETS Cymru Wales



**Youth workers help young people in their personal, social and educational development. This degree equips you to become an effective professional youth and community worker.**

Youth workers develop and co-ordinate programmes aimed at engaging young people, addressing inequalities, empowering individuals and encouraging them to achieve their potential. Youth workers operate in a range of work environments such as youth centres, schools, housing associations, youth offending teams, colleges and charities.

On successful completion of the course, you will have gained a qualification that is professionally recognised UK-wide by the Joint Negotiating Committee (JNC). You will also learn how to support and motivate young people to access opportunities that will enhance their development.

As well as attaining professionally qualified youth worker status, you could also qualify as a specialist youth and

community worker in youth justice by choosing a specific pathway, which includes a bespoke Youth Justice module.

### Key content

Compulsory first year modules introduce you to the following areas:

- Role of the youth and community work practitioner
- Professional values and ethics in youth work
- Adolescence and well-being
- Society and young people
- Academic study skills

Core modules in year two cover:

- Global youth and community work
- Group work facilitation skills
- Research methods
- Youth justice
- Management skills for youth work
- Developing effective youth and community work practice

Your final year covers inter-professional practice, and explores how to become a critical and reflective youth and community work practitioner. You can also specialise in the area of work with young people that interests you most through a research project and dissertation.

"I would like to say how proud I am of my professional development file (PDF) that I created in my first year while on placement with the Youth Service. Through this experience of building the PDF, I thoroughly enjoyed my placement and working with young people. The PDF helped me understand my strengths and weaknesses, and my progress on placement. My experience on placement gave me an opportunity to enhance my communication skills, confidence and self-esteem. This course will prepare me for working with young people and the community, as I have gained a wide range of experiences."

Masooma Ali,  
BA (Hons) Youth and Community  
Work



# ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Entry requirements to courses offered by the University are governed by two key principles:

- Your ability to benefit from the course
- Equality of opportunity for all applicants

The standard entry requirements set out below for undergraduate degree programmes and other undergraduate programmes are the minimum requirements for the various levels of award. These are expressed in terms of the A-level qualifications; equivalent qualifications are also acceptable. The University website provides more detailed 'typical offers' for those taking A-levels, the Welsh Baccalaureate, BTEC qualifications, the International Baccalaureate, and Access to Higher Education courses.

Each course in this prospectus has specific entry requirements. Additional entry requirements may include specific subject requirements, as well as the actual grades required. The University regularly reviews the entry criteria for all its courses. We strongly advise applicants to check our website for the latest entry criteria information before submitting their application.

For full details of entry requirements for individual courses, visit [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com) or [southwales.ac.uk/courses](http://southwales.ac.uk/courses).

## Undergraduate degree programmes

The entry requirements for undergraduate degree programmes are set out as grades. Admission to these programmes requires a minimum of two GCE A-level passes or equivalent, and normally five GCSE passes at grade C or above, including Mathematics and English Language or equivalent. Please note that GCSE Welsh Language is not accepted in lieu of GCSE English, unless the course is taught fully through the medium of Welsh. In addition, if a student wishes to transfer between a course taught through the medium of Welsh to one taught in English at any stage, they will need GCSE at grade C in English Language.

## INFORMATION

The University regularly reviews the portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. We would strongly advise applicants to check our website for the latest information on courses, codes and entry requirements before submitting their application.

The range of school/college qualifications available to take is large and increasingly complex – we recognise many that are not listed below, so if you have any queries it is best to contact our Enquiries & Admissions Team. Examples of qualifications considered include:

- Passes in a minimum of two General Certificate of Education Advanced Levels (GCE A-level), supported by five GCSEs at grade C or above, or a combination of GCE A and GCE Advanced Subsidiary (GCE AS). General Studies is not accepted for all courses at the University in lieu of a second A-level. Reference should be made to individual course requirements and clarification can be gained by contacting the Enquiries & Admissions Unit.
- A relevant Foundation course
- A relevant Access course validated by an approved validating body
- The Advanced Welsh Baccalaureate
- Scottish Advanced Highers, Highers and National Certificates – normally four passes
- Irish Leaving Certificate – normally five passes with four at the higher level of grade C or above
- BTEC (Extended Diploma, Diploma, Subsidiary Diploma)
- International Baccalaureate – a pass mark of a minimum of 24 points
- European Baccalaureate – a pass mark of a minimum of 60%
- Cambridge Pre-U
- AQA Baccalaureate
- Higher National Diplomas, Higher National Certificates, Foundation Degrees



## Other undergraduate programmes

The entry requirements for an HND or HNC programme or a Foundation Degree are set out online in terms of grades. Admission to these programmes requires a minimum of one GCE A-level or equivalent.

Combinations of qualifications such as those set out below will be considered:

- A minimum of pass in a General Certificate of Education Advanced Level (GCE A-level), normally supported by three GCSEs at grade C or above, including Mathematics and English Language or equivalent, and/or a combination of GCE Advanced Subsidiary (GCE AS)/key skills qualifications
- BTEC (Extended Diploma, Diploma, Subsidiary Diploma)
- Scottish Advanced Highers, Highers and National Certificates – normally two passes
- Irish Leaving Certificate – normally two passes at higher level
- Cambridge Pre-U
- AQA Baccalaureate

## Advanced Welsh Baccalaureate

The University considers the Advanced Welsh Baccalaureate to be a valuable preparation for higher education and recognises the breadth of learning and experiences it offers students. The University therefore welcomes applications from those studying the Advanced Welsh Baccalaureate. Additional value is recognised where the individual project relates to the course applied for. As for supporting qualifications, entry requirements for individual courses vary and applicants may be made offers that specify the grades in the Skills Challenge Certificate and supporting qualifications. Applicants are encouraged to contact admissions advisers for further information and advice on: **03455 76 77 78**



## International students – English language

You will need a qualification acceptable to the University that will indicate your ability to study through the medium of the English language to successfully complete a chosen course. Normally, the University requires international students whose first language is not English to have obtained a minimum score of 6.0 in the IELTS (Cambridge Advanced) examination or equivalent. A small number of courses require higher grades/scores, which are detailed on our course webpages. We recognise a range of equivalent qualifications. For further details, please contact your nearest British Council Office or the International Admissions Team at the University on: **+44 (0)1443 654 450**

## DID YOU KNOW?

We hold extra events for students who apply to study here, called Applicant Days. It's your chance to come back and see us to make sure you've made the right choice.

These Applicant Days are tailored to your course, so it's the perfect way to get more detailed information about what you want to study.

## Entry requirements (continued)

### Course deferrals

Please note that most courses do accept applications for deferred entry but it is essential to contact the Enquiries & Admissions Unit before applying, to confirm this is the case for the courses you are interested in.

### Widening access

The University is committed to providing more opportunities for people to enter higher education, especially those who would like to enrol on a University course, either full-time or part-time, without having more traditional pre-higher education qualifications.

You may think that you do not meet the University's standard entry requirements, but you may be eligible for a place on the University's Foundation Year or Associate Student Scheme. However, just like everyone else who applies, you will need to demonstrate academic ability and commitment to study. If you are entering higher education through the traditional route, but you have not obtained the required grades for entry to Level 1, it may still be possible for you to be admitted to Level 0, which will require you to undertake a number of foundation modules. If you would like further details, please contact us on: **03455 76 77 78**

### Admission for care leavers

If you have been in care, you might not have had the traditional family support that most students have when they go to university – but that doesn't mean you have to miss out. We have lots of experience of supporting people from all kinds of backgrounds to apply and succeed at University.

We have put together a package of support specifically for care leavers to come and study with us. If you have been in care and are under 21, you may be entitled to help and advice on everything from filling in your application to managing your money. For further details, visit our website: [southwales.ac.uk/care-leavers](http://southwales.ac.uk/care-leavers)

### Admission for mature students

The University welcomes applications from individuals who do not have traditional entry qualifications and who may not be progressing from school or college directly to higher education. Applications are considered on an individual basis and applicants will have to satisfy the University that they have the knowledge, motivation and commitment to enable them to succeed on the course they are interested in. You should contact Enquiries & Admissions before applying to discuss the course you would like to study.

All applicants to the University will be required to provide proof of any previous qualifications.

### Admission with prior credit to first degrees

If you have already completed a higher education course, you may be able to transfer to a degree with specific credit. For example, if you have successfully completed a DipHE, you may be able to transfer to year three of a degree/Honours degree in the same field of study. If you have studied an HND (EDEXCEL/PEARSONS), or SCOTVEC Higher National Certificate or Diploma, we will consider you for admission depending on the course and the level you achieved. You may also gain exemption from supervised work placements on a course if you already have relevant experience.

### Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks

A number of courses at the University of South Wales involve students undertaking a placement or activity that includes specified contact with children or vulnerable adults; this is known as Regulated Activity. For these courses we are required to ensure the suitability of students through a Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) disclosure. These checks are carried out at an enhanced level. Where a DBS check is required, applicants/students are liable to pay all associated fees which are non-returnable. You can find more advice at: [www.southwales.ac.uk/db](http://www.southwales.ac.uk/db)

## Accredited admissions

Our Enquiries & Admissions Unit has been awarded the internationally recognised ISO 9001:2008 accreditation following an independent quality management audit of processes and practice. Certification relates specifically to handling student enquiries and applications to study at the University.



## Charter

As part of our commitment to provide the best possible service, we have set out your rights and responsibilities in the University's Charter. This Charter reflects our belief that the learning process is most effective when undertaken in the spirit of co-operation and partnership between you, your fellow students and the University.

The Charter tells you what to expect of us and what we can expect of you. It also tells you what you can do if you feel we are not delivering the service you expect. We monitor our performance against these standards to ensure that we continually improve the service we provide, and we encourage your comments based on your experiences. The Student Charter is available on the University's website.

Admissions complaints and appeals are covered by the University's Admissions Policy, which is available at: [southwales.ac.uk/apply](http://southwales.ac.uk/apply)

## INFORMATION

The University regularly reviews the portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. We would strongly advise applicants to check our website for the latest information on courses, codes and entry requirements before submitting their application.



Charles Grandfield, BA (Hons) Sports Development student

## NEED HELP?

For full details of entry requirements, please visit [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com) or [southwales.ac.uk/courses](http://southwales.ac.uk/courses), or call our professional advisers on: **03455 76 77 78**

## TYPICAL OFFERS

Typical offers we make to students are listed below, but if you are accepted for a place on a course we will make you an offer that's personalised for you.

You can find more information about personalised offers in our Admissions Statement on our website: [southwales.ac.uk/apply](http://southwales.ac.uk/apply)

	Typical A-level offer	Typical A-level and Welsh Baccalureate offer	Typical BTEC Extended Diploma offer
Band 1	BCC	Grade C and BC at A-level	DMM
Band 2	BBC	Grade C and BB at A-level	DMM
Chiropractic	ABB	Grade C and BB at A-level	DDM
MMath Mathematics and Computing Mathematics	ABB	Grade B and AB at A-level	N/A
Medical Sciences, Midwifery and Nursing	BBB	Grade B and BB at A-level	DDM
BSc (Hons) Mathematics	BBB	Grade B and BB at A-level	N/A
BSc (Hons) Computing Mathematics	BBC	Grade B and BC at A-level	N/A
Primary Studies with QTS, Astudiaethau Cynradd gyda SAC, Secondary Teaching Design and Technology with QTS	BBC	Grade C and BC at A-level	DMM

There will be additional requirements that relate to the subjects you have studied, as well as your GCSE grades. If your combination of BTEC qualifications isn't listed here, please contact us for more information: **03455 76 77 78**

**You must check the full entry requirements for your course on our website before you apply: [southwales.ac.uk/courses](http://southwales.ac.uk/courses)**

# HOW TO APPLY

For all full-time undergraduate courses at universities and colleges in the UK, you must apply online at [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com). There are three types of applicant:

## 1. Students at a school or college registered with UCAS\*

All UK schools and colleges (and a small number of establishments overseas) are registered with UCAS to manage their students' applications. Advice is available from your teacher or a careers adviser at your school or college. You need to fill in an online application and submit it to a member of staff. After checking your details and having added the academic reference, your school or college will submit the completed application to UCAS online.

It costs £12 to apply for one course, or £23 to apply for two or more. You can pay online using a credit card or debit card. You may also be able to pay through your school or college.

## 2. Independent applicants in the UK\*

Other UK applicants who are not at school or college need to apply online independently. It's likely you are a mature applicant, who, unlike school and college students, can't readily seek advice. Instead, you can consult with various careers organisations, such as Careers Wales.

It costs £12 to apply for one course, or £23 to apply for two or more. You are responsible for paying the correct application fee, providing your referee's contact details, and submitting the application to UCAS online.

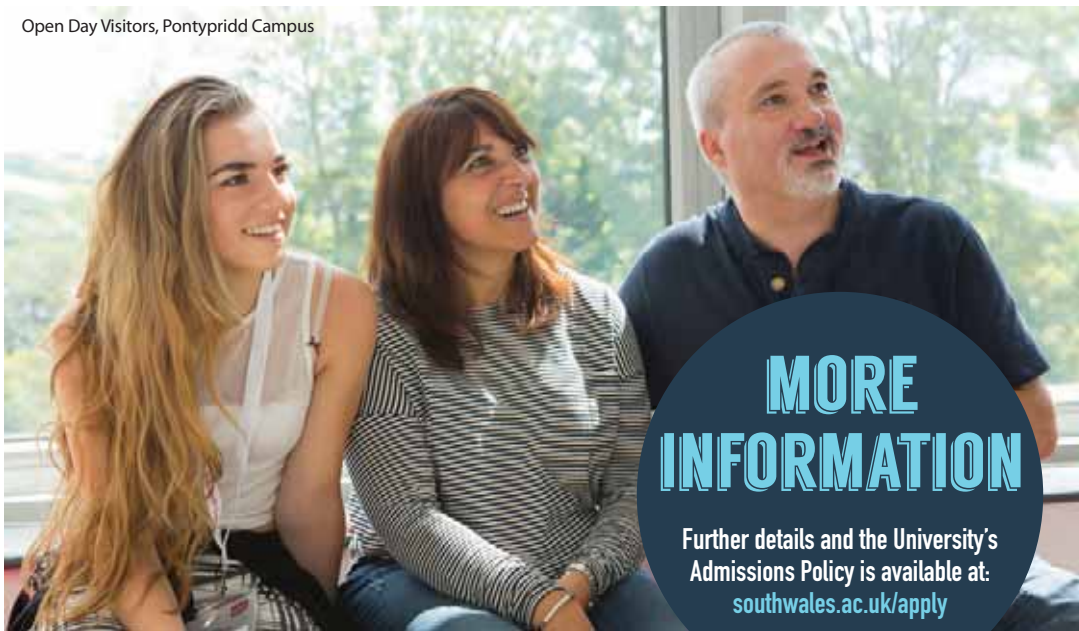
## 3. International applicants outside the UK (EU and worldwide)\*

Except those whose school or college is registered with UCAS, individuals from the EU (excluding the UK) and worldwide need to apply online independently. Advice is available from British Council offices and other centres overseas, such as your school or college.

You are responsible for paying the correct application fee, providing your referee's contact details, and submitting the online application to UCAS.

\*Please check the UCAS website for the most up-to-date information about application fees and procedure.

Open Day Visitors, Pontypridd Campus



**MORE  
INFORMATION**

Further details and the University's Admissions Policy is available at:  
[southwales.ac.uk/apply](http://southwales.ac.uk/apply)



## UCAS codes

As well as our institution code (W01), you need two other codes to apply to the University – one for the course (its UCAS code) and another for the campus where you will study (either A, B or C next to the campus location). You can find these codes next to each individual course in this prospectus. You should double check these on our website before you apply.

## When to apply

For entry in September 2017, your application should normally reach UCAS between September 2016 and 15 January 2017. Please remember to allow time for a reference to be provided. You can apply after 15 January 2017, but your application can only be considered if there are still vacancies available.

However, most of our courses adhere to the 15 January deadline, so please check the UCAS website if you apply after this date to ensure you are still eligible to apply. If you are applying for an art and design course, please note that your application deadline is 24 March 2017.

## For all applicants

There are full instructions at [www.ucas.com](http://www.ucas.com) to help you fill in your online application, plus help text where appropriate. UCAS also has a guide called 'Applying Online', which you can download from their website. You'll find course and campus codes next to each entry in this prospectus. The University regularly reviews the entry criteria for all its courses. All information on grades contained in this prospectus is correct at the time of print (January 2016).

The University also regularly reviews the portfolio of courses to ensure we provide the best quality possible. We would strongly advise you to check our website for the latest information on courses, codes and entry requirements before submitting your application.

# DON'T FORGET

Remember to add the University to your e-mail address book or safe senders list – you don't want to miss any important information or offers of study we may send you.



Moot Court,  
Pontypridd Campus

## DECLARATION

All applicants to the University will be required to provide proof of previous qualifications. Any applicant or enrolled student who fails to meet this requirement will not be offered a place or will be withdrawn from the University. Applicants are required to sign a declaration that the information submitted as part of their application is correct to the best of their knowledge.

If it transpires that any information submitted during the application process is incomplete or inaccurate, the University will take any appropriate action, which may include rejection or withdrawal at the point of application, or at any point after enrolment regardless of the duration of the course already studied.

# YOU DON'T HAVE TO GO FAR TO GET FURTHER...STUDY LOCALLY

If you want to achieve your ambitions, but don't quite have the right qualifications for a full Honours degree, or if you have work or family commitments that mean you need to study closer to home, we have plenty of options for you.



The University of South Wales believes higher education should be accessible to all, so that's why we have UHOVI.

Part of the University of South Wales, UHOVI enables adults of all ages who live or work in south Wales to improve or update their skills and qualifications.

UHOVI works with partner colleges to deliver University qualifications at their campuses across south east Wales.

You'll still be a University of South Wales student and achieve a university qualification, but you'll study in a location that's convenient for you. With a range of qualifications, including Foundation Degrees, HNCs and HNDs, and many subject areas to choose from, you're sure to find the course you need.

All courses offered through UHOVI are awarded by the University of South Wales and there are numerous opportunities to progress with your learning through top-up courses or further study.

You can choose from courses in the following subject areas:

- Animal and Land-based
- Built Environment and Engineering
- Business and Management
- Creative and Performing Arts
- Health and Social Care
- Science and Technology
- Sport and Public Services
- Teaching, Education and Humanities

## FIND OUT MORE

For information about the courses available, visit [www.uhovi.ac.uk](http://www.uhovi.ac.uk) or call 0800 1223 220.



Bridgend College

# Whether you want to improve your career prospects, gain a qualification or find a new direction, here are some of the benefits of studying at your local college:

## Courses on your doorstep

Imagine the time and money you could save by studying locally. It may mean you can continue to work, juggle study with family life, play sport for your local team or keep in contact with friends.

## Friendly and supportive

Colleges cater for learners of all ages, so whether you're returning to learning as a mature student or continuing from school or college, you'll find a friendly and welcoming environment. Class sizes are usually smaller in colleges than at university, plus there's lots of specialist advice and support on offer.

## Best of both worlds

Many local colleges have benefitted from huge investment over the past few years, with state-of-the-art facilities and teaching spaces. Plus as a University of South Wales student, you get the added benefit of access to University resources online and the Students' Union. You can also undertake our unique Grad Edge Award, which helps develop your employability skills. See page 17 for details.

## Accessible university qualifications

If you don't have the necessary entry requirements to go straight on to a full Honours degree, studying an HNC/D or Foundation Degree at college is an ideal way to get your foot on the ladder. There are also Access to Higher Education courses for those without formal qualifications.

The good news is that you can still achieve an Honours degree in three years from the largest university in Wales, or you can go straight into employment with a recognised qualification. Your programme will have a University link officer and you will have access to talks and advice from our progression and liaison officers, as well as priority booking on our University open and visit days.

## Flexibility and choice

There are opportunities to study full-time or part-time in a host of subjects. Some courses are delivered during the day and others can be studied in the evening, so you can fit studying around your work and life commitments.

## A stepping stone to a brighter future

Research has proven that graduates not only enjoy higher earning power, but there are also many health and social benefits linked to university-level study. Many of the higher education courses provided at local colleges also include a work placement, so you can put theory into practice and gain valuable experience for your CV.

# TURN OVER

for more about your local college



"Since starting the course I have gained a lot of confidence, which is partly thanks to the support and encouragement from my tutor. I thought that higher education wasn't for me but I'm really enjoying it. Having this higher education certificate available locally has enabled me to continue my studies in a familiar environment with tutors that I am used to. I would recommend anyone considering higher education to look at the opportunities available at the College."

Tracy Martin, studied Certificate of Higher Education Care Studies at The College Merthyr Tydfil



Coleg y Cymoedd



# FIND OUT MORE

Read on to find the college closest to you and discover the opportunities waiting there – it could be the start of something great.



Cardiff and Vale College



Coleg Gwent



## Bridgend College



Bridgend College boasts five campuses that are in Bridgend, Pencoed, Bridgend Industrial Estate, Maesteg, and Cardiff.

The majority of higher education courses are delivered at Bridgend and Pencoed campuses, while the Queens Road Campus is the Centre for Higher Education.

The College offers a large number of higher education courses with over 900 learners choosing to complete their university-level studies locally each year. There's something for everyone, including full-time HNDs and Foundation Degrees in a host of vocational areas, part-time HNCs, HNDs and undergraduate degrees. You can choose from many subject areas, from business and computing to education, engineering or land-based studies.

Here are just some of the reasons why learners choose Bridgend College:

- Live at home and save on transport and accommodation costs
- Small class sizes – giving a more personal approach to learning
- University-standard qualifications
- Guest speakers and industry experts support a truly engaging curriculum
- Part-time and full-time courses
- Excellent learner support – learner services and financial advice
- Wide range of courses
- Supported application process
- Great transport links to Pencoed Campus via M4 and rail
- Bridgend Campus is within walking distance of the town centre
- Dedicated higher education centre at Queens Road Campus

- Dedicated quiet study rooms at Bridgend and Pencoed campuses
- An experience that is invaluable and will be a great addition to your CV

For more details about University of South Wales courses at Bridgend College, contact the Higher Education Team on:

**heenquiries@bridgend.ac.uk**  
**01656 302 252**  
**www.bridgend.ac.uk**

## Cardiff and Vale College



Cardiff and Vale College is one of the largest colleges in the country, with over 20,000 learners.

The College helps students stand out from the crowd, gain employment and achieve their goals. The student success rate at the College continues to rise, with 90% of higher education students achieving their qualification in 2015.

The College offers a range of higher education qualifications in partnership with the University of South Wales across many subject areas, including business, education, and the creative industries.

Students at the College enjoy training in world-class education facilities and centres of excellence. There are outstanding facilities at many sites across

Cardiff and the Vale, plus a new campus in the heart of Cardiff that opened its doors to students in September 2015.

This £45m campus is just a five-minute walk from Cardiff Central train station, where facilities include a dedicated Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) Centre, performance theatre, recording studios, Apple design studios, fitness centre, and world-class teaching and learning spaces.

For more information about University of South Wales courses at Cardiff and Vale College, contact the Customer Services Team on:

**info@cavc.ac.uk**  
**02920 250 250**  
**www.cavc.ac.uk/he**

"I didn't have the grades to go to university straight away, so college was definitely the best option for me. I now have all the technical ability, but I also feel the College has prepared me to eventually work in the industry. I am more confident and I made a lot of useful contacts. The tutors were absolutely the most important bit of the course."

**James Huntley,**  
Studied Creative Industries (Film and Video) at Cardiff and Vale College and is now studying the BA (Hons) top-up course at the University of South Wales

## Coleg y Cymoedd



Coleg y Cymoedd is home to more than 20,000 students across four campuses in Aberdare, Nantgarw, Rhondda and Ystrad Mynach.

Plans are underway for Coleg y Cymoedd's new £20m Aberdare town centre campus, due to open its doors in September 2017. This state-of-the-art campus will replace the current facility in Cwmdare. The new site will serve up to 800 learners; incorporating industry-standard facilities to further enrich the education and skills training currently offered.

The College benefits from excellent teaching, an encouraging environment and diverse learning programmes. It also offers flexible study, with full-time and part-time learning.

Coleg y Cymoedd works in partnership with the University of South Wales to offer a large number of higher education courses across a range of subject areas. These include HNDs, Foundation Degrees, Honours degrees and professional qualifications in a variety of areas, from engineering to early years, business to ICT, and costume construction for screen and stage.

The College's campuses boast facilities for a wide range of industry and subject-specific courses. Examples include dedicated construction buildings, amazing engineering workshops, and dedicated gallery spaces for creative arts.

These campuses also offer excellent employer links, state-of-the-art learning centres, sport and fitness facilities, hair and beauty salons, high-quality conference and training facilities, coffee shops and restaurants. Alongside these superb learning facilities, you'll find plenty of extra-curricular activities and a supportive learning environment.

For more information about University of South Wales courses at Coleg y Cymoedd, contact:

[enquiries@cymoedd.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@cymoedd.ac.uk)  
[www.cymoedd.ac.uk/he](http://www.cymoedd.ac.uk/he)

## Coleg Gwent



Coleg Gwent welcomes thousands of students every year to learn in a supportive and encouraging environment.

Each of Coleg Gwent's five campuses is unique, but wherever you choose to study, you'll have access to exceptional facilities and learning resources, including free student Wi-Fi and Learning Centres.

Coleg Gwent's flexible higher education courses allow you to gain a university-level qualification closer to home. By studying for a higher education qualification locally, you could improve your career prospects, save yourself time and money, or fit your course around job or family commitments. If you've just finished your A-levels or your vocational course, if you want to return to education after a break, or if you're planning a career change, the College can help you achieve

the Foundation Degree, HND, HNC or professional qualification you need.

If you're not quite ready to study at higher education level, you could build up to your goal with one of the Access to Higher Education courses, which provide those returning to education with an alternative route into higher education.

There's a wide range of courses offered by the University of South Wales at Coleg Gwent. Subject areas include accounting, business, computing, creative industries, management, health, sport, and public and emergency services.

For more information about University of South Wales courses at Coleg Gwent, contact the enquiries team on:

[admissions@coleggwent.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@coleggwent.ac.uk)  
01495 333 777  
[www.coleggwent.ac.uk/he](http://www.coleggwent.ac.uk/he)

"I wanted to complete a higher education qualification to improve my career progression and job prospects. Studying at the College was ideal as it wasn't too far to travel and I continued working, allowing me to gain experience in the sector. The top-up course is improving my knowledge, confidence and academic skills, plus I've met new friends. I'm the first in my family to attend university so they are very proud."

**Samantha Pugh,**  
Studied Foundation Degree Childhood Studies at Coleg Gwent and is now studying the BSc (Hons) top-up course at the University of South Wales

# The College Merthyr Tydfil



The College Merthyr Tydfil offers 19 university-level qualifications, excellent student support and fantastic facilities.

With over 2,000 students, including 400 studying university-level qualifications, the College provides high-quality teaching and support that ensures all learners achieve their maximum potential and gain the qualifications they need to progress to Honours degree programmes, professional qualifications or employment.

The new, modern campus in the heart of Merthyr Tydfil has state-of-the-art facilities, including:

- Professional photography, and art and design studios

- 19 IT rooms, fully equipped with the latest technology
- Open access learning and student support facilities with sophisticated technology
- Five state-of-the-art science laboratories with 3D projectors
- 600m<sup>2</sup> sports hall, including a fully accessible climbing wall
- Modern atrium space
- Learning Zone
- Atrium Cafe and a large refectory
- Hair and beauty salons

You can study a range of University of South Wales higher education courses in many subject areas that include accounting, business, creative industries, sport, care, childhood studies, and psychology.

In 2014-15, 83% of our university-level students were satisfied with their experience at the College.

The College also benefits from a partnership with REDHOUSE, which is a unique opportunity for creative industries students to study in a specialist, purpose-built facility that has recording studios, Mac editing rooms, music practice rooms, a theatre, dance studio, music PC rooms and much more.

For more information about University of South Wales courses at The College Merthyr Tydfil, contact:

[enquiries@merthyr.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@merthyr.ac.uk)  
**0800 169 3825**  
[www.merthyr.ac.uk](http://www.merthyr.ac.uk)

## PARTNER COLLEGES

The University has partnerships with other colleges throughout Wales and the UK, each offering a range of higher education programmes:

Gower College Swansea  
[www.gcs.ac.uk](http://www.gcs.ac.uk)

Grŵp Llandrillo Menai  
[www.gllm.ac.uk](http://www.gllm.ac.uk)

Neath Port Talbot College Group  
[www.nptcgroup.ac.uk](http://www.nptcgroup.ac.uk)

Blackburn College  
[www.blackburn.ac.uk](http://www.blackburn.ac.uk)



The College Merthyr Tydfil

# HOW TO FIND US

**Our courses are taught across three campuses in Pontypridd, Newport and Cardiff. Getting to and from each of our campuses is easy – here's how:**

## **Pontypridd Campus**

Our Pontypridd Campus is easily reached by road or rail – it's just off the M4 with a train station right on the doorstep.

By car, it's only 10 minutes from junction 32 of the M4, and just off the A470. The University is signposted from north and southbound carriageways on the A470, with large student car parks at the Treforest and Glyntaff sites. If you travel by train, Valleys Lines services run regularly from Cardiff and stop at Treforest station, right next to campus. If you are travelling from overseas, Cardiff International Airport has a direct rail link to Treforest station.

## **Newport City Campus**

Newport City Campus is right on the riverfront of Newport city centre, and can be easily reached by car, train or bus. Newport is only two hours from London via the M4.

The campus is a 10 minute walk from the train station and just across the road from the bus station. It's served well by Newport Bus routes, with Newport being on regular coach routes from all over the UK. There is also a direct coach service from Heathrow, Gatwick and Bristol airports. The University has teamed up with Newport Transport to offer cheap unlimited student travel – find out more about the Unigo service online: [southwales.ac.uk/unigo](http://southwales.ac.uk/unigo)

## **Cardiff Campus**

Cardiff Campus is easily accessible by all forms of transport – car, coach, train and even air. The buildings that make up the Cardiff Campus are right in the heart of the city and within walking distance of one another.

Travelling by car, Cardiff Campus can be reached from junctions 29, 32 or 33 of the M4 and has a choice of car parks nearby. By train, the campus is a short walk from Cardiff Queen Street station or Cardiff Central station. There are also plenty of national coach services that run through Cardiff, with the bus station conveniently in the city centre too.

## **MORE INFORMATION**

**For printable maps, information on the local area, places to stay and more, go to:**  
[southwales.ac.uk/visiting](http://southwales.ac.uk/visiting)



# TRAVEL TIME BY CAR

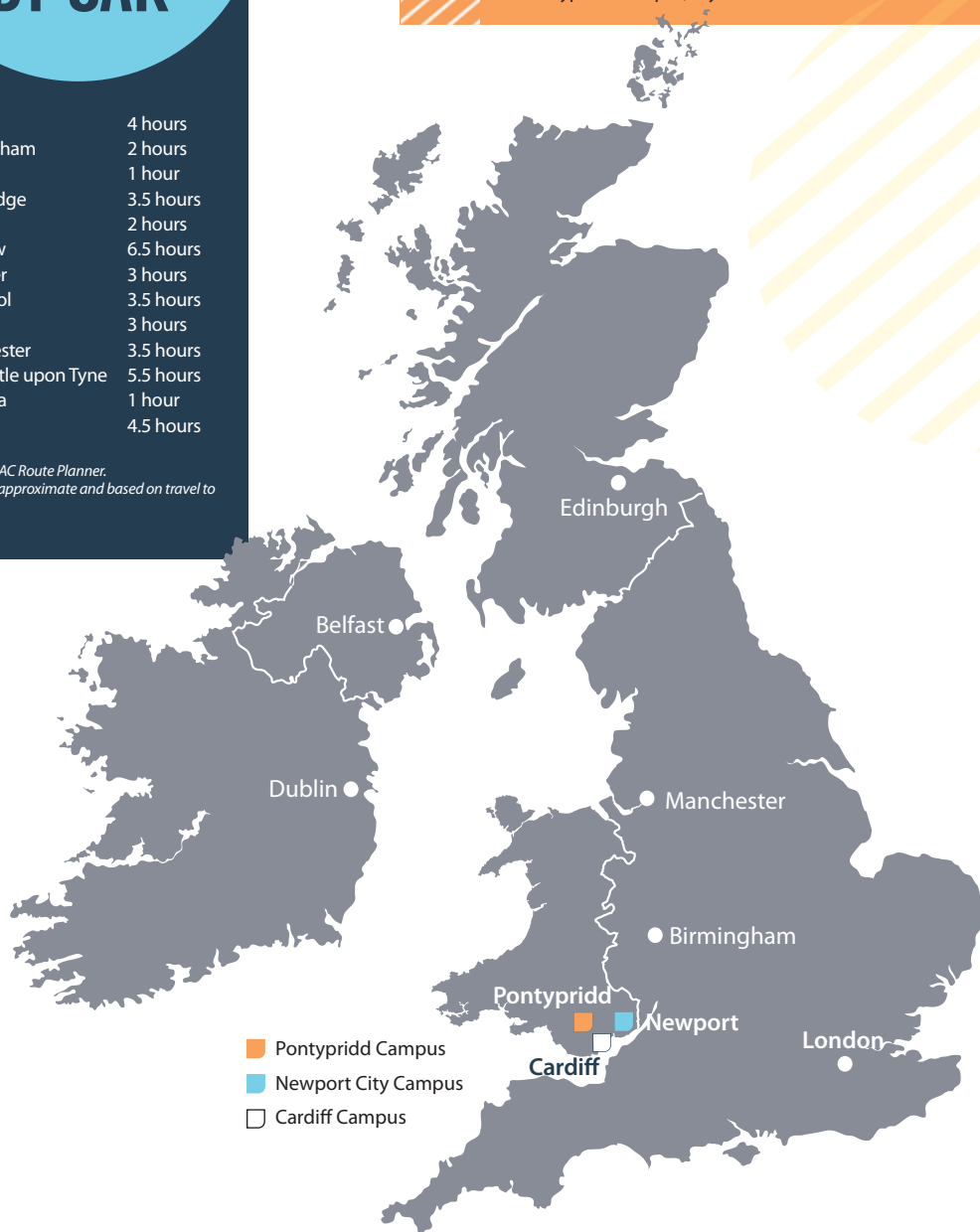
Bangor	4 hours
Birmingham	2 hours
Bristol	1 hour
Cambridge	3.5 hours
Exeter	2 hours
Glasgow	6.5 hours
Leicester	3 hours
Liverpool	3.5 hours
London	3 hours
Manchester	3.5 hours
Newcastle upon Tyne	5.5 hours
Swansea	1 hour
York	4.5 hours

*\*Source: RAC Route Planner.  
Times are approximate and based on travel to Cardiff.*

## SATNAV

If you're using satnav to find us, these are the postcodes you'll need:

- Cardiff Campus: CF24 2FN
- Newport City Campus: NP20 2BP
- Pontypridd Campus, Treforest: CF37 1DL
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