

Houseparent

Candidate Information


CARDIFF
SIXTH FORM
COLLEGE

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Location

Cardiff Sixth Form College is set in the heart of the Welsh capital city of Cardiff. Based in three buildings, closely located to the town centre, it is very much an urban boarding college.

Cardiff is the largest city in Wales and is its chief commercial centre, the base for most national cultural institutions and Welsh media, and the seat of the National Assembly for Wales. With a population of just under 500,000, Cardiff is a significant tourist centre and the most popular visitor destination in Wales with over 20 million visitors, annually. In 2011, Cardiff was ranked sixth in the world in National Geographic's alternative tourist destinations.

Since the 1980s, Cardiff has seen significant development. A new waterfront area at Cardiff Bay contains the Senedd building, home to the Welsh Assembly and the Wales Millennium Centre arts complex. Current developments include the continuation of the redevelopment of the Cardiff Bay and city centre areas with projects such as the Cardiff International Sports Village, a BBC drama village, and a new business district in the city centre. Sporting venues in the city include the Principality Stadium—the national stadium and the home of the Wales national rugby union team—Sophia Gardens (the home of Glamorgan County Cricket Club and a test cricket venue), Cardiff City Stadium (the home of Cardiff City football team and the Wales football team), Cardiff International Sports Stadium (the home of Cardiff Amateur Athletic Club), Cardiff Arms Park (the home of Cardiff rugby union teams) and Ice Arena Wales (the home of Cardiff Devils ice hockey team).

It is well served with excellent road and rail links, being connected via the M4 and having three railway stations in close proximity.

Introduction & Background

Cardiff Sixth Form College is the UK's leading academic, independent boarding college. Top of the national league tables since 2011, our vision is to be the best academic school in the world.

The college is located in the heart of Cardiff, occupying a site providing spacious and modern teaching and administration facilities alongside state-of-the-art and luxurious student accommodation. A culture of exceptional teaching & learning blended with bespoke pastoral care leads to first-class academic results. In 2023 we were once again number one in the whole of the UK for A Level results (The Telegraph) and number one in Wales for A Level and GCSE results combined (The Times).

Cardiff Sixth Form College is an international boarding school which brings together some of the most talented students from South Wales and around the world, providing a stimulating environment in which to study. Students bring an enthusiasm and focus to their studies and are hungry for knowledge and success. Teachers are exceptional practitioners, committed to continuous professional development and to the mastery of their art. All staff strive for excellence and work to the common purpose of realising our shared vision.

In 2023, 65% of all A Levels were graded at A* with 95% at A*-A. On average, 80% of students gain access to one of the QS Top 100 universities worldwide.



School Aims & Ethos

Cardiff Sixth Form College's vision is to be "The Best Academic School in the World": lofty aspirations which are backed up by a remarkable history of high academic achievement and successful university placements.

Ralph Waldo Emerson said: "Without ambition one starts nothing. Without work one finishes nothing. The prize will not be sent to you. You have to win it." This epitomises the attitude of a typical Cardiff Sixth Form College student who is ambitious, whose aspirations are broad and whose academic dreams are significant. It is for the hard-working and diligent student who wants to excel and broaden their academic horizons. It is for students who wish to win a place at the best universities to study courses which will provide fulfilment and challenge. It is not for everyone, but it is the perfect place for many.

The college aims to deliver teaching and learning that challenges, inspires, demands and delivers excellence; careers guidance which is outstanding and is tailored to the individual's needs and aspirations; pastoral care which is safe, caring, compassionate, understanding and developmental; administration which is efficient and supportive, with compliant systems, both complementing and leading the provision; and sustainability that comes from a profitable organisation that invests for and in the future.

ISI Inspection Report

In the last full ISI inspection report (April 2016), Cardiff Sixth Form College has been judged 'excellent', which is the highest possible rating, in every school category.

The main highlights of the report are:

- The college exceeds expectations for the quality of education
- Students are supported by excellent teaching and a well-planned curriculum
- Students demonstrate very high levels of knowledge development
- Students' progress and achievements are outstanding
- The college provides a safe and secure learning environment for students and staff
- The college's pastoral structure provides excellent support and guidance for its students in accordance with its aims
- Relationships between staff and students are excellent
- Students report that they are happy, safe and extremely well supported
- Leadership and management are excellent
- Students in interviews expressed a very high level of satisfaction with the education provided

In 2017 Cardiff Sixth Form College moved under the educational oversight of Estyn, the education and training inspectorate for Wales. In 2019 we received an outstanding compliance inspection which is available to view on our website.

Governance

The college is a registered company limited by guarantee operating within the Dukes Education Group Ltd. The college is governed by a Board of Directors, consisting of:

- Founder and Chairman
- Managing Director (Colleges)
- Finance Director (Colleges)
- Compliance Director (Colleges)
- Cardiff Governor

The Board of Directors is assisted by a professional support team and appointed Senior Advisors to review all aspects of college performance and monitoring. This includes safeguarding, fees, staffing, budgets, health and safety, property, admissions and marketing, compliance, inspections, training and development, legal matters, complaints, surveys and other local school issues.

The Governing Body meets termly to consider reports from the Principal covering all college matters.

The Board retain ultimate responsibility for the approval of all policies and developments. They also review regularly their impact on college finances and operations. All operational matters are delegated to The Principal, as appropriate, who are responsible for fulfilling the college's aims and the successful implementation of the college's strategic development plan.

College Structure and Leadership

The Director of Cardiff Sixth Form College has strategic oversight of the two campuses (Cardiff & Cambridge). The Cardiff College is lead and managed internally by the following teams:

Senior Leadership Team

- Principal
- Senior Vice Principal
- Vice Principal
- Assistant Principal
- Director of Finance & Operations
- Director of Lower School

College Management Team

- Principal
- Senior Vice Principal
- Vice Principal
- Assistant Principal
- Director of Finance & Operations
- Director of Lower School
- College Services Manager
- Academic Data Manager
- Head of Boarding
- Admissions Manager
- Executive Assistant & HR Manager
- IT Manager

The Opportunity

The Principal of Cardiff Sixth Form College invites applications for the post of Houseparent. The successful candidate will be an experienced and dynamic individual, keen to join a dedicated Boarding department.

Cardiff Sixth Form College's vision is to be recognised as the best academic school in the world alongside providing outstanding pastoral care. The Boarding team plays a key role in fulfilling that vision by contributing to a culture of high achievement, intellectual rigour and exceptional teaching and learning.

We seek to appoint professionals who are passionate about working with young people and keen to engage and challenge highly motivated students.

This is an exciting opportunity for the right candidate to work with an exceptional team to mentor and inspire some of the brightest young people in the country.

Applications are welcome from candidates of all backgrounds and experiences. We celebrate our diversity and welcome interest from individuals with protected characteristics.



College

Cardiff Sixth Form College is registered with the Welsh Government as a boarding school for pupils and students from 14+.

GCSEs

Cardiff Sixth Form College began operating an intensive one-year GCSE course for Year 11 students in 2018. Students whose own national education system transitions at age 15 are able to gain the necessary Pre-A level qualifications in a rigorous and focused academic programme, giving them the best preparation for success.

In 2022 we welcomed our first Year 10 intake, meaning we now run a two-year and a one-year GCSE course. Currently, approximately 64 students undertake GCSE courses in:

Art | Business Studies | Economics | Geography | History | French | German | Biology | Mathematics (plus Additional Mathematics) | Chemistry | Physics | Psychology | English (1st or 2nd Language) | English Literature | Student's 1st Language (when not English)

The curriculum also includes Enrichment, PSE and PE as additional courses.

A Levels

As the leading A level provider within the UK, Cardiff Sixth Form College offers an outstanding academic programme for admission to the best universities in the UK and internationally. Currently over 300 students undertake A levels from a range of 14 subjects:

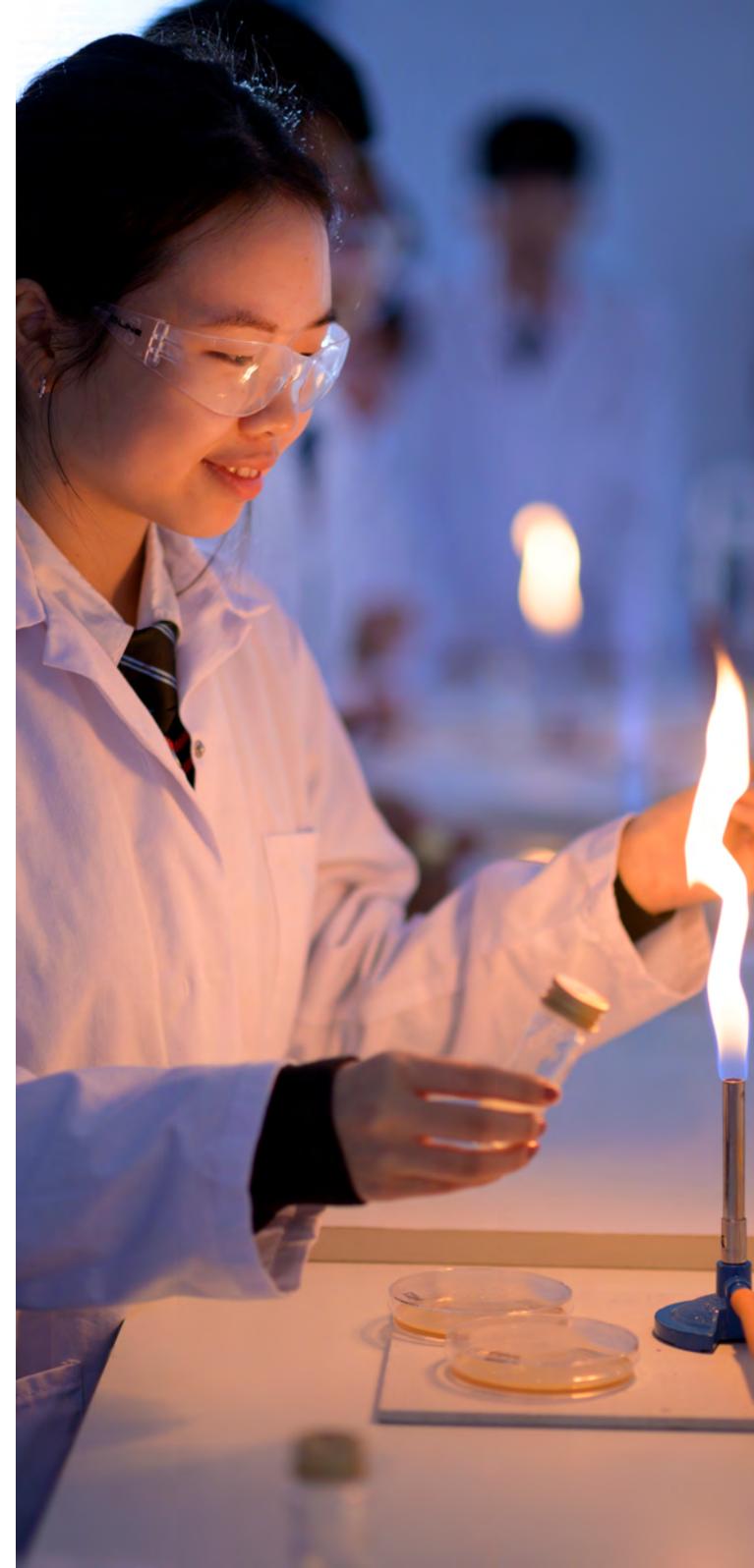
Art | French | History | Biology | Further Mathematics | Mathematics | Chemistry | Geography | Physics | Economics | German | Psychology | English Literature | Government & Politics

An EPQ may also be undertaken

In addition, the college helps students build management and project skills, teamwork abilities, confidence and a healthy mindset. Our teaching approach places considerable emphasis on independent learning – to look beyond simple answers and demonstrate a passion for knowledge and discovery. To support this aim, all students have access to courses in critical thinking, effective communication, leadership and entrepreneurship.

Learning begins in the classroom but doesn't end there. All students take part in an extensive super-curricular programme including elements from work observation, academic enrichment trips, career-based societies and a wide range of academic competitions. All students have the opportunity to participate in an 'International Citizenship Experience' (ICE), which is a unique programme designed to give students work experience and observation, team building and leadership skills, and cultural awareness and appreciation. Current ICE trips are to Malaysia, India and Tanzania.

An extensive university preparation programme complements the curriculum, giving students the best chance to achieve their potential. This includes specific assistance for Oxbridge entry, Medicine and Healthcare degrees and international university preparation. As a part of Dukes Education, we are supported by Dukes Consultancy, including Oxbridge Applications, The Medic Portal, The Lawyer Portal and A-List US University Applications in providing expert and bespoke assistance to our students.



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