International Prospectus 2018

This is your place

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Welcome to your International prospectus...

... and to Aberystwyth University. It isn’t always easy to decide what you want to study and where to go to university – but we hope you will find everything you need here to help you with that choice.

Aberystwyth is a well-established university with a long tradition of academic excellence, but it is also very forward looking. We’re small enough to be friendly and to allow contact across departments, but big enough to have a wide range of study programmes.

Our course structure is flexible and responsive to your needs, and you can also enhance your employment prospects by acquiring additional computing, language and presentational skills.

You can come to Aberystwyth to study for a degree full time, part time or for a study abroad or exchange placement. All of this adds up to a real commitment to our fantastic student experience.

The lively student town of Aberystwyth, located on the dramatic west coast of Wales, offers an interesting and varied experience. Aberystwyth is a great place to be a student, as you will discover as you browse through this prospectus. Better still, come and visit us to see for yourself the superb location and our excellent academic, social and sporting facilities.

Our staff and students will be very happy to talk to you about the many advantages of studying at and living in Aberystwyth, and we can promise you a warm and genuine welcome to our University and community.

Thank you for reading this, and the very best of luck with your study choices.
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Aberystwyth has something for everyone. Chosen as the UK’s greatest town in 2015, it is a vibrant, safe, coastal community, where students are a major part of everyday life. The town has a range of shops, a growing café culture, and a lively nightlife.

Our natural and built environment is truly spectacular. Students often choose to take advantage of our coastal location by using our beaches as a contemplative space to study, socialise with friends at a barbeque or party, relax by watching dolphins swim across the bay, or participate in a range of water sports. The activities and facilities available within the University and town combine to offer a superb student experience.
Aberystwyth and the area

Aberystwyth University is located in beautiful unspoilt scenery on the shores of Cardigan Bay. The beaches at Aberystwyth and the surrounding areas have been awarded a Seaside Award for cleanliness. The landscape, flora and fauna in the area are quite outstanding and several Sites of Special Scientific Interest are close to the University. Red kites regularly fly over the campuses and bottlenose dolphins can be seen offshore.

As well as being naturally beautiful, the area provides a wide range of recreational activities and great days out.

Just outside Aberystwyth, Bwlch Nant yr Arian offers you a starting point for great walks and sites to have picnics whilst watching red kites being fed. It is also home to some world-class mountain biking trails.

Eating out

The town offers a cosmopolitan choice of places to wine and dine, with a wide range of world cuisine to choose from – Mediterranean, Caribbean, Indian, Chinese, Thai, Turkish, Italian, Greek, Spanish, Welsh and much more.

There are plenty of places where you can enjoy a nice meal with your friends without blowing your budget. There is also a growing café culture in Aberystwyth, with a number of great places to meet your friends or lecturers for a coffee, or even a spot of lunch.

Nights out

No matter what type of night out you enjoy, Aberystwyth has an array of choices. All of the establishments in town offer a warm welcome to students and some of them offer live music and events. The town has achieved Purple Flag status, recognising Aberystwyth as an entertaining, diverse, safe and enjoyable place for a night out.

Shopping

The town offers a shopping experience where lots of independent shops hold their own against the high street giants. There are several clothes shops with a great selection of brands and one offs, and some great vintage treasure chests to rummage through. Most of the main high street shops can also be found in town. If you like food, then you’ll be in your element! There are specialist shops for cheese, organic produce, coffee, sweets, seafood, oriental cuisine, spices and local meat; and the award-winning farmers’ market where you can sample local food.
Culture at Aberystwyth

There are numerous opportunities for you to experience different cultural activities at Aberystwyth, whether it’s a trip to the theatre, watching a film or comedy act, taking part in music events, or being part of a choir. You can do it all at Aberystwyth.

Aberystwyth Arts Centre

Our award-winning Arts Centre on campus hosts performances from major national and international touring companies, as well as producing its own in-house productions. The event programme offers everything from comedy, to theatre, popular music and opera.

The Arts Centre also houses a 3D cinema which screens art-house and foreign-language films as well as new releases. It also has cafés, craft and book shops.

The Arts Centre offers classes in both performing and visual arts and is recognised by the Arts Council of Wales as one of the major galleries in Wales.
The International Office

Social Programme

International Student
Trips

Our International Office organises a social programme which allows students to enjoy trips and events all year round. Day trips are organised to places around Wales at the weekends, including Cardiff, St Davids, Portmeirion and Harlech Castle. Afternoon trips to beauty spots close to Aberystwyth are regularly organised including visits to Aberaeron, Nant Yr Arian and the Elan Valley. All trips are very low cost and give our students a chance to enjoy visiting places outside Aberystwyth while meeting new friends.
One World Week is an annual Aberystwyth University event celebrating the diverse culture of our university. Previous celebrations have included the One World Gala Evening, with traditional dancing and music, Political debates, Country Gala evenings, international film afternoons and a World Fair with food and drink samples from students home countries, with traditional menus served in our University restaurant Tamed Da. This is a student driven event held in collaboration with the Students’ Union and requires your input! Start dreaming about what you will share from your country!
Students’ Union

Aberystwyth University’s Students’ Union is at the heart of student life. Run by elected student officers, the Union exists to enhance and support your student experience. Services offered include representing the student voice, counselling services and volunteer projects.

The Students’ Union organises many social events and club nights in addition to coordinating more than 100 sports clubs and societies. It houses numerous food outlets, a Starbucks coffee shop and several bars which offer a sociable and relaxing space to unwind and meet friends.
Sports and Lifestyle

Aberystwyth offers a wide range of sports activities, to suit all levels and abilities. You don’t have to be particularly sporty to enjoy the range of activities and classes available at Aberystwyth. In addition to the great outdoors, the Sports Centre on campus offers a wide range of fitness and well-being classes designed to help you maintain a healthier lifestyle in a way that suits you.
Learning support facilities

At Aberystwyth we have excellent libraries, learning resources, computing and teaching equipment to support your research, learning and help you to succeed in your chosen subject.

Libraries
At Aberystwyth you will enjoy access to a very well-equipped library service, providing study places for around 1,000 students, with a variety of individual and group study areas. The University’s libraries house more than 644,000 books, provide access to more than 150,000 e-books, subscribe to over 45,000 periodical titles, and hold a substantial DVD collection. They are open for up to 91 hours a week during term time, with the Hugh Owen Library open for 24 hour access during term-times.

As a student at Aberystwyth you have free access to the National Library’s 6 million books and journals, 5 million digital images and electronic resources, 30,000 rare manuscripts, 1.5 million maps, and 7 million feet of film, 15 km of unique archives, and much more.

Computing facilities
There are around 800 computers available for student use in libraries and dedicated computer rooms, some of which are available 24 hours. These computers offer a range of specialist software to support your studies.

A wide range of electronic resources including e-journals and e-books are available on and off-campus, allowing 24 hour access to key readings.

The National Library of Wales
Situated next to the University’s Penglais Campus is the National Library of Wales, one of only five copyright libraries in Britain entitled to receive a copy of every book published in the UK.
The International English Centre (IEC) is Aberystwyth University’s British Council accredited language centre. The IEC has courses to help participants meet the English language requirements for a degree, develop their academic skills or simply improve their English.

**Support before your degree**
The IEC offers high quality courses, personalised teaching and strong pastoral care. We keep classes small (maximum 16) to ensure every student receives individual attention, and each student has a personal tutor to support their individual learning needs.

**Pre-sessional Courses**
These intensive courses of between 6 and 42 weeks are for students who have been offered a place on a degree at Aberystwyth University but need to improve their English first. The courses provide a thorough preparation for degree-level study. The 6-week course is also open to students who have met the English requirements for a degree but want a head start at university.

**International Foundation Certificate**
Success on our International Foundation Certificate guarantees progression onto a range of degree schemes at Aberystwyth University.

The Foundation Certificate is for students who have completed high school in their own country but do not have the qualifications to begin a British degree, or who have not met the English language entry requirements for a degree. Pathways in Business; Law & Criminology; Theatre, Film & Television Studies; International Politics and Computer Science are available.

**Support during your degree**
Undergraduate and postgraduate students who want to continue improving their writing and communication skills during their studies will find plenty of support. This includes undergraduate modules, weekly drop-in seminars and free 1x1 consultations for students who need advice on improving their English language skills or their academic writing.

**Other IEC courses**
The IEC runs a popular English Language Summer School complemented by a programme of trips and social activities for people seeking to improve their English in a friendly, cosmopolitan environment. Courses run for between 2 and 10 weeks.

During the academic year, participants can also join the Target English Course for between 4 and 30 weeks to improve their general and academic language skills.

English Language Teachers can refresh their teaching skills and language knowledge on a 2-week Teacher Development Course in the Summer, and groups can request bespoke courses tailored to meet their specific needs.

Full details (including course fees, dates and entry requirements) can be found on the IEC website [www.aber.ac.uk/en/international-english](http://www.aber.ac.uk/en/international-english).
International Exchange Programme

Aberystwyth University has an exciting collection of partners around the world and we are delighted to be able to send out students every year to countries such as the USA, Canada, Australia, Hong Kong, China and Thailand. Whilst there, you will benefit from being treated to the same rights and privileges as full time students. Most of our partners are able to accept students on an institute wide basis whilst a small number are currently department specific. Students can study in many cases for either a full academic year or a single semester and all results count towards your final result. All marks are converted into their British equivalent and vice versa.

Aberystwyth is always exploring new potential partnerships with the aim of providing our students with exciting opportunities overseas whilst welcoming students to our small but cosmopolitan town in return.

Currently our partners include:

**USA**
- American University
- Boise State University
- Bowling Green State University
- Carroll University
- Purdue University
- University of Alabama
- University of Georgia
- University of Montana
- Utica College
- Washington State University
- Willamette University
- University of Pittsburgh
- University of Ottawa
- University of Victoria

**Canada**
- McGill University
- University of Guelph
- University of Manitoba
- University of Ottawa
- University of Victoria

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

**The rest of the world**
- Renmin University, China (International Politics specific)
- Azerbaijan Diplomatic Academy (Business and Management specific)
- Thammasat University, Thailand
- Hong Kong Baptist University
- Renmin University, China (International Politics specific)
- Azerbaijan Diplomatic Academy (Business and Management specific)

*partnerships subject to change*
Study Year Abroad

Many students choose to study at Aberystwyth University through our Study Year Abroad (SYA) / Junior Year Abroad (JYA) Programme.

We offer international students the opportunity to study at Aberystwyth for one academic semester or for the full academic year. Grades and qualifications gained at Aberystwyth can be transferred to your home university.

Aberystwyth University welcomes applications from international students who are currently studying at a University or Higher Education institution overseas and who wish to experience life at a top-ranking British University. You will have the opportunity to gain an understanding of British and Welsh cultures as well as having the chance to become a part of a vibrant international melting pot in a distinctly unique setting.

As a truly international University, Aberystwyth’s modules can be converted into ECTS credits under the European Credit Transfer System. Aberystwyth credits can also be converted into credits familiar with systems used in countries such as the United States and Canada amongst others.

When you submit an application, you will be given advice regarding the most appropriate programme of study that we can offer you. This will be based on what you have studied at your home institution and the courses and subjects you are interested in studying at Aberystwyth.

Students studying here on the SYA / JYA programme will pay tuition fees to Aberystwyth University and the amount payable will depend on whether you study in Aberystwyth for a full year or a single semester.

If you have any queries at all regarding the SYA / JYA programme at Aberystwyth University then please contact our Study Abroad Office at studyabroad@aber.ac.uk
Erasmus at Aberystwyth University

Erasmus+, the European Union’s educational programme, provides opportunities to study and work abroad in a number of Aberystwyth University’s degree programmes. The period of study or work abroad is an integrated part of the degree with many departments including Biological and Rural Sciences, English and Creative Writing, European Languages, History, International Politics, Law and Criminology, Mathematics, Physics, Management and Business, Welsh and Celtic studies providing opportunities through links with European universities.

We have a variety of partners in the following countries including:

- **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**: University of Natural Resources
- **Denmark**: Aarhus University
- **Turkey**: Bilkent University
- **Malta**: University of Malta

For a full list of our partners and further information on Erasmus+ please go to: [www.aber.ac.uk/en/international/study-abroad/erasmus](http://www.aber.ac.uk/en/international/study-abroad/erasmus)
Art History, Fine Art and Creative Arts

Course Listing

Undergraduate
Fine Art............................................................................................................
Art History .....................................................................................................
Creative Arts................................................................................................

Postgraduate
Taught Degrees
Art History .....................................................................................................
Fine Art...........................................................................................................
Fine Art and History..................................................................................

Research Degrees
MPhil and PhDs - Art History.........................................................................
PhD - Fine Art................................................................................................

Key Facts

3rd in the UK for Fine Art student satisfaction (NSS 2017)
Established in 1917, as one of the first University Art departments in the UK
100% of the impact of the School’s research is deemed ‘world leading’ and ‘internationally excellent’ (REF 2014)
Fully accredited museum within the department
Biological, Environmental and Rural Sciences (IBERS)

Key Facts
- World famous department with many international links
- Rated ‘Excellent’ (most recent national Teaching Quality Assessment exercise)
- First rate laboratory facilities
- Ranked 4th in the UK for research in Agriculture, Veterinary and Food Science (REF 2014)
- Best in UK for student satisfaction in Animal Science (NSS 2016)

Course Listing

Undergraduate
- Agriculture
- Animal Behaviour
- Animal Science
- Biochemistry
- Biology
- Conservation/Countryside Management
- Ecology
- Equine Studies
- Genetics
- Genetics and Biochemistry
- Human Biology and Health*
- Life Sciences
- Marine and Freshwater Biology
- Microbiology
- Plant Biology
- Sport and Exercise Sciences
- Veterinary Biosciences
- Wildlife Conservation*
- Zoology

*subject to approval

Postgraduate

Taught Degrees
- Animal Science
- Biosciences
- Biotechnology
- Environmental Management
- Equine Science
- Livestock Science
- Statistics for Computational Biology

Research Degrees
We offer MPhil and PhD degrees, our research clusters can be found on our website www.aber.ac.uk/en/ibers/research/research-groups

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Picture by student Rowan Thomas, finalist in the IBERS 2014 photography competition ‘On the farm’ category
Course Listings

Undergraduate
- Accounting and Finance
- Adventure Tourism Management
- Business Economics
- Business Finance
- Business and Management
- Economics
- Marketing
- Tourism Management

Postgraduate

Taught Degrees
- International Finance
- International Finance and Banking
- International Business Management
- Management
- Management and Finance
- Management and Marketing

Research degrees
- PhD
Computer Science

Course Listing

Undergraduate
Artificial Intelligence and Robotics
Business Information Technology
Computer Graphics, Vision and Games
Computer Science
Computer Science and Artificial Intelligence
Data Science
Internet Computing and Systems Administration
Robotics and Embedded Systems Engineering
Software Engineering (BEng)
Software Engineering (MEng)

Postgraduate

Taught Degrees
Computer Science (Software Engineering)
Data Science
Statistics for Computational Biology

Research Degrees
The department offers PhD and MPhil research degrees, providing supervision in all areas of our research interests and academic expertise.

Key Facts
Department is 1st in Wales and 11th in UK (REF 2014)
Department produced more world-leading (4*) and internationally excellent (3*) research than any other university in Wales (REF 2014)
All single and joint honours schemes accredited by the BCS (The Chartered Institute for Engineering)
Excellent teaching facilities
Year in employment options and excellent links with industry
100% of research impact assessed as world-leading and internationally excellent (REF 2014)

Idris is the 4 x 4, 4-wheel steering electric vehicle used for our research in field robotics, especially visual navigation. It is shown here undergoing field trials in Tenerife as part of the EU-funded PROViScout project (Planetary Robotics Vision Scout) for future autonomous planetary exploration missions.

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Education

Key Facts

- Winners of the Department of the Year 2016 (Student Led Teaching Awards)
- Winners of Personal Tutor of the Year 2016 and Postgraduate Supervisor of the Year 2016 (Student Led Teaching Awards)
- 2nd in the UK for Education & 98% Student Satisfaction (NSS 2017)
- 100% of Graduates were in work or further study after Graduation
- Highly supportive learning environment and excellent teaching facilities
- Placement modules available to provide work experience

Course Listing

Undergraduate

Childhood Studies
Education
Education and International Development

Postgraduate

Taught Degrees
PGCE Secondary

Research Degrees
We offer research supervision for PhD’s and MPhils in a number of areas, please see our website for a full list www.aber.ac.uk/en/sell/pg-courses
English Literature and Creative Writing

Course Listing

Undergraduate
Creative Arts
Creative Writing
English Literature
English Literature and Creative Writing
Liberal Arts

Postgraduate

Taught Degrees
Creative Writing
Literature and Creative Writing
Literary Studies

Research Degrees
PhD Literary Studies
PhD Creative Writing

Key Facts

Top 150 English & Creative Writing departments in the world
QS World Rankings

Staff comprise a team of literary scholars and award-winning writers

Rated 'Excellent' in the most recent Assessment of Teaching and Quality

Provides research-led teaching of the highest quality

Top 10 in the UK for English (NSS 2017)

97% of our research is of international standing or higher (REF 2014)
Course Listings

Undergraduate

Environmental Earth Science ...............................................................
Environmental Science ........................................................................
Geography .....................................................................................................
Human Geography ...................................................................................
Physical Geography ..................................................................................

Postgraduate

Taught Degrees

Environmental Change, Impact and Adaption ..............................
Environmental Monitoring and Analysis ........................................
Glaciology ......................................................................................................
Practising Human Geography .........................................................
Regional and Environmental Policy ........................................
Remote Sensing and Geographical Information Systems (GIS) ...........................................................

Research Degrees

MPhil and PhDs in a wide range of topics, for full list please go to www.aber.ac.uk/en/iges/prospective/postgraduate/phd-opportunities

Key Facts

- Top 100 in the world for Geography (2016 QS World University Rankings)
- Number 1 in Wales for research and the top 12 in Britain
- Department ranked 11th in the last REF 2014 with 65% of research rated as ‘World Leading’ or ‘Internationally Excellent’
- One of the oldest Geography Departments in the UK
- 90% Student Satisfaction (NSS 2017)
Key Facts
The oldest History department in Wales (1872) and one of the oldest in the UK
Small group and one to one teaching
Work placements available
Supportive learning environment
92% Student Satisfaction (NSS 2017)

Course Listings
Undergraduate
History .................................................................
History and Media ...........................................
History and Welsh History ..........................
Medieval and Early Modern History.
Modern and Contemporary History.
Politics and Modern History .................

Postgraduate
Taught Degrees
History and Heritage ...........................................
History of Wales ..............................................
Medieval Britain and Europe ..................
Modern History ............................................... 

Research Degrees
MPhil and PhDs .............................................

Aberystwyth castle was built in the thirteenth century by Edward I, and provides a superb opportunity for students to study history in a practical setting.
Information Studies

Course Listings

Undergraduate

Distance Learning courses
Information and Library Studies

Postgraduate

Taught Degrees

Campus-based courses
Archive Administration
Digital Curation
Information and Library Studies

Distance Learning courses
Archive Administration
Digital Curation
Information and Library Studies

Research Degrees

MPhil and PhD degrees, topics mostly fall into the broad categories of:
Information Organisation
Knowledge and Information Management
Social, Cultural, and Behavioural Aspects of Information

The National Library of Wales, one of only five UK copyright libraries, is located next to Penglais campus. Home to over 5,000,000 digital images and electronic resources, and 6,000,000 books and journals, the library works closely with the university and does offer some work experience opportunities.
International Politics

Key Facts

World’s 1st Department of International Politics, established in 1919

Top 10 in the UK for research excellence in Politics and International Relations (REF 2014)

Top 10 in the UK and best in Wales for Student Satisfaction (NSS 2016)

Internationally renowned faculty focused on understanding how we tackle the challenges of the 21st century

Course Listings

Undergraduate

International Politics

International Politics and Intelligence Studies

International Politics and Global Development

International Politics and Military History

International Politics and Strategic Studies

Political Studies

Social Science

Postgraduate

Taught Degrees

International Politics

Politics, Media and Performance

Welsh Politics and Society

Research Degrees

PhD/MPhil programmes available in a number of areas, for a full list please go to www.aber.ac.uk/en/interpol/study-with-us/phd

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Course Listings

Undergraduate

BA Law
LLB Law (inc a 2-year version for graduates of a different discipline)

Specialist/Themed LLB Degrees in:
- Business Law
- Criminal Law
- Criminology
- Criminology with Applied Psychology
- European Law
- Human Rights
- Law
- LLM in Legal Practice

Postgraduate

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

*subject to approval

Research Degrees

PhD, MPhils/LLM Research available in most areas of Law and Criminology.

Moots are an integral part of the law degrees here. In a moot, two pairs of ‘advocates’ argue a fictitious legal case in front of a ‘judge’. An Aberystwyth team competes in Welsh and UK competitions each year.

Key Facts

- Department founded in 1901 as the first Law School in Wales
- 98% of research activity rated at ‘internationally recognised’ and above (2014 REF)
- Newly refurbished department and teaching facilities
- Strong international profile
- 90% Student Satisfaction (NSS 2017)
- 100% of our postgraduates were in work and / or further study 6 months after graduation, 6% higher than Law postgraduates nationally (DLHE 2015)
Mathematics

Course Listings

Undergraduate
Financial Mathematics..........................................................
Mathematics ............................................................................

Postgraduate
Taught Degree
Data Science .............................................................................
Statistics for Computational Biology.................................

Research degrees
PhD and MPhil options.

Key Facts
First University to teach Mathematics in Wales
All research judged to be ‘internationally competitive’ (REF 2014)
Mathematics courses are accredited by the Institute for Mathematics and its Applications (IMA)
Top 3 in the UK for teaching (NSS 2017)
Modern Languages

Key Facts
Teaches French, German, Spanish and Italian
Undergraduate Year abroad
20% of research graded as 'World Leading' (REF 2014)
High employability after graduation
Best in UK for student satisfaction in French, top 5 in the UK for Spanish and top 10 in the UK for German (NSS 2016)
93% Student Satisfaction (NSS 2017)

Course Listing

Undergraduate
European Languages
French
Liberal Arts
Modern German Studies
Romance Languages
Spanish and Latin American Studies *(subject to approval)

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Key Facts

- Institute of Physics (IoP) accredited courses
- Over 140 years of excellence in teaching
- Purpose built teaching facilities
- High employability after Graduation
- Research-led teaching
- 100% student satisfaction on our Physics degree scheme (NSS 2017)

Course Listings

Undergraduate

- Astrophysics
- Engineering Physics* (subject to approval)
- Mathematical and Theoretical Physics
- Physics
- Physics with Planetary and Space Physics
- Space Science and Robotics

Postgraduate

The Department offers PhD and MPhil research degrees, providing supervision in all areas of our research interests and academic expertise. For more information please go to www.aber.ac.uk/en/phys/postgrad

Scientists at Aberystwyth produced the very first 3D images of the sun thanks to the work of the Solar System Physics Research Group.
Psychology

Course Listings

Undergraduate
Psychology ....................................................................................................

Postgraduate
MPhil (Open Field 1 year)
PhD (3 years by research).

Key Facts

Department and all degrees are accredited by the British Psychological Society (BPS)
Top 20 in the UK for student satisfaction in the subject area of Psychology
93% student satisfaction for our department
95% student satisfaction for our single honours degree programme
Top 20 in the UK for student satisfaction in the subject area of Psychology
3rd in the UK for student satisfaction (NSS 2017)
100% of our graduates were in work or further study within 6 months (DLHE 2015)

The Department’s superb facilities and equipment, such as the mobile eye tracker featured here, are helping our students to find answers to research questions. Can we really detect lies as they’re being told, by monitoring people’s expressions?
Theatre, Film and Television Studies

Course Listings

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

Postgraduate

Taught degrees
Film Studies
Politics, Media and Performance

Research Degrees
PhD and MPhil opportunities, for further information please go to courses.aber.ac.uk/postgraduate/research-tfts

Key Facts
One of largest departments of its kind in the UK
Ranked 2nd in the UK in research capacity (REF 2014)
Excellent teaching facilities
Strong links with industry with access to high profile work placements
92% of our graduates were in work or further study within 6 months (DHLE 2015)
Welsh and Celtic Studies

Key Facts
- Department originated in 1872
- Largest department in Wales
- 4th in the UK for research (REF 2014)
- 100% student satisfaction with the Department (NSS 2017)

Course Listings

Undergraduate
Celtic Studies
Professional Welsh
Welsh
Welsh and Celtic Languages

Postgraduate

Taught degrees
Professional Translation Studies

Research degrees
MPhil and PhDs in Welsh and the Celtic Languages.
Fees and Scholarships

How you will finance your studies is a major consideration when you’re choosing where to study. In this section, we’ve included the main points of information to help you.

International Tuition Fees - 2018/19 Entry

Undergraduate:

Arts, Social Studies and Law courses: £13,450
Sciences: £15,000

Postgraduate:

Arts & Social Sciences (Taught/Research): £14,250
Sciences (Taught/Research): £15,500

EU Tuition Fees - 2017/18 Entry

Undergraduate: £9,000

Postgraduate: £6,100 - £6,950

Scholarships and Bursaries for EU students

These are just some of our scholarships and awards available. Please visit our website for full information on the support available and to view the Scholarships, Bursaries and Awards brochure: www.aber.ac.uk/scholarships

Aberystwyth Bursary

If your residual household income is £35,000 or below you will be entitled to receive a bursary towards your living costs. Applicants from the EU should ensure that they have completed and returned the relevant student finance form which should be sent to you by the EU Customer Services Team once you have returned the standard tuition fee support form EU16N for new students.

Aberystwyth Bursary: £500 - £700 a year

Entrance Scholarship & Merit Awards

The Entrance Scholarship competition involves sitting two exams on Tuesday 30th January 2018. Application forms need to be returned before 18th January 2018, however, if you wish to sit the exam outside of the UK the deadline to return your application form is 15th January 2018.

Departmental Awards

A number of our academic departments have awards, which can be held in addition to many of our other awards. Please contact your department to find out more.

Departmental Awards: £500 a year

Postgraduate

Please see our online funding calculator for all of our funding opportunities available to students from the EU.

www.aber.ac.uk/en/postgrad/fees-finance/calculator/
# International Scholarships

A table containing updated information on all of our international scholarships can be found here: [www.aber.ac.uk/en/international/fees-scholarships](http://www.aber.ac.uk/en/international/fees-scholarships)

## Scholarships

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<td>AIS (Aberystwyth International Scholarship)</td>
<td>Year 1-3 UG: £2,000/year PG: £2,000 (one off)</td>
<td>31st July All eligible students</td>
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<td>Undergraduate</td>
<td>International Excellence Undergraduate Scholarships</td>
<td>Year 1: £4000 Year 2: £2000 Year 3: £2000</td>
<td>30th June 15 available (offered in addition to AIS and is merit based)</td>
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<td>Postgraduate (Taught)</td>
<td>IPES (Excellence Scholarships)</td>
<td>£5,000</td>
<td>29th July 15 available</td>
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<td>PhD</td>
<td>AberDoc Scholarship Competition</td>
<td>Grant up to 3 years</td>
<td>26th January &amp; 1st March (differs by department)</td>
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*Students do not have to complete a separate scholarship form as they will be considered automatically.*

### Aberystwyth International Scholarship (AIS)

The Aberystwyth International Scholarships, worth £2,000 each towards tuition fees, will be available for International (non-EU) students commencing a full-time undergraduate or postgraduate programme in September 2018. In order to be considered for one of these awards, an application for a place on a relevant programme at Aberystwyth University must be received by 31st July. It is not necessary to apply for the Scholarship – all international applicants will automatically be considered.

### International Excellence Undergraduate Scholarships

We have 15 International Excellence Undergraduate Scholarships worth tuition fee discounts of £8,000 over the duration of a three year degree scheme available for international students applying to study a full degree.

In order to be considered, you must have applied to Aberystwyth by 30th June, and subsequently place us as your Firm choice of university.

It is not necessary to apply for the Scholarship – all international applicants will automatically be considered. The Scholarships will be awarded based on academic achievement. If you are successful in obtaining a Scholarship, you will be informed before the start of term.

### International Postgraduate Excellence Scholarship (IPES)

Up to 15 scholarships, each worth £5,000 towards tuition fees will be available for International (non-EU) students commencing full-time Taught Masters courses in September 2018. The scholarships will be awarded for academic excellence (minimum of a UK 1st class honours degree or the equivalent award). In order to be considered for one of these awards, an application for a place on a taught Masters degree at Aberystwyth University must be received by 29th July 2018.
How to Apply

Undergraduate

English Language Requirements
Students are required to have IELTS (or equivalent) 6.0-7.0 depending on the programme of choice or successfully complete a Pre-sessional Course at our International English Centre.

You will need to apply via UCAS, for information about how to apply to our University please go to our website using the following link: www.aber.ac.uk/en/international/howtoapply/ug-how-to

Application Checklist

☐ Apply via UCAS: www.ucas.ac.uk
☐ Personal statement
☐ All educational certificates and transcripts to date
☐ 1 x academic reference

To be submitted with initial application or later:
☐ English language qualifications
  www.aber.ac.uk/en/aqro/applicants/ug-admissions/elr/

Your response to formal offer letter:
☐ Decision Form
☐ Financial Declaration Form*
☐ £2,000 deposit*

*does not apply to EU students

Undergraduate Admissions
+44 (0)1970 622891
ug-admissions@aber.ac.uk
Postgraduate

English Language Requirements
Students are required to have IELTS (or equivalent) 6.0-7.0 depending on the programme of choice

Application Checklist

- Aberystwyth University application form - download current version from: www.aber.ac.uk/en/postgrad/howtoapply/apply-offline
- Personal statement
- All educational certificates and transcripts to date (from school and university)
- 2 x references (academic references required for all subjects)
- All research applications for MPhil, PhD or LLM by research must include a research proposal and academic CV

To be submitted with initial application or later:
- English language qualifications www.aber.ac.uk/en/aqro/applicants/ug-admissions/elr/

Your response to formal offer letter:
- Decision Form
- Financial Declaration Form*
- £2,000 deposit*

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Visas and Student Support

International Office

The University has a dedicated International Office which is responsible for promoting the University overseas, co-ordinating student recruitment, developing and nurturing institutional and other links world-wide, and 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.

Supporting you

International Student Adviser
We have an International Student Adviser to offer advice and support on a wide range of issues, as well as providing specialist immigration advice and help with applying for visas.

Welcome Week
A special international induction week is organised for international students at the start of your first term. Beginning with a Welcome Ceremony where you will get the opportunity to meet the International Office staff and other international students and enjoy a buffet and drinks to welcome you to Aberystwyth.

Mentoring Scheme
We also offer a Signpost Mentoring Scheme which allows you to be paired with a second or third year undergraduate for your first couple of weeks in Aberystwyth. They will be available to advise you on day-to-day issues and to help you 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/compliance-information.
Guaranteed accommodation for the duration of your course for International students*

Guaranteed first year accommodation for EU students*

Our accommodation is situated within easy reach of the campus so there is no need for costly commuting. We offer a wide range of accommodation from traditional catered residences, where meals are provided, to shared facilities and en-suite self-catered accommodation. Whatever your requirements, we aim to provide you with an option that will suit you and your budget.
Our halls at a glance…

**Penbryn**
- single rooms, in flats of 12-25 students
- shared communal facilities
- award-winning TaMed Da Restaurant

**Pantycelyn-Penbryn**
- residence dedicated to Welsh speaking students
- single rooms, in flats of 12-25 students
- shared communal facilities
- award-winning TaMed Da Restaurant

**Fferm Penglais**
- single en-suite rooms (with double beds), in flats of 6-8 students with shared kitchen/living area
- single self-contained studios
- has an area dedicated to Welsh speaking students
- on site shop, café, with social and study areas
- 5 minutes’ walk from Penglais Campus, 10 minutes from Llanbadarn Campus

**Pentre Jane Morgan (student village)**
- single rooms, in houses of 5 or 6 students
- shared communal facilities
- use of The Lounge@PJM
- 5 minutes’ walk from Penglais Campus, 10 minutes from Llanbadarn Campus

**Rosser**
- single en-suite rooms, in flats of up to 8 students
- shared communal facilities
- use of The Lounge@Rosser
- on Penglais Campus, 10 minutes’ walk from Llanbadarn Campus

**Cwrt Mawr**
- single rooms, in flats of 6-10 students
- shared communal facilities
- use of The Lounge@Rosser
- on Penglais Campus, 10 minutes’ walk from Llanbadarn Campus

**Trefloyne**
- single rooms, in flats of 7 students
- shared communal facilities
- use of The Lounge@Rosser
- on Penglais Campus, 10 minutes’ walk from Llanbadarn Campus

**Seafront Residences**
- single rooms (some en-suite), in flats of 2-10 students
- shared communal facilities
- use of learning centres on Penglais Campus
- 15 minutes’ walk from Penglais Campus

- Restaurant/Catered Residence
- Café
- Shower en-suite
- Laundry Rooms
- Wi-Fi

- Dedicated Welsh Residences
- Social and Study Areas
- Parking
- Learning Centres

- Transportation
- Wi-Fi
- Learning Centres

- Accommodation
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Getting to Aberystwyth

Meet and Greet

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

Travel times to Aberystwyth from:
Birmingham  2 hrs 47 mins
London     4 hrs 34 mins
Manchester 3 hrs
Cardiff    2 hrs 30 mins
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 at www.aber.ac.uk/en/regulations

The University will use all reasonable endeavours to deliver courses in accordance with the descriptions set out in this prospectus. However, the University does not provide education to UK students on a commercial basis. It is also very largely dependent upon charitable and public funds which the University has to manage in a way that is cost effective, in the context of the provision of a diverse range of courses to a large number of students.

The University therefore, reserves the right to make variations in the contents or methods of delivery of courses, to discontinue courses and to merge or combine courses, if such action is reasonably considered to be necessary by the University in the context of its wider purposes. If the University discontinues any course, it will use reasonable endeavours to provide a suitable alternative course.

The University cannot accept responsibility, and expressly excludes liability, for damage to students’ property, transfer of computer viruses to students’ equipment, liability for breach of contract including cancellation of courses, lectures, laboratory sessions, workshops, field trips and similar activities.

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.

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