



QUEEN'S
UNIVERSITY
BELFAST

UNIQUE SELLING POINTS OF QUEEN'S AND BELFAST



CORPORATE

Ranked in the top 1% of universities in the world

(QS World University Rankings 2018/ Webometrics.info)

Queen's is a member of the Russell Group of the UK's 24 leading research-intensive universities.

Queen's is the ninth oldest university in the UK

(Complete University Guide 2018)

Queen's is a lead UK university in tackling the unequal representation of women in science and engineering. Queen's hold 11 SWAN departmental Awards, including two Gold, as well as an institutional Silver Award.

Five consecutive Times Higher Education Awards, including: – University Fundraising Team of the Year (2012) – Engineering Research Team of the Year (2010) – Entrepreneurial University of the Year (2009)

Six Queen's Anniversary Prize Awards, the most recent being for world-class achievement in global cyber security

Ranked 26 in the UK

(Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2017)

RESEARCH

Ranked 8th in the UK for Research Intensity

(REF 2014)

75% of research assessed as 'world-leading' or 'internationally excellent' in REF 2014

14 of the individual areas of research assessed were ranked in the Top 20 in the UK

(REF 2014)

Ranked 9th in the world for research collaboration

INNOVATION AND IMPACT

Contributes £1billion to the economy, supporting 9,250 jobs

Queen's is number one in the UK for its participation in Knowledge Transfer Partnerships

(KTP)

Queen's is in the top 5 in the UK for Intellectual Property Commercialisation

(2015-16 HEBCI Data)

Created over 70 spin-out companies with an annual turnover of £215million and supporting 1,850 high value jobs

Research in Ionic Liquid Chemistry named "Most Important British Innovation of the 21st Century" in the Science Museum's Initiative on Great British Innovations

EDUCATION AND STUDENTS

9th in the UK Times Higher Education Student Experience Survey 2017

94.4% of Queen's graduates are in employment or further study 6 months after graduation

(HESA Destination of Leavers from Higher Education Survey, 2015/16)

24 Queen's subjects in the UK top 20

(Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2017)

32% of young full-time, first degree entrants are from the lower socio-economic groups (SEC 4-7), exceeding our benchmark of 26%, which places us first in the UK's leading universities

MORE DETAILED SUBJECT RANKINGS

17 Queen's subjects in the top 200 in the world

(QS World Rankings by subject 2017):

- Pharmacy and Pharmacology (51-100)
- Archaeology (51-100)
- Nursing (51-100)
- English Language and Literature (51-100)
- Performing Arts (51 – 100)
- Law and Legal Studies (101-150)
- Politics (101-150)
- History (101-150)
- Education and Training (151-200)
- Chemical Engineering (151-200)
- Linguistics (151-200)
- Medicine (151-200)
- Modern Languages (151-200)
- Agriculture and Forestry (151-200)
- Architecture (151-200)
- Communication and Media Studies (151-200)
- Geography (151-200)

24 Queen's subjects in the UK top 20

(Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2017) (13 Queen's subjects in the UK top 10)

- 2nd in UK for Pharmacology and Pharmacy
- 2nd in UK for Dentistry
- 2nd in UK for Celtic Studies
- 4th in UK for Food Science
- 4th in UK for Town and Country Planning and Landscape
- 4th in UK for Accounting and Finance
- 4th in UK for Creative Writing
- 6th in UK for Agriculture and Forestry
- 6th in UK for Anthropology
- 7th in UK for Electronic and Electrical Engineering
- 8th in UK for Iberian Languages
- 9th in UK for Law
- 10th in UK for Anatomy and Physiology
- 11th in UK for Aeronautical and Manufacturing Engineering
- 12th in UK for French
- 13th in UK for Civil Engineering
- 13th in UK for Linguistics
- 14th in UK for Architecture
- 15th in UK for Physics and Astronomy
- 16th in UK for Communications and Media Studies
- 18th in UK for Social Work
- 19th in UK for Business Studies
- 19th in UK for Chemical Engineering
- 20th in UK for Medicine

21 Queen's subjects within the UK Top 20

(Guardian University Guide 2018) (10 subjects in the UK Top 10):

- 1st in the UK for Criminology
- 2nd in the UK for Pharmacy and Pharmacology
- 3rd in the UK for Anthropology
- 4th in the UK for Building and Town and Country Planning
- 4th in the UK for Civil Engineering
- 4th in the UK for Education (St Mary's College)
- 5th in UK for Dentistry
- 7th in the UK for Architecture
- 8th in the UK for Agriculture, Forestry and Food
- 10th in the UK for Chemical Engineering
- 11th in the UK for Mathematics
- 12th in the UK for Film Production
- 13th in the UK for Law
- 16th in the UK for Accounting and Finance
- 17th in the UK for Anatomy and Physiology
- 19th in the UK for Chemistry
- 19th in the UK for Electronic and Electrical Engineering
- 19th in the UK for Forensic Science and Archaeology
- 20th in the UK for Physics
- 20th in the UK for Religious Studies

21 Queen's subjects in the UK top 20

(Complete University Guide 2018)

- 4th in the UK for Pharmacy and Pharmacology
- 4th in the UK for Agriculture and Forestry
- 5th in the UK for Creative Writing
- 8th in the UK Town and Country Planning and Landscape
- 9th in the UK for Accounting and Finance
- 10th in the UK for Food Science
- 9th in the UK for Celtic Studies
- 9th in the UK for Social Work
- 9th in the UK for Dentistry

Queen's is ranked 8th in the UK for student experience

(Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2017)

Queen's is ranked 9th in the UK in the Times Higher Education Student Experience Survey 2017:

- Ranked 2nd for university facilities
- Ranked 12th for industry connections
- Ranked 16th for student welfare
- Ranked 19th for academic experience
- Ranked 26th for security
- Ranked 37th for accommodation

Queen's is ranked 10th in the UK for student satisfaction with their course

(Guardian University Guide 2018)

Queen's is ranked 13th in the UK for student satisfaction with teaching

(Guardian University Guide 2018)

Queen's is ranked 14th in the UK for research quality

(Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2017)

Queen's is ranked 22nd in the UK for graduate prospects

(QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2017)

Queen's is ranked in the top 200 in the world for graduate prospects

(QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2017)

Queen's ranked 24th in the world for international outlook

(Times Higher Education, 2016)

Queen's is ranked in the top 10 for university accommodation

(The Telegraph, 2015)

An investment of £350m in the Queen's campus over the last ten years has created the award-winning £50m McClay library and a £9m student's union building. An additional £20m investment in sport means Queen's is now one of the premier sporting universities in Ireland and the UK

(Guardian University Guide 2016)

LIFE IN BELFAST

Lowest cost of living in the UK

(Mercer, 2016)

Lowest student rent in the UK

(Natwest Student Living Index 2017)

4th cheapest student city in the UK

(Marbles.com, 2017)

Lowest taxi fares in the UK

(Marbles.com, 2017)

Northern Ireland is the happiest place in the UK

(Office of National Statistics, 2016)

Modern transport infrastructure. All major UK cities within an hour's flying time

(Complete University Guide 2016)

99 cross channel sailings each week and direct flights from NI to 58 destinations

(Tourism NI Winter 2015/16)

- 24 routes in Great Britain
- 31 European destinations
- One United States (additional routes to Boston and New York starting July 2017)
- Others (two – Isle of Man and Jersey)

Belfast as one of National Geographic's "Places to Travel for Food in 2016".

Cost of living in Belfast is 28% lower than in London

(Numbeo 2015)

Belfast one of the top 10 UK destinations (7th)

(Tripadvisor 2015 Travellers' Choice Awards)

Giants' Causeway is the UK's best Heritage Attraction

(British Travel Awards, 2016)

“With feelings of optimism and life pulsing through the city, Belfast makes for an energising getaway.”

(Tripadvisor’s Traveller’s Choice Awards 2015)

Belfast is in the safest region in the UK

(British Crime Surveys, 2015/16)

Belfast is a beautiful education

(Lonely Planet)

Hip hotels and hedonism party town

(Lonely Planet)

Belfast named best UK city in Guardian and Observer travel awards, 2016

Titanic Belfast was awarded best visitor attraction in the world, World Travel Awards 2016

Fastest growing Russell Group University for international students

(HESA, 2011 – 2014)

Belfast selected as one of the top 10 hottest destinations in Europe

(CNN, 2013)

Ulster people described as the friendliest and most courteous folk in the world

(Chief Editor of Le Guide du Routard, 2012)

“Food-lovers are in a wealth of choice when it comes to restaurants in Belfast, with places to suit every budget.”

(World Travel Guide)

50 minutes from London by air

Queen’s University’s historic, city-based campus is set in south Belfast, 15 minutes’ walk from the vibrant city centre

Belfast is a compact city that is really easy to get around on foot. If you need to take public transport, Translink operates the Metro bus service and the railway service in the city.

Cross-border train services run from Belfast to Dublin and back up to eight times daily. The journey time is approximately two hours.

24 hour, hourly bus service runs from Belfast to Dublin/ Dublin airport and vice versa