

The foundation of something wonderful.

International
Foundation Year
2014/15



Start your journey here...

This prospectus is a guide to what's on offer at the University of Surrey International Study Centre.

The International Study Centre offers on-campus foundation programmes designed to prepare you for undergraduate study at the University of Surrey.

From day one you will be part of the University, with access to accommodation and facilities.

Discover what opportunities are available to you at the University of Surrey.



THE QUEEN'S
ANNIVERSARY PRIZES
FOR HIGHER AND FURTHER EDUCATION

2011

SURREY LEAPS TO 12

Surrey in the league tables

The University of Surrey has just achieved 12th place ranking in the new joint Times/Sunday Times Good University Guide league table - up from 26th position in the Times and 21st in the Sunday Times last year.

NATIONAL RESEARCH FACILITIES

Best research in key areas

Our campus hosts major national facilities such as the Ion Beam Centre, which academics from other universities come here to use.

These facilities allow our award-winning researchers to change the world in important fields such as safe water, sustainable energy, communications, disease control and health.

OVER 1000 PARTNERS

Best placement programme

Our Professional Training placement programme is admired by other universities all around the world.

Over 1000 partner organisations work with us to provide students from all parts of the University with vital experience of the professional environment.

What makes our Professional Training placements so good? They're built into your degree programme, not bolted onto it.

£213M DEVELOPMENT

Best campus investment

Since 2006, our major investments include: £12m Ivy Arts Centre and Guildford School of Acting; £36m Surrey Sports Park, host to 15 teams; £35m 5G Research Centre for the next generation of mobile communications; £47m School of Veterinary Science; £70m Manor Park student village; £13m new Library & Learning Centre.

TOP 10 FOR STUDENT SATISFACTION

Best-ever student satisfaction scores

Our students are declaring themselves happier with their University of Surrey experience than ever before, according to the National Student Survey (NSS).

The overall satisfaction rate reported by our final year students rose by an astonishing 15% between 2006 and 2012*, pushing us up the NSS league table 81 places. Amongst the most satisfied are accounting, tourism, biosciences and mathematics students.

*Overall student satisfaction rate,
National Student Survey 2012

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8th
**in The Guardian
League Table**

12th
**in The Good
University Guide**

Surrey is ranked number two in the South East, second only to Oxford. The league table is based on performance in a number of key areas, covering student satisfaction with the quality of teaching and academic feedback, course content and facilities, graduate job prospects and the quality of research.

The Times and Sunday Times also shortlisted Surrey as one of five finalists for the University of the Year. This follows hot on the heels of Surrey's success in entering the Guardian's University League Table's top ten for the first time in June 2013, achieving 8th place.

National Student Survey 2013

Our students are more satisfied than ever after a third successive increase in the National Student Survey 2013. We moved up to the top ten in the country for student satisfaction.

Our students in Accounting, Tourism, and Biosciences have an impressive 96% satisfaction rate, and Mathematics proved the best-performing subject with 97%. Teaching in Politics received a near-perfect 99% satisfaction score.

Officially impressive research

The last Research Assessment Exercise (RAE) brought official recognition for the quality of our research.

The RAE rated 99% of our research units world-leading, internationally excellent, or recognised either nationally or internationally, and placed 4 of our research areas in the UK's top 10.

Enterprising attitudes

Few universities can match our ability for enterprise.

Whether it's supporting our students and academics as they seek to turn their ideas into successful business propositions, working with industry to share our expertise for everyone's benefit, or creating our own 'spin-out' companies to get the results of our world-class research out into the world, our naturally entrepreneurial culture has achieved success after success.

120 years: a history of shaping the future

We recently celebrated the 120th anniversary of our foundation. The institution has evolved significantly in that time, but some things have remained constant.

We strongly believe that we should turn the new knowledge we generate into practical innovations that improve people's lives. We want our students and academics to make a real impact on the world, for their own benefit as well as the advances they can help to bring about. These are the attitudes that most clearly define us, and have done so for over 120 years.



The University of Surrey has been and continues to be a great source of pride for me. I've seen it produce generations of the most employable graduates in the United Kingdom, as well as generating some highly advanced research across its broad portfolio.



HRH The Duke of Kent
Chancellor of the University of Surrey

Welcome



Going to university is a life-changing experience. Here at Surrey, we believe a university education is about developing the whole person and we hope this prospectus will give you a flavour of what it is like to study, live and socialise here at one of the UK's leading universities.

If you choose to come to Surrey, you'll be joining our vibrant and forward-thinking community where we have invested in first-class teaching and learning facilities to create the right environment for you to achieve your very best.

Our wide variety of degree programmes are designed to reflect your needs, and those of society and industry, whilst retaining academic rigour. You'll be supported by world-leading academics whose inspirational research is having real impact on the world and receiving important recognition. We were honoured to be awarded our third Queen's Anniversary Prize for Higher Education in 2011, the ultimate accolade for excellence in research and teaching.

Through our connections to over 1000 major international companies, you can choose to follow Surrey's pioneering Professional Training placement programme. This allows you to develop sought-after skills, confidence and expertise that, in addition to your academic achievements, will give you that vital edge in your future career. It is no surprise that Surrey has consistently been at the top for graduate employment.

We know your leisure time is important too, so the University and Students' Union offer a variety of social, sporting and cultural activities. You can take a swim in the 50m pool at our world-class Surrey Sports Park or learn a new language in the brand new study facilities of our Library & Learning Centre.

Like our students, Surrey is a university that takes its development seriously. We have recently won significant funding to create a new research hub right here on campus to take global leadership in 5G mobile telecommunications. We are also establishing a new School of Veterinary Medicine to enhance our academic and research offering.

Wonderful things are happening at Surrey and we very much hope you'll be joining us in 2014.

Professor Sir Christopher M. Snowden FRS, FREng
President and Vice-Chancellor
University of Surrey



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Salar – Iran

International Foundation Year -
Engineering, Science and Mathematics
MEng Civil Engineering
Placement year at Asset Management Consulting Limited

Professional Training placements

We are extremely proud of our Professional Training placement programme. It has a transformational effect on the people who take part in it – people like you.

The programme is one of the largest in the world, with over 1000 partner organisations in the UK and overseas, and is an integral part of our degree programmes.

Almost every Surrey undergraduate, including International Study Centre alumni, can choose to do a placement, regardless of degree subject. That's unique.

No other university anywhere in the world has a placement programme like this. As a result, no other university has professional, experienced, seriously impressive graduates like ours.

That's the difference Surrey can give you. That's what really makes us proud.

What is a Professional Training placement?

Professional Training is a period of work experience between the 2nd or 3rd and final year of study. This period typically lasts 30 weeks to 12 months and may be formed of one or more placements. A placement may also be paid work experience.

Why go on a placement?

Our students have said the programme has helped them:

- » gain confidence, maturity and motivation
- » provide focus for their final year of study
- » confirm their career path
- » open their eyes to opportunities they had never previously considered
- » show them jobs that they would or would not like to do in the future

With you every step of the way

Preparation starts in the second year of your degree, with special modules to get you ready for the workplace.

A member of staff will explain the process and how placements are advertised. We also offer workshops to help you with CV writing and interview questions. Unlike other universities, we don't just leave you to fend for yourself when you're on placement. You will be visited several times by a member of staff from your department.

Excellent partners

Placements are advertised throughout the year and with over 1000 partners you will have lots to choose from. Partners include IBM, Sony Ericsson, HSBC, Walt Disney, Ernst & Young, British Airways and Four Seasons Hotels and Resorts.

What's more, you can be sure that your placement is a real job, with real responsibilities on real projects. We simply won't put our good name to anything less.

Placements around the world

Our Professional Training placement programme is one of the best in the world. Some students spend their placements with a UK company or organisation, in a university research laboratory, some go to Europe or further afield.

In the past two years students have been on placements in Peru, Mexico, New Zealand, African countries and Australia. Others do projects with research organisations. During placements students are visited by teaching staff.



I completed my placement year at the Four Seasons Hotel in Hampshire and now am a Surrey graduate.



Hao – China

International Foundation Year – Business, Economics, Law and Politics
BSc (Hons) International Hospitality Management
Placement year at the Four Seasons Hotel, Hampshire

I believe doing my placement year in an international company like the Four Seasons Hotel has opened up worldwide opportunities for me and my future career. It has also given me the chance to work in different areas and see how a world-renowned hotel operates. I am really enjoying my time and I am also learning a lot from my everyday duties, as well as from the hotel's excellent training schemes.

My degree is under the School of Hospitality and Tourism Management and there is a professional training tutor who helps undergraduate students to obtain their placement opportunity and who also looks after the students throughout their placement year.



I am confident about entering the job market after I graduate as I have lots of real world experience that will set me apart from other graduates seeking employment.



Dadamuga – Nigeria

International Foundation Year –
Engineering, Science and Mathematics
BSc (Hons) Computer Science
Placement year at Gamma Telecommunications



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Telecommunications

For my placement year I worked at Gamma Telecommunications as a software developer. On a day to day basis I worked as an analyst and web software developer. I also managed the database for the products the company was working on.

The career's office at Surrey helped immensely. They had a job database tailored to placement students which had the job description and contact details of the relevant person to apply to. We would always get notified by email when a new job was added or when a job was reaching its application deadline. This made the process so much easier because we didn't need to spend hours reading newspapers or searching online for jobs relating to our degree. The process was stress-free and I am actually the first Surrey student to work at Gamma Telecommunications.

I'm very happy I took a placement as it will definitely help me in my future. I'm confident about entering the job market after I graduate as I have lots of real world experience that will set me apart from other graduates seeking employment. Companies will be able to see that I can apply what I've learnt at university. While on placement I have learnt how to take responsibility for my actions and learn from mistakes. I now have a better understanding of the industry I want to work in and plan to continue to learn about the business world and respect it.



Salim – Mauritius

International Foundation Year –
Engineering, Science and Mathematics
BEng (Hons) Electronic Engineering
Placement year at Motorola Solutions

I am very happy I decided to take a placement year, as I feel it will give my CV an unique advantage. I would recommend all students do a placement year if they can. But above all, enjoying and making most of the student life at the University.

The best bit about going to Surrey was being elected Student Representative for two years in a row and nominated as Best Student Rep of the Year, making loads of friends from all over the world, learning the Japanese language as an extra university activity, building electronic prototypes of a metal detector, electronic doorbell, FM digital radio as well as going for a professional industrial placement year with Motorola Solutions.

I couldn't have done any of this without the International Study Centre. The teaching methods encouraged me to interact with everyone in the class and gave me a chance to speak my mind. It felt more like a big family rather than just a class.



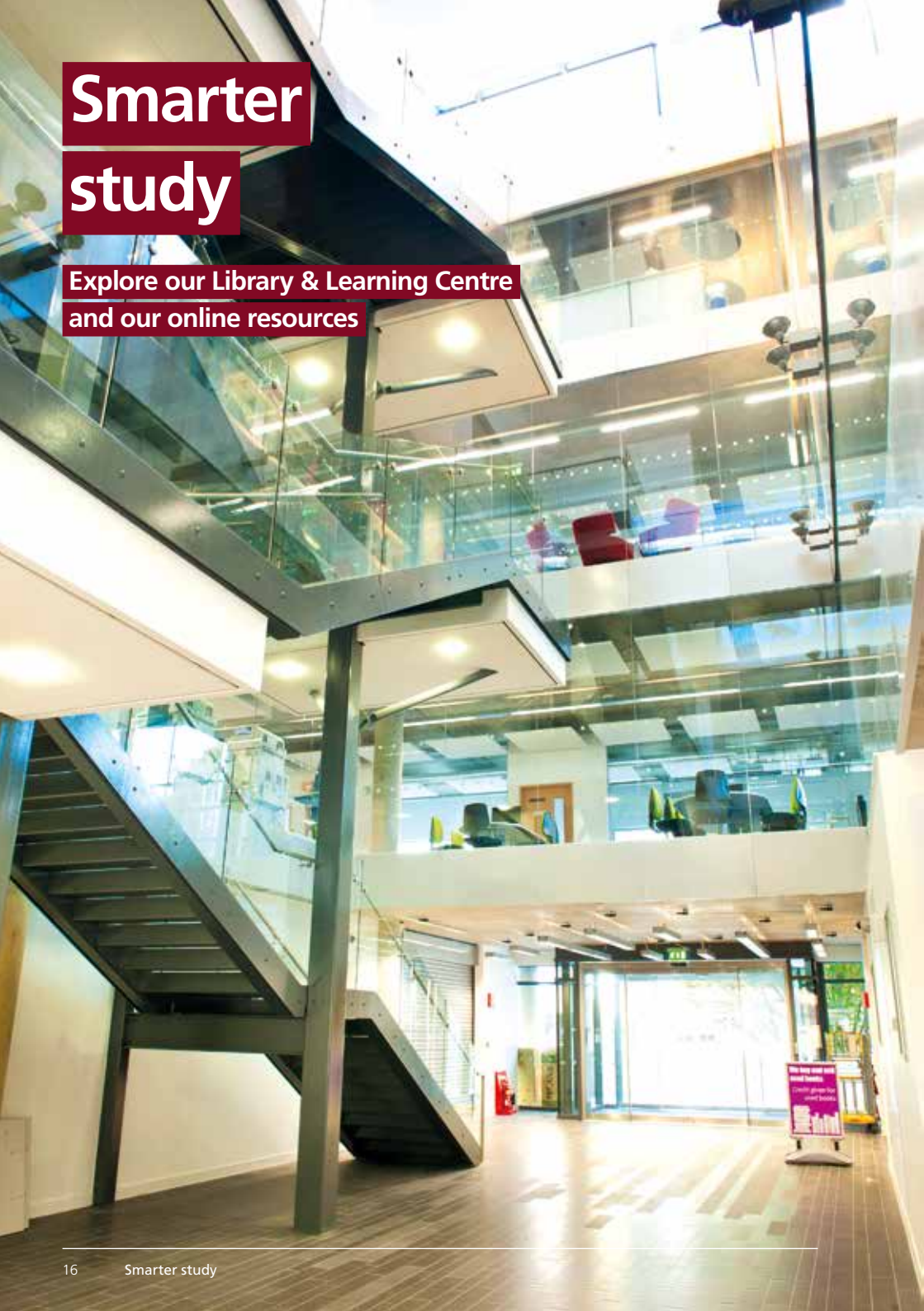
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Smarter study

Explore our Library & Learning Centre
and our online resources



Library & Learning Centre

The refurbished £13m Library & Learning Centre lies at the heart of the campus and offers state-of-the-art facilities. This is the academic centre of the University which also includes the Appleseed bookshop and a popular ground floor meeting area. Here you'll find a vast collection of books and journals plus you can access the electronic collection of books and journals on or off campus. There are silent areas for individual study, communal learning zones for group work, and bookable rooms.

We offer 1,240 study spaces, over 300 open access computers, sound and image collections and resources for language self-study, self-service issues and returns, printing, scanning and photocopying, and an informal meeting space.

The library is open daily, staying open 24 hours a day during semester and for long opening hours during vacations and outside semester weeks. We have an academic librarian for each subject area who will introduce you to the Library and help you to find and use the information resources for your academic needs.

surrey.ac.uk/library

SPLASH

The Student Personal Learning and Study Hub (SPLASH) is a student-centred area designed to enhance your study. Via appointments, drop-ins and workshops, Student Learning Advisors can help in your academic and personal development and improve your writing, presenting, revision, time management and any other academic skills. Academic Liaison Librarians also work from SPLASH, offering advice on finding resources, using databases and referencing.

surrey.ac.uk/library/splash

Virtual Learning Environment (VLE)

The University has recently launched SurreyLearn, a new Virtual Learning Environment. This online environment is used in a variety of innovative ways to support and enhance learning and teaching.

You will be able to use SurreyLearn to access information and guidance related to your programme modules and to enjoy a rich set of activities and interactive materials that support your learning. These include group and independent activities such as discussion forums, self-tests and online assignments. These can be accessed from any computer with an internet connection as well as mobile devices such as iPads, iPhones and other smartphones.

SurreyLearn also provides additional ways for staff to be creative and responsive in their teaching approaches, for example, by providing online guidance and feedback in flexible ways. This all helps to support you to learn and work more flexibly and in ways that suit your learning style and situation.

surrey.ac.uk/surreylearn



The tutors at the International Study Centre are excellent and the classes are small, so it is a great learning environment.



Ivey – China

International Foundation Year –
Engineering, Science and Mathematics
BSc (Hons) Nutrition and Food Science



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BSc (Hons) Nutrition and Food Science

I am very happy that I chose to study the International Foundation Year at the University of Surrey International Study Centre. It provided me with fundamental knowledge required for the subjects I am studying on my degree.

I have joined lots of societies and clubs at the University. There are so many to choose from and this has helped me make friends from the UK and all over the world. Immersing myself in the UK education system has also been a great way to improve my English.

If you want a university with a great research-based reputation, excellent facilities and modern campus, the University of Surrey may be right for you.

A beautiful place to live

Welcome to Surrey: a peaceful
lakeside campus with world-class
facilities, set amongst stunning
countryside just outside London.



Life on campus

Our friendly community encourages a real sense of belonging. With over 140 nationalities all playing a role in campus life, you will discover a lively, dynamic atmosphere that enriches the student experience for all.

Natural environment

This is a wonderful, safe environment in which to live and learn, and the external landscaping is a unique and much-loved feature of the University. Carefully tended gardens and leafy parkland (with more than 300 different types of tree and 1,000 species of flower) blend seamlessly with vibrant playing fields, a picturesque lake, and striking architecture and public art.

Imagine lying on the grass listening to music in the sun, studying in the shade of the trees, or relaxing by the shores of our pretty lake, watching wildfowl bobbing peacefully on the water. With such beautiful surroundings, it's no wonder that the lake is an extremely popular lunchtime spot in the spring and summer months.

Relax...

Surrey's staff and students work hard to rise to the challenges of study and research, but once the work is done, it's time to relax, socialise and make the most of leisure time. With leisure facilities, cafés, restaurants, bars and common rooms, our campus is a self-contained community where you can really make the most of student life.

...and enjoy

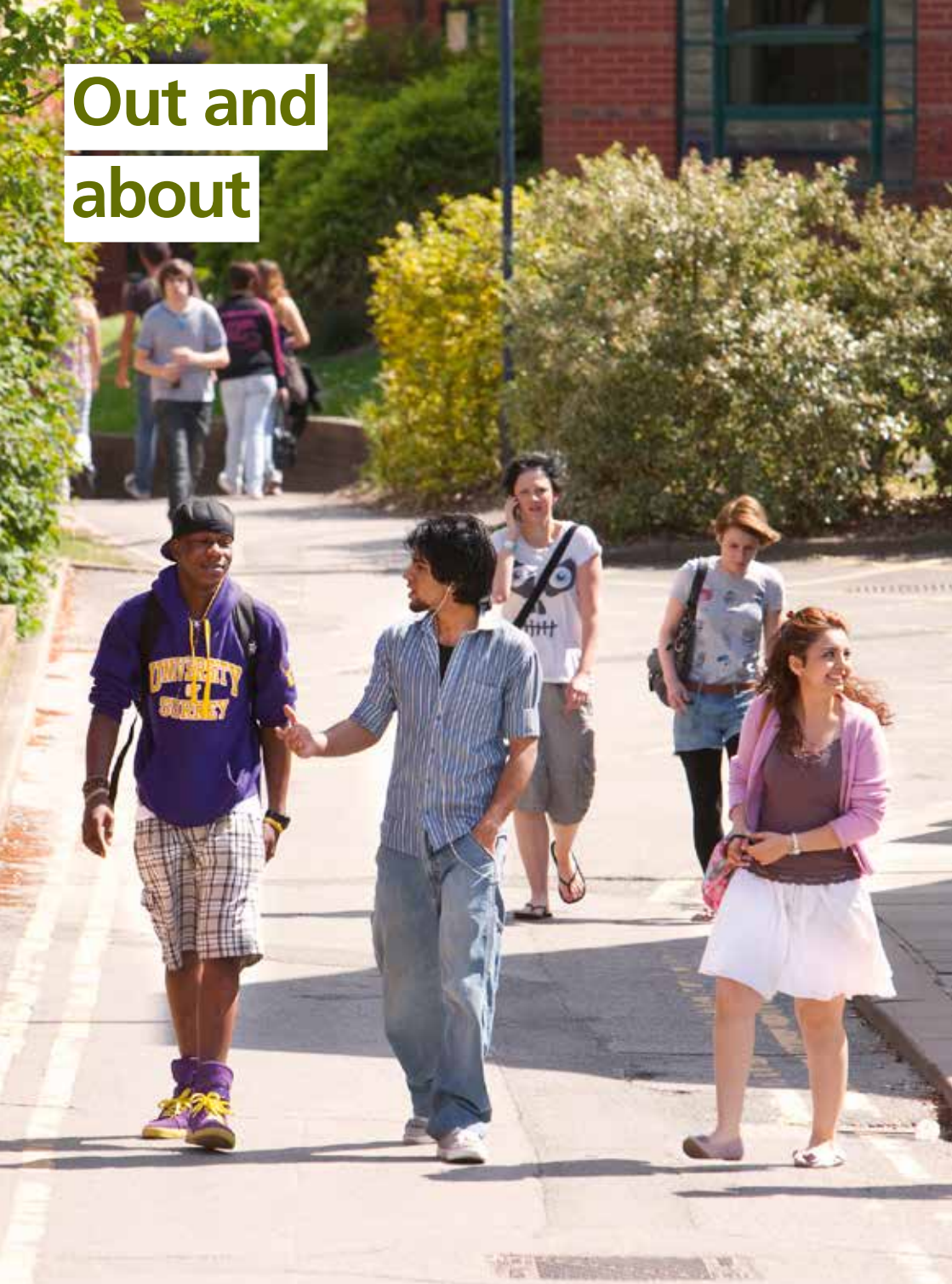
Get involved with our student societies and you'll have the opportunity to meet new people and try something different. There are over 70 active societies here, and the Students' Union organises an exciting programme of activities, events and experiences for you to try – from creative workshops to trips abroad.

The Students' Union also houses five bars, three food outlets and its own 1,600-capacity nightclub, with the finest sound and light facility of any Union club in the country. So whether you're into clubbing or comedy, live music or pub quizzes, you'll find plenty to keep you entertained without even having to leave the campus.

Beautifully safe

The campus is patrolled by our friendly Security team, whose on-site office is always open to visitors and staffed for phone calls.

Out and about



Hampton Court Palace



Guildford at night



Students' Union



Enjoying Guildford

Discover Guildford

Just ten minutes' walk from campus, Guildford is an exciting blend of historical, cultural and modern delights.

The cobbled High Street, criss-crossed by lanes and alleyways, provides the perfect setting for a day's with many exclusive boutiques and independent shops, as well as two modern shopping centres.

The town also offers lots to do with over 70 cafes, restaurants and pubs, and a major regional theatre, comedy and performance venues such as the Yvonne Arnaud Theatre and the G-Live music and events venue. A frequent bus service linking the campus with the town centre runs late into the night, and the local area is cycle-friendly too.

Surrey and beyond...

The campus is situated within sight of the idyllic Surrey Hills, named as an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, and filled with endless opportunities to relax and unwind – from pretty country pubs and National Trust sites such as Box Hill and Polesden Lacey, to local breweries and vineyards, and acres of rolling countryside for walking and cycling.

The region is rich with heritage and culture (Hampton Court, Windsor Castle and Kew Gardens are easily accessible), and with outstanding sporting venues too – tennis at Wimbledon, rugby union at Twickenham, horse racing at Epsom and Ascot, and the home of English cricket at the Oval.

For those seeking more metropolitan pleasures, London is only half an hour away by train, putting world-class shopping, entertainment and nightlife right on your doorstep. And if you really need to get away from it all, or fly home for the holidays, major airports – including Heathrow and Gatwick – are conveniently close at hand.

Healthy and active



£36m DEVELOPMENT

Our Surrey Sports Park
is a world-class £36m
development that will excite
any fitness fanatic.

VOTED NO. 1*
FOR SPORTS
FACILITIES BY
OUR STUDENTS

*1st out of 16 universities in the Domestic
Student Barometer, summer 2012

Surrey Sports Park is home to:

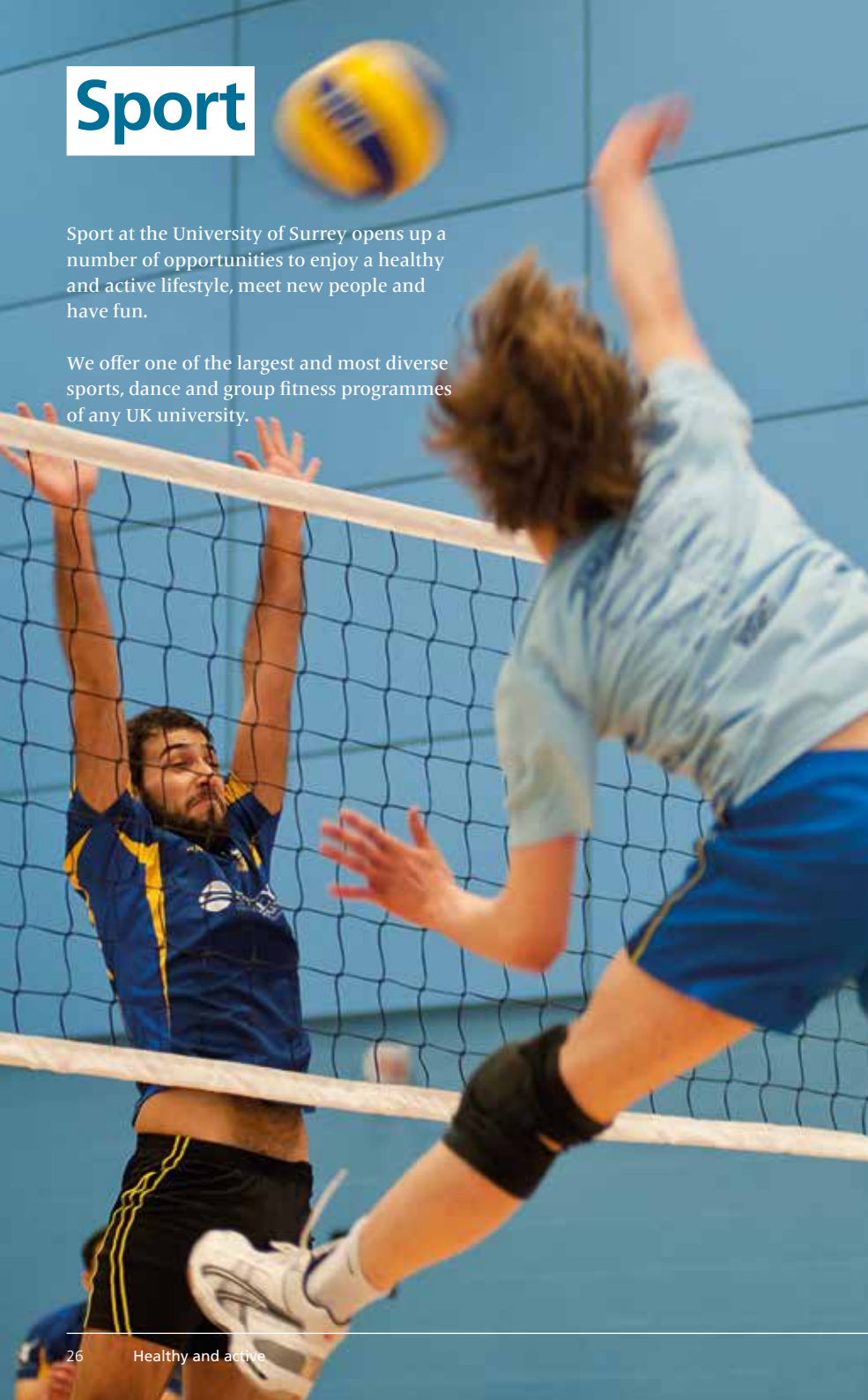


Harlequins

Sport

Sport at the University of Surrey opens up a number of opportunities to enjoy a healthy and active lifestyle, meet new people and have fun.

We offer one of the largest and most diverse sports, dance and group fitness programmes of any UK university.



Team Surrey clubs A-Z

- » American Football
- » Archery
- » Badminton
- » Ballroom and Latin Dancing
- » Basketball
- » Boat (rowing)
- » Boxing
- » Canoe
- » Cheerleading
- » Cricket
- » Cycling
- » Dance (Jazz/Modern)
- » Dodgeball
- » Equestrian
- » Fencing
- » Football (men's)
- » Football (women's)
- » Gliding
- » Golf
- » Hockey
- » Ice Hockey
- » Jiu Jitsu
- » Judo
- » Lacrosse
- » Mountaineering
- » Mixed Martial Arts
- » Netball
- » Pole Dancing
- » Rifle
- » Rugby Union
- » Running and Athletics
- » Sailing
- » Skydiving
- » Snowsports
- » Squash
- » Sub Aqua
- » Surf and Wakeboard
- » Swimming and Waterpolo
- » Table Tennis
- » Taekwondo
- » Tennis
- » Trampoline
- » Ultimate Frisbee
- » Volleyball

Classes, courses and activities

Choose from a range of classes and courses including Body Pump, Body Combat, Aqua, Zumba, Spinning, Legs Bums and Tums, Circuits, Pilates and Yoga.

Whether you're into swimming or squash, badminton or basketball, you can play and take part in a variety of activities and courses as part of your membership or on a pay-as-you-play basis. Play six-a-side football, netball, basketball, badminton, tennis, squash, volleyball, climbing, swimming and more.

Social sports

Our social sports sessions offer students the opportunity to get involved in sport, whether it be learning a new one or getting a group of friends together and participating in one of the University leagues.

The Annual Varsity: Team Surrey v Kingston

The Annual Varsity is the biggest event in the Surrey sporting calendar. Every spring the University of Surrey takes on Kingston University in a host of team sports, with the overall winner taking the bragging rights over the neighbouring university until the following year.

Be a part of Team Surrey

Team Surrey offers 41 sports clubs for you to join, and whether you're a complete beginner or an established player, you'll be welcomed into the Team Surrey community.

www.surreysportspark.co.uk



Sport Centre



Tennis courts

Your Students' Union



The University of Surrey
Students' Union

The Students' Union lies at the heart of campus life. As an independent, membership-led charity, the Union is the sole representative body for Surrey students, and is committed to voicing student opinion, facilitating clubs and societies, organising events and entertainment, offering volunteering and training opportunities, and providing support and advice to ensure that students get the most out of their time here.

All students at the University are members of the Students' Union and you will automatically become a member, free-of-charge, when you start studying here.

Working for you

Once a year, you can elect five of your fellow students to run the Students' Union on your behalf – these are your Sabbatical Officers, or 'Sabbys'. They work full-time, overseeing the organisation and ensuring everything is done in your best interests.

They work alongside a number of student officers and a dedicated team of permanent staff in the Students' Union offices.

Get involved

You can also play a more active role by joining the Opinion Panel, giving feedback on everything from the type of coffee served, to the performance of your Union President. Or come along to the Student Forums, where you can pose questions to your Sabb team on what they're doing and offer your own ideas.



Surrey has honestly been the best four years of my life! It really is a place to live, learn and belong.



Neil Faulkner
BSc (Hons) Business
Management

I have always loved my luxuries so living in en suite accommodation at University Court and Manor Park enabled me to feel at home.

Since I first arrived in September 2008, I have transformed into a mature undergraduate as a result of my academic programme, Professional Training year and Court Life Mentoring experiences.

Alongside my final-year studies, I work part-time for Court Life Mentoring. My role is to provide a friendly, welcoming face to help students feel part of the bigger community at Surrey. If mentees have any problems, I signpost and empower them to various support services on campus. Each mentee also has access to the team mobile number, which they can call to receive friendly and professional advice.

My role also involves running social events to encourage new friendships. So far, this has included 'Speed Mating', a trip to Guildford Spectrum and a Christmas movie night.

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Arts at Surrey

Arts at Surrey encompasses a mix of music, literature, dance, film, performance and visual art. We offer a range of classes, Students' Union societies, performance, events, research and workshops. You won't need to leave campus to sample a bit of culture.



Events

Arts at Surrey hosts a vibrant range of:

- » Concerts
- » Exhibitions
- » Dance and theatre performances
- » Free lectures by eminent contemporary artists, sculptors and writers
- » Poetry readings
- » Film screenings

We also host the biennial Guildford International Music Festival and the annual Guildford Book Festival.

Visit the Arts playlist on our YouTube channel for a flavour of our recent events and activities.

[youtube.com/universityofsurrey](https://www.youtube.com/universityofsurrey)

Ivy Arts Centre

Many of our events take place in the £4.5 million Ivy Arts Centre, which opened in June 2011.

Housed in a former sports building that became redundant with the opening of the University's new Surrey Sports Park, the Ivy Arts Centre provides a theatre, studios, workshops, dressing rooms and various other spaces, including a large wardrobe store, costume-making room and laundry.

The theatre seats 200 people and includes a box office, foyer and bar area.

"The new venue, coupled with the GSA opposite it, realises the ambition of creating an arts hub right at the entrance to the campus," says Professor Phil Powrie, Dean of the Faculty of Arts and Human Sciences. "Staff, students and visitors will now enter the University through an arts gateway."

"This is a testament to the University of Surrey's commitment to promoting the arts, both as a key academic discipline and as one of the major ways in which we support the creative industries. It also puts another top-class venue on Guildford's cultural map."

Performing Arts Technology Studios (PATS)

Located a short walk along the spine road from the main entrance, this building is home to:

- » **PATS Studio One** – a flexible-capacity concert hall and sound-recording studio, seating up to 260, this is the primary performance space for music concerts at the University and hosts the weekly lunchtime and rush-hour concerts, which are free to all staff, students and the public
- » **PATS Dance Studio** – a multipurpose rehearsal and performance space for dance and theatre; this venue is also used for regular film screenings

Lewis Elton Gallery

If you are interested in visual art, we have our very own on-campus gallery. The Lewis Elton Gallery presents a dynamic series of exhibitions featuring nationally and internationally known artists. Students are always welcome to come to private views, which are usually attended by the exhibiting artist.

For more information, visit the What's On section of our website: surrey.ac.uk/arts/whatson

Classes, workshops and rehearsals

There's a diverse range of classes on offer, including painting and drawing, pottery, dance (everything from ballet to break-dancing) and music ensembles (including choir, orchestra and big band).

For more information on classes, visit our website: surrey.ac.uk/arts

Stay in touch!

Keep up to date with our arts activities and stay informed about our various discounts and offers – find us on Twitter and Facebook.

E: arts@surrey.ac.uk

surrey.ac.uk/arts
[facebook.com/universityofsurreyarts](https://www.facebook.com/universityofsurreyarts)
twitter.com/uniofsurreyarts

University accommodation

Our Accommodation Office will help you find the right place to live, on or off campus, at affordable rents throughout your time at Surrey.

Our accommodation is arranged in groups of self-catered housing called Courts of Residence and has been designed to provide you with a living space to make your own.

On the main campus there are modern launderettes, a post office, bank, bookshop, grocery store and newsagent close to the student residences. Large supermarkets and a halal grocery store are nearby, and a weekly fruit and vegetable market is held on campus.

Accommodation at a glance...

- » About two thirds of our accommodation is on the Stag Hill Campus and more than 50 per cent of rooms have en suite shower and toilet facilities.
- » Manor Park is about one mile away, 20 minutes' walk or a short cycle ride, it has over 1,500 en suite rooms and easy access to the Surrey Sports Park.
- » Students share a kitchen-dining room, conveniently close to bedrooms.
- » Access to free broadband.
- » Communal areas with TV room, mail racks and friendly staff.
- » All residences are non-smoking.
- » Belongings insurance is provided at no additional charge.
- » Most accommodation is mixed-sex, but you can choose to live in a single-sex flat or floor if you wish.
- » Hazel Farm provides affordable accommodation, approximately 3 miles from Stag Hill Campus.

Please note that our accommodation policy is reviewed annually and may be subject to change.

For the latest policy please see:

www.surrey.ac.uk/accommodation

Accommodation throughout your International Foundation Year*

If you have confirmed your place and completed the online accommodation application process by the University accommodation deadline, you will be allocated a room on campus*. In the event of there being no available on campus rooms, we will provide you with information about off-campus alternatives.

*Subject to availability.

For more information visit:

www.surrey.ac.uk/isc/accommodation

Eating on campus

A variety of restaurants and cafes are available on campus to cater for all tastes and budgets. Chancellors serves a wide range of meals, whilst Young's Kitchen provides freshly cooked authentic Thai, Chinese, Japanese and Korean food.

The Hillside Restaurant and Lounge is open from breakfast through to supper, serving snacks and fresh food.

Manor Park

A major expansion of our campus facilities has been taking place at Manor Park. The site is already home to our stunning new Postgraduate Medical School building and further academic facilities are on the way. Designed as a car-free village, the Manor Park residences offers over 1,600 en suite rooms. The new £36 million Surrey Sports Park, sits at the heart of the new development.

Rooms to suit any budget

Band A

Basic shared and single rooms without washbasins. Rent for 2013-2014 is £65.00 per week including utilities, broadband and insurance.

Band B

Basic single rooms with washbasins. Rent for 2013-2014 is £82.50 per week including utilities, broadband and insurance.

Band C

Single rooms, many in blocks that have been modernised. Rent for 2013-2014 is £98.00 per week including utilities, broadband and insurance.

Band D

Single rooms, all with an en suite shower room. Rent for 2013-2014 is £121.50 per week including utilities, broadband and insurance.

Please note the stated prices are based on 2013-2014 academic year and subject to change.

For up-to-date information visit:

www.surrey.ac.uk/accommodation

Supporting you

We're committed to helping you get the most out of your time as a student.

We offer help relevant to every area of your life.

We have a variety of on-site support services to help you during your time at Surrey.

**BEST
WELCOME***

*1st out of 31 universities in the Student Barometer, autumn 2012

Settling in

University life will probably be your first experience of living on your own away from home. When you start you can join a programme of activities designed to introduce you to various aspects of the University and your new student life. You will meet staff and other students, take campus tours, join the Library & Learning Centre, Students' Union, sports clubs and societies.

We will do our very best to support you and help you feel at home.

Personal support

To help you get the most out of your university experience, you will be assigned a Link Tutor whilst at the International Study Centre. When you move to your degree, a personal tutor will be on hand to offer you guidance and support throughout your time with us.

Our student sabbatical officers are actively involved in student welfare and educational issues. You can call on them to discuss any personal issues and get advice on your rights and financial concerns.

The International Student Office

The International Student Office provides information and support, which is uniquely relevant to international students. It currently helps over 3,000 students from 145 different countries in areas such as immigration, work permits, police registration, opening bank accounts, part-time work and liaison with embassies and high commissions overseas.

We liaise closely with the Students' Union in providing a wide range of activities for all international students. There is an end-of-year lunch for all those who are staying on campus at that time and the i-Festival, once a year, provides a chance for all students to experience and learn more about other cultures and traditions.

Please check our website regularly for up-to-date information for international students:

www.surrey.ac.uk/international

Arrivals Day

On Arrivals Day you will be greeted by 'Freshers Angels' (our student helpers) who help you find your way around and provide a friendly and welcoming point of contact. This helps settle you in very quickly, as from your first day you are immersed in our friendly campus environment.

Mentors are appointed within our student residences, and can give you the benefit of their experience at the University to ensure you have an enjoyable time.

They play an important part in generating our community atmosphere.

Student Health Care

Student Health Care is a nurse-led service providing health information, advice, support and a variety of clinics run by specialist nurses.

Medical Centre

The Guilddowns University Medical Centre is situated on campus and open throughout the year.

The Centre for Wellbeing

Counsellors at the Centre for Wellbeing are on hand to deal with any personal, relationship or emotional concerns you might have.

Staff are experienced in working with students from a broad range of cultures and nationalities.

Religious and Spiritual Support

The University of Surrey is a vibrant multi-faith, multicultural community.

We have a network of chaplains drawn from a range of spiritual traditions and religious communities. Facilities are available on campus for quiet contemplation, worship and prayer for individuals and groups. This is primarily within our non-denominational Quiet Centre.

Students with disabilities

We provide a number of support services for our growing population of students with additional needs. Our services are coordinated by Additional Learning Support, and staff are happy to discuss any requirements you may have.

For further information visit:

www.surrey.ac.uk/als

Your International Study Centre

International Foundation Year



Your International Study Centre

If you would like to study at the University of Surrey, but do not meet the requirements for direct entry, you can take the International Foundation Year at the International Study Centre, which will ensure you gain the skills and knowledge to succeed.

Success starts here

Preparing for university is one of the most important things any student has to do. Making sure you have the academic and language skills you need to succeed will make your transition to university life a lot easier. The International Study Centre at the University of Surrey teaches you these skills as well as ways to enjoy living and studying in the UK.

Your first day at University

From the day you start your International Foundation Year, you are part of the University. The International Study Centre is based on the University's campus and you will have access to the University's facilities such as the Library & Learning Centre, Surrey Sports Park and Students' Union.

Welcoming students from around the world

The International Study Centre attracts students from all around the world. We are experienced at helping students adjust to life in the UK and at university. We look forward to welcoming you and will help you make the most of your time at the University of Surrey.

Supporting you

Programmes at the International Study Centre are taught by specialists in university preparation. Your progress will be monitored at all times to make sure you remain on track to successfully complete the programme, while encouraging you to develop throughout your time with us.

University-style teaching

The International Study Centre introduces you to the style of teaching that you will experience on your degree. Taking part in tutorials, seminar-style classes and larger group lectures means you'll be well prepared.

Progression to your degree

When you join the International Study Centre you will receive a conditional offer letter of a degree place at the University. On successful completion of your course and achieving the required progression criteria, you will progress to the first year of your degree.

International Foundation Year

The International Foundation Year is a programme of academic subjects, study skills and English language training designed specifically to provide international students with a pathway to undergraduate degree study at the University.

Study structure

You can choose one of two Foundation routes:

- » Business, Economics, Law and Politics
- » Engineering, Science and Mathematics

The course is modular in structure. You will study core units and subject specific units* which are carefully designed to focus on the academic areas most relevant to your chosen degree.

*units are subject to change

Flexible entry

You can begin the International Foundation Year in either September or February. You can progress onto your chosen degree the following September when you have achieved the required progression criteria.

Progression criteria

To progress onto your degree, you will need to achieve the overall average of 65% or above and at least 55% in every unit of the programme.

You will also need to take an IELTS test at the end of the International Foundation Year and achieve IELTS 6.5 with no score below 6.0.

Students wishing to progress to BSc International Hospitality Management, BSc International Hospitality and Tourism Management and BSc Tourism Management are also required to undergo an interview with Academic Tutors at the University.

For up-to-date information visit

www.surrey.ac.uk/isc/ify



Classroom at the International Study Centre



Library & Learning Centre



Outside the International Study Centre



Lecture at the university



During my time at the International Study Centre, I improved my English language level and university study skills which I have found useful in my degree studies.



Chon – Macau
International Foundation Year –
Business, Economics, Law and Politics
BA (Hons) Sociology

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During my time at the International Study Centre, I improved my English language level and university study skills which I have found useful in my degree studies. I learned how to research, write and construct academic essays and also the skills of skimming and scanning which is fundamental to tackle the large amount of reading required in my degree studies.

My degree aim was Sociology, and the Sociology units I studied at the International Study Centre helped prepare me for the first year of my degree.

I'm having a great time at Surrey and the best thing so far is I have had the opportunity to set up a football club. We have quite a few members in the club and we have a lot of good memories together.

I chose to come to the UK for its good environment and opportunity to improve my English. The UK is also one of the best places to study Sociology. I chose Surrey as my friend had recommended that it is an excellent place to live and study.

Business, Economics, Law and Politics

The Business, Economics, Law and Politics International Foundation Year will give you the skills and tools to succeed on an undergraduate degree programme in one of these fields.

Core unit

English and Study Skills

You will develop your English communication skills and learn a range of study skills, including: writing and reading strategies; presentation and seminar participation; organisation of time and materials; meeting deadlines; and responding to feedback.

At the end of these units you will be able to use English language in your own academic work; give well structured presentations; confidently answer follow-up questions and contribute to seminar discussions; take notes from readings and lectures; plan, develop and write well structured academic essays; and be confident in self-directed learning strategies.

You will also study for the IELTS exam covering all four skills (listening, reading, writing and speaking) in order to be fully prepared to take an IELTS exam at the end of your academic year.

Subject-specific units

Business Studies 1 & 2

You will look at the operational and strategic problems facing business people in the modern market economy. These units will focus on a wide range of issues, such as management, human resource practice, marketing and ethical aspects.

Economics 1 & 2

These units introduce you to the basics of economics including: economic systems; types of goods; the allocation of resources; elasticity; price controls; types of markets; cost and revenue; economies of scale; and market failure.

Elective units

Financial Accounting 1 & 2

You will develop a sound foundation in the basic principles of financial accounting. Learn about double entry book keeping, preparation of trial balances, profit and loss statements, depreciation, limited companies, manufacturing accounts and the interpretation of accounts.

OR

English Legal System and Contract Law

During these units you will learn about law, the relationship between law, justice and morality, the sources of law, including British and European Union (EU) legislation and the doctrine of precedent, the Civil and Criminal Courts and the role of Judiciary.

*The Times Good University Guide 2014
top 20 rankings for the University of Surrey*

- 1st for Hospitality, Leisure,
Recreation and Tourism
- 10th for Economics
- 11th for Sociology
- 16th for Accounting and Finance
- 20th for Business Studies.

Leading to degrees

- » BSc (Hons) Accounting and Finance
- » BSc (Hons) Business and Retail Management
- » BSc (Hons) Business Economics
- » BSc (Hons) Business Management
- » BSc (Hons) Business Management and English for International Communications
- » BSc (Hons) Criminology and Sociology
- » BSc (Hons) Digital Media Arts
- » BSc (Hons) Economics
- » BSc (Hons) Economics with Finance
- » BA (Hons) Film Studies
- » BA (Hons) Film Studies with Creative Writing
- » BSc (Hons) International Business Management
- » BSc (Hons) International Hospitality and Tourism Management
- » BSc (Hons) International Hospitality Management
- » BA (Hons) International Politics
- » BA (Hons) International Politics and English for International Communication
- » LLB (Hons) Law
- » LLB (Hons) Law with Criminology
- » LLB (Hons) Law with International Studies
- » BSc (Hons) Media, Culture and Society
- » BA (Hons) Politics
- » BSc (Hons) Politics and Economics
- » BSc (Hons) Politics and Sociology
- » BA (Hons) Politics with Policy Studies
- » BSc (Hons) Psychology
- » BSc (Hons) Sociology
- » BA (Hons) Theatre Studies
- » BSc (Hons) Tourism Management

Entry requirements

Academic

Good high school graduation grades, or equivalent

English language

IELTS 5.5 (minimum 5.0 in all components) or equivalent*

*TOEFL will be recognised.

Course length

September to June, or
February to September

Semester dates and holiday

September 2014 start

Semester 1 – 29/09/2014 to 06/02/2015

Semester 2 – 09/02/2015 to 06/06/2015

February 2015 start

Semester 1 – 09/02/2015 to 06/06/2015

Semester 2 – 08/06/2015 to 12/09/2015

Holiday:

19/12/14 – 12/01/15

30/03/2015 – 10/04/2015

Age on entry

Students are usually 17 years of age

Assessment

End of unit/semester assessments

A combination of examinations and assessment of coursework, presentations, extended essays and an IELTS test.

Continuous coursework

Mixture of lecture classes, small-group seminar work and directed self-study assessment.

English Language Preparation (ELP)

If you do not have the required English language requirement to start the International Foundation Year, you can take our ELP course at the International Study Centre. See page 53 for details.

Progression degrees

For a complete and up-to-date list of progression degrees, visit

www.surrey.ac.uk/isc/ify

Mazin – Sudan

International Foundation Year –
Engineering, Science and Mathematics
BEng (Hons) Civil Engineering

Being able to study and live in the UK is a great opportunity for me. I will gain a good degree at a great university, learn about different cultures and nationalities, and it is also a great chance to meet new people. Life in the UK is wonderful.

I researched lots of different universities online and the University of Surrey stood out. It has a high reputation in the UK and they offered the type of degree I wanted to study. The high student satisfaction rate is definitely true and I can see why since I have been here. I feel like Surrey is my second home.



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Engineering, Science and Mathematics

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Core unit

English and Study Skills

You will develop your English communication skills and learn a range of study skills, including: writing and reading strategies; presentation and seminar participation; organisation of time and materials; meeting deadlines; and responding to feedback.

At the end of these units you will be able to: use English language in your own academic work; give well-structured presentations; confidently answer follow-up questions and contribute to seminar discussions; take notes from readings and lectures; plan, develop and write well-structured academic essays; and be confident in self-directed learning strategies.

You will also study for the IELTS exam covering all four skills (listening, reading, writing and speaking) in order to be fully prepared to take an IELTS exam at the end of your academic year.

Subject-specific units

Pure Mathematics 1

Learn about straight lines and linear equations, set theory and probability, statistics, linear programming, indices and logarithms and experimental laws.

Applied Mathematics 1&2

During these units you will study advanced vectors, forces and equilibrium, relative motion, Newton's Laws of Motion, friction and work, energy and power, centres of gravity/centres of mass and particle dynamics.

Elective units

Chemistry 1 & 2

These units introduce you to formulae, equations and moles, atomic structure, introduction to redox systems, thermodynamics and bonding.

You will also cover equilibria, acid-based equilibria, kinetics and organic chemistry.

OR

Physics 1 & 2

These units you will look at sound, reflection, refraction, interference, diffraction, electromagnetic waves, strengths of solids, fluids, heat and gases and the structure of the atom.

You will also cover electrical current and charge, potential difference, resistance, capacitance, transistors and amplifiers, electrical fields, gravitational fields, magnetic fields and electromagnetic fields.

AND

Pure Mathematics 2

You will also cover further algebra, co-ordinate geometry, trigonometry, differentiation, integration, numerical methods and vectors.

OR

Biology

You will cover an introduction to cell biology, gene theory, plants, the human body and reproduction.

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- » BEng (Hons) Aerospace Engineering
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- » BSc (Hons) Biochemistry
- » BSc (Hons) Biological Sciences
- » BSc (Hons) Biotechnology
- » BEng (Hons) Chemical and Bio-Systems Engineering
- » BEng (Hons) Chemical and Petroleum Engineering
- » BEng (Hons) Chemical Engineering
- » BSc (Hons) Chemistry
- » BSc (Hons) Chemistry with Forensic Investigation
- » BEng (Hons) Civil Engineering
- » BSc (Hons) Computer Science
- » BSc (Hons) Computing and Information Technology
- » BEng (Hons) Electrical and Electronic Engineering
- » BEng (Hons) Electronic Engineering
- » BEng (Hons) Electronic Engineering with Communications Electronics
- » BEng (Hons) Electronic Engineering with Audio Visual Systems
- » BEng (Hons) Electronic Engineering with Computer Systems
- » BEng (Hons) Electronic Engineering with Nanotechnology
- » BEng (Hons) Electronic Engineering with Space Systems
- » BSc (Hons) Financial Mathematics
- » BSc (Hons) Food Science and Microbiology
- » BSc (Hons) Mathematics
- » BSc (Hons) Mathematics and Computing Science
- » BSc (Hons) Mathematics and Physics
- » BSc (Hons) Mathematics with Statistics
- » BEng (Hons) Mechanical Engineering
- » BEng (Hons) Medical Engineering
- » BSc (Hons) Medicinal Chemistry
- » BSc (Hons) Microbiology
- » BSc (Hons) Microbiology (Medical)
- » BSc (Hons) Nutrition
- » BSc (Hons) Nutrition and Food Science
- » BSc (Hons) Physics
- » BSc (Hons) Physics with Astronomy
- » BSc (Hons) Physics with Nuclear Astrophysics
- » BSc (Hons) Physics with Satellite Technology

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English Language Preparation

If you need to improve your English language to the required level for the International Foundation Year, you can take our English Language Preparation programme at the International Study Centre, starting in either June or September.

Entry requirements

English language

You will need IELTS 5.5 (minimum 5.0 in all components) or equivalent to begin the International Foundation Year.

If you have an IELTS level of 5.0 (minimum 4.5 in all components) or equivalent, you can take one term of English Language Preparation. If you have an IELTS level of 4.5 (minimum 4.0 in all components) or equivalent, you can take two terms of English Language Preparation.

Progression

To progress onto the International Foundation Year, you will need to take an IELTS test and achieve IELTS 5.5 (minimum 5.0 in all components).

The English Language Preparation programme will prepare you for the test and you will receive support from the staff in the International Study Centre.

Study plan

IELTS	Duration	June	September	February	June	September
4.5 (4.0 in all components)	4 semesters					
5.0 (4.5 in all components)	3 semesters					Start first year of undergraduate degree
5.0 (4.5 in all components)	3 semesters					
5.5 (5.0 in all components)	2 semesters					
5.5 (5.0 in all components)	2 semesters					

English Language Preparation
 International Foundation Year
 Vacation



Studying at Surrey was the right choice for me.



Lan – Vietnam

International Foundation Year -
Business, Economics, Law and Politics
BSc (Hons) Economics and Finance

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International Foundation Year -
Business, Economics, Law and Politics
BSc (Hons) Economics and Finance

It has been a good experience for me and I really enjoyed what I studied so far. I started my foundation in Surrey in 2008 and found it very useful especially that I was able to consult with university academic staff when I was deciding on my future degree choice.

I have definitely made the right choice coming to study in Surrey and I believe the knowledge I have gained will continue to be useful not only in my Masters studies, but also in my future career.

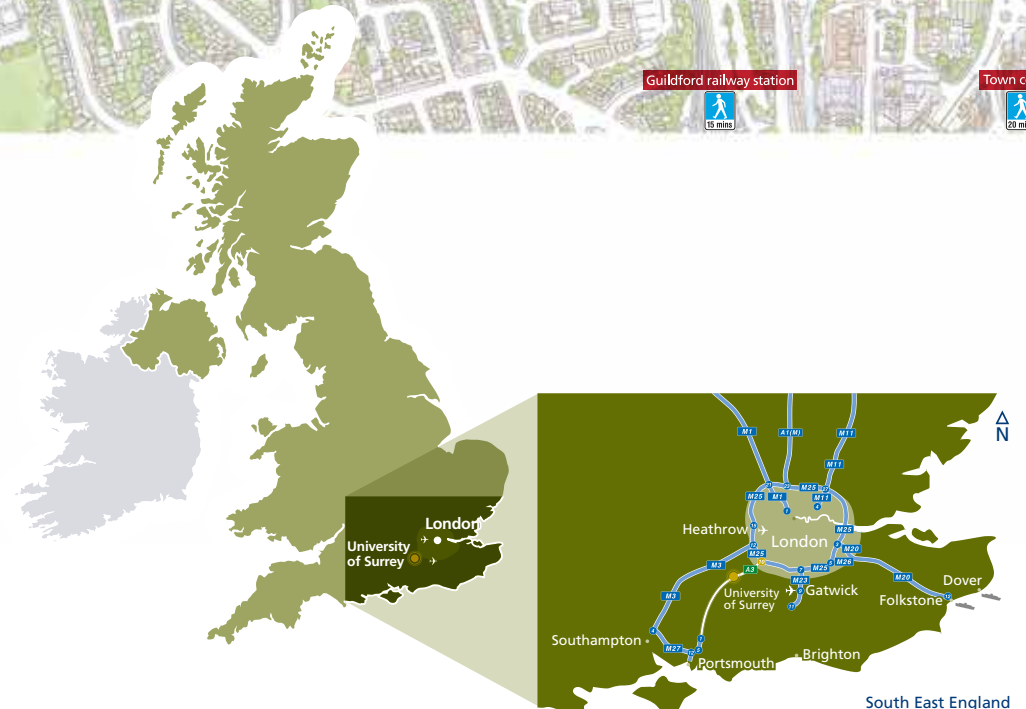
Campus map



- Accommodation Key**
- 1 Twyford Court
 - 2 International House
 - 3 Guildford Court
 - 4 Cathedral Court
 - 5 Battersea Court
 - 6 Surrey Court
 - 7 Stag Hill Court
 - 8 University Court
 - 9 Millennium House
 - 10 Bellerby Court
 - 11 Manor Park

Location

The University campus is a landscaped, self-contained site just outside Guildford town centre. Central London is only 30 minutes away by train from the nearby station, and the major international airports at Heathrow and Gatwick are also both within easy reach.



How to apply

Your application will need to include copies of all relevant academic transcripts and certificates of English language qualifications.

To apply directly

You can apply online by visiting:

www.surrey.ac.uk/isc/apply

To apply through your local representative

Complete the application form enclosed with this brochure and return it to your local educational representative.

Information and advice

If you need further information, our expert Student Enrolment Advisers are available for help and advice. You can contact them online or on the telephone number below:

T: +44 1273 339333

F: +44 1273 339334

If you are applying through a local representative, please contact them directly with any queries.

Fees

For full details of fees, please refer to the application form or visit:

www.surrey.ac.uk/isc/fees

Student Insurance

It is essential that international students have the protection of personal insurance whilst in the UK. To cover you as a student at the International Study Centre (ISC), you can purchase 'StudyCare'. Designed for international students, the policy will cover you for loss of personal possessions, as well as providing health and medical insurance until the end of your ISC academic programme. The cost of StudyCare will automatically be added to your invoice unless you can provide proof of alternative cover. For more information, visit:

www.surrey.ac.uk/isc/studycare

Entry requirements

Students can find detailed entry requirements in the "Entry requirements" section at:

www.surrey.ac.uk/isc/entry

About the International Foundation Year

The programmes at the University of Surrey International Study Centre are run by Study Group, in partnership with the University of Surrey.

The International Foundation Year is validated by the University of Surrey.

The English Language Preparation programme is validated by Study Group. Study Group holds responsibility for the academic standards.

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