

International Prospectus





Welcome

Choosing a university is probably one of the biggest decisions of your life. It is a place where you can broaden your horizons, expand your knowledge and develop your critical thinking skills; a place that can set you firmly on the pathway to your future career and a place where you can make friends for life. So it is important to choose the right university for you.

As you consider your options, I want to make sure you have all the information you need about Aberystwyth. Established in 1872, we are a University known for our world-leading research across a range of disciplines. Our research makes a global impact. It also informs the high standard of undergraduate and postgraduate teaching here at Aberystwyth, with lecturers who are leading researchers in their field.

Aberystwyth University has been welcoming students from across the world for almost 150 years. Today, we have students on campus from more than 90 different countries who are drawn here by our reputation for research and teaching excellence. We study, work and live in a diverse and supportive community, in a historic seaside market town with a cosmopolitan Welsh culture.

At Aberystwyth, you will be part of a campus university with an active Students' Union and more than 100 clubs and societies. We have our own well-equipped sports centre as well as a thriving Arts Centre. The National Library of Wales is just a short walk away and is an important centre for study and research.

Take your time to find out more by reading our prospectus and browsing our website. If you can, come to visit the place for yourself so that you can talk to some of the staff who will be teaching you, and hear from other students about their Aber experience. You can also take a virtual tour during one of our online Open Days. Ask as many questions as you want. We are here to help so that you can make the right decision for you. I wish you well and hope to welcome you in the future to Aberystwyth University.

Professor Elizabeth Treasure

Llyabet T. Mayne

Vice-Chancellor





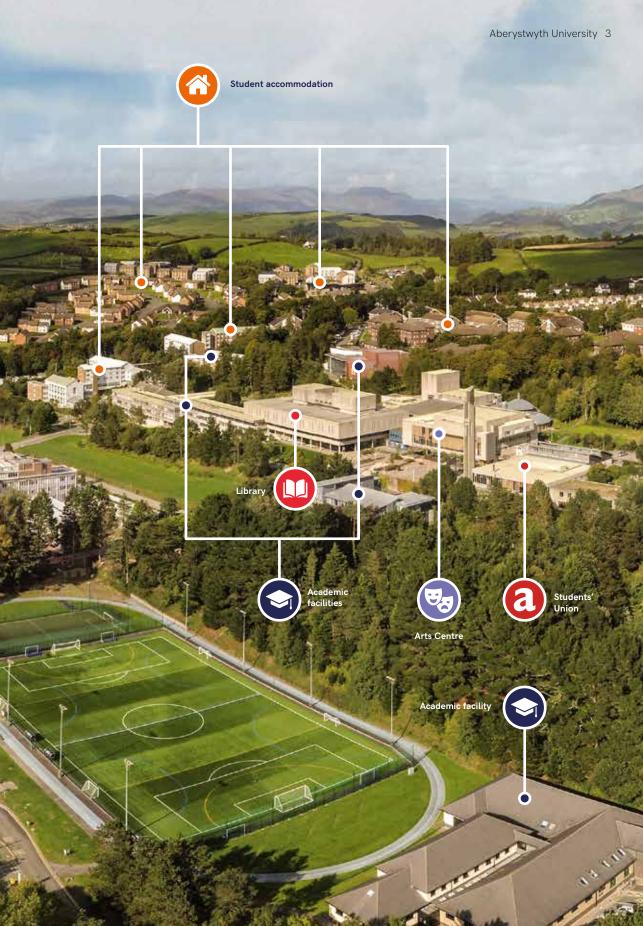
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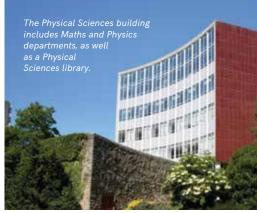








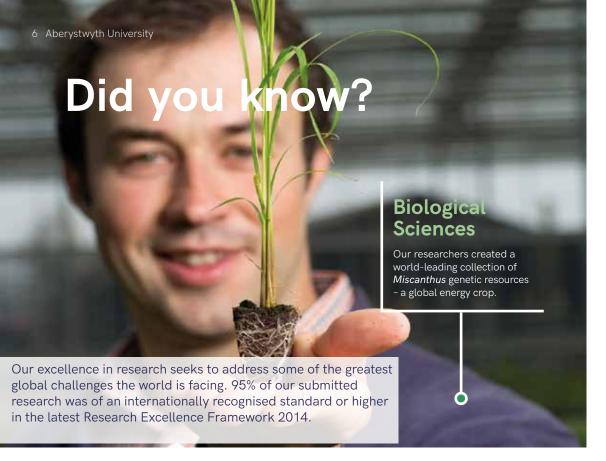












Geography

Did you know that a glacier in the Antarctic is named after an Aberystwyth glaciologist? Maybe you've heard of it – the Glasser Glacier.

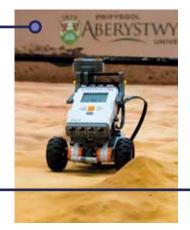
Physics

Did you know that our Department of Physics is involved in every European Space Agency (ESA) planetary mission from the Sun to Saturn and as a result the Aberystwyth University logo will be the first piece of Welsh text to be in space.

Art

Our researchers helped authenticate a painting thought to be Leonardo Da Vinci's earlier version of the Mona Lisa.













Theatre, Film and Television **Studies**

Did you know that the first and last of the Bridget Jones Diary films were directed by Aberystwyth graduate Sharon Maguire?



Computer Science

Did you know that Computer Science graduate Jan Pinkava directed The Incredibles and co-directed Pixar's Oscar-winning film Ratatouille?

Law

Our research has helped combat people trafficking in Romania.



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School of Art

The School of Art offers stimulating and creatively challenging courses. Our school has accredited museum status and our international significant art collections and galleries are a fitting symbol of our aim to bridge traditional skills with new technologies.

Undergraduate courses

Art History Creative Arts Fine Art

Postgraduate courses

Art History Art and Art History Fine Art

Our graduates are:

- University educators
- · Secondary school teachers
- · Art gallery managers
- · Museum or exhibition curators
- Journalists
- · Art directors in publishing
- · Conservators of easel painting, ceramics and works on paper

Key Facts

- **♦**91% Student Satisfaction (NSS 2019)
- 2nd in the UK for student satisfaction (The Complete University Guide 2019)
- ♦ Top 20 in the UK for the subject of Art & Design (The Times and Sunday Times, Good University Guide 2019)
- ♦97% of our graduates were in work or further study within 6 months (HESA 2018)



Biological, Environmental and Rural Sciences (IBERS)

At IBERS you will become part of a world-class teaching and research Institute. We are known for our innovative work that impacts on international, national and regional challenges in biology and health, and we pride ourselves on training skilful graduates that are ready to make their own impact on these challenges.

Undergraduate courses

Agriculture

Animal Behaviour

Animal Science

Biomedical Sciecnes (Nutrition, Health and Excerise)

Biochemistry

Biology

Conservation / Countryside Management

Equine Science and Veterinary Biosciecences

Genetics

Genetics and Biochemistry

Human Biology and Health

Life Science

Marine and Freshwater Biology

Microbiology

Plant Biology

Sport and Exercise Sciences

Veterinary Biosciences

Wildlife Conservation

Zoology

Postgraduate courses

Animal Science

Biosciences

Biotechnology

Environmental Management

Equine Science

Livestock Science

Parasite Control

Statistics for Computational Biology

Key Facts

- 2nd overall in the UK for the subject of Animal Science (The Times and Sunday Times, Good University Guide 2019).
- **♦**92% Overall student satisfaction (NSS
- Top 5 in the UK for research Quality (The Complete University Guide in the Times & Sunday Times)
- Top 5 in the Uk for graduate prospects in Agriculture & Forestry (The Complete University Guide 2019)
- 20 courses are accredited by the Royal Society of Biology
- ❖ 98% of graduates were in work or further study within six months (HESA

Our graduates are:

- · Research Scientists
- University Professors
- Zooplankton Taxonomists
- · Executive Secretary, International Whaling Commission
- · Environmental Officers
- · Development Scientists, Thermo Fisher Scientific
- Veterinarians
- Lab Technicians
- Journalists

"My degree in Genetics and Biochemistry gave me a good grounding that prepared me very well for my PhD. In fact, one of the courses, Gene Expression and **Developmental Genetics inspired** me to work in Developmental Biology, which is what I work at today. I will be eternally grateful for the chance I was given and the teaching I received."

Roger - Professor of Neurosciences, University of Copenhagen



"Aberystwyth as a town is fabulous and the best part about it is the coastline, and the friendliest people out there, they are truly amazing and welcoming. Aberystwyth University has made me more confident in life and has taught me."

Vikram Kittagali Mahadevaiah

Aberystwyth Business School

The Aberystwyth Business School has an excellent reputation for the quality of its teaching, learning environment and the cultural experience it offers its students. The Business School emphasises smallgroup teaching in their workplace-relevant degree schemes and are highly regarded by both students and employers.

Undergraduate courses

Accounting and Finance Adventure Tourism Management **Business Economics Business Finance Business Management Economics** Marketing Tourism Management

Postgraduate courses

Finance International Business Management International Business and Marketing International Finance Management and Finance MBA Business Administration

"I enjoy learning about how the economy works. How money isn't just printed out at any time but is controlled by the government. Economics allows me to understand the fundamental problems that all societies face. Moreover, it focuses on the interaction of the market and people, how economic agents behave or interact and how the economy works."

Fon Yih Young

Key Facts

- Best in Wales for Marketing (Complete University Guide 2018)
- 97% of graduates were in work or further study within 6 months (HESA 2018)
- Top 10 in the UK for Teaching Quality for the subject of Business & Management Studies (The Times and Sunday Times, Good University Guide 2019)

- · Chartered Accountants
- Economists
- Retail Bankers
- · Financial Traders
- · Marketing Executives
- · Advertising Copywriters
- · Media Buyers
- · Hotel Managers

Computer Science

The Department of Computer Science at Aberystwyth University is one of the longest established departments of computer science in the UK. The Department's commitment to their students has helped build an outstanding reputation amongst employers for producing innovative and forward-thinking graduates. The Department's strong links with major international companies offer students the opportunity to work all over the world.

Undergraduate courses

Artificial Intelligence and Robotics **Business Information Technology** Computer Graphics, Vision and Games Computer Science Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence Data Science Robotics and Embedded Systems Engineering Software Engineering Space Science and Robotics Web Development

Postgraduate courses

Computer Science (Software Engineering) Computer science Software Engineering (inc. Integrated Industrial and Professional Training) Data Science Statistics for Computational Biology

- · Software designers
- · Web developers
- IT Consultants
- · Game designers
- · Computer Sales Executives
- Educators



Education

At the School of Education we lead by example and believe that education should be inspiring and creative to stimulate students' minds. Our courses, along with the School's supportive and inclusive atmosphere, have ensured that 98% of our students are in work or further study within 6 months of graduating (HESA

Undergraduate courses

Childhood Studies Education

PGCF

Primary (3-11 years) Secondary: Biology with Balanced Science Chemistry with Balanced Science Physics with Balanced Science Mathematics Drama English Geography History

Key Facts

- ◆ 1st in the UK for course satisfaction in the subject of Education (The Guardian League Table 2019).
- Top 10 in the UK for Teaching Quality for the Times, Good University Guide 2019)
- ♦ 98% of our graduates were in work or further studying within 6 months (HESA 2018)
- Placement modules available to provide work

- Nurses
- · Social Carers
- · Speech therapists
- Teachers
- Social Workers
- · Play therapists



English and Creative Writing

The Department of English and Creative Writing at Aberystwyth delivers an outstanding student experience - our students are some of the happiest and best taught undergraduates in the country. Our staff are world-leading literary scholars and award-winning writers who inspire our students and support their development as experts in their chosen fields of study.

Undergraduate courses

Creative Arts Creative Writing **English Literature** English Literature and Creative Writing

Postgraduate courses

Creative Writing Literary Studies

Key Facts

- Top 10 in the UK for Teaching Quality and Student Experience for the subject of English (The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2019)
- ◆ 97% of research is of international standing or higher (REF 2014)
- Staff comprise of a team of literary scholars and award-winning writers
- Provides research led teaching of the highest
- ♦ 96% of graduates were in work or further study within 6 months(HESA 2018)

- · Art Directors in Publishing
- · Graphic Designers
- Editors
- Journalists
- · Marketing and Communication Directors
- Teachers



Geography and Earth Sciences

The Department of Geography and Earth Sciences is one of the largest and most well-respected of its kind in the UK, celebrating its centenary year in 2018. The Department offers a range of exciting, contemporary degree schemes across Geography, Earth and Environmental Sciences.

Undergraduate courses

Environmental Earth Science **Environmental Science** Geography Human Geography Physical Geography

Postgraduate courses

Environmental Change, Impact and Adaptation Practising Human Geography Remote Sensing and GIS

Our graduates are:

- Environmental consultants
- Planners
- Civil Servants
- Surveyors
- Teachers

Key Facts

- Best in Wales and in the top 15 in the UK for research quality (REF 2014)
- One of the oldest Geography Departments in the UK
- ₱ 91% overall student satisfaction (NSS)
- Top 10 in the UK for the subject of Geography & Environmental Science (The Times and Sunday Times, Good University Guide 2019).
- Options of integrated masters
- ♦ Year in industry available or study year abroad avaialble

"Geography at Aberystwyth is a match made in heaven. With two rivers running through the town, being a coastal environment and a tourist town as well as breath-taking scenery, the possibilities for research are endless. There are a vast amount of options you can study, all taught by world renowned experts who are happy to give you help whenever you need it. It can be summed up as the perfect place to study!"



History and Welsh History

From the ancient world to contemporary America, from the Samurai of Japan and the monks of medieval Wales to Victorian scientists and twentieth-century dictators, the Department of History and Welsh History at Aberystwyth will introduce you to cultures from across the globe and throughout time. The department has a staff of leading historians in their fields and a commitment to research-based teaching and smallgroup classes.

Undergraduate courses

History History and Welsh History Medieval and Early Modern History Modern and Contemporary History Politics and Modern History

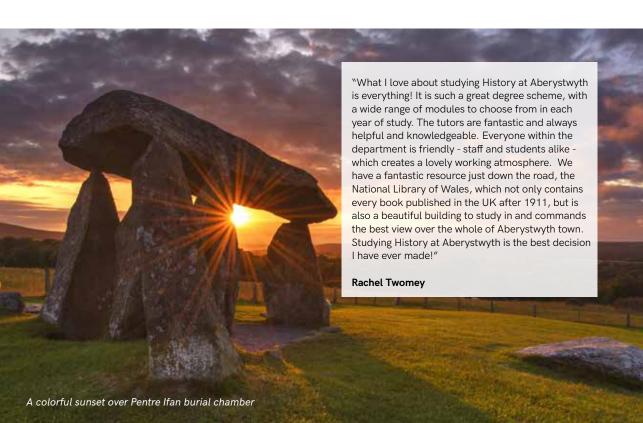
Postgraduate courses

History and Heritage History of Wales Medieval Britain & Europe Modern History

Key Facts

- Oldest History Department in Wales (1872) and one of the oldest in the UK
- Work placements available
- Small group and one to one teaching
- ♦ 96% student satisfaction for the subject of History (NSS 2019)
- 99% of our graduates were in work or further study within 6 months (HESA 2018)
- Year in industry available or study year abroad avaialble

- · Law professionals
- Archivists
- Publishers
- Politicians
- Civil Servants
- Armed Forces professionals
- Entrepreneurs



Information Studies

The Department of Information Studies at Aberystwyth is one of the largest providers of specialist, professional education in information studies in the UK. We offer a wide range of tailored courses in contemporary information, archives and records, digital curation and library studies.

Undergraduate courses

Cultural Heritage Studies: Libraries, Archives and Museums Computer and Information Sciences Information Management

Distance Learning

Information and Library Studies

Postgraduate courses

Campus Based

Archive Administration Digital Curation Information and Library Studies

Key Facts

- ♦ International research reputation
- Flexible learning options
- ♦ Access to the National Library of Wales, one of the Top European Libraries
- Dedicated Virtual Learning Environment for

Distance Learning

Archive Administration Digital Curation Digital Preservation Information and Library Studies Librarianship Management of Library and Information Services

- · Information Officers
- · Information Managers
- · Information Systems Officers
- · Information Analysts
- · Computer Systems Officers



International Politics

International politics today is about understanding and tacking global challenges. As a student in the Department of International Politics you will be perfectly placed to gain a deeper understanding of what those challenges are and what opportunities and obstacles shape how we manage them.

Undergraduate courses

International Politics International Politics and Global Development International Politics and Military History **Politics** Politics and Modern History Strategy, Intelligence and Security

Postgraduate courses

International politics (Research Training) International Politics (Specialist)

"The location, the course itself, feeling like home, being able to live on the seafront, and the affordability of the course compared to other universities in Britain, while maintaining the same quality of teaching, were all factors that influenced my decision to come here. It was clearly a good decision, as I have loved every second of it!"

Nora May Engeseth

Key Facts

- First department of its kind in the world, founded in 1919
- ❖7th in the UK for teaching satisfaction in Politics (The Guardian League Table 2019)
- Best in Wales and 7th in the UK for research quality (REF 2014)
- **②** 94% of graduates were in work or further study within 6 months (HESA 2018)
- Top 20 in the UK for the subject of Politics (The Times and Sunday Times, Good University Guide
- Year in industry available or study year abroad avaialble

- · Development sector professionals
- · Local and national government officials
- · Civil servants
- · Government researchers
- Social researchers
- NGO professionals
- Journalists

Law & Criminology

Law and Criminology, and their multiple facets, influence and affect all areas of modern life and society. Since 1901, the Department of Law and Criminology has built upon a rich heritage of academia and experience while also embracing modern learning techniques and resources to equip its students for careers in Law and Criminology.

Undergraduate courses

BA Law

LLB Law

Criminology

Criminology and Criminial Applied Psychology Criminology and Sociology

Specialist/Themed LLB Degree in:

Business Law

Criminal Law

European Law

Human Rights

Postgraduate courses

Environmental Law and Policy Human Rights and Humanitarian Law International Commercial Law

Law

Legal Practice

Key Facts

- Founded in 1901 as the first Law School in Wales.
- Top 10 in the UK for Student Experience for the subject of Law (The Times and Sunday Times, Good University Guide 2019)
- 98% of research activity rated internationally recognised and above (REF 2014)
- Strong international profile
- All LLMs are available through Distance Learning

Distance Learning

Environmental Law and Policy Human Rights and Humanitarian Law International Commercial Law Law

- Lawyers
- Solicitors
- · Legal Consultants
- · Legal Directors
- Partners
- · Investment Bankers
- · Corporate Finance Specialists



Mathematics

A mathematics degree at Aberystwyth introduces you to one of the most widely applicable of disciplines. Aberystwyth has the longest tradition in Wales of excellence in teaching and research in mathematics and our inclusive community will help you realise your ambition and use what you've learnt to make your mark on the world.

Undergraduate courses

Applied Mathematics / Pure Mathematics Applied Mathematics / Statistics Data Science Financial Mathematics Mathematical and Theoretical Physics Mathematics Pure Mathematics / Statistics

Postgraduate courses

Data Science Statistics for Computational Biology

Key Facts

- ◆ 1st in the UK for teaching satisfaction in Mathematics (The Guardian League Table 2019)
- All Mathematics research judged to be internationally recognised (REF 2014)
- 2nd in the UK for teaching quality for the subject of Mathematics (The Times and Sunday Times, Good University Guide 2019)
- 97% overall student satisfaction (NSS 2019)
- Foundation year available
- 96% of graduates were in work or further study within 6 months (HESA 2018)

- Statistical analysts in computational statistics
- Teachers
- Aeronautical Engineers
- · Accountants and Bankers
- · Risk Analysts in actuarial work
- · Financial Managers in investment analysis



Modern Languages

The Department of Modern Languages offers you the opportunity to study French, German, Spanish and Italian from beginners* or advanced level. We are among the few universities in the UK that give you the opportunity to study three Modern Languages simultaneously. We strive to provide innovative teaching which allows you to discover culture, history and develop your linguistic skills further.

*(minimum GCSE or equivalent in the choosen language to study at beginner level).

Undergraduate courses

French

Modern Languages
Spanish and Latin American Studies

Postgraduate PhD courses

European Languages

Key Facts

- 1st in the UK for graduate prospects in French (The Complete University Guide 2019)
- Sth in the UK for Modern Languages (The Guardian League Tables 2019)
- 6th in the UK for student satisfaction for German (Complete University Guide 2018)
- 95% of graduates are in work or further study within 6 months (HESA 2018)
- Well-equipped language laboratories with computer and video recording equipment
- Year in industry available or study year abroad avaialble

Our graduates are:

- · Translators and Interpreters
- Broadcasters
- Teachers
- Marketing professionals
- Human Resources professionals
- Website Developers
- · International Bankers

"The seafront is beautiful, the town is nice, and the university is great. The best memories are the moments I spent with the friends I met here, it was amazing to meet people from all around the world, and we had really good times in pubs or at the beach. I miss my friends the most, as well as the sunsets at the beach. Actually, I think I miss almost everything, as I had a really good time in Aberystwyth."

Maude Gonthier



Physics

When you study Physics at Aberystwyth, you will be part of a friendly, informal atmosphere in a Department with over 140 years of excellence in teaching and research. We are committed to small-group and laboratory-based teaching and we place a strong emphasis on project work where you can share our passion for the subject in our specialist areas of space, materials and quantum physics.

Undergraduate courses

Astrophysics **Engineering Physics** Mathematical and Theoretical Physics Physics with Planetary and Space Physics Space Science and Robotics

Postgraduate PhD courses

Materials Physics Solar System Physics

Key Facts

- Institute of Physics (IOP) accredited courses
- Top 10 in the UK for student experience (The Times and Sunday Times, Good University Guide 2019)
- Research Led Teaching
- ◆ Integrated Masters and integrated year in industry

- · Medical Physicists
- **Radiation Protection Practitioners**
- Research Scientists
- Systems Developers
- **Product Developers**
- Technical Authors Meteorologists
- "Aber has a very close-knit community with very kind people. Aber being a student town, it was very easy to adjust here. I was easily accustomed to the student life here with tons of friends who became a second family." Avishaa Kulkarni

Psychology

When you study Psychology at Aberystwyth you get more than an education in theory. You'll receive a passionate understanding of the subject from staff who care not only for psychology, but also the community spirit we are so very proud of. You'll find a home here, a personal and dedicated approach where you can be yourself.

Undergraduate courses

Psychology Psychology and Criminology Psychology and Education Psychology with Counselling

Postgraduate MPhil / PhD course

Psychology

Key Facts

- ♦1st in the UK for Student Satisfaction in Psychology (The Complete University Guide 2019)
- 2 2nd in the UK or teaching quality for the subject of Psychology (The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2019)
- ♦ 96% of graduates were in work or further study within 6 months (HESA 2018)
- Department and all degrees accredited by the British Psychology Society (BPS)
- 96% overall student satisfaction for the department of Psychology (NSS 2019)

- · Clinical, Educational, Occupational, Sports and Exercise psychologists
- Psychotherapists and Counsellors
- · Social Workers
- · Health Care professionals
- Careers Advisor
- · Marketing, Publishing, and Advertising professionals.



Theatre, Film and Television Studies

The Department of Theatre, Film and Television Studies at Aberystwyth is rooted in the beautiful, rural landscapes and culture of Mid Wales and enjoys an international reputation as a centre of excellence for its student experience. We offer a wide range of independent but interrelated study schemes that are all characterised by the combination of critical and creative approaches to our disciplines.

Undergraduate courses

Creative Arts Drama and Theatre Studies Film and Television Studies Film-making Liberal Arts Media and Communication Studies Scenography and Theatre Design Writing for Broadcasting, Media and Performance

Postgraduate course

Film Producing

Our graduates are:

- · Researchers, editors, floor managers, camera operators, designers and directors for film and television production companies
- Film distribution professionals
- · Freelance film-makers
- · Marketing and Public Relation professionals Film festival programmers

Key Facts

- 2nd in the UK in research capacity (REF 2014)
- One of the largest and most significant Departments of its kind
- Top 10 in the Uk for course satisfaction in Drama, Dance and Cinema (The Guardian League Table 2019)
- Strong links with industry with access to high profile work placements
- Excellent teaching facilities
- BBC Regional office located within the department
- **②** 98% of graduates were in work or further study within 6 months (HESA 2018)

"What I love about Film and Television Studies is the variety of different areas I've had the opportunity to be a part of. Last year I would never have had the confidence or know-how to organise a production team, to make and market short films and to work in a 3 camera studio. What I wanted from Aberystwyth University were the skills to become a film-maker; what I got were practical skills, knowledge of academic debates, and contacts that have given me an insight into the film and television indūstry."

Peter Gosiewski



Welsh and Celtic Studies

The Department of Welsh and Celtic studies is a close-knit yet outward-looking Department that offers a supportive environment for all its students, from absolute beginners to confident and fluent speakers. The broad research interests of our staff mean that Aberystwyth offers you a complete learning experience: Welsh language and literature, the Celtic languages and their literature, Celtic Studies, Professional Welsh, literary criticism, creative writing and translation studies.

Key Facts

- ◆ 100% overall student satisfaction (NSS 2019)
- ◆ 100% of graduates were in work or further study
- Largest department in Wales
- ♣ 4th in the UK for research (REF 2014)

Undergraduate courses

Celtic Studies Welsh (for beginners) Welsh and the Celtic Languages Irish Language and Literature/Education

Postgraduate course

Professional Translation Studies

"Aberystwyth is a place where you can express yourself and be accepted for who you really are. I will miss the gorgeous views and wonderful people and I will miss being in an environment that motivates you to become a better version of yourself."

Veronika Angelova Todorova



English Language Requirements

As our degree courses are taught in English, you will be required to demonstrate proficiency in English to study here. We accept a range of English language qualification with score or grades depending on course level and subject area.

- IELTS: 6.0 7.5 (depending on course level and type)
- TOEFL: score of at least 550
- Cambridge Certificate of Proficiency in English
- Pearson Test of English Academic score of 55 or more

For more information on other English language tests that we accept please contact us on international@aber.ac.uk.



Foundation Year Options

Foundation year at Aberystwyth University is an excellent introduction to study at university; from day one, you will be on track to earn a full Aberystwyth University honours degree.

A degree course with a foundation year enables you to gain the knowledge and skills required to succeed at degree-level studies. In addition, many of our Foundation year schemes offer some flexibility within the subject area giving you more time to decide on a specific subject pathway.

There are many reasons why a foundation year degree is for you:

- Unable to meet the typical university entry requirements;
- Unsure of what subject you want to study;
- Or perhaps you have been out of education for some time and are looking for a career change?

During the Foundation year of the degree, you will explore a range of subjects, develop essential skills such as research and critical analysis, developing arguments and self-evaluation.

Foundation year students have full access to all campus facilities, societies and everything else that Aberystwyth students' community has to offer. You will be supported by the University personal tutor system and have access to Student Support and Careers Services. Funding and availability of student loans is identical to all other undergraduates and you can apply for a place through UCAS in the same way as any other of our undergraduate degrees.

There are few fixed entry requirements, but each applicant will be assessed on an individual basis to ensure that they are right for the course and that the course is right for them.

Available courses

BSc Accounting & Finance

BSc Astrophysics

BSc Biology

BSc Business Economics
BSc Business Finance

BSc Business Information Technology

BSc Business & Management BSc Computer Science BSc Criminology

BSc Economics
BA Education

BA English & Creative Writing
BSc Environmental Science
BSc Environmental Earth Science

BSc Environmental Earth Sciences

BA Film & Television Studies

BSc Financial Mathematics

BSc Geography BA History

BA Human Geography BA International Politics

BA International Politics & Military History

LLB Law

BSc Life Sciences
BSc Marketing
BSc Mathematics

BSc Physical Geography
BSc Physics

BSc Psychology BA Sociology

BSc Sport & Exercise Science BSc Tourism Management



Visa and Student Support



The University has a dedicated team which is responsible for promoting the University overseas, co-ordinating student recruitment, developing and nurturing institutional and other links world-wide, along with managing study abroad and student exchange opportunities. Staff attend exhibitions and fairs in many parts of the world and can provide advice and guidance to you on studying in Aberystwyth.

International Student Adviser

Students who come from outside of the European Economic Area (EEA) or Switzerland will need a study type visa before they can enrol and study on a course at Aberystwyth University.

We have an International Student Adviser who can offer specialist immigration advice, help with applying for visas and answer any questions that you may have. While you are a student here we can also offer advice on protecting your visa, such as how many hours you are allowed to work, or whether you can bring family members to the UK.

For more information contact our International Student Advisor on - immigrationadvice@aber.ac.uk and visit our Visa and Immigration pages - www.aber.ac.uk/en/international/ visa-immigration-compliance/

Welcome Week

A special international induction week is organised for international students at the start of your first semester. We hold a Welcome Ceremony where you will get the opportunity to meet staff and other international students and enjoy a buffet and drinks to welcome you to Aberystwyth.

Mentoring Scheme

Our Signpost Mentoring Scheme is free, friendly and confidential. Our mentors, who are either third year undergraduates or postgraduate students, will assist you with any aspect of University life and help you to settle in smoothly.

Compliance Team

We have a Visa Compliance Team offering guidance and support on Visa Compliance issues before and after you arrive at Aberystwyth University. For further information please see www.aber.ac.uk/en/international/visaimmigration-compliance

The International Social **Programme**



International Student Trips

The International Office organises a social programme which allows students to explore places outside of Aberystwyth while meeting new friends. Day trips are organised all year round to places such as St Davids, Cardiff and Portmeirion and afternoon trips to local beauty spots such as Newquay, Nant yr Arian and the Elan Valley.

One World Week at Aberystwyth

One World Week is our annual Aberystwyth University event celebrating the diverse culture of our University. This is a student driven programme, including the One World Gala Evening with traditional dance and music, country themed evenings, international film afternoons, debates, and the World Fair, with traditional food and drink from student's home countries, as well as menus reflecting our diverse nationalities served in our University restaurant TaMed Da.





International English Centre

Aberystwyth University attracts students from all corners of the globe. We are proud of our multicultural and vibrant community located in the heart of Mid Wales.

Preparing for your Degree:

Pre-sessional Courses

If you have a degree offer from Aberystwyth University but need to improve your English, you can take a Pre-sessional Course. Pre-sessional courses help you develop the language and skills needed for degree success, and provide an in-depth introduction to British academic culture. Courses run for 6, 12, 30 or 42 weeks.

Course	Dates
42-week	23 September 2019
Pre-sessional Plus	- 11 September 2020
30-week	6 January 2020
Pre-sessional Plus	- 11 September 2020
12-week	22 June 2020
Pre-sessional	- 11 September 2020
6-week	3 August 2020
Pre-sessional	- 11 September 2020

International Foundation Courses

The International Foundation Certificate is for students who need to top up their academic qualifications, and/or improve their English before starting a degree. Pathways are available in:

- Business
- Computer Science
- International Politics
- · Law and Criminology
- · Film and Television Studies

Course	Dates
30-week International Foundation Certificate	23 September 2019 - 29 May 2020
30-week International Foundation Certificate	6 January 2020 - 11 September 2020
15-week Fast Track International Foundation	27 January 2020 - 29 May 2020

For more information on these courses, visit our website, or contact us.

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Study abroad

International Exchange Programme

Through our International Exchange Programme, you can spend a semester or a full academic year studying at one of our partner universities. The time spent abroad will usually take place during your second year and could be an integrated part of your degree.

We have an exciting collection of partners around the world, which enables our students to spend time in universities including USA, Canada, Australia, Hong Kong, China and Thailand. We also welcome many incoming students through our links with institutions across North America, Asia and Australia, to name a few.

Our current partners include:

USA

- American University
- · Boise State University
- Bowling Green State University
- Carroll University
- Purdue University
- Queen's University of Charlotte
- University of Alabama
- University of Georgia
- University of Montana
- Utica College
- Washington State University
- Willamette University

Canada

- Dalhouise University
- University of Guelph
- University of Ottawa
- University of Victoria

Australia

- University of New South Wales
- Deakin University
- Griffith University
 Murdoch University
- Murdoch University
- University of Newcastle

The rest of the world:

- Azerbaijan Diplomatic Academy (Business and Management specific)
- · Hong Kong Baptist University
- Renmin University, China (International Politics specific)
- Thammasat University, Thailand
- T.K. Zhurgenov, Kazakhstan

Study Year Abroad

We offer international students the opportunity to study at Aberystwyth for one academic semester or for the full academic year. Grades and qualification gained at Aberystwyth can be transferred to your home University. We welcome applications from international students who are currently studying at university or higher education institutions overseas who wish to experience life at a British University.

If you have any queries regarding a study abroad programme, please contact our Study Abroad Office at studyabroad@aber.ac.uk

Erasmus +

Erasmus + is the European Union's educational programme that provides opportunities to study and work abroad in a number of degree programmes. The period of study or work abroad is an integrated part of the degree on many of our courses and is a fantastic way to broaden your horizons and experiences.

Students who undertake an Erasmus+ placement will be eligible for a grant, calculated by the total amount of months spent, the nature of placement (study or work placement) and which country is chosen.

We have many partners across Europe which include:

- Germany: Heidelberg University
- France: La Sorbonne
- Spain: University of Cadiz
- Norway: University of Tromso
- Italy: University of Padova
- Ireland: Trinity College Dublin
- Poland: University of Wroclaw
- Austria: BOKU, University of Natural Resources
- Denmark: Aarhus University
- Turkey: Bilkent University
- Malta: University of Malta
- Czech Republic: Charles University

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Employability

Our aim as a University is to equip you with the knowledge and skills you need to take you where you want to go in life.

Alongside the modules you study for your degree, you'll also be offered opportunities to help you prepare for life after graduation.

Our Careers service provides a programme of workshops and training sessions to help you develop the skills you will need for your future. Many of our courses give you the chance to expand your horizons by spending part of your degree course studying abroad or you could choose a course that offers a year out in industry.

Industry Links

Employers, organisations, institutions and individuals often visit Campus to offer our students insights, advice, ideas and jobs. Here are some of our partner employers:

- OracleNational
- Trust
- Admiral
- QinetiQ
- Charteris Foundation
- Civil Service
- ACCA
- Network Rail
- IRM
- Enterprise Rent-A-Car
- Teach English in China
- Metropolitan Police
- **Endsleigh Insurance**

Year in Employment Scheme

Our Year in Employment Scheme allows you to undertake a work experience placement between your second and third year. The University will keep your place on your degree course, and when you return you will enter the third year of your degree, as if you'd never been away. Taking part in the scheme may also provide you with the opportunity to make or test decisions about a chosen career path; work abroad and learn a new language; secure sponsorship for your final year, or a promise of work after graduation. Most graduates return saying they feel better placed to take on the challenges of the third year by being more motivated, energised, can take a fresh approach to their work, and have acquired better time management skills.



Accommodation

At Aberystwyth, we offer a variety of styles and locations to find the space that works for you, with the majority of our residences being only a short walk away from campus.

Each residence has its own distinctive character offering you a safe and secure environment in which to socialise, study and relax. While iving in our accommodation, there is no need to worry about fluctuating bills as the accommodation fees include utilities, internet connection including Wi-Fi and a high level of personal contents

We offer a wide range of self-catered or part-catered accommodation with either en-suite rooms, or flats with shared facilities along with our self-contained studios, with prices ranging from approximately £85-135 per week. Whatever your requirements, we aim to provide an option that will suit you best.

As soon as you arrive our Campus Life Team will welcome you into your new home and our campus community.

Applying for accommodation

Once you have fulfilled the conditions of your academic offer we will send you an invitation to apply for accommodation both by e-mail and post. We advise that you complete your application as soon as possible, as we offer accommodation on a 'first-come, first-served' basis.

Living costs

This is a general example of the kinds of costs incurred by an undergraduate staying at Aberystwyth. Remember, these will vary according to lifestyle. Costs are calculated over the academic year which is usually around 39 weeks.

	University Residences		Private Sector	
Expenditure	Cost per week	Cost per annum	Cost per week	Cost per annum
Room	From £85.40	From £3330	From £65	From £2890
Food, Laundry & Toiletries	£45	£1,800	£45	£1,800
Bills (energy, internet)	Included	Included	£15 - £25	£600 - £1000
Contents Insurance	Included	Included		£88 - £178.13
Phone Contracts		£12.50 + per		£12.50 + per
		month		month
Books, Equipment & Stationery		£150		£150
Clothing		£200		£200
Social	£30	£1,170	£30	£1,170
Aber Sport Residential Package	Included	Included		£70 / £125
TV Licence		£150.50		£150.50
Extras	£10	£400	£10	£400

Please bear in mind that these are average costs. The residential costs at Aberystwyth are much lower than in some parts of the country. Travel costs within the town are low and general living costs are much cheaper.

Catered/Part-catered



Cwrt Mawr









- single rooms, in flats of 6-10 students
- · shared communal facilities with fullyequipped kitchen
- use of learning centres on Penglais Campus
- · located on Penglais Campus



Free Sports Centre Platinum membership.



Guaranteed Accommodation!*

- Price Band
- Catered / Part-Catered Residence
- Shower en-suite
- Laundry Rooms
- Wi-Fi
- **Dedicated Welsh Residences**
- Social and Study Areas
 - Parking

^{*}To qualify you must ensure that your application is received by the 1st of August 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. *guaranteed for the duration of your course for non-EU + UK students. Guaranteed for 1st year for EU + UK students

Self-catered



Fferm Penglais











- single en-suite rooms (with double beds), in flats of 6-8 students with shared kitchen/living area
- single self-contained studios also available
- on site shop and café, with social and study areas
- 5 minutes' walk from Penglais Campus



Pentre Jane Morgan









- single rooms, in houses of 5 or 6 students
- shared communal facilities
- use of The Lounge@PJM
- 5 minutes' walk from Penglais Campus



Self-catered



Cwrt Mawr







- single rooms, in flats of 6-10 students
- shared communal facilities
- use of TheLounge@Rosser
- located on Penglais Campus



Seafront Residences







- single rooms, in flats of 2-10 students
- · shared communal facilities
- use of learning centres on Penglais Campus
- 20 minutes' walk from Penglais Campus

Self-catered









- single rooms, in flats of 7 students
- shared communal facilities
- use of The Lounge@Rosser
- on Penglais Campus



Rosser G/Rosser









- single en-suite rooms, in flats of up to 8
- shared communal facilities
- use of The Lounge@Rosser
- on Penglais Campus

Sports and societies

Arts

- Aber Photography Society
- Art Society
- Broad-Ways Theatre and Film
- Curtain Call
- · Elizabethan Madrigal Singers
- Nomadic Players

Community

- Aber Pride
- Aberystwyth LINKS St John -Cymru Wales
- GradSoc (Graduate Society)
- Organic Food Co-op
- SSAGO (Scouts and Guides)
- VegSoc

Language and cultures

- AberBSL (British Sign Language)
- African Caribbean Society
- Erasmus and European Languages Society
- German Society
- Global Students Society
- Italian
- Malaysian Society
- **Nordic Society**
- **UMCA**

Environmental

- Aberystwyth Sustainability Society
- Bee Conservation Society
- Conservation Volunteers (ACV)

Fundraising / Campaigning

- Aber Marrow
- Aber WWF
- Marie Curie
- Oxjam Society
- Student Minds Aberystwyth
- Tickled Pink

Gaming

- Card Society
- Chess Club
- Community of Gamers
- Kaotica Wargames
- Pokemon GO
- WARPSoc

Department / course related

- AberCompSoc
- Aerospace Society
- · Agriculture Society
- Biochemistry Society

- Criminology
- Crisis Games and Model UN Society
- **Debating Society**
- **Education Society**
- **English and Creative Writing**
- Geography
- Global Development Society
- Interpol
- Law Society
- Marine Society
- Mathematics Society
- Physics and Astronomy Society
- **Psychology Society**
- Robotics
- **Zoology Society**

Interests and beliefs

- · Aber Car Enthusiasts
- Aber Dogs
- Aber Howl Society
- Aber Student Media
- AberPara (Aberystwyth Paranormal Society)
- Aberystwyth Beer Pong Society
- Aberystwyth Cartoon and Comic
- British Film and Television Society
- Catholic
- **Christian Union**
- Fantasy and Science Fiction
- Feminist Society
- Foxes in Bathrobes
- Knit Soc
- Medieval Re-enactment Society
- **Nightline**
- Real Ale Society

Music

- Abercoustic
- Kpop Society
- Roc Soc

Political

- Conservative Association
- Labour Students
- Student and Young Liberals
- Union and Liberty Society
- Yes Myfyrwyr

Sporting

- · Aber Archers (archery)
- Aber Pool Club
- · Aber Snow
- AberCycling
- Aerial Fitness (athletics)

The Students' Union is home to Team Aber, with competitive and noncompetitive sports clubs for all abilities and over 100 clubs and societies. Everyone should be able to find a new or existing hobby that interests them, and if not, you can even set up your own club or society!

- Aikido Club
- Airsoft
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Canoe and Kayaking
- Caving
- Clay Pigeon Shooting
- Cricket
- DanceSport
- Digs League Football
- Dodgeball
- Equestrian Club
- Expeditions
- Fencing
- Football Futsal
- Golf
- Harriers Athletics and Running
- Hiking Club
- Hockey Club
- Kalah System
- Karate
- Kickboxing
- Korfball
- Lacrosse
- Mountain Biking
- Mountaineering Club
- Panthers Street Dance
- Rugby (league and union)
- Sailing
- Showdance Slacklinking
- Squash
- Student Rowing
- Sub Aqua
- Surf Club
- Swimming and Waterpolo
- Table Tennis
- Taekwondo
- Tarannau Aberystwyth American Football Club
- Tarannau Cheerleaders
- Triathlon Club
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Underwater Hockey (Octopush)
- Volleyball
- Wrestling Society
- Yoga Society



Campus Community

Arts Centre

The Arts Centre is the perfect place to see a show, watch a film, enjoy some treats, buy your books and socialise with friends. There is something here for everyone whether it is a London West End show on tour, Abertoir (Horror Film Festival), Christmas Spectaculars or our annual food and craft fair.

The Arts Centre is the hub of culture at Aberystwyth. Its Theatre, Great Hall and Studio have hosted performances by nationally-recognised theatre and dance companies, like the National Theatre of Wales. The Arts Centre cinema screens new releases and live screenings by theatre companies, including the Royal Shakespeare Company.

Recognised by the Arts Council of Wales as one of the major galleries in Wales, the Arts Centre is the principle regional contemporary art gallery for mid and west Wales.

The Music Centre

The Music Centre provides you with the opportunity to join our choir or orchestra, or to continue playing your particular instrument. Located in the Old College, our teaching and practice rooms hold numerous pianos, a two-manual electronic organ, harp, harpsichord and chamber organ, as well as percussion and other instruments. There is even a Music Scholarship available to students who are skilled orchestral instrumentalists.

Libraries

Aberystwyth University's libraries offer flexible study spaces to suit everyone's learning, including group and individual study rooms, well-equipped computer facilities, and a wealth of learning resources that will enable you to thrive in your studies. The Hugh Owen Library is open 24 hours during term-times. The libraries also hold several rare and special collections providing you with access to unique learning materials.

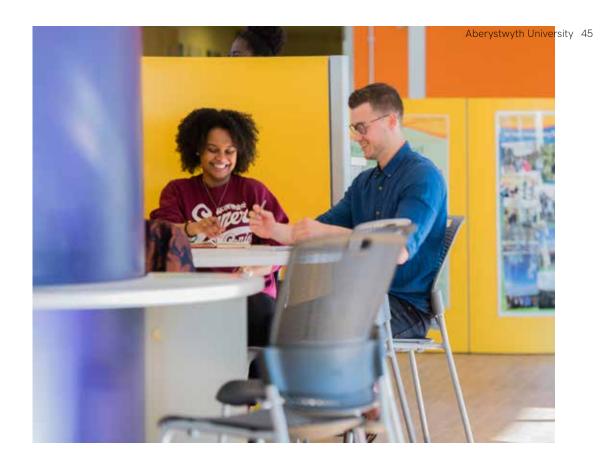
Student lounges

On Penglais Campus we have two buildings dedicated to relaxed studying, and some departments offer their own study areas. The Rosser Lounge and Pentre Jane Morgan Lounge are perfect for social study or studying in a more relaxed setting.

E-learning

Our Blackboard virtual learning environment gives you access to your course materials anywhere and anytime. This includes recordings of your lectures, submitting your assignments online, departmental announcements and online reading lists to assist your studies. Across campus we have around 800 computers available to use in libraries and dedicated computer rooms, some of which are available 24 hours.

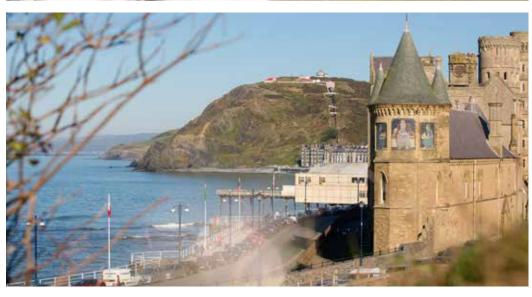
























How to Apply







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Submit your application to study with us

Apply via UCAS, or via our website for our a later date if you don't have all your results



Talk to us

on our website.

Email, call, get in touch on social media or in

help you. You can find out more about them

and when we'll be visiting your country next

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Funding and Scholarships



Start your journey at Aberystwyth University

Apply for your VISA (non-EU only)

Most International students need a VISA to study in the UK. Our International Student Adviser will help you with your application.



Apply for your accommodation

Once you have accepted your offer you car apply for University accommodation.



Book your flight

Don't forget to check out our website and register for an airport pick up!



Meet any remaining conditions

Still waiting for results? Send them to us as soon as you have them. Non-EEA students will need to submit their financial declaration form and pay their £2000 deposit before the University can process your CAS. Remember, the earliest date you will receive your CAS is 3 months before your course date.



Accept your offer to study at Aberystwyth!

Once you've looked at all your options, you can accept your offer either on UCAS for undergraduate courses, or by emailing us.

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

If you wish to stay overnight, then there are plenty of places for you to stay in Aberystwyth. The local Tourist Information Office (tel: 01970 612125) can provide you with a list of addresses.

If you are visiting during the University's vacation periods there may be student accommodation available for you (during April, June, July and September).

Meet us in your country:

We regularly travel to different countries around the world, visiting institutions and education fairs. To find out when an Aberystwyth University representative is next visiting your country, visit www.aber.ac.uk/

Meet and Greet

The University arranges a 'Meet and Greet' service for international students who fly into Birmingham airport in the days before registration each September. A coach service will be offered to transport students from the airport to their University accommodation. More detailed information regarding this service is available on our website prior to the start of the academic year.





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 and Information for Students. A copy of the current Rules, Regulations and Information for Students is available on request from the Academic Registry (01970) 622270.

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 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 see www.aber.ac.uk/en/apply for our Data Protection Information (Privacy Statement) should you with to apply to study with us.

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2019 Campus Open Days

Saturday 14 September Saturday 12 October Saturday 9 November

2019 Online Open Days

Thursday 28 November

www.aber.ac.uk/opendays

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