

# MASTER YOUR TOMORROW

**POSTGRADUATE, PROFESSIONAL AND RESEARCH GUIDE 2023**

# WHY USW

Choosing a postgraduate degree at USW means that you'll be part of a welcoming, diverse and flexible study environment, providing you with practical skills needed for future careers. Not only will you have a higher earning potential, but you'll also stand out in a competitive job market.

## TOP 4 REASONS

### 1 FLEXIBILITY

As people move into further education we understand that life keeps moving too, some of our postgraduate students gain personal and lifetime commitments along the way. Most of our courses are full time but we also offer part-time and some distance learning, to allow as much flexibility possible for you and your studies.



### 2 EMPLOYABILITY

We ensure your course is 100% focused on what employers need in the future, by developing and delivering our courses in exclusive partnerships with employers, the public sector and national bodies. Our facilities are purpose built and industry standard, which is why studying at USW is as close as you can get to being in industry while you're at university.

### 3

#### WELLBEING

The Wellbeing Service offers free advice, counselling and support to all USW students. To help create a better tomorrow, we welcome discussions about your mental and physical health, social welfare and much more.





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### SELF DEVELOPMENT

We understand that lifelong learning is essential and you may simply want to hone your skills in a subject area that you love. Our degrees are taught by academics who are world leaders in their fields of study. Depending on your course, you'll be supported through individual sessions with a Personal Academic Coach.



# UNDERGRAD TO POSTGRAD

**Many USW undergraduates enjoy their time so much that they decided to stay and start a postgraduate degree. There are a lot of benefits to staying with USW:**

## **FAMILIARITY**

You've made great friends and got used to finding your way around campus. You know where the best places are to grab a bite to eat and gather for socials. You just feel at home.

## **GREAT CONNECTIONS**

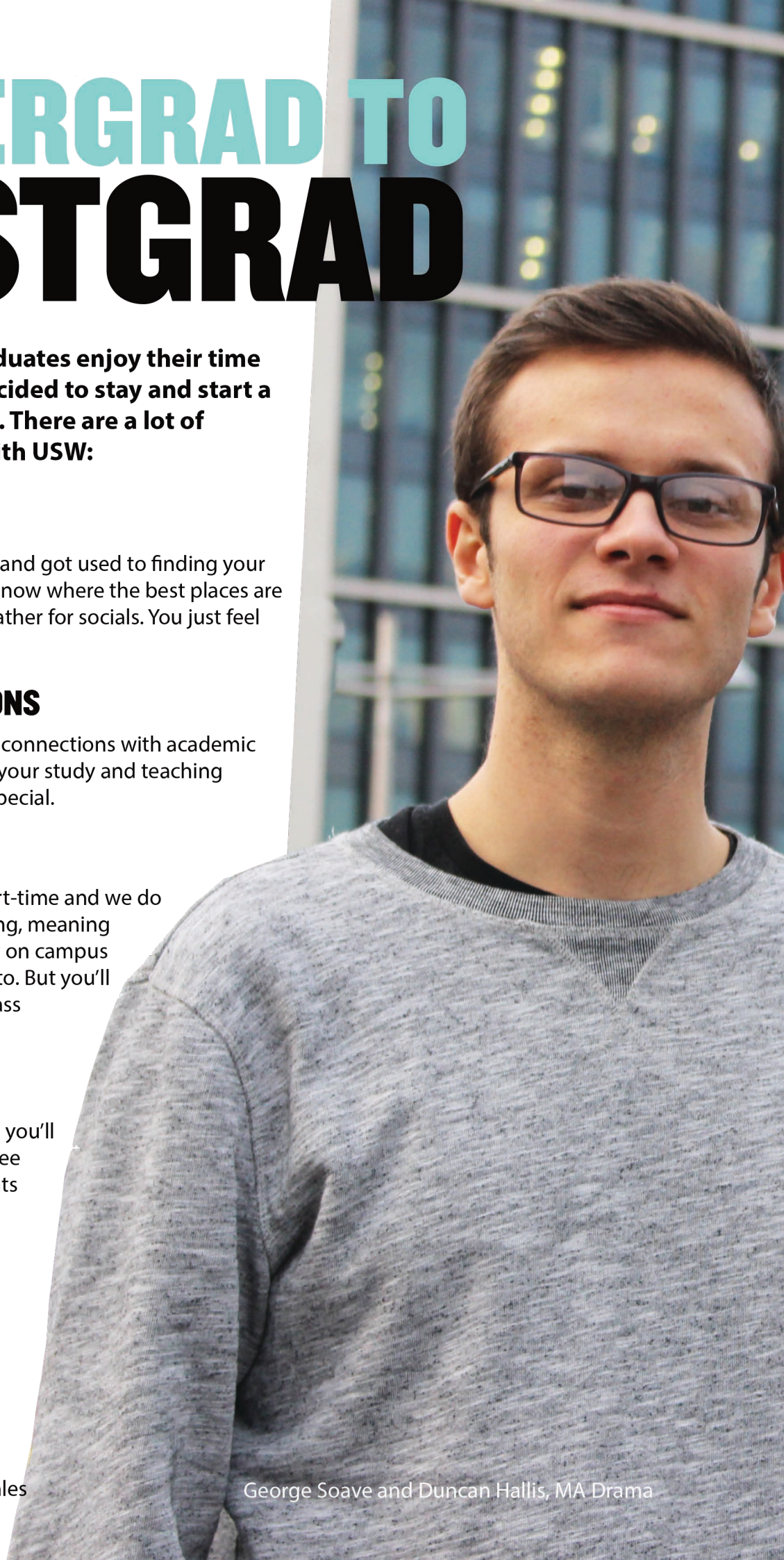
You'll also have built great connections with academic staff and mentors making your study and teaching experience that extra bit special.

## **FLEXIBILITY**

A lot of our courses are part-time and we do offer some distance learning, meaning that you don't have to stay on campus to study if you don't want to. But you'll still experience our first-class teaching.

## **PERKS**

As a recent undergraduate you'll find a load of perks from free careers services to discounts and scholarships.





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**Duncan Hallis**  
MA Drama



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Welsh Government





# CHOOSE YOUR PATH

Postgraduate qualifications are available at different levels, from Postgraduate Certificates to PhDs.

## WHAT SHOULD I STUDY?

**Taught courses** involve lectures and seminars followed by a dissertation or project. Courses are available full-time, part-time or through distance learning.

**Research degrees** means that you get to study an area in-depth, report your findings and be assessed through oral examination. You can study research degrees full or part-time.

**Professional development** is a great choice if you don't want to commit to a full degree, and we offer a range of short courses. Develop new skills, tools and techniques in a range of areas, from project management to procurement and supply.

## HOW SHOULD I STUDY?

### Full-time study

Choose to study full-time and normally you'll qualify in just a year. Whether you continue straight from your undergraduate course or you're return to learning, we will support you.

### Part-time study

Around half our students study part-time and spread their studies over a few years. Our realistic approach to learning means most courses have part-time options. Manage your workload around existing commitments, work or family life.

### Distance learning

Join our many students studying online. Our digital teaching includes online seminars, live lectures, green screen presentations and discussion boards. Impressive e-learning facilities mean you can access information when it suits you.



**THERE IS A GOOD MIX OF  
FULL AND PART-TIME  
STUDENTS. MANY WORK  
IN INDUSTRY WHILE  
STUDYING.**

**Adam Roberts**

MSc Construction Project Management



# OUR RESEARCH

**At the University of South Wales we provide solutions to problems that affect society and the economy is what underpins research at USW. We focus on your success not ours. Our reputation is made by the impact of our graduates, research and partnerships. They work to change our world and lives for the better.**



## **MASTERS BY RESEARCH (MA OR MSc)**

You will submit and defend via oral examination, a thesis demonstrating critical investigation and analysis of a topic. Full-time study will take one year, and part-time will take two years. Your submitted thesis will be up to 40,000 words.

## **MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY**

You will submit and defend via oral examination, a thesis demonstrating critical investigation and analysis of a topic. Full-time study will take up to two years, and part-time three years. Your submitted thesis will be up to 60,000 words

## **DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (PhD)**

**PhD by Thesis:** The most popular route to the award of PhD. You will initially register for an MPhil/ PhD. You will submit for examination and defend a thesis which must make an original contribution to knowledge. You can register directly for a PhD if you have a Masters degree with a substantial research element. It normally takes around three to four years full-time and up to five years part-time. Your submitted thesis will be up to 100,000 words.

**PhD by Portfolio:** You will submit for examination and defend an approved portfolio of up to three projects, together with a critical overview. They should show an independent and original contribution to knowledge equivalent to a PhD thesis. It takes between one and five years to complete part-time.

## **DOCTOR OF COUNSELLING PSYCHOLOGY (DPsych)**

This Professional Doctorate is accredited by the British Psychological Society (BPS) and approved by the HCPC. Students complete 450 supervised clinical hours and are taught modules at Masters and Doctoral level. You will submit a thesis up to 50,000 words and defend your work orally.

## **DOCTOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (DBA)**

This Professional Doctorate takes three to four years full-time and five to six years part-time. You will complete taught elements at advanced level and supervised, independent research. You will demonstrate an original contribution and submit a thesis of up to 100,000 words, and defend your work orally.

**PhD by Publication:** If you have an approved body of published work, and have strong links with USW or are a past or present member of staff or alumnus, you may be eligible to apply. You will submit for examination and defend your published work, together with a critical overview. Your work should demonstrate significant authorship and originality. It takes between one and two years to complete part-time.



# GRADUATE SCHOOL

The Graduate School is home to postgraduate research programmes and first point of contact if you are interested in a research degree.



## CONTACT US

[gradschool@southwales.ac.uk](mailto:gradschool@southwales.ac.uk)  
[gradschool.southwales.ac.uk](http://gradschool.southwales.ac.uk)

 **USWresearch**



## POSTGRADUATE COMMUNITY

Research students will be registered and supervised by expert academics in their faculty. The Graduate School provides many comprehensive development opportunities, which bring researchers from different disciplines together into one community.

## A FLEXIBLE SPACE

The Graduate School's flexible space is designed with postgraduate research study in mind. It includes spaces for self-study, supervision and group meetings, workshops and seminars, and networking events.



## HOW TO APPLY

1

**DECIDE ON YOUR RESEARCH TOPIC.**

2

**CONTACT OUR GRADUATE SCHOOL TO DISCUSS WHERE YOUR TOPIC FITS.**

3

**WRITE A PROPOSAL OF UP TO 2,000 WORDS. FOR DETAILS VISIT OUR WEBSITE.**

4

**SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS THROUGH OUR APPLICATION PAGES. THE PROPOSAL REVIEW PROCESS MAY TAKE SEVERAL WEEKS.**

5

**YOUR PROJECT MAY BE SELF-FUNDED, OR YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE FOR SCHOLARSHIPS OR FUNDING. CONTACT OUR GRADUATE SCHOOL.**

6

**SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS WILL RECEIVE AN OFFER TO START IN EITHER OCTOBER, JANUARY OR APRIL.**



# OUR IMPACT

USW's impact on the region, on Wales, and on the UK is clear. We are rooted in South Wales yet our contribution to the economy and society can be felt far and wide. Our impact is not purely a financial one – the University undeniably creates jobs both directly and indirectly, stimulates the wider economy through our students and staff, and assists the jobs market by producing highly skilled graduates every year who are ready to work in their chosen industry. But we do so much more than that.



**READ MORE**

## **SUPER BUGS IN SEWAGE HELP CONVERT STEELMAKING EMISSIONS INTO SUSTAINABLE RAW MATERIALS FOR OTHER INDUSTRIES**

Billions of microscopic bacteria are helping scientists convert emissions from Tata Steel's blast furnaces into products which could be used by other industries to make products such as food packaging to animal feed. A pilot project, led by the University of South Wales (USW), has been set up at the two huge Port Talbot iron-making furnaces. While still in its infancy, the project has already shown promising results.





## **USW LEGAL ADVICE CLINIC PARTNERSHIP HELPS PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS**

A project helping provide free legal advice to people experiencing homelessness in Cardiff has won a national award in recognition of its impact on the community.

Cardiff Lawyers Care – a partnership between USW Legal Advice Clinic, Cardiff & District Law Society and homelessness charity The Wallich, was named the winner of the LawWorks Cymru Award, which recognises pro bono work in Wales.

**READ MORE**

## **USW DOUBLES ITS SANCTUARY SCHOLARSHIPS FOR REFUGEE STUDENTS**

USW is expanding its Scholarships for refugees and people seeking sanctuary in Wales. From 2023, USW will offer two undergraduate and two postgraduate level scholarships, as well as providing further support for refugees who want to study at Higher Education level but do not speak English as their first language. As a University of Sanctuary – one of only two in Wales with this status – USW is doubling its scholarship provision in line with its Strategic Equality Plan for increasing diversity and promoting inclusion.

**READ MORE**





# FACILITIES



## HYDRA SIMULATION CENTRE

The Hydra Simulation Centre provides a unique learning and teaching environment and is used to conduct immersive, simulated scenarios for a variety of students from our Police Sciences, Nursing and Social Work to Public Health, Business and Marketing courses. Hydra is a training tool that enables the monitoring of group dynamics, real-time leadership and naturalistic decision making in critical incidents. Scenarios are immersive and often replicate real-life conditions, allowing students to deal with real-life situations in a safe learning environment.

## TEACHING AND EDUCATION FACILITIES

At USW Newport, you will learn in an environment that fully prepares you for the world of work. There are spaces that recreate different learning spaces including classrooms, science laboratories and flexible learning spaces as well as technological resources including augmented and virtual reality. The University is an accredited Apple Regional Training Centre.



## CRIME SCENE LABORATORIES AND TRAINING FACILITIES

Our crime scene laboratories are used by forensic science and professional policing students to learn more about particular types of evidence such as fingerprints, footwear marks, tyre treads and blood spatter patterns. Our crime scene investigation house contains a number of realistic crime scene simulations – from domestic burglaries and break-ins, to more complex scenes such as homicides and fatal fires.



## CLINICAL SIMULATION CENTRE

Our Clinical Simulation Centre replicates clinical environments for education and training. These include two, four-bedded bays to simulate a hospital setting, dedicated paediatric and maternity facilities, including a special care baby unit, an intensive care environment and an emergency department with a fully equipped ambulance simulator.

## USW SPORT PARK

Get hands-on in our multi-million-pound USW Sport Park, where you'll use the same facilities, tools and techniques that attract elite athletes and professional teams from all over the world. At USW, every sport student is provided with high-quality USW sportswear at no extra cost, ensuring all students are professionally equipped for hands-on learning.





# EMPLOYABILITY

**Each year, USW makes a total economic contribution of £1.1 billion and supports 10,600 jobs in the UK.**

We develop and deliver our courses in exclusive partnerships with employers. This ensures your degree is current, our equipment is state-of-the-art and work placements are relevant, all to equip you with the skills employers will need in the future. It's why 95% of our graduates are in full time work or further study within six months. (DHLE 2018)

## CAREERS

USW Careers is here to encourage and guide you throughout your time as a student at USW and even after you graduate. From work experience, CV writing workshops and interview coaching, to helping you explore career options and supporting student enterprise, we are here to help you achieve your ambitions.

## GO WALES

USW is a partner in the ESF-funded GO Wales Achieve Through Work Experience programme. This supports eligible students who have barriers in accessing work experience.

## CARDIFF CAPITAL REGION GRADUATE SCHEME

USW is a strategic partner on a internship scheme to link graduates with businesses in Cardiff. Interns get paid graduate-level employment, a new professional network and a fully funded qualification.

## STUDENT ENTERPRISE

Our student enterprise services offer one-to-one support and mentoring throughout the year, as well as a range of interactive events and workshops for students and graduates who are interested in developing their enterprise skills.

## ENACTUS USW

Supported by the South Wales Business School and Student Enterprise, our international student-led organisation has over 72,000 members in 37 countries. It arranges development opportunities, trips, training weekends and competitions.





**USW IS A STRATEGIC PARTNER ON AN INTERNSHIP SCHEME TO LINK GRADUATES WITH BUSINESSES IN CARDIFF.**



## **PARTNERSHIPS**

- Admiral • Amazon
- BBC • BT • Capital Law
- Deloitte • GE Aviation
- Hilton • Hugh James
- John Lewis • Next
- NHS Wales
- PricewaterhouseCoopers
- South Wales Police
- Tata Steel
- Welsh Government





# YOUR WELLBEING

**To help build a better tomorrow, we welcome you to discuss topics about your physical and mental health.**

We care about our students and try our very best to look after your every need. From our disability and free confidential wellbeing service, to our impressive libraries and on-campus childcare.

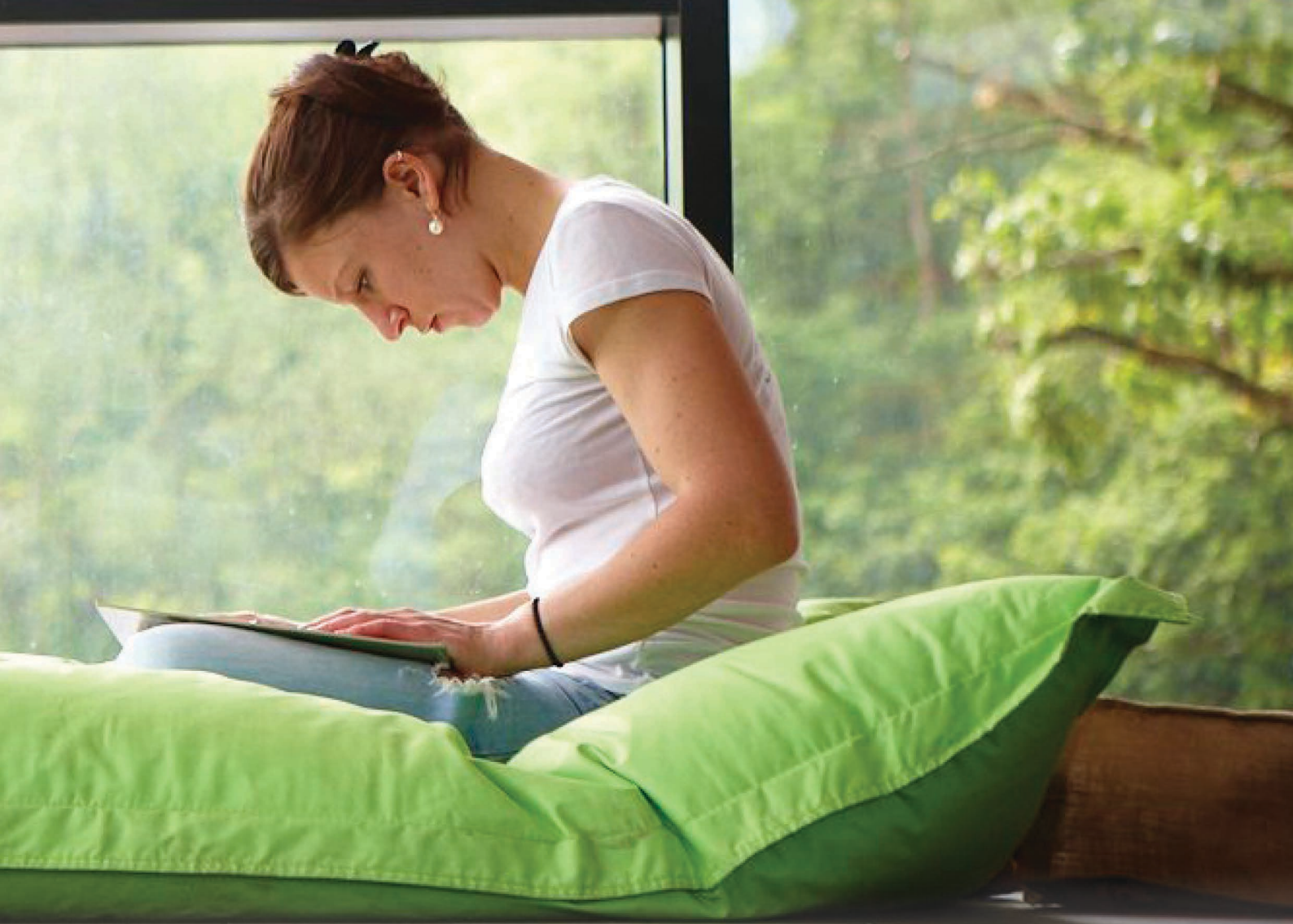
## **STUDENT ADVICE**

Advice Zone is the first place to go for all your student enquiries. You can access support and book appointments online, or there is a friendly face-to-face team on each campus.

## **STUDENT MONEY**

In uncertain times you have to invest in something you believe in – yourself. Find out how you can fund your studies and start your tomorrow at USW. Our Student Money Advice team can help you manage your money and offer advice on student funding.





## **DISABILITY SUPPORT**

The Disability Service provides information, advice and guidance to and co-ordinates support for disabled USW students. This includes students with physical, sensory, mental health or unseen disabilities, specific learning difficulties (e.g. dyslexia) and autism. We provide a confidential service where you can discuss your individual requirements.

We can advise you on what support is available and help you apply for it. For further details visit: [\*\*www.southwales.ac.uk/disability\*\*](http://www.southwales.ac.uk/disability)

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**WE CARE ABOUT OUR  
STUDENTS AND TRY OUR  
VERY BEST TO LOOK AFTER  
YOUR EVERY NEED.**



# INTERNATIONAL SUPPORT

**The University of South Wales is proud to be a truly international community, with students from 200 countries across the globe.**

To make your travel easy, we organise arrival services for when you first travel in the UK. These are available throughout the year from Cardiff International Airport (CWL) and Heathrow Airport (LHR), London.

## A USW WELCOME

Our International Welcome Programme runs social events to help you make friends and get used to being in the UK before your academic induction and enrolment. Most activities are free and include information sessions on living, learning and driving in the UK. There are social activities, trips, cooking classes, picnics and quizzes.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADVICE

If you are a national of a country outside of the UK, you may need a visa to study. Our immigration and International Student Advice team will support you. You can chat with an adviser through our website or e-mail:

**[international.advice@southwales.ac.uk](mailto:international.advice@southwales.ac.uk)**





## FEES AND SCHOLARSHIPS

We understand that studying in the UK is a big financial investment, so we make studying at USW affordable. We offer competitive tuition fees, generous scholarships and convenient payment plans. The cost of living in the area is considerably lower than in other parts of the UK. We offer scholarships worth up to £2,500 for international students studying postgraduate courses. We are also a Chevening Partner university and have welcomed Chevening scholars from all over the world.

Visit: [www.southwales.ac.uk/international/fees-scholarships](http://www.southwales.ac.uk/international/fees-scholarships)

## INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH

Our Centre for International English offers English language programmes at different levels. Courses help develop your skills academically and socially. Visit: [www.southwales.ac.uk/international-english](http://www.southwales.ac.uk/international-english)

## ACCEPTING YOUR OFFER

Once you have received an offer, we will advise you on accepting your place, and how to make an application for a CAS. Once you've secured your CAS, we will keep you updated with pre-departure arrangements and accommodation information.



**WHEN I GRADUATE, I'M  
PLANNING TO WORK AS A  
DIRECTOR IN CUSTOMER  
CARE MANAGEMENT,  
EXERCISING THE KNOWLEDGE  
I'VE GAINED FROM  
MY COURSE.**

**Happy Mang'ache**

Master of Business Administration (MBA)

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# CARDIFF

**USW's Cardiff campus is in the creative centre of the capital.**

Cardiff is a modern, multicultural capital city that will surprise you. There's always something happening or new places to discover.

Lots of USW students choose to live in Cardiff, even if they study elsewhere. Well known as a city of culture and entertainment – it's a popular student city that knows how to enjoy itself.

If you are based in Cardiff why not book tickets and support your local ice hockey team, the Cardiff Devils. Watch a Six Nations rugby match at the Principality Stadium. Sing along with some of the world's biggest names in the Principality Stadium or Motorpoint Arena or attend an array of events at Cardiff Castle.

If you fancy something more relaxed, you could take a stroll around the vintage arcades or have a picnic in Bute Park, followed by a boat trip down to the bay to watch one of the latest theatre productions at the Millennium Centre.



**CARDIFF HAS A PURPLE  
FLAG ACCREDITATION  
MEANING WE OFFER A  
DIVERSE, ENTERTAINING  
AND SAFE NIGHT OUT.**







Cardiff Campus



Millennium Centre



Cardiff Bay



View of Bute Park, Cardiff



# NEWPORT

**Newport is an independent, multicultural city that's full of ideas and opportunities.**

It's bidding to become the UK City of Culture 2025, which would be a year-long celebration of Newport's diversity and communities that are rich in culture, tradition and language.

Our modern campus is on the riverfront, home to a community of learning that's dedicated to improving people's lives.

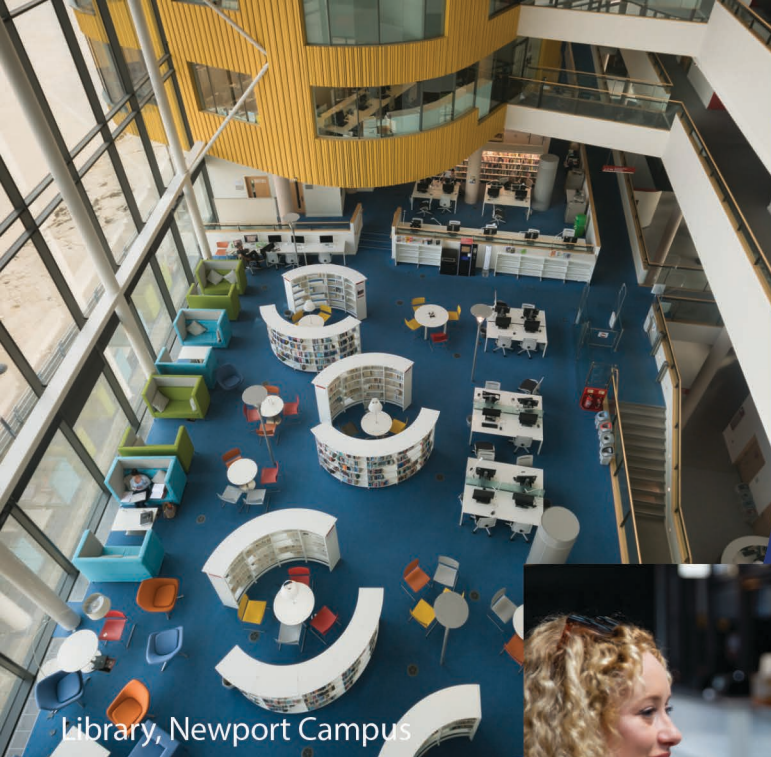
Newport has something for everyone, from historical Roman baths and museums to exploring the wetlands. With Friars Walk retail

development less than a five-minute walk from campus, you can relax over a bite to eat or head to the gym. Newport also has a wide range of bars and nightclubs to suit any taste and is even home to the multi-award-winning brewery, Tiny Rebel.

The Riverfront Theatre also provides lots of events enjoyed by students including comedy nights, drama productions, film screenings and live music. Student work is also regularly displayed in the Theatre Gallery spaces.







Library, Newport Campus



Newport city centre



Newport Market



Newport Campus



# PONTYPRIDD

**USW Pontypridd is framed by green hills and easy access to the awe-inspiring Brecon Beacons National Park. Here, you'll have space to focus and horizons to explore.**

A diverse and friendly community is at the heart of our Pontypridd campus. Here, you'll find everything you need. Halls on campus are a big part of the community atmosphere that our students love.

From Pontypridd, you can enjoy all that South Wales has to offer – city life and culture, stunning beaches and breath-taking countryside. It is a town filled with history and heritage and plenty to discover. Uncover hidden gems in the local markets, go for a swim in Ponty's heated lido or stay on campus and enjoy your five minutes of fame at a karaoke night in the Students' Union.





Glyntaff, Pontypridd Campus



USW Sport Park



Ynysangharad Park



Lido, Pontypridd





# HOW TO APPLY

## 1

Register for an Open Event:

[www.southwales.ac.uk/open-days](http://www.southwales.ac.uk/open-days)

Research finance options, including postgraduate loans and scholarships.

## 2

Apply for the course online:

[www.southwales.ac.uk/apply](http://www.southwales.ac.uk/apply)

Feel free to contact us with any questions.

## MAKING YOUR APPLICATION

### Taught Courses

To see our courses visit:

[www.southwales.ac.uk/postgraduate-study/](http://www.southwales.ac.uk/postgraduate-study/)

Apply online:

[www.southwales.ac.uk/apply](http://www.southwales.ac.uk/apply)

### Research Courses

To apply you can contact the Graduate School.

Email: [gradschool@southwales.ac.uk](mailto:gradschool@southwales.ac.uk)

Visit: [gradschool.southwales.ac.uk](http://gradschool.southwales.ac.uk)

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## APPLICATION ASSISTANCE

### UK Students

E-mail: [enquiries@southwales.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@southwales.ac.uk)

Call: 03455 760 599

### International and EU Students

E-mail: [international@southwales.ac.uk](mailto:international@southwales.ac.uk)

Call: +44 (0) 1443 654 450



# 3

Once you've applied you'll receive an acknowledgement email.

Make sure to track your application via your applicant portal.

# 4

We aim to respond to your application within five working days\* and may e-mail you for further information.



## IMPORTANT REMINDERS

To avoid delays, make sure you fully complete all sections of your application and remember to attach any requested documentation.

For closing dates and interview sessions, please check your course page: [southwales.ac.uk/postgraduate-study/](https://southwales.ac.uk/postgraduate-study/)



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**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS AFTER YOU HAVE APPLIED,  
EMAIL: [ADMISSIONS@SOUTHWALES.AC.UK](mailto:ADMISSIONS@SOUTHWALES.AC.UK)**



# FEES AND FUNDING

Postgraduate study may be more affordable than you first thought. There's a number of ways to fund your postgraduate study, and this can be through student finance, bursaries, grants, trusts and charities or a combination of each option.

## TUTION FEES

Postgraduate tuition fees, including part-time fees, vary depending on what, how and where you study. For the latest information visit our **course pages**.

For UK and EU students, fees are usually payable on enrolment and can be paid online. You can also pay by card plan instalments. Visit: **[payments.southwales.ac.uk](https://www.southwales.ac.uk/payments)**

## RESEARCH FEES AND FUNDING

For details of tuition fees and funding for research degrees visit: **[www.southwales.ac.uk/researchdegree](https://www.southwales.ac.uk/researchdegree)**

## POSTGRADUATE FUNDING

There may be support and funding available, such as postgraduate student loans and grants. To find out what is available and if you are eligible, visit: **[www.southwales.ac.uk/money](https://www.southwales.ac.uk/money)**

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES

You may be entitled to money to fund your study and living costs, that does not have to be paid back. How much a student receives, how it is paid and who can receive it will vary depending on the scholarship or bursary, but the money doesn't usually have to be paid back (unless you decide to leave the course early).

## CHARITIES, TRUSTS AND FOUNDATIONS

You may be eligible for financial support from external Grants, Trusts or Charities or through other funding. You may also be eligible for extra funding if you are an unpaid carer. Some students may also be able to claim state benefits while studying. Our advisors can help you with applications, book an appointment: **[www.southwales.ac.uk/money](https://www.southwales.ac.uk/money)**

## DISABLED STUDENT'S ALLOWANCE

If you have a disability, mental health condition or specific learning difficulty, you may be eligible to apply for DSAs: **[www.southwales.ac.uk/disability](https://www.southwales.ac.uk/disability)**

## ALUMNI DISCOUNT

USW alumni, including University of Glamorgan and University of Wales, Newport Alumni, may be eligible for a 20% discount on many postgraduate taught courses enrolling in 2023-2024\*



**THE ONLINE ALTERNATIVE GUIDE  
TO POSTGRADUATE FUNDING IS  
ALL ABOUT ALTERNATIVE  
SOURCES OF FUNDING ESPECIALLY  
CHARITIES WHICH CAN MAKE  
AWARDS (FEES, MAINTENANCE,  
RESEARCH COSTS) TO ANY  
STUDENT REGARDLESS OF  
SUBJECT, OR NATIONALITY.  
[WWW.POSTGRADUATE-  
FUNDING.COM/GATEWAY](http://WWW.POSTGRADUATE-FUNDING.COM/GATEWAY)**





# ACCOMMODATION

## KEEP AN EYE OUT

**AFTER ACCEPTING AN OFFER FOR YOUR COURSE, YOU'LL BE SENT AN E-MAIL ASKING YOU TO REGISTER FOR ACCOMMODATION. SO, KEEP AN EYE ON YOUR INBOX AND ALWAYS REMEMBER TO CHECK YOUR JUNK FOLDER.**







## **POSTGRADUATE ONLY**

Exclusively for postgraduate and mature students, you can live with like-minded people. Study in a quiet atmosphere, with social events and amenities close by to unwind.

## **PRIVATE RENTAL**

If you prefer to rent privately we can help. Search our database of local authority-registered landlords, visit:  
[www.southwalesstudentpad.co.uk](http://www.southwalesstudentpad.co.uk)

## **LIVING AT HOME**

Many postgraduate students live at home and commute to university. As a USW student, you get a 5% discount on annual train tickets with Transport for Wales. With Pontypridd and Newport campuses only a direct train ride away, many students live in Cardiff and commute. Contact our Advice Zone for details.

## **EASILY ACCESSIBLE ACCOMMODATION**

Many rooms have additional facilities for a range of disabilities. We allocate rooms depending on individual requirements. Contact our accommodation office for more details.

## **GUARANTEED INTERNATIONAL ACCOMMODATION**

We offer international students guaranteed accommodation for postgraduate study.\* To be eligible, you must accept your offer to study and apply for accommodation by 5 June 2023.

## **STAY FOR THE SUMMER**

You could live on campus during July or August. Rooms can be booked for any length of stay, subject to availability.

## **CONTACT US**

**01443 482 845**

**[accom@southwales.ac.uk](mailto:accom@southwales.ac.uk)**

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



# USW FAMILY

**USW is a diverse and welcoming University, where you'll find people just like you. We pride ourselves on the support we give our students, ensuring they have everything they need to thrive.**

## CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

If you join a society or sports club at USW, you'll meet lots of new people and get involved in all sorts of activities, from demonstrations and day trips to nights out and parties. Whatever you're interested in, you can meet likeminded people or discover something new. Some of the clubs and societies you could join include LGBT+, Rocketry, Snowsports, Cheerleading, Debate, Film, Rowing, and Cyber Security.

## EXTRA PERKS

From professional body memberships and free tickets to festivals and theatre productions, access to industry-standard equipment and tech resources, there's so much more to your degree at USW. To find out more about the extra perks available on your course, visit:  
**[www.southwales.ac.uk/perks/](http://www.southwales.ac.uk/perks/)**

## ALUMNI

Upon graduation, you'll become a life-long member of the alumni network. A global community of more than 250,000 alumni. Join the USW Alumni LinkedIn and build friendships or establish possible future career connections.

You'll also get support after graduation by gaining free use of USW Careers services, access to our sport facilities, discounted access to libraries, updates from our alumni magazine 'E-luminate' and more. If you fancy giving back to the university why not try volunteering:  
**[www.southwales.ac.uk/alumni/](http://www.southwales.ac.uk/alumni/)**



## UNIBUDDY

**Want to know more about student life, what it's like to study a course at USW or live in South Wales? Chat to our Unibuddies, a group of student ambassadors who have been there, done that and got the USW t-shirt.**



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**I WAS HUGEY APPRECIATIVE OF  
THE TUTORS FLEXIBILITY AND  
ABILITY TO SUPPORT ME THROUGH  
BOTH OF THE PROGRAMMES  
OUTSIDE OF HOURS AND  
THROUGH REGULAR CALLS.**

**Carys Richards**

MSc Human Resource Management  
Senior Vice President, Human Resources –  
Middle East and Africa at Mastercard



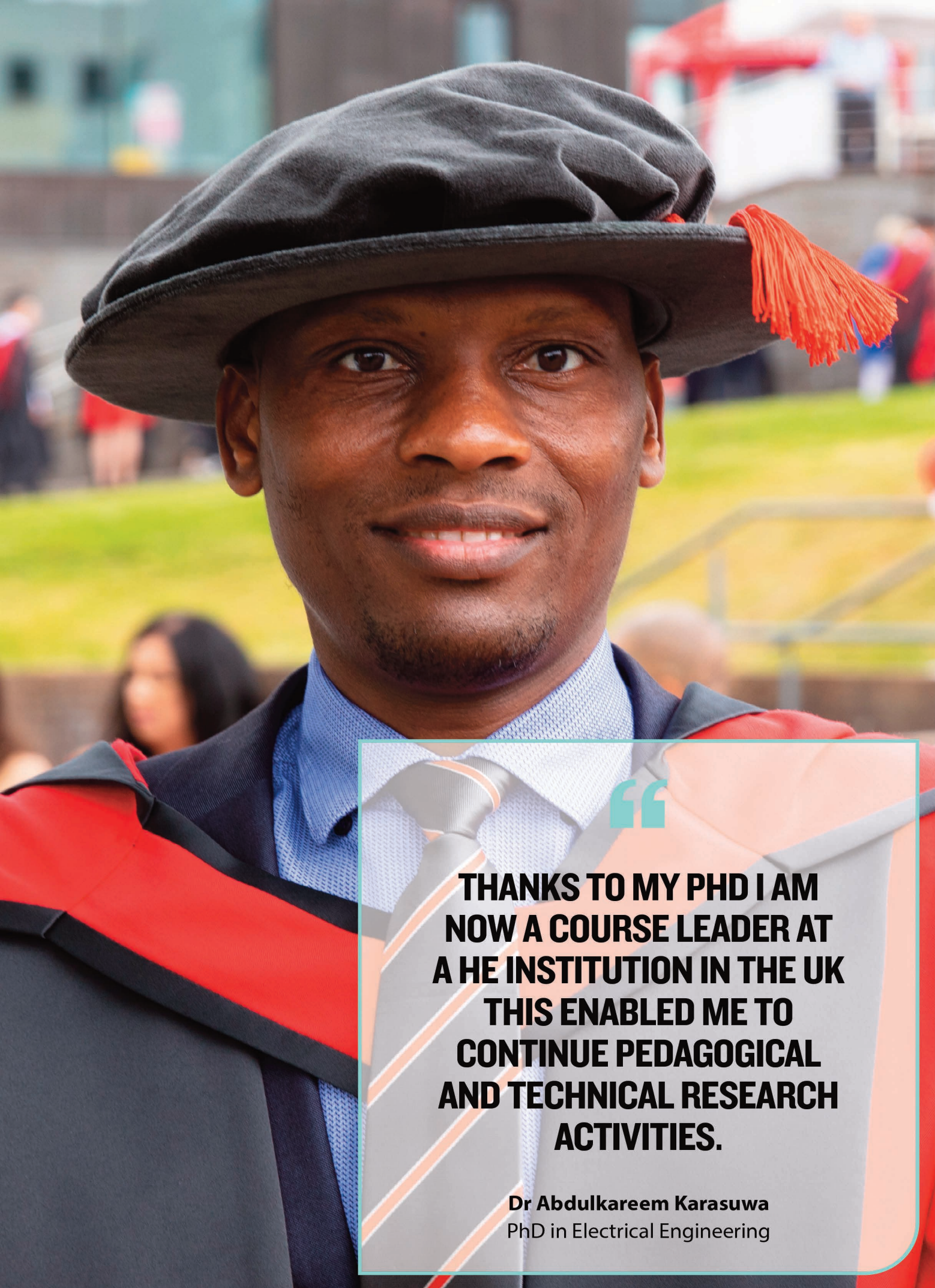




**I COMPLETED A NUMBER OF PLACEMENTS IN DIFFERENT SETTINGS, AND I BELIEVE THAT THE EXPERIENCES I HAVE GAINED FROM MY STUDIES HERE ARE WHAT GOT ME MY JOB.**

**Hannah Richards**  
MSc Behaviour Analysis and Therapy





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**THANKS TO MY PHD I AM  
NOW A COURSE LEADER AT  
A HE INSTITUTION IN THE UK  
THIS ENABLED ME TO  
CONTINUE PEDAGOGICAL  
AND TECHNICAL RESEARCH  
ACTIVITIES.**

**Dr Abdulkareem Karasuwa**  
PhD in Electrical Engineering



A close-up portrait of a young woman with long, dark, wavy hair, smiling slightly. She is wearing a white top with a black floral pattern. The background is softly blurred.

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**MY DEGREE AT USW IS  
RECOGNISED WORLDWIDE SO  
I WAS CONFIDENT THE  
COURSE WOULD PROVIDE  
ME WITH THE SKILLS,  
KNOWLEDGE AND  
EXPERTISE TO SUCCEED.**

**Nancy Philip Selvaraju**

MSc Aviation Engineering and Management





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**WHAT I'VE ENJOYED MOST ABOUT STUDYING HERE IS THE BALANCE OF THEORY WITH THE PRACTICAL. YOU GET A LOT OF HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE AND THAT'S BEEN INVALUABLE FOR ME.**

**David Watson**  
Post Compulsory Education and  
Training (PcET)



A close-up portrait of a young man with dark, wavy hair and a slight smile, wearing a dark blue shirt. The background is a soft, out-of-focus grey.

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**THE COURSE IS TAILORED TO EMPLOYABILITY. ITS CONTENT IS OF THE HIGHEST QUALITY AND, IT WILL SHARPEN YOUR SKILLS. SO, YOU WON'T BE OUT OF YOUR DEPTH IN PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT.**

**Bradley Bowckett**  
MA Film (Screen Writing)





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**WHAT MAKES THIS COURSE  
STAND OUT IS THAT AFTER  
ONE YEAR OF LEARNING, WE  
GET AN OPPORTUNITY TO PUT  
KNOWLEDGE INTO PRACTICE  
THROUGH A PLACEMENT.**

**Sri Satyavolu**

MBA (Master of Business Administration) Global



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COURSE	QUALIFICATION	CAMPUS	STUDY MODE	START DATE
<b>ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE</b>				
Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA)	ACCA	<b>N</b>	FT	Sept
Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA)	ACCA	<b>N</b>	PT	Sept   Jan
Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)	ICAEW	<b>N</b>	PT	Sept   Jan
Financial Services Management	MSc	<b>C</b>	PT	Sept
Professional Accounting (with ACCA tuition)	MSc	<b>N</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Jan
Finance and Investment	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb
Forensic Audit and Accounting	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb
<b>ANIMATION AND GAMES</b>				
Animation	MA	<b>C</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Games Enterprise	MA	<b>C</b>	FT   PT	Sept
<b>ART AND DESIGN</b>				
Arts Practice (Art, Health and Wellbeing)	MA	<b>C</b>	PT	Sept
Art Psychotherapy	MA	<b>N</b>	PT	Sept
Design Innovation	MA	<b>C</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Graphic Communication	MA	<b>C</b>	FT   PT	Sept
<b>BUILT ENVIRONMENT</b>				
Construction Project Management	MSc**	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb†
Safety, Health and Environmental Management	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb†
<b>BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT</b>				
Doctor of Business Administration	DBA	<b>P</b> <b>D</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb
Master of Business Administration*	MBA**	<b>P</b>	FT	Sept   Feb
Master of Business Administration*	MBA**	<b>N</b>	PT	Sept
Master of Business Administration Global	MBA	<b>N</b>	FT	Sept   Feb
Master of Business Administration Global – Supply Chain	MBA	<b>N</b>	FT	Sept   Feb
Master of Business Administration Global – Marketing	MBA	<b>N</b>	FT	Sept   Feb
Master of Business Administration Global – Human Resource Management	MBA	<b>N</b>	FT	Sept   Feb
Master of Business Administration Global – Finance	MBA	<b>N</b>	FT	Sept   Feb

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<b>BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT (CONTINUED)</b>				
Master of Business Administration Global – Entrepreneurship	MBA	<b>N</b>	FT	Sept   Feb
Management*	MSc**	<b>P</b>	FT	Sept   Feb
Engineering Management*	MSc**	<b>P</b>	FT	Sept   Feb
Human Resource Management	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT	Sept   Feb
Human Resource Management	MSc	<b>N</b>	PT	Sept
Leadership and Management	MSc**	<b>N</b>	PT	Sept
Leadership in Healthcare	MSc   PgDip	<b>D</b>	PT	Sept   March
Project Management	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb
Strategic and Digital Marketing	MSc	<b>C</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Strategic Procurement Management	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb
Strategic Procurement Management	MSc	<b>N</b>	PT	Sept
International Logistics and Supply Chain Management	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT	Sept   Feb
International Logistics and Supply Chain Management	MSc	<b>N</b>	PT	Sept
<b>COMPUTING</b>				
Computer Science	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb <sup>†</sup>
Artificial Intelligence	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb <sup>†</sup>
Data Science	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb <sup>†</sup>
Applied Cyber Security	MSc	<b>N</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb <sup>†</sup>
Computer Forensics	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Computer Systems Security	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Computing and Information Systems	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb <sup>†</sup>
<b>CRIMINOLOGY</b>				
Crime and Justice	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Working with Adult and Young Offenders	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept

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<b>EDUCATION</b>				
CAMH (Child and Adolescent Mental Health)	MA   PgCert**	<b>N</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Education (Innovation in Learning and Teaching)	MA   PgCert**	<b>N</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Education (Wales)	MA	<b>N</b>	PT	Sept
MA Education (Wales): Additional Learning Needs	MA	<b>N</b>	PT	Sept
MA Education (Wales): Leadership	MA	<b>N</b>	PT	Sept
Leadership and Management (Education)	MA   PgCert**	<b>N</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Post Compulsory Education and Training (PcET)	PGCE   PgCE   ProfCE	<b>N</b>	FT   PT	Sept
SEN/ALN (Autism)	MA   PgCert**	<b>N</b>	FT   PT	Sept
SEN/ALN (Additional Learning Needs)	MA   PgCert**	<b>N</b>	FT   PT	Sept
SEN/ALN (Specific Learning Difficulties)	PgDip	<b>N</b>	PT	Sept
Returning to Teaching	University Certificate	<b>N</b>	PT	March
<b>ENGINEERING</b>				
Aeronautical Engineering	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT	Sept   Feb
Aviation Engineering and Management	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb <sup>†</sup>
Civil Engineering (Structural)	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb <sup>†</sup>
Civil Engineering (Environmental)	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb <sup>†</sup>
Electronics and Information Technology	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb <sup>†</sup>
Mechanical Engineering	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT	Sept   Feb
Mobile and Satellite Communications	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb
Professional Engineering	MSc	<b>D</b>	PT	Sept   Feb
<b>ENGLISH</b>				
English by Research	MA	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Jan   Apr   Oct
MPhil (Writing)	MPhil	<b>P</b>	PT	Oct
<b>ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES</b>				
Advanced Applied Field Geoscience	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Renewable Energy and Sustainable Technology	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb <sup>†</sup>
Wildlife and Conservation Management	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Safety, Health and Environmental Management	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb <sup>†</sup>

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FILM				
Film	MA	C	FT	Sept
Film (Cinematography)	MA	C	FT	Sept
Film (Directing)	MA	C	FT	Sept
Film (Documentary)	MA	C	FT	Sept
Film (Editing)	MA	C	FT	Sept
Film (Production Management)	MA	C	FT	Sept
Film (Screenwriting)	MA	C	FT	Sept
Film (Visual Effects)	MA	C	FT	Sept
HEALTH				
Acute Medicine	MSc   PgDip	D	PT	Sept   March
Acute and Critical Care	PgCert   BSc (Hons)	P	PT	Sept
Advanced Clinical Practitioner	MSc	P	PT	Sept
Applied Health Economics	MSc   PgDip	D	PT	Sept   March
Clinical Psychiatry	MSc   PgDip	D	PT	Sept   March
Community Health Studies (Specialist Practitioner District Nursing)	MSc	P	PT	Sept
Community Health Studies (Children's Community Nursing)	MSc	P	PT	Sept
Community Health Studies (Specialist Practitioner Community Children's Nursing)	BSc (Hons)	P	PT	Sept
Community Health Studies (Specialist Practitioner District Nursing) with integrated V100	BSc (Hons)	P	PT	Sept
Community Health Studies (Specialist Practitioner General Practice Nursing)	BSc (Hons)	P	PT	Sept
Cosmetic Medicine	MSc   PgDip	D	PT	Sept   March
Dementia Studies	MSc	P	FT   PT	Sept
Dermatology in Clinical Practice	MSc   PgDip	D	PT	Sept   March
Diabetes	MSc   PgDip	D	PT	Sept   March
Education for Healthcare Professionals	PgCert	P	PT	Sept
Endocrinology	MSc   PgDip	D	PT	Sept   March
Gastroenterology	MSc   PgDip	D	PT	Sept   March
Genomics Medicine and Healthcare	PgDip	D	PT	Sept   March
Independent Prescribing Practice	40 credit module	P	PT	Sept
Leadership in Healthcare	MSc   PgDip	D	PT	Sept   March



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<b>HEALTH (CONTINUED)</b>				
Medical Education	MSc   PgDip	<b>D</b>	PT	Sept   March
Nursing (Adult)	PgDip	<b>P</b>	FT	Sept
Nursing (Child)	PgDip	<b>P</b>	FT	Sept
Nursing (Learning Disabilities)	PgDip	<b>P</b>	FT	Sept
Nursing (Mental Health)	PgDip	<b>P</b>	FT	Sept
Obesity and Weight Management	MSc   PgDip	<b>D</b>	PT	Sept   March
Pain Management	MSc   PgDip	<b>D</b>	PT	Sept   March
Palliative Care	PgCert	<b>D</b>	PT	Sept
Preventative Cardiovascular Medicine	MSc   PgDip	<b>D</b>	PT	Sept   March
Professional Practice	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Public Health	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb
Renal Medicine	MSc   PgDip	<b>D</b>	PT	Sept   March
Respiratory Medicine	MSc   PgDip	<b>D</b>	PT	Sept   March
Return to Practice	40 credit module	<b>P</b>	PT	Jan
Rheumatology	MSc   PgDip	<b>D</b>	PT	Sept   March
Sexual and Reproductive Medicine	MSc   PgDip	<b>D</b>	PT	Sept   March
Specialist Community Public Health Nursing (Health Visiting) (School Nursing)	MSc   BSc (Hons)	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	April
Sports and Exercise Medicine	MSc   PgDip	<b>D</b>	PT	Sept   March
<b>HISTORY</b>				
History by Research	MA	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Jan   Apr   Oct
<b>JOURNALISM</b>				
Visual Journalism	MA		FT	Sept
<b>LAW</b>				
Legal Practice Course	LPC	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Laws	LLM	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb
Laws (International Commercial Law)	LLM	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept   Feb
Legal Practice	LLM	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept

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MUSIC AND PERFORMANCE				
Drama	MA	C	FT   PT	Sept
Music Engineering and Production	MSc	C	FT   PT	Sept
Songwriting and Production	MA	C	FT   PT	Sept
PHOTOGRAPHY				
Documentary Photography	MA	D	PT	Sept
POLICING AND SECURITY				
International Security and Risk Management	MSc	D P	FT   PT	Sept
Professional Policing	MA	D	FT   PT	Sept
PSYCHOLOGY, PSYCHOTHERAPY AND COUNSELLING				
Clinical Psychology	MSc	P	FT   PT	Sept
Cognitive Behavioural Therapy Skills	PgCert	N	PT	Sept
Counselling Psychology	DPsych	N	FT   PT	Sept
Integrative Counselling and Psychotherapy	MA   PgDip	N	PT	Sept
Integrative Counselling Skills	PgCert	N	PT	Jan
Behaviour Analysis Supervised Practice	PgDip	P	FT	Sept   Feb
Music Therapy	MA	N	PT	Sept
Play Therapy	MSc	N	PT	Sept
Psychology by Research	MSc	P	FT   PT	Sept
Art Psychotherapy	MA	N	PT	Sept



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RELIGIOUS STUDIES				
Buddhist Studies	MA	<b>D</b>	PT	Feb
SCIENCE				
Analytical and Forensic Science	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Applied Sciences	MRes	<b>P</b>	FT	Sept
Pharmaceutical Chemistry	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT	Sept   Feb
SOCIAL POLICY				
Health and Public Service Management	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT	Sept
SPORT				
Advanced Coaching in Strength and Conditioning	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Advanced Performance Football Coaching	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Leadership in Sport	MA	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Jan
Personal Development in Sport	PgCert	<b>P</b>	PT	Jan
Sports and Exercise Medicine	MSc   PgDip	<b>D</b>	PT	Sept   March
Sport, Health and Exercise Science	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Sports Coaching and Performance	MSc	<b>P</b>	FT   PT	Sept
Executive Coaching and Development	MSc	<b>N</b>	PT	Sept
YOUTH WORK				
Working for Children and Young People (Youth Work Initial Qualifying)	MA	<b>N</b>	FT   PT	Sept



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