

Unique Selling Points of Queen's and Belfast

WORLD RANKINGS

- Ranked 180 in the world (QS World University Rankings 2019).
 - 178 in the world in the broad subject area of Arts and Humanities (QS World Rankings by Subject 2018)
 - 15 Queen's subjects in the top 200 in the world (QS World Rankings by subject 2018):
 - Nursing (50)
 - Pharmacy and Pharmacology (51-100)
 - Archaeology (51-100)
 - English Language and Literature (51-100)
 - Law (101-150)
 - Chemical Engineering (151-200)
 - Chemistry (151 – 200)
 - Electronics and Electrical Engineering (151 – 200)
 - Medicine (151-200)
 - Agriculture and Forestry (151-200)
 - Architecture/ Built Environment (151-200)
 - Communication and Media Studies (151-200)
 - Geography (151-200)
 - History (151-200)
 - Politics and International Studies (151-200)
- Ranked 201 – 250 in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2018.
 - Arts and Humanities (151 – 175)
 - Life Sciences (151 – 175)
 - Clinical, Pre-Clinical and Health (151 – 175)
 - Computer Science (151 – 175)
 - Engineering and Technology (176 – 200)
- Queen's is ranked in the top 200 in the world for graduate prospects (QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2018)
- Queen's ranked 25th in the world for international outlook (Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2018)

UK RANKINGS:

COMPLETE UNIVERSITY GUIDE 2019

- Ranked 36th in the UK (Complete University Guide 2019). 19 subjects in the UK top 20. 10 subjects in the top 10 in 2019:
- Subject area:
 - 3rd in the UK for Agriculture and Forestry
 - 4th in the UK for Pharmacy and Pharmacology
 - 4th in the UK for Food Science

- 6th in the UK for Celtic Studies
 - 7th in the UK for Social Work
 - 8th in the UK for Dentistry
 - 8th in the UK for Accounting and Finance
 - 8th in the UK for Architecture
 - 9th in the UK for Town and Country Planning and Landscape
 - 10th in the UK for Creative Writing
 - 16th in the UK for Civil Engineering
 - 17th in the UK for Anthropology
 - 17th in the UK for Electronic and Electrical Engineering
 - 17th in the UK for Aeronautical and Manufacturing Engineering
 - 17th in the UK for Law
 - 17th in the UK for Chemical Engineering
 - 18th in the UK for Social Policy
 - 19th in the UK for Anatomy and Physiology
 - 19th in the UK for French
- Graduate prospects:
 - 1st in the UK for Electronic and Electrical Engineering
 - Joint 1st in the UK for Medicine
 - Joint 2nd in the UK for Agriculture and Forestry
 - Joint 2nd in the UK for Architecture
 - Joint 2nd in the UK for Civil Engineering
 - Joint 2nd in the UK for Dentistry
 - Joint 2nd in the UK for Food Science
 - Joint 2nd in the UK for Pharmacy and Pharmacology
 - 3rd in the UK for Accounting and Finance
 - Joint 3rd in the UK for Nursing
 - Joint 3rd in the UK for Law
 - Joint 3rd in the UK for Social Work
 - Joint 3rd in the UK for Theology and Religious Studies
 - Joint 4th in the UK for Town and Country Planning and Landscape
 - 5th in the UK for Celtic Studies
 - 5th in the UK for Chemistry
 - Joint 6th in the UK for Chemical Engineering
 - Joint 6th in the UK for Social Policy
 - Joint 7th in the UK for Creative Writing
 - Joint 8th in the UK for Aeronautical and Manufacturing Engineering
 - Joint 8th in the UK for Anatomy and Physiology
 - 8th in the UK for Archaeology
 - Joint 8th in the UK for Mathematics
 - Joint 9th in the UK for Computer Science
 - Joint 10th in the UK for French
- Student Satisfaction:
 - 1st in the UK for Town and County Planning and Landscape
 - 2nd in the UK for Celtic Studies
 - 5th in the UK for Dentistry
 - 6th in the UK for Archaeology
 - 7th in the UK for Music
 - 9th in the UK for Pharmacy and Pharmacology
 - Joint 9th in the UK for Agriculture and Forestry

- Research quality:
 - 1st in the UK for Agriculture and Forestry
 - 1st in the UK for Celtic Studies
 - Joint 2nd in the UK for French
 - Joint 2nd in the UK for Iberian Languages
 - 3rd in the UK for Food Science
 - 4th in the UK for Anthropology
 - Joint 5th in the UK for Creative Writing
 - 6th in the UK for Pharmacy and Pharmacology

TIMES AND SUNDAY TIMES UNIVERSITY GUIDE 2018:

- Ranked 38th in the UK in the Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018. 25 Queen's subjects in the UK top 20. 10 Queen's subjects in the UK top 10.
 - 2nd in UK for Agriculture and Forestry
 - 4th in UK for Celtic Studies
 - 5th in UK for Pharmacology and Pharmacy
 - 5th in UK for Dentistry
 - 5th in UK for Food Science
 - 5th in UK for Town and Country Planning and Landscape
 - 6th in UK for Creative Writing
 - 7th in UK for Accounting and Finance
 - 8th in UK for Architecture
 - 9th in UK for Social Work
 - 11th in the UK for Nursing
 - 12th in UK for Electronic and Electrical Engineering
 - 14th in UK for Aeronautical and Manufacturing Engineering
 - 14th in UK for French
 - 14th in UK for Communications and Media Studies
 - 15th in UK for Iberian Languages
 - 15th in UK for Civil Engineering
 - 17th in UK for Law
 - 17th in UK for Chemical Engineering
 - 18th in UK for Anthropology
 - 18th in UK for Linguistics
 - 19th in the UK for Music
 - 20th in UK for Business Studies
 - 20th in UK for Medicine
 - 20th in the UK for Archaeology
- Queen's is ranked 14th in the UK for research quality (Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018)

GUARDIAN UNIVERSITY GUIDE 2019

- Ranked 52 in the UK in the Guardian University Guide 2019. 14 Queen's subjects in the UK Top 20 (Guardian University Guide 2019) (8 subjects in the UK Top 10)
 - 4th in the UK for Pharmacy and Pharmacology

- 5th in the UK for Building and Town and Country Planning
- 5th in the UK for Dentistry
- 7th in the UK for Forensic Science and Archaeology
- 7th in the UK for Education (St Mary's)
- 8th in the UK for Agriculture, Forestry and Food
- 10th in the UK for Social Work
- 10th in the UK for Civil Engineering
- 12th in the UK for Anthropology
- 13th in the UK for Chemical Engineering
- 16th in the UK for Criminology
- 17th in the UK for Religious Studies and Theology
- 17th in the UK for Social Policy and Administration
- 19th in the UK for Accounting and Finance

Course satisfaction:

- 1st in the UK for course satisfaction for Dentistry
- 1st in the UK for course satisfaction for Film Production & Photography
- 2nd in the UK for course satisfaction for Building and Town and Country Planning
- 7th in the UK for course satisfaction for Social Work
- 8th in the UK for course satisfaction for Religious Studies and Theology
- 8th in the UK for course satisfaction for Agriculture, Forestry and Food

Teaching satisfaction:

- 1st in the UK for teaching satisfaction for Building and Town and Country Planning
- 3rd in the UK for teaching satisfaction for Film Production & Photography
- 3rd in the UK for teaching satisfaction for Dentistry
- 9th in the UK for teaching satisfaction for Agriculture, Forestry and Food
- 10th in the UK for teaching satisfaction for Civil Engineering

Satisfaction with feedback:

- 1st in the UK for satisfaction with feedback for Building and Town and Country Planning
- 4th in the UK for feedback satisfaction for Dentistry
- 5th in the UK for feedback satisfaction for Medicine

Career prospects:

- Joint 1st in the UK for Career Prospects for Electronic and Electrical Engineering
- Joint 1st in the UK for Career Prospects for Dentistry
- Joint 1st in the UK for career prospects for Accounting and Finance
- Joint 1st in the UK for Career Prospects for Medicine
- Joint 1st in the UK for Career Prospects for Pharmacy and Pharmacology
- 2nd in the UK for Career Prospects for Agriculture, Forestry and Food
- Joint 2nd in the UK for Career Prospects for Social Work
- 4th in the UK for Career Prospects for Education (St Mary's)
- 5th in the UK for Career Prospects for Religious Studies and Theology
- 6th in the UK for career prospects for Architecture
- 7th in the UK for Career Prospects for Civil Engineering
- 7th in the UK for Career Prospects for Anatomy and Physiology
- 8th in the UK for Career Prospects for Law
- 10th in the UK for Career Prospects for Chemistry
- 10th in the UK for Career Prospects for Chemical Engineering

- Queen's is ranked 24th in the UK in the Times Higher Education Student Experience Survey 2018:
 - Ranked 9th for university facilities

QUEEN'S

- Queen's is a member of the Russell Group of the UK's 24 leading research-intensive universities.
- 5 Times Higher Education awards 2008-2014
- Queen's is the ninth oldest university in the UK (Complete University Guide 2019)
- Queen's is ranked in the top 10 most beautiful universities in the UK (Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2018).
- Queen's currently has 2200 international students from 59 different countries.
- Queen's is a lead UK university in tackling the unequal representation of women in science and engineering. Queen's holds 15 SWAN departmental Awards, including two Gold, as well as an institutional Silver Award.

REF 2014

- Queen's University has been placed joint 8th in the UK for research intensity (REF 2014/ Times Higher Education).
- Over 75% of research activity at Queen's was judged to be internationally-excellent or world-leading.
- With over 95% of Queen's academic staff returned for assessment, the University has 14 subject areas ranked within the UK's top 20 with six of these in the top 10, and two in the top five.

EMPLOYABILITY

- 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)
- Queen's is ranked 26th in the UK for graduate prospects (QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2018)

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT BAROMETER 2017

- 98% of current international Postgraduate Students were satisfied with Queen's Graduate School

- 98% of current international students were satisfied with Clubs and Societies at Queen's
- 97% of current international students were satisfied with the Students' Union
- 96% of current international students were satisfied with the subject area expertise of their lecturers
- 95% of current international students were satisfied with their safety and security at Queen's
- 95% of current international students were satisfied with the physical library facility at Queen's
- 95% of current international students were satisfied with the campus buildings at Queen's
- 92% of current international students were satisfied with the sporting facilities at Queen's
- Queen's was ranked 2nd out of 120 universities worldwide for our Graduate School.
- Queen's was ranked 1st out of 7 participating Russell Group universities for teaching ability of lecturers/ supervisors (4th out of 31 UK universities), for course content (4th out of 31 UK universities), for the quality of lectures (7th out of 31 UK universities) and for the explanation of assessment/ marking criteria (11th out of 31 UK universities).
- Queen's was ranked 1st out of 7 participating Russell Group universities for average satisfaction score with living experience (4th out of 31 UK universities).
- Queen's was ranked 1st out of 7 participating Russell Group universities for accommodation quality (3rd out of 31 UK universities), internet access (3rd out of 31 UK universities), cost of living (4th out of 31 UK universities), cost of accommodation (5th out of 31 UK universities), sports facilities (3rd out of 31 UK universities), campus buildings (2nd out of 31 UK universities) and eco-friendly attitude (7th out of 31 UK universities).
- Queen's was ranked 1st out of 7 participating Russell Group universities for Counselling Service (7th out of 31 UK universities) and Disability Support (2nd out of 31 UK universities).

NSS 2017

Overall satisfaction:

- 100% of Archaeology students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 1st in the UK)
- 98% of Dentistry students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 3rd in the UK)
- 98% of Music students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 2nd in the UK)
- 96% of Film Studies students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 2nd in the UK)
- 95% of Celtic Studies (Irish) students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked 3rd in the UK)
- 94% of Planning students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 3rd in the UK)
- 94% of Microbiology students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 3rd in the UK)
- 93% of Theology students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 7th in the UK)
- 93% of History students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 7th in the UK)
- 93% of Medicine students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 7th in the UK)
- 91% of Finance students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 6th in the UK)
- 91% of Pharmacy students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 6th in the UK)
- 91% of Physics and Astronomy students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 9th in the UK)

- 90% of Nursing students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 8th in the UK)
- 90% of Social Work students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 7th in the UK)
- 90% of Civil Engineering students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 10th in the UK)
- 90% of Physical Geography and Environmental Science students were satisfied in 2017 (ranked joint 10th in the UK)

LIFE IN BELFAST

- Lowest cost of living in the UK (Mercer, 2017)
- Lowest student rent in the UK (Natwest Student Living Index 2017).
- Belfast and the Causeway Coast named the Number 1 region in the world to visit in 2018 (Lonely Planet, 2017)
- 2nd cheapest student city in the UK (Marbles.com, 2018)
- Northern Ireland is the happiest place in the UK (Office of National Statistics, 2016)
- “Belfast is a good place to start to make your way in the world. It’s a centre for industry, as well as the arts, higher education, business, and law. Free from the intense political violence of former years, it has transformed itself into a city with a global cultural reputation.” Times Good University Guide 2018
- “Belfast has won awards for its affordable living, and rent in the popular Queen’s Quarter is rarely more than £50-£60 a week. At most bars and clubs a pint is between £2.90 and £3.10, and Belfast’s museums and galleries are largely free.” Times Good University Guide 2018
- 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
 - 2 United States
 - Others (two – Isle of Man and Jersey)
- Belfast as one of National Geographic’s “Places to Travel for Food in 2016”.
- “Belfast is full of neighbourhoods that burst with bars, restaurants and venues to suit all tastes.” (Lonely Planet, 2017)
- “Belfast has a dynamic young population that keeps the city on trend.” (Lonely Planet, 2017)
- “Belfast is a small city surrounded by lush countryside.” (Lonely Planet, 2017)
- Giants’ Causeway is the UK’s best Heritage Attraction (British Travel Awards, 2016)
- Belfast is in the safest region in the UK (British Crime Surveys, 2015/16)

- 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
- 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