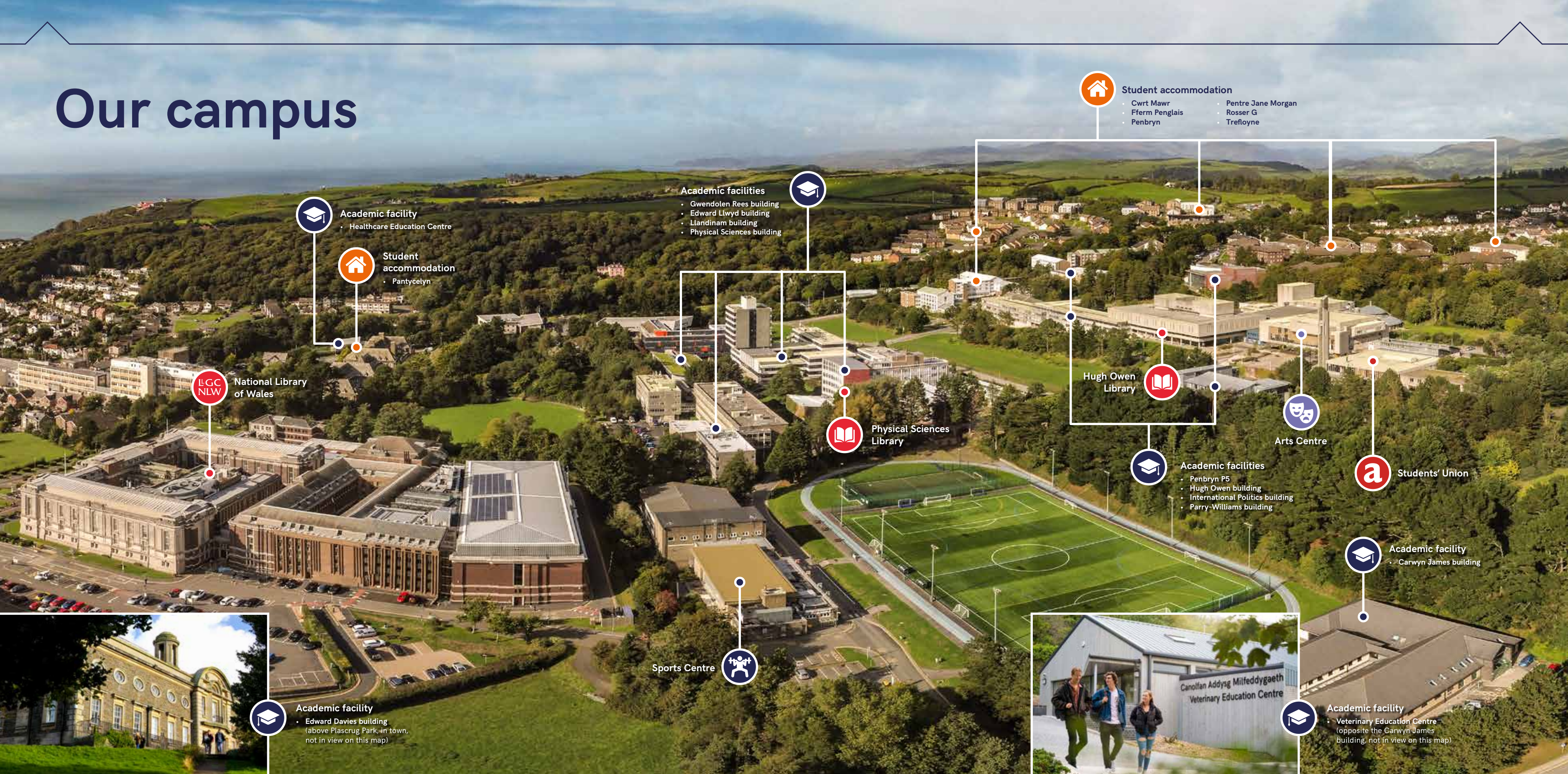


This is your place

Undergraduate Prospectus
2025

Our campus



Academic facility
• Healthcare Education Centre



Student accommodation
• Pantycelyn



National Library of Wales



Academic facilities
• Gwendolen Rees building
• Edward Llwyd building
• Llandinam building
• Physical Sciences building



Physical Sciences Library



Student accommodation
• Cwrt Mawr
• Fferm Penglais
• Penbryn
• Pentre Jane Morgan
• Rosser G
• Trefloyne



Hugh Owen Library



Arts Centre



Academic facilities
• Penbryn P5
• Hugh Owen building
• International Politics building
• Parry-Williams building



Students' Union



Academic facility
• Carwyn James building



Sports Centre



Academic facility
• Edward Davies building
(above Plasrugg Park, in town,
not in view on this map)



Academic facility
• Veterinary Education Centre
(opposite the Carwyn James
building, not in view on this map)



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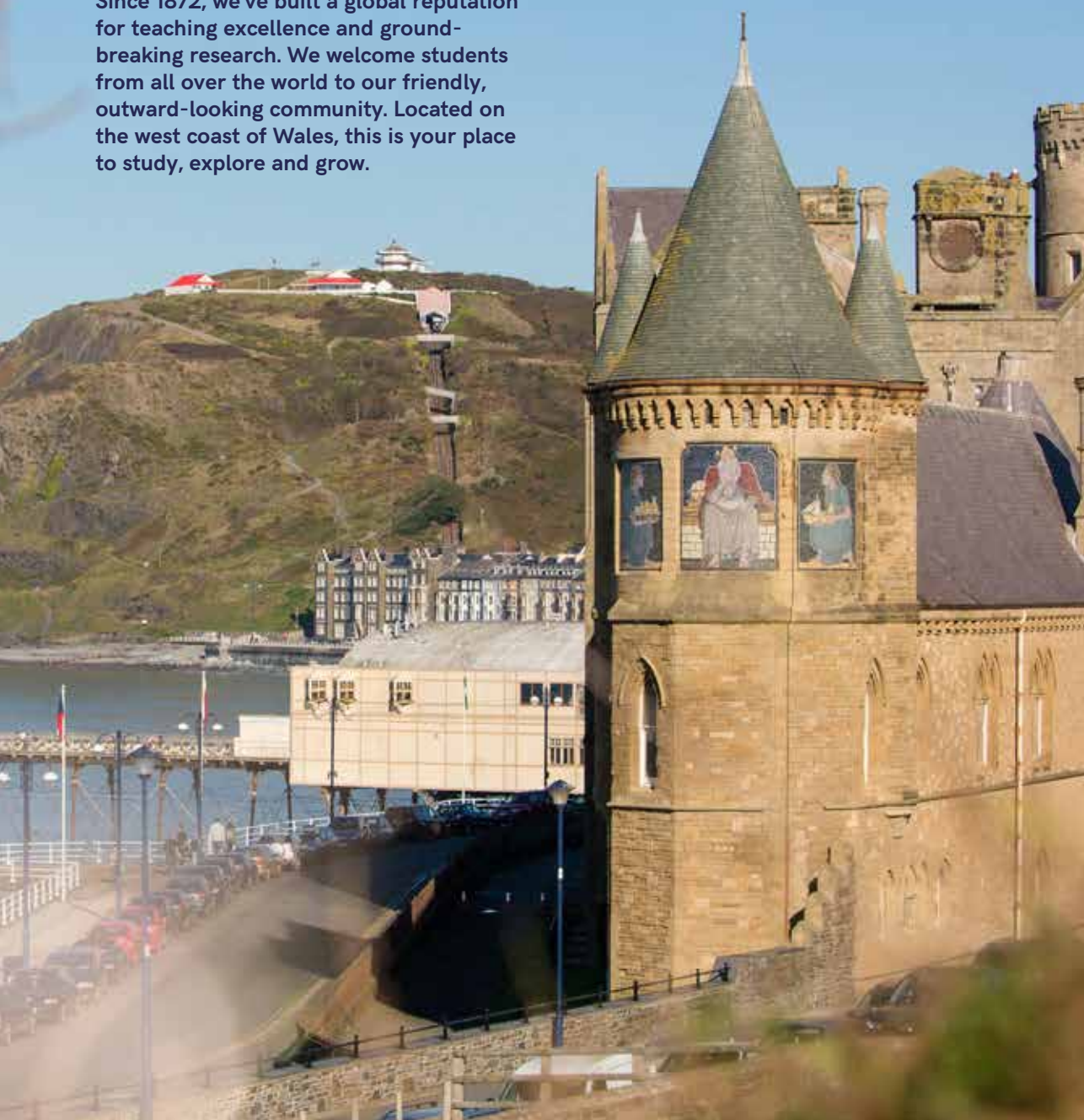
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This is your place

Why choose Aberystwyth University?

Since 1872, we've built a global reputation for teaching excellence and ground-breaking research. We welcome students from all over the world to our friendly, outward-looking community. Located on the west coast of Wales, this is your place to study, explore and grow.



THE TIMES
THE SUNDAY TIMES

Welsh University of the year

(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)

Top in Wales and 2nd in the UK

for Student Experience
(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)

Top in Wales and 3rd in the UK

for Teaching Quality
(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)

NSS

Top in Wales for Student Satisfaction

(National Student Survey 2023)

Top in England and Wales for Student Satisfaction

(National Student Survey 2022)

WHAT
UNI?

Top in the UK for Lecturers and Teaching Quality

(WhatUni? Student Choice Awards 2023)

Top in the UK for Student Life

(WhatUni? Student Choice Awards 2023)

Top 3 for University of the Year

(WhatUni? Student Choice Awards 2023)

Top 5 for Facilities

(WhatUni? Student Choice Awards 2023)

Top 5 for Halls and Student Accommodation

(WhatUni? Student Choice Awards 2023)



Our research has national and international impact

98% of research at Aberystwyth University is of an internationally recognised standard or higher.

(Research Excellence Framework 2021)



Accredited degrees

Many of the courses we offer are accredited by professional bodies, in recognition of their quality, enhancing your employment prospects.

Look out for the logos on the course pages in this prospectus.



We are an international university, with students from more than 100 countries.



We guarantee University-managed accommodation to all first-year students

Our accommodation also includes Platinum gym membership which gives you access to our Sports Centre facilities and classes for free.



Enrich your studies

You will have the opportunity to study abroad, undertake a work placement, learn a language or boost your degree with our Lifelong Learning courses.



Supporting our students

Our Student Support team can help you with accessibility and inclusion, student well-being, careers advice, visa support, student finance and learning to budget.



Stunning study location

Located on the west coast of Wales, between the Cambrian mountains and the sea, Aberystwyth offers the perfect location in which to live and study.

Welcome

Choosing the university that's right for you is one of life's big decisions. It's not just about the course, it's about finding somewhere you'll enjoy living and studying, where you can thrive academically and grow as a person. As Aberystwyth University's Vice-Chancellor, and as an Aberystwyth graduate myself, I believe our university is one of the best choices you can make.

Aberystwyth offers the perfect balance between quality education and superb student life, consistently ranking at the top of key league tables. Throughout this prospectus you'll find evidence of our awards and accolades, and the annual National Student Survey confirms our students as some of the most satisfied in the UK.

As a student at Aberystwyth, you'll be taught by leading academics, at the forefront of ground-breaking research. You'll become part of an academic community dedicated to addressing some of the world's most pressing challenges and providing solutions. And you will be supported throughout by a dedicated staff, focused on helping you thrive in all aspects of student life.

You will also be studying in one of the UK's most stunning locations. With the coastline and mountains on our doorstep, our environment provides an ideal setting for study and socialising. And Aberystwyth itself is a friendly and diverse town, where students from across the world are welcomed and invited to make Aberystwyth their home.

If you choose Aberystwyth University, you'll find an inclusive and supportive community that welcomes students from all backgrounds, where each individual matters. I firmly believe that this is your place to grow both academically and personally, to achieve your potential and make your mark on the world.

If you have any questions about Aberystwyth University, please do get in touch. We would also love to welcome you to an Open Day, where you'll get to meet our staff and students and discover why they chose Aberystwyth.

Best wishes with your university decision-making - you're beginning one of life's most amazing journeys and we hope you choose to take that journey with us.



Professor Jon Timmis
Vice-Chancellor



What our students say

Aishwarya Patil

Psychology

I chose Aberystwyth University because it seemed like a place that put student needs and experiences above everything else. The course is designed in a very organised way and the department are experienced and enthusiastic. It's an incredible mix of practical and theoretical learning. The pace is perfect to understand and learn without being overwhelmed. I love how approachable the lecturers are and how closely they work with students. I also love how close-knit the student community is!

Catherine Fletcher

Environmental Earth Science

I chose to study Environmental Earth Science at Aberystwyth University because of the multidisciplinary approach of this degree, which incorporates aspects of geography, geology, geochemistry and environmental science. I wanted to focus more on the environmental aspects of resource exploitation and other human activities rather than just understanding the fundamentals of geology. I love being outside and it was important to me to do a practical degree where I could learn more about adapting to reduce our environmental impact. Aberystwyth is in a beautiful location which is perfect for studying an environmental or physical based degree!

Steph Moore

Education / Drama and Theatre

Everyone assumes that a joint honours degree is harder, but this is not the case. Both subjects are taught evenly, and the workload is easily manageable. I love how this degree offers a variety and the modules are extremely exciting and interesting. I would highly recommend a joint honours degree to anyone who is unsure of their future aspirations but loves two subjects.

I chose Aberystwyth because of the beautiful location and the safe, inclusive environment. As well as this, the student life is incredible and exceeded my expectations. Everyone looks out for one another at Aberystwyth, and I will always be extremely grateful for the friends that I have made who will be with me for life.

Jasmine Faudon

Wildlife Conservation (with integrated year in industry)

I did my work placement at the Zeehondencentrum (Seal Rescue Centre) in Pieterburen, Netherlands. During my time at Zeehondencentrum, I got the opportunity to make many new friends of different ages and nationalities. At the centre my efforts were acknowledged, and I was asked to participate in training so that I could become a feeder to help with the feedings. Feeding a seal in intensive care requires concentration, being responsible and level-headed, so this helped me develop my transferable skills.

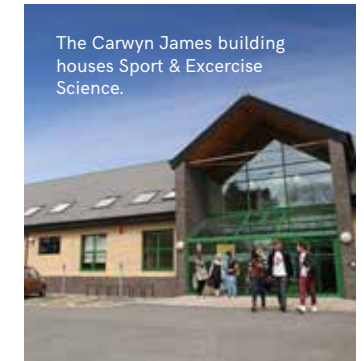
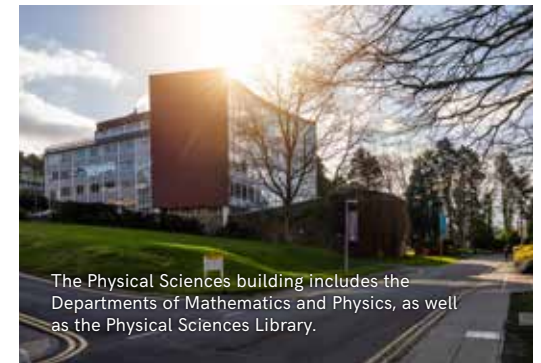
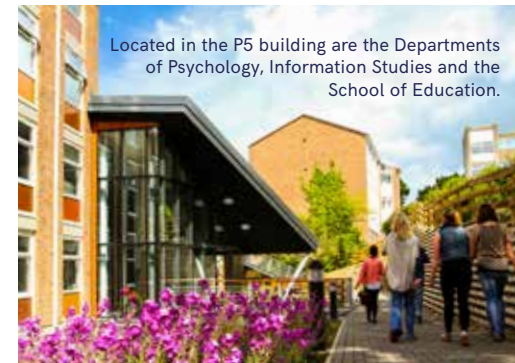
Life on campus

Aberystwyth University's campus has everything that you need on your doorstep. The campus is also within walking-distance of town and the famous Aberystwyth seafront.

Our campus is home to our accommodation, restaurants and cafes, the Students' Union, teaching and studying facilities including two libraries, the Arts Centre and Sports Centre. The National Library of Wales (a copyright library) is adjacent to campus.



The Gwendolen Rees building on Penglais Campus is the home of the Department of Life Sciences and CAFFIBach café. Next door is the Edward Llwyd building which houses laboratories and teaching rooms.



Sustainability

At Aberystwyth University we take sustainability seriously.

We're proud to be one of the first UK universities to declare a climate emergency in 2019, acknowledging the need to support the transition to a low carbon future.

Our objective is to achieve a net zero carbon estate by 2030.



We are a member of a consortium of 20 UK universities to strike a £50 million landmark green energy deal, reducing emissions and our carbon footprint as part of an aggregated purchase power agreement (PPA).



Over the past 10 years we have reduced our CO₂ emissions by 40%.



We have recently invested £2.9 million in a new solar array with 4,500 solar panels that will reduce our CO₂ emissions by over 500 tonnes annually.



We have installed a range of electric car and bike charging points across our campuses.



We are investing £3 million in energy efficiency improvements across our estate.



We have recently installed a new sports dome with self-powered kit on campus to limit our carbon footprint.



We are carrying out a Biodiversity survey across our estate in 2024 to help identify, protect and enhance the species and habitats around us.



We've completed Phase 1 of our tree planting scheme, with 16,000 native broadleaf trees planted across 3 sites. Once mature, this woodland is expected to enhance biodiversity and offset the University's carbon emissions by around 16 tonnes annually.



We have had wildflower meadows across our campus since 2016.



We have a community garden on Penglais Campus for people to learn about growing food and planting in a wildlife-friendly manner.



The Students' Union has recently gained an 'Excellent' standard for the Green Impact award, the highest rating that can be achieved.



We introduced a keep-cup scheme offering free reusable travel cups for students and staff. We also have many free water refill stations across campus to reduce the need for single-use plastic bottles.

Inclusive Aberystwyth

We are proud of our close-knit community within the University and the town. Although we are relatively small, we are a diverse community. The student body includes a rich variety of people, cultures and beliefs.

Aberystwyth University is committed to a proactive and inclusive approach to equality, which supports and encourages all under-represented groups, and promotes an inclusive culture and diversity of values.

This commitment is underpinned by the University's Strategic Equality Plan 2020-2024:

“ We believe that creating an inclusive environment means providing everyone, no matter who they are, with equal access to opportunities, and removing cultural barriers in the form of discrimination and intolerance. ”

As a student at Aberystwyth University, our inclusive and supportive environment will give you the chance to reach your potential, make new friends, but more importantly, be yourself.



LGBTQ+

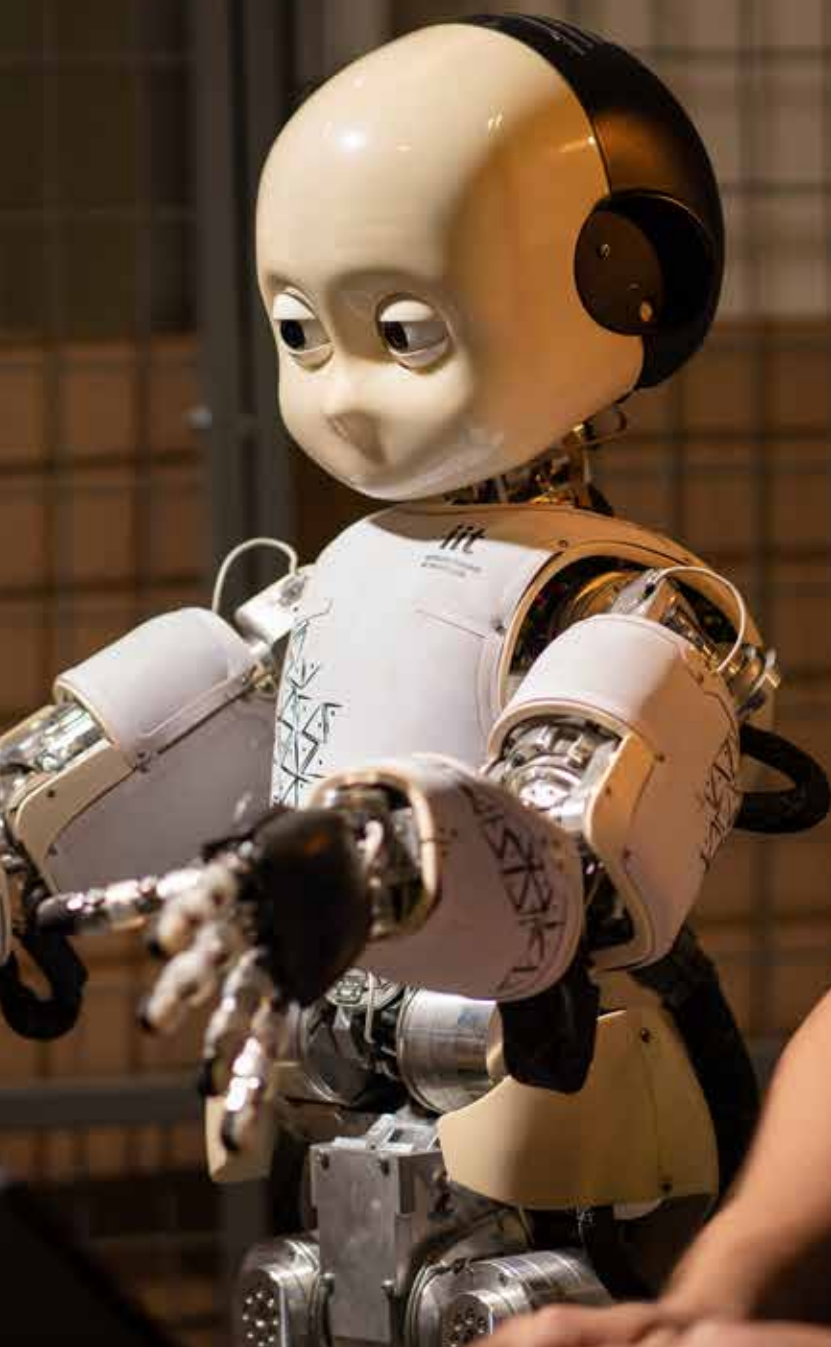
Aberystwyth University provides a supportive, inclusive and safe environment where you can embrace your individuality and identify as whomsoever you feel comfortable. AberPride student society arranges regular social events and offers support to its members, through listening to their problems and offering advice on various LGBTQ+ issues, or aiding them in contacting alternative charities or organisations. The University also has a LGBTQ+ staff network and is a Stonewall Bronze Employer.

Athena Swan and Advance HE

Athena Swan UK is a sector-led charter that universities can participate in to advance gender equality for their staff and students. **Advance HE** is committed to supporting all Athena Swan participants to progress their gender equality goals, and their **Race Equality Charter** provides a framework through which institutions can identify and reflect on institutional and cultural barriers standing in the way of Black, Asian and Minority Ethnic staff and students. Aberystwyth University is a member of the Athena Swan Charter and Race Equality Charter.



Research excellence



(Photo credit: ESA)



Aberystwyth is a research-led university which celebrates knowledge creation, impact, innovation and knowledge exchange.

Research underpins and informs our teaching and enhances your learning experience. You will be taught and mentored by staff who shape our understanding of the world and extend the frontiers of our knowledge, exposing you to the very latest thinking in your subject area.

Our research has benefits for wider society and impacts upon the economy, the environment, on public policy and upon cultural life in Wales and beyond. And through cultivating commercial partnerships, our research helps to develop new products, processes and techniques that can help us all live better lives.

Ranging from combatting climate change, improving food quality and food production, promoting human and animal health, to developing artificial intelligence and helping to advance space exploration, our researchers are at the forefront of innovation and the impact of our research has far-reaching international benefits.

Recent research initiatives

- Using AI to breed new bioenergy crops to help tackle climate change.
- Accelerating the restoration of peatlands to remove greenhouse gases from the atmosphere.
- Mapping the biomass of the world's forests for the European Space Agency (ESA) to help tackle climate change.
- Developing a new app to help protect and restore ecosystems and environments around the world.
- Using AI, satellite imagery and drone technology to monitor melting glaciers.
- Producing sustainable alternative proteins to help feed the world's growing population.
- Finding new ways to speed up the preclinical drug discovery process for parasitic diseases.
- Designing state-of-the-art anti-radiation technology for space missions to the moons of Jupiter.
- Creating smart tech to improve quality of life for the elderly or people with health conditions.
- Using the latest virtual reality technology to train police officers to deal sensitively with older victim-survivors of domestic violence and abuse.

Your degree

At Aberystwyth we offer a range of undergraduate degrees.

Many of our single honours degrees are also available with the option of an integrated foundation year, integrated year in industry, integrated year studying abroad or as Integrated Masters courses, allowing you greater flexibility in your study choices.

Bachelors single honours degrees

Enable you to specialise in one particular subject. Usually three years in duration, though language students will spend an additional year abroad.

Bachelors joint honours degrees

Enable you to study two subjects equally, with your time divided between two different departments. Usually three years in duration, our wide selection enables you to study complementary subjects, so you don't have to choose between your favourites.

Bachelors major/minor honours degrees

These provide you with a rigorous basis in one subject, with the advantage of pursuing an additional subject of interest to you. Usually three years in duration, you'll spend two-thirds of your time studying the major subject, and a third studying the minor subject.

Bachelors honours degrees with integrated year in industry

Usually four years in duration, you will spend your third year working in industry, before returning to Aberystwyth in your fourth year to complete your degree. The industrial year forms an assessed part of your course, and you may have the option to conduct your work placement abroad, should you wish to do so.

Bachelors honours degrees with integrated year studying abroad

Usually four years in duration, you will spend your third year studying abroad at one of our partner institutions, before returning to Aberystwyth in your fourth year to complete your degree. The year abroad forms an assessed part of your course.

Bachelors honours degrees with integrated foundation year

Designed for applicants who don't meet the typical entry requirements for the standard degree, the integrated foundation year enables you to develop the necessary academic skills to begin your chosen course in your second year. Your course will therefore be four years in duration rather than three, but your student loan will cover the additional year.

Integrated Masters degrees

These allow you to integrate three years of undergraduate study with a further year of postgraduate-level study leading to a Masters-level qualification. You can apply for a four-year student loan for the full duration of these degrees, rather than seeking additional funding for a Masters after completing your first degree.

Foundation degrees

Usually two or three years in duration, foundation degrees combine academic study with practical skills, which you can apply in the workplace. Successful completion can also lead to direct entry onto the final year of some courses. At Aberystwyth, we currently offer foundation degrees in Agriculture and Veterinary Nursing.

We offer:

- BA – Bachelor of Arts
- BEng – Bachelor of Engineering
- BSc – Bachelor of Science
- BVSc – Bachelor of Veterinary Science
- FdSc – Foundation
- LLB – Bachelor of Laws
- MAg – Master of Agriculture
- MBiol – Master of Biology
- MComp – Master of Computing
- MEng – Master of Engineering
- MMath – Master of Mathematics
- MPhys – Master of Physics

Your degree – how it works

- Your degree consists of a range of modules on different topics. Core modules are compulsory, but you can make your own choice from a selection of optional modules, where available.
- You may be taught through a combination of lectures, seminars, tutorials, practicals, fieldwork or workshops, depending on your chosen course.
- Methods of assessment may include course work, exams, laboratory practicals, an evaluation of your contribution to group work and seminar presentations, and project work.

Studying in Welsh

As a bilingual university, you can study many of our degrees wholly or partially through the medium of Welsh. Students can choose to submit their work and sit exams in Welsh and have a Welsh-speaking Personal Tutor. Coleg Cymraeg Cenedlaethol scholarships are available to students who study a certain proportion of their course through the medium of Welsh, and students who study at least five credits a year in Welsh will automatically receive the Aberystwyth University Welsh Medium Scholarship.

Accounting & Finance



Scan me to learn more about our Accounting & Finance courses

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Top 5 in the UK

for Student Experience for the subject of Accounting and Finance

(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)

Accounting and Finance



BSc (Hons) | N400 | 3 years

The Accounting and Finance degree will prepare you for a career in professional accountancy or financial services, by focusing primarily on financial accounting, management accounting and finance, with taxation, business law and business ethics dovetailed throughout the programme.

Our teaching staff include researchers and industry practitioners, who will help you develop a broad understanding of the operational context, and the impact of financial measurement and disclosure on cash-flow, internal policy and financial systems. This will enhance your understanding of how financial data may be used to inform and influence managers, investors and decision-makers; and how the presentation of financial information can impact the longevity (and profitability/sustainability) of a company or public sector organisation.

You will benefit from:

- studying a degree accredited by the world's leading accountancy bodies
- being taught and mentored by professionally qualified and practising accountants with a wealth of industry and academic experience
- introduction to legal issues relevant to the business environment
- working with Refinitiv Workspace that provides access to company financial data and economic indicators as well as news and analytics to provide you with a richer, more interactive learning experience
- professional exemptions from the main UK professional accounting bodies' exams.

Employability

Accountancy firms, investment banks and financial institutions offer a range of career opportunities to suit all interests including traditional auditing and assurance work, management consulting, corporate finance, IT consulting, tax planning and insolvency. We have established links with the major accounting and finance employers. As well as placing our students in traditional accounting firms including Deloitte, PwC, E&Y and KPMG, our recent graduates have secured employment with other well-known organisations such as Barclays, the BBC, Lidl and the NHS.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

Assessment weighting:
30-40% coursework, 70-60% exams.

IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Field trips/fieldwork: No.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Fundamentals of Accounting and Finance *
- Accounting and Finance for Specialists
- Understanding the Economy
- Fundamentals of Management and Business *
- Data Analytics.

Second year:

- Intermediate Financial Accounting
- Intermediate Management Accounting
- Corporate Governance, Risk and Ethics
- Corporate Finance and Financial Markets
- Business Law for Managers
- Taxation.

Final year:

- Advanced Financial Accounting
- Advanced Management Accounting
- Investments and Financial Instruments
- Accounting and Finance: Analysis and Application
- Theory and Practice of Auditing.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Also available:
N40F Integrated foundation year.
N40T Top-up scheme.

Business Finance

BSc (Hons) | N310 | 3 years

The world of business is demanding, challenging and heavily reliant on finance; a diverse environment with various factors that influence business performance and prospects. At Aberystwyth Business School, our Business Finance course will equip you with a well-founded, coherent framework to understand financial strategy, the conduct of financial services and regulation of money and finance.

The finance aspects of the course will equip you with the fundamental theoretical and practical applications of accounting that enable organisations to undertake well-informed financial decision-making.

You will also explore the following areas on this course: managerial finance, taxation, investment fundamentals, portfolio management and global finance.

You will benefit from:

- gaining exemptions from the UK professional accountancy exams
- enhancing your career opportunities through our partnerships with business, industry and commerce
- being taught by active researchers, ensuring that you are exposed to the latest theories and knowledge in the subject area
- working with Refinitiv Workspace that provides access to company financial data and economic indicators as well as news and analytics to provide you with a richer, more interactive learning experience
- gaining real-world industry perspectives through guest lectures by industry professionals
- joining our Investment Society to participate in a Wales and Ireland universities trading competition, won by our Aberystwyth team in recent years.

Employability

Employment opportunities for graduates with a degree in Business Finance include working in areas such as retail and investment banking, management consulting and tax planning. Many of our students enter graduate finance training schemes and quickly find employment with UK or multinational businesses and financial organisations.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
30-40% coursework, 70-60% exams.



CIPFA The Chartered Institute of Public Finance & Accountancy

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Fundamentals of Accounting and Finance *
- Accounting and Finance for Specialists
- Understanding the Economy
- Fundamentals of Management and Business *
- Economic Theory and Policy
- Data Analytics.

Second year:

- Microeconomics Theory and Policy
- Intermediate Financial Accounting
- Corporate Governance, Risk and Ethics
- Corporate Finance and Financial Markets
- Macroeconomics Theory and Policy.

Final year:

- Investments and Financial Instruments
- Trade and International Monetary Systems
- Financial Technology and Business Success
- Growth, Development and Sustainability.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Joint Honours

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours
Accounting and Finance	Business and Management	N4N1
	Computing	NG34
	Economics	N4L1
	Law	MN14
	Mathematics	GN94
	Spanish	NR44



Agriculture



Scan me to learn more about our Agriculture courses

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Top in the UK

overall for Animal Science & Agriculture

(The Guardian University League Table 2023)

Agriculture

BSc (Hons) | H21Y | 3 years

Aberystwyth has a long-established reputation for teaching excellence in agriculture. You will acquire a wide range of skills, supplementing your academic study at university with regular visits to commercially run farms and businesses, and gaining the latest insights from scientists at the cutting edge of agricultural research.

Modern agriculture is faced with the task of feeding an increasing global population against a backdrop of dwindling resources, the need to protect the environment, and the need to cope with, and mitigate against, climate change. At the same time, agriculture faces new priorities closer to home as the UK redefines its relationship with Europe. This degree will equip you to tackle these challenges, covering all aspects of agriculture and agricultural production systems, and developing a detailed understanding of the changing farming landscape. You will gain the practical skills needed to manage a sustainable business, and will be ready to adopt best practices, informed by current research, to tackle the challenges of livestock and crop management and get the best from your agricultural business.

You will benefit from:

- teaching by leading experts and researchers in their field
- visits to farms, research establishments and agri-businesses throughout the UK as an integral part of the course
- the opportunity to complete a tutor-supported work experience year to develop skills and enhance career prospects.

Employability

Our graduates have achieved successful careers in many areas of agriculture and its related industries, including enterprise and farm management, animal health and nutrition, agricultural politics and administration, crop and grassland agronomy, as well as administrative, consultancy and sales careers with agricultural supply companies.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Agricultural Technology and Farm Safety *
- Business, Economics and Land Use
- Crop, Grassland, Soil and Agricultural Land Management *
- Introduction to Livestock Production and Science
- Skills for the Agricultural Industry *

Second year:

- Agronomy and Crop Improvement *
- Food, Farming and the Environment *

Final year:

- Research Project * or Critical Review *
- Advances in Agriculture *
- Farm Planning and Advanced Farm Management.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.

IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Also available:
H22Y Top-up scheme.
D401 Integrated year in industry.
D404 Integrated Masters.

Agriculture

FdSc - Foundation | D402 | 2 years

This degree is an excellent option for those who wish to train as managers of agricultural enterprises, or to retrain and pursue a career in agriculture. Students who successfully complete this course to the required standard can progress onto our BSc Agriculture degree.

On this course you will be challenged with real-life scenarios so that you can study a blend of science, technology, and farm management to explore and understand the way in which modern agricultural methods produce food in a sustainable manner and provide a profit for the farm business. You will cover all aspects of agricultural production systems, while also developing a detailed understanding of the changing farming landscape, and the skills and theoretical knowledge needed to manage a sustainable business.

You will benefit from:

- teaching by leading experts and researchers in their field
- visits to farms and agri-businesses throughout the UK as an integral part of the course
- work experience opportunities in the UK and overseas.

Employability

Students graduating with a Foundation Degree in Agriculture enter a variety of technical and managerial roles at enterprise and farm level. You will be able to adopt best practices that incorporate the very best of current research, and husbandry practices that allow you to tackle the challenges of livestock and crop management in a changing and challenging physical and financial environment.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Agricultural Technology and Farm Safety *
- Business, Economics and Land Use
- Crop, Grassland, Soil and Agricultural Land Management *
- Introduction to Livestock Science and Production Systems *
- Skills for the Agricultural Industry *

Second year:

- Agronomy and Crop Improvement *
- Food, Farming and the Environment *

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 96-72
IB: 26-24.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Upon successful completion at the required level, you can progress onto the final year of one of our Agriculture BSc degrees.



Also available:
D403 Integrated year in industry.

Agriculture with Animal Science

BSc (Hons) | 53C8 | 3 years

Alongside Aberystwyth's credentials in agriculture, on this degree you will benefit from teaching by active researchers in animal disease, nutrition, reproduction, behaviour and more; and from a range of well-equipped teaching and research laboratories. The Department of Life Sciences is home to VetHub1, an animal health research facility focusing on bovine tuberculosis, and the Barrett Centre for Helminth Control, an interdisciplinary research centre leading the fight against helminth diseases of livestock such as liver fluke.

On the Agriculture with Animal Science course, you will establish a firm foundation of practical skills and subject knowledge in agriculture and agricultural production systems. Alongside this core knowledge, you will immerse yourself in the science, production and management of livestock, benefitting from the insights of our active researchers. Your specialism in animal science will cover aspects of nutrition, reproductive physiology, animal health, and animal breeding, as well as emerging animal biotechnologies. With this skill set you will be ready to tackle the challenges of livestock production, and be primed for success in your agricultural business.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by, and becoming involved in, the research work of leading scientists
- visits to farms, research stations and agri-businesses throughout the UK as an integral part of the course
- work experience opportunities in the UK and overseas.

Employability

Our graduates lead successful careers in many areas of agriculture and agriculture-related industries, including livestock enterprise management, consultancy, animal health, welfare and nutrition, and administrative and sales careers with a wide range of agricultural supply companies.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Agricultural Technology and Farm Safety *
- Business, Economics and Land Use
- Crop, Grassland, Soil and Agricultural Land Management *
- Introduction to Livestock Production and Science
- Skills for the Agricultural Industry *

Second year:

- Agronomy and Crop Improvement *
- Food, Farming and the Environment *

Final year:

- Research Project * or Critical Review *
- Advances in Agriculture *
- Livestock Production Science *

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Also available:
D4D3 Integrated year in industry.
D4D4 Integrated Masters.

Agriculture with Business Management

BSc (Hons) | D4N2 | 3 years

Aberystwyth University conducts the annual Farm Business Survey in Wales on behalf of the Welsh Government. The survey collects financial and physical data from some 600 farms which is used by policy-makers and researchers to assess the economic factors affecting farming in Wales. Our staff are ideally placed to provide expert training in business management to complement your study of agriculture.

Agriculture with Business Management will provide you with a thorough grounding in practical skills and theoretical knowledge in both farming and commerce. This degree is appropriate for applicants with little or no farming background as well as those who already have knowledge of agriculture, since it provides a firm grasp of agricultural systems alongside the principles and practices of business. With the option to undertake an integrated year in industry, and with access to the numerous agricultural businesses and commercial farms in the locality and further afield, you will develop the core capabilities and skills demanded by a range of employers and needed for management of your own business.

You will benefit from:

- teaching by expert staff from Aberystwyth Business School, as well as the Farm Business Survey for Wales, the most authoritative source of financial information on farming businesses
- visits to farms and agri-businesses throughout the UK as an integral part of the course
- work experience opportunities in the UK and overseas.

Employability

The combination of knowledge and skills that this degree offers is much sought after by agri-business employers and a number of other professions, including advisory and consultancy services and farm and estate management, as well as agricultural financing. This is also an excellent qualification for a career in other businesses such as in the rapidly growing agri-food sector.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Also available:
4D12 Integrated year in industry.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Agricultural Technology and Farm Safety *
- Business, Economics and Land Use
- Crop, Grassland, Soil and Agricultural Land Management *
- Introduction to Livestock Production and Science
- Skills for the Agricultural Industry *.

Second year:

- Agronomy and Crop Improvement *
- Food, Farming and the Environment *.

Final year:

- Research Project * or Critical Review *
- Advances in Agriculture *
- Farm Planning and Advanced Farm Management.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

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Top in the UK

overall for Animal Science & Agriculture

(The Guardian University League Table 2023)

Animal Behaviour



BSc (Hons) | C120 | 3 years

Aberystwyth is a great place to explore the behaviours of wild and domesticated animals. Accessible nearby habitats enable the observation of a diverse range of charismatic wild animal species, while domesticated species are housed in our own farms, equine centre and aquarium facilities. Many of our teaching staff are active researchers, investigating the ecology and evolution of behaviour or its neurobiological mechanisms.

Our Animal Behaviour degree will equip you with an intricate knowledge of animal behaviour, firmly grounded within a broader understanding of the biological sciences. You will develop scientific, observational and analytical skills needed to investigate animal behaviour, and will apply those skills through practical study of vertebrate and invertebrate animals in a range of natural and captive environments and laboratory settings. Teaching by veterinary surgeons will help you to apply your understanding of animal behaviour to the field of animal health and welfare.

You will benefit from:

- access to aquarium facilities for the study of fish and aquatic invertebrates; a woodland hosting over 200 bird nest boxes; and our collection of historic biological specimens
- visits to study animals in captive and natural environments, such as the nearby Dyfi Estuary – an important overwintering site for migratory birds
- an optional seven-day residential field course to immerse yourself in hands-on investigation of animal behaviour
- innovative, technology-enhanced teaching by active researchers and veterinarians.

Employability

As a graduate of Animal Behaviour, you will be well prepared for a successful career in environmental education, research science, conservation, animal welfare or ecological consultancy.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.

IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.

Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Cell Biology *
- Comparative Animal Physiology
- Disease Diagnosis and Control
- Ecology and Conservation
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Skills for Wildlife Scientists *

Second year:

- Behavioural Ecology
- Animal Behaviour
- Research Methods *
- Vertebrate Zoology
- Veterinary Health.

Final year:

- Advanced Animal Behaviour
- Behaviour and Welfare of Domesticated Animals
- Research Project *

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Also available:
C122 Integrated year in industry.
C12F Integrated foundation year.

Animal Science



BSc (Hons) | D306 | 3 years

On our Animal Science degree, you will study the applied science relating to domesticated animals, including farm animals, horses and companion animals. As the home of the only Veterinary School in Wales (Aberystwyth School of Veterinary Science), we have excellent facilities to support your studies, including commercially run university farms, an equine teaching centre, and a range of teaching and research laboratories. Our teaching staff are also active researchers in areas such as veterinary infectious diseases, nutrition, reproduction, behaviour and more.

During your studies you will develop an understanding of the key biology relating to domesticated animal health, including anatomy, physiology, nutrition, disease diagnosis and behaviour. You will also be able to develop a special interest in either livestock science, equine science or behavioural science, by selecting one of the degree's three pathways. Your academic understanding will be firmly grounded within the practical and applied context of animal science and further enhanced by guest lecturers from different areas of the animal science industry.

You will benefit from:

- the option of a year in industry (D307), giving you the opportunity to develop key skills for working in the Animal Science sector
- the ability to specialise in either Equine, Behavioural or Livestock pathways
- teaching through a mix of practical classes, field trips, small-group tutorials and interactive lectures that will give you a firm grasp of the subject.

Employability

Graduates of this degree will be well prepared for professional roles applying scientific insights to practical problems in animal science, within private and public organisations, advisory and consultancy services, welfare law enforcement, as well as animal feed, animal breeding and pharmaceutical industries.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Cell Biology *
- Disease Diagnosis and Control
- Domestic Animal Anatomy and Physiology
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Skills for Animal, Equine and Veterinary Bioscientists in Equine Exercise Physiology *
- Introduction to Livestock Production and Science *

Second year:

- Animal Breeding: Genetics and Reproduction
- Applied Nutrition of Livestock, Horses and Companion Animals *
- Immunology
- Research Methods *
- Veterinary Health.

Final year:

- Research Project *
- Veterinary Infectious Diseases
- Veterinary Pharmacology and Disease Control.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Also available:
D307 Integrated year in industry.

Equine and Veterinary Bioscience

BSc (Hons) | D334 | 3 years

Our Equine and Veterinary Bioscience degree is the only one of its kind in the UK. It capitalises on Aberystwyth's reputation as a long-established provider of equine courses, our research strengths in animal disease, nutrition, reproduction and behaviour, and our collaborative links with practising veterinary surgeons at the Wales Veterinary Science Centre.

This degree will provide you with a solid understanding of core concepts in veterinary medicine, including immunology, disease processes and the diagnosis and treatment of disease in a range of species. Dedicated theoretical and practical classes will place special emphasis on the physiology of the horse. Teaching, including some by veterinary surgeons, will help frame your understanding within the practical context. This unique mix of subject matter will help you develop the knowledge and skills required in professional roles within the equine industry, as well as in careers allied to veterinary medicine, such as veterinary laboratory diagnostician.

You will benefit from:

- studying with the longest-established provider of equine courses in the UK
- superb facilities, including a large equine teaching centre, indoor and outdoor arenas, horse walker, round pen, weigh bridge, solarium, stables and foaling boxes with CCTV, demonstration areas, laboratories and much more
- an equine teaching centre which is a British Horse Society (BHS) Approved Training Centre, where you can study for your BHS qualification.

Employability

Equine and Veterinary Bioscience provides a broad scientific foundation which will prepare you for a wide range of career opportunities in equine and animal science, animal welfare, research and development, advisory and technical support work, and education, in the UK and overseas.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Cell Biology *
- Disease Diagnosis and Control
- Domestic Animal Anatomy and Physiology
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Skills for Animal, Equine and Veterinary Bioscientists in Equine Exercise Physiology *

Second year:

- Animal Breeding: Genetics and Reproduction
- Applied Nutrition of Livestock, Horses and Companion Animals *
- Immunology
- Research Methods *
- Veterinary Health.

Final year:

- Behaviour and Welfare of Domesticated Animals
- Research Project *
- Veterinary Infectious Diseases
- Veterinary Pharmacology and Disease Control.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

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Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 128-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Also available:
D335 Integrated year in industry.

Equine Science

BSc (Hons) | D322 | 3 years

At Aberystwyth we have a dedicated equine teaching centre with an excellent array of practical facilities, and our teaching team have specialist interests in equine reproduction, behaviour and business among others. The Department of Life Sciences also has research strengths in animal science more widely, so we are well placed to provide rigorous scientific training with an equine focus.

Our Equine Science degree will provide you with a solid grounding in the biological sciences with a specialism in horses. This will include topics such as physiology, genetics and metabolism, equine anatomy, equine exercise physiology, equine industry, nutrition and reproductive physiology. At the same time, your scientific training will be augmented with more applied aspects, such as equine management practice. This degree will prepare you for a professional career in the equine industry and its allied services, and the strong scientific skill set demanded by a wide variety of employers.

You will benefit from:

- studying with the longest established provider of equine courses in the UK
- superb facilities, including a large equine teaching centre, indoor and outdoor arenas, horse walker, round pen, weigh bridge, solarium, stables and foaling boxes with CCTV, demonstration areas, laboratories and much more
- an equine teaching centre which is a British Horse Society (BHS) Approved Training Centre, where you can study for your BHS qualifications
- teaching delivered by internationally recognised researchers.

Employability

Our Equine Science degree will prepare you for a wide range of employment opportunities in equine and animal science, research and development, advisory and technical support work, enterprise management and education, in the UK and overseas.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Cell Biology *
- Disease Diagnosis and Control
- Domestic Animal Anatomy and Physiology
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Skills for Animal, Equine and Veterinary Bioscientists in Equine Exercise Physiology *

Second year:

- Animal Breeding, Genetics and Reproduction
- Applied Nutrition of Livestock, Horses and Companion Animals *
- Equine and Human Exercise Physiology
- Research Methods *

Final year:

- Research Project *
- Behaviour and Welfare of Domesticated Animals
- Equine Stud Management
- Equine Grassland Management, Nutrition and Development.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Also available:
D323 Integrated year in industry.

Marine and Freshwater Biology



BSc (Hons) | C164 | 3 years

Situated on the coast of Cardigan Bay, Aberystwyth is one of the best places in the UK to study marine and freshwater biology. You will have easy access to rocky and sandy shores, estuaries of conservation importance, as well as near-pristine rivers and lakes. Cardigan Bay is also home to the largest residential population of bottlenose dolphins in the UK.

Our Marine and Freshwater Biology degree is one of only a few nationally to provide you with an integrated catchment to ocean understanding of the biology, ecology and stressors affecting these intimately interconnected ecosystems. This is crucial, given that they support some of the most threatened species and habitats on the planet. On this course you will develop practical skills in the sampling techniques used in the aquatic environment, the critical analysis of data and literature, and the presentation of your findings to a variety of stakeholders. This will ensure you are well prepared for professional roles that seek to understand and address the various challenges facing marine and freshwater organisms and ecosystems.

You will benefit from:

- two optional residential field courses, currently based in Portugal and Scotland, allowing you to immerse yourself in the study of marine and freshwater biology further afield
- two research vessels enabling you to gain real hands-on experience of the sampling techniques used by professional marine and freshwater biologists
- access to our aquarium systems for experimental studies of marine and freshwater organisms.

Employability

Marine and Freshwater Biology graduates are equipped with the skills and knowledge to enter a wide range of careers including ecological consultancy, environmental management and conservation, teaching and scientific journalism. You will also be well prepared to pursue a scientific research career, continuing postgraduate study at Masters or PhD level.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Comparative Animal Physiology
- Skills for Wildlife Scientists
- Ecology and Conservation
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Cell Biology *
- Microbial and Plant Diversity *

Second year:

- Applied Aquatic Conservation
- Aquatic Botany
- Freshwater Biology
- Marine Biology
- Research Methods *

Final year:

- Fish Biology, Fisheries and Aquaculture
- Research Project *

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Also available:
C166 Integrated year in industry.
C16F Integrated foundation year.
C169 Integrated Masters.

Veterinary Biosciences



BSc (Hons) | D906 | 3 years

Veterinary Biosciences capitalises on Aberystwyth's strength in the animal health sector, which has led to the establishment of the Aberystwyth School of Veterinary Science, the only Veterinary School in Wales. We have large animal facilities at our commercially run university farms and specialist equine teaching centre, as well as a range of laboratories to ensure you gain relevant practical skills.

On this degree, you will combine modern molecular, cellular and physiological aspects to understand the biology of farm animals, pets, horses and wild animals. Your research-led perspective on veterinary health and disease will be integrated with an understanding of the realities of veterinary practice. Among many skills, you will learn to synthesise information from scientific literature, scrutinise data in terms of quality and quantity, respond to new data through laboratory investigation, and understand the implications of the findings for the veterinary field.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by trained veterinary surgeons and world-class veterinary researchers
- practical experience involving animal handling at our equine centre and farms, with the latest scientific techniques taught in our modern laboratories
- the ability to progress into a range of veterinary careers including veterinary science degree programmes on graduation.

Employability

While the Veterinary Biosciences degree will not qualify you to practise as a vet, graduates are well prepared for work in the animal health sector and inspired to tackle the challenges of the future, such as drug-resistant pathogen evolution, the effects of intensified farming, and the care of aging companion animals. They are well suited to careers in a range of areas, including veterinary research, veterinary diagnostic laboratories, Civil Service, charity advocacy, and teaching, as well as research in the pharmaceutical and agricultural industries.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Cell Biology *
- Disease Diagnosis and Control
- Domestic Animal Anatomy and Physiology
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Skills for Animal, Equine and Veterinary Bioscientists in Equine Exercise Physiology *

Second year:

- Animal Breeding: Genetics and Reproduction
- Immunology
- Research Methods *
- Veterinary Health.

Final year:

- Behaviour and Welfare of Domesticated Animals
- Research Project *
- Veterinary Infectious Diseases
- Veterinary Pharmacology and Disease Control.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 128-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Also available:
D907 Integrated year in industry.

Wildlife Conservation

BSc (Hons) | C183 | 3 years

The Wildlife Conservation degree will equip you with an intimate understanding of the ecological concepts that underpin the conservation of flora, fauna and habitats on both local and global scales. Our teaching team includes academic staff who research conservation issues to inform management and policy. Aberystwyth's array of interesting and important habitats provides the ideal natural classroom for the teaching of practical skills.

By studying Wildlife Conservation, you will learn about the ecological and evolutionary processes that have shaped key habitats, and the interactions between these habitats and the wildlife they support. You will also explore the political, financial and social forces that underlie wildlife conservation and environmental management. You will recognise the importance of conserving biodiversity at a range of scales, from genetic diversity to entire biomes, and will develop the academic knowledge and practical skills to contribute to these priorities in your professional career.

You will benefit from:

- the great variety of local habitats, and access to national parks, national nature reserves, and Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) – ideal locations for studying all aspects of wildlife conservation and habitat management
- direct interaction with governmental and non-governmental conservation bodies, such as Natural Resources Wales and the RSPB, through visits and seminars
- the chance to carry out field research, both locally and abroad
- being taught by expert academics who work closely with conservation bodies to inform and advise best-practice conservation, management and policy, both locally and on a global scale.

Employability

Graduates of this degree will be well placed to pursue career opportunities in conservation biology and management within the UK and abroad. In addition, you may opt to pursue careers in allied fields such as environmental education, or to undertake postgraduate study at Masters or PhD level.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Climate and Climate Change
- Ecology and Conservation
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Interdisciplinary Approaches to Climate Change
- Microbial and Plant Diversity *
- Skills for Wildlife Scientists *

Second year:

- An Introduction to Landscape Ecology and Geographic Information Systems
- Research Methods *
- Wildlife Management.

Final year:

- Research Project *
- Global Biodiversity Conservation
- Wildlife Conservation.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Tropical Zoology Field Course
- Ecological Surveying
- Terrestrial Ecology Field Course.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.



Also available:
C184 Integrated year in industry.

Zoology

BSc (Hons) | C300 | 3 years

Aberystwyth is a superb place to study animal life in all its diversity. Situated in a stunning location, an array of coastlines, estuaries, woodlands and hills provide outstanding habitats for the study of wildlife. These habitats are home to rare insects, red kites, ospreys, pine martens, red squirrels, seabirds, grey seals, bottlenose dolphins and harbour porpoises.

As a Zoologist, you will develop a broad knowledge of animal diversity, evolution, anatomy, physiology, behaviour, ecology and conservation. You will gain excellent field and laboratory skills and have the option to explore animal life further afield through a residential field course. Depending on module choice, you might even study the zoology of hyper-diverse tropical rainforest environments.

You will benefit from:

- the latest zoological techniques including molecular analyses, advanced microscopy and contemporary biodiversity assessment
- a range of workshops, lab sessions and field courses to provide you with both theoretical and practical training
- the option of residential field courses overseas, currently including trips to the tropical rainforests of South America
- an array of internationally important habitats and species within the Aberystwyth area
- access to our research aquarium facilities for the study of marine and freshwater animals
- access to our natural history museum of zoological and botanical specimens.

Employability

Our graduates have developed exciting careers with a wide range of employers including zoos, education authorities, conservation and animal welfare organisations, the Natural Environment Research Council, the Veterinary Laboratory Agency, and as wildlife documentary producers. Other zoology graduates have continued into veterinary school or pursued further study at Masters or PhD level.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Cell Biology *
- Comparative Animal Physiology
- Ecology and Conservation
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Microbial and Plant Diversity *
- Skills for Wildlife Scientists *.

Second year:

- Invertebrate Zoology
- Research Methods *
- Vertebrate Zoology.

Final year:

- Research Project *.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Wildlife Conservation
- Marine Biology
- Parasitology
- Tropical Zoology Field Course.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.



Art & Photography



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The School of Art is housed in a magnificent Grade II* listed building where history and tradition meet contemporary practice.

Top 5 in the UK

for Satisfaction with Teaching in the subject of Fine Art

(The Guardian University League Table 2023)

Art History

BA (Hons) | V350 | 3 years

As a student of Art History, you will examine the products of cultures, trace their origins, chart the development of creative practices and debate their significance. To this end, our BA Art History degree promotes critical thinking and equips you with essential research and writing skills, ensuring that you not only gain knowledge but will be prepared to make use of whatever you learn.

Our Art History degree introduces you to the fundamentals of research, analysis and argumentation. It provides you with rare opportunities to conduct original research using our museum's extensive collections of fine and decorative art.

In addition to providing a survey of Western art from the Renaissance to the present day, the course offers a range of optional modules such as Art in Wales, Rethinking Impressionism and Curating an Exhibition. You will have the opportunity to stage an exhibition in our public galleries and, as part of the Methods and Materials for Art Historians module, to experience creative practices at first hand.

Aberystwyth is the only University in Wales offering undergraduate degrees in art history.


You will benefit from:


- skills development and research training tailored to your individual interests
- training grounded in the fundamentals of research, analysis and argumentation
- vocation-oriented modules and the curatorial study of art
- access to our museum's internationally renowned collections of fine and decorative art.


Employability

In an image-driven world such as ours, the ability to understand the language of visual culture is becoming increasingly important. The study of art history has many practical applications. It provides a sound foundation for careers in education, publishing and advertising, as well as in curating, conservation and arts administration. Alumni employers include the Arts Council, Royal Academy of Arts, Tate, Victoria & Albert Museum and the Royal Collections Trust.

Key Facts

 **Typical offer:**
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26

 **IELTS:** 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235

 **Assessment weighting:**
100% coursework

 **Field trips/fieldwork:** Yes

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Pleasure, Power, and Profit: Art in the Long Eighteenth Century
- Looking into Landscape: Reading, Researching, Responding
- Art in Europe 2: Revolutions and Modernities 1814-1900
- Representing the Body

Second and final year:

- Methods and Materials for Art Historians
- Modernisms: Art in the Early Twentieth Century
- Dissertation Preparation and Professional Practice for Students of Art History
- Postmodernism and Contemporary Art
- Dissertation

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

Creative Arts

BA (Hons) | WW48 | 3 years

Our Creative Arts degree offers a unique learning experience that allows you to cross traditional disciplinary boundaries and draw on the breadth of your creative potential. It enables you to follow a self-directed pathway through and across the following strands of creative activity: fine art, creative writing, performance, scenography and film.

Through the degree's core interdisciplinary practice modules, you will develop a portfolio of self-directed creative projects, and present your work in an annual public event at the RIBA award-winning Aberystwyth Arts Centre, staging site-specific intervention projects in and around the Centre.

The Creative Arts degree has a strong vocational dimension which provides for practical learning and a direct engagement with Aberystwyth's creative community. As well as learning from practising artists, authors, arts administrators and performers, you will be taught between three departments (the School of Art, the Department of English & Creative Writing, and the Department of Theatre, Film & Television Studies), each offering a wide range of optional creative modules.

You will benefit from:

- a stimulating, creatively challenging, transdisciplinary range of modules
- access to our researchers and practitioners drawn from across the creative disciplines
- the superb facilities of our internationally renowned Arts Centre.

Employability

The interdisciplinary approach of our Creative Arts degree promotes problem-solving, develops interpersonal skills and improves your ability to respond to and succeed in a changing jobs market. These skills include the ability to conduct research and interpret information, communicate ideas, develop critical and interdisciplinary thinking, work independently or as part of a creative team, and to stay focused, motivated and goal-orientated. Our students establish themselves as professional artists, curators, educators and arts administrators.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Interdisciplinary Practice 1
- Interdisciplinary Practice 2

Second year:

- Interdisciplinary Practice 3
- Interdisciplinary Practice 4

Final year:

- Interdisciplinary Practice 5
- Interdisciplinary Practice 6

In all years, you will choose from a selection of optional modules offered by the School of Art, the Department of English & Creative Writing, and the Department of Theatre, Film & Television Studies.

Options include:

- Contemporary Writing
- Drawing: Extended Practice
- Exploring the School of Art Collections
- Introduction to Poetry
- Making Short Films 1
- Painting: Extended Practice
- Photography Begins
- Representing the Body
- Scenography Site Project
- Studio Theatre Project
- Studying Media
- Theatre in Context 1
- Writing Continuing TV Drama

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235



Assessment weighting:
100% coursework



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes

Fine Art

BA (Hons) | W100 | 3 years

Our Fine Art degree is designed to develop, broaden and deepen your skills in a variety of media. Disciplines taught at the School of Art include painting, printmaking, drawing, photography, book illustration, experimental film, sound, installation and site-specific performance. Our modular degree structure allows you to move between practices and choose pathways, curricula, modes of assessment and learning opportunities that best reflect your interests and aptitude.

As well as offering you a solid grounding in techniques and materials, the Fine Art degree encourages the rethinking of traditional skills in the context of contemporary, conceptual practices. Drawing is fundamental to your training. Accordingly, it occupies a central position in the curriculum, particularly in the first year of studies. For those who choose to enrol in them, weekly figure drawing classes run at all levels of study.

You will benefit from:

- entry to the degree scheme directly from school or from an art foundation course
- training that connects traditional skills with contemporary practice and theory
- vocation-oriented modules and engagement with the curatorial study of art
- access to our museum's internationally renowned collections of fine and decorative art
- participating in public exhibitions as part of your degree scheme.

Employability

On completion of this degree, you will emerge with real-world capabilities, enabling you to pursue careers as artists, curators and educators. Our graduates are professional painters, book illustrators, photographers, university educators, secondary school teachers, art gallery managers and exhibition curators. Their employers include the Arts Council, Royal Academy of Arts, Tate, Victoria & Albert Museum and the Royal Collections Trust.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Art or related subject, plus satisfactory portfolio
IB: 30-28 with Art or appropriate, at Higher Level plus satisfactory portfolio.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
100% coursework



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Drawing: Looking, Seeing, Thinking
- Drawing: Extended Practice
- Painting: Looking, Seeing, Thinking
- Painting: Extended Practice
- Looking into Landscape: Reading, Researching, Responding

Second year:

- Professional Practice for Students of Art

Final year:

- Research and Process in Practice
- Exhibition 2: Graduation Show

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Book Illustration
- Curating an Exhibition: Researching, Interpreting and Displaying
- Exploring the School of Art Collections: Research and Museums
- Interdisciplinary Practice
- Looking into Landscape: Reading, Researching, Responding
- Pleasure, Power, and Profit: Art in the Long Eighteenth Century
- Representing the Body
- Revolutions & Modernities: Art in the Nineteenth Century
- Thinking Photography

Photography

BA (Hons) | 3 years

Only available as Joint Honours

Our joint honours degree scheme encourages a practical, critical, theoretical and historical engagement with photography. You will investigate the photograph as a staged medium, as document, as fine art, as a carrier of ideas and an instrument of power and resistance. Beyond simply recording what lies in front of the lens, you will explore the language of photography – whether gallery, commercial or editorially focused.

As well as offering a solid grounding in essential techniques, our degree promotes the rethinking of traditional darkroom skills in the context of contemporary conceptual practices. You will experiment with a variety of lens-based media, historic and hybrid analogue-digital processes, photocollage and photoetching.

Through the study of original photographs in our museum collection, you will learn to identify a wide range of materials, techniques and approaches to photography as well as place your own practice within contemporary and historical contexts.

You will benefit from:

- entry to the degree scheme directly from school or from an art foundation course
- the study of photography without having to demonstrate an aptitude for drawing and painting (as in the Photography pathway of BA Fine Art)
- superb photo-historical archives at our School's museum as well as the nearby National Library of Wales
- the study of two subjects, thereby widening your outlook, expanding your knowledge, acquiring an interdisciplinary skill set and enhancing your employability.

Employability

On completion of this degree, you will emerge with real-world capabilities, enabling you to pursue careers as photographers, curators and educators. Our graduates are professional photographers, university educators, secondary school teachers, art gallery managers and exhibition curators.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96 plus satisfactory portfolio
IB: 30-26 plus satisfactory portfolio



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
100% coursework



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Photographic Practice I: Presence/Place
- Photographic Practice II: Identity/Face
- Photography Begins

Second year:

- Photographic Practice III: Out of the Dark
- Photographic Practice IV: Documents and Narratives
- Documentary Photography

Final year:

- Photographic Practice V: Self-directed Practices
- Exhibition: Graduation Show

In all years you will also take modules from your other joint honours subject.

Joint Honours and Major/Minor

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours	Major/Minor
Fine Art	Art History	WV13	W1V3
	Creative Writing	WW18	
	English Literature	WQ13	
	Film and Television Studies	WW16	
Photography	Art History	WV63	
	Creative Writing	WW68	
	Film and Television Studies	WW66	



Biochemistry & Genetics



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Biochemistry

BSc (Hons) | C700 | 3 years

During your Biochemistry degree at Aberystwyth, you will examine the structure and functions of the molecules that make up a cell and understand the way in which they interact in living processes. Our lecturers are active researchers, with first-hand experience of drug discovery, the investigation of diagnostic techniques, active synthesis of compounds and more.

Our Biochemistry degree places special emphasis on the practical skills required by employers in the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries. During your studies, you will explore the techniques that have revolutionised the study of cell biology, biological chemistry, metabolism and molecular genetics, through expert tuition in scientific protocol and hands-on lab work. You will also work on tasks designed to emulate the requirements of professional practice in biochemistry.

You will benefit from:

- the application of molecular techniques including DNA extraction, sequencing and analysis
- gel electrophoresis for the separation and functional analysis of proteins
- biophysical characterisation of enzyme-catalysed reaction kinetics and thermodynamics
- extensive research and teaching labs equipped with the latest equipment, including bioimaging facilities, high-throughput DNA sequencing, proteomics, metabolomics and spectroscopic platforms.

Employability

As a graduate of this degree, you will have developed the skill set needed to work safely and independently in both research and industrial laboratory environments. As such, you will be well prepared for careers in the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries. Many of our graduates also follow careers in education or pursue further studies at Masters or PhD level.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Chemistry
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Chemistry at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 50% coursework and 50% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No (except as part of selected research projects).



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Biological Chemistry
- Cell Biology *
- Microbial and Plant Diversity *
- Comparative Animal Physiology
- Skills for Biologists *

Second year:

- Applied Molecular Biology and Bioinformatics
- Cell and Cancer Biology
- Practical Skills for Biochemists
- Proteins and Enzymes
- Research Methods *

Final year:

- Research Project *
- Molecular Pharmacology
- Bioinformatics and Functional Genomics
- Biotechnology.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Top in the UK

for Student Satisfaction in Genetics

(National Student Survey 2022)



Also available:
C701 Integrated year in industry.
C709 Integrated Masters.

Genetics

BSc (Hons) | C400 | 3 years

Our Genetics degree capitalises on the Department of Life Sciences' long-established strengths in genetics research. We have facilities for DNA sequencing and bioimaging, and high-performance computing for bioinformatics. In addition, the Institute of Biological, Environmental & Rural Sciences (IBERS) is home to the National Plant Phenomics Centre. Staff with expertise in these approaches will guide your learning on the Genetics degree.

The course content ranges from the fundamentals of evolution to the frontiers of modern genetics, including medical genomics and bioinformatics. You will study cancer biology, chromosome genetics, gene expression and development, evolution and population genetics, and biotechnology. You will also receive tuition in scientific protocol and the correct scientific procedures for recording, interpreting and reporting data.

You will benefit from:

- the application of molecular techniques including DNA manipulation, sequencing and analysis
- access to extensive research and teaching labs equipped with the latest state-of-the-art equipment, including microscopy facilities, high-throughput DNA sequencing, proteomics, metabolomics and spectroscopic platforms
- guaranteed lab-based research project in the final year.

Employability

Our Genetics degree will provide you with plenty of hands-on lab work, and thus the skills to take up a professional career in genetics within healthcare, industry or universities. Potential opportunities include clinical genetics, biomedical genetics, biotechnology, forensic research, genetic counselling, conservation genetics and plant breeding. This degree also frequently leads to postgraduate research at Masters and PhD level.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Cell Biology *
- Microbial and Plant Diversity *
- Comparative Animal Physiology
- Skills for Biologists*
- Ecology and Conservation.

Second year:

- Applied Molecular Biology and Bioinformatics
- Cell and Cancer Biology
- Chromosome Dynamics
- Evolution and Molecular Systematics
- Research Methods *.

Final year:

- Research Project *
- Bioinformatics and Functional Genomics
- Biotechnology
- Molecular Biology of Development.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No (except as part of selected research projects).



Also available:
C401 Integrated year in industry.

Genetics and Biochemistry



BSc (Hons) | CC47 | 3 years

This degree explores the interface between genetics – with its almost limitless potential to help understand human health and disease – evolution and the diversity of living things. Biochemistry provides a mechanistic understanding of how genes dictate the biology of an organism.

Hallmarks of this degree are the close integration of genetics and biochemistry to understand the molecular genetics of health and disease, and the prioritisation of the practical skills in demand by research and industry. During your studies, you will develop a solid foundation of understanding in genetics and biochemistry, covering aspects such as human genetics, gene expression, developmental and cancer biology, biotechnology, genetic engineering and pharmacology. You will also receive tuition in scientific protocol and the correct experimental methodology for recording, interpreting and reporting a variety of data. At the conclusion of your studies, you will have developed the skills needed to work in a range of professional laboratory environments.

You will benefit from:

- the application of molecular techniques including DNA extraction, sequencing and analysis
- gel electrophoresis for the separation and functional analysis of proteins
- biophysical characterisation of enzyme-catalysed reaction kinetics and thermodynamics
- extensive research and teaching labs equipped with the latest equipment, including bioimaging facilities, high-throughput DNA sequencing, proteomics, metabolomics and spectroscopic platforms.

Employability

This degree offers you an avenue into employment in the growth areas of biomedicine, forensic science, DNA profiling (of humans, animals and plants), clinical cytogenetics and genetic counselling, biotechnology and food production.

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Biological Chemistry
- Cell Biology *
- Microbial and Plant Diversity *
- Comparative Animal Physiology
- Skills for Biologists *.

Second year:

- Applied Molecular Biology and Bioinformatics
- Cell and Cancer Biology
- Chromosome Dynamics
- Practical Skills for Biochemists
- Proteins and Enzymes
- Research Methods *.

Final year:

- Research Project *
- Biotechnology
- Molecular Biology of Development
- Bioinformatics and Functional Genomics.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Chemistry
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Chemistry at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 50% coursework and 50% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No (except as part of selected research projects).



Also available:
CC48 Integrated year in industry.

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3rd in the UK

for Satisfaction with Assessment and Feedback in the subject of Biology

(The Guardian University League Table 2023)



Biology



BSc (Hons) | C100 | 3 years

On our Biology degree you will study biology on all scales, ranging from environmental to whole organism and cellular.

You will focus on the understanding of whole genomes, analysis of their evolution and investigation of individual gene function, using cutting-edge analytical approaches. You will also consider the ethical dilemmas being posed by advances in biological knowledge, for example, in controversial disease treatments or reproductive medicine. Our aim is to develop your knowledge and experimental skills as well as to encourage you to think independently, creatively and critically.

You will benefit from:

- the application of molecular techniques including DNA extraction, sequencing and analysis
- extensive research and teaching labs equipped with the latest state-of-the-art equipment, including bioimaging facilities, high-throughput DNA sequencing, proteomics, metabolomics and spectroscopic platforms
- advanced analytical expertise in bioinformatics, GIS, climate niche modelling and epidemiology supported by access to high performance computing facilities.

Employability

Recent graduates have entered employment with education authorities, the Environment Agency, conservation organisations, pharmaceutical companies, the NHS, sea life centres, public health laboratories and the water industry, to give a few examples.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Cell Biology *
- Comparative Animal Physiology
- Ecology and Conservation
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Microbial and Plant Diversity *
- Skills for Biologists *

Second year:

- Climate Change: Plants, Animals and Ecosystems
- Evolution and Molecular Systematics
- Practical and Professional Skills in Microbiology
- Research Methods *

Final year:

- Biotechnology
- Global Biodiversity Conservation
- Research Project *

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Also available:
C102 Integrated year in industry.
C109 Integrated Masters.

Biology and Climate Change

BSc (Hons) | FC71 | 3 years

The Biology and Climate Change degree explores creative ways of responding to the challenges and opportunities of the current climate crisis, and will equip you with relevant subject-specific knowledge alongside the multi-disciplinary, interpersonal skills and attributes needed to create a more just and sustainable world. If your intention involves having a positive impact on the world, this course will set you securely on that rewarding journey.

On this degree, you will learn about the science underpinning climate, and how humans have changed these processes in recent times. You will explore the impacts of climate change on biodiversity at the level of species, habitats and ecosystems, and the scope for organisms and populations to evolve in the light of this threat. By working across disciplines, you will learn the need for both scientific research and governance in tackling these important issues.

You will benefit from:

- the great variety of local habitats and ecosystems, both marine and terrestrial, and ideal locations to study the impacts of climate change on biodiversity, and the scope for mitigation
- the chance to carry out field research, both locally and abroad
- the option of a range of overseas courses
- the chance to work with established academic researchers who work on various aspects of the past, present and future effects of global change on natural ecosystems.

Employability

Our graduates are well placed for roles in climate change management, adaptation and mitigation and careers in related areas, such as environmental education and consultancy or conservation.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Climate and Climate Change
- Ecology and Conservation
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Interdisciplinary Approaches to Climate Change
- Microbial and Plant Diversity *
- Skills for Wildlife Scientists *

Second year:

- Climate Change: Plants, Animals and Ecosystems
- The Governance of Climate Change
- Research Methods *

Final year:

- Research Project *
- Global Biodiversity Conservation.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Microbiology



BSc (Hons) | C500 | 3 years

On our Microbiology degree you will explore the organisms that are too small to be visible to the naked eye. These include viruses, bacteria, protists and fungi. Microorganisms are essential to our understanding of life on Earth; they impact on human and animal disease, food production and spoilage, and are central to global nutrient cycles.

The study of microbiology requires expertise in immunology, genetics, biochemistry, cell biology and research methods, and you will receive training in these throughout your degree. You will learn about worldwide concerns such as antimicrobial resistance and emerging pathogens, as well as the beneficial use of microbes in biotechnology for food production and agriculture. Throughout the course there is a strong focus on practical training in microbiological and molecular techniques, which will prepare you for a career as a professional scientist. There are practical modules in Years One and Two and an advanced research project makes up one-third of your final year.

You will benefit from:

- extensive research and teaching labs equipped with the latest facilities for bioimaging, flow cytometry, lab scale to pilot plant fermentation, and extreme experimental environments
- the application of molecular techniques including DNA extraction, sequencing and analysis
- being taught by research-active teaching staff with expertise in microbiology, including biodefence, animal-microbe interactions, epidemiology, biofuels, brewing and extreme environment microbiology.

Employability

Our Microbiology degree will provide you with the skills to enter a career in healthcare, industry or education. Recent graduates have been employed by laboratory supplies companies in development or sales roles, and have entered the biotechnology sector or teacher training.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Cell Biology *
- Ecology and Conservation
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Microbial and Plant Diversity *
- Skills for Biologists *

Second year:

- Environmental Microbiology and Monitoring *
- One Health Microbiology
- Practical and Professional Skills in Microbiology *
- Research Methods *

Final year:

- Research Project *
- Biotechnology
- Microbial Pathogenesis.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes (as part of selected Research Projects, or optional module choices).



Also available:
C502 Integrated year in industry.
C509 Integrated Masters.

Life Sciences

BSc (Hons) | C990 | 4 years

The Life Sciences foundation year is specifically designed to provide you with an alternative route into higher education to study one of our biological sciences degrees. You may be eligible for this scheme if you are qualified to enter higher education but do not have the relevant qualifications in science at A level (or equivalent), if you come from a non-traditional academic background, or if you have not yet achieved your full academic potential.

The Life Sciences foundation year is taught by staff from within the Department of Life Sciences, and consists of a fully integrated programme of lectures, practicals, workshops and tutorials in biology and associated subjects. This course will give you a solid foundation in a range of scientific disciplines including biochemistry, botany, cell biology, ecology, evolution, genetics, microbiology, zoology, study skills, and biological field and laboratory techniques. At the conclusion of the foundation year, you will have developed the knowledge and skills needed to progress into the first year of one of our degree schemes.

Employability

The Life Sciences foundation year provides a route into higher education, and through it a range of exciting opportunities for employment and further training. Depending on your chosen discipline, you will be a strong candidate for work as a research scientist, a conservation officer, a higher education lecturer or secondary school teacher.

Key Facts



Typical Offer: Available to those who are studying for, or have completed Level 3 qualifications (eg. A levels or BTEC) and to mature candidates without formal qualifications who have suitable background education, experience and motivation.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% by coursework, or 70% coursework and 30% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Module list

Core modules you may study in your foundation year include:

- Communication Skills
- Molecules and Cells
- Organisms and the Environment
- Practical Skills for Biologists.

The modules you will study after your first year are determined by the degree scheme you choose to progress onto.

For an indication of the modules available, see the relevant degree pages in this prospectus, visit our website, or contact us.



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Top 5 in the UK

for Teaching Quality for the subject of Business and Management Studies

(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)

Business and Management



BSc (Hons) | N122 | 3 years

The world of enterprise is constantly adapting and evolving. The impact of changes in the business environment in terms of economic events, changes in accounting practices, changes in the regulatory and legal environment, marketing decisions, and the development of business strategies can make the difference between success and failure for a company.

At Aberystwyth Business School, you will learn how to respond to these events by developing your knowledge of essential elements of business including human resource management, organisational behaviour, business strategy and operations, marketing and business data analytics. Our team of expert academics and industry professionals will develop your understanding of management in business, trade and commerce in both the public and private sectors.

During the course, you will develop an awareness of the challenges facing management, and the combined impact of the economic, financial, human and legal issues that managers deal with on a daily basis. You will also develop the skills to analyse management issues in relation to company priorities, external factors and current good practice.

You will benefit from:

- working with businesses in the local community and further afield to develop your practitioner skills to support your academic development
- learning from lecturers who have a wide range of business and management experience and research interests which are integrated into your learning.

Employability

A degree in Business and Management will enable you to select from a diverse range of career options throughout business, industry and commerce, or working within the public sector. Many of our graduates are successful in finding employment in organisations including Goldman Sachs, PricewaterhouseCoopers, Marks & Spencer, and the UK Government.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Fundamentals of Management and Business *
- Marketing Principles and Contemporary Practice *
- Understanding the Economy
- Fundamentals of Accounting and Finance *
- Data Analytics.

Second year:

- Marketing Management *
- Human Resource Management *
- Operations and Supply Chain Management *
- Entrepreneurship and New Venture Creation *
- Research Methods *.

Final year:

- Strategic Leadership *
- Digital Business, Leadership and Management
- Financial Strategy
- Organisational Psychology
- Dissertation *.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

Assessment weighting:
40% coursework, 60% exams.

Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Also available:
N12F Integrated foundation year.
N12T Top-up scheme.

Business and Climate Change



BSc (Hons) | FN71 | 3 years

Businesses are a key contributor to greenhouse gas emissions, but they are also part of the solution. Businesses that do not respond to the climate challenge are likely to face higher costs in terms of carbon taxes and a reduced customer base. In contrast, more progressive businesses, who adapt by decarbonising and developing green products, are likely to increase their financial, social and environmental performance — their triple bottom line.

The Business and Climate Change degree will prepare you to become a future business leader who tackles climate change through the development of meaningful corporate social responsibility strategies and practices.

On this course, you will combine knowledge of the science of climate change with the skills to lead a successful business. You will explore creative ways for businesses to respond to the challenge and opportunities of the current climate crisis and will gain relevant subject-specific knowledge alongside the interdisciplinary, interpersonal skills and attributes needed to create a more just and sustainable world.

If your intention involves having a positive impact on your world, this degree will help you to reach that goal.

Employability

Our graduates will be well placed to pursue a career in climate change management, adaptation and mitigation, both in the UK and abroad. Additionally, they will be suited to careers in related areas, such as environmental education and consultancy or conservation.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Climate Change: Impacts, Perceptions, Adaptations
- The Science of Climate
- Fundamentals of Management and Business *
- Understanding the Economy
- Data Analytics
- Fundamentals of Accounting and Finance *
- Marketing Principles and Contemporary Practice *

Second year:

- Human Resource Management *
- The Governance of Climate Change: Simulation Module *
- Operations and Supply Chain Management *
- Research Methods *
- Corporate Governance, Risk and Ethics.

Final year:

- Dissertation *
- Strategic Leadership *
- Organisational Psychology.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
50% coursework and 50% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Joint Honours

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours
Business and Management	Computing	NG14
	French	NR11
	German	NR12
	Law	MN11
	Marketing	N5N1
	Mathematics	GN11
	Psychology	NC18
	Spanish	NR14



Computer Science



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Top 10 in the UK

for Satisfaction with Teaching and Overall Satisfaction in the subject of Computer Science

(The Guardian University League Table 2023)



Artificial Intelligence and Robotics

BSc (Hons) | GH76 | 3 years

At Aberystwyth we will help you to develop your knowledge of the underlying technologies and the vocational skills involved with Artificial Intelligence and Robotics.

This degree will give you a firm understanding of computer architecture, programming and software design. You will also specialise in the theory of artificial intelligence and robotics, and the development of practical applications and tools. This opens up many pathways for our graduates and creates a dynamic learning environment. The optional year in industry is a crucial way for you to gain practical experience of applying the skills acquired during your first two years of study in a workplace setting.

You will benefit from:

- studying a degree accredited by BCS — The Chartered Institute for IT
- a dedicated robotics laboratory
- a robotics workshop
- a range of specialised research equipment including robotic rovers, sailing robots, robotic arms and UAVs.

Employability

This degree provides the appropriate skills for any typical job in the software industry. Its particular emphasis also gives you a head start when applying for jobs in areas like industrial robotics or machine learning, medical robotics and intelligent robotic design and programming.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to Computer Infrastructure
- Introduction to Programming *
- Problems and Solutions
- Study Skills for Computer Science *
- Fundamentals of Web Development *
- Information Security *
- Programming Using an Object-Oriented Language *

Second year:

- Algorithm Design and Data Structures *
- Artificial Intelligence
- C and C++
- Modelling Persistent Data *
- Robotics and Embedded Systems
- Software Engineering *

Final year:

- Machine Learning
- Major Project *
- Professional Issues in the Computing Industry
- Space Robotics
- Robotic Applications.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
52% coursework, 48% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork:
Yes.



Also available:
GH7P Integrated year in industry.



Business Information Technology

BSc (Hons) | G500 | 3 years

The Business Information Technology degree will enable you to become skilled in the ways in which professionals apply technology to answer business problems.

With exposure to the key building blocks for business efficiency, including systems analysis, database applications, business environment, e-commerce and e-business systems, web programming and web tools, you will learn how to analyse business requirements and translate them into effective business systems. The optional year in industry is a crucial way for you to gain practical experience of applying the skills acquired during your first two years of study in a workplace setting.

On successful completion of the Business Information Technology degree you will have amassed the range of core skills and capabilities sought by employers of this discipline.

You will benefit from:

- studying a degree accredited by BCS – The Chartered Institute for IT
- access to laboratories providing a full range of computing environments including Windows, Linux and MacOS
- being taught by lecturers who have close links with the industry and software engineering
- modules on business processes, building websites, human-computer interaction (HCI) and e-commerce.

Employability

Our graduates have a good understanding of the demands of the commercial world for computer systems and a professional approach to building those systems from standard database, web and office components. The degree will provide an advantage when applying for jobs involving the creation of commercial systems using different tools and building blocks, using analytical techniques to introduce Information Technology (IT) into business problem-solving, providing database and web-enabled commercial solutions, and supporting IT users.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to Computer Infrastructure
- Introduction to Programming *
- Study Skills for Computer Science *
- Programming Using an Object-Oriented Language *
- Information Security *
- Fundamentals of Web Development *.

Second year:

- Business Systems Analysis
- Management Information Systems
- Modelling Persistent Data *
- Programming for the Web
- Applied Graphics
- Software Engineering for the Web
- Web Design and the User Experience.

Final year:

- Management of Organisations
- Web-based Major Project
- Applied Web Development
- E-Commerce: Implementation, Management and Security
- Professional Issues in the Computing Industry.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Assessment weighting:
63% coursework, 37% exams.

Field trips/fieldwork:
Yes.

Also available:
G501 Integrated year in industry.
G50F Integrated foundation year.

Computer Graphics, Vision and Games

BSc (Hons) | G450 | 3 years

On this course you will explore the technical side of understanding how images are created (computer graphics) and how machines can understand and interact with images (vision). You will also study video games, their core algorithms, design and implementation.

Our Computer Graphics, Vision and Games course will give you a firm foundation in programming, software design and computer architecture. You will also develop specialised skills in the areas of computer graphics, machine vision and video games, and practical skills in interactive media, learning how computer-rendered images are created, rendered and displayed from 3D scenes to the final image on your screen. You will also develop skills in artificial intelligence, enabling you to make intelligent-seeming agents that can react to changing conditions, and skills in reasoning, problem-solving and data analysis that are transferable and highly valued by employers.

At Aberystwyth, our staff actively research in these crucial areas so they can confidently and passionately give you a sound grounding in the underlying technologies as well as vocational skills that include programming, software design, coding intelligent agents, machine vision, computer graphics and modern video game engines.

You will benefit from:

- studying a degree accredited by BCS – The Chartered Institute for IT
- regularly updated laboratories providing access to a full range of computing environments including Windows, Linux and MacOS
- use of research equipment, including vision and motion tracking systems and an extended reality (XR) laboratory.

Employability

Graduates of this degree will be particularly well suited to jobs in games development, data analysis and classification, visualisation, image and video processing. You will also gain the knowledge needed for other roles in software design, systems analysis and development, communications and networking, web development and IT consultancy.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to Computer Infrastructure
- Introduction to Programming *
- Problems and Solutions
- Study Skills for Computer Science *
- Programming Using an Object-Oriented Language *
- Information Security *
- Fundamentals of Web Development *.

Second year:

- Algorithm Design and Data Structures *
- Applied Graphics
- Artificial Intelligence
- Modelling Persistent Data *
- Software Engineering *.

Final year:

- Computer Graphics and Games
- Computer Vision
- Machine Learning
- Major Project *
- Professional Issues in the Computing Industry.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Assessment weighting:
55% coursework, 45% exams.

Field trips/fieldwork:
Yes.

Also available:
G451 Integrated year in industry.

Computer Science

BSc (Hons) | G400 | 3 years

Computer Science covers a vast range of topics including programming, software design, and the engineering of large software systems, meaning it is our department's most flexible degree, providing core modules that are key for a career in computer science.

You will acquire specialist skills that are highly sought after by employers in this industry such as software engineering, graphics and visualisation, artificial intelligence, robotics, telematics, mobile computing and web development. The optional year in industry is a crucial way for you to gain practical experience of applying the skills acquired during your first two years of study in a workplace setting.

You will benefit from:

- studying a degree accredited by BCS — The Chartered Institute for IT
- access to laboratories providing a full range of computing environments including Windows, Linux and MacOS
- being taught by lecturers who have close links with the industry and software engineering
- use of research equipment, including mobile robots, sailing robots and manipulator arms, vision and motion tracking systems.

Employability

Our graduates and industrial year students are eagerly sought by employers. These include the BBC, Google, Amadeus Germany GmbH, CAP Gemini, Ethos Digital Technology, Fidessa, Logica and Renishaw Plc. Example jobs entered include analyst programmer, graduate software developer, IT officer, programmer, research assistant, software engineer, systems developer and website designer.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to Computer Infrastructure
- Introduction to Programming *
- Problems and Solutions
- Study Skills for Computer Science *
- Programming Using an Object-Oriented Language *
- Information Security *
- Fundamentals of Web Development *

Second year:

- Algorithm Design and Data Structures *
- Modelling Persistent Data *
- Software Engineering *

Final year:

- Agile Development and Testing
- Major Project *
- Professional Issues in the Computing Industry.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 57% coursework, 43% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork:
Yes.



Also available:
G401 Integrated year in industry.
G406 Integrated year studying abroad.
G409 Integrated Masters.
G419 Integrated Masters with integrated year in industry.
G40F Integrated foundation year.



Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence



BSc (Hons) | GG4R | 3 years

In recent years, Artificial Intelligence (AI) techniques have become commonplace in industry, and as a result, there is a strong demand for Computer Science graduates who have specialist training in Artificial Intelligence.

You will gain a firm foundation in computing skills such as programming, software design and computer architecture. You will also develop specialised skills in the area of artificial intelligence, and interaction with related areas of study such as intelligent agents in games programming and mobile computing to solve complex problems including analysis, design, solution choice and implementation. These skills are highly sought out by employers, equipping you for future success. The optional year in industry is a crucial way for you to gain practical experience of applying the skills acquired during your first two years of study in a workplace setting.

You will benefit from:

- studying a degree accredited by BCS — The Chartered Institute for IT
- a smart home lab
- a range of specialised research equipment including robotic rovers, sailing robots, robotic arms and flying robotic platforms.

Employability

This degree provides the appropriate skills for any typical job in the software industry. It also gives you a head start when applying for jobs in application areas requiring autonomy or artificial intelligence; medical and/or bioinformatics tasks that require a good background in computational intelligence; and design and implementation of intelligent controllers, such as those required in robotics.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to Computer Infrastructure
- Introduction to Programming *
- Problems and Solutions
- Study Skills for Computer Science *
- Programming Using an Object-Oriented Language *
- Information Security *
- Fundamentals of Web Development *

Second year:

- Algorithm Design and Data Structures *
- Artificial Intelligence
- Modelling Persistent Data *
- Software Engineering *

Final year:

- Agile Development and Testing
- Machine Learning
- Major Project *
- Professional Issues in the Computing Industry.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
55% coursework, 45% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork:
Yes.



Also available:
GG47 Integrated year in industry.

Data Science

BSc (Hons) | 7G73 | 3 years

Data Science is an exciting new discipline where computing and mathematics meet. Our Data Science degree addresses how we can make sense of the terabytes of information that our computers are collecting every day. It can be used to predict what people will want to buy or where we need to put more money into the NHS to make it more effective, for example.

Taught jointly by research-active academics in the Department of Computer Science and the Department of Mathematics, the Data Science degree gives you a firm grounding in the underlying theory of data science as well as the practical skills to apply that theory in real-world data analytics. You will learn how to design and carry out analysis of large sets of data and draw implications from the results, giving you the skills needed to succeed in this industry.

You will benefit from:

- regularly updated laboratories providing access to a full range of computing environments including Windows, Linux and MacOS
- modules from both departments that focus on dealing with patterns in data
- being taught by lecturers whose research specialties include statistics, data analysis and mathematical modelling.

Employability

The shortage of skilled data scientists means that graduates in this area are expected to be in great demand over the next few years. Our graduates will have experience of both the statistics and the computer science needed by data scientists. The year in industry option means that you can finish your degree having already had a year's experience of working in data science, making you even more attractive to employers.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Algebra *
- Calculus *
- Introduction to Computer Infrastructure
- Introduction to Programming *
- Probability *
- Further Algebra and Calculus *
- Mathematical Analysis *
- Programming Using an Object-Oriented Language *
- Statistics *

Second year:

- Algorithm Design and Data Structures *
- Applied Statistics
- Distributions and Estimation
- Introduction to Numerical Analysis and its Applications *
- Modelling Persistent Data *
- Linear Algebra *
- Software Engineering *

Final year:

- Agile Development and Testing
- Linear Statistical Models
- Major Project *

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Mathematics.
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Mathematics.



IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
34% coursework, 66% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No.



Also available:
7G74 Integrated year in industry.

Robotics and Embedded Systems Engineering

BEng (Hons) | 132A | 3 years

Our research-active staff provide hands-on support to guide you through building and running intelligent systems while ensuring reliability in unpredictable real-world situations. Work in this area requires not only a deep understanding of software, but also of the operation in the physical world and the underlying mathematics describing it.

As well as gaining a firm foundation in computing skills, you will develop specialised skills in artificial intelligence, robotics and systems engineering. Our optional year in industry is a crucial way for you to gain practical experience of applying the skills you acquired during your first two years of study. It will also help you stand out from your competitors when applying for jobs.

You will benefit from:

- a smart home lab
- robotics workshop
- access to a range of specialised research equipment including robotic rovers, sailing robots, robotic arms and UAVs.

Employability

Graduates have a strong background in computing that will prepare them for a range of careers in the computing industry. In addition, the specific skills gained on this course are an ideal preparation for working in the aerospace and automotive industries and the emerging area of the Internet of Things.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Algebra and Differential Equations *
- Calculus *
- Introduction to Programming *
- Forces and Energy *
- Problems and Solutions
- Study Skills for Computer Science *
- Programming Using an Object-Oriented Language *

Second year:

- Algorithm Design and Data Structures *
- Artificial Intelligence
- Mathematical Physics *
- Sensors, Electronics and Instrumentation
- Robotics and Embedded Systems
- Software Engineering *

Final year:

- Major Project *
- Professional Issues in the Computing Industry
- Systems Engineering
- Engineering Control Theory
- Robotic Applications
- Space Robotics.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Mathematics
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Mathematics at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
48% coursework, 52% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork:
Yes.



Also available:
132B Integrated year in industry.
132C Integrated Masters.
132D Integrated Masters with integrated year in industry.

Software Engineering



BEng (Hons) | G600 | 4 years

Software Engineering is concerned with the production of large, high-quality, and often long-lived, software systems. Work in this area requires not only a deep understanding of software and related technologies, but also an appreciation of the management and professional issues associated with the development of large systems.

The Software Engineering degree emphasises professional engineering as well as computing skills. You will develop a deep understanding of software and related technologies, and appreciate the management and professional issues associated with the development of large systems. You will develop specialised skills in graphics and visualisation, artificial intelligence, robotics and mobile computing.

This degree includes an integrated year in industry, where you can acquire real-world experience to challenge yourself and create invaluable networking connections. Many of our students return from their industrial year with an offer of employment for when they graduate.

You will benefit from:

- studying a degree accredited by BCS — The Chartered Institute for IT
- regularly updated laboratories providing access to a full range of computing environments including Windows, Linux and MacOS
- core modules that focus on software engineering scenarios
- being taught by lecturers with close links to the software industry.

Employability

This degree provides appropriate skills for the majority of technical jobs in the software industry. Graduates have obtained positions in companies both large and small and also in government bodies. Our graduates are frequently complimented on their professional approach.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to Computer Infrastructure
- Introduction to Programming *
- Problems and Solutions
- Study Skills for Computer Science *
- Programming Using an Object-Oriented Language *
- Information Security *
- Fundamentals of Web Development *.

Second year:

- Algorithm Design and Data Structures
- C and C++
- Modelling Persistent Data *
- Software Engineering *.

Third year:

- Industrial placement.

Final year:

- Agile Development and Testing
- Major Project *
- Mobile Development with Android
- Professional Issues in the Computing Industry.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
57% coursework, 43% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork:
Yes.



Also available:
G601 Integrated Masters.

Web Development

BSc (Hons) | H602 | 3 years

There is a huge demand for graduates with the skills to construct effective internet applications to meet modern business needs. The Web Development degree combines practical training in building websites to professional standards with study of the commercial, legal and technical context in which the internet operates.

You will be introduced to the fundamental concepts and tools of computer science such as programming, algorithms, problems and solutions. You will also learn about computer infrastructure, mathematics, web programming, e-commerce, systems administration and databases. You will expand your web development and software engineering skills, and in your final year, will be required to develop a piece of software in an area of particular interest for your individual project.

You can also study this course with a year in industry. Many of our students return from their industrial year with an offer of employment upon graduation.

You will benefit from:

- studying a degree accredited by BCS – The Chartered Institute for IT
- regularly updated laboratories providing access to a full range of computing environments including MacOS, Linux and Windows
- modules on systems administration, building industrial specification level web applications, and e-commerce.

Employability

A professional approach to website construction and a good understanding of the business processes behind commercial web applications will give graduates an advantage when applying for jobs that entail building modern database-driven websites using appropriate tools and components; using the web and databases to provide interactive real-time solutions for industry, commerce and the public sector; developing network solutions for organisations; and supporting computer and network users.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to Computer Infrastructure
- Introduction to Programming *
- Problems and Solutions
- Study Skills for Computer Science *
- Programming Using an Object-Oriented Language *
- Fundamentals of Web Development *
- Information Security *

Second year:

- Modelling Persistent Data *
- Programming for the Web
- System and Network Services Administration
- Software Engineering for the Web
- Web Design and the User Experience.

Final year:

- E-commerce: Implementation, Management and Security
- Web-based Major Project
- Professional Issues in the Computing Industry.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
59% coursework, 41% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork:
Yes.



Also available:
H603 Integrated year in industry.
H60F Integrated foundation year.

Joint Honours

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours
Computer Science	Accounting and Finance	NG34
	Business and Management	NG14
	Mathematics	GG14
	Physical Geography	FG84

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Criminology



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Top 5 in the UK

for Teaching Quality in Criminology

(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)

Top 10 in the UK

for Student Experience in Criminology

(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)

Criminology

BSc (Hons) | M900 | 3 years

Criminology is a fascinating subject that explores the meaning of crime and why certain behaviours are regarded as criminal. You will explore the consequences of being labelled 'criminal', and how society responds to criminal behaviour by detecting, punishing and rehabilitating individuals who commit offences. You will also consider the impact of crime and criminality on victims and society in general.

You will draw upon sociological, psychological and legal theories and real-world examples to explore the causes of crime, how crime is defined, and why certain behaviours are regarded as criminal. You will investigate the impact of crime and criminality upon victims and society and explore a wide variety of criminological perspectives, ranging from the emergence of Classical Criminology, all the way up to new and ever-growing fields at the forefront of criminology, such as green crime and wildlife crime.

You will develop the ability to critically analyse criminological theories and perspectives, the knowledge of how and why people commit crime, and the skills to apply your knowledge in real-life scenarios.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by criminologists who are actively engaged in research
- the chance to undertake a criminal justice work placement
- our excellent working relationships with local criminal justice agencies
- undertaking supervised independent criminological research.

Employability

Criminology provides an excellent academic foundation for careers in the criminal justice sector, including the Police, HM Prison Service, the National Probation Service, and youth justice. Completing the degree can also provide opportunities to work in crime or intelligence analysis, community care and social work.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Essential Skills for Criminologists *
- Introduction to Criminology *
- Legal and Criminal Justice Systems *
- Crime Control and Prevention *
- Criminal Law *
- Criminology in Action *

Second and final year:

- Critical and Radical Criminology *
- Criminology Dissertation *
- Quantitative Research Skills *
- Youth Crime and Justice *

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Crime and the Media
- Drugs and Crime
- Police, Policing and Society *
- Principles of Evidence
- Psychological Explanations of Criminal Behaviour
- Psychopathology
- Treatment and Rehabilitation of Offenders
- Contemporary Issues in Criminology
- Cybercrime and Cybersecurity *
- Psychology & Crime
- Wrongful Convictions in Criminological Context
- Victimology.


Criminology students can also choose to study a wide range of law modules offered by the Department.


For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.


Key Facts

 **Typical offer:**
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

 **Assessment weighting:**
100% coursework or 50% coursework and 50% exams.

 **IELTS:** 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

 **Field trips/fieldwork:** Yes.

 **Also available:**
M90F Integrated foundation year.

Criminology and Criminal Psychology

BSc (Hons) | M9C6 | 3 years

Criminology and Criminal Psychology is a themed criminology degree providing you with an opportunity to study crime and criminal behaviour from a psychological perspective. The course examines the behaviour and thoughts of criminals, the causes and effects of criminality, and how to prevent offending behaviour through a dual lens of criminology and psychology. It also explores the application of legal and forensic psychology to areas of police investigation and the criminal justice system.

You will explore why people commit crime, as well as why particular actions are defined as criminal. Our research-active academics will train you in the basic methods of criminological research, which provides you with the skills for critical evaluation of both theoretical and empirical studies within this field.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by criminologists who are actively engaged in research
- the chance to undertake a criminal justice work placement
- our excellent working relationships with local criminal justice agencies
- undertaking supervised independent criminological research.

Employability

Criminology provides an excellent academic foundation for careers in the criminal justice sector, including the Police, HM Prison and The National Probation Service, and youth justice. Completing the degree can also provide opportunities to work in crime or intelligence analysis, community care and social work.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Essential Skills for Criminologists *
- Introduction to Criminology *
- Legal and Criminal Justice Systems *
- Crime Control and Prevention *
- Criminology in Action *
- Foundations of Psychology.

Second and final year:

- Quantitative Research Skills *
- Psychological Explanations of Criminal Behaviour
- Psychopathology
- Psychology & Crime
- Treatment and Rehabilitation of Offenders
- Empirically Based Dissertation* or Law and Criminology Dissertation*.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Crime and the Media
- Critical and Radical Criminology *
- Drugs and Crime
- Police, Policing and Society *
- Principles of Evidence
- Wrongful Convictions in Criminological Context
- Youth Crime and Justice *
- Contemporary Issues in Criminology
- Cybercrime and Cybersecurity *
- Victimology.

Criminology students can also choose to study a wide range of law modules offered by the Department.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

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Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
100% coursework or 50% coursework and 50% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Criminology and Sociology

BSc (Hons) | ML93 | 3 years

Our Criminology and Sociology degree will enable you to learn about key concepts which help to explain how crime and deviance is perceived by society. In addition, these complementary disciplines will allow you to examine the interdisciplinary nature of crime, criminality and society as well as the relationship between society and crime.

On this course you will gain an in-depth understanding of society and criminality and will be introduced to new perspectives on social inequality and social change that are taking place both locally and internationally.

Providing insight on criminology from a sociological perspective, our degree will give you the sophisticated knowledge and analytical skill set needed for breaking into the public and social sectors, as well as the criminal justice system. Alternatively, it is a great starting block for further study.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by criminologists and sociologists who are actively engaged in research
- the chance to undertake a criminal justice work placement
- our excellent working relationships with local organisations and criminal justice agencies
- undertaking supervised independent criminological research.

Employability

The Criminology and Sociology degree provides an excellent academic foundation for careers in the criminal justice sector, including the Police, HM Prison and The National Probation Service, and youth justice. Completing the degree can also provide opportunities to work in crime or intelligence analysis, community care and social work, as well as in local, regional and national government agencies.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Crime Control and Prevention *
- Essential Skills for Criminologists *
- Introduction to Criminology *
- Key Concepts in Sociology
- Place and Identity
- Thinking Sociologically.

Second and final year:

- Quantitative Research Skills *
- Sociological Theory
- Genders and Sexualities
- Empirically Based Dissertation * or Law and Criminology Dissertation *
- Critical and Radical Criminology *.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Contemporary Global Migration
- Placing Culture
- Placing Politics *
- Geographical Information Systems
- Cybercrime and Cybersecurity *
- Wrongful Convictions in Criminological Context
- Everyday Social Worlds
- Critical Perspectives on Imprisonment
- Urban Risk and Environmental Resilience
- Psychological Explanations of Criminal Behaviour
- Memory Cultures: Heritage, Identity and Power
- Treatment and Rehabilitation of Offenders.

For more details on the optional modules available to develop your specialist interests, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
100% coursework or 50% coursework and 50% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No.

Drama & Theatre



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Quarantine Theatre:
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for Course Satisfaction in the subject of Drama and Dance

(The Guardian University League Table 2023)

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for Teaching Quality & Student Experience in Drama and Dance

(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)

Drama and English

BA (Hons) | WQ44 | 3 years

The BA in Drama and English will play to your passion for theatre, performance and literature. Combining practice and theory, you will explore culture, performance and society through the interpretation and staging of dramatic text. You will examine the ways in which literary culture has engaged with and shaped society in the past, and how it continues to do so today. You will also experiment with different texts, and understand the ability of stage drama to transform the world in which we live.

Throughout the course you will explore the role, function and use of dramatic text in theatrical performance and the relationship between Drama, Theatre and English Literature. With opportunities to experiment with writing and to develop practical theatre-making skills, you will gain an understanding of the different social, historical and political contexts that have shaped theatre practice.

You will have the chance to participate in a variety of performances and productions, culminating in the School Shakespeare Project, where you will develop, rehearse and stage a performance and educational workshop for a public audience of upper primary or secondary schoolchildren.

You will benefit from:

- joining two vibrant and diverse departments where drama, theatre, literature and performance collide to offer a suite of creative modules and opportunities
- access to superb facilities and resources for practical work
- our connections with key industry partners and our unique collaborative relationship with Aberystwyth Arts Centre, one of the largest arts centres in Wales.

Employability

A degree in Drama and English will prepare you for further study or a career in a range of sectors, including theatre and performing arts, publishing, marketing and PR, broadcasting, journalism, advertising, education, Civil Service, business, finance and new media.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Theatre in Context 1 & 2
- Critical Practice
- Studio Theatre Project
- Ancestral Voices.

Second year:

- Literary Theory: Debates and Dialogues
- Theatre Production Project.

Final year:

- School Shakespeare Project.


Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:


- Acting: Process and Performance
- Directors' Theatre
- Theatre and Contemporary Society
- Shakespeare in Performance
- Shaping Plots
- Playwriting
- Musical Theatre Dramaturgies
- Performance and Architecture
- Performance and Disability.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Key Facts

 **Typical offer:**
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

 **IELTS:** 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

 **Assessment weighting:** 50% coursework and 50% exams.

 **Field trips/fieldwork:** Yes.

Drama and Theatre

BA (Hons) | W400 | 3 years

On this degree you will study what theatre has been in the past, examine what it is the present, and begin to imagine what it might be in the future. Innovatively combining theory and practice and teaching a range of transferable skills, this course will prepare you for work in the creative industries and beyond.

Rooted in Aberystwyth's celebrated history of innovative and radical performance-making and taught by internationally recognised staff, this degree will help grow your skills as a creative thinker and an articulate practitioner.

Focusing on contemporary performance practice with a global outlook, through this degree you will encounter a range of performance styles and theatrical forms, from scripted stage plays to devised site-specific work, from Shakespearean drama to musical theatre and experiments in new media.

You will benefit from:

- taking part in two original performance projects each year, with an increased focus on independent work as you progress through your degree
- a dedicated strand of performer training modules in your first year
- being taught by staff with a wide range of expertise as professional theatre-makers and researchers
- superb facilities and resources for practical work including three large professionally equipped studio theatres, three rehearsal studios, costume and wardrobe facilities, and dedicated theatre technical team
- connections with key industry partners, such as National Theatre Wales, Music Theatre Wales, Quarantine Theatre Company and Theatr Genedlaethol Cymru
- close links with Aberystwyth Arts Centre, one of the largest arts centres in Wales.

Employability

Many of our graduates have gone on to work in fields such as acting and performing, directing, designing, script writing, teaching and education, arts administration, marketing and public relations.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year core modules:

- Theatre in Context 1
- Theatre in Context 2
- Studio Theatre Project
- Site-specific Performance Project.

Second year:

Will consist entirely of optional modules, examples of which include:

- Acting for Camera
- Acting: Process and Performance
- Devised Performance Project
- Directors' Theatre
- New Media Performance
- Shakespeare in Performance
- Theatre and Contemporary Society
- Theatre Design Project
- Theatre Production Project.

Final year:

Will consist entirely of optional modules, examples of which include:

- Contemporary Drama
- Ensemble Performance Project
- Performance and Disability
- Independent Production Project
- Independent Research Project
- Musical Theatre Dramaturgies
- Performance and Architecture
- Place, Space and Landscape
- Playwriting.

For more details on the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
100% coursework.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Also available:
W402 Integrated year in professional practice.
W40F Integrated foundation year.

Theatre and Performance Design

BA (Hons) | 064W | 3 years

Led by internationally recognised practitioners, this degree takes a fresh and radical approach to design in performance, looking beyond the established boundaries of set, costume, lighting and sound design to take a total view of performance space as an expressive artistic field in its own right. This is not a degree in 'how to do it', but an inquiry into how it might be done.

Through a combination of practical and theoretical explorations, you will critically examine and engage with a wide range of contemporary practices from playhouse theatre to site-specific performance and from environmental theatre to performance installation. As the course progresses, the focus of study sharpens steadily upon your own practice as an independent artist, applying your acquired knowledge and skills to the making of work that is fresh, radical and expressive for you, within or beyond the context of theatre and performance.

You will benefit from:

- an inspiring and innovative approach to theatre and performance design
- being taught by a small team of internationally recognised professional designers
- connections with key industry partners, such as National Theatre Wales, Music Theatre Wales, Quarantine Theatre Company, and Theatr Genedlaethol Cymru
- superb facilities and spaces to create including a model-making room, costume workshop, construction spaces, sound studio and three rehearsal studios, each with flexible technical facilities
- close links with Aberystwyth Arts Centre, one of the largest arts centres in Wales, which regularly presents national and international theatre and dance work.

Employability

Many of our graduates have gone on to work as set, costume, lighting, production and performance designers, either directly, through association with co-operative and professional companies, or after further postgraduate study.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Design Skills
- Theatre Technologies 1 & 2
- Theatre and Performance Design in Context
- Scenography Site Project.

Second year:

- Scenographic Composition
- Principles of Scenography
- Theatre Design Project.
- Production Project: Scenography.

Final year:

- Advanced Studio Practice: Scenography
- Advanced Scenographic Project.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Making Short Films
- Theatre in Context
- New Media Performance
- Place, Space and Landscape
- Performance and Architecture
- Shakespeare in Performance
- Contemporary Drama
- Directors' Theatre.

For more details on the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
100% coursework.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Creating Performance (Creu Perfformio)

BA (Hons) | W470 | 3 years

On this degree you will study contemporary theatre as a medium that dovetails live performance and presenting, video and sound work, shows in public spaces and online creative work. By merging the theoretical and practical, and by taking advantage of the excellent technical and multimedia resources in the department, you will be empowered to think creatively and to develop your theatre performance and practice.

Please note that this is a Welsh-medium degree that does not have an equivalent in English. This information is a translation of the Welsh course profile.

Performances are a way of bringing people together to imagine, enjoy, challenge and ask questions. They provide exciting opportunities to experiment, analyse, and to consider new ways of creating. In Creating Performance, you will be supported and motivated by staff who have wide and diverse expertise, to create innovative and exciting performances, to study contemporary multimedia performance work, and you will have the opportunity to present your work in written or video formats.

You will benefit from:


- taking part in a series of different performance projects, with the opportunity to create practical work in every semester
- presenting work in the form of written essays or video projects
- the experience of our excellent teaching staff who have a wide range of expertise in research and/or professional theatre practice
- excellent facilities and resources for practical work including three large theatre studios with the full range of professional equipment; three rehearsal studios; and professional equipment for multimedia work, including filming, editing and sound recording
- our connections with key partners in the industry, such as Aberystwyth Arts Centre, Theatr Genedlaethol Cymru, National Theatre Wales and Quarantine Theatre Company.


Employability

Many of our graduates have found work in acting and performing, directing, designing, scriptwriting, teaching and education, arts administration, marketing, management and public relations.

Key Facts

 **Typical offer:**
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

 **IELTS:** 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

 **Assessment weighting:** Typically 30% coursework, 70% practical presentations.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

- First year:**
- Sylfeini Perfformio: Corff, Cymeriad a Thestun
 - Gweithio yn y Diwydiannau Creadigol
 - Creu Cynyrchiadau Amlgyfrwng
 - Cydweithio Ensemble.

- Second year:**
- Sylfeini Hunan-Gyflwyno.

- Final year:**
- Prosiect Ymchwil Annibynnol.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Creu Ffilm
- Gweithio ar Gamera
- Ymarfer Cynhyrchu 1 Perfformio
- Ymarfer Cynhyrchu 1: Gorffen
- Ymchwil Creadigol Ymarferol
- Theatr a Ffilm Gyfoes: Cymru a'r Byd
- 'Arwyr': Dogfennu Gyrfaoedd yn y Diwydiannau Creadigol
- Ymarfer Cynhyrchu 2: Perfformio
- Ymarfer Cynhyrchu 2: Gorffen
- Theatr a Ffilm Americanaidd.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

 **Field trips/fieldwork:** Yes.

Joint Honours

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours
Drama and Theatre	Creative Writing	W841
	Education	WX43
	English Literature	QW34
	Film and Television Studies	WW64
	French	RW14
	History	WV41
	International Relations	42WL
	Mathematics	GW14
Theatre and Performance Design	Spanish	RW44
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Ecological Sciences



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Top 10 in the UK

for overall student satisfaction for the subject of Ecology & Environmental Biology

(National Student Survey 2022)

Ecology

BSc (Hons) | C180 | 3 years

Due to the urgent need to document, understand and ultimately prevent the decline of biodiversity, graduate ecologists are in high demand. This degree aims to provide you with the academic knowledge and practical skills to meet this demand.

On our Ecology degree, you will study the interactions between organisms and their environment, building the essential foundation on which to develop your understanding of how wildlife will respond to current and future environmental threats, including pollution, climate change, invasive species and habitat destruction. Our aim is to train you to be part of the next generation of ecologists who will respond to environmental threats, identify solutions and help conserve biodiversity into the future.

You will benefit from:

- studying in an area rich in a variety of stunning landscapes, providing natural and semi-natural habitats and ecosystems including the Cardigan Bay coastline, freshwater environments, woodlands, heaths, moorland and alpine habitats
- engagement with local fieldwork using a wealth of local habitats
- the potential for international field experience
- the option of an eight-day residential field course in Ireland
- many nature reserves within easy reach, including Snowdonia and Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Parks
- established links with the British Trust for Conservation Volunteers, National Botanic Garden of Wales, Natural Resources Wales, Snowdonia National Park Authority, the RSPB and various wildlife and woodland trusts.

Employability

Many of our graduates find employment in conservation and environmental protection, or in environmental education in schools, colleges or nature reserves. Our graduates can be found working for organisations such as DEFRA (Department for Environment Food & Rural Affairs), the Environment Agency, Natural Resources Wales, Natural England, ADAS, Forestry Commission, wildlife trusts, the Wales Environment Link, the National Grid and water authorities.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.

IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.

Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Climate and Climate Change
- Comparative Animal Physiology
- Ecology and Conservation*
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Microbial and Plant Diversity*.

Second year:

- An Introduction to Landscape Ecology and Geographic Information Systems
- Climate Change: Plants, Animals and Ecosystems
- Ecological Surveying *
- Research Methods *.

Final year:

- Research Project * or Critical Review *
- Environmental Protection, Law, Sustainability and Consultancy
- Population and Community Ecology.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Also available:
C181 Integrated year in industry.

Plant Biology

BSc (Hons) | C200 | 3 years

Excellent career opportunities await Plant Biology graduates, and Aberystwyth University is an ideal place for the first step in your career. We host internationally acclaimed plant breeding programmes for high-sugar grasses, plant genetics resources and databases, botany gardens and the National Plant Phenomics Centre. Our campus is also set within beautiful and accessible countryside that hosts a range of habitats and species.

On this degree you will study all aspects of plant life, from the molecular to the landscape levels, while also examining global issues relating to plants. You will consider how plant-based technologies can help us meet the demands of a growing human population and respond to global threats including food security and climate change. The course will also provide you with real-life opportunities to challenge your knowledge and think creatively.

You will benefit from:

- world-class facilities including botany gardens with a wide range of temperate and tropical plants, an extensive range of growth rooms and glasshouses, a museum of historic botanical specimens, and plant genetic resources collections and databases
- access to the National Plant Phenomics Centre and the possibility to engage with our world-leading plant breeding programmes
- many fieldwork opportunities, including the possibility of studying temperate, tropical and Arctic-Alpine flora
- beautiful habitats, including marine, moorland, mountain, woodland and grassland ecosystems, offering a fabulous variety of fieldwork and recreational opportunities.

Employability

Career opportunities for Plant Scientists are truly excellent, with many jobs and few trained scientists in this area, and we are perfectly placed to help you exploit UK and international links. Our graduates are working in conservation management, industrial and government-funded plant research institutes and the scientific Civil Service.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Cell Biology *
- Crop, Grassland, Soil and Agricultural Land Management *
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Microbial and Plant Diversity *
- Skills for Biologists *

Second year:

- Agronomy and Crop Improvement
- Climate Change: Plants, Animals and Ecosystems
- Ecological Surveying *
- Research Methods *

Final year:

- Research Project *
- Frontiers in Plant Science
- Microbial Pathogenesis.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.



Economics



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Top 5 in the UK

for Student Satisfaction for the subject of Economics

(Complete University Guide 2023)

Business Economics

BSc (Hons) | L113 | 3 years

Our degree in Business Economics will train you to develop effective business solutions using practical economic knowledge. You will gain an in-depth understanding of the economic factors that influence business success and decision-making, and develop the analytical, problem-solving and communication skills required by employers in both the private and public sectors.

At Aberystwyth Business School we focus on the practical application of economic ideas, knowledge and methods within the context of professional decision-making situations. You will learn to apply economic knowledge to business strategy and business policy.

You will develop a thorough understanding of economics as an analytical assessment tool and gain professional skills to apply both microeconomics and macroeconomics in professional environments and policy contexts.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by economic researchers, ensuring that you are exposed to the latest theories and knowledge in the subject area
- real-world industry perspectives through guest lectures by industry professionals
- enhancing your career opportunities through our partnerships with business, industry and commerce
- participating in business competitions.

Employability

The BSc Business Economics degree provides opportunities in areas such as policy analysis or government administration in the public sector, banking and finance sector or within the private sector. Other career paths include non-government organisations (NGOs) and voluntary organisations. Our graduates have gone to work in the Government Economic Services, HM Treasury, British Council, FDM Group, Nexus Financial Consulting and Kiva. Many have also pursued research and further studies in higher education.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Understanding the Economy
- Economic Theory and Policy
- Fundamentals of Management and Business *
- Data Analytics
- Fundamentals of Accounting and Finance *

Second year:

- Microeconomics Theory and Policy
- Macroeconomics Theory and Policy
- Managerial Economics
- Human Resource Management *
- Research Methods *

Final year:

- Environmental Economics
- Trade and International Monetary Systems
- Organisational Psychology
- Dissertation *

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

Assessment weighting:
40% coursework, 60% exams.

Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Also available:
L11F Integrated foundation year.

Economics

BSc (Hons) | L100 | 3 years

Economics at Aberystwyth focuses on a wide range of issues impacting everyday life including the creation of employment, inflationary pressures, international trade issues, the process of business competition, innovation and growth, the development of emerging markets, the protection of natural resources and government policy-making.

You will develop valuable analytical, numerical, data analysis and problem-solving skills, which will allow you to understand how people, businesses, institutions and governments make decisions, and the implications of such decisions on individuals and society.

The research conducted within Aberystwyth Business School informs our teaching on aspects relating to international trade and business, development economics and policy analysis, labour and regional economics, rural and agricultural economics, the economics of ecology and environment and applied econometrics, meaning that you will be taught the latest ideas and concepts.

You will benefit from:

- gaining real-world industry perspectives through guest lectures by industry professionals
- enhancing your career opportunities through our partnerships with business, industry and commerce
- being taught by active researchers, ensuring that you are exposed to the latest theories and knowledge in the subject area
- participating in business competitions.

Employability

The BSc Economics degree provides opportunities in areas such as policy analysis or government administration in the public sector, banking and finance sector or within the private sector. Other career paths include non-government organisations (NGOs) and voluntary organisations. Our graduates have gone on to work in the Government Economic Services, HM Treasury, British Council, FDM Group, Nexus Financial Consulting and Kiva.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
40% coursework, 60% exams.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Economic Theory and Policy
- Understanding the Economy
- Fundamentals of Management and Business *
- Fundamentals of Accounting and Finance *
- Data Analytics.

Second year:

- Econometrics
- Microeconomics Theory and Policy
- Macroeconomics Theory and Policy
- Managerial Economics
- Research Methods *.

Final year:

- Contemporary Issues in Economic Policy
- Environmental Economics
- History of Economic Thought
- Trade and International Monetary Systems
- Dissertation *.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.



Economics and Climate Change

BSc (Hons) | FL71 | 3 years

Economics can play a key role in tackling climate change by providing an understanding of the incentive structures of consumers and firms that help explain how and why governments might intervene in economic markets to deliver climate-friendly policies and institutions. Our degree in Economics and Climate Change will set you on the rewarding journey of having a positive impact on the world and prepare you to become a leader in the fight against climate change.

Through the study of economics, you will gain an understanding of the failures of 'conventional' markets to effectively tackle climate change. Drawing on sub-disciplines of environmental and ecological economics, you will develop an appreciation of how local, national and international policies can be developed to provide incentives such as carbon trading schemes and taxes aimed at reducing emissions.

You will combine a knowledge of the science underpinning climate change with a wide range of economic tools that allow you to understand and develop policies and incentives supporting the transition to a carbon neutral economy. You will explore creative ways in which policies can be developed to respond to the challenge and opportunities of the current climate crisis. It will also equip you with relevant subject-specific knowledge alongside the interdisciplinary, interpersonal skills and attributes needed to create a more just and sustainable world.

Employability

Graduates of this degree will be well placed to pursue a career in climate change management, adaptation and mitigation, both in the UK and abroad. Additionally, they will be suited to careers in related areas such as environmental education and consultancy or conservation.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

Aa IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Assessment weighting:
40% coursework, 60% exams.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Climate Change: Impacts, Perceptions, Adaptations
- The Science of Climate
- Economic Theory and Policy
- Understanding the Economy
- Data Analytics
- Fundamentals of Accounting and Finance *
- Fundamentals of Management and Business *.

Second year:

- Microeconomic Theory and Practice
- The Governance of Climate Change: Simulation Module *
- Macroeconomics Theory and Practice
- Research Methods *.

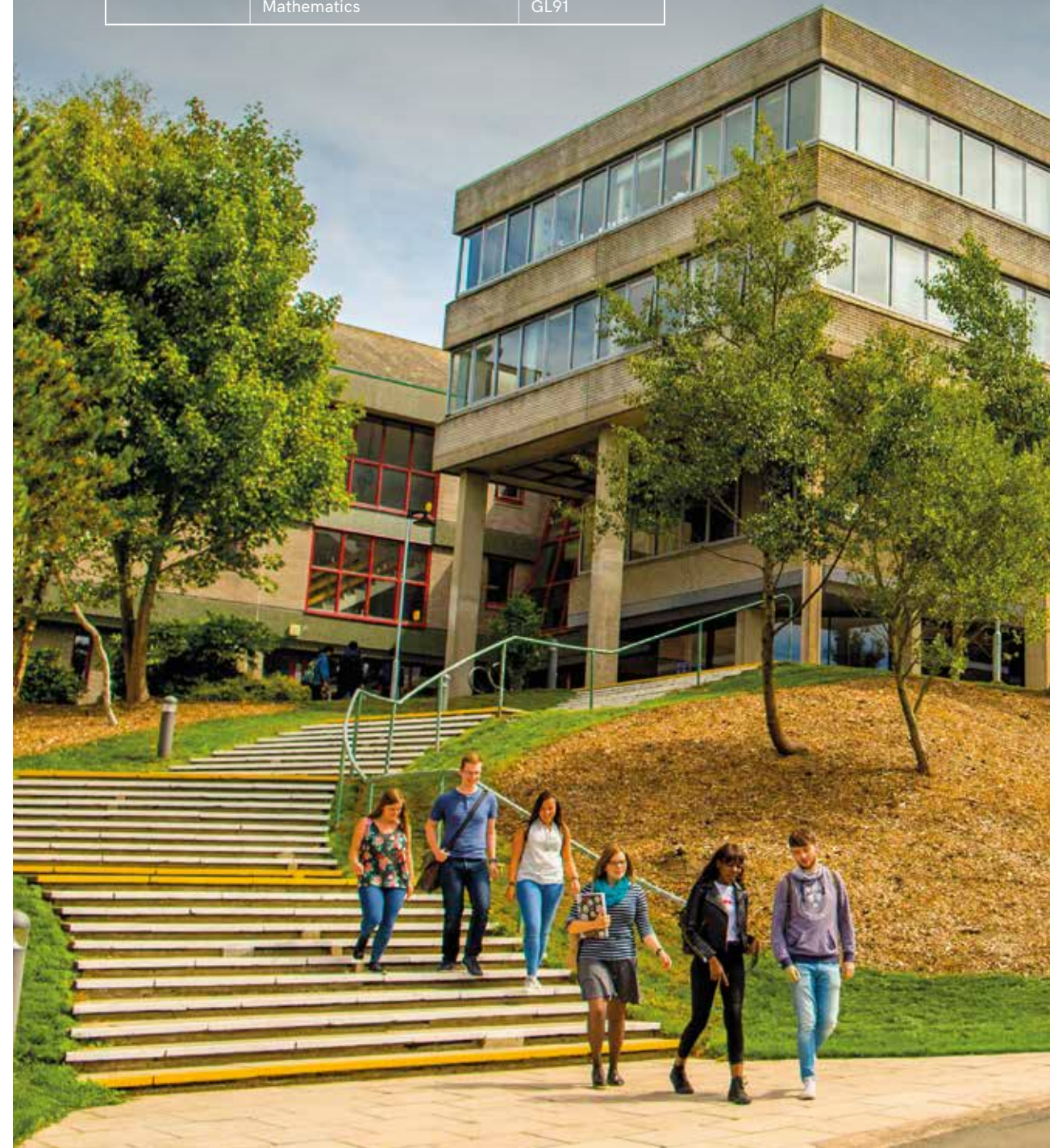
Final year:

- Environmental Economics
- Dissertation *
- Growth, Development and Sustainability.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Joint Honours

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours
Economics	Business and Management	L1N1
	Mathematics	GL91



Education & Childhood Studies



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Top in the UK

for Student Experience in the subject of Education

(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)

2nd in the UK

for Teaching Quality in the subject of Education

(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)

Childhood Studies

BA (Hons) | X320 | 3 years

This course will enable you to develop the knowledge and understanding needed to excel in child-related professions. Our degree in Childhood Studies explores a diverse range of areas and factors that influence a child and that are pivotal to a child's later development.

The course will draw upon a variety of disciplines including sociology, psychology and educational studies to broaden your knowledge and promote critical thinking. You will explore some of the factors that influence the development of children, as well as developing an understanding of the political and legislative background to childhood and its implications for children and their families.

Within the course, there are opportunities to undertake placements to gain observational experience of work within an educational/childhood setting. In the past, these have included health settings, nurseries and schools.

Should you wish to teach, and as long as you meet the entry requirements, you will be guaranteed an interview for a Primary Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) at Aberystwyth.

You will benefit from:

- a wide variety of assessment techniques including posters, games, essays and presentations allowing you to work to your strengths
- module choices that enable you to specialise in areas which interest you
- support from our employability co-ordinator, who will keep you up to date about a range of opportunities in the field (both paid and voluntary) to help you develop the skills you will need obtain employment after university.


Please note: A Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) certificate or equivalent check may be necessary in order to undertake some modules for this degree.


Employability

This degree has an excellent track record in employability. Many of our graduates have pursued careers in teaching and education (including SEN/ALN), social care, nursing, speech therapy, social work, child welfare, play therapy, the leisure industry, child law and childhood research.

Key Facts

 **Typical offer:**
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

 **IELTS:** 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

 **Assessment weighting:**
90% coursework, 10% exams.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Key Skills for University *
- Children's Development and Learning *
- Play and Learning: Theory and Practice
- Language Development *

Second year:

- Psychology of Learning and Thinking *
- Safeguarding and Professional Practice *
- Working with Children *
- Research Methods *

Final year:

- Children's Rights *
- Major Dissertation *
- Mathematical Development in the Early Years *

*also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Early Childhood Studies with Early Years Practitioner Status



BA (Hons) | X322 | 3 years

With over 700 hours of placements in Early Years settings, this degree is intended to help you to become a skilled and employable graduate. It does this through the development of knowledge, understanding and practical skills.

University study will provide the academic background to your experiences on placement, which will involve working in a team with staff to care for and educate young children. In the first year, these placements are observational and in the second and third years these placements are assessed. You will also be able to be involved in the School of Education's well-established employability programme.

You will explore:

- children's play, development, learning and well-being
- partnerships: working with parents, carers, external agencies and in teams with other practitioners
- safeguarding and equality
- the early years curriculum, including communication, language, literacy and mathematical development
- leadership skills.

Should you wish to teach, and as long as you meet the entry requirements, you will be guaranteed an interview for a Primary Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) at Aberystwyth.

Please note: A Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) certificate or equivalent check is necessary in order to undertake this degree.

Employability

Successful completion of this degree leads to Early Years Practitioner Status. This means that you will have a degree that allows you to work as a professional within an early years setting (subject to appropriate literacy and numeracy qualifications). Furthermore, successful completion of this degree may also lead to progression to a one-year primary school teacher training course (PGCE). The qualification is also an ideal basis for anyone wishing to work in the social work profession or within different types of educational therapy.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Key Skills for University *
- Children's Development and Learning *
- Partnerships in Principle and Practice
- Health and Wellbeing in the Early Years.

Second year:

- Safeguarding and Professional Practice *
- Literacy in Young Children *
- Education, Equality and Diversity.

Final year:

- Mathematical Development in the Early Years *
- Emotional and Social Development *
- Communication.

There are placement modules in every year of this course. There may be travel expenses associated with placements.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
100% course work and practice.



Education

BA (Hons) | X302 | 3 years

A degree in Education at Aberystwyth enables you to explore the development of children and adolescents, covering issues which are central to an understanding of educational systems. Our course aims to excite and stimulate you through the study of curriculum design and educational policy, with further insight into the disciplines of sociology, psychology and linguistics. A particular focus includes supporting learners throughout the education system.

An Education degree is an ideal basis for work in industry, policy or the charitable sector, or for entry to Primary PGCE teacher education programmes. Degrees with other subjects may qualify you for Secondary PGCE courses. The study of education involves aspects of psychology, sociology, politics and history. It delves into how people learn, how their surroundings influence their learning, how decision-making happens and how our understanding of learning and teaching has developed over the years. Observational placements available during the degree will also help you to see the theory in practice and a particular focus includes supporting learners throughout the education system.

As long as you meet the entry requirements, you will be guaranteed an interview for a Primary Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE) at Aberystwyth.

Please note: A Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) certificate or equivalent check may be necessary in order to undertake some modules for this degree.

Employability

Employability is at the core of this course. The School of Education has a well-established connection with the University Careers Service, where a dedicated adviser with experience in the educational field can provide advice from the beginning of your first year. On graduation you will be able to apply for a PGCE in Primary Education. An Education degree with other subjects may qualify you for Secondary PGCE courses. Other graduates from the School of Education have explored careers in social care, nursing, speech therapy, social work, child welfare, play therapy, the leisure industry, child law and childhood research.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

Aa IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Assessment weighting:
90% coursework, 10% exams.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of the Education modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Children's Development and Learning *
- Language Development *
- Key Skills for University *.

Second year:

- Psychology of Learning and Thinking *
- Research Methods *
- Working with Children *
- Safeguarding and Professional Practice *.

Final year:

- Children's Rights *
- Critically Reflecting and Evaluating Learning and Skills *
- Major Dissertation *
- Emotional and Social Development *.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Joint Honours & Major/Minor

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours	Major/Minor
Education	Drama and Theatre	WX43	
	English Literature	QX33	
	History	VX13	
	Mathematics	GX13	G1X3
	Psychology	CX80	
	Spanish		X3R4
	Welsh/Cymraeg	QX53	



Engineering

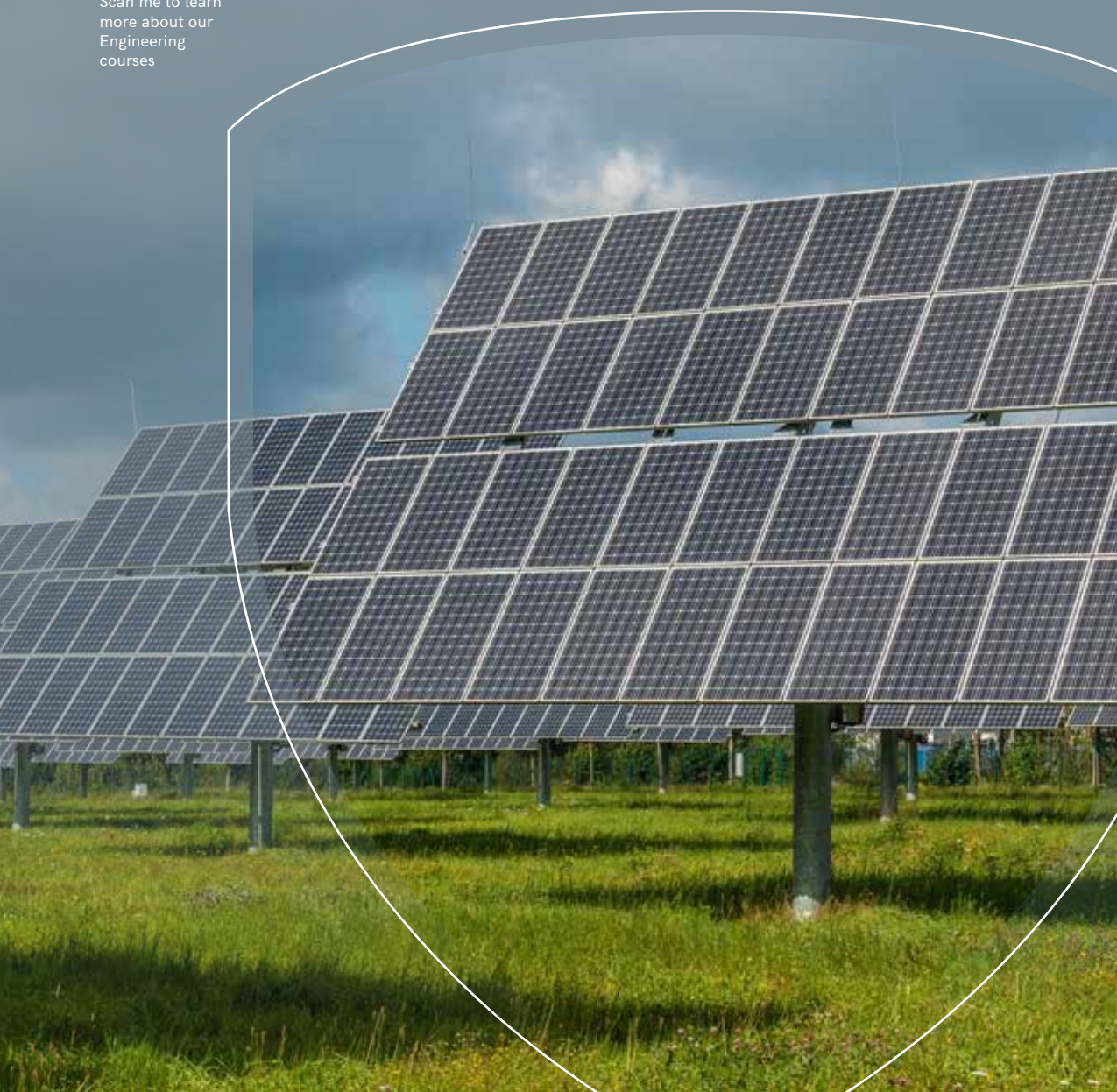


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Electrical and Electronic Engineering

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Electrical and Electronic Engineering

BSc (Hons) | 163H | 3 years

Skills in electrical and electronic engineering are essential in a world that seeks net zero, medical breakthroughs and many of the devices and systems we use every day. In studying the Electrical and Electronic Engineering degree you will develop these essential skills, from analogue and digital electronics to real-life applications like communications and renewables.

At Aberystwyth we embed a 'can do' approach to problem-solving within this degree programme with employability in mind, so that on graduation our students will have the confidence, skills and knowledge to effectively deliver in these extremely lucrative opportunities, whether they are industrial or commercially based, and contribute positively to our changing world.

You will benefit from:

- a strong practical element within the course to equip you with the professional and applied 'can do' skills you will need for the workplace
- a strong sustainability theme so you can appreciate the importance of low carbon solutions for our future world and develop appropriate skills for the growing renewable energy markets
- modules which range across the disciplines of physics, computer science and mathematics to give you a thorough grounding in the science underpinning engineering
- modelling packages such as COMSOL and Zemax which are sought-after commercial skills, especially as we move towards net zero.

Employability

Engineering is a key enabling technology around the globe and provides a stimulating and rewarding career choice. Electrical and Electronic Engineering has excellent employment opportunities within the green technology industries, aerospace and automotive industries, in communications and networking, telecommunications and defence, life science, artificial intelligence, machine learning, and the emerging area of the Internet of Things.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Analogue and Digital Electronics
- Calculus *
- Algebra and Differential Equations *
- Introduction to Programming *
- Electricity, Magnetism and Matter *
- Professional and Sustainable Industrial Practice
- Laboratory Techniques for Experimental Physicists and Engineers. *

Second year:

- Power and Machine
- Signals and Communication
- Robotics and Embedded Systems
- Sensors, Electronics and Instrumentation
- Mathematical Physics *
- Practical Research Skills. *

Final year:

- Communication Engineering and Applications
- Systems Engineering
- Engineering Control Theory
- Fundamentals of Machine Learning
- Optoelectronic Devices, Sensors and the Internet
- Project (with Project Management). *

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-112
IB: 30-28.



IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
57% coursework, 43% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No.



Also available:
163Y Integrated year in industry.
163F Integrated foundation year.
163M Integrated Masters.
163MY Integrated Masters with integrated year in industry.

English & Creative Writing



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Top in the UK

for Teaching Quality and Student Experience for the subject of English

(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)

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Creative Writing

BA (Hons) | W801 | 3 years

Our Creative Writing course provides exciting and diverse opportunities for working in a broad variety of forms and genres. At Aberystwyth, you will develop imaginative and inventive creative skills that will enable you to work confidently and effectively in a wide range of styles, preparing you for your professional career.

This degree offers a broad curriculum that cuts across traditional subject boundaries. Over the duration of this course you will explore and experiment with genre, form, language, media, style and presentation.

Upon completion of this degree, you will be able to write with confidence, tailoring your work to a broad range of audiences. You will have a highly developed awareness of issues such as tone, structure, genre and function, and of how to utilise these effectively in your own writing.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by a team of distinguished, award-winning authors who work across a broad spectrum of creative fields
- taking part in a writing retreat at a country house in Mid Wales
- a strong tradition of specialist teaching in the fields of life writing, historical fiction, the graphic novel, contemporary poetry, crime fiction, science fiction, and writing for stage, screen and radio
- the chance to work with leading literary and cultural institutions such as *New Welsh Review* – Wales's foremost literary magazine – and Aberystwyth Arts Centre, one of the largest arts centres in Wales, recognised as a 'national flagship' for the arts.

Employability

Many of our graduates are successful writers, publishing in a wide range of fields, such as fiction, non-fiction, news media, poetry, screen writing and drama. Our graduates have also developed successful careers in publishing, journalism, marketing and public relations, finance, the Civil Service, NGOs, teaching, editing and advertising.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Critical Perspectives on Creative Writing
- Creative Practice.

Second year:

- Beginning The Novel.

Final year:

- The Writing Project.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Kapow! Reading and Writing Graphic Narratives
- Adventures with Poetry
- Telling True Stories
- Writing Selves
- Writing and Place
- Writing Crime Fiction
- Exploring Professional Writing
- Reading and Writing Fantasy Fiction
- Reading and Writing Science Fiction
- Shaping Plots
- Poetry for Today
- Speculative Fiction and the Climate Crisis
- Writing for Film and Television
- Scriptwriting
- Videogame Theories.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120 -104
IB: 30-28.

IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Assessment weighting:
100% coursework.

Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

English Literature

BA (Hons) | Q300 | 3 years

Our English Literature degree will fire your imagination by exploring the widest possible range of literary texts and cultures. We offer our students a superb choice of courses from the early medieval period to the present day.

You will discover a wide variety of approaches to literature and culture. Our course encourages you to read widely and to think critically about writing and its contexts, and the philosophical and political trends that shape the ways we read and write.

Upon completion of this course, you will have outstanding powers of expression and communication, augmented with specialist knowledge and research skills. You will discover your potential as an independent learner, while working within a nurturing and structured learning environment that will enable you to excel.

You will benefit from:

- learning alongside researchers who are recognised internationally for their contributions to knowledge and the furthering of the discipline
- a strong tradition of specialist teaching in the fields of women's writing, writing and place, children's literature, Welsh writing in English, LGBTQIA+ writing, Postcolonial literature, Medieval studies and Romanticism
- the chance to work with leading literary and cultural institutions such as *New Welsh Review* – Wales's foremost literary magazine – and Aberystwyth Arts Centre, one of the largest arts centres in Wales, recognised as a 'national flagship' for the arts.

Employability

A degree in English Literature offers a "gold standard" training for any job where communication is key. Our modules will provide you with the skills you need to develop a comprehensive C.V. that demonstrates a diverse range of skills. Our graduates go into a very wide range of careers, including broadcasting, journalism, advertising and public relations, education, the Civil Service, finance and new media.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Ancestral Voices
- Critical Practice.

Second year:

- Literary Theory: Debates and Dialogues.

Final year:

- Reading Theory / Reading Text
- Undergraduate Dissertation.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Contemporary Queer Fictions
- Demons and Degenerates
- Greek and Roman Epic and Drama
- Re-imagining Nineteenth-century Literature
- Literature and the Sea
- Contemporary Writing and Climate Crisis
- Chaucer in the Then and Now
- Re-imagining Nineteenth-century Literature
- Haunting Texts
- Shakespeare, Jonson, and Company
- Literatures of Surveillance
- Animals in Literature
- Reimagining the World Wars
- Speculative Fiction and the Climate Crisis.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120 -104
IB: 30-28.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
A blend of traditional coursework and take-home exams, depending on module choice.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

English Literature and Creative Writing

BA (Hons) | QW38 | 3 years

Our combined course in English Literature and Creative Writing will enable you to develop as both a creative and critical practitioner. This degree will expand your range and capabilities as a writer and enable you to work with confidence in a variety of genres and forms.

You will develop a reflective writing practice informed by a wide-ranging knowledge of writing from the past and present, an understanding of the cultural and intellectual contexts in which literature is written and read, and an awareness of the range and variety of approaches to literary study and the practice of writing.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by a team of distinguished, award-winning authors who work across a broad spectrum of creative fields
- a strong tradition of specialist teaching in the fields of women's writing, writing and place, children's literature, Victorian writing, Welsh writing in English, LGBTQIA+ writing, Postcolonial literature, Renaissance drama and Romanticism
- the chance to develop your writing with practitioners who have expertise in a diverse range of genres such as contemporary poetry, the graphic novel, crime fiction, life writing, historical fiction, science fiction, and writing for stage, screen and radio
- taking part in a writing retreat at a country house in Mid Wales.

Employability

A degree in English Literature and Creative Writing offers a "gold standard" training for any job where communication is key. Many of our graduates are successful writers, publishing in a wide range of fields, such as fiction, non-fiction, news media, poetry, screen writing and drama. Our graduates have also developed successful careers in publishing, journalism, marketing and public relations, finance, the Civil Service, NGOs, teaching, editing and advertising.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120 -104
IB: 30-28.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
A blend of traditional coursework and take-home exams, depending on module choice.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Creative Practice
- Critical Practice.

Second year:

- Literary Theory: Debates and Dialogues.

Final year:

- The Writing Project
- Undergraduate Dissertation.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Ancestral Voices
- Contemporary Queer Fictions
- Kapow! Reading and Writing Graphic Narratives
- Demons, Degenerates and New Women: Fin de Siècle Fictions
- Greek and Roman Epic and Drama
- Re-imagining Nineteenth-century Literature
- Literature and the Sea
- Adventures with Poetry
- Contemporary Writing and Climate Crisis
- Telling True Stories: Ways of Writing Creative Non-fiction
- Writing Selves
- Writing and Place
- Remix: Chaucer in the Then and Now
- Writing Crime Fiction.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.



Also available:
QW3F Integrated foundation year.

English Studies and Climate Change

BA (Hons) | FQ73 | 3 years

On the English Studies and Climate Change degree you will encounter texts that explore and represent climate change, and that evaluate the climate challenge and its political, economic, social and ecological impacts. By raising provocative questions about human responses to climate change (which invariably involve the written or the spoken word) this course will equip you with the skills and knowledge to analyse diverse perspectives on a global challenge.

The English Studies and Climate Change course provides subject-specialist knowledge of fictional and non-fictional responses to the climate, from Romanticism’s accounts of 1816 (“the year without a summer”) to radical imaginings of potential futures for our planet in contemporary speculative fiction.

You will benefit from:

- engaging with and developing a distinct multidisciplinary approach to communicating climate change informed by an understanding of the science behind the climate crisis
- analysing the causes and consequence of climate change and environmental degradation, and how literature from the nineteenth century to the present day comments upon climate change
- examining links between climate change and other global challenges (such as conflict, migration, inequality and isolationism) and the ways in which these challenges are communicated to diverse audiences
- reflecting on ways that the planet’s habitats, resources, and ecological systems are reflected in and shape the stories we tell and how such stories challenge the political status quo.

Employability

Graduates will be well placed to pursue a career in climate change management, adaptation and mitigation, both in the UK and abroad. Additionally, they will be suited to careers in related areas, such as environmental education and consultancy or conservation. Further postgraduate study, either at Masters or Doctoral level, is an option.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120 -104
IB: 30-28.

Assessment weighting:
A blend of traditional coursework and take-home exams, depending on module choice.

Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Climate Change: Impacts, Perceptions, Adaptations
- Creative Practice
- Critical Practice
- The Science of Climate.

Second year:

- Literature and Climate in the Nineteenth Century
- Literary Theory: Debates and Dialogues.

Final year:

- The Writing Project
- Undergraduate Dissertation.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

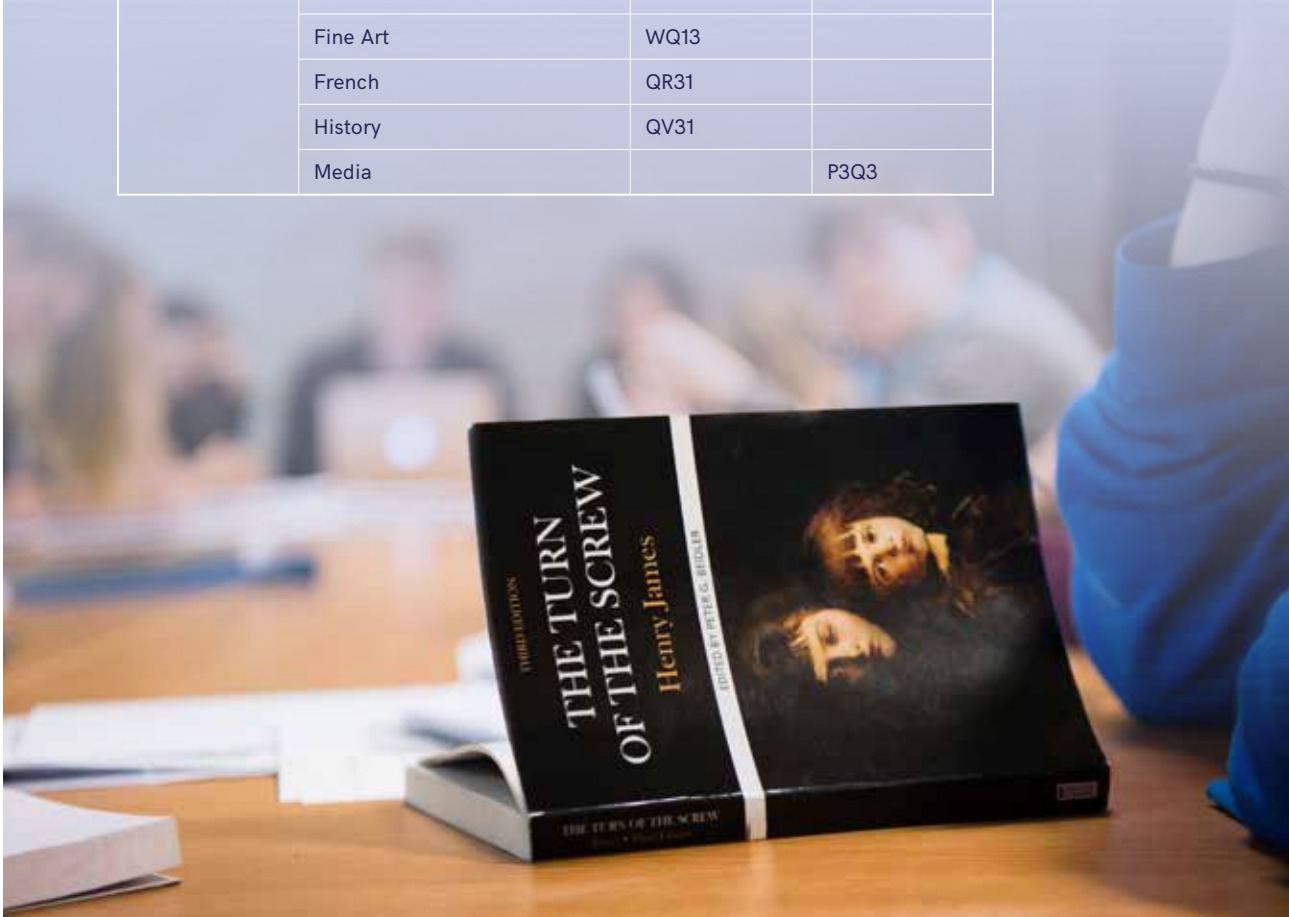
- Contemporary Writing and Climate Crisis
- Speculative Fiction and the Climate Crisis
- Crisis Writing
- Literatures of Surveillance
- Animals in Literature
- Literature and the Sea
- Contemporary Queer Fictions
- Adventures with Poetry
- Demons and Degenerates
- Writing Crime Fiction
- Telling True Stories
- Reading and Writing Fantasy Fiction
- Writing and Place
- Literary Geographies.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* Also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh

Joint Honours & Major/Minor

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours	Major/Minor
Creative Writing	Drama and Theatre	W841	
	Film and Television Studies	WP83	
	Fine Art	WW18	
	French	WR81	
	History	WV81	
	Media		P3W8
	Photography	WW68	
	Spanish	WR84	
English Literature	Drama and Theatre Studies	QW34	
	Education	QX33	
	Film and Television Studies	QW36	
	Fine Art	WQ13	
	French	QR31	
	History	QV31	
	Media		P3Q3



Film & Television



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Top 5 in the UK

for satisfaction with Teaching for the subject of Film Production & Photography

(Guardian University League Table 2024)

Film and Television Studies

BA (Hons) | W620 | 3 years

Whether you are interested in the moving image as an art form or an industry, our diverse degree in Film and Television Studies will give you the space to explore different technical and critical approaches in a creative environment.

We offer specialist teaching on documentary filmmaking, fiction filmmaking, experimental filmmaking, studio production and scriptwriting, as well as art cinema, horror and cult cinema, international and contemporary film, gender studies, television genre and aesthetics, digital cultures and video games.

You will benefit from:

- an internationally recognised teaching team with a range of expertise in film and television history, theory and practice
- connections with key industry partners such as the BBC, S4C, BAFTA Cymru, Tribeca Film Festival (New York), Orchard, Tinopolis, National Broadcast Archive of Wales at the National Library of Wales
- superb facilities and resources for practical work: HD television studio and gallery with green screen and auto-cue; digital sound studio with advanced multi-track recording; brand-new cinema; colour grading and dubbing suite; 10 dedicated edit suites with Avid Media Composer and Adobe Premiere Pro; editing lab and workshop with 12 work stations; 50 professional HD cameras, including Sony and Canon; Sennheiser, Rode, Tascam and Marantz audio recording equipment; 16mm film equipment and darkroom
- close links with Aberystwyth Arts Centre, which hosts a range of events such as Abertoir Horror Festival and Wales One World Film Festival.

Employability

Many of our graduates are employed by the film and television industry. Others work in film distribution, freelance filmmaking, film festival programming, journalism, marketing and public relations and arts administration.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Making Short Films
- Studying Film
- Studying Television.

Second year:

- Work in the Media Industries.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Creative Documentary
- Creative Fiction: Horror
- Creative Studio
- Writing for Film and Television
- Art Cinema
- Digital Culture
- Stardom and Celebrity
- Television Genre.

Final year:

Will consist entirely of optional modules, examples of which include:

- Documentary Production
- Contemporary Television Drama
- Contemporary Film and the Break-up of Britain
- Experimental Media Production
- Fiction Film Production
- Scriptwriting
- Cult Cinema: Texts, Histories and Audiences
- Experimental Cinema
- Gender and the Media
- Independent Research Project
- Studying Videogames.

For more details on the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

Assessment weighting: 95% coursework, 5% exams.

Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Also available:
W62F Integrated foundation year.

Film-making

BA (Hons) | P301 | 3 years

Our exciting and innovative Filmmaking degree aims to equip you with the necessary skills to work in the film industry. You will explore how films are developed, financed, produced, post-produced, marketed and distributed. In studying this course, you will be equipped with knowledge and understanding of all aspects of professional filmmaking.

This is a practical degree with a strong vocational ethos. You will learn the skills to produce your own original films to a professional standard, working with cameras, sound and postproduction equipment to gain valuable hands-on experience.

The degree has been established by teaching staff with over 35 years' of experience of the completion and delivery of films. Working in the film industry, we have a professional association with many companies including the Production Guild of Great Britain.

You will benefit from:


- being taught by staff who are experts in the field of filmmaking and have experience of completion and delivery of films within the industry
- excellent facilities including a large sound stage; brand new cinema, colour grading and dubbing suite; 10 dedicated edit suits with AVID Media Composer, Adobe Premiere Pro and ProTools; editing lab and workshop with 20 workstations; 50 professional HD cameras, including Sony and Canon; Sound equipment including Sennheiser and Rode mics, Zoom and Tascam field-recorders
- state-of-the-art sound design and dubbing stage
- connections with key industry partners such as AVID and Movie Magic Masterclasses.


Employability

Students studying this course pursue careers in producing, directing, assistant directing, sound, camera work, postproduction or as part of a tech crew.

Key Facts

 **Typical offer:**
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

 **IELTS:** 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

 **Assessment weighting:** Typically 90% coursework, 10% exams.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Making Short Films 1 & 2
- Introduction to Film Production
- Introduction to Post-Production and Editing.

Second year:

- Film Craft.

Final year:

- Fiction Film Project.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Advanced Cinematography and Production Design
- Advanced Editing
- Advanced Sound
- Directing and Producing
- Editing
- Sales and Distribution.

For more details on the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

 **Field trips/fieldwork:** Yes.



Media and Communication Studies

BA (Hons) | P300 | 3 years

If you are interested in who controls and owns our media, how media content is produced, and what impact the media has on us as audiences, then our Media and Communication Studies degree is for you.

Through our interdisciplinary approach to the subject you will develop dynamic insights into the nature of interactions between media texts, audiences and producers.

The course has been designed to allow you to develop your creative, critical and technical skills through innovative practical work (eg in multiplatform production and experimental media) and challenging scholarly enquiry in areas such as media policy and history, advertising, youth cultures, media law, gender and media, video games and digital culture.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by staff who are experts in the field of Media and Communication, have excellent connections to the industry, contribute to national debates on the media, and are at the forefront of research in the field
- expanding your knowledge of sociology, psychology, cultural studies, history, philosophy, linguistics and marketing
- modern teaching facilities including a brand-new PC lab designed to assimilate the digital media industry
- full access to the Wales Broadcast Archive which is a stone's throw away from Penglais Campus.

Employability

Many of our graduates have been successful in finding employment in the media and creative industries, including as BBC design researcher, casting/story and edit producer, product manager, creative designer, website developer, content marketing manager, social media manager, media studies lecturer, press officer, marketing and communications coordinator, and others have established their own media companies.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Making Short Films
- Studying Media
- Media Histories and Archaeologies
- Studying Communication.

Second year:

Will consist entirely of optional modules, examples of which include:

- Advertising
- Creative Documentary
- Creative Studio
- Digital Culture
- Media, Politics and Power
- Television Genre
- Stardom and Celebrity
- Work in Media Industries
- Youth Cultures.

Final year:

Will consist entirely of optional modules, examples of which include:

- Contemporary Television Drama
- Documentary Production
- Experimental Cinema
- Experimental Media Production
- Gender and the Media
- Media, Memory and History
- Independent Research Project
- Media Law
- Media Semiotics
- Studying Videogames.

For more details on the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
80% coursework, 20% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Writing for Broadcasting, Media and Performance

BA (Hons) | P302 | 3 years

Whether you are interested in writing for television, radio or live theatre, this degree is designed to develop your practical writing skills in a vibrant and conducive environment.

You will gain a firm grounding in how to write across platforms and for different audiences, developing your understanding of fundamental techniques and cultivating your confidence.

Our team of experts will fire your imagination, enhance your critical thinking and prepare you for a career as a professional writer.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by internationally recognised staff with strong professional reputations for writing continuing television drama (eg Doctors and Hollyoaks), radio drama, adaptations and plays, along with expertise on British drama
- connections with key industry partners, such as the BBC, S4C, Lurking Truth Theatre Company, Ffesh Film Festival, BAFTA, Avid, Orchard, Arad Goch, National Theatre Wales, the National Library of Wales and the Aberystwyth Arts Centre
- close proximity to the National Screen and Sound Archive of Wales, a stone's throw away from Penglais Campus.

Employability

Many of our graduates have found career paths which include working in broadcast media, floor managers, camera operators, producers and directors, marketing, media planning, education, public relations, publishing, and some go on to further studies.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Studying Film
- Studying Television
- Theatre in Context 1 & 2
- Writing Continuing TV Drama.

Second year:

- Writing Audio Drama
- Writing for Film and Television.

Final year:

- Scriptwriting 1 & 2
- Playwriting.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Acting: Process and Performance
- Contemporary Television Drama
- Creative Fiction: Horror
- Art Cinema
- Devised Performance Project
- Directors' Theatre
- Shakespeare in Performance
- Making Short Film 1
- Stardom and Celebrity.

For more details on the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
90% coursework, 10% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Creating Media (Creu Cyfryngau)

BA (Hons) | P310 | 3 years

If you’re interested in creating and working with moving images for the purposes of entertainment, industry or as an artistic form, our lively Creating Media degree is an opportunity for you to create innovative productions, develop technical skills and study critique methods in a creative environment.

Please note that this is a Welsh-medium degree that does not have an equivalent in English. This information is a translation of the Welsh course profile.

Production and performance are at the heart of our modern world, in the world of film, television, theatre and digital media. This degree aims to provide you with a thorough understanding of the essential role that they play in all our lives, and to fully prepare you for a rewarding career in the creative industries and beyond. You will produce your own film, television and multi-platform content, and you will contribute to live multimedia productions. You will also learn how to explore historical, aesthetic, economic and institutional frameworks that are crucial to being able to fully appreciate this exciting discipline that is constantly changing.

You will benefit from:


- being taught by staff who have an international profile and a wide range of expertise, including history, theory and professional practice in film and television
- presenting work in the form of written essays or video projects
- our working relationships with key partners in the industry, such as S4C, Orchard, Arad Goch, and BAFTA Cymru
- taking advantage of our excellent facilities and resources: a digital sound studio with advanced multi-track recording equipment; a brand-new cinema; colour and dubbing grading rooms; 10 dedicated editing rooms with Avid Media Composer software, and much more
- our close relationship with Aberystwyth Arts Centre which puts on a variety of events such as the Abertoir Horror Festival and Wales One World Film Festival.


Employability

Many of our graduates have found work as researchers, editors, floor managers, camera operators, designers, producers and directors. Others work in marketing, radio, journalism, public relations, arts administration, film festivals, advertising, politics and business.

Key Facts

 **Typical offer:**
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

 **IELTS:** 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

 **Assessment weighting:** Typically 30% coursework, 70% practical presentations.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Creu Ffilm
- Gweithio yn y Diwydiannau Creadigol
- Gweithio ar Gamera
- Cydweithio Ensemble.

Second year:

- Sylfeini Hunan-Gyflwyno.

Final year:

- Prosiect Ymchwil Annibynnol.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Sylfeini Perfformio: Corff, Cymeriad a Thestun
- Creu Cynrychiadau Amlgyfrwng
- Ymarfer Cynhyrchu 1: Cyfryngau
- Ymarfer Cynhyrchu 1: Gorffen
- Ymchwil Creadigol Ymarferol
- Theatr a Ffilm Gyfoes: Cymru a'r Byd
- 'Arwyr': Dogfennu Gyrfaoedd yn y Diwydiannau Creadigol
- Ymarfer Cynhyrchu 2: Cyfryngau
- Ymarfer Cynhyrchu 2: Gorffen
- Theatr a Ffilm Americanaidd.

For more details on the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Joint Honours

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours
Film and Television	Creative Writing	WP83
	Drama and Theatre	WW64
	English Literature	QW36
	Fine Art	WW16
	French	RW16
	Mathematics	GW16
	Photography	WW66
Media	Creative Writing	P3W8
	English Literature	P3Q3
	Theatre Studies	P3W4



Geography, Earth & Environmental Sciences



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for Student Satisfaction for the subject of Geography

(Complete University Guide 2024)

Environmental Earth Science

BSc (Hons) | F640 | 3 years

Aberystwyth is surrounded by a great natural laboratory that provides us with many excellent sites for fieldwork. Our field equipment and laboratory facilities will help you explore core skills in Environmental Earth Science and apply these to a wide range of environmental problems.

You will study Planet Earth as a unified system, exploring the interactions between the solid rocky Earth (lithosphere) and the secondary environment, which includes the hydrosphere, biosphere and atmosphere. This degree will train you in field and practical skills which can be applied to solving some of the most urgent environmental issues facing our society such as pollution from human activities like mining and power production, site investigation for land redevelopment and understanding volcanic eruptions.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by and learning with world-leading researchers
- having access to analytical facilities which are recognised by the Natural Environment Research Council (NERC) to support project work
- fieldwork in each year of your degree - themes may include geological processes, environmental pollution, energy and resources, and sustainable development
- developing professional skills throughout your degree.

Employability

Employability is embedded within all our courses. Our degrees provide a solid foundation for a vast array of careers across a range of sectors. In a rapidly shifting global economy, our graduates are adaptable and able to draw on a range of transferable skills, ensuring that they are always in demand. Our graduates have, for example, found employment as environmental consultants, planners, civil servants, surveyors and in education.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- An Introduction to Earth Materials
- Earth Surface Environments
- Fieldwork Skills
- Researching the World: Data Collection and Analysis
- How to Build a Planet *
- Life on Earth.

Second year:

- Advanced Earth Materials
- Environmental Earth Science Research Design and Fieldwork Skills
- Fundamentals of Geochemistry
- Chemical Analysis of Natural Materials
- Geographic Information Systems.

Final year:

- Environmental Geochemistry and Biogeochemistry
- Applied Environmental Management
- Monitoring our Planet's Health from Space
- Glaciers and Ice Sheets
- People, Climate and Environment: a Palaeoenvironmental Perspective
- Sedimentary Environments
- Volcanic Activity: Hazards and Environmental Change
- Environmental Earth Science Dissertation *

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96 to include a C in Biology, Chemistry, Geography or Physics
IB: 30-26 with 5 points in a science subject at Higher Level.



Assessment weighting:
65% coursework and 35% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Also available:
F642 Integrated year studying abroad.
F643 Integrated year in industry.
F64F Integrated foundation year.

Environmental Science

BSc (Hons) | F750 | 3 years

Our Environmental Science degree explores some of the most important issues and challenges currently facing society. We offer the unique opportunity to study these in both the Department of Geography and Earth Sciences and the Department of Life Sciences, where you will be taught by world-leading researchers.

The degree focuses on past, present and future environmental processes and their complex interactions with human activities. You will also investigate societal response to both natural and human-induced environmental changes and evaluate the ways in which they are managed.

We offer several overseas field courses and a number of opportunities for local fieldwork, so that you can make the most of our stunning location.

You will benefit from:

- a wide range of laboratory facilities, including an Earth observation laboratory, palaeoecology laboratory, aquarium systems for both marine and freshwater organisms, advanced microscopy and bio-imaging laboratory, facilities for DNA sequencing, metabolomics and proteomics, and a modelling laboratory for spatial and temporal integration of biological data
- being taught by and learning with world-leading researchers in their respective fields
- developing professional skills and training throughout your degree.

Employability

Employability is embedded within all our courses. Our degrees provide a solid foundation for a vast array of careers across a range of sectors. In a rapidly shifting global economy, our graduates are adaptable and able to draw on a range of transferable skills, ensuring that they are always in demand. Our graduates have, for example, found employment as environmental consultants, planners, civil servants, surveyors and in education.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96 to include a C in Biology, Chemistry, Geography or Physics
IB: 30-26 with 5 points in a science subject at Higher Level.



Assessment weighting:
50% coursework, 50% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Also available:
F752 Integrated year studying abroad.
F753 Integrated year in industry.
F75F Integrated foundation year.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Earth Surface Environments
- Microbial and Plant Diversity *
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Fieldwork Skills
- How to Build a Planet *
- Researching the World: Data Collection and Analysis.

Second year:

- Physical Geography and Environmental Science Research Design and Fieldwork Skills
- Chemical Analysis of Natural Materials
- Reconstructing Past Environments
- Ecological Surveying *
- Catchment Systems *
- Climate Change: Plants, Animals and Ecosystems
- Environmental Microbiology and Monitoring *.

Final year:

- Applied Environmental Management
- Glaciers and Ice Sheets
- Sedimentary Environments
- Volcanic Activity: Hazards and Environmental Change
- Environmental Regulation and Consultancy
- Global Biodiversity Conservation
- Marine and Freshwater Field Course
- Population and Community Ecology
- Terrestrial Ecology Fieldcourse *
- Wildlife Conservation
- Environmental Science Dissertation *.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.



Geography

BSc (Hons) | F800 | 3 years

Our Geography degree offers the opportunity to explore key topics in both human and physical geography. Themes include hydrological systems; glacial processes; geomorphology; soils; ecosystem dynamics; cultural and historical geography; urbanisation, rural change and development; place and identity; and globalisation.

You will also have the opportunity to study interdisciplinary themes such as environmental change, geohazards and sustainability, and also receive specific skills training, for example in remote sensing and geographic information systems (GIS). Our flexible degree structure means you can specialise in a particular field or maintain a breadth of interests throughout the course, allowing you to focus on themes that excite you.

We offer a broad range of fieldwork opportunities including a free local trip at the beginning of the first year. In the second year we offer a range of trips to suit a variety of specialisms and budgets. Current destinations include North Wales (free), Birmingham and the West Midlands (free), Berlin (at additional cost) and the Alps (at additional cost). Day trips are also embedded in certain modules throughout your degree.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by and learning with world-leading researchers in their respective fields
- studying a course accredited by the Royal Geographical Society (with the Institute of British Geographers)
- use of exceptional facilities for laboratory work in soils, water quality and pollen identification, social investigation and data processing.

Employability

Employability is embedded within all our courses. Our degrees provide a solid foundation for a vast array of careers across a range of sectors. In a rapidly shifting global economy, our graduates are adaptable and able to draw on a range of transferable skills, ensuring that they are always in demand. Our graduates have, for example, found employment as environmental consultants, planners, civil servants, surveyors and in education.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



Assessment weighting:
65% coursework, 35% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Conflict and Change: the Making of Urban and Rural Spaces *
- Earth Surface Environments
- Living in a Dangerous World *
- Place and Identity
- Researching the World: Data Collection and Analysis
- How to Build a Planet *

Second year:

- Geographical Information Systems
- Concepts for Geographers
- Geography Research Design and Fieldwork Skills *
- Physical Analysis of Natural Materials
- Frozen Planet
- Catchment Systems *
- Placing Culture
- Geographical Perspectives on the Sustainable Society
- Social Research Methods *

Final year:

- Applied Environmental Management
- Contemporary Global Migration
- Everyday Social Worlds
- Glaciers and Ice Sheets
- Sedimentary Environments
- The Psychosocial Century
- Volcanic Activity: Hazards and Environmental Change
- Geography Dissertation *

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.



Also available:
F802 Integrated year studying abroad.
F803 Integrated year in industry.
F80F Integrated foundation year.

Human Geography

BSc (Hons) | L700 | 3 years

Our Human Geography degree addresses some of the major issues facing the world today, including globalisation, sustainable development, inequality and poverty, geopolitics, nationalism and regionalism, urban and rural change, and migration.

You will study the historical processes behind contemporary trends, drawing together perspectives from different countries and cultures, and use different sources ranging from maps and statistics, to film, art and literature.

We offer a broad range of fieldwork opportunities including a free local trip at the beginning of the first year. In the second year we offer a range of trips to suit a variety of specialisms and budgets. Current destinations include Birmingham and the West Midlands (free) and Berlin (at additional cost). Day trips are also embedded in certain modules throughout your degree.

You will benefit from:

- studying a course accredited by the Royal Geographical Society (with the Institute of British Geographers)
- being taught by world-leading researchers in their respective fields throughout your course
- professional skills and training throughout your degree.

Employability

Employability is embedded within all our courses. Our degrees provide a solid foundation for a vast array of careers across a range of sectors. In a rapidly shifting global economy, our graduates are adaptable and able to draw on a range of transferable skills, ensuring that they are always in demand. Our graduates have, for example, found employment as planners, civil servants, surveyors and in education.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Conflict and Change: the Making of Urban and Rural Spaces *
- Living in a Dangerous World *
- Place and Identity
- Thinking Sociologically
- Researching the World: Data Collection and Analysis.

Second year:

- Concepts for Geographers
- Human Geography Research Design and Fieldwork Skills *
- Placing Culture
- Placing Politics *
- Social Research Methods *
- Geographical Perspectives on the Sustainable Society.

Final year:

- Contemporary Global Migration
- Everyday Social Worlds
- The Global Countryside: Geographical and Sociological Perspectives
- Memory Cultures: Heritage, Identity and Power
- Modern British Landscapes
- The Psychosocial Century
- Urban Risk and Environmental Resilience
- Geography Dissertation *

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



Assessment weighting:
75% coursework, 25% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Also available:
L703 Integrated year in industry.
L704 Integrated year studying abroad.
L70F Integrated foundation year.

Physical Geography

BSc (Hons) | F840 | 3 years

The Physical Geography degree allows you to explore the fundamental processes that shape the world in which we live. Supported by a teaching team of world-leading researchers you will investigate key themes including Quaternary environmental change, hydrological systems, glacial processes, geomorphology, soils and ecosystem dynamics.

As a physical geography student, you can also choose to study topics of an interdisciplinary nature, including environmental management, sustainability, Earth resources and natural hazards. The structure of the degree enables you to either specialise in a particular field or to maintain a breadth of interest throughout your course.

We offer a broad range of fieldwork opportunities including a free local trip at the beginning of the first year. In the second year we offer a range of trips to suit a variety of specialisms and budgets. Current destinations include North Wales (free) and the Alps (at additional cost). Day trips are also embedded in some modules throughout your degree.


You will benefit from:


- studying a course accredited by the Royal Geographical Society (with the Institute of British Geographers)
- use of exceptional facilities for laboratory work in chemical and physical analysis (for example, for soils, water quality and pollen identification), and access to the latest remote sensing and software GIS packages
- being taught by and learning with world-leading researchers in their respective fields.

Employability

Employability is embedded within all our courses. Our degrees provide a solid foundation for a vast array of careers across a range of sectors. In a rapidly shifting global economy, our graduates are adaptable and able to draw on a range of transferable skills, ensuring that they are always in demand. Our graduates have, for example, found employment as environmental consultants, planners, civil servants, surveyors and in education.

Key Facts

 **Typical offer:**
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

 **Assessment weighting:**
65% coursework, 35% exams.

 **Field trips/fieldwork:** Yes.

 **Also available:**
F845 Integrated year studying abroad.
F846 Integrated year in industry.
F84F Integrated foundation year.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

- First year:**
- Earth Surface Environments
 - Living in a Dangerous World *
 - Researching the World: Data Collection and Analysis
 - How to Build a Planet *
 - An introduction to Earth Materials
 - Life on Earth.

- Second year:**
- Geographic Information Systems
 - Catchment Systems *
 - Chemical Analysis of Natural Materials
 - Physical Geography and Environmental Science Research Design and Fieldwork Skills *
 - Physical Analysis of Natural Materials
 - Reconstructing Past Environments
 - The Frozen Planet.

- Final year:**
- Applied Environmental Management
 - Glaciers and Ice Sheets
 - People, Climate and Environment: a Palaeoenvironmental Perspective
 - Sedimentary Environments
 - Volcanic Activity: Hazards and Environmental Change
 - Geography Dissertation *

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Joint Honours

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours
Geography	Welsh	LQ75
Physical Geography	Computer Science	FG84

Students investigating sediment properties in the Centenary Laboratory.



History



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Top 10 in the UK

for Teaching Quality for the subject of History

(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)

History

BA (Hons) | V100 | 3 years

A degree in history enables you to place the past in perspective, gain a deeper understanding of society and the world, as well as develop the analytical skills of interpretation, analysis and communication that are so vital in the workplace.

During your degree, you will develop the skills of a historian by learning the methods by which we examine and engage with the past. As you explore our wide range of modules, you will become familiar with thought-provoking historical theories, up-to-date research methods and fascinating historical sources, ranging from medieval manuscripts and early modern ballads to modern mass media, oral history and material culture. These modules will prepare you to undertake your own research for your final year dissertation as well as for the world beyond university.

You will benefit from:

- studying in the oldest history department in Wales, with over 100 years of world-class scholarship and teaching
- a wide range of history modules, taught by experts in the field
- innovative teaching methods, with emphasis on primary sources
- full student access to the books, manuscripts and archives of the National Library of Wales (just a five-minute walk from the Department), one of the five copyright libraries of the UK, the national archive depository of Wales, and one of the principal historical archive collections in the UK
- extra-curricular activities including field trips and student-led conferences
- history-related work placements and internships.

Employability

Our graduates have been successful in securing professions in many different fields, including the heritage sector; education; academic scholarship and research; archive curation and management; law; publishing; national, regional and local politics; Civil Service; the police; the military; media and the creative industries; business and entrepreneurship.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to History *
- 'Hands on' History: Sources and their Historians *

Second year:

- Making History *

Final year:

- Dissertation *

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Knighthood and Chivalry in High Medieval England, 1066-1300
- The European Reformation
- Crime and Daily Life in Early Modern England and Wales
- The Tudors: A European Dynasty?
- The Atlantic World
- Science, Religion and Magic
- Poverty and Welfare in Modern Britain
- Between Revolution and Reform: China since 1800
- The Weimar Republic
- The 'Myth of the Blitz'
- The Third Reich
- Image Wars in Southeast Asia: Studying 20th Century Propaganda
- African-American History, 1808 to the Present
- Environmental History of the Neotropics (Latin America and the Caribbean) in the Capitalocene
- Writing about War in High Medieval Scandinavia c.1050-1264.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework or 50% coursework and 50% exam.

IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Also available:
V102 Integrated year studying abroad.
V10F Integrated foundation year.

History and TESOL

BA (Hons) | V103 | 3 years

Our BA in History and TESOL offers the opportunity to study a varied and comprehensive curriculum of history over a long sweep of chronological time in combination with a thorough introduction to the discipline of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL).

You will study history from the medieval period through to the late modern world, and in a variety of different forms of historical inquiry - from social and political to economic and cultural history. You will learn the skills that are needed by historians whilst developing a variety of communication skills which will complement the TESOL components of the course and help prepare you to teach English to speakers of other languages.

You will benefit from:

- experiencing innovative, research-based teaching in the Department of History and Welsh History that is designed to develop your transferable skills in areas such as analysis, interpretation and communication
- experiencing the world of TESOL (also known as TEFL) and the opportunities for international travel that a TESOL career affords
- the option to take a standalone International English Centre summer course after your second year, which will lead to a separate professional qualification - the Certificate in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) - in addition to your degree
- our unique collaborative relationship with Aberystwyth Arts Centre - an on-campus facility that is an excellent resource for staff and students alike - as well as unlimited access to the National Library of Wales (one of the UK's five copyright libraries).

Employability

Employability is embedded into this degree. Throughout the course you will engage in problem-based and hands-on learning focused on real-world scenarios and simulations, enabling you to develop collaborative, leadership, and team-building skills essential to a plethora of employment settings.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework or 50% coursework and 50% exam.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to History
- 'Hands on' History: Sources and their Historians *
- Language Awareness for TESOL.

Second year:

- Making History *
- Approaches, Methods, and Teaching Techniques in TESOL.

Final year:

- Dissertation
- Materials Development, and the Application of Technologies
- TESOL Materials Development & Technologies.

In addition, you will follow one of a number of Special Subjects in your final year that may include The Norwegian Civil Wars, The English Reformation, The Irish in Britain c.1815-70, and The Third Reich.

Throughout the course, you will choose from a selection of optional modules that may include:

- Medieval and Early Modern Britain and Europe
- Europe and the World
- People, Power and Identity: Wales 1200-1999
- Europe and the World
- The Tudors
- European Society and the Medieval Mind 1200-1500
- From the Second Empire to the Third Reich: Weimar Germany 1914-1933
- Writing about War in High Medieval Scandinavia
- Image Wars in Southeast Asia
- Famine in Medieval England
- Asian Migration in the Modern World
- The Rise of Modern Medicine
- Media and Society.



Also available:
V104 Integrated year studying abroad.
V10F Integrated foundation year.

History and Welsh History

BA (Hons) | VVC2 | 3 years

Aberystwyth is a leading centre of Welsh and Celtic scholarship and the Department of History and Welsh History has an international reputation in this area. This degree allows you to study key elements of Welsh history while also gaining a knowledge of other countries.

This course provides you with a specialist degree in Welsh history combined with history. It enables you to take a range of modules in Welsh history, from the medieval period through to the modern day. You will also choose from the wide range of modules on other countries and time periods. As a student on this degree you will benefit from the opportunity of studying at a specialist centre for Welsh history while also developing your interests in other countries.

You will benefit from:

- studying in the oldest history department in Wales, where Welsh history has been taught since the 1880s
- a wide range of history modules, taught by experts in the field with international reputations, with emphasis on primary sources
- use of the University library's unrivalled collection of Celtic literature and historical works, as well as the National Library of Wales, one of the five copyright libraries in the UK and the national archive depository of Wales
- extra-curricular activities such as student conferences and field trips
- being taught by staff who are internationally recognised experts in their field
- history-related work placements and internships.

Employability

Our graduates have been successful in securing professions in many different fields, including the heritage sector; education; academic scholarship and research; archive curation and management; law; publishing; national, regional and local politics; Civil Service; the police; the military; media and the creative industries; business and entrepreneurship.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework or 50% coursework and 50% exam.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to History *
- 'Hands on' History: Sources and their Historians *.

Second year:

- Making History *.

Final year:

- Dissertation *.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Conquest, Union and Identity in Wales 1250-1800
- People, Power and Identity: Wales 1200-1999
- Crime and Daily Life in Early Modern England and Wales
- Wales under the Tudors
- Crime, Riot and Morality in Wales 1750-1850
- The Reign of Edward II
- The Norwegian Civil Wars
- The Tudors: A European Dynasty?
- Science, Religion and Magic
- From Poor Law to Welfare State: Poverty and Welfare in Modern Britain, 1815-1948
- Modern Welsh Society, 1868-1950
- The 'Myth of the Blitz'.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Medieval and Early Modern History

BA (Hons) | V190 | 3 years

Spanning around 800 years, our degree in Medieval and Early Modern History unlocks the history of the pre-modern world. You will learn about exciting topics such as violence and kingship, travel and discovery, economy and trade, and the body and mind in the period 1000-1800. Take a trip to the past and learn about life in medieval Britain, the castles and courts of Europe, and the voyages across unknown seas to the so-called New World, alongside many more exciting events and themes.

On this course you will be taught by staff who are internationally recognised experts in their fields. There will be opportunities to work with a range of primary materials in small groups with your learning rooted in a first-class research environment.

You will benefit from:

- studying in the oldest history department in Wales, with over 100 years of world-class scholarship and teaching in medieval and early modern history
- a wide choice of modules, taught by experts in the field, with emphasis on primary sources and their interpretation
- full student access to the books, manuscripts and archives of the National Library of Wales (just a five-minute walk from the Department), one of the five copyright libraries of the UK, the national archive depository of Wales, and one of the principal historical archive collections in the UK
- extra-curricular activities including field trips and the Aberystwyth medieval history student conference
- history-related work placements and internships.

Employability

Our graduates have been successful in securing professions in many different fields, including the heritage sector; education; academic scholarship and research; archive curation and management; law; publishing; national, regional and local politics; Civil Service; the police; the military; media and the creative industries; business and entrepreneurship.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to History *
- 'Hands on' History: Sources and their Historians *

Second year:

- Making History *

Final year:

- Dissertation *

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Knighthood and Chivalry in High Medieval England, 1066-1300
- The European Reformation
- Wales under the Tudors
- The Tudors: A European Dynasty?
- The Atlantic World
- Medieval and Early Modern Britain and Europe, 1000-1800
- The Norwegian Civil Wars
- Famine in Medieval England
- War, Politics and People: England in Context in the Fourteenth Century
- Medieval England and Germany, c.1050-1250
- European Society and the Medieval Mind 1200-1500.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework or 50% coursework and 50% exam.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Modern and Contemporary History

BA (Hons) | V191 | 3 years

Our Modern and Contemporary History degree covers the period from the French Revolution to the present day. It explores an era marked by mass participation, whether in politics, war or culture. It illuminates the contradictions of modernity – characterised by utopian experiments and their often nightmarish outcomes, by the proclamation of human rights, by genocide and ethnic cleansing, and by the promise of reason, science and technology.

On this course you will benefit from the broad range of expertise of our modern historians whose work spans the globe. You will learn about the impact of the two world wars, imperialism and decolonisation, Asia's journey through the modern age, and the great changes to life and society that have occurred in our recent past.

You will benefit from:

- studying in the oldest history department in Wales, with over a 100 years of world-class scholarship and teaching
- a wide choice of modules, taught by experts in the field, with emphasis on modern and contemporary primary sources and their interpretation
- extra-curricular activities including field trips and the Aberystwyth modern history student conference
- history-related work placements and internships.

Employability

Our graduates have been successful in securing professions in many different fields, including the heritage sector; education; academic scholarship and research; archive curation and management; law; publishing; national, regional and local politics; Civil Service; the police; the military; media and the creative industries; business and entrepreneurship.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to History *
- 'Hands on' History: Sources and their Historians *

Second year:

- Making History *

Final year:

- Dissertation *

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- The Modern World, 1789 to the Present
- Culture, Society and the Victorians
- Exploring Nineteenth-Century Exhibitions
- From Poor Law to Welfare State: Poverty and Welfare in Modern Britain, 1815-1948
- The Rise of Modern Medicine
- African-American History, 1808 to the Present
- Media and Society in Twentieth Century Britain
- Britain at War 1939-45
- The Myth of the Blitz
- The Weimar Republic
- The Third Reich
- Environmental History of the Neotropics (Latin America and the Caribbean) in the Capitalocene
- Modern Japan: From Samurai to Salary Men
- Between Revolution and Reform: China since 1800.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework or 50% coursework and 50% exam.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Politics and Modern History

BA (Hons) | V135 | 3 years

Our Politics and Modern History degree focuses on the study of recent political ideas and institutions in a historical context, allowing you to understand how such ideas and institutions have developed over time. This is a single honours degree in which you specialise in both history and politics.

During your degree you will learn about concepts in history and political theory through the study of new and exciting historical and political scholarship. You will acquire the skills of the historian through a focus on primary sources and historical scholarship, while benefitting from the study of political science and international politics. In your final year you will write a dissertation on either a political or a historical topic using the critical research skills developed over the course of your degree.

You will benefit from:

- studying in the oldest history department in Wales and the oldest International Politics department in the world, each with over a 100 years of world-class scholarship and teaching
- a wide choice of modules, taught by experts in the field
- the use of the University library's unrivalled collection of online modern history and politics resources, and full student access to the National Library of Wales (just a five-minute walk from the Departments), one of the five copyright libraries of the UK
- extra-curricular activities including field trips, student conferences and the International Politics Crisis Games
- history and politics-related work placements and internships.

Employability

Our graduates have been successful in securing professions in many different fields, including the heritage sector; education; academic scholarship and research; archive curation and management; law; publishing; national, regional and local politics; Civil Service; the police; the military; media and the creative industries; business and entrepreneurship.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework or 50% coursework and 50% exam.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to History *
- 'Hands on' History: Sources and their Historians *
- Exploring the International 1: Central Concepts and Core Skills *
- Politics in the 21st Century *.

Second year:

- Making History *
- People and Power: Understanding Comparative Politics Today *.

Final year:

- Dissertation *.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- The Modern World, 1789 to the Present
- From Poor Law to Welfare State: Poverty and Welfare in Modern Britain, 1815-1948
- Media and Society in Twentieth Century Britain
- Britain at War 1939-45
- The Vietnam War
- The Third Reich
- African-American History, 1808 to the Present
- Image Wars in Southeast Asia: Studying Twentieth Century Propaganda
- Knowing about Violent Conflict in International Politics
- Russian Intelligence from Lenin to Putin
- Nationalism in Theory and Practice
- Political Theory.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Joint Honours

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours
History	Creative Writing	WV81
	Drama and Theatre	WV41
	Education	VX13
	English Literature	QV31
	German	RV21
	International Relations	1FVL
	Mathematics	GV11



Human Biology & Health



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for Satisfaction with Assessment and Feedback in the subject of Biology

(The Guardian University League Table 2023)

Biomedical Sciences

(Nutrition, Health and Exercise)



BSc (Hons) | B990 | 3 years

This degree provides a broad understanding of the scientific basis of human biology and explores how nutrition and exercise can contribute to the prevention and treatment of medical conditions.

Taught by experts in their field, you will study modules in cell and molecular biology, human anatomy and physiology, biochemistry, pharmacology, microbiology, immunology, nutrition, metabolism, bioinformatics and genetics. You will develop an understanding of research methods and the ability to apply this to new and interesting topics. There is a particular focus on laboratory skills throughout the degree which will prepare you for work in the biomedical sciences.

You will benefit from:

- access to extensive research and teaching labs equipped with the latest equipment, including bioimaging facilities, high-throughput DNA sequencing, proteomics, metabolomics and spectroscopic platforms
- use of state-of-the-art physiological, biomechanical and psychological equipment and laboratories.

Employability

Graduates may pursue careers in clinical and community healthcare, clinical genetics laboratories, clinical trials and the regulatory sector, sales and marketing related to healthcare and diagnostic products, diagnostic pathology and clinical laboratories, education, research and development for the pharmaceutical industry, to name a few.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Biological chemistry
- Cell Biology *
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Human Anatomy and Kinesiology
- Human Physiological Systems
- Skills in Nutrition, and Science Communication.

Second year:

- Applied Molecular Biology and Bioinformatics
- Cell and Cancer Biology
- Immunology
- Research Methods *
- Sport & Exercise Physiology
- Sport and Exercise Nutrition.

Final year:

- Applied Sports Nutrition
- Research Project *.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework, and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Also available:
B991 Integrated year in industry.

Human Biology and Health



BSc (Hons) | C194 | 3 years

Human Biology and Health combines two areas of research and teaching strength within our departments - biological sciences, and sport and exercise science. The passion and expertise of our staff and our excellent facilities within these areas have led to the development of this degree. Our aim is to provide a detailed understanding of the main conditions that influence human health in the 21st century.

On this degree, you will study a range of biological disciplines including physiology, microbiology, immunology and genetics. Our aim is to provide you with an appreciation of how diet, alongside physical activity and regular exercise, plays a significant role in maintaining health and well-being. This unique blend of subject matter will ensure that you have a multidisciplinary understanding of human health, including behaviour and lifestyle change.

You will benefit from:

- facilities for high-throughput DNA sequencing, proteomics, metabolomics and spectroscopic platforms
- the application of psychology to understand the process of behaviour change and its potential to delay the development of chronic conditions including heart disease, diabetes and cancer
- modern physiological, biomechanical and psychological equipment including body scanning for bone health and body composition determination, cardiovascular, respiratory and metabolic analysers, high-performance treadmills, cycles and rowers, along with computer-based digital video and a force plate to allow sophisticated analysis of movement.

Employability

Human Biology and Health graduates will be equipped with the skills and knowledge to enter a wide range of careers in biomedicine, health and allied professions.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Biology
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 40-60% coursework, and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No.



Also available:
C195 Integrated year in industry.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Cell Biology *
- Genetics, Evolution and Diversity
- Human Physiological Systems
- Psychology of Physical Activity and Health
- Research Designs to Assess and Monitor Clients
- Skills in Nutrition, and Science Communication.

Second year:

- Immunology
- Research Methods *
- Sport and Exercise Physiology.

Final year:

- Research Project *
- Exercise Management in Health and Chronic Disease
- Molecular Pharmacology
- Solving Societal Issues using Applied and Integrated Approaches.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.



Information & Library Studies



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Top 10 in the UK

for Student Experience and Teaching Quality for the subject of Librarianship and Information Management

(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2021)



Cultural Heritage Studies: Libraries, Archives and Museums

BA (Hons) | V700 | 3 years

This degree seeks to introduce you to the cultural heritage aspects of the library, archive and information professions, and enable you to understand how our heritage and knowledge is stored, shared and preserved, and the role that this information plays in the 21st century digital society.

You will learn about the management and use of information, heritage resources, archives and records in both digital and physical formats, and how to deal with the vast amounts of information that are generated in the digital world. You will also explore how history and especially documents, objects and the artefacts that bring history to life are curated and managed.

The Department of Information Studies has close links with a range of local cultural heritage organisations, including the National Library of Wales (one of the UK's five copyright libraries); the Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales; local archives and records offices; and the Ceredigion Museum.

You will benefit from:

- studying a degree accredited by CILIP: the library and information association
- being taught by experts in their field, in departments with well-established international reputations in teaching and research in information studies, history and Welsh history
- the Department's links with information- and history-rich institutions and cultural organisations.

Employability

Studying an accredited degree is the best preparation for professional practice. Graduates of this course will not only be well prepared for starting out in careers in the heritage sector, including libraries and archives, but also in information-related roles in the business, cultural and the not-for-profit sectors. You will be in a good position to go on to further study, especially our professionally accredited Masters qualifications in Information and Library Studies, or Archives and Records Management.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Foundations of Information Studies
- The Cultural Heritage Landscape
- Human Communication
- The Archival Inheritance
- Introduction to History.

Second year:

- Museums in the 21st Century
- Record Revolutions: A Cultural History of Record Keeping
- Information in a Changing World
- Resource Discovery and Digital Information
- Making History.

Final year:

- Collection Management and Development in Heritage Organisations
- Local Studies and Community Heritage.

For details on the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

Aa IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Assessment weighting:
70% coursework and 30% exams.

Law



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The Department of Law and Criminology offers the most Law/Criminology credits through the medium of Welsh in the whole of Wales.

Law

LLB (Hons) | M100 | 3 years

Our traditional law degree will give you the opportunity to examine the law, how it functions, and the relationship between law, justice and society.

You will study the foundational legal subjects, while also having the opportunity to tailor your degree according to your own interests, from a range of optional modules covering contemporary and specialist areas of law.

Our LLB degrees provide a foundation for those intending to qualify as a solicitor or a barrister in England and Wales.

All of our law degrees offer you the opportunity to study the seven foundations of legal knowledge required by the Bar Standards Board (for barristers). In their final year students have the opportunity to take optional modules which cover the entire syllabus of Part 1 of the Solicitors' Qualifying Examination.

You will benefit from:


- being part of one of the most experienced and well-regarded Law departments in Wales
- being taught by professionals who have worked with large organisations such as GRETA, the Youth Justice Board and the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
- the chance to assist legal practitioners with client advice activities
- work experience opportunities in business, criminal justice, local authorities and the courts
- the opportunity to follow modules that prepare you for the Solicitors' Qualifying Examinations
- the chance to join the Mooting Society to develop your key advocacy and litigation skills.


Employability

A Law degree from Aberystwyth University is a valuable qualification for a range of careers. In addition to pursuing careers in the legal profession, recent graduates are succeeding in criminology, financial management, business, human resources, international relations, journalism and education. Throughout your training you will develop a wealth of core legal skills and other skills that can be easily transferred into almost any graduate or professional employment situation. This degree provides an excellent foundation in law for those intending to take the Solicitors' Qualifying Examination.

Key Facts

 **Typical offer:**
UCAS tariff points: 128-104
IB: 30-28.

 **IELTS:** 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

 **Assessment weighting:** 50% coursework and 50% exams.

 **Field trips/fieldwork:** Yes.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Contract Law *
- Criminal Law *
- Law in Action * or Introduction to Criminology *
- Legal and Criminal Justice Systems *
- Legal Skills and Research *
- Tort *

Second year:

- Public Law *
- European Law *.

Final year:


- Equity and Trusts *
- Land Law *.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Commercial Law
- Environmental Law
- Human Rights
- Labour Law
- Sports Law and Society
- Family and Child Law
- Medicine Ethics and the Law
- Principles of Evidence
- Company Law
- Business Law and Practice and Solicitors Accounts
- Dispute Resolution in Contract and Tort
- Criminal Law and Practice
- Trusts, Wills and the Administration of Trusts and Estates
- Principles of Professional Conduct.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

 **Also available:**
M103 Bachelor of Arts.
M10F Integrated foundation year.

Law and Criminology

LLB (Hons) | MM91 | 3 years

Our course offers you the chance to study for a law degree while deepening your understanding of the causes and consequences of crime. LLB Law and Criminology is perfect for anyone ambitious for a law career in the 21st century and will prepare you for employment in the legal profession and criminal justice system.

The Law and Criminology degree will give you the opportunity to practise your skills as you study. Work placements are available for this course and we place our students with relevant local employers, for you to gain work experience alongside your studies.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by professionals who have also practised as barristers and solicitors, thus providing a practical application to your theoretical studies
- the chance to join the Mooting Society to develop your key advocacy and litigation skills
- engaging with professionals with expertise in the field of criminology, criminal justice and law and order
- the chance to assist legal practitioners with client advice activities
- work experience opportunities in business, criminal justice, local authorities and the courts
- the opportunity to study the seven foundations of legal knowledge required by the Bar Standards Board (for barristers) for entry onto the professional course. These subjects will also provide a solid foundation for students seeking to pursue the Solicitors' Qualifying Examination.

Employability

A degree in Law and Criminology from Aberystwyth University is a valuable qualification for a range of careers. Recent graduates are succeeding in criminology, financial management, business, human resources, international relations, journalism and education. Upon completion of this degree, you will emerge with real-world capabilities, enabling you to shape your future and develop the career you deserve.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to Criminology *
- Legal and Criminal Justice Systems *
- Legal Skills and Research *
- Crime Control and Prevention *
- The Law of Tort
- Criminal Law *

Second year:

You will choose from a selection of optional modules, including:

- Commercial Law
- Drugs and Crime
- Environmental Law
- Humanitarian Law
- Public Law
- Police, Policing and Society *
- Psychological Explanations of Criminal Behaviour.

Final year:

- Land Law
- Equity and Trusts
- Principles of Evidence
- Law and Criminology Dissertation *

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 128-104
IB: 30-28.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 50% coursework and 50% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Business Law

LLB (Hons) | M140 | 3 years

The Business Law degree is an opportunity to gain an in-depth understanding of business-related legal subjects. Whether you intend to advise the commercial sector or run a business of your own, an understanding of the law as it relates to commercial activity is crucial.

On this degree you will focus your studies more specifically on commercial law, company law and corporate liability. In addition to providing a foundation for careers in law and the commercial sector, the Business Law degree also provides a basis for a career in human resources, business management and consultancy.

On this themed degree, the first year of study will be the same as for the LLB Law degree and the second and final year will focus more specifically on the theme in question. Our LLB degrees provide a foundation for those intending to qualify as a solicitor or a barrister in England and Wales.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by professionals who have worked with bodies such as the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and who engage with the Department of Business and Trade and Law Commission on projects relating to modern business activity, including platform regulation and crypto-assets
- an opportunity to take part in our 'InvEnterPrize' venture - our 'Dragon's Den' style student entrepreneurship competition
- the chance to join the Mooting Society to develop your key advocacy and litigation skills.

Employability

A degree in Business Law from Aberystwyth University is a valuable qualification for a range of careers. Recent graduates are succeeding in legal practice, financial management, business and human resources. Upon completion of this degree, you will emerge with real-world capabilities, enabling you to shape your future and develop the career you deserve.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 128-104
IB: 30-28.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 50% coursework and 50% exams.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Contract Law *
- Criminal Law *
- Law in Action * or Introduction to Criminology *
- Legal and Criminal Justice Systems *
- Legal Skills and Research *
- Tort *

Second year:

- Public Law *
- European Law *.

Final year:

- Equity and Trusts *
- Land Law *
- Law and Criminology Dissertation *.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Commercial Law
- Business Law and Practice and Solicitors Accounts
- Dispute Resolution in Contract and Tort
- Environmental Law
- Humanitarian Law
- Labour Law
- Company Law
- Intellectual Property Law
- Medicine, Ethics and the Law
- Human Rights.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Criminal Law

LLB (Hons) | M131 | 3 years

This degree will give you the opportunity to study aspects of criminal law in greater detail and includes the regulation of criminal behaviour and the effectiveness of punishment and rehabilitation mechanisms.

This degree will provide you with a valuable foundation for a career in criminal legal work either as a solicitor or a barrister. It will also prepare you for careers in the criminal justice system including the police, the prison service and the probation service.

On this themed degree, the first year of study will be the same as for the LLB Law degree and the second and final year will focus more specifically on the theme in question.

Our LLB degrees provide a foundation for those intending to qualify as a solicitor or a barrister in England and Wales.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by professionals who have worked with large organisations such as GRETA, the Youth Justice Board and the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
- the chance to join the Mooting Society to develop your key advocacy and litigation skills.

Employability

A degree in Criminal Law from Aberystwyth University is a valuable qualification for a range of careers. Some common career paths of our graduates include legal professions, government advisory departments, investigating justice and victim support, policing, the prison service and probation service. Upon completion of this degree, you will emerge with real-world capabilities, enabling you to shape your future and develop the career you deserve.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Legal and Criminal Justice Systems *
- Legal Skills and Research *
- Contract Law *
- Criminal Law *
- Law in Action * or Introduction to Criminology *
- Tort *

Second year:

- Public Law *
- European Law *.

Final year:

- Equity and Trusts *
- Land Law *
- Law and Criminology Dissertation *.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Medicine, Ethics and the Law
- Principles of Evidence
- Criminal Law and Practice
- Environmental Law
- Humanitarian Law
- Police, Policing and Society *
- Psychological Explanations of Criminal Behaviour
- Commercial Law.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 128-104
IB: 30-28.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 50% coursework and 50% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Human Rights

LLB (Hons) | M990 | 3 years

The study of human rights often transcends national boundaries and may sometimes conflict with individual States' notions of what should be protected as a right. This degree enables you to focus on issues pertaining to the protection of human rights, and the effectiveness of international human rights mechanisms.

Our degree in Human Rights can lead to opportunities for employment with human rights organisations such as Amnesty International and a variety of governmental organisations such as the United Nations. Recent graduates work in the areas of human rights advocacy, immigration rights and equality protection.

On this themed degree, the first year of study will be the same as for the LLB Law degree and the second and final year will focus more specifically on the theme in question.

Our LLB degrees provide a foundation for those intending to qualify as a solicitor or a barrister in England and Wales.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by professionals who have worked with large organisations such as GRETA, the Youth Justice Board and the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights
- the chance to volunteer with the Dewis Choice research project on the human rights of older people
- the chance to join the Mooting Society to develop your key advocacy and litigation skills.

Employability

The Human Rights degree from Aberystwyth University opens up national and international career opportunities in both the legal and rights-related professions. You will gain the skills to enter roles within NGOs, charities and other civil society bodies specialising in advocacy, protection, public information and education.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Contract Law *
- Criminal Law *
- Law in Action * or Introduction to Criminology *
- Legal and Criminal Justice Systems *
- Legal Skills and Research *
- Tort *

Second year:

- Public Law *
- European Law *.

Final year:

- Equity and Trusts *
- Land Law *
- Law and Criminology Dissertation *.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Humanitarian Law
- Family and Child Law
- Environmental Law
- Human Rights
- Labour Law
- Medicine, Ethics and the Law
- Commercial Law.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 128-104
IB: 30-28.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 50% coursework and 50% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Senior Status Law

LLB (Hons) | M104 | 2 years

The LLB Senior Status Law degree at Aberystwyth University is available to those who already hold an existing Bachelors degree in another subject, and is engineered to enhance your career prospects through completion within two years.

As a student on this course, you will benefit from the experience and enthusiasm of our expert staff, many of whom have also practised as solicitors - providing a practical application to your theoretical studies. The Department of Law and Criminology's ethos is to nurture ingenuity and your ability to think outside of the box will enable you to emerge from the degree with real-world capabilities, shaping your future and career development.

Our LLB degrees provide a foundation for those intending to qualify as a solicitor or a barrister in England and Wales.

You will benefit from:

- being part of one of the most experienced and well-regarded Law departments in Wales
- being taught by professionals who have worked with large organisations such as GRETA, the Youth Justice Board, the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and bodies such as the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and who engage with the Department of Business and Trade and Law Commission on projects relating to modern business activity, including platform regulation and crypto-assets
- the chance to assist legal practitioners with client advice activities
- work experience opportunities in business, criminal justice, local authorities and the courts
- the chance to join the Mooting Society to develop your key advocacy and litigation skills.

Employability

The skills and knowledge that you will acquire here can open up careers in roles both inside and outside the legal field. A number of our graduates embark on legal careers as solicitors or barristers; others use their degree as a springboard for a career in management, business or the Civil Service.

Key Facts



Typical offer: 2:1 in a first degree in any subject.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 50% coursework and 50% exams.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First Year:

- Contract Law *
- Criminal Law *
- Legal and Criminal Justice Systems *
- Legal Skills and Research *
- Tort *

Second Year:

- Equity and Trusts *
- Public Law *
- European Law *
- Land Law *

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Commercial Law
- Environmental Law
- Humanitarian Law
- Labour Law
- Sports Law and Society
- Family and Child Law
- Business Law and Practice
- Dispute Resolution in Contract and Tort.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Joint Honours

These degrees provide you with the opportunity to study Law alongside another subject, while retaining the option of a career in legal practice. On our Joint Honours degrees, you can study the Foundations of Law modules and progress to Bar Training or SQE preparation courses.

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours
Law (LLB)	Accounting and Finance	MN14
	Business and Management	MN11
	Cymraeg Proffesiynol	MQ56
	French	RM11
	German	RM21
	International Relations	21LM
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Marketing & Tourism



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3rd in the UK

for Student Satisfaction for the subject of Marketing

(Complete University Guide 2024)



Adventure Tourism Management

BSc (Hons) | N870 | 3 years

Adventure tourism is one of the fastest-growing sectors of the tourism industry. Our Adventure Tourism Management degree will enable you to unlock and develop skills in the business, marketing and management of adventure tourism operations and visitor attractions. This programme attracts interest from a global audience, emphasising the importance of Adventure Tourism Management across developed and developing global economies.

On the Adventure Tourism Management degree course, you will examine real-life case studies and explore effective management strategies and policies for adventure tourism. You will also look at how marketing principles are applied within the tourism industry. A unique element of this course are the skills you will develop, accredited by external providers, that will enable you to develop outdoor skills and/or gain nationally recognised outdoor leadership qualifications. An optional work experience module will further enhance your career prospects.

You will benefit from:

- degree accreditation by the Tourism Management Institute (TMI)
- gaining additional external certification by accredited providers in outdoor activities such as walking, climbing, kayaking, diving, mountain biking and skiing
- extended study trips, depending on module choice
- week-long activities at a UK or overseas destination.

Employability

Upon graduation you will have developed the skills needed to establish and operate tourism enterprises that focus on delivering holidays based around outdoor adventure activities. Our graduates have found employment with Natural Resources Wales, Adventure Tours UK, Enterprise Cars, Marella Cruises, TUI, Click Travel and Sykes Holiday Cottages.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Principles of Tourism Management
- Marketing Principles and Contemporary Practice *
- Fundamentals of Accounting and Finance *
- Understanding the Economy
- Fundamentals of Management and Business *
- Data Analytics.

Second year:

- Destination and Attraction Management *
- Adventure Tourism
- International Tourism in Practice
- Activity Certification.

Final year:

- Sustainable Tourism
- Adventure Tourism Management Dissertation
- Tourism Development and Planning
- Activity Certification.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Assessment weighting:
Typically 100% coursework or 50% coursework and 50% exams.

Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Digital Marketing



BSc (Hons) | N590 | 3 years

The Digital Marketing degree at Aberystwyth Business School ensures you will gain cutting-edge skills in disciplines such as customer acquisition, analytics, eCommerce strategy, digital development (including website, app, social media environments), content marketing, digital CRM (customer relationship management), digital communications (including social media marketing), digital promotion and user experience.

Digital Marketing is now fully integrated across all marketing disciplines and is established by contemporary theory and practice that is professionally applied to business and consumer audiences. The Digital Marketing degree ensures that you fully understand the key models, frameworks and methodologies inherent in this discipline and synergise your learning to be applicable for the issues and challenges of a professional career. You will graduate with the toolset, skills and competencies that employers seek and will enter this market in a strong position to build your early-stage career.

Aberystwyth Business School is an accredited Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM) Graduate Gateway Centre.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by industry practitioners and experienced academics aware of the precise and high demand for technical and market-proficient graduates that this degree provides
- exploring the technologies used by business and effectively implementing business solutions
- being able to study towards a CIM qualification while progressing through your degree, or gain exemptions for certain CIM modules.

Employability

The BSc Digital Marketing degree will develop the skills that employers value, including innovative thinking, creative problem-solving, experimental-based approaches, teamworking and consumer audience centrality. Digital Marketers innovate and shape business in a variety of ways and as a career choice the marketing profession remains diverse and financially rewarding. Recent graduates have gained employment in Acorn Digital (Shanghai), TravelPerk (Barcelona), Next, The Drum (London), McGregor Boyall (Manchester), Reckitt Benckiser, EE and Aegis Network (London).

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Marketing Principles and Contemporary Practice *
- Web Design
- Information Security
- Data Analytics
- Fundamentals of Management and Business *
- Understanding the Economy
- Fundamentals of Accounting and Finance *

Second year:

- Web Design and the User Experience
- Programming for the Web
- Consumer and Buyer Behaviour *
- Applied Brand Management
- Digital Research Methods
- Marketing Management *

Final year:

- Digital Marketing (Strategy)
- Digital Marketing Communications
- Digital Analytics
- Digital Marketing Dissertation *
- Strategic Leadership *

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
60% coursework, 40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Marketing



BSc (Hons) | N500 | 3 years

The BSc Marketing degree is an exciting and dynamic course combining elements of marketing and consumer behaviour, digital marketing, strategic marketing, planning, psychology, management and human resources. Taught by accredited and renowned marketing experts, over the course of the degree you will develop a firm knowledge of external influences on the marketing world and the rapidly changing use of information technology and digital media for marketing purposes.

Marketing is a dynamic and vibrant career choice full of innovation, creativity and data-driven intuitive decision-making. Most early-stage marketing professionals migrate towards the digital arena and at Aberystwyth, we make sure we equip you with the fundamental digital and traditional skills necessary to provide value to organisations from your first professional day.

Aberystwyth University is an accredited Chartered Institute of Marketing (CIM) Graduate Gateway Centre. This enables you to graduate with dual awards.

You will benefit from:

- numerous industry perspectives through guest lectures by industry professionals
- using case study analysis, real-life scenarios and fundamental marketing theory to develop marketing strategies and tactical campaigns
- being taught by active researchers, ensuring that you are exposed to the latest theories and knowledge in the subject area.

Employability

The importance of marketing to business performance has never been greater. Marketers now innovate and shape business in a wide variety of ways such that becoming a professional marketer remains a diverse and fantastic career choice. Recent graduates have gained employment in organisations including the National Botanical Garden of Wales, Reckitt Benckiser (RB), EE, OneGTM, MediaCom and Dentsu Group (Carat).

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



Assessment weighting:
60% coursework and 40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Also available:
N50F Integrated foundation year.

Tourism Management

BSc (Hons) | N800 | 3 years

Tourism is one of the world's fastest growing and most exciting industries, comprising tourist attractions, destinations, hotels, airlines, activity providers and tour operators. Our BSc Tourism Management degree aims to equip you with the academic and professional skills to undertake a variety of managerial roles in the sector.

In choosing to study BSc Tourism Management at Aberystwyth Business School you will explore the development, operation and impacts of both domestic and international tourism. You will focus on contemporary issues facing the industry including changing market trends and the fast-growing adventure sector, challenges facing destinations, how to manage tourism in a more sustainable manner, and how to effectively market the sector using contemporary methods.

You will benefit from:

- degree accreditation by the Tourism Management Institute (TMI)
- day trips to a tourism destination, depending on module choice
- extended study trips, depending on module choice
- week-long activities within a UK/Overseas destination.

Employability

Our Tourism degrees are accredited by the Tourism Management Institute (TMI). This means that you can be confident the course will provide you with knowledge, understanding, skills and experience to fully prepare you for a career in Tourism Management. Our graduates have found work with Natural Resources Wales, Adventure Tours UK, Enterprise Cars, Marella Cruises, TUI, Click Travel and Sykes Holiday Cottages.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Principles of Tourism Management
- Fundamentals of Management and Business *
- Marketing Principles and Contemporary Practice *
- Data Analytics
- Understanding the Economy
- Fundamentals of Accounting and Finance *

Second year:

- Destination and Attraction Management *
- Adventure Tourism
- International Tourism in Practice
- Research Methods *

Final year:

- Sustainable Tourism
- Tourism Development and Planning
- Tourism Marketing
- Dissertation *

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



Assessment weighting:
40% coursework, 60% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.



Also available:
N80F Integrated foundation year.



IELTS: 6.0 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Joint Honours

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours
Adventure Tourism Management	Spanish	RN44
Marketing	Accounting and Finance	GN94
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	French	NR59
	Psychology	NC58
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Mathematics

BSc (Hons) | G100 | 3 years

The first two years of our Mathematics courses give you a broad introduction to important areas of mathematics, including algebra, calculus, geometry, statistics and mathematical analysis. You can then specialise and take advantage of our expertise by choosing from a wide range of optional modules.

The Integrated Masters (MMath) degree (G103) degree includes a fourth year to be taken after the three years of the G100 course, during which you will gain a deeper understanding of the subject through supervised project work and specialised modules that reflect the research interests of staff.

You will benefit from:

- the Department's long and distinguished history of, and commitment to, teaching excellence
- studying a course accredited by the Institute of Mathematics and its Applications, the UK's learned and professional society for mathematics, directly contributing to your recognition as a Chartered Mathematician
- being taught by experts in their fields, at the forefront of research in mathematics and statistics
- the option to study this course with an integrated year in industry or with an integrated foundation year.

Employability

A degree in Mathematics is fundamentally important to a range of sectors, including science, engineering, technology and finance. Our graduates typically find work in the financial sector, engineering, teaching, and as professional statisticians, and many go on to further study. Some have found employment with companies such as LV= and Rolls Royce. By taking the option of a year in industry you will enhance your skills in applying the mathematics you have learned to real-world situations and gain first-hand experience of the work of a mathematician in industry.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Algebra *
- Calculus *
- Coordinate and Vector Geometry *
- Probability *
- Career Planning and Mathematical Skills Development *
- Differential Equations *
- Mathematical Analysis *
- Further Algebra and Calculus *
- Statistics *

Second year:

- Applied Statistics
- Introduction to Numerical Analysis and its Applications *
- Complex Analysis *
- Linear Algebra *

Final year

Will consist entirely of optional modules, examples of which include:

- Group Theory
- Graphs and Networks *
- Norms and Differential Equations *
- Partial Differential Equations *
- Linear Statistical Models
- Asymptotic Methods in Mechanics *
- Stochastic Models in Finance.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 128-120 to include B in A level Mathematics
IB: 30 with 6 points in Mathematics at Higher Level.

IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Assessment weighting: 40% coursework, 60% exams.

Also available:
G10N Integrated year in industry.
G103 Integrated Masters.
G10F Integrated foundation year.

2nd in the UK

for Student Experience and Teaching Quality for the subject of Mathematics

(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)



Applied Mathematics / Pure Mathematics

BSc (Hons) | G130 | 3 years

On the Applied Mathematics / Pure Mathematics degree you will study mathematical concepts in depth, explore the identification and analysis of patterns and develop skills in logical argument and calculation. You will learn how to use mathematics to solve problems in many areas of science and engineering.

The first two years of the Applied Mathematics / Pure Mathematics course will give you a broad introduction to important areas of mathematics, including algebra, geometry, differential equations and mathematical analysis. You will be able to specialise in your final year and take advantage of our expertise by choosing from a wide range of optional modules based on your own interests.

You will benefit from:

- the Department's long and distinguished history of, and commitment to, teaching excellence
- studying a course accredited by the Institute of Mathematics and its Applications, the UK's learned and professional society for mathematics, directly contributing to your recognition as a Chartered Mathematician
- being taught by experts in their fields, at the forefront of research in mathematics.

Employability

Mathematics is fundamentally important to a range of sectors, including science, engineering, technology and finance. Our Mathematics graduates typically find work in the financial sector, engineering, and teaching, and many go on to further study. Examples include companies such as LV= and Rolls Royce.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Algebra *
- Calculus *
- Coordinate and Vector Geometry *
- Probability *
- Career Planning and Mathematical Skills Development *
- Differential Equations *
- Further Algebra and Calculus *
- Mathematical Analysis *
- Statistics *

Second year:

- Mathematical Physics *
- Advanced Dynamics
- Introduction to Numerical Analysis and its Applications *
- Complex Analysis *
- Linear Algebra *
- Hydrodynamics 1 *
- Real Analysis *

Final year:

Will consist entirely of optional modules, examples of which include:

- Group Theory
- Graphs and Networks *
- Norms and Differential Equations *
- Partial Differential Equations *
- Asymptotic Methods in Mechanics *
- Hydrodynamics II
- Integral Transforms
- Information Theory
- Mathematical Models of Biological Systems
- Topology.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Mathematics
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Mathematics at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 40% coursework, 60% exams.



Financial Mathematics



BSc (Hons) | G1N3 | 3 years

This bespoke degree will prepare you for work or professional study in the financial sector by teaching you core mathematical skills, including algebra, calculus and statistics, along with specialist mathematical techniques in a financial context.

You will acquire a solid understanding of the principles of financial accounting and management, along with specialist mathematical techniques in a financial context, for example, in stochastic modelling of the stock market, enabling you to gain a solid understanding of the principles of economics and of financial accounting and management.

You will benefit from:

- studying a course accredited by the Institute of Mathematics and its Applications, the UK's learned and professional society for mathematics, directly contributing to your recognition as a Chartered Mathematician
- the expertise of lecturers in the Department of Mathematics and Aberystwyth Business School
- being taught by experts in their fields, at the forefront of research in mathematics, statistics and economics
- the option to study this course with an integrated foundation year.

Employability

On this course you will receive integrated training in the essential skills demanded by the financial sector from its graduate employees. Our graduates have found employment in accountancy, banking, risk analysis, actuarial work, financial management and investment analysis.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Algebra *
- Calculus *
- Fundamentals of Accounting and Finance *
- Probability *
- Differential Equations *
- Accounting and Finance for Specialists
- Further Algebra and Calculus *
- Mathematical Analysis *
- Statistics *.

Second year:

- Applied Statistics
- Corporate Finance and Financial Markets
- Distributions and Estimation
- Introduction to Numerical Analysis and its Applications *
- Intermediate Management Accounting
- Linear Algebra *.

Final year:

- Probability and Stochastic Processes
- Investments and Financial Instruments
- Stochastic Models in Finance.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Mathematics
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Mathematics at Higher Level.



Assessment weighting: 40% coursework, 60% exams.



Also available:
G1NF Integrated foundation year.

Mathematical Modelling

BSc (Hons) | 13GG | 3 years

On the Mathematical Modelling degree you will learn how to use mathematical theory to develop predictive models in the physical and life sciences, for example in the spread of a disease, and in engineering. You will gain expertise in mathematical analysis and modelling to evaluate hypotheses and analyse real-world problems. At the same time, you will receive a firm grounding in the techniques of collection, classification, organisation, analysis and interpretation of data.

The first two years of the Mathematical Modelling course will give you a broad introduction to important areas of mathematics, including geometry, statistics, differential equations and hydrodynamics. You will be able to specialise in your final year and take advantage of our expertise by choosing from a wide range of optional modules based on your own interests.

You will benefit from:

- the Department's long and distinguished history of, and commitment to, teaching excellence
- teaching by experts in their fields, at the forefront of research in mathematics, mathematical modelling and statistics.

Employability

Graduates of this course will be suited to employment in statistical analysis and computational statistics, teaching, aeronautical engineering, accountancy and banking, risk analysis and actuarial work, financial management and investment analysis, and information technology.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Algebra *
- Calculus *
- Coordinate and Vector Geometry *
- Probability *
- Career Planning and Mathematical Skills Development *
- Differential Equations *
- Further Algebra and Calculus *
- Mathematical Analysis *
- Statistics *.

Second year:

- Applied Statistics
- Mathematical Physics *
- Advanced Dynamics
- Distributions and Estimation
- Introduction to Numerical Analysis and its Applications *
- Complex Analysis *
- Linear Algebra *
- Hydrodynamics 1 *.

Final year:

Will consist entirely of optional modules, examples of which include:

- Norms and Differential Equations *
- Partial Differential Equations *
- Linear Statistical Models
- Asymptotic Methods in Mechanics *
- Integral Transforms
- Theory of Elasticity
- Mathematical Models of Biological Systems
- Numerical Solution of Partial Differential Equations
- Probability and Stochastic Processes.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Mathematics
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Mathematics at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 40% coursework, 60% exams.

Pure Mathematics / Statistics

BSc (Hons) | GGC3 | 3 years

On the Pure Mathematics and Statistics degree you will study mathematical concepts in depth and gain a firm understanding of the techniques of collection, classification, organisation, analysis and interpretation of data. You will develop skills in mathematical analysis and statistical modelling to evaluate hypotheses and analyse real-world problems. Suitably qualified statisticians are needed to process the enormous quantities of data generated by modern society, evaluate patterns within the data, and use those to inform decision-making and strategy planning.

The first two years of the Pure Mathematics and Statistics course give you a broad introduction to important areas of mathematics, including abstract algebra, statistical estimation and mathematical analysis. You will be able to specialise in your final year and take advantage of our expertise by choosing from a wide range of optional modules based on your own interests.

You will benefit from:

- the Department's long and distinguished history of, and commitment to, teaching excellence
- studying a course accredited by the Institute of Mathematics and its Applications, the UK's learned and professional society for mathematics, directly contributing to your recognition as a Chartered Mathematician
- being taught by experts in their fields, at the forefront of research in mathematics and statistics.

Employability

Our graduates have found employment in statistical analysis and computational statistics, teaching, accountancy and banking, risk analysis and actuarial work, financial management and investment analysis, and information technology.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Algebra *
- Calculus *
- Coordinate and Vector Geometry *
- Probability *
- Career Planning and Mathematical Skills Development *
- Differential Equations *
- Further Algebra and Calculus *
- Mathematical Analysis *
- Statistics *

Second year:

- Applied Statistics
- Mathematical Physics *
- Distributions and Estimation
- Introduction to Abstract Algebra
- Introduction to Numerical Analysis and its Applications *
- Complex Analysis *
- Linear Algebra *
- Real Analysis *

Final year:

Will consist entirely of optional modules, examples of which include:

- Norms and Differential Equations *
- Linear Statistical Models
- Comparative Statistical Inference
- Topics in Biological Statistics
- Graphs and Networks *
- Group Theory
- Information Theory
- Topology
- Probability and Stochastic Processes.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:

UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Mathematics

IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Mathematics at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 40% coursework, 60% exams.

Joint Honours & Major/Minor

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours	Major/Minor
Mathematics	Accounting and Finance	GN94	
	Business and Management	GN11	
	Computer Science	GG14	
	Drama and Theatre	GW14	
	Economics	GL91	
	Education	GX13	G1X3
	Film and Television Studies	GW16	
	French	GR11	
	History	GV11	
	Physics	FG31	
	Physical Geography	FG81	
	Welsh	GQ15	



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2nd in the UK

for Course Satisfaction in Languages and Linguistics

(The Guardian University League Table 2023)

3rd in the UK

for the subject of Languages and Linguistics

(The Guardian University League Table 2024)



Languages taught at Aberystwyth University

The Department of Modern Languages strives to provide innovative learning to our diverse range of students. We teach French, German and Spanish both from Advanced and Beginners' level, Italian from Beginners' level, as well as Brazilian Portuguese (not to degree level).

We cater to all abilities, which means that you can study languages even if you haven't had the chance to study a language at A level or equivalent. We offer a higher number of hours per week at all levels (typically 5 per week per language) than most universities.

French

French is hugely important in the world of international relations today. It is used in a large number of international institutions such as the United Nations, and it is the official language of 29 countries with 220 million native speakers.

Why study French at Aberystwyth University?

French is spoken across the globe as a native or second language by up to half a billion people. The French-speaking world extends across the globe from Europe to Africa, Asia and the Americas. French is more important than ever before and the ability to communicate in the language is an invaluable skill.

At Aberystwyth, studying French will enable you to develop your linguistic competencies further, but at the same time explore and develop your knowledge of French culture, literature, art, film and the practical use of language in a business context. Our wide range of modules for you to choose from will develop your communication and analytical skills, which are highly desired by multinational organisations worldwide.

Upon completion of a four-year course in French, you will have acquired a high level of proficiency in the French language, as well as critical understanding of key aspects of modern and contemporary French and Francophone culture.

German

German is the language of business and finance and is the most widely spoken language within the European Union.

Why study German at Aberystwyth University?

Language, culture and history are inseparable, and studying German at Aberystwyth University will show you that there is more to German culture, language and history than you might have expected.

German language skills are highly desirable for employers in international business in a wide range of fields including finance, marketing, translating, teaching, media, arts, publishing and the Civil Service. There is an alarming shortage of people in the UK with the ability to speak one of the ten most important foreign languages for the country's prosperity and global standing. To speak German will provide you with a real competitive edge in the job market.

Taught by native speakers, all our German courses provide comprehensive language training combined with the opportunity to explore the cultures, literatures and intellectual histories of German-speaking countries.

Joint Honours - language combinations

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours
French	German	RR12
	Italian	RR31
	Spanish	RR14
German	Italian	RR32
	Spanish	RR24
Spanish	Italian	RR43

Spanish

Spanish is the mother tongue of an estimated 400-450 million people, making it the world's second most spoken language.

Why study Spanish at Aberystwyth University?

Spanish is one of the three most important international languages in the world, spoken as a first language in Europe, Latin America, Africa and increasingly in the USA.

At Aberystwyth University, you will have the opportunity to discover Spanish and Latin American culture and history through the variety of core and optional modules available to you during the four-year degree. By the end of the course, you will have a fluent command of the Spanish language as well as a solid grasp and knowledge of Spanish and Latin American culture.

There is a high demand for Spanish graduates from multinational employers who value the communication and intercultural skills that are developed through language degrees. A Spanish course can open up many exciting opportunities in fields such as international politics, business, finance, marketing, teaching and translation/interpreting.

Italian

Italian is a major European language and is spoken by approximately 85 million people. Its influence is widespread in the arts and in the food and luxury goods markets.

Why study Italian at Aberystwyth University?

Studying Italian provides you with the opportunity to explore careers within teaching, fine arts, banking, the media, tourism and law to name a few.

Italy is a major political partner in the European Union; it is a leading force in fields such as engineering and architecture. Italy is also the home of design and fashion industries. Understanding and developing fluency in Italian will mean that you can explore some of the major contributions to European cultural life, including film and literature, in their native language.

At Aberystwyth University, Italian can be studied from beginners' level. We apply unique and innovative approaches and methodologies to our teaching, which include small group activities and the support of native Italian teachers and exchange students.

French

BA (Hons) | R120 | 4 years

This degree is perfect for you if you're interested in the French-speaking world, and are driven to learn more in a collaborative environment. You will be guided through various aspects, themes and periods of French language, socio-political history, literature, film and culture. No previous knowledge of the language is required as you can study from complete beginners' level to a high level of fluency.

During the four-year degree scheme, your linguistic capabilities will be improved and enhanced through weekly classes in listening, reading/writing, translation and conversation, as well as grammar, translation and linguistics. In Year One, Beginners (without an A level or equivalent in French) follow an intensive language course. All students follow a module introducing them to key questions and texts of the history of France and French-speaking countries. You will also be able to choose from a range of relevant cultural, literary and historical optional modules on literature (covering a range of genres as well as historical periods), film, the history of ideas and artistic movements, and current affairs.

Your year abroad

For all students, this is a highlight and will almost certainly be one of the most memorable experiences of your life. We offer the following options:

- studying in one of our partnered universities
- studying in a private language school
- undertaking an English Language Assistantship with the British Council
- undertaking a work experience placement in your chosen country that is relevant to the choice of language degree.

Employability

Modern linguists are statistically among the most employable graduates, and our degrees take our students across the world. Our graduates enter diverse professions, including teaching, administration, management, marketing, and many more. This degree opens the door to a wide variety of careers, including in the Civil Service, tourism, social work, publishing and broadcasting, and academia. It also provides an excellent foundation for postgraduate study.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Beginners French 1 & 2 *or*
- French Language Advanced
- Images of France: The French Family
- Introduction to French Studies.

Second year:

- French Language.

Third year:

- Year Abroad Assessment.

Final year:

- French Language
- Dissertation (single Honours French).

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Gender in Modern and Contemporary French Culture
- Humour and Literature
- Introduction to European Film
- Language, Culture, and Identity in Europe
- Narrating and Visualising French Colonialism
- Self-writing, 18th-21st Centuries
- The Language of Business and Current Affairs
- History, Film, Memory: Representing World Wars in French Cinema
- Travel and Literature
- Isms – Cultural and Artistic Movements in 20th-century France.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level French unless to be studied as a beginner
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in French at Higher Level unless to be studied as a beginner.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Approx 50% coursework and 50% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No.

Modern Languages

BA (Hons) | R990 | 4 years

Aberystwyth is one of a few universities in the UK that offers the opportunity to combine the study of three languages, two of which will not require prior knowledge. You can choose from French, Italian, German and Spanish. You will not only gain practical knowledge of and fluency in three languages, but you will also learn to understand the position of these languages in a wider global context.

Beginners follow an intensive course in the first year, consisting of an intensive language module and general introduction to European civilisation and culture. After the first year, all students on the beginners' course will join students in the advanced level class. If you are joining us at advanced level, the first year will build on and further develop the principles taught at A level, preparing you for the next three years.

Your year abroad

For all students, this is a highlight and will almost certainly be one of the most memorable experiences of your life. We offer the following options:

- studying in one of our partnered universities
- studying in a private language school
- undertaking an English Language Assistantship with the British Council
- undertaking a work experience placement in your chosen country that is relevant to the choice of language degree.

If you are studying more than one language, your time on the year abroad is normally split between the two countries to facilitate total immersion in more than one language and culture.

Employability

Modern linguists are statistically among the most employable graduates, and our degrees take our students across the world. Our graduates enter diverse professions, including teaching, administration, management, marketing, and many more. This degree opens the door to a wide variety of careers, such as the Civil Service, tourism, social work, librarianship, marketing, publishing and broadcasting.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in a relevant A level language unless to be studied as a beginner
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in one relevant language at Higher Level unless to be studied as a beginner.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Approx 50% coursework and 50% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Beginners (French, German, Spanish, Italian) *or*
- Advanced (French, German, Spanish)
- Exploring German Cultural Identity
- Hispanic Civilization
- Images of France: The French Family.

Second year:

- Language (French, German, Spanish, Italian).

Third year:

- Year Abroad Assessment.

Final year:

- Language (French, German, Spanish, Italian).

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include those for French (R120) and Spanish (R401) plus:

- Children's Literature in German
- Short Prose in German
- Contemporary German Politics
- German-speaking Refugees from National Socialism in the UK
- Modern Italy
- The Language of Current Affairs (Italian)
- Italian Cities.

Spanish and Latin American Studies

BA (Hons) | R401 | 4 years

This four-year degree scheme is designed to provide you with a profound practical knowledge of the Spanish language and will equip you with the much-needed tools to reflect on past and contemporary literature, society, cinema, translation and politics both in Spain and Latin America. No previous knowledge of the language is required as you can study from complete beginners' level to a high level of fluency.

This degree has two pathways in the first year only. All students follow a module introducing them to essential skills in Hispanic studies, as well as a module in Portuguese language. Beginners (without an A level or equivalent in Spanish) follow an intensive language course, while advanced students follow a language module and a general introduction to Hispanic civilisation and culture.

Your year abroad

For all students, this is a highlight and will almost certainly be one of the most memorable experiences of your life. We offer the following options:

- studying in one of our partnered universities
- studying in a private language school
- undertaking an English Language Assistantship with the British Council
- undertaking a work experience placement in your chosen country that is relevant to the choice of language degree.

Employability

As a Modern Languages graduate, you can pursue careers in many different areas including business and commerce, law, teaching and academia, journalism and the media, culture and heritage, the civil and uniformed services. This course also provides an excellent foundation for postgraduate study.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Beginners Spanish 1 & 2 *or*
- Spanish Language Advanced
- Brazilian Portuguese
- Hispanic Civilization
- Study and Research Skills in Spanish and Latin American Studies.

Second year:

- Brazilian Portuguese Language II
- Research Project
- Spanish Language.

Third year:

- Year Abroad Assessment.

Final year:

- Spanish Language
- Dissertation (single Honours)
- Brazilian Portuguese Language III.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Introduction to European Film
- Language, Culture, and Identity in Europe
- Seeing Spain through Cinema
- The Cuban Revolution
- Spanish American Cinema
- The Spanish Avant-garde
- Language of Business and Current Affairs
- Cuban Cinema of the Revolution
- Reading Late 19th Century Literature.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Key Facts



Typical offer:

UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Spanish unless to be studied as a beginner
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Spanish at Higher Level unless to be studied as a beginner.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Approx 50% coursework and 50% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No.

Joint Honours & Major/Minor - language with other subject

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours	Major/Minor
French	Business and Management	NR11	
	Creative Writing	WR81	
	Drama and Theatre	RW14	
	English Literature	QR31	
	Film and Television Studies	RW16	
	International Relations	1FRL	
	Law	RM11	
	Marketing	NR59	
	Mathematics	GR11	
German	Business and Management	NR12	
	History	RV21	
	International Relations	22LR	
	Law	RM21	
Spanish	Accounting & Finance	NR44	
	Adventure Tourism Management	RN44	
	Business and Management	NR14	
	Creative Writing	WR84	
	Drama and Theatre	RW44	
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	International Relations	4FRL	
	Law	RM41	
	Marketing	NR55	
	Tourism Management	NR84	



Nursing



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Nursing (Adult)



BSc (Hons) | B740 | 3 years

Our Adult Nursing degree programme at Aberystwyth University, accredited by the Nursing and Midwifery Council, will give you the skills and experience to meet society's evolving health needs in a diverse and rewarding profession.

Adult Nursing at Aberystwyth develops nursing professionals who can deliver excellent care in a range of settings and who place the patient at the centre of decision-making. Over your three years, you will develop the ability to assess, plan, implement, evaluate and monitor care safely and effectively, and to promote dignity, care and compassion.

Your clinical and academic skills are developed within a strong and established system of support, through personal tutors in the Healthcare Education Centre, and Clinical Practice Supervisors and Practice Assessors in placements, which are embedded into the programme. You will develop your clinical skills during practice placements that may require you to travel out of the local area.

The nursing programme has adopted a student-centred blended learning approach using a combination of self-directed, online and face-to-face teaching, which will be delivered through lead lectures, seminars, group work, presentations, workshops, simulation, case studies, action learning sets and clinical supervision. This is complemented by skills-based learning in the Centre's Clinical Skills Units.

The study places on this programme are commissioned by Health Education and Improvement Wales, and funding to cover tuition fees will be in accordance with the NHS Wales Bursary Scheme or the usual Student Finance route. Further financial support is available from the NHS Wales Bursary Scheme. Please note that you will have to commit to working in Wales for two years after qualifying and registering as a nurse with the NMC if you receive the NHS Wales Bursary. This process is managed centrally by NHS Wales Shared Service Partnership, and the Student Streamlining Scheme will ensure that you will be matched to a suitable position of your choice in your identified locality.

Employability

Upon graduation, you will be eligible to apply for Registered Nurse (Adult) status with the Nursing and Midwifery Council, and to register as a nurse for work in the EU and EEA. You can expect a starting salary of £25,655 rising to £53,219 for a highly experienced staff nurse. Specialist nurses and practice managers can earn £45,000.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you will study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to Professional Practice
- Developing Professional Practice
- Understanding the Human Body
- Demonstrating Professional Practice *

Second year:

- Introduction to Field Specific Nursing
- Complex Field Specific Nursing
- Pathophysiology of Common Conditions
- Enhancing Professional Practice *

Final year:

- Compassionate Leadership and Management
- Innovating Practice
- Transition to Autonomous Practitioner
- Leading Professional Practice *

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 104 - 96
IB: 28-26 points overall.

IELTS: 7.0 with an overall score of at least 7 and at least 6.5 in the writing section and at least 7 in the reading, listening and speaking section.

Interview: In line with the Once for Wales approach, those meeting the admissions criteria will be invited to attend a Student Selection Event.

Additional Requirements:
Good Health and Good Character assessment which includes:

- Occupational Health Screening
- Enhanced Disclosure and Barring Service Screening

(once you've been offered a place to study with us).

Nursing (Mental Health)

BSc (Hons) | B760 | 3 years

Our Mental Health Nursing degree programme at Aberystwyth University, accredited by the Nursing and Midwifery Council, will give you the skills and experience to meet society's evolving health needs in a diverse and rewarding profession.

As mental health awareness becomes increasingly prevalent in society, we prepare students to work with individuals of all ages, with a range of mental health experiences, in diverse settings. As a mental health nurse, you'll play your part in improving access to healthcare, wellbeing, social inclusion and quality of life.

Your clinical and academic skills are developed within a strong and established system of support through personal tutors in the Healthcare Education Centre, and Clinical Practice Supervisors and Practice Assessors in placements, which are embedded into the programme. You will develop your clinical skills during practice placements that may require you to travel out of the local area.

The nursing programme has adopted a student-centred blended learning approach using a combination of self-directed, online and face-to-face teaching, which will be delivered through lead lectures, seminars, group work, presentations, workshops, simulation, case studies, action learning sets and clinical supervision. This is complemented by skills-based learning in the Centre's Clinical Skills Units.

Learning in the Healthcare Education Centre at Aberystwyth is enhanced by our newly established Clinical Skills Unit, a simulation suite where you can learn and practice clinical skills in a safe and supportive environment. Our facilities will allow you to put your theoretical knowledge into practice in an environment that reflects as closely as possible the actual conditions that you will experience when you go on placement in a hospital or community setting.

Employability

Upon graduation, you will be eligible to apply for Registered Nurse (Mental Health) status with the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) and to register as a nurse for work in the EU and EEA. You can expect a starting salary of £25,655 rising to £53,219 for a highly experienced staff nurse.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 104 – 96
IB: 28–26 points overall.



IELTS: 7.0 with an overall score of at least 7 and at least 6.5 in the writing section and at least 7 in the reading, listening and speaking section.



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Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you will study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to Professional Practice
- Developing Professional Practice
- Understanding the Human Body
- Demonstrating Professional Practice *

Second year:

- Introduction to Field Specific Nursing
- Complex Field Specific Nursing
- Pathophysiology of Common Conditions
- Enhancing Professional Practice *

Final year:

- Compassionate Leadership and Management
- Innovating Practice
- Transition to Autonomous Practitioner
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(The Guardian University League Table 2023)

Top 15 in the UK

for Student Experience for the
subject of Physics & Astronomy

(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)

Astrophysics

BSc (Hons) | F510 | 3 years

The Astrophysics degree at Aberystwyth incorporates current topics in astronomy alongside a core of fundamental physics to explore the interaction of energy and matter in the near and far universe.

The degree includes areas such as the formation and evolution of the solar system, gas giant and terrestrial worlds, planetary interiors and surfaces, planetary atmospheres, the solar wind, the Sun as a star, comets, red giants, white dwarfs, neutron stars, black holes, galaxies, quasars and cosmology.

You will benefit from:

- studying a degree accredited by the Institute of Physics
- linking your final year project to a current research project within the Department in areas such as space physics and astronomy
- access to specialist astronomical equipment
- being taught by researchers who are involved in the current space missions.

Employability

A degree in Astrophysics will prepare you for career destinations such as space scientist, physicist, scientific laboratory technician, radiation protection practitioner and research scientist. Other career paths may include systems developer, product development scientist, technical author or meteorologist.

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Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Algebra and Differential Equations *
- Astronomy
- Calculus *
- Dynamics, Waves and Heat *
- Electricity, Magnetism and Matter *
- Further Algebra and Calculus *
- Laboratory Techniques for Experimental Physicists and Engineers *
- Modern Physics
- Physics Career Planning and Skills Development *

Second year:

- Electricity and Magnetism *
- Mathematical Physics *
- Numerical Techniques for Physicists
- Optics
- Practical Research Skills *
- Principles of Quantum Mechanics
- Stars and Planets
- Thermodynamics.

Final year:

- Astrophysics I: Physics of the Sun
- Astrophysics II: Galaxies, General Relativity and Cosmology
- Concepts in Condensed Matter Physics
- Particles, Quanta and Fields
- Project *

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
BSc - UCAS tariff points: 120-112 to include B in A level Physics and Mathematics.
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Physics and Mathematics at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 60-40% coursework and 40-60% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Away day careers workshops.



Also available:
F511 Integrated Masters.
F512 Integrated foundation year.

Engineering Physics

BEng (Hons) | 179H | 3 years

Engineering Physics focuses on the application of physical principles and techniques to engineering and technology — two demanding industries. At Aberystwyth, we prepare you with the knowledge and skills of physics training that are required for producing engineering solutions in real-world situations.

This course has a strong practical IT element and an opportunity to gain expertise in specialist topics such as micro and nano-electronics, applied photonics, materials design and production, quantum technology, robotics, solar energy and space instrumentation. With the opportunity to take a year in industry we are confident that our innovative teaching and opportunities can equip you for the future.

The Integrated Masters (MEng) degree (168F) includes an integrated industrial placement and an additional year of study where you will gain professional training and research skills.

You will benefit from:

- studying a degree accredited by the Institute of Physics
- the option of a year in industry to develop practical experience of applying the skills acquired in the first two years of study
- specialist facilities include mechanical, electronics and robotics workshops, materials fabrication and characterisation, optical and space instrumentation and analogue planetary terrains
- being taught by researchers who are involved in the current space missions and engineering low dimensional materials (eg graphene).

Employability

A degree in Engineering Physics will prepare you for a career as an engineer or scientist in areas such as industrial research and development, product development and national research laboratories. Employment sectors include energy, photonics, space, IT, health and education.

Accredited by:



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Algebra and Differential Equations *
- Calculus *
- Communication and Technology
- Dynamics, Waves and Heat *
- Electricity, Magnetism and Matter *
- Further Algebra and Calculus *
- Laboratory Techniques for Experimental Physicists and Engineers *
- Modern Physics
- Physics Career Planning and Skills Development *

Second year:

- Electricity and Magnetism *
- Mathematical Physics *
- Numerical Techniques for Physicists
- Optics
- Practical Research Skills *
- Principles of Quantum Mechanics
- Sensors, Electronics & Instrumentation
- Thermodynamics.

Final year:

- Concepts in Condensed Matter Physics
- Engineering Control Theory
- Particles, Quanta and Fields
- Professional Skills in Engineering
- Project (with Project Management) *
- Semiconductor Technology
- Systems Engineering.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
BEng - UCAS tariff points: 120-112 to include B in A level Physics and Mathematics
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Physics and Mathematics at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 60-40% coursework and 40-60% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Away day careers workshops.



Also available:
179G Integrated year in industry.
168F Integrated Masters with integrated year in industry.

Mathematical and Theoretical Physics

BSc (Hons) | F340 | 3 years

Mathematical and Theoretical Physics explores the more theoretical parts of physics and provides a solid grounding in mathematics. At Aberystwyth, you will study a wide range of themes including abstract and linear algebra, calculus, differential equations, quantum mechanics, dynamics and thermal physics.

This combination of mathematics and physics links to many spheres of interest and reflects our research expertise in applied mathematics, quantum control, solar physics and condensed matter physics.

You will benefit from:

- studying a degree accredited by the Institute of Mathematics and its Applications
- joining two departments each with over 140 years experience in excellence and teaching
- being taught by lecturers who are also researchers working at the cutting edge of their respective fields, so you can be confident that your learning experience will be informed by the latest specialist knowledge in modelling and techniques.

Employability

Graduates in Mathematical and Theoretical Physics are highly valued by employers for their skills in numeracy and problem-solving. The four-year Integrated Masters (MMath) degree also offers research skills. Career opportunities include engineering, scientific writing and publishing, risk analysis, operational research, business consultancy, medical physics, meteorology, accounting and finance.

Accredited by:



Recognised by:



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Algebra *
- Calculus *
- Coordinate and Vector Geometry *
- Differential Equations *
- Dynamics, Waves and Heat *
- Further Algebra and Calculus *
- Mathematical Analysis *
- Modern Physics
- Probability *
- Statistics *.

Second year:

- Complex Analysis *
- Distributions and Estimation
- Electricity and Magnetism *
- Introduction to Abstract Algebra
- Linear Algebra *
- Mathematical Physics *
- Principles of Quantum Mechanics
- Real Analysis *
- Thermodynamics.

Final year:

- Particles, Quanta and Fields
- Group Theory
- Norms and Differential Equations *
- Partial Differential Equations *
- Probability and Stochastic Processes.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
BSc - UCAS tariff points: 120-112 to include B in A level Physics and Mathematics
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Physics and Mathematics at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 60-40% coursework and 40-60% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Away day careers workshops.



Also available:
F341 Integrated Masters.

Physics

BSc (Hons) | F300 | 3 years

Understanding the laws of physics underpins the whole of modern science and technology. It involves the application of abstract concepts expressed through mathematics to model and predict the behaviour of systems ranging in scale from the subatomic to the galactic. Physics at Aberystwyth explores areas as diverse as quantum technology, the theory of relativity and solid-state physics.

Our research-led teaching staff will provide you with specialist knowledge and practical skills, covering exciting topics such as quantum technology, relativity, computational physics, advanced materials, nanoscience, optics, lasers and instrumentation.

You will benefit from:

- studying a degree accredited by the Institute of Physics
- the option to link your final year project to research specialisms in materials, quantum and space physics
- being taught by researchers that are involved in current space missions and engineering low dimensional materials (graphene).

Employability

Physics graduates are well equipped for a wide range of career options. Some of our graduates are now pursuing careers as diverse as meteorology, accountancy, computing, geophysics, medical physics, teaching in schools and universities, research in materials physics and in the astronomical, space and planetary sciences.

Accredited by:



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Algebra and Differential Equations *
- Calculus *
- Dynamics, Waves and Heat *
- Electricity, Magnetism and Matter *
- Further Algebra and Calculus *
- Laboratory Techniques for Experimental Physicists and Engineers *
- Modern Physics
- Physics Career Planning and Skills Development *

Second year:

- Electricity and Magnetism *
- Mathematical Physics *
- Numerical Techniques for Physicists
- Optics
- Practical Research Skills *
- Principles of Quantum Mechanics
- Sensors, Electronics & Instrumentation
- Thermodynamics.

Final year:

- Concepts in Condensed Matter Physics
- Materials Physics
- Modern Optics and Photonics
- Particles, Quanta and Fields
- Project *
- Semiconductor Technology.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
BSc - UCAS Tariff Points: 120-112 to include B in A level Physics and Mathematics
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Physics and Mathematics at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 60-40% coursework and 40-60% exams.



Field trips/workshops: Away day careers workshops.



Also available:
F304 Integrated year in industry.
F301 Integrated foundation year.
F303 Integrated Masters.
F305 Integrated Masters with integrated year in industry.

Physics with Planetary and Space Physics

BSc (Hons) | F364 | 3 years

The Physics with Planetary and Space Physics degree at Aberystwyth provides you with a core of physics alongside a detailed exploration of the physics of the solar system. Physics with Planetary and Space Physics is one of the most established space physics courses in the UK. You will be taught by experts in this field and have access to specialist astronomical equipment.

You will study the evolution of the solar system, planetary interiors and surfaces, the Sun as a star, comets and red giants. You will also cover atmospheric physics, thermal physics and quantum mechanics.

You will benefit from:

- linking your final year project to a current solar system physics research project
- studying a degree accredited by the Institute of Physics
- being taught by researchers who are involved in current space missions
- the possibility of spending a semester studying in the Arctic Circle on the island of Svalbard.

Employability

A degree in Physics with Planetary and Space Physics at Aberystwyth will prepare you for such career destinations as space scientist, physicist, scientific laboratory technician, radiation protection practitioner, and research scientist. Other career paths may include systems developer, product development scientist, technical author or meteorologist.

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Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Algebra and Differential Equations *
- Calculus *
- Dynamics, Waves and Heat *
- Electricity, Magnetism and Matter *
- Further Algebra and Calculus *
- Laboratory Techniques for Experimental Physicists and Engineers *
- Modern Physics
- Physics Career Planning and Skills Development *

Second year:

- Electricity and Magnetism *
- Mathematical Physics *
- Numerical Techniques for Physicists
- Optics
- Practical Research Skills *
- Principles of Quantum Mechanics
- Stars and Planets
- Thermodynamics.

Final year:

- Astrophysics I: Physics of the Sun
- Concepts in Condensed Matter Physics
- Particles, Quanta and Fields
- Physics of Planetary Atmospheres
- Project *

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
BSc - UCAS Tariff Points: 120-112 to include B in A level Physics and Mathematics
IB: 30-28 with 5 points in Physics and Mathematics at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 60-40% coursework and 40-60% exams.



Field trips/workshops: Away day careers workshops.



Also available:
F366 Integrated Masters.

Space Science and Robotics

BSc (Hons) | FH56 | 3 years

The unique Space Science and Robotics degree will expose you to the foundations of space exploration and equip you with the skills that meet the requirements and challenges of the space industry. This course combines expertise in solar system and space physics with the space robotics and artificial intelligence of the Department of Computer Science to consider the challenges to be met in robotic exploration of the solar system and their solutions.

You will be taught by experts in their field and exposed to the foundations of space exploration. You will be equipped with the skills that meet the requirements and challenges of the space industry, as well as the planning and development of future Space Physics and Astrophysics missions.

You will benefit from:

- studying the only degree of its kind in the UK
- the opportunity to undertake a project linked to current research in space physics or robotics
- being taught by researchers who are involved in current space missions.

Employability

This degree perfectly equips you with the necessary skills for careers in the space industry. A number of our graduates have gone on to specialise in space robotics or a related field of astrophysics or robotics. Other potential careers include software and systems development, computer programming, engineering or teaching.

Recognised by:



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to Programming *
- Programming Using an Object-Oriented Language *
- Algebra and Differential Equations *
- Calculus *
- Dynamics, Waves and Heat *
- Electricity, Magnetism and Matter *
- Laboratory Techniques for Experimental Physics *

Second year:

- C and C++
- Practical Research Skills *
- Robotics and Embedded Systems
- Scientific Python *
- Sensors, Electronics & Instrumentation
- Stars and Planets.

Final year:

- Physics of Planetary Atmospheres
- Professional Skills in Engineering
- Agile Development and Testing
- Computer Vision
- Fundamentals of Machine Learning
- Robotic Applications
- Space Robotics.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
BSc - UCAS Tariff Points: 120-112 to include B in A level Physics and Mathematics
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IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



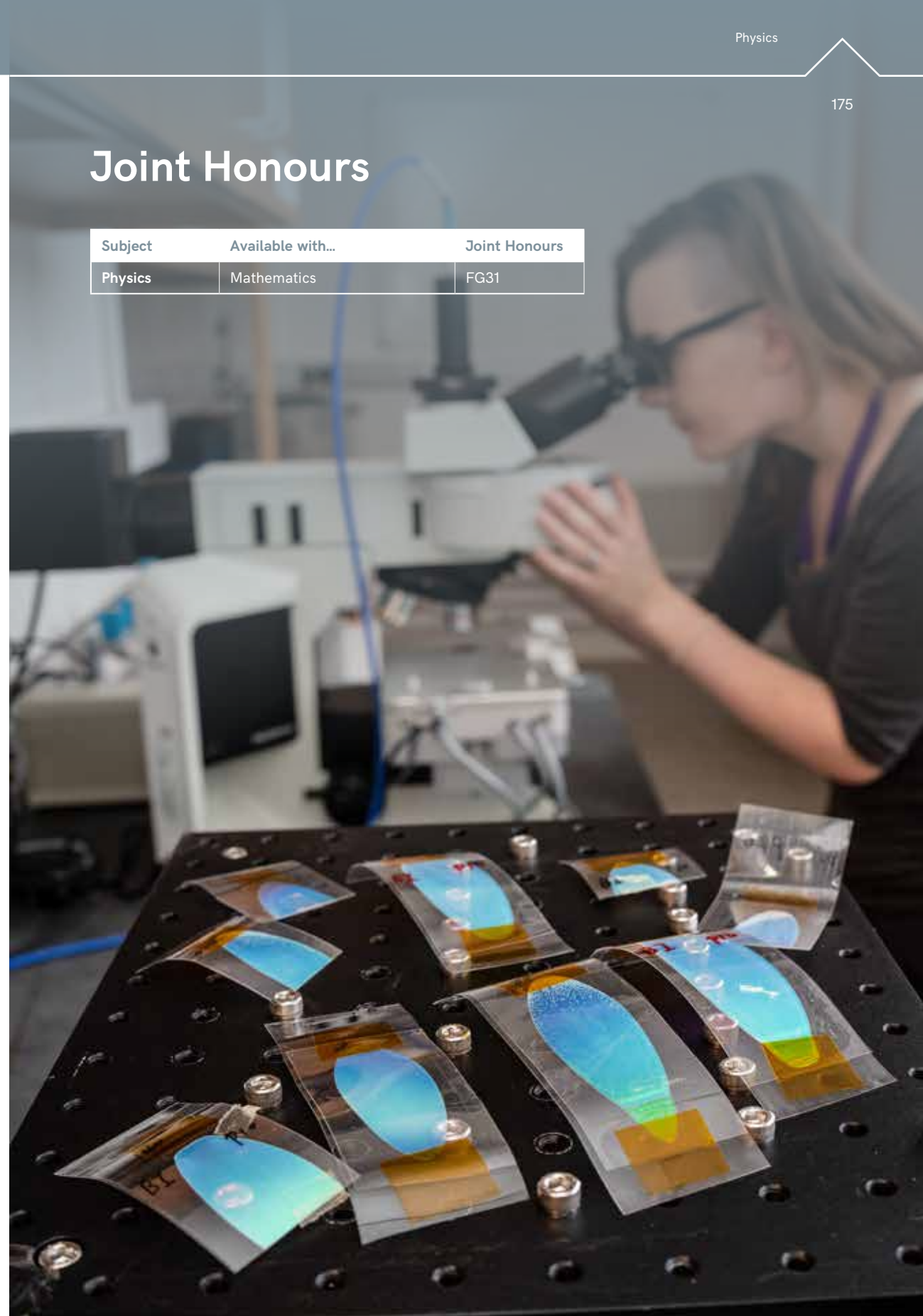
Assessment weighting: 60-40% coursework and 40-60% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Away day careers workshops.

Joint Honours

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours
Physics	Mathematics	FG31



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Top 5 in the UK

for Teaching Quality for the subject of Politics

(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)



International Relations

BA (Hons) | 142L | 3 years

International politics is entering a turbulent and fascinating era. The global order is being reshaped by the emergence both of new issues, such as climate change, and new actors, especially from the Global South, who are contesting established structures of power.

In studying International Relations at Aberystwyth, you will engage in debates about the key issues and most significant challenges in international politics in the 21st century. You will study the concepts, practices and histories that are central to international politics and explore the ways in which all these factors are undergoing radical transformation.

You will benefit from:

- studying at the world's first department of International Politics founded in 1919
- a wide range of optional modules to allow you to explore diverse aspects of international relations
- participating in our renowned 'Crisis Games' - a three-day role-playing exercise in political, economic and diplomatic manoeuvres which will develop your negotiation and communication, critical thinking, teamwork and problem-solving skills
- taking part in our prestigious Parliamentary Placement Scheme, which enables you to gain valuable experience working alongside an MP (House of Commons, Westminster) or an MS (Welsh Senedd, Cardiff) for a period of four to six weeks during the summer.

Employability

Employability is embedded within all our courses. Our degrees provide a solid foundation for a wide array of careers across a range of sectors. In a rapidly shifting global economy, our graduates are adaptable and able to draw on a range of transferable skills, ensuring that they are always in demand. Our graduates have been successful in securing roles in: the development sector; local and national politics; the Civil Service; Government research; social research; the third sector, such as with NGOs; international organisations; and journalism, for example.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 50% coursework and 50% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No.



Also available:
642L Integrated year in industry.
242L Integrated year studying abroad.
F42L Integrated foundation year.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Exploring the International: Central Concepts and Core Skills *
- Behind the Headlines *

Second year:

- International Relations: Perspectives and Debates *

Final year:

- Dissertation *

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- International Politics and the Nuclear Age
- Justice Order and Human Rights
- Economic Diplomacy and Leadership
- Fear, Cooperation and Trust in World Politics
- The Middle East in the 20th Century
- The Making of National Security Policy
- Trade Wars and the Liberal Order
- Women and Global Development
- Climate Change and International Politics in the Anthropocene
- Race in Global Politics
- Capitalism and International Politics.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

International Relations and Climate Change

BA (Hons) | 27LF | 3 years

Climate change is the single most significant and complex challenge facing human social, political and economic systems. International politics is key to understanding this complexity and confronting this global crisis.

On this course, you will develop a distinct multidisciplinary approach to the international politics of climate change, reflecting on ways that states and societies struggle with managing the planet's resources and ecological systems and developing effective political and societal solutions. You will also explore through simulations the experience of decision-making processes, negotiations and the politics surrounding contemporary climate governance.

You will benefit from:

- participating in our renowned 'Crisis Games' - a three-day role-playing exercise in political, economic and diplomatic manoeuvres which will develop your negotiation and communication, critical thinking, teamwork and problem-solving skills
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Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Exploring the International: Central Concepts and Core Skills *
- Globalization and Global Development *
- Climate Change: Impacts, Perceptions, Adaptations *
- The Science of Climate.

Second year:

- The Governance of Climate Change: Simulation Module *
- International Relations: Perspectives and Debates *

Final year:

- Dissertation *

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Climate Change and International Politics in the Anthropocene
- People, Progress, Environment: Theories and Histories of Environmental Politics
- Refugee Simulation
- International Politics and Global Development
- Global Inequality and World Politics
- Contemporary Security: Theories and Threats.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 50% coursework and 50% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No.

International Relations and Military History

BA (Hons) | H2VL | 3 years

The International Relations and Military History degree enables you to study warfare as it has developed since the time of Napoleon, reflecting changes in society and technology. You will consider how and why the nature of war has evolved, from nations in arms through the age of total war to wars of choice, and how technology has changed war, from steam through nuclear power to computers and nano-technology.

The International Relations and Military History degree will enable you to engage with key debates about the changing character of war and its impact on civilian populations, as well as on the variety of ways that scholars interpret military history. You will analyse militaries and military operations from a variety of perspectives, such as the role of leadership, the significance of strategic thought and the lessons that can be learned from battles and wars. You will also reflect on the relationship of wars and militaries with political institutions, economic issues and ideologies such as nationalism.

You will benefit from:

- participating in our renowned 'Crisis Games' - a three-day role-playing exercise in political, economic and diplomatic manoeuvres which will develop your negotiation and communication, critical thinking, teamwork and problem-solving skills
- taking part in our prestigious Parliamentary Placement Scheme, which enables you to gain valuable experience working alongside an MP (House of Commons, Westminster) or an MS (Welsh Senedd, Cardiff) for a period of four to six weeks during the summer.

Employability

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Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 50% coursework and 50% exams.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Exploring the International: Central Concepts and Core Skills *
- The Making of the Modern World: War, Peace and Revolution since 1789.

Second year:

- Warfare after Waterloo: Military History 1815-1918.

Final year:

- Dissertation *.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Arab-Israeli Wars
- A Century of Conflict: Global Warfare from 1918-2018
- Military History Campaign Study
- War Crimes
- The British Army's Image in Battle, from the Crimea to the Present
- The Second World War in Europe.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.



Politics

BA (Hons) | L203 | 3 years

Studying Politics at Aberystwyth will develop your understanding of political regimes and systems, political actors and governments, and processes of political decision-making. You will learn about key political concepts and how they are contested in contemporary politics: power, democracy, freedom, inequality, rights, citizenship, representation and legitimacy.

The modules that you take will introduce you to current political debates such as the future of the UK after Brexit, dilemmas of modern migration, the rise of populist nationalism, and the future of democracy.

The exploration of different political forces and relationships will draw on examples from the practice of politics in different parts of the world, so you can develop your knowledge of politics in the UK, Europe, North and Latin America, Russia and Asia.

You will benefit from:

- studying at the world's first department of International Politics founded in 1919
- participating in our renowned 'Crisis Games' - a three-day role-playing exercise in political, economic and diplomatic manoeuvres which will develop your negotiation and communication, critical thinking, teamwork and problem-solving skills
- taking part in our prestigious Parliamentary Placement Scheme, which enables you to gain valuable experience working alongside an MP (House of Commons, Westminster) or an MS (Welsh Senedd, Cardiff) for a period of four to six weeks during the summer.

Employability

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Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 50% coursework and 50% exams.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Exploring the International: Central Concepts and Core Skills *
- Politics in the 21st Century *

Second year:

- People and Power: Understanding Comparative Politics Today *

Final year:

- Dissertation *

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- UK Politics Today: A Union Under Strain? *
- Nationalism in Theory and Practice *
- Gender and Sexuality in the Americas
- Politics in Russia
- Political Theory *

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Politics and International Relations

BA (Hons) | L248 | 3 years

On this course, you will examine the political landscape past and present, learning about key political concepts such as power, democracy, freedom, inequality, rights, citizenship, representation and legitimacy, and how these are contested in contemporary politics.

The degree in Politics and International Relations at Aberystwyth explores different political systems and global institutions. You will learn about the driving forces behind political, economic and socio-cultural changes across the world, and explore the challenges facing the international system, such as globalisation, international security, the environment, inequality, global health, conflict and post-conflict environments.

Throughout the course, you will explore different arguments, rival theories and alternative explanations, thereby building up the analytical skills that are important in the workplace.

You will benefit from:

- studying at the world's first department of International Politics founded in 1919
- participating in our renowned 'Crisis Games' - a three-day role-playing exercise in political, economic and diplomatic manoeuvres which will develop your negotiation and communication, critical thinking, teamwork and problem-solving skills
- taking part in our prestigious Parliamentary Placement Scheme, which enables you to gain valuable experience working alongside an MP (House of Commons, Westminster) or an MS (Welsh Senedd, Cardiff) for a period of four to six weeks during the summer.

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Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 50% coursework and 50% exams.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Exploring the International: Central Concepts and Core Skills *
- Politics in the 21st Century *
- Behind the Headlines *

Second year:

- International Relations: Perspectives and Debates *
- People and Power: Understanding Comparative Politics Today *

Final year:

- Dissertation *

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- War, Strategy and Intelligence
- The Making of the Modern World: War, Peace and Revolution since 1789
- A War on the Mind: Propaganda and Secret Intelligence From the Great War to the 21st Century
- International Politics and Global Development *
- Trade Wars and the Liberal Order
- Justice, Order, Human Rights
- The Second World War in Europe
- Nationalism in Theory and Practice *

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

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Field trips/fieldwork: No.

Strategy, Intelligence and Security

BA (Hons) | L252 | 3 years

In an increasingly interconnected, contested and complex world, international actors face a range of security challenges. These include inter- and intra-state conflict, international terrorism, cyber threats, nuclear proliferation, global health pandemics, transnational crime, population displacement, natural disasters and climate change. You will draw on ideas from strategic, intelligence and security studies to understand and analyse these challenges from different perspectives and explore innovative and holistic responses to them.

You will explore the complexities of how intelligence is gathered and assessed before it is disseminated to decision-makers and examine how this process and its products influence responses to security threats. You will also evaluate the importance of information, secrecy, and surveillance while considering the ethical, moral and legal implications that arise from engaging in intelligence activities through historical case studies.

You will benefit from:

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Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 128-104
IB: 30-28.

IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework, or 50% coursework and 50% exams.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Exploring the International: Central Concepts and Core Skills *
- War, Strategy and Intelligence.

Second year:

- Strategy, Intelligence and Security in International Politics.

Final year:

- Dissertation *.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- NATO: From Cold War to Hybrid War
- The Making of National Security Policy
- European Security in the 21st Century
- Propaganda and Secret Intelligence
- Russian Intelligence from Lenin to Putin
- Terrorism and Counter Terrorism.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Joint Honours

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours
International Relations	Drama and Theatre	42WL
	Economics	21LL
	French	1FRL
	German	22LR
	History	1FVL
	Law	21LM
Politics	Spanish	4FRL
	Economics	LL13



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Psychology

BSc (Hons) | C800 | 3 years

Our Psychology degree is accredited by the British Psychological Society and is designed to develop and shape your understanding of the mind and human behaviour. Our ethos is to teach in a way which enables you to develop conceptual and theoretical knowledge to solve problems in real-world scenarios. The course is built around essential core topics in psychology, which serve as the basis for the varied and specialised optional modules we offer in the second and third year.

Our laboratories and research spaces provide you with an array of facilities and equipment to explore. These resources allow you to develop your interests, and engage in creative problem-solving techniques as you progress through your degree.

You will benefit from:

- a wide range of expertise among our research-active staff
- eye tracking, an electroencephalogram (EEG), physiological measurement equipment and behavioural measurements equipment
- a focus on applying psychology
- studying a course fully accredited by the British Psychological Society
- the ability to study abroad or work in industry on a placement as part of your degree
- studying in a department with an exceptional track record for student employability.

Employability

A degree in Psychology from Aberystwyth University will prepare you for a range of careers, and access to wide range of further training opportunities including clinical, educational, occupational, sports and exercise psychology; psychotherapy and counselling; social work; health care; human resources; careers advisory service; marketing, publishing and advertising.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Assessment weighting: 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.

Field trips/fieldwork: No.



Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Applications of Psychology
- Brain, Behaviour and Cognition
- Conceptual and Historical Issues in Psychology
- Designing Psychological Research Projects
- Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology *
- Introduction to Core Topics in Social and Individual Behaviour
- Personal Development and Organisational Behaviour.

Second year:

- Cognitive Psychology
- Qualitative Research Methods
- Quantitative Research Methods *
- Social Psychology.

Final year:

- Behavioural Neuroscience
- Developmental Psychology and Individual Differences
- Psychology Research Project *.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Forensic Psychology
- Evolutionary Psychology
- Drugs and Behaviour
- Psychology of Humour
- Health Psychology *
- Issues in Clinical Psychology
- Psychology of Language.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Top 5 in the UK

for Teaching Quality in Psychology

(Good University Guide, The Times and Sunday Times 2024)

Psychology with Counselling

BSc (Hons) | C843 | 3 years

The Psychology with Counselling degree combines the study of core psychological concepts with elements of counselling-related knowledge and skills, to develop your understanding of human behaviour and approaches to providing psychological help through counselling.

The degree provides you with flexible and highly desirable skills with which to enter the workplace. It is also an ideal stepping stone towards careers within counselling, psychotherapy, clinical psychology and health psychology. Please note that this degree will not qualify you as a counselling practitioner.

Our facilities are designed to provide you with as much practical experience as possible, and include labs fitted with cameras and microphones. Assessments emphasise the practical elements of the course, giving you a taste of what it is actually like to be a therapeutic practitioner.

You will benefit from:

- studying a degree accredited by the British Psychological Society (BPS)
- experiential learning in small groups, linking theory to practice on an on-going basis
- being taught by chartered psychologists and practising counsellors/ psychotherapists, ensuring the theoretical and practical relevance of your student experience
- facilities with observation and interview rooms equipped with camera and audio, allowing for research, interview and counselling skills practice sessions to be conducted and recorded.

Employability

Our BSc Psychology with Counselling is an excellent foundation if you are considering a career in the social care or helping professions. The BPS accreditation will enable access to postgraduate and professional training in clinical and counselling psychology. Our Psychology graduates have progressed to a wide range of careers which include clinical, educational, occupational, sports and exercise psychology; psychotherapy and counselling; social work; health care; human resources; careers advisory service; marketing; publishing and advertising.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No.



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Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Brain, Behaviour and Cognition
- Conceptual and Historical Issues in Psychology
- Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology *
- Introduction to Core Topics in Social and Individual Behaviour
- Personal Development and Organisational Behaviour
- Foundations of Counselling: Skills and Theory I.

Second year:

- Cognitive Psychology
- Qualitative Research Methods
- Quantitative Research Methods *
- Social Psychology
- Issues in Clinical Psychology
- Health Psychology *
- Foundations of Counselling: Skills and Theory II.

Final year:

- Behavioural Neuroscience
- Developmental Psychology and Individual Differences
- Counselling-focused Psychology Research Project.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.



Also available:
C844 Integrated year in industry



Psychology with Forensic Psychology



BSc (Hons) | C802 | 3 years

The Psychology with Forensic Psychology degree offers insights into critical areas of this applied area of psychology, including understanding criminal development and behaviour, courtroom dynamics and offender profiling. Professional qualifications often require a firm grounding in the background to forensic psychology, and this BPS accredited undergraduate pathway is a building block to later postgraduate study, an advantage for those considering Forensic Doctorates and Chartered Forensic Psychology status.

Studying Psychology with Forensic Psychology will allow exploration of key concepts and applied research through dedicated modules and supervised forensic-themed final year projects. You will study forensic psychology along with additional allied modules, such as Drugs and Behaviour and a forensic-themed dissertation. Many staff in the department conduct research in forensic settings, and include funded projects with the Youth Justice Board, Police and Home Office, in topics such as serious and organised crime, restorative justice and cybercrime.

You will benefit from:

- a wide range of expertise among research-active staff
- a focus on applying psychology to forensic contexts
- studying a course fully accredited by the British Psychological Society.

Employability

The main employer of forensic psychologists is HM Prison Service. However, there are also opportunities in the broader criminal justice field and elsewhere, including the Home Office, NHS (in special hospitals and rehabilitation units, local forensic services and secure hospitals), the police, social services, research, lecturing and private consultancy.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Introduction to Core Topics in Social and Individual Behaviour
- Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology *
- Brain, Behaviour and Cognition
- Personal Development and Organisational Behaviour
- Designing Psychological Research Projects
- Introduction to Forensic Psychology
- Conceptual and Historical Issues in Psychology.

Second year:

- Cognitive Psychology
- Qualitative Research Methods
- Social Psychology
- Applied Forensic Psychology
- Quantitative Research Methods.

Final year:

- Behavioural Neuroscience
- Developmental Psychology
- Drugs and Behaviour
- Forensic Psychology Dissertation.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting: 40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No.



Also available:
C803 Integrated year in industry.

Joint Honours

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours
Psychology	Business and Management	NC18
	Criminology	CM89, A1C6
	Education	CX80
	Marketing	NC58



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Top 10 in the UK

for overall student satisfaction for the subject of Sociology

(National Student Survey 2022)

Sociology

BSc (Hons) | L300 | 3 years

The BA Sociology degree at Aberystwyth University will train you to develop a critical awareness of and engagement with the social world.

By studying this course, you will develop a thorough grounding in the key sociological perspectives, both historical and contemporary, that have been employed by sociologists to understand society. You will also develop your ability to analyse social phenomena through training in the collection, analysis and presentation of sociological data.

You will benefit from:

- experiencing the value and significance of research methods training in sociology, with hands-on research methods supervision and an intensive supervised data collection week in the second year
- learning how to apply the key concepts associated with sociology in real-world situations and develop your employability skills
- learning from our research strengths to ensure that you are exposed to cutting-edge theoretical and empirical understandings analysed through a sociological lens.

Employability

Our Sociology degree provides a good foundation for you to consider a wide range of careers including the media, social work, international development, community engagement and the Civil Service among many others. Nowadays, employers are seeking graduates who possess various skills which include the ability to think analytically and laterally. This degree will provide you with a breadth and flexibility of skills, which is why Sociology graduates nationally are attractive to employers.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Thinking Sociologically
- Key Concepts in Sociology
- Introducing Sociological Research
- Place and Identity.

Second year:

- Genders and Sexualities
- Sociological Theory
- Placing Culture
- Sociological Research in the 'Field'.

Final year:

- Sociology Dissertation *
- Everyday Social Worlds.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:


- Contemporary Global Migration
- Gender and the Media
- Placing Politics *

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts

 **Typical offer:**
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.

 **Assessment weighting:** 80% coursework, 20% exams.

 **Field trips/fieldwork:** No.

 **Also available:**
L302 Integrated year studying abroad.
L303 Integrated year in industry.
L30F Integrated foundation year.

Psychology and Sociology

BSc (Hons) | LC38 | 3 years

The Psychology and Sociology degree will enable you to engage with psychological theory and research and explore how psychology is applied to real-world personal and social issues. The course will also enable you to explore both the personal and social nature of human experience from different perspectives.

On this degree you will learn how to critically evaluate ideas, concepts and approaches across the whole of the subject areas and within particular branches of Psychology and Sociology. The course will also draw attention to the connections between human behaviour and the wider social systems (including communities, cities and nations) within which we live. You will learn how to conduct independent research and will become acquainted with a range of qualitative and quantitative methods, digital data sources, and modes of data collection, analysis and presentation. You will also learn how to apply the key concepts associated with psychology and sociology in real-world situations and develop your employability skills.

You will benefit from:

- a wide range of expertise among our research-active staff
- access to eye tracking, an electroencephalogram (EEG), physiological measurement equipment and behavioural measurements equipment
- a range of practical classes and data collection supervision in both disciplines
- learning from live research projects that enable you to encounter cutting-edge theoretical and empirical understandings of the social world.

Employability

The study of Psychology and Sociology provides a solid foundation for you to consider a wide range of careers including the media, social work, international development, community engagement and the Civil Service, to name a few. Our graduates have progressed on to careers in the Police force, health and social care, social work, social policy (including public housing, social work, local government administration and the voluntary sector), management, journalism, public relations, teaching and research.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Brain, Behaviour and Cognition
- Introduction to Core Topics in Social and Individual Behaviour
- Introduction to Research Methods in Psychology *
- Key Concepts in Sociology
- Place and Identity
- Thinking Sociologically.

Second year:

- Cognitive Psychology
- Sociological Theory
- Qualitative Research Methods
- Quantitative Research Methods *
- Social Psychology
- Genders and Sexualities.

Final year:

- Behavioural Neuroscience
- Developmental Psychology
- Psychology Research Project
- Everyday Social Worlds.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



Assessment weighting: 40% coursework, 60% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No.

Sociology and Politics

BSc (Hons) | LL32 | 3 years

Our Sociology and Politics degree will enable you to develop critical awareness of the world around you by studying both the social and political landscape. You will learn about the conceptual and theoretical methods used by sociologists to study the world. At the same time, your exploration of the political world will provide you with information about political influences on social norms and processes.

On this course you will learn how to look critically at the world, by analysing social phenomena and through learning how to collect, interpret and introduce sociological data. You will also discover how politics has the ability to change lives, about the big ideas that shape our social, economic and political worlds, and how these ideas become policies.

You will benefit from:

- experiencing the value and significance of research methods training in sociology, with hands-on research methods supervision and an intensive supervised data collection week in the second year
- learning how to apply the key concepts associated with sociology in real-world situations and develop your employability skills
- critically engaging with key debates about fundamental issues of politics, such as good government, the nature of the state, justice and rights, and the rule of law
- reflecting on the ways that states and societies address political problems such as the distribution of limited resources, the balance between order and justice, liberty and security, rights and opportunities, and between power at the local, national and international level.

Employability

Our Sociology and Politics graduates are well placed to enter roles in the development sector, local and national politics, the Civil Service, Government and social research, social work and social policy (including public housing, local government administration and the voluntary sector), roles in the third sector such as with NGOs and charities, work with international organisations, public relations and journalism, teaching and management.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96
IB: 30-26.



Assessment weighting: 40% coursework, 60% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: No.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Behind the Headlines *
- Exploring the International 1: Central Concepts And Core Skills *
- Key Concepts in Sociology
- Place and Identity
- Politics in the 21st Century *
- Thinking Sociologically.

Second year:

- Sociological Theory
- People and Power: Understanding Comparative Politics Today *
- Sociological Research in the 'Field'
- Genders and Sexualities.

Final year:

- Everyday Social Worlds
- Sociology Dissertation *.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Contemporary Global Migration
- Gender and the Media.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Sport & Exercise Science



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93% of our C600 Sport & Exercise Science students were satisfied with the quality of the course

(National Student Survey 2022)

Sport and Exercise Science



BSc (Hons) | C600 | 3 years

On this degree you will benefit from the expertise of our sport and exercise scientists, who have worked with a number of organisations, teams, and individual sports people, ranging from recreational athletes to those who have achieved success at European or world championship level. Under their guidance, you will develop your own practical skills in our dedicated sport and exercise laboratories.

On our Sport and Exercise Science degree, you will study the psychological, physiological and biomechanical foundations of sport and exercise, and develop an understanding of how these are important in optimising the training regime of sports competitors and exercise participants. You will develop a scientific understanding of how the human body moves, exercises and performs sport, and an appreciation of how sport and exercise science can improve human health and function, prevent disease or injury, or increase athletic performance. Upon graduation, you will be well prepared to support athletes, promote physical activity and health, and deliver exercise programmes.

You will benefit from:

- ready access to a wide range of sports and facilities, including our own Sports Centre on campus, plus naturally provided facilities such as the renowned mountain biking tracks nearby at Bwlch Nant yr Arian, our excellent beaches and mountains to mention a few
- access to industry-standard laboratories with modern equipment for the physiological, biomechanical and psychological analysis of sport performance and exercise participation.

Employability

Some of our graduates have gone on to further study and careers in the NHS (as GPs, cardiac technicians, physiotherapists, research scientists), or as Ministry of Defence personnel. Others have gone on to work as sport scientists in professional sports clubs (Bournemouth and Coventry City football clubs, Llanelli Scarlets RFC). An increasing number use the skills they developed as students to set up their own businesses.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104
IB: 30-26.

IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.

Assessment weighting: Typically 100% coursework.

Field trips/fieldwork: No.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Cell Biology *
- Human Anatomy and Kinesiology
- Human Physiological Systems
- Psychology of Physical Activity and Health
- Research Designs to Assess and Monitor Clients
- Skills in Nutrition, and Science Communication.

Second year:

- Applied and Integrated Studies
- Improving Physical Activity and Sport Performance
- Motor Learning and Performance
- Research Methods *
- Sport and Exercise Physiology
- Sports Injury.

Final year:

- Research Project *
- Exercise Management in Health and Chronic Disease
- Solving Societal Issues using Applied and Integrated Approaches
- Sport and Exercise Nutrition.

See our website for the optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Also available:
C602 Integrated year in industry.
C60F Integrated foundation year.

Veterinary Studies



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Top 3 in the UK

for student satisfaction in
Veterinary Science

(National Student Survey 2021)



Veterinary Science

BVSc (Hons) | YD105 | 5 years

This jointly-hosted Bachelor of Veterinary Science (BVSc) degree offers you a unique opportunity to train at two world-leading scientific and educational institutions: the Royal Veterinary College (RVC) and Aberystwyth University. This exciting course combines the scientific and clinical expertise from both organisations to help students gain wide-ranging veterinary training, from cattle to pocket pets, clinical practice to industry, from animal health to public health.

Course Content

Teaching is organised in strands. These strands are visited on multiple occasions, initially focusing on the healthy animal, and progressing through diseases of different systems, their investigation and management. There are also non-system strands that focus on the underpinning science and the impact of animal disease on public health.

In the first two years you will be based in the heart of Wales at Aberystwyth University, studying the biology underpinning veterinary sciences, acquiring basic farm animal, horse and companion animal handling and examination skills, and developing your communication, problem-solving and teamworking skills. Aberystwyth University has a long history of animal health teaching and research and is committed to educational excellence.

In your third, fourth and fifth years you will be based at the RVC's Hawkshead Campus in Hertfordshire where you will acquire the advanced knowledge and practical skills in the clinical sciences necessary for you to become a registerable veterinarian. During this period your clinical training will be undertaken in a range of the RVC's clinical facilities and affiliated veterinary practices as well as a specific rotation at Aberystwyth University focused on production animal issues relevant to Wales.

The RVC has three outstanding academic and clinical departments. Lecturers at Aberystwyth University and the RVC in each department are not only world-class researchers and clinicians who are passionate about their field; they are highly qualified teaching professionals.

At Aberystwyth University, students will benefit from the extensive university farms, Lluest Equine Centre and other teaching facilities.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

The BVSc is a joint degree between Aberystwyth University and RVC, therefore not all aspects relating to admissions, scholarships and fees stated elsewhere in this prospectus will apply. For further information, please visit our website www.aber.ac.uk/vet-sci



Module list

The strands making up the basis of teaching are as follows:

From first to third year:

- Principles of Science
- Locomotor
- Cardiovascular and Respiratory
- Urogenital: Renal
- Urogenital: Reproduction
- Alimentary System
- Neurology and Special Senses
- Lymphoreticular and Haematopoietic
- Skin
- Population Medicine and Veterinary Public Health (PMVPH)
- Scholarship Evidence-based Medicine.

During the fourth and fifth years:

The majority of teaching during the fourth and fifth years of the programme is in the form of clinical rotations, where you will work in small groups in a variety of clinical environments.

You will participate in both intramural rotations and ClinEMS placements across species and disciplines. You will also undertake a research project of your choice.

Practical and Clinical Teaching

Animal Husbandry Extra-Mural Studies (AHEMS)

AHEMS is undertaken during the first two years of the programme. AHEMS placements are designed to help you consolidate your learning about animal husbandry, develop animal handling skills, and learn about animal industries. You must complete 12 weeks of AHEMS before entry to the third year of the course. To gain a stronger insight into Welsh veterinary needs, at least six weeks of these AHEMS must be undertaken in Wales.

Clinical Extra-Mural Studies (ClinEMS)

ClinEMS is the time dedicated to gaining practical clinical experience in the latter years of your veterinary science programme to support your learning and clinical experience. ClinEMS will allow you to gain experience in a variety of different clinical and other veterinary-related organisations, where you will consolidate your learning about diagnosis and management of animal diseases, enhance your practical clinical skills, and acquire greater understanding of how veterinary organisations operate.

During the third, fourth and fifth years you will undertake ClinEMS placements, totalling 26 weeks. To gain a stronger insight into Welsh veterinary practices, 13 weeks of these ClinEMS will be performed in Wales.

Intramural clinical rotations

In the final two years of the course, your clinical experience will focus on observation, discussion and practical experience as a clinical team member within the RVC hospitals, and in clinical enterprises in which the RVC is a collaborating partner. During your time on rotations your learning and understanding will be complemented by a broad range of lectures, seminars and workshops.

Widening Participation

Aberystwyth University and the Royal Veterinary College are committed to widening access and we welcome applications from students of all backgrounds. The academic and non-academic attainment of a candidate will be reviewed against socio-economic and educational background to provide a more complete overview of an applicant's attainment and potential. Please visit www.aber.ac.uk/vet-sci for more details.

Employability

The Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS) accredits UK veterinary degrees to ensure new veterinary surgeons are fit to practise on graduation, and thus eligible to join the RCVS Register as Members of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons. Only those individuals registered with the RCVS can call themselves veterinary surgeons and practise veterinary surgery in the UK. The RVC, Aberystwyth University and the RCVS are working closely together to ensure that our BVSc course meets the standards required for the RCVS to grant full accreditation in 2026 when the first cohort of students graduate.

Graduates develop an in-depth scientific knowledge that may be applied to a broad range of career pathways including the spectrum of clinical practices, veterinary and biomedical research, veterinary public health and food security, conservation medicine and a range of activities with government and veterinary-related industries. Additionally, having trained partially in Wales throughout the degree, graduates will be extremely well suited to continue their career in Welsh practices and other veterinary institutions and employers.

Key Facts



Typical offer:

A level entry requirement: AAA (including Biology and Chemistry) and a third subject which should not overlap with Biology or Chemistry, excluding general studies. For more details regarding international and contextual offers please visit: www.aber.ac.uk/vet-sci.



IELTS: 7.0 with minimum 6.5 in each component. See page 235.



Interview:

Multiple mini-interviews (MMI) will be held at Aberystwyth as part of the selection process.



Supplementary form:

As part of your application you are required to complete our Applicant Supplementary form. More details on where to obtain this and the deadline to submit the form will be available at our website: www.aber.ac.uk/vet-sci.



Work experience requirements:

Before applying you must have completed a minimum of 70 hours of work experience (paid or voluntary) in one or more veterinary practices and 70 hours in a variety of different animal environments (excluding your home environment, family business or pet ownership), 35 hours of which must be farm animal or equine-related. This work experience must be obtained within the 18-month period directly preceding the application deadline.

Veterinary Nursing

FdSc | D31F | 3 years

On our Veterinary Nursing foundation degree, you will study animal health and management topics relating to small animals (dogs, cats, small mammals) and horses, with some reference to large animals. As the home of the only Veterinary School in Wales (Aberystwyth School of Veterinary Science), we have excellent facilities to support your studies, including a clinical skills lab, research and anatomy laboratories, an equine teaching centre and university farms. The course combines theoretical and practical learning, with a work placement in a veterinary practice as an integral part of the course.

Modules in year 1 and 2 are directly linked to the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS) Day One Skills for Veterinary Nurses, in preparation for a year-long work placement in a registered training practice. Initially, topics including animal health and principles of veterinary nursing provide an understanding of the basic concepts surrounding veterinary nursing. These are then applied in the year 2 topics, before commencing a year-long work placement. The placement commences halfway through year 2 and finishes in the middle of year 3. The final modules in year 3 include an optional focus in either nursing of exotics or large animals depending on which speciality you would like to work in. There is also an emphasis on leadership, community nursing and One Health in the final year.

Your work placement will be provided by one of our registered training practices, and you will be allocated this by a placement officer. Whilst on work placement, you will complete an online log of your clinical skills development, the Nursing Progress Log. As part of the licence to practise requirements of the RCVS, you will complete a minimum of 1800 hours on the placement.

Employability

By successfully completing the foundation degree, you will be eligible to apply to register with the RCVS as a registered veterinary nurse (pending accreditation outcome). As a registered veterinary nurse, you will be eligible to work in general practice, referral hospitals, charities providing veterinary services, laboratories, pharmaceutical industries and within animal collections such as zoological parks. RCVS Accreditation is recognised in many countries through ACOVENE. You will also be able to continue your studies with a BSc Top-up or an RCVS Certificate in Advanced Veterinary Nursing.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 96
IB: 26 with 5 points in Biology at Higher Level.



IELTS: 6.5 overall to include 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment: All modules in year 1 and 2 include an examination assessment as an RCVS requirement. Each module has an element of coursework, usually 50% weighting.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Module list

First year:

- Professional Practice
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Animal Health and Management
- Principles of Veterinary Nursing
- Principles of Diagnostic Techniques
- Preparing for Placement.

Second year:

- Principles of Pharmacology and Anaesthesia
- Medical Nursing and Critical Care
- Surgical Nursing
- Work Placement.

Final year:

- Applied Veterinary Nursing
- Nursing of Exotics OR Nursing of Large Animals
- One Health for Veterinary Nurses.



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Top in the UK

for Student Satisfaction for the subject of Celtic Studies

(Complete University Guide 2024)

Celtic Studies

BA (Hons) | Q500 | 4 years

Aberystwyth is renowned for its dedicated exploration of the Celtic languages and their associated cultures, histories and literatures. Our four-year Celtic Studies degree will provide you with a unique opportunity to learn about Celtic languages and their cultures.

This is an English-medium course. The equivalent Welsh-medium course is Cymraeg a'r leithoedd Celtaidd (Q562).

The first year will enable you to consider the broad questions of identity, culture and literature, while introducing you to a modern Celtic language. In subsequent years you will concentrate on expanding and consolidating your knowledge of modern and historical Celtic languages, as well as the literature and culture of Celtic speakers from the earliest history to the present day.

Welsh and Irish remain at the core of our language provision, but the range of modules available allows you to explore other linguistic and literary interests such as Breton and the wider Celtic culture.

You will benefit from:

- hearing and using Welsh in a Welsh-speaking community
- joining the only academic department in Britain that teaches Welsh, Irish, Scottish Gaelic and Breton
- an international and diverse academic community and stimulating research environment
- living and studying in one of the heartlands of the Welsh language, with the option to stay in the refurbished Pantycelyn hall of residence
- access to the National Library of Wales - a stone's throw away from our Penglais Campus - and its unrivalled collection of literary, audio and visual resources
- the ability to apply for a scholarship, courtesy of the Irish Government, to follow an intensive language course in Ireland.

Employability

Career opportunities include translation (including simultaneous translation), transcribing, journalism and broadcasting, publishing, copywriting, administration and management.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Beginning Modern Welsh 1 & 2
- Introduction to the Literature of Gaelic Ireland
- Introduction to Welsh Literature
- The Celts: A Contested Legacy *

Second year:

- Cwrs Cymraeg Llafar (Learn Welsh summer school in August)
- Llenyddiaeth Gymraeg: Cyfoes a Hanesyddol
- Ysgrifennu Cymraeg Graenus
- Introduction to Modern Irish Language or Modern Irish Language and Literature for Non-Beginners.

Third and Final year:

Optional modules, but there are specific modules for the Welsh and Irish pathways.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Rhyddiaith y Dadeni
- Y Cynfeirdd Diweddar
- Y Gynghanedd: Cwrs Trochi
- Rhyddiaith Tri Chwarter Canrif, 1900-79
- Traddodiad Benywaidd? Merched a Barddoniaeth 1400-1800
- Y Chwedl Arthuraidd cyn 1200
- Y Gymraeg yn y Gweithle
- Y Golygydd a'r Diwydiant Cyhoeddi
- Testunau'r Enfys
- Y Cyfieithydd a'r Sector Cyfieithu
- Women's Poetry in Ireland, Scotland and Wales 1400-1800
- Llydaweg: Cyflwyniad.

You will also be able to choose from a wide range of optional modules each year on this course.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-96 with evidence of linguistic ability
IB: 30-26 with evidence of linguistic ability.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
40% coursework, 60% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Cymraeg

(Welsh)

BA (Hons) | Q560 | 3 years

By studying a Welsh degree at Aberystwyth, you will be part of an established department that is sector-leading in areas such as literary theory, translation studies, and Welsh in the professional workplace. Our Department is home to a vibrant and enthusiastic community of students and researchers from Wales and beyond that share the aim of promoting a wider understanding of the Welsh language, its history, its literature and its place in the modern world.

This degree scheme includes First Language and Second Language pathways. Studying for the BA Welsh degree will give you the opportunity to improve your written and spoken Welsh, to study a comprehensive range of literature from all periods, and to deepen your understanding of the language and how it continues to evolve in a global environment.

This course is only available through the medium of Welsh. For Welsh (for Beginners), see page 211.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by specialists in Welsh language and literature who are all active in research and have extensive teaching experience
- living and studying in one of the heartlands of the Welsh language, with the option to stay in the refurbished Pantycelyn hall of residence
- the opportunity to learn Irish, Scottish Gaelic or Breton alongside Welsh if desired
- a wide range of modules to choose from: language, literature, critical, professional and creative
- access to the National Library of Wales - a stone's throw away from our Penglais Campus - and its unrivalled collection of literary, audio and visual resources.

Employability

Our graduates are employed across the private and public sectors in areas such as teaching, translation, administration, the media and publishing, social work, law, tourism and the police. Welsh language legislation and the development of a Welsh Parliament have led to a growing demand for civil servants with a good command of the language.

Key Facts



Typical offer:

UCAS tariff points: 120-96 to include C in A level Welsh 1st or 2nd language

IB: 30-26 with C in A level Welsh 1st or 2nd language.



Assessment weighting: Typically, 40% coursework and 60% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

First Language

- Cymraeg Llyfr a Chymraeg Llafar
- Sgiliau Astudio Iaith a Llên
- Themâu a Ffigurau Iaith a Llên c.500-1900
- Beirdd a Llenorion o 1900 o hyd Heddiw.

Second Language

- Ysgrifennu Cymraeg Graenus
- Sgiliau Astudio Iaith a Llên
- Traford y Byd Cyfoes drwy'r Gymraeg
- Llenyddiaeth Gymraeg: Cyfoes a Hanesyddol.

Second year:

- Gloywi Iaith (first language)
- Cymraeg y Gweithle Proffesiynol (second language)

Final year:

- Gloywi Iaith yr Ail Iaith (second language).

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Rhyddiaith y Dadeni
- Y Cynfeirdd Diweddar
- Y Gynghanedd: Cwrs Trochi
- Rhyddiaith Tri Chwarter Canrif, 1900-79
- Traddodiad Benywaidd? Merched a Barddoniaeth 1400-1800
- Y Chwedl Arthuraidd cyn 1200
- Y Gymraeg yn y Gweithle
- Y Golygydd a'r Diwydiant Cyhoeddi
- Testunau'r Enfys
- Y Cyfieithydd a'r Sector Cyfieithu
- Llydaweg: Cyflwyniad
- Gwyddeleg Modern: Cyflwyniad.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.



Cymraeg a'r leithoedd Celtaidd

(Welsh and the Celtic Languages)

BA (Hons) | Q562 | 3 years

Studying Welsh and the Celtic Languages at Aberystwyth provides you with an opportunity to learn Irish, Scottish Gaelic or Breton alongside Welsh. This Welsh-medium course will help you gain a deeper understanding of the Celtic languages and their literatures (past and present), and of their cultural and creative dynamics.

The English-medium equivalent course is Celtic Studies (Q500).

This course is designed to facilitate your linguistic development, and you will usually spend a semester of your third year at a university abroad. This experience gives you the opportunity to develop your language skills and your confidence, whilst also acquiring a life skill much admired by employers – the ability to live and work independently.

You will benefit from:

- studying in a department that has been teaching and inspiring generations since 1875
- living and studying in one of the heartlands of the Welsh language, with the option to stay in the refurbished Pantycelyn hall of residence
- taking advantage of the Department's established industry links
- joining the only academic department in Britain that teaches the broadest range of Celtic languages: Welsh, Irish, Scottish Gaelic and Breton
- the close proximity of the National Library of Wales and the Centre for Advanced Welsh and Celtic Studies
- the chance to compete for Irish Government Scholarships to follow an intensive language course in Ireland.

Employability

Employers consistently tell us that a degree in Welsh and the Celtic Languages from Aberystwyth is a sign of high-level achievement. Our graduates are employed across the private and public sectors in areas such as teaching, translation, administration, the media and publishing, social work, law, tourism, the police and the Civil Service.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

First Language

- Sgiliau Astudio Iaith a Llên
- Cymraeg Llyfr a Chymraeg Llafar
- Themâu a Ffigurau Llên c.550-1900
- Beirdd a Llenorion o 1900 Hyd Heddiw.

Ail iaith

- Ysgrifennu Cymraeg Graenus
- Trafod y Byd Cyfoes drwy'r Gymraeg
- Llenyddiaeth Gymraeg: Cyfoes a Hanesyddol.

Second and final year:

- Gloywi iaith.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Barddoniaeth Tri Chwarter Canrif, 1900-79
- Gwyddeleg Modern (Iaith a Llên)
- Rhyddiaith y Dadeni
- Y Cynfeirdd Diweddar
- Y Gynganedd: Cwrs Trochi
- Rhyddiaith Tri Chwarter Canrif, 1900-79
- Traddodiad Benywaidd? Merched a Barddoniaeth 1400-1800
- Y Chwedl Arthuraidd cyn 1200
- Y Gymraeg yn y Gweithle
- Y Golygydd a'r Diwydiant Cyhoeddi
- Testunau'r Enfys
- Y Cyfieithydd a'r Sector Cyfieithu.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Key Facts



Typical offer:

UCAS tariff points: 120-96 to include C in A level Welsh 1st or 2nd language
IB: 30-26 with C in A level Welsh 1st or 2nd language.



Assessment weighting:

40-60% coursework, 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Cymraeg Proffesiynol

(Professional Welsh)

BA (Hons) | Q5P0 | 3 years

We understand the importance of providing our students with the knowledge and skills necessary to succeed in a professional bilingual workplace. Aberystwyth is the home of Professional Welsh, the first degree of its kind in Wales, and this sector-leading degree is popular with students and employers who seek a 'gold standard' in Welsh.

Cymraeg Proffesiynol hones skills that will enable you to use the Welsh language confidently in professional contexts as varied as Welsh government, journalism, the media, and the publishing industry. We also offer you the opportunity to apply these skills through work experience in one of 30 institutions and businesses in the public and private sector, enabling crucial networking opportunities.

This course is only available through the medium of Welsh.

Our bespoke core modules introduce a range of essential skills: writing reports and press releases, taking minutes and simultaneous translation, adaptation for radio/television/film, copy-editing, and adapting texts from other languages. You can also study a wide range of optional modules that focus on language, literature or creative writing, or you can add another language to your professional CV by studying another Celtic language.

You will benefit from:

- having the support of a designated lecturer in Professional Welsh
- being part of a department that has many well-established industry links with private businesses and public-sector institutions
- living and studying in one of the heartlands of the Welsh language, with the option to stay in the refurbished Pantycelyn hall of residence
- our proximity to the National Library of Wales, with its invaluable resources
- the opportunity to study another Celtic language alongside Welsh: Irish, Scottish Gaelic or Breton.

Employability

Career opportunities include translation (including simultaneous translation), transcription, journalism and broadcast media, publishing, copywriting, administration and management.

Key Facts



Typical offer:

UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Welsh 1st language
IB: 30-28 with B in A level Welsh 1st language.



Assessment weighting:

40-60% coursework and 60-40% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Cyflwyniad i Gymraeg Proffesiynol
- Cymraeg Llyfr a Chymraeg Llafar.

Second year:

- Astudiaethau Trosi ac Addasu
- Bro a Bywyd: dehongli treftadaeth lenyddol y Cymry
- Gloywi iaith
- Y Gymraeg yn y Gweithle.

Final year:

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Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Rhyddiaith y Dadeni
- Y Cynfeirdd Diweddar
- Y Gynganedd: Cwrs Trochi
- Rhyddiaith Tri Chwarter Canrif, 1900-79
- Traddodiad Benywaidd? Merched a Barddoniaeth 1400-1800
- Y Chwedl Arthuraidd cyn 1200
- Y Golygydd a'r Diwydiant Cyhoeddi
- Testunau'r Enfys
- Y Cyfieithydd a'r Sector Cyfieithu
- Llydaweg: Cyflwyniad
- Gwyddeleg Modern: Cyflwyniad.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Cymraeg y Gweithle Proffesiynol

(Welsh in the Professional Workplace)

BA (Hons) | QN51 | 3 years

Our innovative course, Welsh in the Professional Workplace, is available to study as part of a joint honours BA course with Business and Management.

On this course, you will have the opportunity to learn about administration, editing, translation, marketing, management, presentation, leadership and collaboration. You will also learn about entrepreneurship and developing your own business.

This course is available to first and second language students, and you can follow the course even if you haven't studied Welsh first language A level. This unique course, which combines Welsh language and literature with Business and Management modules, will equip you with the skills and knowledge that are highly sought after by the public and private sector.

You will benefit from:

- hearing and using Welsh in a Welsh-speaking community
- benefitting from the experience of teaching staff in the world of Professional Welsh and Business and Management and enjoying a lively research environment
- living and studying in one of the heartlands of the Welsh language, with the option to stay in the refurbished Pantycelyn hall of residence
- the proximity of the National Library of Wales.

Employability

Career opportunities include translation, publishing, administration and management. A growing number of our graduates have begun careers with partner companies and organisations where they have completed work-based training as part of the course.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Cymraeg Llyfr a Chymraeg Llafar
- Sgiliau Astudio Iaith a Llên
- Ysgrifennu Cymraeg Graenus
- Hanfodion Rheolaeth a Busnes *
- Understanding the Economy.

Second year:

- Cymraeg y Gweithle Proffesiynol
- Rheolaeth Marchnata
- Rheolaeth Adnoddau Dynol *

Final year:

- Gloywi Iaith Yr Ail Iaith.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Y Cynfeirdd Diweddar
- Rhyddiaith Tri Chwarter Canrif, 1900-79
- Y Golygydd a'r Diwydiant Cyhoeddi
- Testunau'r Enfys
- Y Cyfieithydd a'r Sector Cyfieithu.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

* also available partially or entirely through the medium of Welsh.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points:
120-104 to include B in A level Welsh 1st language
IB: 30-28 with B in A level Welsh 1st language.



Assessment weighting:
40% coursework and 60% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Welsh (for Beginners)

BA (Hons) | Q522 | 4 years

By studying a degree in Welsh at Aberystwyth, you will be part of an established department that is sector-leading in translation studies and Welsh in the professional workplace. Our Department is home to a vibrant and enthusiastic community of students and researchers from Wales and beyond that share the aim of promoting a wider understanding of the Welsh language, its history, its literature and its place in the modern world.

On this four-year course for Welsh beginners, you will have an opportunity to improve your written and spoken Welsh, to study a comprehensive range of literature from all periods, and deepen your understanding of the language and how it continues to evolve in a global environment.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by specialists in Welsh language and literature who are all active in research and have extensive teaching experience
- living and studying in one of the heartlands of the Welsh language, with the option to stay in the refurbished Pantycelyn hall of residence
- the opportunity to learn another Celtic language alongside Welsh
- a wide range of modules: language, literature, critical, professional and creative
- access to the National Library of Wales - a stone's throw away from our Penglais Campus - and its unrivalled collection of literary, audio and visual resources.

Employability

Employers consistently tell us that a degree in Welsh from Aberystwyth is a sign of high-level achievement, and there is evidence of an impressive demand for our graduates in a range of professions. Our graduates are employed across the private and public sectors in areas such as teaching, translation, administration, the media and publishing, social work, law, tourism and the police. In addition, Welsh language legislation and the establishment of a Welsh Parliament have led to a growing demand for civil servants with a good command of the language.

Key Facts



Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points:
120-104 to include evidence of linguistic ability
IB: 30-28 with evidence of linguistic ability.



IELTS: 6.5 with minimum 5.5 in each component. See page 235.



Assessment weighting:
Typically 40% coursework and 60% exams.



Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Beginning Modern Welsh 1 & 2
- Introduction to Welsh Literature.

Second year:

- Trafod y Byd Cyfoes
- Sgiliau Astudio Iaith a Llên
- Ysgrifennu Cymraeg Graenus.

Third year:

- Cymraeg Llyfr a Chymraeg Llafar
- Cymraeg y Gweithle Proffesiynol.

Final year:

- Gloywi Iaith yr Ail Iaith.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Rhyddiaith y Dadeni
- Y Cynfeirdd Diweddar
- Y Gynghanedd: Cwrs Trochi
- Rhyddiaith Tri Chwarter Canrif, 1900-79
- Traddodiad Benywaidd? Merched a Barddoniaeth 1400-1800
- Y Chwedl Arthuraidd cyn 1200
- Y Gymraeg yn y Gweithle
- Y Golygydd a'r Diwydiant Cyhoeddi
- Testunau'r Enfys
- Y Cyfieithydd a'r Sector Cyfieithu
- Llydaweg: Cyflwyniad
- Gwyddeleg Modern: Cyflwyniad.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Ysgrifennu Creadigol a'r Diwydiant Cyhoeddi

(Creative Writing and the Publishing Industry)

BA (Hons) | W840 | 3 years

The Creative Writing and the Publishing Industry degree at Aberystwyth University is a dynamic and unique course. Taught through the medium of Welsh, our degree will give you a detailed understanding of the creative writing and publishing field.

You will have the opportunity to explore many different creative forms, from poetry to short stories, from micro-fiction to ekphrastic literature, and in so doing develop the ability to use them purposefully during the creative process. In addition, you will be introduced to the broad world of the publishing industry in Wales and beyond, with particular emphasis on publishing houses and key agencies such as Literature Wales and the Books Council of Wales.

Writing creatively is a key skill that enriches all our lives. In Aberystwyth, you will have the opportunity to develop and refine your creative writing in a department that has a long tradition of leading in this field.

You will benefit from:

- being taught by academic staff who are active researchers and specialists in their respective fields, including creative translation, editing, proofreading and publishing
- strong links with publishers and local literary bodies in Wales and beyond, and the Books Council of Wales
- being able to undertake a relevant work placement, for example, with an editor or an editorial service, a publishing house or independent publisher
- being able to learn another Celtic language as well as Welsh.

Employability

By the end of the course, you will have high-level creative, research and communication skills and the ability to think critically, and will be ready for a career in the broader writing and publishing industry.

Key Facts

Typical offer:
UCAS tariff points: 120-104 to include B in A level Welsh 1st or 2nd language
IB: 30-28 with B in A level Welsh 1st or 2nd language.

Assessment weighting:
40% coursework and 60-40% exams.

Field trips/fieldwork: Yes.

Module list

Below is an indicative list of modules that you may study on this course.

First year:

- Cyflwyniad i Ysgrifennu Creadigol
- Sgiliau Astudio Iaith a Llên
- Cymraeg Llyfr a Chymraeg Llafar
- Ysgrifennu Cymraeg Graenus.

Second year:

- Gweithdai Ysgrifennu Creadigol
- Gloywi Iaith.

Final year:

- Y Golygydd a'r Diwydiant Cyhoeddi
- Portffolio Ysgrifennu Creadigol Annibynnol.

Optional modules you may select to develop your specialist interests include:

- Y Cyfieithydd a'r Sector Cyfieithu
- Testunau'r Enfys
- Rhyddiaith y Dadeni
- Pedair Cainc y Mabinogi
- Cymraeg Ddoe a Heddiw: Cyflwyniad i leithyddiaeth.

For more details on the optional modules available, see the current list on our website, or contact us.

Joint Honours

Subject	Available with...	Joint Honours
Professional Welsh	Law	MQ56
Welsh	Creating (Performance/Media)	QW52
	Education	QX53
	Geography	LQ75
	History	QV51
	International Politics	LQF5
	Mathematics	GQ15



Explore Aberystwyth

Aberystwyth is the perfect place to study, have fun and make friends for life. Penglais Campus is only a short walk from the historic seaside town, which is often described as the cultural capital of Wales.

Aberystwyth is a friendly, welcoming and inclusive town. With a diverse range of shops, cafes, restaurants and bars, the town offers many opportunities in which to relax and socialise. It was the first town in Wales to be awarded the Purple Flag for a welcoming and safe nightlife, and once here, many of our students never want to leave.

The 2km **Victorian promenade** is ideal for a stroll or jog. Make sure you 'kick the bar' at the northernmost point of the prom, a tradition dating back more than 100 years.

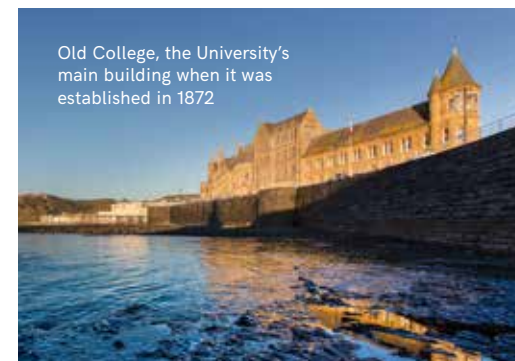
Constitution Hill ('Consti' as it's known to locals) gives you a view of the seafront you will never forget. Get your exercise walking up the path or take a more leisurely trip on the cliff railway.

Take a refreshing dip in the sea, watch for **dolphins** or simply relax on our three beautiful **beaches**.

Between the 19th century **Royal Pier** (renowned for the murmurations of starlings at dusk) and the 12th century medieval **castle** sits **Old College**, a Grade 1 architectural landmark and home of the first University College of Wales. This iconic building is currently being transformed into a major cultural and creative centre for Wales.

The **National Library of Wales**, which holds more than 6.5 million books and periodicals and the largest collections of archives, portraits, maps and photographic images in the country, provides a vast treasure trove for research and discovery.

Nestled between the Cambrian Mountains and Cardigan Bay, Aberystwyth provides a rugged landscape of rolling hills, valleys, sand and sea, giving you easy access to woodland treks, wild swims and coastal walks on the Wales Coast Path. The famous National Parks of Eryri (Snowdonia), the Pembrokeshire Coast and Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) are all within travelling distance and worth a visit.



Old College, the University's main building when it was established in 1872



The National Library of Wales



Aberystwyth Castle



The Royal Pier



Approximately nine miles outside Aberystwyth are the famous Nant yr Arian mountain biking and walking trails, and the Red Kite feeding centre.



Accommodation

Your next home



Scan me to explore our accommodation

**Free Sports Centre
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accommodation ***



At Aberystwyth, we offer a variety of accommodation styles and locations to find the space that works for you, with the majority of our residences being only a short walk away from the centre of campus.



Each residence has its own distinctive character, offering you a safe and secure environment in which to socialise, study and relax. Whilst living in our accommodation, there is no need to worry about fluctuating bills as the accommodation fees include utilities, wifi and a high level of personal contents insurance.

We offer a wide range of self-catered accommodation with either en-suite rooms or shared facilities, as well as self-contained studios. We also have dedicated catered accommodation available for students who are Welsh speakers or learners who would like to live in a Welsh speaking environment.

As soon as you arrive, our Residences team will welcome you into your new home and our campus community.

Applying for accommodation

Students who receive a conditional or unconditional offer to study at Aberystwyth University and choose to hold us as their Firm choice will be invited to apply for accommodation from the Spring. We advise that you complete your application as soon as possible, as we offer accommodation on a first-come, first-served basis.

Please note that the listed accommodation options are subject to change for future academic years; further information and updates are available at www.aber.ac.uk/accommodation

Key

- Catered
- Wifi
- Shower en-suite
- Parking
- Laundry Rooms
- Dedicated Welsh Residences
- Social and Study Areas

*To qualify you must ensure that your application is received by 1 September in the year of entry and that you respond to the offer of accommodation by the date given in the Accommodation Offer. Please note that a place in University-owned or managed accommodation is guaranteed, but not a specific type of room or location.

Self-catered



Fferm Penglais



- single en-suite rooms (with double beds), in flats of 6-8 students with shared kitchen/living area
- on-site shop and café, with social and study areas
- 5 minute walk from Penglais Campus
- dedicated area for Welsh speakers and learners
- single self-contained studios also available



Fferm Penglais studio

Self-catered



Cwrt Mawr



- single rooms, in flats of 6-10 students
- shared communal facilities (bathroom and kitchen areas)
- use of The Lounge @Rosser
- located on Penglais Campus



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- single rooms, in houses of 5 or 6 students
- shared communal facilities (bathroom and kitchen areas)
- use of The Lounge @PJM
- 5 minute walk from Penglais Campus



Self-catered



Trefloyne



- single rooms, in flats of 7 students
- shared communal facilities (bathroom and kitchen areas)
- use of The Lounge@Rosser
- on Penglais Campus

Catered (Welsh-medium)



Pantycelyn



- single, en-suite rooms
- catered residence for Welsh speakers and learners with communal dining room, common rooms, study and social spaces
- 3 minute walk from Penglais Campus



Rosser



- single en-suite rooms, in flats of up to 8 students
- shared communal facilities
- use of The Lounge @ Rosser
- on Penglais Campus



Students' Union

The Students' Union (AberSU) at Aberystwyth works closely with the University, but is an independent registered charity. Led by students and supported by a team of staff, the Students' Union helps students meet new people, make friends, build communities and provides a representative voice for its members.

With around 100 student societies and 50 sports clubs to choose from, plus volunteering opportunities, there are plenty of activities to join in. You can even start your own group.

The AberSU Advice Service provides free, impartial advice in a professional and friendly environment. You can get help with a range of issues including employment, health and well-being, housing, student finance and University procedures and processes.



Sports facilities

Located on Penglais Campus, the Sports Centre offers a range of equipment and facilities to support your well-being. From the basics, including a gym, treadmills and a swimming pool (including a sauna), to the extras, including a female-only weight room.

If you don't want to exercise on your own, you could always join one of the wide range of classes which include HIIT, Yoga, Pilates, Step and Tone, and Circuits to name a few.

One of the benefits of being a resident in University-managed accommodation is that you will receive Platinum Membership of the Sports Centre included in your accommodation fees. This gives you free and unlimited access to the gym, all fitness classes, the swimming pool and saunarium.

You will also have access to our newly installed Sports Dome on Penglais Campus and Sgubor Gym on Fferm Penglais.



The Arts Centre



The Arts Centre on Penglais Campus is one of Wales's best-known venues, presenting everything from live music concerts, stand-up comedy, theatre and dance performances to visual art exhibitions and film screenings.



Music at Aberystwyth

Music provision at Aberystwyth is open to all students. Whatever subject you're studying, you can be part of a vibrant musical community.

Music-making at Aberystwyth brings town and gown together to work in varied ways as ensembles, orchestras, concert bands and choirs as well as in smaller groups dedicated to particular instruments.

The University offers rehearsal spaces and practice rooms to students and community members, groups and musical gatherings, and there are opportunities for tuition, further development and performance and production at all levels.

We also offer Music Scholarships to experienced musicians who can actively contribute to the University's orchestras, bands, choirs and other ensembles. If you love music, we welcome you to enjoy it here with us at Aberystwyth.

The Music Centre's choir performing Mozart's Requiem.



The Music Centre's symphony orchestra, Philomusica, hosts an annual concert in the Arts Centre.



Meeting your study needs



Study and reading room, Hugh Owen Library



Think Tank, Llandinam building

A fast and reliable wireless network is available across campus and in all University-managed student accommodation to keep you connected.

There are computers, high-speed colour printers, scanners and photocopiers available to use in libraries and dedicated computer rooms across campus and in town, some of which are available 24 hours a day. A range of free specialist software is available on computers in the University computer rooms.

Libraries

Our campus has two libraries: the main Hugh Owen library and the Physical Sciences library, which houses materials for the study of mathematics, physics and computer science.

The Hugh Owen Library has undergone substantial refurbishment to ensure you have modern, dynamic study and reading spaces. There are areas for group or individual study and a computer room, as well as more informal seating, creating comfortable communal areas.

IT services

If you are experiencing problems with your IT equipment, you can seek advice at the Hugh Owen customer service desk. Our friendly team will be pleased to assist you with software or hardware issues.

E-learning

Our Blackboard virtual learning environment gives you access to your module information and course materials anytime and anywhere, including lecture recordings. You will also submit most of your assignments electronically here.

As a student you will have access to thousands of e-books and e-journals through the library, which are accessible off campus too.

Equipment loan service

As a student you can borrow items such as laptops, netbooks, E-book readers, Flipcams and other digital photography and video equipment, free of charge for short periods of time, just like a library book.

Subject librarians

Our friendly librarians can provide information skills training and in-depth subject support. You can book an appointment with your Subject Librarian for help and advice on using the libraries, or finding materials for essays, projects and dissertations.

ApAber

ApAber is an app to help our students plan their day. You can check your academic timetable, find available computers on campus, look at local bus timetables and much more, all from your mobile.

Study skills

We offer free academic skills modules, effective study seminars and individual consultations to help students develop their academic writing and communication skills towards higher levels of excellence. Language consultations with an English language teacher are also available to international students.

Students with specific learning differences such as dyslexia may receive additional support, including one-to-one study skills support.



The Lounge @Rosser

Student support

At Aberystwyth, students have access to a range of support and well-being services. Working with you, our friendly staff can help you achieve solutions for most of the challenges you may face in student life.

Student Advice and Money

The Student Advice and Money advisers provide support on a wide range of issues. Our Student Advisers are accredited by The National Association of Student Money Advisers (NASMA) and can also signpost you on any queries relating to accommodation, personal issues, academic progress and university life.

Accessibility and Inclusion

The University is committed to maintaining a community that is accessible for everyone and welcomes applications from a diverse range of students. The Accessibility Advisers provide support, not only to disabled students and those with specific learning differences, but also to care leavers, trans and non-binary students, and other unsupported students.

If you have a disability or health/neurodiverse condition, we recommend that you visit or contact us before you apply to discuss your needs and the support we can offer you. For eligible students our advisers can arrange support workers, including one-to-one study skills support. Individual examination arrangements or alternative assessments may be available for disabled students or those with health/neurodiverse conditions.

We also recommend that you contact our Accessibility Advisers to discuss a study needs assessment and to get advice on grants, such as the Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA).

Student Wellbeing Service

At Aberystwyth, we have a team of professionally qualified and registered counsellors and mental health specialists. Our focus is to work with you, using solution-focused techniques, to build your resilience and help you develop a toolkit of skills which will enable you to manage your well-being while at university and beyond. Where appropriate, we will direct you to self-help materials or online platforms, or may refer you to specialist external support where that best meets your needs.

Signpost Mentoring

Signpost Mentoring is a friendly and confidential peer-mentoring scheme for all new undergraduates. It offers one-to-one advice to help you settle into university life, plan for the future, and make the most of your time at university.

Visa and Immigration Advice

The International Student Adviser provides specialised advice on study visas to prospective and current EEA and non-EEA students who come to study at Aberystwyth University. Immigration advice provided by the International Student Adviser is regulated by the Office of the Immigration Services Commissioner.

Nightline

Sometimes, speaking to a peer about what you are feeling and experiencing can really help. Nightline is an independent listening service run by students, for students, which provides a confidential helpline, email and instant messaging service.

Visit www.nightline.aber.ac.uk for more information.



Careers and employability

Aberystwyth University Careers Service provides friendly expertise and a range of services that will build your skills and experiences throughout your student journey. Our aim is to ensure you have access to a range of opportunities to help you find meaningful work as a result of your degree.

We provide support to enable you to:

- self-market confidently from CV and LinkedIn compilation through to submitting applications and succeeding at interviews
- meet companies and organisations through large on-campus employer events such as our Annual Careers Fair and CareerFest week
- engage with a range of employer workshops throughout the year, helping you identify what recruiters expect and practical tips to help you succeed when applying for graduate roles
- access employability sessions embedded within your course
- sign up to targeted employability initiatives such as our Career Readiness Support
- explore what entrepreneurship and enterprise means to you
- build work-related experiential learning into your student experience
- be reassured that no matter where life takes you, we are always here to support you with our lifelong service offer.

Industry links

Developing the employability of our students is at the heart of everything we do. Enabling you to make connections with and learn from a wide range of employers is key to gaining the skills required to create a successful future.

To bring such opportunities to our students, our Careers Service and academic departments work with organisations in the private, public and third sectors across Wales, the UK and globally. We also actively support the rural economy, business growth and innovation in our local area, fostering strong links with local government, SMEs, micro-businesses and social enterprises.

You will find opportunities to connect with employers, freelancers and professional organisations in the curriculum across all subject areas, for example, work-related projects and employer-led sessions. A full programme of events for students to attend beyond their course is also arranged by our Careers Service, including Careers Fairs, sector-specific employer panels, information stands, mock assessment centres and CareerFest, an annual event involving all academic departments in employability activity.

Our online portal, updated daily, also gives you direct access to hundreds of registered employers and the employment, placement and learning opportunities they provide.

Work experience

Relevant work-based experience remains highly sought after by employers. It is also one of the main ways of not only helping you to build your skillset but also your self-awareness, career focus and confidence in what you have to offer employers.

Many of our degree programmes include an integrated year in industry, or students can access the Careers Service's Year in Employment Scheme, both of which involve a prolonged period of employment during your studies, providing many benefits. There are shorter opportunities on offer too, such as summer internships, volunteering work or part-time employment, which also provide a wealth of experience and important employability and skills development.

The Careers Service supports students seeking employment and work experience in a number of ways, from sourcing opportunities to interview practice. It also coordinates the flagship ABERforward placement scheme, offering employability development opportunities within University departments.

Global opportunities

Aberystwyth University offers an exciting range of options for you to go abroad while you are studying for your degree.

Our Global Opportunities team will help you to identify the best option for you.

Benefits of study and work abroad

- Boost your confidence
- Enhance your communication, intercultural and interpersonal skills
- Grow your adaptability and resilience
- Increase your openness to international opportunities
- Benefit your career.



Year or semester abroad

We offer a range of degrees which include an integrated year studying abroad at one of our partner universities in your third year. Language students will also spend their third year studying or working in the country of their language of study.

Students on most other degree courses can go abroad for a semester during their second year of study.

Work abroad during your industrial year

If you are studying a degree with an integrated industrial year, you can choose to spend all or part of the year working abroad, if your department approves.

Short programmes

Spending even a short period of time overseas can give you a really valuable experience. We offer short periods of study, work or volunteering abroad, from three days to eight weeks.

Support

The Global Opportunities team will help prepare you for your overseas experience. Support includes:

- Pre-departure events to make sure that you know what to expect at your destination, and check you have all your travel paperwork in order. You will also learn how to make the most of your trip and how to access help if you need it.
- Return workshops co-hosted with the Careers Service will help you reflect on and integrate your experiences, helping you to consider how to include your experience abroad in job applications and conversations with future employers.

Funding

Funding is available to support eligible students with living and travel costs from UK and Welsh government schemes promoting study and work abroad.

The European Opportunities Fund, made possible by the very generous donation of a former student, is unique to Aberystwyth and provides financial help for short activities in the European Union.

Additional funding is available for students from disadvantaged groups.



Zoe Perryman

F802 Geography with an Integrated Year Studying Abroad

Where did you go on your Global Opportunity?

University of Bergen, Norway

What was the best part about your experience? The best part of the experience was the people and the scenery, lots of lasting memories with great people in a beautiful country!

Best piece of advice before going abroad? Throw yourself into everything and speak to everyone, you're only there for a set amount of time but the connections you make will be long lasting.

Welcoming international students

We are proud of our unique offering for international students. Our global ranking, vibrant and multicultural community and incredible location attracts students from over 100 different countries.

Global reputation

Aberystwyth University's reputation for both Teaching Quality and Student Satisfaction is globally recognised. Our long and distinguished history of cutting-edge research has enabled us to establish many high-profile relationships with other universities and organisations around the world. Our graduates leave Aberystwyth with the skills, knowledge, and expertise they need to continue onto their next steps in their chosen career.

International Accommodation Award

The International Accommodation Award provides international students with considerable financial support towards the cost of their University-managed accommodation. The award varies depending on the residence chosen and how early you apply, but will cover either the full cost of the accommodation or provide a significant reduction in the usual price.

For more information see:

www.aber.ac.uk/international/fees-scholarships

Visa support

We have a dedicated International Student Adviser who offers specialised advice on study visas, graduate visas and supports those wishing to extend their visas in the UK. Immigration advice provided by the International Student Adviser is regulated and therefore ensures that students receive friendly and professional visa guidance.

For more information see:

www.aber.ac.uk/en/sscs/visa-support-advice

Academic entry requirements

Having taught international students since 1872, we pride ourselves on understanding global education systems, and recognise qualifications from all over the world. Additionally, we offer the International Foundation Certificate for students from countries with a 12-year education system.

For entry requirements specific to your country, see:

www.aber.ac.uk/international/countries

English language requirements and support

Through our International English Centre, Aberystwyth University excels in supporting English language ability among its international students.

You will find the English language requirements for each of our degree programmes listed on the relevant course page. These tend to be around IELTS 6.0 but we also recognise equivalent grades in:

- IELTS Indicator Test
- TOEFL (iBT and iBT Special Home Edition)
- Cambridge
- Pearson Test of English Academic
- Trinity Integrated Skills Test
- City & Guilds International ESOL Diploma
- IGCSE
- A/S Level English Language
- GCSE English Language
- International Baccalaureate English Language.

We also recognise a number of country-specific English qualifications. For these, please see:

www.aber.ac.uk/international/countries

Alternatively, you can complete one of our Pre-sessional Language Courses (6, 12, 30 or 42 weeks) or the International Foundation Certificate (15 or 30 weeks).

For more information see page 236 or

www.aber.ac.uk/en/international-english/courses

How to apply

International students can make an application in one of the following ways:

- Direct – apply directly to the University:
www.aber.ac.uk/en/study-with-us/international/how-to-apply
- UCAS – the UK's university application system:
www.ucas.com
- Common App – university application system for the USA:
www.commonapp.org/explore

Language support

Our International English Centre can support you before your degree and during your studies, and help you meet the entry requirements for an undergraduate degree.

Support for undergraduate students includes:

- writing and communication modules
- weekly seminars on writing and information skills
- one-to-one writing and language advice sessions.

Contact us

The International Recruitment and Development team have friendly staff based in the UK and overseas, ready to answer any questions you may have.

@ international@aber.ac.uk

www.aber.ac.uk/international

f + a aberystwyth.university

www.weibo.com/aberystwyth



Scan me for further information

'Kicking the bar' is a long-standing tradition of the town. It is believed that 'kicking the bar' will result in good health or success.

English language support

Pre-sessional English courses

Our pre-sessional English courses are designed to improve your English language and academic study skills before you start your degree at Aberystwyth University. If you have an offer of a place on a degree programme but have not met the English language entry requirement, you can take one of our pre-sessional courses.

The University offers 6-week, 12-week, 30-week, and 42-week courses. The length of course you need depends on your current IELTS score, and the entry requirement of your future department.

Your IELTS for UKVI score now	Computer Science / Business	All Other Subjects
4.0 (with no score below 4.0)	42-week course	n/a
4.5 (with no score below 4.5)	30-week course	42-week course
5.0 (with no score below 4.5)	12-week course	30-week course
5.5 (with no score below 5.0)	6-week course	12-week course
6.0 (with no score below 5.5)	Optional	6-week course

A pre-sessional course gives you the opportunity to develop your academic English, settle into Aberystwyth University and make friends so that you can begin your degree with confidence. Students can choose to take a pre-sessional course even if they have an unconditional offer for their degree.

Scan me for further information on dates and fees for our Pre-sessional English courses:



Keon Kang

South Korea

Lovely teachers and a lovely place! My English has really improved and coming to Aberystwyth has been a turning point in my life.



Rehab Elkarkary

Egypt

My English course was motivating, challenging and well-organised. The teachers are fantastic and really understand our needs.



International Foundation Certificate

The International Foundation Certificate is designed for students who have completed high school in their own country but do not have the qualifications to begin a British degree. If you studied in a country with a 12-year education system, you will probably need to complete our International Foundation Certificate before progressing to your Aberystwyth degree programme.

On the International Foundation Certificate you will study English language, academic modules and UK study skills in a friendly and supportive environment. Successful completion of the course guarantees progression to your chosen degree.

There are three options for the International Foundation Certificate:

- 30 weeks starting in September
- 30 weeks starting in January
- 15 week fast-track starting in January.

The course is taught at the heart of the campus in collaboration with your future department and offers five pathways:

- International Foundation Pathway into Business
- International Foundation Pathway into Computer Science
- International Foundation Pathway into International Relations
- International Foundation Pathway into Law and Criminology
- International Foundation Pathway into Theatre, Film and Television.

These pathways are also accepted for entry onto other degrees, including Art History, Education, English and Creative Writing, History, Psychology, Sociology, Sport and Exercise Science.

Entry requirements:

- Age 17+
- Successful completion of high school.

English language requirements vary depending on your chosen pathway and start date.

Course	Minimum IELTS for UKVI for entry: Computer Science / Business Pathways	Minimum IELTS for UKVI for entry: All Other Pathways
30-week course (Sept - Jun)	4.5 (with no score below 4.0)	4.5 (with no score below 4.5)
30-week course (Jan - Sept)	4.5 (with no score below 4.5)	5.0 (with no score below 4.5)
15-week Fast-Track Course (Jan - Jun)	5.0 (with no more than 1 score below 5.0, and no score below 4.5)	5.5 (with no more than 1 score below 5.5, and no score below 5.0)

Scan me for further information on dates and fees for our International Foundation Certificate:



Fees and finance

Tuition fees

Your tuition fees cover the cost of your study at university, and include charges for things like your tuition, examinations and graduation.

Fee levels will differ depending whether you are a UK or International student. For International students, fees will also vary depending on whether you are studying an Arts/Social Sciences subject or a Science subject.

Scan me for information on tuition fees:



Additional charges

There may be additional costs and charges associated with your degree programme, which are not covered by your tuition fee. These will normally apply to activities such as field trips or study visits but, depending on your chosen degree programme, could include items or equipment you will need to purchase, like a scientific calculator or lab coat.

Scan me for further information on additional costs and charges:



Accommodation fees

Accommodation fees are charged in addition to your tuition fees. See p.218.

For International students, the International Accommodation Award provides considerable financial support towards the cost of your University-managed accommodation. See p.235.

Student loans

To help you with tuition fees and living costs, UK students may be eligible for student loans or grants. Further information is available online.

- If you normally live in Wales, visit www.studentfinancewales.co.uk
- If you normally live in England, visit www.slc.co.uk
- If you normally live in Scotland, visit www.saas.gov.uk
- If you normally live in Northern Ireland, visit www.studentfinancenir.co.uk

Other sources of funding

You may be able to get additional funding elsewhere. Possible options include scholarships (see p.239), sponsorship, working part-time or charitable bequests. Students with disabilities may be eligible for the Disabled Students' Allowance, and an additional grant may be available for travel costs. Our Careers Service and Students' Union can offer you advice on budgeting and where to find part-time work during the holidays or alongside your studies.

Free 1-year 16-25 Railcard

We offer first-year undergraduate students a free 1-year 16-25 Railcard which will provide a third off rail fares throughout the UK. We understand that the cost of travelling can mount up whilst at university, and that's why we want our students to enjoy discounted rail fares as they travel to and from Aberystwyth (and beyond!).



Scholarships and bursaries

At Aberystwyth, we understand the financial implications of higher education. Thanks to the generous support of our alumni and friends, we have been able to offer scholarships for over 125 years and we remain as committed as ever to supporting our students. That's why we've put together a generous package of awards which can help you with day-to-day living costs.

We don't restrict the number of awards you can receive - providing you meet the eligibility criteria, you can hold multiple awards. That means you can combine a variety of awards to make your financial package more valuable.

Entrance Scholarship

Worth up to £1,000 a year and an unconditional offer.

Involves sitting two exams at your school or college.

Music Scholarships

Worth £650 a year.

Awarded to experienced musicians who can actively contribute to the University's orchestras, bands, choirs and other ensembles.

Academic Excellence Scholarships

Worth £2,000 in your first year.

To reward academic excellence achieved prior to beginning at Aberystwyth University. Awards will be automatically allocated to eligible students.

Subject-specific awards

Worth varying amounts.

A number of our academic departments offer Departmental Awards, which can be held in addition to many of our other awards.

Sports Scholarships

Worth £1,000 a year.

For students excelling in one of our key 'focus sports', including rugby, football, netball and mountain biking.

Welsh medium study scholarships

Worth up to £400 a year.

Available to those studying at least part of their course through the medium of Welsh.

Please note that the listed scholarships and bursaries are subject to change for future academic years; further information and updates are available at aber.ac.uk/scholarships.



Scan here for further information on all of our scholarships and bursaries.

Degree boosters



The Lifelong Learning Department at Aberystwyth University offers you unique learning opportunities, which can boost your degree and help you stand out from the crowd.

Alongside your degree programme, you can take one module with us per term. This is included in your fees, so there is no additional cost to you. For more information, scan this QR code:



What are the benefits?

- You can personalise your CV and leave university with a toolbox of new skills.
- You can learn for the fun of it! Pursue a subject you are passionate about or try something new.
- You can meet and socialise with a diverse range of people.

Courses include:

- Art and Design
- Creative Writing and Literature
- History, Genealogy and Archaeology
- Modern Languages: Arabic, Chinese, French, German, Italian, Japanese, Russian and Spanish
- Philosophy
- Photography
- Professional Development
- Psychology
- Science, Ecology and Conservation.

Modules are delivered either online or face-to-face.

“Excellent materials, engaging topics, and clear enthusiasm from the tutor for the subject.”





Open Days

Attend an Open Day to learn more about studying at Aberystwyth University.

2024 Open Days

- **Saturday 6 July**
- **Saturday 12 October**
- **Saturday 9 November.**

Check the website for Open Day dates in 2025 and details of our Online Open Days.

 aber.ac.uk/opendays

Mathilde Aass

Equine and Veterinary Bioscience

I wanted a place to study with a great student life and study resources outside the larger cities. I wanted to be close to nature while also having access to modern study spaces. Aberystwyth as a town and as a university was the obvious choice that fitted all my requirements.



Visiting us

Students come to Aberystwyth University from far and wide - you'll meet students from all over the world here. The warm welcome and superb facilities that await you will make your visit worthwhile.



How to get here...

By rail

The railway station is in the centre of Aberystwyth. The main service is via Shrewsbury, with services available from Birmingham International directly through to Aberystwyth. There is a frequent bus service from the station to campus, and there is a taxi rank next to the station.

By car

The University is located alongside the main A487 North to South Wales trunk road. It's just over a two-hour drive from North or South Wales, Birmingham and the West Midlands.

By coach

Regular bus services operate from the University campus to North and South Wales and the Midlands.

Places to stay overnight

Throughout the year the University has a number of accommodation options available at reasonable prices. For further information please contact the Conference Office on +44 1970 621960 or e-mail conferences@aber.ac.uk

Alternatively there are hotels and guest houses in the local area. The local Tourist Information Office (+44 1970 612125) can provide you with a list of addresses.

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Important information

- please read carefully

All students will be required as a condition of enrolment to abide by, and submit to the procedures of the University's Rules, Regulations & Information for Students and our Terms & Conditions. Copies of the current Rules, Regulations & Information for Students and our Terms & Conditions are available on request from the Academic Registry (+44 1970 622959).

The University offers the information contained in this prospectus for guidance only. The information in this prospectus does not constitute a contract and is not binding on prospective students or the University. While the University makes every effort to check the accuracy of the factual content at the time of publication, some changes will inevitably occur in the interval between publication and the academic year to which the prospectus relates. For example, courses, entry requirements and typical offers may have changed in line with student demand, external requirements and research development. Applicants should not therefore rely solely on the information contained in this prospectus and should visit the University website (www.aber.ac.uk) for more up-to-date information in respect of course content, accreditation and entry requirements for the relevant academic year when considering applying to the University.

Any student who has outstanding tuition fees shall not be awarded any degree, diploma, certificate or qualification from the University until the debt is cleared. Such students shall be prevented from re-enrolling at the institution and from using any of the University's facilities.

Please note that Aberystwyth University reserves the right to modify entry requirements that were correct at the time of the undergraduate prospectus going to print (December 2023).

The National Student Survey (NSS) is a widely recognised authoritative survey which gathers opinions from students about their time in higher education, asking them to provide honest feedback.

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