

Swansea University Factsheet for 2020/21

1. Swansea University is a dual campus university:

❖ SINGLETON PARK CAMPUS – The following Colleges are based here:

Arts & Humanities – American Studies; Classics, Ancient History, Egyptology; Education; English Language & Applied Linguistics; English Literature & Creative Writing; History & Medieval Studies; Media, Communication & Public Relations; Modern Languages, Translation & Interpreting; Politics & International Relations; War & Society; Welsh

Human & Health Sciences – Public Health & Social Policy (excluding Social Work and Inter-Professional Studies); Psychology

Medical School – Biochemistry; Genetics

Science – Biosciences; Chemistry; Geography; Physics **NOTE: Computer Science & Mathematics are taught on the Bay Campus**

Hillary Rodham Clinton School of Law – Criminology; Law

<https://www.swansea.ac.uk/media/SingletonCampusMap.pdf> and <https://www.swansea.ac.uk/life-on-campus/>

❖ BAY CAMPUS – The following Colleges are based here:

Engineering – (including the School of Sport & Exercise Science); Aerospace; Chemical; Civil; Electronic & Electrical; Materials Science; Mechanical

School of Management - Accounting & Finance; Business Management; Economics; Marketing

Science - Computer Science; Mathematics **NOTE: Biosciences; Chemistry; Geography; Physics are taught on the Singleton Park Campus**

<https://www.swansea.ac.uk/media/BayCampusMap.pdf> and <https://www.swansea.ac.uk/life-on-campus/>

- ❖ **Cross-Campus Study** - Students who choose to study classes at colleges on both the Singleton Park and Bay campuses will have to travel between the Bay & Singleton Park campuses. Students must factor travel time into their decision when choosing modules as they will need time to travel between the sites. Classes start on the hour at both campuses and students will need to understand that it is not possible to attend a 10am lecture on the Singleton Park Campus followed by an 11 am lecture on the Bay Campus as travel time will need to be allowed for.

2. 2020/21 Academic Calendar

Full Year:	21/09/2020	-	04/06/2021
Semester 1:	21/09/2020	-	22/01/2021
*Term 1(Fall):	21/09/2020	-	11/12/2020
Semester 2:	25/01/2021	-	04/06/2021

*Term 1 (Fall) – Only open to students selecting modules that are not assessed by examination in January. Please see further information in Section 7 Examinations and Assessment.

NOTE: These dates are provisional, the University reserves the right to change session dates up until the start of each session. We will alert students & their home universities should any changes occur.

<https://www.swansea.ac.uk/study/semesterandtermdates/202021/>

3. **Pre-sessional Programme - British Culture & Politics since 1945**

Semester 1: 07/09/2020 - 18/09/2020

Semester 2: 11/01/2021 - 22/01/2021

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This programme is taught over a two-week period before the start of the semester and provides an introduction to major themes and events that have shaped social, cultural and political development of the UK since the end of World War Two using British literature, films, music and popular culture to illustrate it. This popular programme also includes excursions around the local area:

<https://www.swansea.ac.uk/goglobal/inbound/pre-sessional-courses/>

Fee-paying students - The programme is worth 10 SU credits and the cost can be included within the tuition fees for a semester (60 SU credits) or a full-year (120 SU credits). Should the maximum number of credits be exceeded for the year/semester the programme is available at a cost of £750, excluding accommodation.

Exchange students - may also choose to study this programme at a cost of £750, excluding accommodation.

4. **Completion of Online Admission Forms**

All nominated students are required to complete and submit the online admission form found on our [Visiting & Exchange webpages](#): ensuring all required sections are complete before submitting the form.

Nomination deadline for **September 2020 start**: Friday 24th April 2020

Nomination deadline for **January 2020 start**: Monday 12th October 2020

Deadline for submission of online application for **September 2020 start**: Monday 18th May 2020

Deadline for submission of online application for **January 2021 start**: Friday 23rd October 2020

Students are required to upload the following with their application:

- **All students** - A copy of the biographical pages of their passport. **NOTE:** EU students can currently upload a copy of their National ID cards.
- **All students** - A copy of their most recent academic transcript.
- **International students** from non-English speaking countries must submit an IELTS certificate. (See below for English Language requirements.)

5. **Accommodation Applications**

- Students can **ONLY** apply for accommodation when they have been formally accepted to study at Swansea University.
- The Go Global Team will email acceptances to students in late May/early June for students starting in September and in early November for students starting in January. Students will also receive their Swansea University student ID numbers along with a link to Residential Services with their acceptances. This link will allow students to create an Accommodation Account in order to apply for accommodation.
- Deadline for applying for accommodation for Full Year & Semester 1 is the 30th June.
- Deadline for applying for accommodation for Semester 2 is the 30th November.
- For more detailed information see the Residential Services website www.swan.ac.uk/accommodation & <https://www.swansea.ac.uk/accommodation/accommodation-options/accommodation-designated-areas/non-standard-course-length/>
- All accommodation queries must be directed to Residential Services on accommodation@swansea.ac.uk.

5. English Language Requirements

- **Non-EU nationals** - Proficiency in the English language is required as **ALL** modules are taught in English. A minimum IELTS score of 6.0 is required with a minimum of 5.5 in each part of the test. Students are required to provide the Go Global Inbound Team with a copy of their IELTS certificates.
- **EU nationals** - Proficiency in the English language is required as **ALL** modules are taught in English. It is recommended that Level B2 (or equivalent) is obtained.

6. Module/Course Selection and Restrictions

Module Equivalence: 120 Swansea University Credits = 60 ECTS credits / 30-36 US credit hours

- Modules/courses at Swansea University are either taught in Semester 1 (TB1 modules), Semester 2 (TB 2 modules) or throughout the whole academic year (TB1 & 2 modules).
- Students spending Semester 1 or Term 1 at Swansea can only select modules/courses taught and examined in Teaching Block 1 (TB1 only).
- Only students spending the full year can select TB1 and TB2 modules.
- Students spending only Semester 2 at Swansea can only select modules/courses taught and examined in Teaching Block 2 (TB2 only).
- Full year students can select up to a total of 120 Swansea University credits.
- Semester students can select up to a total of 60 Swansea University credits
- Students are advised to enrol on a minimum of 50 Swansea University credits per semester.
- Students are advised to select Year 1 (HE level 4) or Year 2 (HE level 5) modules. With the discretion of a department it may be possible to select Year 3 (HE level 6) if students have a sound background in that subject area. It is at the discretion of departments whether they allow Undergraduate students to pursue level M modules (Master Level).
- Postgraduate exchange students entering Swansea University are allowed to select up to one semester worth of Master Level (M) modules/courses.

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Due to timetabling, module capacity and other restrictions it is not possible to confirm final module selections until students arrive and enrol at Swansea University. There is a two-week "Add/Drop" period at the beginning of each semester in which to change or confirm module/course selections. No changes can be made after this 2-week period.
- Some modules/courses are **NOT** available to Visiting & Exchange students. Students should consult the module information carefully to check for statements such as 'Available to Visiting & Exchange students'.
- View our Module Catalogue for more information: <https://intranet.swan.ac.uk/catalogue/>.

7. Examinations and Assessment

When selecting modules/courses students must pay attention to the method of assessment. Some are assessed by essay, others by examinations.

- **Semester 1 (TB1) modules/courses:** Some modules have examinations in January and students are required to be present in Swansea for these. Some modules require the submission of coursework. **It is the responsibility of students to check the method of assessment before selecting their modules.**
- Students not planning to be in Swansea for the January assessment period need to select modules assessed by coursework and class tests rather than by examination in January.

- **Semester 2 (TB2) modules/courses:** All examinations take place in May/June.
- Students are required to be present at all set examinations and should **NOT** arrange return flights home until their final examination timetable is confirmed by the Examination Office at Swansea University. These timetables are published in mid-December for January examinations and in early April for May/June examinations.
- **Swansea University will not proctor any examinations for students.**
- **Swansea University will not allow students to sit Swansea examinations at their home universities.**

8. Transcripts

Students can view their module results on the University intranet. The Go Global Team will automatically produce transcripts which are posted to students' home addresses and home universities as follows:

- **Academic Year Students and Semester 2 students** – will receive the transcript after the end of year Examination Boards (late July).
- **Semester 1/Term 1 Students** – will receive interim transcripts in March and a final transcript after the end of year Examination Boards (late July).

9. Visiting Student Tuition Fees for 2020/21 academic year

- **EU student** – £9,000 GBP per full academic year (£4,500 GBP per semester).
- **Non-EU International student** - £14,400 GBP per full academic year (£7,200 GBP per semester).
- Discounts on the above fees are available for partners with whom we have signed agreements.
- Tuition fee payable to students' home universities

10. Visa Requirements

- Non-EU nationals studying in the UK for 6 months or less may require a Short-Term student visa. Short-Term student visa support documents are issued to students by the Go Global Team.
- Non-EU nationals require a T4 (CAS) visa to be able to do one or more of the following:
 - Study in the UK for an academic year or longer than one semester
 - Work whilst they study in the UK
 - Carry out voluntary work whilst in the UK
- Confirmation of Acceptance of Studies certificates are issued directly to the students by Swansea University's Admissions Compliance Team.
- Students cannot apply for a visa until 3 months before the start of their studies at Swansea University.
- Students should apply for a visa as soon as they receive email confirmation of their acceptance at Swansea University to ensure their visas are processed in time for their arrival.
- Currently EU nationals do not need a visa to study at Swansea University.

12. Medical Provision

- Currently EU nationals (or students from EEA countries) studying in the UK for either a full academic year or less than 6 months are entitled to register with the UK National Health Service (GP/Doctor surgery). Students currently need to obtain a valid European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) before coming to the UK to access any required medical treatment and are required to pay for any prescription charges.

