#### Why Choose Queen's University?

### A tradition of excellence: a world-class future

- A Russell Group university: one of the UK's 20 leading research-intensive universities
- Ranked in the UK top 20 in 22 subject areas (Times Good University Guide 2011)
- Teaching and Research... in the front rank of UK universities (The Guardian University Guide)
- A first-class student experience in world-class facilities
- Second safest city in the world (United Nations)
- Lowest cost of living in the UK according to the British Council
- The city hosts a number of internationally acclaimed arts festivals including the Ulster Bank Belfast Festival at Queen's and the International Belfast Film Festival. It also offers an eclectic range of entertainment including live music venues, theatres and cinemas, a wealth of fantastic art galleries and award-winning restaurants.
- International students at Queen's University are guaranteed a place in University accommodation for at least their first year at Queen's if they apply by the closing date.

# Queen's University Belfast: Entrepreneurial University of the Year 2009

Enterprise and entrepreneurial skills are embedded throughout the curriculum which culminated in Queen's winning the prestigious title of 'Entrepreneurial University of the Year' at the Times Higher Education Awards in 2009. The award recognised and celebrated Queen's staff's and students' outstanding commitment to entrepreneurial activity.

## Fees for International Students 2011-12

#### Full-time Postgraduate Courses and Research

Band 1	Courses which are essentially classroom-based	£10,730	US \$16,020	
Band 2	Courses with a substantial laboratory or workshop component	£13,145	US \$19,625	
Band 3	Elements of medical and dental courses involving clinical provision	£25,167	US \$37,574	
Full-time Undergraduate Courses				
Band 1	Courses which are essentially classroom-based	£10,730	US \$16,020	
Band 2	Courses with a substantial laboratory or workshop component	£13,145	US \$19,625	
	Pre-clinical elements of medical and dental courses	£14,534	US \$21,699	
Band 3	Clinical elements of medical and dental courses	£26,534	US \$39,615	

### Fixed-Fee Package

Queen's University Belfast offers a fixed tuition fee for courses lasting more than one year – the fee charged in the second and subsequent years will be the same as the fee in the first year.

#### **Cost of Living**

Northern Ireland is recognised by the British Council as having the lowest cost of living in the United Kingdom. We estimate, as a guide, that you should allow a sum in the region of  $\pounds7,500$ (US \$11,197) to cover your expenses for one academic year.

US Dollar equivalents given for guidance only. Exchange rate £1 GBP = \$1.493 March 2010

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# An Introduction to Queen's University Belfast

2011-2012



# Welcome to Queen's University Belfast

Queen's ranks among the best universities in the United Kingdom and Ireland, and is a member of the prestigious Russell Group of the UK's top 20 research-intensive universities.

Founded as Queen's College in 1845, Queen's became an independent university in its own right in 1908. Today it has more than 17,000 students from over 80 countries, 3,500 staff, and 100,000 graduates worldwide. International students play a key role in the Queen's experience and have helped raise the quality of teaching and research. Queen's fully recognises and supports their role in enriching its thriving research culture and contributing to its academic activity.

The University has a reputation for promoting world-class research, and has forged global connections with leading institutions around the world, including those in Malaysia, India, China and North America.

Queen's is a welcoming and truly global university. It provides a wonderful opportunity for international students to integrate with local students and achieve an internationally-recognised qualification from a Russell Group University.

Queen's has recently entered into a Joint-Venture with INTO University partnerships. The INTO Queen's partnership offers a range of programmes at foundation, diploma, graduate diploma and pre-masters levels (www. into.uk.com/qub/). Queen's University Belfast is cited 22 times in the top 20 universities by subject according to the Times Good University guide 2011.

Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences	Ranking in the top 20
Accounting and Finance	18
Anthropology	11
Celtic Studies	6
Drama Dance and Cinematics	20
Iberian Languages	17
Music	18
Social Policy	17
Social Work	1
Engineering and Physical Sciences	
Aeronatical and	
Manufacturing Engineering	13
Archaeology	12
Chemical Engineering	13
Civil Engineering	14
Electrical and Electronic Engineering	10
Land and Property Management	3
Mechanical Engineering	18
Physics and Astronomy	19
Town and Country Planning and Landscape	9
Medicine, Health and life sciences	
Agriculture and Forestry	5
Anatomy and Physiology	14
Dentistry	9
Food Science	10
Pharmacology and Pharmacy	4

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#### Northern Ireland – a 'Must See' Destination

- Northern Ireland offers an enormous variety of landscapes, cultural and leisure opportunities. It was ranked third in the 'Top European Regions of the Future' in the Financial Times FDI European Regions and Cities of the Future Awards 2008-2009
- Belfast is the capital city of Northern Ireland the most successful region in the UK (on a per capita basis) at attracting Foreign Direct Investment.
- The city attracts the largest number of software development projects in the UK outside of London.
- The city has two airports which were used by over 8 million people in 2008.
- Belfast attracts a total of 7.1 million visitors each year, continuing the Lonely Planet's endorsement of it as being a 'city on the rise'.
- There are currently 268,323 people living in the city of which around 60,000 are students
- With an average age of 27 Northern Ireland has one of the youngest populations in Europe.

#### Connections

Travelling to and from Northern Ireland is easy and economical. Most major British cities are within an hour's flight time from Belfast's two airports. Competition means that fares are low, and there are many flights each day to the rest of the British Isles and mainland Europe.

#### Belfast: Student City

Queen's historic campus is located in the attractive, leafy suburbs of South Belfast, a lively area only 15 minutes away from the city centre, and packed with student facilities.