

Southampton Solent University



Southampton Solent University is a lively, modern university with an extensive portfolio of undergraduate and postgraduate courses in business, technology, maritime, media, arts and society. We educate for careers and for life, offering career-relevant teaching to rigorous academic standards and place students at the centre of the learning experience. We pride ourselves on our reputation for friendliness, accessibility and student support.

Southampton Solent University is centrally located in the vibrant student city of Southampton, with the city centre just a short walk across attractive parks.

We are just over an hour away from central London and Heathrow airport. We welcome students from all backgrounds and from all over the world. There are over 13,000 students studying at the University, including 1,000 from outside the UK.

The university is funded by the British Government and our degrees are recognised worldwide. We are at the forefront of developing new business-focused degrees and enhancing our graduates' employability in innovative ways through employer-driven programmes. Many of our staff have professional experience to support their academic expertise and are active in their specialisms.

Academic strengths

Southampton Solent University offers more than 200 undergraduate degrees and almost 40 Higher National Diplomas and Foundation degrees, together with a variety of taught and research postgraduate degrees, professional education and short courses.

We have been ranked Excellent by the Quality Assurance Agency for Accountancy, Business and Management, offering a number of bachelors and master's programmes in our Southampton Business School, including the MBA. Other strengths lie in the breadth of study opportunities in Media, Performing Arts, Design, Sport and Maritime studies.

We offer a selection of top-up courses for HND and Foundation Degree students, to enable them to 'top-up' to a bachelor's degree in just one year.

Facilities

Sports facilities include two well-equipped health and fitness suites, a multipurpose sports hall, 15 acres of playing fields and a purposebuilt watersports centre. To support subject-specific learning, we have the latest technologies in place in recording studios, video gaming workshop, music studios, performance space, CAD suite, towing tank, specialist sports laboratory and much more.

In addition there are 600 networked PCs, 150 Macs, laptop hiring facilities, a quarter of a million books and a host of other IT and library resources for you to access.

Student life

Solent students are very much part of the City life. Off campus, the city itself is a lively and cosmopolitan hub of culture, entertainment, nightlife and shopping. The city's cultural offerings include two fantastic theatres, three cinemas, 180 bars, clubs and pubs, 15 art galleries and museums and over 200 restaurants.

Southampton's parks and 300-acre common make it one of the greenest cities in Southern England. Our campus is set opposite one of the seven elegant parks in the city and our students are often seen there having a kickabout or just relaxing in the sun. Our students also enjoy free or discounted use of many of the city's sporting facilities.

Much of the on-campus life is provided by the Students' Union which offers societies and clubs to cater for just about every interest imaginable. As a university we really get behind our sports teams, with over 40 sports clubs, many of which enter various inter-universities leagues and competitions under the 'Team Solent' banner.

FEES & ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Fees for 2008 entry

Students from the European Union:

Undergraduate courses □ £3,145 p.a. (except some Maritime bachelor's degrees and HNDs □ £1,995 p.a. and except Foundation year (level 0) □ £1,695

Postgraduate courses – £ 2,675 - £3,300 (except MBA □ £7,300)

Students from outside the European Union:

Undergraduate courses – £8,200 p.a. (except International Foundation Programme – £6,285)

Postgraduate courses – £8,495 (except Diploma in English for Business and Cross-cultural Communication – £6,285)

Entry requirements

English Language:

At undergraduate level – IELTS 6.0 or TOEFL score of 550 or more (213 computer-based or 80 internet-based) <

At postgraduate level – IELTS 6.5 or TOEFL score of 600 or more (250 computer-based or 100 internet-based)

Academic Entry Requirements:

Undergraduate first degrees – the normal minimum entry requirements for an honours degree course are:

A-levels or high school leaving examinations equivalent to A-levels

International or European or French Baccalaureate

Language foundation year

any recognised equivalent of the above qualifications.

Taught postgraduate master's degrees – the normal minimum entry requirements for a master's degree course are:

British Bachelor degree with a minimum of 2:2

any recognised equivalent of the above qualification

For further information on our International Entry Requirements, please visit our website where you can find more country-specific information.

ACCOMMODATION



Student Residence

We offer student accommodation in six managed student residences close to the campus. Approximately 85 per cent of the study bedrooms are set aside for new undergraduates with the remainder reserved for continuing and postgraduate students. Student residences are extremely sociable, not to mention great fun and offer the chance to mix with people from different courses.

High standard of self-catering accommodation

2,300 single rooms

More than 1,000 rooms providing en-suite facilities

All rooms have free internet access points

Shared kitchen facilities

Communal television area with video and satellite connection

Laundry rooms

A list of private sector accommodation may be provided upon request. Viewing is essential.

LOCATION



Southampton is on the south coast of England, just over an hour by train from London, and provides easy access to ferry ports and Southampton, Heathrow and Gatwick international airports.

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You will find much of the city's medieval walls nestled between modern developments to create a unique waterfront environment. The city is famous for its global maritime role, primarily as a major trading port, but also as home to some of today's greatest ocean liners, yachts and power boats.

The area around Southampton is an exciting region of historic towns, beautiful countryside and stunning coastline. Winchester is a celebrated cathedral city, while Portsmouth has a long and distinguished naval history. The New Forest is a short drive from Southampton and offers open heath and woodland suitable for walking, horse riding and cycling.

FACILITIES



Southampton Solent University has a wealth of resources, primarily the knowledge and expertise of its staff but also its facilities and equipment. Together, the creative and innovative use of these resources is the key to passing on the benefits to students, the internal academic community and external customers. Students can enjoy a modern, comfortable and efficient environment in which to study, following our extensive refurbishment and modernisation over recent years.

Many of our courses offer access to modern technology to support specific study areas. These include:

- Extensive maritime facilities

- Broadcast standard studios

- Photographic studios

Students also have access to 250,000 books, 800 study areas, 600 networked PCs and 150 Macs.

The Mountbatten Library has extensive collections of books, journals, videos, DVDs and other multimedia material searchable from the Library catalogue, plus a whole lot more.

There are sports facilities available both on land and on the water □ our East Park Terrace campus is home to our sports hall and fitness suite. Football, rugby and cricket pitches plus netball courts, along with fully licenced clubhouse and changing facilities, are available at our Hardmoor sports ground. The Watersports Centre at Warsash offers a range of crafts including seven powerboats, nine dinghies and three keelboats, and provides a wide range of training courses designed to provide the opportunity for novices through to experienced water users to improve their sailing/powerboating skills.

Our media facilities include three fully equipped television studios, one in the new television centre of excellence; 30 Final Cut Pro editing stations; fully equipped multitrack sound studios, radio studios, 16mm film production facilities; digital, 35mm and medium format photography facilities.

STUDENT LIFE



On Campus

The Students' Union is where it all happens. The newly revamped building offers an on-site shop and cash machines, regular theme nights, four annual balls and always something going on in one of the two bars. The Students' Union is also here to ensure your voice gets heard and is run by students for students. The Union runs a large number of clubs and societies to suit all areas of interest. There are over 60 sports clubs and societies to join and a range of opportunities to get involved in the local community.

Nightlife

The city is very student oriented, with more than 30,000 students studying at its two universities. For your entertainment you can pick from a large number of restaurants, cinemas, theatres, clubs and bars, all within walking distance of the student residences and the main campus. Of the three cinemas in Southampton, the Harbour Lights Picture House is an essential venue for any film fan, offering a diverse range of alternative film entertainment, including Bollywood movies and foreign film festivals.

Sport and Leisure

A wide range of sporting and leisure activities is available, with Southampton able to boast football at the St Mary's Stadium, county cricket at the Rose Bowl, and regular hosting of major yacht and powerboat events. Numerous leisure centres are located around the city, including a large swimming complex in the centre of the city, where our students enjoy privileged admission rates.