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WELCOME TO THE UNIVERSITY OF DUNDEE

We are an established university with a progressive and dynamic outlook. Never complacent, we constantly strive to build on our achievements: investing in excellent facilities, pushing the boundaries of research, and developing new ways of e-learning.

The roots of the University go back to 1881 when University College, Dundee, was founded. In 2007, the University celebrated 40 years since it became independent after a 70 year relationship with the University of St. Andrews.

The past decade has been a particularly exciting time of progress and change – since 1994 the University has **more than doubled in size** and in 2008 we completed a **£200m campus redevelopment**. This included:

- the construction of brand new energy efficient teaching buildings with the most advanced teaching technologies
- fantastic new **en suite student accommodation** in the heart of the campus
- extension of the **Institute of Sport and Exercise (ise)** and the **Main Library**
- the creation of the Campus Green, providing a beautiful space for students and staff to relax and enjoy campus life.

The University of Dundee enjoys an unrivalled position in the centre of Dundee, close to shops, theatre and transport links, and with outstanding views over the River Tay. We are home to nearly **18,000 undergraduate and postgraduate students**, with approximately **20% coming from countries in the EU and overseas**.





DISCOVER DUNDEE

Dundee Facts

- Located on the east coast of Scotland, one hour north of Edinburgh, on the banks of the River Tay.
- We are surrounded by magnificent Scottish scenery from mountains and lochs to miles of coastline, with many opportunities to explore.
- Dundee is the 4th largest city in Scotland and has a population of around 150,000.
- We have a **rich history of invention and innovation** which led to the title of 'City of Discovery'.
- In the last three years the city has been nominated as one of the top seven intelligent communities in the world.
- The **sunniest city in Scotland** with approximately 1400 hours of sunshine per year.

Cultural Quarter

The University's city campus is located at the heart of the city's lively cultural quarter, with a **host of excellent cafés, restaurants, galleries and museums** located within a 10 minute walk.

The award winning **Rep Theatre** (*www.dundeereptheatre.co.uk*) is adjacent and home to Scotland's only full-time acting ensemble and the Scottish Dance Theatre. The Rep hosts a mix of stage productions including, drama, musicals, contemporary & classical dance, comedy, jazz and opera.

Alternatively, **Dundee Contemporary Arts** (DCA - *www.dca. org.uk*) offers art-house and mainstream films in a two-screen cinema alongside a contemporary art gallery, a print studio and the University's Visual Research Centre. *(www.vrc.dundee.ac.uk)*

The **Whitehall Theatre** (*www.whitehalldundee.co.uk*) hosts a variety of shows from West End performers to local amateur groups.

Find out more at www.dundee.com



Control Perhaps the finest location of any Scottish city.

Lonely Planet Scotland

Attractions

For inquisitive minds, the **Sensation Science Centre** (*www.sensation.org.uk*) offers hands-on interactive exhibits, based upon the five senses.

History and heritage themes are explored at **Discovery Point**, home to Captain Scott's famous polar exploration ship 'Discovery'; while **Verdant Works** provides an insight into 19th century jute mill life in Dundee (both *www.rrsdiscovery.com*).

In the **Mills Observatory** (*www.dundeecity.gov.uk/mills/*), Dundee has the UK's only full-time public observatory, where visitors can enjoy looking at breathtaking views of the stars and planets.

The University of Dundee **Botanic Garden** (*www.dundeebotanicgarden.co.uk*) has been described as the jewel in the crown of the University. It is located between the city campus and the Ninewells campus, and entry is free to students.

Festivals

July

Dundee also hosts its fair share of festivals throughout the year, including:

- June Literary Festival (www.literarydundee.co.uk)
 - Blues Bonanza (www.dundeebluesbonanza.co.uk)
 - International Guitar Festival
- September Flower and Food Festival (www.dundeeflowerandfoodfestival.com)
- October Fest'n'Furious, Dundee's traditional music festival. (www.festnfurious.co.uk)
- November
 Mountain Film Festival (www.dundeemountainfilm.org.uk)
 Jazz Festival (www.jazzdundee.co.uk)

Multicultural City

Dundee is increasingly international and multi-cultural. It is home to permanent residents from many countries and ethnic groups – from Belgium to Bangladesh, from Chile to China, from Italy to India, from Poland to Pakistan, and from Taiwan to Turkey. Our international community means that within easy reach of the campus, you can find:

- **specialist food shops**, e.g. Halal butchers, Chinese, Polish and Russian supermarkets, and the major UK supermarkets also supply a wide range of international foodstuffs
- **places of worship** for many faiths, including Muslims, Sikhs, Hindus, Jews, plus many Christian denominations
- **schools** which are well equipped to support children for whom English is a second language, and who may arrive in the city with little or no English.







DISCOVER SCOTLAND

C Dundee has been a good experience so far, life in Dundee is calm and quiet. It's one of the most beautiful places and the people of this place are really very helpful. Most important University of Dundee, renowned all over the world, provides a solid foundation for our future endeavors. Shubham Shekhar, from India, BSc Business Computing.

Scotland Facts

- Scotland has a population of around 5.1m and is rich in history and culture.
- The four major cities are **Glasgow, Edinburgh,** Aberdeen and **Dundee**.
- Scotland has **four main international airports** (Glasgow, Edinburgh, Prestwick and Aberdeen).
- There is a **lower cost of living** and a **higher quality of life** in Scotland than in most parts of the UK.
- Most of Scotland's population lives in the towns and cities in the Central Belt, leaving hundreds of square miles of **diverse** and beautiful unspoilt countryside.
- Over 30,000 international students from around 180 countries choose to study in Scotland each year.
- The national flower of Scotland is the thistle.

Getting Around

Dundee is located on the main East Coast rail line which means there are regular rail connections to Aberdeen, Edinburgh, Stirling and Glasgow if you're looking to explore. Companies like Megabus, Scottish Citylink and Stagecoach run buses from Dundee to many other towns in Scotland at relatively low cost.

History and Heritage

With cities such as Edinburgh and Glasgow just over 1 hour away, it is very easy to explore the history of Scotland by visiting exhibitions such as the **National Museum of Scotland** (*www.nms.ac.uk*) or the **People's Palace and Winter Gardens** (*www.qlasgowmuseums.com*).

There are a few castles and historic houses accessible from Dundee which are definitely worth a visit, namely, **Glamis Castle** (www.glamis-castle.co.uk) near Forfar, **House of Dun** (www.nts.org.uk) near Montrose or **St Andrews Castle and Cathedral** (www.historic-scotland.gov.uk).





Festivals

July

Scotland, and specifically Edinburgh and Glasgow, is home to many internationally recognised festivals. Here is just a selection:

- March Glasgow International Comedy Festival (www.glasgowcomedyfestival.com)
- June Edinburgh International Film Festival (www.edfilmfest.org.uk)
 - Glasgow International Jazz Festival (www.jazzfest.co.uk)
 - Royal Highland Show in Edinburgh (www.royalhighlandshow.org)
 - T in the Park, near Kinross (www.tinthepark.com)
- August Edinburgh Art Festival (www.edinburghartfestival.com)
 - Edinburgh Festival Fringe (www.edfringe.com)

EXCELLENCE AND INNOVATION

World Leading Research

The University of Dundee has an international reputation and continues to attract top-class researchers from across the world in subjects as diverse as medicine, life sciences, dentistry, law, microelectronics, fine art and design, digital media and space exploration.

- The University of Dundee was ranked 140th in the World's Top 200 Universities and 47th in Europe. Life Sciences at Dundee was ranked 39th out of the World's Top 50 Universities by the Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2010.
- The results of the 2008 Research Assessment Exercise (RAE) show that 54% of the University's research is achieving 'world leading' or 'internationally excellent' standards.
- In the RAE, the University is top in Scotland for civil engineering and biological and laboratory-based clinical sciences, all of which were among the top performers in the UK.
- The RAE results also underline Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art & Design's position as the pre-eminent art school in Scotland and places it as **one of the best art schools in the UK**.
- Our medical and life sciences research is **world renowned**, with particular expertise in cancer, diabetes, cardiovascular disease and neglected tropical diseases.
- World leading researchers in our **Space Technology Centre** (part of the School of Computing) have developed the SpaceWire standard, used by space organisations across the world.
- We were ranked in the **World's Top 100 Universities for Innovation** (the amount of research income against the number of academic staff); **Research Influence** (the number of citations) and **International Mix** (the diversity of the student and staff) by the Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2010.





What our students think...

The University of Dundee was ranked **2nd in the UK** and **1st in Scotland** for **international student support** in the *International Student Barometer 2009*. Over 90% of our international students were satisfied or very satisfied.

In the *Times Higher Education Student Experience Survey* 2010, the University of Dundee was ranked in the UK's **Top 10 for teaching and learning and for facilities**.

In the *National Student Survey 2010*, students studying Anatomy and Physiology, Environmental Science, Geography, Pharmacology and Town & Regional Planning were **100% satisfied with the quality of their course**!

More than 90% of students were satisfied with the quality of their teaching in Accounting, Civil Engineering, Dentistry, English, History, Medicine, Art & Design, Life Sciences, Politics and Psychology.

C The staff are extremely helpful to ensure that students are all well taken care of... We are taught by many research experts and sometimes the lessons can be very inspiring, providing new insights to the kind of research we can undertake after we graduate. Iconic attractions like the RSS Discovery Ship, and the majestic Sir James Black Centre housing the hub of life science activity, never fail to impress me that this is a place steeped in history and modern achievements.

Hwee San Lek from Singapore, BSc Microbiology.



Discovery

New research projects are continually launched creating an exciting and challenging environment for staff and students, as well as shaping our future. Some of our current projects include:

- Our Centre for Anatomy and Human Identification uses state-of-theart forensic science techniques and facial reconstruction to generate images and models from human remains. Most recently the team was the focus of the BBC 2 four part series – *History Cold Case* – where they also used historical detective work to build a picture of a man's life - and death; giving him his face back for the first time in 800 years.
- Our Mathematics and Medical Researchers are using mathematical modelling to gain better understanding into cancer development and treatment.
- Researchers in the Centre for Environmental Change and Human Resilience (CECHR) are working on a number of projects including assessing climate change and impacts on the quality and quantity of water, and considering models of decentralised electricity supplies.
- The Division of Plant Sciences is researching into a process called `alternative splicing' which could have implications for our understanding of how plants and crops adapt to climate change.

Top Quality Teaching

The University regularly achieves high ratings in the various published league tables.

- We were ranked 1st in the UK for Pharmacology and 2nd in the UK for Dentistry by the Guardian University Guide 2011. They also rated us 2nd in Scotland for Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Medicine, Politics and Town & Regional Planning.
- The Times Good University Guide 2011 ranked us 1st in Scotland for Anatomy & Physiology, Biological Sciences and Civil Engineering and 3rd in Scotland for Computing.
- The Complete University Guide 2011 ranked us 1st in Scotland and in the UK Top 10 for Civil Engineering, Dentistry and Town & Regional Planning, and 2nd in Scotland and in the UK Top 10 for Anatomy & Physiology.

At the University of Dundee we offer an impressive portfolio of courses at both undergraduate and taught postgraduate level. Each one has its own web page with course aims, fees, academic content and assessment methods, detailed entry requirements and contact information. There are also links to academic schools within the University and often staff and student profiles. Links to the main web pages are given below.

English Language

All courses at the University of Dundee are taught in English, and international students must have a very good standard of English in order to be able to be successful in your academic studies. We require all students to provide certification of their English language gualifications. Where possible, you should send your certificate with your application.

Taught Postgraduate Courses

Our taught postgraduate courses generally last for 1 year only. Most have start dates in September, with some January start dates as highlighted by * in the table below. Most of the courses involve written examinations once a semester and continuous assessment.

For a full list of our 200+ taught postgraduate courses please consult our website at www.dundee.ac.uk/admissions/pacourses/.

Entry requirements

Generally, applicants who hold a Bachelor degree may be considered for postgraduate study. More details are given on each course web page.

Here is a selection of the courses available:

Engineering:	Civil Engineering:	Architecture & Planning:	
Biomedical Engineering	Civil/ Structural Engineering Advanced Sustainability of		
Design for Medical Technologies	Concrete Engineering &	Built Environment	
Electronic Circuit Design &	Environmental Management	Architecture: Advanced Practice,	
Manufacture	Construction Enterprise	Management & Law	
Medical Imaging	Management	International Urban Conservation	
*Product Design	Earthquake & Offshore	Spatial Planning (with Community	
Renewable Energy &	Geotechnical Engineering	Engagement / Environmental	
Environmental Modelling		Assessment/ Marine/ Sustainable	
		Urban Design/ Transport Planning)	

*Energy, Petroleum and Mineral Law and Policy **Specialisms:** (LLM, MBA, MSc Programmes)

*Climate Change and Energy Law & Policy *Energy Law & Policy *Energy Studies with specialisms *Environmental Law & Policy *International Business Law & Transactions *International Dispute Resolution & Management *International Oil & Gas Management *Petroleum Law & Policy *Law: *International Criminal Justice & Human Rights

*Environmental Law

Law & Government

Resolution

Water Law

*Healthcare Law and Ethics

Water Goverance & Conflict

Computing/ IT/ Software **Engineering:**

Business:

Accountancy Applied Computing Islamic Accounting & Finance Business Intelligence (Jan start Professional Accounting only) Accounting & Finance Computing International Accounting Computing with International International Finance Business *International Business Computing with Vision & Imaging *International Business & Design Ethnography Corporate Governance Computing Research *International Business & Finance (Jan start only) *International Business & Marketing *International Business & HR Management Strategic Financial Management Arts & Social Sciences/ Art & Design: Humanities: Animation & Visualisation **English Studies** Desian **Environmental Remote Sensing** Design Ethnography European Urban Conservation Fine Art *International & European Law International Politics & Security Forensic Art *International Commercial Law International Urban Conservation Media Art *International Dispute Resolution Medical Art Philosophy & Literature Psychological Research Methods *Product Design Sustainable Catchment Management Urban & Cultural History Life Sciences: Medicine/Dentistry/Nursing:

Forensic Medicine Cancer Biology Medical Education Mathematical Biology Orthopaedic & Rehabilitation Crops for the Future Technology Environmental Biology Orthopaedic Surgery Human Anatomy Prosthodontics

Social Work/ Education: Community Learning & Development Primary/ Secondary Education Social Work

Undergraduate Courses

Our undergraduate courses start in September and **generally last for 4 years**, but some can last longer, e.g. Medicine, Dentistry, Architecture, and some engineering degrees (MEng). It is also possible to complete an Honours degree in 3 years at Dundee if your qualifications are good enough.

The table below shows a summary of the main subject areas we offer undergraduate courses in. For a full list and more details on all our undergraduate courses please see *www.dundee.ac.uk/admissions/ugcourses*

Entry Qualifications

The main UK entry qualifications are listed on each of the course web pages. If you have qualifications from an institution overseas, we have given a summary of our general entry requirements by country on our website at *www.dundee.ac.uk/admissions/yourcountry*

Undergraduate Subject Areas:

Architecture/Planning/ Sustainability: Architecture Architecture Studies Environmental Sustainability Renewable Energy Spatial Economics & Development Town & Regional Planning	Art & Design: Animation Art & Design (General Foundation) Art, Philosophy, Contemporary Practices Fine Art Graphic Design Illustration Interior Environmental Design Jewellery & Metal Design Textile Design Time Based Art & Digital Film	Biological/ Biomedical Sciences: Anatomical Sciences Biochemistry Biological Chemistry & Drug Discovery Biological Sciences Biomedical Sciences Forensic Anthropology Microbiology Molecular Biology Molecular Genetics Neuroscience Pharmacology Bbysiological Sciences

Business/Economics: Accountancy Business Economics with Marketing Business Management Economics Finance Financial Economics International Business International Business with Marketing International Business with Financial Management International Finance	Humanities/Psychology/Social Sciences: American Studies English English and Film Studies Environmental Science European Philosophy European Studies Geography History International Relations Philosophy Politics Psychology Scottish Historical Studies	Engineering: Civil Engineering Electronic and Electrical Engineering Mechanical Engineering Product Design
Computing/ IT: Applied Computing Business Computing Computing & Cognitive Science Digital Interaction Design	Law: Scots Law English Law Dual Qualifying Law (English & Scots) Accelerated (Graduate) Law	Medicine/Dentistry: Dentistry Medicine
Social Work/Education: Community Learning & Development Primary Education Social Work		

Postgraduate Research

Studying for a research degree offers the exciting prospect of working at the frontiers of knowledge under the supervision of an expert.

For further information on our research interests and reputation see *www.dundee.ac.uk/admissions/research*

Undergraduate

Applications for all our undergraduate courses are made electronically through UCAS (Universities and Colleges Application Service) at *www.ucas.com*. To use UCAS you register for a username, complete your personal details online, together with educational qualifications, experience and personal statement, and once you have submitted your application, it is transmitted directly to the University.

The closing date for applications to Medicine and Dentistry is 15 October. The closing date for all other subjects is normally 15 January, however we accept applications from international students after this date. Please allow time to apply for your visa, if required.

The UCAS website (*www.ucas.com*) gives full information about completing your application. You can find more information about our selection processes at *www.dundee.ac.uk/admissions/ugapply*

Taught Postgraduate

Applications for all our full-time, taught postgraduate courses are made using the online system UKPASS. To use UKPASS you register for a username, complete your personal details online, together with educational qualifications, experience and personal statement, and once you have submitted your application, it is transmitted directly to the University. You can find out more information about our application processes at *www.dundee.ac.uk/admissions/pgapply*

Research

You can apply for a research degree by downloading the relevant application form from our website at *www.dundee.ac.uk/admissions/ phdapply* and sending it to the Research Degrees Office with any supporting references.

International Applications

We work with a range of approved representatives in different countries and they will be able to give international students help and support with your application.

For details on how to contact these representatives, please see the relevant country page on our website: *www.dundee.ac.uk/admissions/yourcountry*

Applying for your Student Visa

Before you make firm arrangements to travel to the UK, **you must meet the UK's immigration requirements**. Depending upon where you live, the application process can take several months, so you should begin the process as early as possible. Please check our website for the most up to date information, including advice: *www.dundee.ac.uk/admissions/visas*



CAMPUS RESOURCES

Dundee has invested £200m in developing a 21st century campus to provide you with the resources and support required for the best student experience possible.

Support

www.dundee.ac.uk/studentservices/

Adapting to university life can be challenging, but we offer a range of support services from our team of very approachable trained professionals to ensure your personal, financial and social wellbeing.

www.dundee.ac.uk/aatu/

In addition, the University provides a wide range of academic support from the Academic Achievement Teaching Unit in partnership with the Schools. We are committed to helping you:

- develop the skills and knowledge that underpin our programmes of study and research
- prepare for employment in your chosen career path

IT Facilities

www.dundee.ac.uk/ics/

Information and Communication Services (ICS) is responsible for the University's central IT systems, including:

- over 800 generally available PCs on campus sited in library study zones and computer suites across campus
- wireless access, including WiFi printing, available throughout teaching and learning spaces on campus
- Help4U, a service desk for IT support and advice to help with your studies
- fast access to the IT network in most University accommodation.

Other University IT facilities include:

- the Students' Union (DUSA) i-Wall
- specialist computer labs in subject areas, for example, in media art, engineering and computing.



Libraries

www.dundee.ac.uk/library/

Dundee's seven library sites offer students access to information and resources to support their studies:

- Face-to-face expert support from professional library staff
- Specialist subject librarians for all academic subjects
- Flexible learning spaces silent study zones, general study zones ideal for group work, The Learning Café and study break zones
- Access to more than one million books and subscriptions to over 5,000 journals, newspapers and databases
- A copy of every recommended book and multiple copies of many key texts
- Extensive electronic resources including e-books, e-journals, online newspapers and image and sound resources which you can access from anywhere in the world
- Access to the University wireless network and laptop charging points

International Students www.dundee.ac.uk/admissions/international

At the University of Dundee we have students from over 80 countries, creating an international community, which benefits all our students.

- Our **International Admissions Office** will provide you with a responsive and understanding service from initial enquiry through to enrolment as a student.
- Once you are a student, the **International Advice Service** organises various activities for international students, including:
- Social events, including visits to places like St Andrews, Glamis Castle and Isle of Skye
- Weekend hospitality visits to Scottish families
- Visa workshops to give advice and guidance on visa extensions.
- The **Students' Union (DUSA)** runs many societies of interest to international students, for example, the Sri Lankan Society and the Chinese Society. Religious societies also help students to feel at home like the Islamic Society and the Catholic Society. There are also informal groups of students from different countries who help to support each other and keep in touch with their home countries.







C There is nothing that I don't like about this place as Dundee is a great place to study because it has everything that a student desires for higher education including the University facilities, accommodations, sports facilities, library, computers etc.

The teaching methods at Dundee are very supportive and stimulating and because of this I was able to achieve a Scholarship as well. Now my brother Rohaan has joined Dundee University to pursue his studies in Mechanical Engineering.

Bilal Sadiq, from Pakistan, LLB English Law.

ACCOMMODATION

C The broadband connection (in the student village) was so fast we could barely time it.

BBC Broadband Britain, May 2008

Home from home

We have invested **£37 million in our student accommodation** so that our students have a modern, safe and well equipped place to work, rest and make friends. Our 900 single rooms on campus and over 400 across the road provide the perfect environment for students, just 5 minutes from the city centre and 2 minutes from lecture halls. We have a Student Support Worker and Assistants on hand to help students and night security personnel to keep everyone safe.

We have four residential complexes – **Heathfield** (426 residents), **Belmont** (450 residents), **Seabraes** (411 residents) and **West Park** (300 residents).

The complexes comprise approximately 50 self-contained flats (each flat has its own kitchen and dining space) for between five and ten residents. Bedrooms are all single occupancy and are sized approximately 13 or 15 sq.m. (including the en-suite facilities). Kitchens are equipped with cooker, fridge/freezer, microwave and kettle. The following items are not supplied in any of the residences: crockery, cutlery, pots, pans, cooking utensils, bed sheets, pillow, blankets etc, but are available locally at low prices. Each complex has a coin-operated laundry available for all residents.

No hidden costs

Staying in University residences means there are no hidden costs as all electricity costs, general maintenance and personal property insurance are included in our price. There is no deposit required for our residences as prepayment of around £300 secures your accommodation and is then deducted from the first rental payment. You can pay the whole amount upfront, or make one payment each semester – whatever is easiest for you.

Fast connections

We attract students from all over the UK and from over 80 different countries. Our University Residences are the ideal place to make friends with some of the most interesting people on the planet! Since Dundee was **one of the three UK cities used to trial new fibre optic internet cables**, our bedrooms have super fast connection to the internet and our virtual learning environment allowing you to keep in touch with old friends online at speed and up-to-date with your studies.



Annie Cobabe, Study Abroad student from Utah, USA

Our promise

At Dundee we are proud to **guarantee accommodation to all new students** at the University who apply before the deadline. Our residence contracts cover the whole academic year (39 weeks from September to May) so you can leave your belongings in your room if you decide to go home for the holidays.

Dundee has a wide range of competitively priced private accommodation close to the University campus as well. Our Students' Union offer **free legal advice** to help with matters such as leases.

The following chart indicates the facilities available at each residence while our web site describes the residences in greater detail.

Summary of Services within University Accommodation for Single Students:

	Seabraes	West Park Villas	West Park Flats	Belmont	Heathfield
Self-catering	•	•	•	•	•
Single room	•	•	•	•	•
En-suite shower & toilet	•	•	•	•	•
Telephone in bedroom		•			
Central heating	•	•	٠	•	•
Heating included in rent	•	•	•	•	•
Security door entry	•	•	•	•	•
Launderette facilities on site	•	•	•	•	•
Common room (with TV) on site	•	•			

For further information about our student accommodation and information on the fees, please see *www.dundee.ac.uk/residences*.

MONEY MATTERS

Tuition Fees

All students or their sponsors must pay tuition fees as well as their full living and travel expenses. There are two categories of tuition fees: Home (UK/EU) rate and Overseas rate, and the level of tuition fee you have to pay depends on your tuition fee status. Students normally resident in EU states are treated on the same basis as Scottish domiciled students for fee purposes, while students from outside the UK or EU, not normally resident here, pay fees at the overseas rate.

You can find a list of all tuition fees on the University Registry Office website at *www.dundee.ac.uk/registry*

The fees for all our postgraduate courses are listed on the relevant course page on our website *www.dundee.ac.uk/admissions/pgcourses.*

Scholarships

There are **many different types of scholarships available**, both from the University of Dundee and from other sources. We have information about many of these on our website, just follow the links to 'Fees and Funding' from our undergraduate (*www.dundee.ac.uk/undegraduate/*) or postgraduate pages (*www.dundee.ac.uk/postgraduate/*). Please remember that most scholarships are competitive, and many have early application deadlines.

Living Costs

The **cost of living in Dundee is considerably lower than the UK average**, with student rent off-campus about 10% below the UK average.

The following figures are based on the expenditure of an average, single student, living on-campus (excluding tuition fees). Clearly your own expenditure will vary depending on your personal circumstances and lifestyle. (Costs estimated December 2010).

Cost per month Rent Food

£420 - £440
£120
£30
£25
£10
£25
£20
£20
£670 - £690

The NatWest Student Living Index rates cities as how cost effective they are for students to live in. In their latest report, Dundee was ranked 1st in Scotland and 3rd in the UK.

EMPLOYMENT & CAREERS

The University of Dundee is proud of its graduate employment record and offers many opportunities throughout their course for students to plan for their career after graduation.

Careers Service www.dundee.ac.uk/careers

The Careers Service offers a variety of services including careers guidance, job-seeking strategies, guidance for applications and interviews, careers information and the opportunity to participate in a programme of events and presentations. We have six disciplinespecific qualified Careers Advisors who can advise on career options and help you reach your career goals.

- The JobShop is an online vacancy database which lists available part-time, vacation, graduate, work experience and legal vacancies and is available to all students who register.
- The **Placement Basement** organises internships and work experience placements for students. Careers staff try to find students a work experience placement to increase their employability after graduation.
- The **Scottish Internship Graduate Certificate (SIGC)** is the first of its kind in the UK. It is an eight month long course incorporating a six month internship with career planning and degree related modules and is open to graduates.
- Undergraduate modules in Career Planning and Internship. The Career Planning module involves the development of presentation skills and CV, application and interview techniques. The Internship module allows you to gain some real experience in the workplace undertaking a 30 hour placement in a business, teaching centre or media organisation and combine this with classes covering career planning issues.
- Throughout the year the Careers Service also holds **recruitment fairs** where employers visit the campus. Many of our graduates (alumni) also act as workplace mentors for our current and recently graduated students.

When they leave, more than 4 in 5 go into graduate level jobs, a rate bettered by just 13 institutions nationally. J Sunday Times Good University Guide 2008

Enterprise Gym www.enterprise-gym.com

The Enterprise Gym is **Scotland's leading business skills and enterprise course**. It provides students with options to learn and master the vital skills for running a business. **The course is free for students** and runs throughout the year, providing online enterprise courses, training by local entrepreneurs, super coach sessions with UK industry leaders, and informal sessions with inspiring speakers.

Personal Development *www.dundee.ac.uk/careers/mypdp/* Dundee is at the **forefront of developing Personal Development Planning (PDP)** and offers this to all students. The PDP process helps students to decide on personal and career goals and focus their approach to academic studies and extracurricular activities.

After Graduation

The UK Government recognises that students graduating from UK Universities are bright, talented, hard-working people who can make a positive contribution to our economy. International students are currently entitled to work within the UK after graduation for up to two years, without the need for a work permit, under the **Post Study Work Scheme**, but this is under review by the UK Government.



WEEKENDS

Sports

The newly-extended Institute of Sport and Exercise (ise) on campus offers a range of facilities to help you maintain a healthy body while you're in Dundee. With a state of the art fitness suite, dance and exercise studios, squash courts, strength performance centre, tennis courts, swimming pool and 33 acre playing fields, there are plenty of opportunities to get active!

Dundee University Sport has around **40 different clubs** for you to join, including: archery, athletics, cricket, fencing, football, hockey, karate, netball, subaqua and volleyball, to name just a few. Full list at: *www.dundee.ac.uk/sportsunion*

Outdoor Activities

However sporting you want to be, whether it is gentle rambling, sled dog racing or cliff jumping, Dundee is your gateway to discovering the great outdoors.

There is a huge variety of activities you can get involved with in Dundee or within easy driving distance. A few examples include: climbing, skateboarding, body boarding, cycling, gliding, microlighting, snowboarding, and orienteering.

And if spectating is more your thing, why not follow the Dundee Stars ice hockey team or one of our two professional football clubs?

Societies

Why not get involved with some of our student societies? They are great places to meet other students with similar interests and often have lots of events throughout the year.

The Students' Union supports over 60 different societies including:

- ART Society
- Bands Society
- Christian Union
- Comedy Society
- Debating Society
- Development and Research Expeditions (DARE)
- English Lit and Film Society
- International Students Society
- Lip Theatre Company

- Mooting Society
- Music Society
- Operatic Society
- People and Planet Society
- Poker Society
- Roleplaying Society
- Scottish Country
 Dancing Society
- Young Entrepreneur Society

Cafés and Restaurants

For a small city, Dundee has a huge amount to offer and a real mix of cafés and restaurants are located within minutes of the city campus. Whether you're meeting friends during the day for a coffee or taking your parents out for a meal in the evening, there is a wide variety of different places to try, catering for every taste and budget.

Music Scene

The Students' Union has plenty to offer any night of the week but should you choose to venture deeper into the city's nightlife you'll find a wide variety of options.

The live music scene in Dundee is alive and kicking - the city has produced bands like **The View**, and is a regular stop for touring bands. There is also a good selection of club nights to suit any musical taste. The University hosts a steady programme of classical concerts, while the **Jazz Festival** and the **Blues Bonanza** – **the UK's biggest free street music festiva** – are highlights on the calendar.

Shopping

The City of Dundee offers a fantastic shopping experience, five minutes walk from the University's city campus. The stylish **Overgate Shopping Centre** hosts all the familiar UK brands. The High Street, Murraygate and Wellgate Centre add to the 'mainstream' shopping, while for unique gifts, art and jewellery, a range of boutiques and galleries are located on **Nethergate, Perth Road** and **Westport**.



OUR GREEN CREDENTIALS

Green Commitment

Wherever possible, we communicate with our applicants via email and most of our marketing information is available online.

You will find recycling points in the courtyards of our residences, around the campus, and the City Council supplies most private accommodation with recycling bins. There are over 1,000 paper recycling bins across the campus.

Green Courses

We have several research groups with expertise in environmental areas, including Water and Energy related issues. In recent years, we have developed cutting edge courses in:

- Advanced Sustainability of the Built Environment
- Climate Change and Energy Law and Policy
- Concrete Engineering and Environmental Management
- Environmental Law
- Environmental Sustainability
- Renewable Energy
- Renewable Energy and Environmental Modelling
- Spatial Planning with Sustainable Urban Design
- Sustainable Catchment Management

Green Savings

The University was the first in Scotland to have a Combined Heat and Power plant, in 1996. Due to its efficiency we are exempt from paying Climate Change Levy. In 2009 we joined the Carbon Trust's Carbon Management Programme, which will enable us to calculate our carbon footprint and incorporate new carbon reduction measures.

Children at a local primary school have designed posters to encourage energy saving. These can found around the campus to remind us all to switch off and save energy whenever we can.

Fairtrade

In 2008, the University of Dundee was granted Fairtrade status by the Fairtrade Foundation. The University and the Students' Association work hard to supply and stock Fairtrade-approved goods wherever possible. The City of Dundee was **the first Scottish city to be named a Fairtrade City** in 2004, to reflect the high number of retail and catering outlets supplying fairly traded goods.



HOW TO FIND US

By train

Dundee is on the main East Coast route with direct services to Newcastle, York and London amongst others. Rail journeys to the other major cities in Scotland (Aberdeen, Edinburgh & Glasgow) take approximately 75 minutes. The train station is just a few minutes walk from the University.

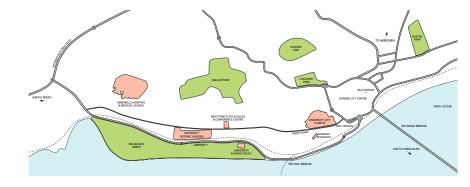
By air

Dundee Airport (just 5 minutes drive from the University) runs daily scheduled flights to London (City), Belfast and Birmingham. Edinburgh International Airport provides a much wider choice of destinations and is just an hour's drive away.

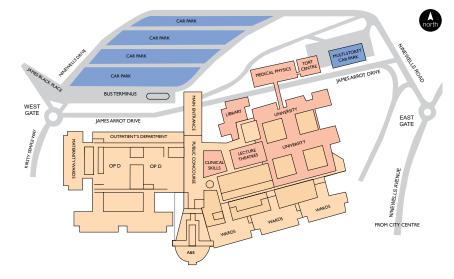
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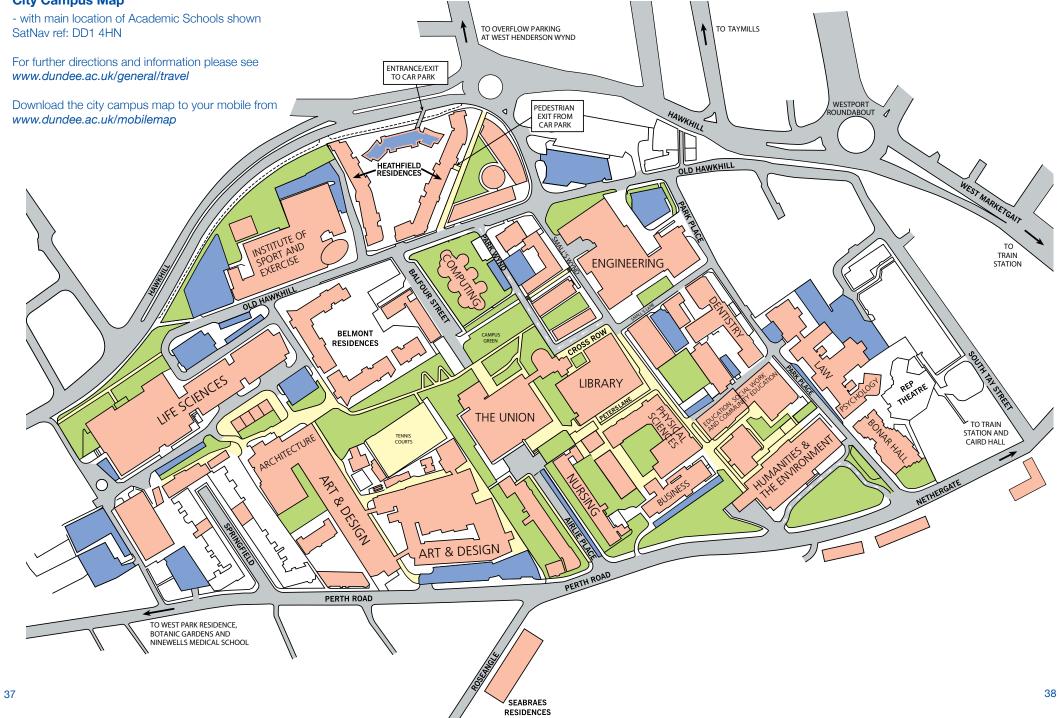
Dundee Area Map



Ninewells Campus



City Campus Map





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