

HOME FROM HOME

Picking the right accommodation at university is in many ways just as important as picking the right course. University is not only going to be the place your child studies, but also the place that they call home for the next three or more years.

At Swansea, we offer a range of accommodation options, all of which have:

- 24 hour security
- FREE WiFi
- FREE Contents insurance
- TV points (i/c) in all bedrooms

DESIGNATED AREAS INCLUDE:

- Quiet areas
- Welsh speakers
- Alcohol free areas
- Mature areas

ON CAMPUS

Living in residences on either of our campuses puts students right at the centre of university life.

Facilities at our Campuses include:

- Shops
- Health centre
- Dental surgery
- Post Office
- Restaurants
- Launderettes
- Students' Union run bars
- Coffee shops

SPORT SWANSEA

All students benefit from outstanding sports facilities. Find out more at swansea.ac.uk/sport



Bay Campus

The largest University Residences with over 2,000 rooms available. Prices from £88 - £195 per week.

Facilities include a common room with TV, full equipped kitchens and bicycle storage in the courtyards.



Singleton Campus

Singleton offers a variety of accommodation including ensuite rooms.

Prices range from £121 to £152 per week with part-catered options available.



Hendrefoelan Student Village

Just a short bus ride away from both campuses the Student Village offers a real community environment.

Prices start at £91 per week and include a free bus pass.



STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES



FEEL GOOD

Our dedicated wellbeing team will make sure your child is happy at University



DISABILITY SUPPORT

Ensuring the same student experience for all



THE MONEY DOCTORS

Are always on hand to help with budgeting and keeping finances in check



UNIVERSITY DENTIST

University dental care offers a full range of NHS and private treatments to students



SAFETY

24 hour Security

swansea.ac.uk/student-services

FAQs

How much will it cost me to send my child to university?

There is no legal obligation to contribute anything; however household income is taken into account by Student Finance when calculating entitlement and assumed contribution. Some parents choose to pay towards tuition fees, while others help with rent/accommodation or pay a set amount per month into the student's bank account to assist with everyday living costs.

What are the average living costs per week?

Spending costs can vary depending on location and lifestyle choices. An average weekly budget takes into account spending outside of accommodation and bills, such as food, going out, phone, TV and study materials, and is approximately £100 per week.

What qualifications will my son or daughter need?

Swansea University lists course entry requirements in A Level but we also accept other qualifications such as BTEC and IB. A full list is provided in our prospectus. Some degree schemes require specific A Level subjects which will be detailed on the course pages on our website and in our prospectus.

If my child is made a conditional offer but on results day finds that they have missed their offer by a grade, what happens?

Applications are reviewed on a case by case basis. We would advise that your son or daughter should check UCAS Track to begin with as they may have already received an acceptance. If there is no clear decision, they should check their e-mails as an alternative course may have been offered. If there is still no indication of a decision being made, they should then contact the Admissions Team.

What security measures are in place on the campuses?

Swansea University is committed to providing a safe learning and social environment for its students. In addition to 24-hour security staff, our Welfare Wardens and Residence Life Assistants are on hand to provide pastoral support. There are also dedicated Police Officers and PCSOs based on both Singleton Park and Bay Campuses.

Who can my son or daughter talk to if they experience personal difficulties?

Additional support is available from Student Services and our dedicated team of experts are on hand to help students work through any difficulties. The Student Wellbeing Service provide a range of services including free counselling to all students, additional and/or tailored learning support when required. The Money Doctors are on site to provide support with financial matters. All of these services are confidential.

What kind of support is available for students with disabilities?

The Disability Office provides high-level support for disabled students. Find out how your child can benefit from these services at swansea.ac.uk/disability

What about travel and parking?

The UniBus network operated by First Cymru connects the Singleton Park and Bay Campuses and the student residence areas of the city including the Student Village, Sketty, Uplands, Brynmill and the city centre. There is also a night bus that operates 24hrs a day (Mon-Sat) during term time. Limited pay and display parking is available near both campuses.

Follow Swansea University:    

Ask us a question... email study@swansea.ac.uk



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A Guide to Higher Education For Parents and Guardians

swansea.ac.uk/parents

Applying to SWANSEA UNIVERSITY

WHAT IS UCAS?

UCAS is the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service. They are the organisation responsible for processing applications to UK universities for undergraduate courses.

1 RESEARCH THE COURSE Spring/ Summer

It's important for your child to do their research and find out more about what different universities are offering. With such a wide choice of programmes available in the UK, narrowing this down to 5 choices on their UCAS form can be a little daunting.

We recommend using the UCAS search tool, here you can search for all universities who teach the subject you're interested in, [search.ucas.com](https://www.ucas.com/search).

You can also research courses on university websites. Go to [swansea.ac.uk/ugcourses](https://www.swansea.ac.uk/ugcourses) to see what we have to offer at Swansea University.

2 ATTEND UCAS CONVENTIONS Summer/Autumn

Each year universities exhibit at local UCAS conventions. Here your child can speak to representatives from a number of universities and collect information from them including their current prospectus. Sometimes your child's school will arrange a trip for all of the children interested in going to University. We would encourage your child to do their research before attending one of these events so they know which universities they would like to speak to.

5 UCAS DEADLINE 15th January

Your son or daughter must have submitted their completed UCAS form by this date, however some courses such as medicine have much earlier deadlines so be sure to check.

You should also consider that many schools and colleges have their own internal deadlines which are earlier. This is to allow teachers to write a UCAS reference for your son or daughter so be sure to allow them enough time.

4 MAKING AN APPLICATION September - January

Applications to a maximum of five institutions can be made online at UCAS.com between 1st September and 15th January, although we recommend that your son or daughter applies as early as possible.

Most of the application process should be supported by your child's school or college; however, it is worth checking the parents section of the UCAS website regularly for key dates and to keep them on track.

3 OPEN DAYS Summer/Autumn

You can help by encouraging your child to attend as many open days as possible before applying. Open days are a great way to find out more about the courses on offer, meet the lecturers, view the accommodation, explore the university and discover the local area. Your child can book online at [swansea.ac.uk/opendays](https://www.swansea.ac.uk/opendays)

6 RECEIVING OFFERS January - May

Once your son or daughter has received offers or rejections from all of the institutions they applied to, they will need to choose a first (Firm) or second (Insurance) choice and decline all other offers. During this time universities may invite your son or daughter to an Applicant Visit Day at the institution to help them make their decision. These Applicant Visit Days allow your son or daughter to speak to subject representatives and find out more about the course they have applied to do. Some courses may also ask your son or daughter to attend an interview during this time.

The firm choice should be the university they want to go to most and the insurance choice should be the back up just in case they don't meet the terms of their offer.

7 APPLYING FOR STUDENT FINANCE February - June

From February, your son or daughter can begin applying for their student finance. As a parent, you will need to produce supporting documentation such as proof of your household income.

To support a student's application as their parent or partner, the student needs to register and apply first.

If they live in England they will need to apply through Student Finance England, [gov.uk/student-finance](https://www.gov.uk/student-finance). If they live in Wales they will need to apply through Student Finance Wales, [studentfinancewales.co.uk](https://www.studentfinancewales.co.uk)

10 ENROLMENT Late September

Enrolment at Swansea University takes place in late September. The first week on campus is a chance for students to settle in, officially enrol on their course and select their modules. Lectures begin the week after.

9 EXAM RESULTS August

If your son or daughter meets the offer that has been made to them there is nothing more they need to do. We will automatically accept them via UCAS and enrolment instructions are sent at the end of August.

8 APPLYING FOR ACCOMMODATION April - June

Once your son or daughter has made their firm or insurance choice and applied for student finance, it's time to start putting everything in place for September. Applications for accommodation open in February and you should apply as early as possible. We guarantee rooms to all students who firmly accept their offers from Swansea University by the end of June. Insurance students should also make their accommodation applications as early as possible to increase their chances of securing a place in university residences.



FINANCE AND SCHOLARSHIPS

For the most up to date information on fees and funding visit [swansea.ac.uk/undergraduate/fees-and-funding/](https://www.swansea.ac.uk/undergraduate/fees-and-funding/)

SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES

Swansea offers a range of scholarships, including up to £3,000 for Academic Excellence and for Sporting Success, along with income-related bursaries. For more information, please visit: [swansea.ac.uk/scholarships](https://www.swansea.ac.uk/scholarships)

£3,000
EXCELLENCE SCHOLARSHIPS
for AAA at A Level



£2,000
MERIT SCHOLARSHIPS
for AAB at A Level



★ ★ ★
UP TO £3,000
PER YEAR FOR
SPORTING EXCELLENCE

MUSIC
SCHOLARSHIPS
WORTH UP TO
£1,000
PER YEAR



PART-TIME AND HOLIDAY WORK

Many students take part-time work during term time and vacations. There are many opportunities to work on campus, and the city offers a good deal of seasonal work for those seeking to supplement their loans.

MAINTENANCE LOANS

Maintenance loans are designed to help with expenses such as accommodation and food. These are dependent on a variety of factors, including household income and where the student chooses to study, find out more on the fees and funding section of the website [swansea.ac.uk/undergraduate](https://www.swansea.ac.uk/undergraduate)

GOVERNMENT GRANTS

Some students are entitled to means-tested, non-repayable grants that are intended to help with living costs. To find out if your son or daughter is eligible, visit [studentfinancewales.co.uk](https://www.studentfinancewales.co.uk) or [gov.uk/student-finance](https://www.gov.uk/student-finance)



5TH MOST AFFORDABLE
UK UNIVERSITY CITY

(Natwest Student Living Index 2017)

£398.03

Per month against an average
monthly cost of £535* for
University Accommodation
in the UK

