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# International Students' Handbook 2012





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This handbook is produced by the International Student Advisory Service (ISAS) at Swansea University.

ISAS provides information and advice to all international students and their families. We are here to assist you with any non-academic problems or concerns you may have.

In order to make your journey and the early part of your time in the UK as trouble-free as possible, you need to be very well prepared.

Read this book carefully, start your preparations early and contact us as soon as possible if you have any queries.

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This handbook is divided into sections arranged in the order in which you have to prepare things. Where different information applies to students from the EU (European Union)/EEA (European Economic Area) and students from outside Europe, different sections are clearly marked.

## 10 GOOD REASONS TO CHOOSE SWANSEA UNIVERSITY...

1. Civil Engineering ranks 2nd in the UK (RAE 2008-09)
2. 36th in the UK for overall research quality
3. Strong links with multinational companies
4. Lower living costs than most of the UK
5. British Council accredited English Language Training Service
6. UK Top 25 for Student Experience (THES 2010)
7. Friendly seaside location only 3 hours from London by direct train
8. Safe and friendly city to live and study
9. Winner of the UK's first Best Student Experience Award and Winner of the UK's Best Mosque Provision Award
10. Nearly 15,000 students - 20% international from over 100 different countries