

THE UNIQUE
VENUE FOR
YOUR EVENT



QUEEN'S
UNIVERSITY
BELFAST

Whether you are planning an international conference, lavish banquet or awards ceremony, our ultimate goal is to ensure your experience is unique.

'I don't know of any other UK or Irish university where the three essentials of a good conference – delegate accommodation, conference space and service – come together so effectively.'

Professor Ian Montgomery,
Chair of the 11th International Mammalogical Congress



Events at Queen's

As a venue for corporate, civic or private functions, the setting and ambience of Queen's University is quite simply unsurpassed. Dramatic Victorian architecture, elegant tree-lined avenues, quiet parks and walkways, and the unique buzz that only a university can generate, combine to make this part of Belfast truly special.



Our Team

Our full-time professional team have organised events at the University for international dignitaries, royalty and presidents. They will bring the same passion and attention to detail to ensure that all your requirements are met. From preliminary enquiry right through to closing speeches, our dedicated support staff are on hand to guide you through your event.





The Lanyon Building

The Lanyon Building, the University's iconic Victorian centrepiece, houses many of our major conferences and events. The Black and White Hall, just inside the main entrance, offers an impressive location for a drinks reception.

The Lanyon site incorporates a number of distinctive venues, all easily accessible, WiFi-enabled and with full AV facilities.

'We had a great night (which) exceeded our expectations. (It) is an ideal venue and all of the staff there were tremendously helpful.'

Our Lady of Lourdes PS



Sir William Whitla Hall

Located on the main University campus adjacent to the Lanyon Building, the Whitla Hall is a self-contained venue with a magnificent Art Deco-style auditorium which can accommodate up to **1,250 seated guests**. The main floor area can be adapted for registration, exhibition, poster displays, receptions, catering or plenary space. The Hall has an extensive fixed stage, backstage green rooms and a large foyer and is equipped with a state-of-the-art digital projection system, including a fully fitted 8m-wide projection screen.

In addition to its use for exhibitions or conferences, the Hall is an ideal dinner venue for up to 350 guests. It is licensed and can be serviced by up to three bar areas. Free on-site parking is available for evening and weekend events.





The Great Hall

This spectacular venue, situated within the Lanyon Building, can accommodate up to **170 seated guests** or serve as plenary space for larger events. The magnificent panelled walls hold a selection of portraits from the University's art collection, creating a warm, powerful and theatrical space at the heart of the University.

Equally suited to conference welcomes, exhibitions, receptions or gala dinners, this flexible space including dais can be used in theatre or banquet style. The adjoining cloisters and quadrangle lawn can also be used for pre-dinner drinks.



The Canada Room & Council Chamber

An excellent choice for a smaller meeting or dinner for up to **80 guests**, the prestigious Canada Room and Council Chamber features a charming minstrel gallery and magnificent views across the University lawns.

This sunny, maple-panelled space on the first-floor of the Lanyon Building is accessed via an imposing staircase next to the main entrance. It has the advantage of housing two adjoining spaces within one unit, ideal for accommodating your meeting and catering needs in the same location.





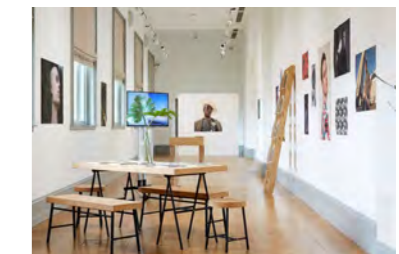
The Harty Room

The Harty Room, on the main campus, is a distinctive Tudor-style venue with exposed oak beams and a stunning stained glass window, plus a spacious modern foyer area. Perfect for performances, launches and events, it is a bright, intimate space able to facilitate theatre-style seating for up to **120 guests**.



The Naughton Gallery

The University's art gallery, overlooking the historic quadrangle, has become one of Belfast's most sought after and exciting visual arts platforms. Listed as one of the ten best university galleries in the UK and Ireland by The Times Higher, it is ideal for prestigious launch events and receptions for up to **150 guests**.



Senate Room

This historic, atmospheric room in the heart of the Lanyon Building can seat up to **45 delegates**, and retains many distinctive original features, including deep-set bay windows, original wood panelling, traditional parquet flooring and quirky light fixtures.



Old Staff Common Room

The Old Staff Common Room is a bright, self-contained space occupying a prime corner site in the Lanyon Building, enjoying views across the front lawns. It is perfect for smaller groups, or as a break-out, office or meeting space for larger conferences. It can provide fully licensed private dining for up to **40 guests**.





The Elmwood Hall

Located opposite the Lanyon Building, the historic Elmwood Hall is suited to larger conferences and events for up to **478 delegates**. It is a flat-floored, open space with balcony seating and can be used as plenary, break-out or exhibition space.

With self-contained green rooms, the Elmwood Hall is an ideal space for alternative events such as fashion shows, concerts and theatrical performances.

The South Dining Hall

Adjacent to the Sir William Whitla Hall, the South Dining Hall is an airy, flat-floored space with its own integrated services. It has a **seating capacity of 192**, and can function as a standalone venue or as an overflow space to supplement larger conferences.



**The Sir Peter Froggatt Teaching Centre
& Main Site Tower**

These contemporary interlinked buildings offer a range of lecture theatres, seminar and break-out spaces within a fully self-contained space, from **boardrooms for 12** to fixed **lecture theatres for 300**. All rooms have full AV facilities.

The buildings are connected by an extensive atrium which features its own ground-floor café, soft seating area and foyer and is ideal for conference displays, catering and registration.





Riddel Hall



At Riddel Hall, contemporary meets traditional in one world-class venue. A self-contained conference centre set in a magnificent **13-acre site** off the Stranmillis Road, it features an array of adaptable meeting spaces, with its own dedicated events staff and on-site catering.



The centrepiece of the site is the original Grade 2-listed red brick building, which has been sympathetically renovated to retain many original features while incorporating the best of today's technology.

The beautiful lawns and grounds provide plentiful outdoor space in the heart of the city, ideal for conference breaks, team building, social gatherings and marquee set-up. Riddel Hall also has free on-site parking for delegates.

Riddel Hall

Riddel Hall comprises four lecture rooms suitable for up to **94 guests** and eight syndicate rooms for **12-36 delegates**. All rooms are fully equipped with modern AV systems, with WiFi available throughout the site.

Linked to the original building by two glass walkways, the state-of-the-art Conference Centre has a fixed lecture theatre seating **110** and function space for up to **276 delegates**. The Isdell Courtyard, enclosed by a stunning glass canopy, serves as a multifunctional space for **290 delegates**, and is the perfect banquet venue for up to **160 guests**. There are two executive lounges which can serve as breakout space or a venue for casual meetings.





Medical Biology Centre

Located on the Lisburn Road, just a few minutes' walk from the main University site, the MBC houses **21 classrooms and four lecture theatres**, accommodating up to **250 delegates**.

The main foyer houses a café and soft seating area and is available for exhibition, catering and registration.

The Ashby

This modern facility, situated on the Stranmillis Road, is an excellent venue for smaller conferences or events. It features **one large lecture theatre** and **13 rooms**, suitable for up to **238 delegates**.

The Ashby has a bright foyer for catering or registration, as well as a café and soft seating area.



Other venues & facilities

The University offers a number of other facilities that you may wish to consider – either to host your event or to enhance your delegates' experience.

Queen's Film Theatre

This fully licensed two-theatre cinema, with large modern foyer and bar area, is perfect for hospitality and private hire.

Physical Education Centre

With a 25m swimming pool, state-of-the-art fitness suite, indoor climbing wall and café, the PEC is available for delegate use or teambuilding events.



Queen's Welcome Centre

Serving as an information point for delegates, the Welcome Centre hosts a regular programme of exhibitions, as well as offering a varied selection of souvenirs and gifts.

The bustling University campus is the heart of Queen's Quarter, perfectly situated for easy access to South Belfast's vibrant bar and restaurant scene, and just a short walk from main transport hubs and all the amenities of the city centre.





Event Management



Our in-house team offers a bespoke conference management service to suit every budget. From assisting with the bid process and drafting conference budgets, to creating websites and packs, delegate services, and even organising a lively social fringe, we offer an array of options to support your every conference need.

'My single best decision was to involve (the Events team) from the start... No task was too big or small; no question or problem too trivial or overwhelming. More than that, they provided wise counsel and cool heads, and did so with unfailing courtesy, tact and flexibility.'

Dr Eamonn Hughes,
Chair of the International Association
for the Study of Irish Literatures Conference

Catering

Our dedicated in-house catering teams across the Lanyon site and in Riddell Hall bring energy and creativity to the art of fine dining. Our carefully considered dishes provide the perfect blend of classic and contemporary cuisine, using only the freshest seasonal local ingredients.

We can accommodate all food and beverage requirements, from tea and shortbread for a small meeting to a showstopping black-tie banquet. We are passionate about delivering exquisite service, and will work with you to create a bespoke menu perfect for your event.



'I would like to thank (the team) for the superb service and meal for our event... Service from all of the floor team was second to none and all of our guests were delighted with the food. Full compliments to the chef and team; I cannot praise (them) highly enough. Thank you for making my life very easy.'

Carole Maslowski,
Faculty of Engineering and Physical Sciences





Accommodation

Queen's Elms BT9

Situated in a leafy residential area a short stroll from the main University campus, Queen's Elms BT9 offers delegate accommodation outside term-time on a bed and breakfast basis. This modern, purpose-built student residence includes a launderette, shop, 24 hour reception and on-site security. There are **1,500 single en-suite rooms**, all with high-speed internet access.

Other options

There is an abundance of accommodation options in the local area, from cosy B&Bs to 5* luxury.



Getting here

Belfast is a vibrant, world-class tourist destination with a thriving restaurant scene, beautiful parks and gardens, great galleries, shopping and must-see attractions. A compact city, it is no more than two hours by car or train from the rest of Northern Ireland, from its picturesque fishing villages and lively market towns to its windswept coastlines and idyllic lakelands.

Belfast is easily accessed by air, sea, road and rail, with two major airports serving routes throughout the UK and Europe.



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