

Heriot-Watt University

Heriot-Watt University was founded in 1821 as the Edinburgh School of Arts (the world's first Mechanics Institute), a college for working people. It became a university in 1966, and has close links with industry, commerce and the professions.

Heriot-Watt University has five campuses: three in the UK – Edinburgh, the Scottish Borders, where textile courses are taught, and Orkney – and campuses in Dubai and Malaysia.

Courses and Specialisms

Around 400 course are taught through five academic schools and one graduate school:

- Edinburgh Business School
- Energy, Geoscience, Infrastructure and Society
- Engineering and Physical Sciences
- Mathematical and Computer Sciences
- Social Sciences
- Textiles and Design.

Students

The university has over 27,000 students around the world. This includes 9,500 at the UK Campus, where 1/3 of our students are international, 3,400 at the Dubai Campus and 2,000 at the Malaysia Campus. 12,000 students study through distance learning or at partner universities.

According to HESA, 93.8% of students went into employment or further study within six months after graduating in 2014/15.

Facilities and Services

The main campus is set in the Edinburgh suburb of Riccarton. The National Performance Centre for Sports (NPCS), a joint venture in conjunction with the City of Edinburgh Council, is located here. The £33 million state-of-the-art facility has indoor and outdoor football pitches, rugby pitches, sports hall, climbing wall, squash courts, fitness suite and excellent facilities for sports science and medicine students.

The Scottish Borders Campus in Galashiels specialises in textiles, fashion and design. Courses are offered in conjunction with Glasgow Clyde College and there is also a partnership with Borders College delivering higher and further education, and sharing new campus facilities.

The Orkney Campus in Stromness is the International Centre for Island Technology (ICIT) and offers postgraduate courses in renewable energy and marine resources.

The Dubai Campus is a recently purpose built campus approximately 25 minutes outside the centre of Dubai. It offers excellent facilities including a well equipped library, IT and audio-visual facilities, a 700-seat auditorium and

student apartments situated close to shops and local amenities.

The Malaysian Campus is the country's first 'green campus' and offers degrees in science, engineering and business. The choice of courses will continue to grow. Situated in the stunning lakeside city of Putrajaya, it has state-of-the-art teaching and learning facilities and express links to Kuala Lumpur.

Ranking

Heriot-Watt University is ranked 1st in Scotland for Building and Town & Country Planning, Chemistry and Engineering-Mechanical (Good University Guide 2019).

It has been named International University of the Year (The Times and The Sunday Times Good University Guide 2018).

Heriot-Watt is ranked 37th in the world, 13th in the UK and 3rd in Scotland for its international outlook, a score based on the percentage of the university's international staff, the level of international co-authorship of academic papers and the percentage of international students studying with the University (Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2019).

Contact Details

Edinburgh
EH14 4AS
Tel: 0131 449 5111
Email: enquiries@hw.ac.uk
Website: www.hw.ac.uk
Twitter: @HeriotWattUni
Facebook: www.facebook.com/heriotwattuni/

Campuses

Edinburgh Campus

Edinburgh
EH14 4AS

Orkney Campus

The Old Academy
Orkney
KW16 3AW
Tel: 01856 850605
Email: enquiries@pet.hw.ac.uk

Scottish Borders Campus

Galashiels
TD1 3HF
Tel: 01896 753351