

An aerial photograph of Cardiff, Wales, showing the city's urban landscape, the River Taff, and the Principality Stadium. The Cardiff University campus is visible in the foreground and middle ground. The image is used as a background for a promotional poster.

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# This is Cardiff

Begin your Study Abroad journey  
at Cardiff University

We are an ambitious and innovative Russell Group university with a bold strategic vision, located in the beautiful, historic and thriving capital city of Wales.

With a student population of more than 31,500 including over 7,500 international students, we are the 16th largest university in the UK, attracting students from across the globe.

Our community is inclusive and welcoming with a diverse, multicultural population of both staff and students. Absorb our unique Welsh heritage and culture to enrich your Study Abroad experience in the UK.

# Why Cardiff?

**Ambition, Innovation, Quality,  
Culture and Heritage.**





“ Cardiff is one of Europe’s youngest capital cities – small enough to be friendly and big enough to offer the best of living in a major city. ”

- The Complete University Guide 2017



### Location

In the heart of Cardiff, the capital of Wales - just 2 hours from London.



### Accommodation

Single occupancy rooms available on campus.



### Safe & Affordable

One of the safest and most affordable regions of the UK.



### Module based

Create your own programme with our flexible module structure.



### Ranking

A Russell Group institution, ranked amongst the top 151 universities world-wide.



### Lifestyle

A modern and vibrant capital city with plenty to see and do.



### Student life

A multi-cultural and inclusive community from over 140 different countries.

Our campus is located in the heart of Cardiff's historic Civic Centre, alongside majestic architecture and the spacious 56-hectare Bute Park.

The majority of student housing and University residences are within short walking distance and there are also numerous bike hire stations around our campus, making it quick and easy to get around.

Wide tree-lined avenues, elegant Portland stone buildings and green parks and gardens provide the ideal spot for lunch or some down-time between classes.



# Learn.

An inspiring university environment.



## Enjoy flexible learning and on-campus accommodation.



Study for a semester or full academic year as part of your degree, building the programme of your choice with flexible modules and courses available across a wide range of Academic Schools.

Semesters run from September – December and January – June.

Single-occupancy university accommodation is available on-campus, with Study Abroad and International Exchange students being offered priority allocation as long as you apply by the accommodation deadline.

[www.cardiff.ac.uk/residences](http://www.cardiff.ac.uk/residences)

# Be part of one of the biggest and best students' unions in the UK.

Experience the best of Cardiff and meet new friends along the way with over 200 student societies and 60 sports clubs to choose from.

There is something for everyone in our Students' Union and all Study Abroad and International Exchange students are automatically made members, to ensure that you are able to fully participate in Cardiff student life.



Cardiff is a modern capital city located just two hours from London by train, offering everything you would expect from a major UK city.

Regularly cited as one of the UK's best cities for students, with its affordable living costs, excellent transport links and our campus at its heart.

Landmarks such as Cardiff Castle, the Principality Stadium, Cardiff Bay waterfront and the Wales Millennium Centre put Cardiff on the map as a hub for culture, heritage and entertainment.

Our vibrant city centre offers an abundance of shopping, international dining opportunities, world-class sport and music venues, in addition to over 330 parks and gardens which make Cardiff one of the UK's greenest cities.

# Live.

## A cosmopolitan, vibrant capital city without the price tag.

# Cardiff by night - music, sports, theatre and film.

Home to world-class venues attracting global performances and events, you don't have to go far to experience international sports, music and entertainment!

The city's Principality Stadium, with its 73,000 capacity, hosts major events including the Rugby World Cup, Six Nations Rugby, the UEFA Champions League, music concerts and more, while the Wales Millennium Centre attracts the best of theatre, dance and entertainment to the city.

Cardiff also hosts a number of other significant events throughout the year in exciting locations, including an open-air cinema in the castle grounds, an open-air theatre festival in Sophia Gardens, an international food festival in Cardiff Bay and the Sŵn Welsh Music festival spanning across multiple venues in the city.

# Discover.

## The weekend...

# Lights, camera, action!

With an array of stunning locations, Wales is the perfect choice for many a film-set backdrop, but is also the setting for TV and film productions within its city locations.

The BBC recently moved their BBC Wales studios in the heart of Cardiff Bay where they bring Dr Who, Sherlock and other hit TV shows to life.

With a wealth of beautiful and interesting buildings, Cardiff University hasn't been left out of the drama. Many of the buildings can be spotted in various guises, if you know where to look...



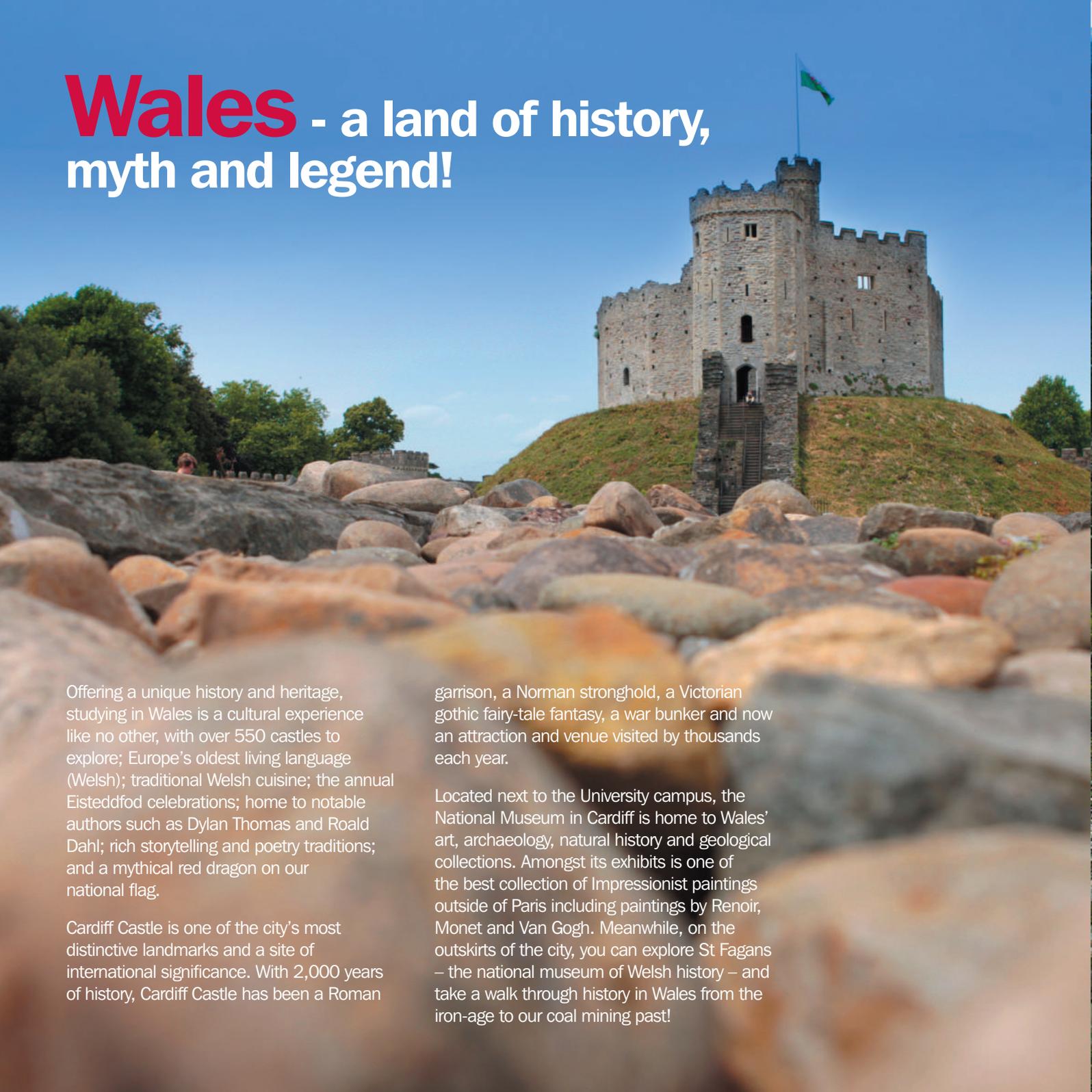
# Wales - a land of history, myth and legend!

Offering a unique history and heritage, studying in Wales is a cultural experience like no other, with over 550 castles to explore; Europe's oldest living language (Welsh); traditional Welsh cuisine; the annual Eisteddfod celebrations; home to notable authors such as Dylan Thomas and Roald Dahl; rich storytelling and poetry traditions; and a mythical red dragon on our national flag.

Cardiff Castle is one of the city's most distinctive landmarks and a site of international significance. With 2,000 years of history, Cardiff Castle has been a Roman

garrison, a Norman stronghold, a Victorian gothic fairy-tale fantasy, a war bunker and now an attraction and venue visited by thousands each year.

Located next to the University campus, the National Museum in Cardiff is home to Wales' art, archaeology, natural history and geological collections. Amongst its exhibits is one of the best collection of Impressionist paintings outside of Paris including paintings by Renoir, Monet and Van Gogh. Meanwhile, on the outskirts of the city, you can explore St Fagans – the national museum of Welsh history – and take a walk through history in Wales from the iron-age to our coal mining past!



# Explore our mountains and coasts, the rest of the UK and beyond.

If travel is on the agenda, Cardiff's central train station connects to every major city in the UK. Cardiff also has its own international airport and is also within 90 minutes of Bristol airport, which hosts budget airlines who fly across Europe.

Travel an hour north of Cardiff and find yourself immersed amongst the mountains and hills of the Brecon Beacons National Park, a hiker's and cyclist's dream; or travel west to the rugged Pembrokeshire coastline to explore some of the finest beaches in Europe.

With three national parks and a 750 mile coastal path, you will never be short of new places to discover. Perhaps most popular with explorers is the National Park of Snowdonia – home to Snowdon, Wales' highest mountain standing at 3,560 ft.





**To start your  
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