

About the Centre

The Centre for European Studies (CES) was originally founded in 1996 in the Department of International Politics and in 2000 became the Jean Monnet Centre of Excellence after receiving official recognition by the European Union. In 2010 with the AU LTSIF support



it was restructured to become a cross-departmental and multi-disciplinary research-based learning Centre, focusing on the study of further European integration and Europe's relations with the outside world. For their innovations, in 2011 the CES director was awarded a Jean Monnet Chair, and her Administrator – an AU Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award. The Centre thrives on Aberystwyth University's world-renowned teaching reputation and research excellence.

The CES mission is to develop excellence, through innovative teaching, research and continuing professional development in the areas of International Politics, Geography & Earth Sciences, Environmental Sciences, European Languages, Law & Criminology, History, Management and Business and any other discipline with a European focus. The strategic objectives are implemented through keynote addresses, seminars, European workshops, debates, trips, internships, and other activities. The Centre has a strong student voice with both undergraduate and postgraduate students being involved in the administration of the Centre.

If you are interested in enhancing your professional qualifications and expanding your knowledge and experience of all issues European in a supportive and encouraging educational environment, then the Centre for European Studies is the place for you!

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Teaching

The Centre for European Studies prides itself on the teaching excellence of its members, all of whom are either institutionally or nationally recognised for their teaching excellence.

Undergraduate teaching develops student knowledge and understanding of the European Union, and offers progression pathways for postgraduate study or careers in European institutions, national governments, non-governmental organisations, international organisations and multi-national businesses.

Postgraduate teaching prepares students for doctoral training and raises their employability profiles for high-level professional careers in Europe; as political advisors, consultants, policy makers, business leaders and legislators.

Research

Innovative research with impact is at the core of the CES activities. All CES members, including academic, students and its alumni, actively engage in the development of the Centre's research activities. As such, the funding raised by the centre will, in reference to AU Sustainability and Financial and Asset Management strategy, primarily be used to optimise support for full-time doctoral level research studentships.

Continuing Professional Development (CPD)

The CES envisages offering CPD activities for various user-groups. Due to CES multi-disciplinary nature, engagement will be sought with professionals and other community groups to ensure quality lifelong learning and raise employability profiles. This includes liaising with schools, and offering consultancy corresponding to CES specialisms, and refresher and skills development courses to internal and external user-groups.

Events

30/09/11 1-2.00 pm	Main Hall, International Politics Building (IPB)	CES Welcome
14/10/11 1-2.00pm	Main Hall, IPB	CES Fellows Seminar: Marco Odello
17/10/11 2-3.00pm	Main Hall, IPB	CES public lecture: Andy Klom, Head of European Commission Office Wales
20/10/11 2.30-3.30pm	Main Hall, IPB	CES public lecture: Dr Kay Swinburne MEP
29/10/11	Powys Castle	CES Social event
04/11/11 2-4.00pm	Main Hall, IPB	European Parliament, Careers event and discussion of Eurozone Crisis
30/11/11 4.00-5.30pm	Main Hall, IPB	CES annual address: Bruce P. Jackson Founder and President of of the Project on Transitional Democracies
16/12/11	TBC	CES social: Christmas celebration



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