



MALAYSIA PEERS
2021



MALASIAN PEER GUIDE

Here at Cardiff Sixth Form we are very proud of our students from Malaysia who have all excelled under the College's care and guidance.

This booklet highlights some of our excellent Malaysian pupils and gives some useful statistics and academic information showing why Cardiff Sixth Form College is the top school in the UK.



ZHE SHEAN LIM

Former School:

Wesley Methodist School

Subjects studied at A-level:

Biology, Chemistry, and Maths

Grades at A-level:

A* A* A*

University:

St. George's, University of London –
Medicine

“Mr Madden was particularly helpful in Chemistry classes and is certainly someone I will remember going forward. I appreciated the offered support from all of the academic teachers and also the staff within the pastoral team, for example the Head of Boarding, Mr Thomas.

In terms of activities outside the classroom, the Eisteddfod was a calendar highlight and I loved being a part of the audience. It was also fantastic playing basketball outside on the weekends with the team – even when it rained!”



JULIA CHIN

Former School:

British International School of Kuala Lumpur

Subjects studied at A-level:

Economics, Mathematics and Physics

Grades at A-level:

A* A* A*

University of choice:

University of Warwick – Economic Studies
and Global Sustainable Development

“My most memorable moment in the College was the Integration Party – setting up and organising the party with the rest of the Prefect Team was great fun. There are lots of events that run alongside lessons so there are always plenty of things to attend such as the Integration Party, the Halloween Party, the Christmas Ball, Valentine’s Day, the Eisteddfod and the Cultural Event.

I like how being in the College has influenced me to work harder and to read beyond the syllabus of my chosen subject. My time in the College has really helped me to gain a better idea of what career I would like to pursue in the future.”

ACADEMIC STATISTICS AND CASE STUDIES 2021

For the past 17 years, Cardiff Sixth Form College students have enjoyed success at the G5 universities – Oxford, Cambridge, Imperial, London School of Economics and University College London - as well as other leading universities in the UK and around the world. Each year our European students gain coveted places to study subjects such as medicine, law and architecture at leading UK and US universities.

Around 160 students join Cardiff each year to complete their GCSE and A Levels before progressing onto university. Over 40 nationalities are represented and the international flavour of the College is highly regarded. What the students have in common is that they are all intelligent, ambitious and career-driven and are looking for the top quality teaching and highly successful super curricular and careers programmes run by the top school in the UK.

2021 saw another outstanding year with our results showing

98% of students gaining A*-A grades

100% gaining A*-B grades

100% gaining A*-C grades

86% students gaining three A*s or more

100% gaining AAB in facilitating subjects





SIDHARTH SHANKAR ASNANI

Former School:

Lodge International

Subjects studied at A-level:

Biology, Maths Economics

Grades at A-level:

A* A A*

University:

University of Cambridge – Law

“Making friends from around the world was the best part of my time at Cardiff and I am still in touch with them now. It was generally a very positive experience. I felt the teachers were very passionate about the subjects they taught and were very happy to answer questions, pushing people to be their best. I was part of the Cardiff debating club and a member of the law society and enjoyed playing badminton and football. The careers team were excellent at helping us maximise our chances of getting into university and I enjoyed work experience with local solicitors and magistrates and watching trials at the Crown Court. Everyone is very friendly and has no agenda. The staff are just rigorous academically and want the best for all the students.”



TEJI RAMASAMY

Former School:

Garden International School

Subjects studied at A-level:

English Literature, History, Psychology

Grades at A-level:

A* A A

University:

Durham University – Law

“My favourite subject during A levels would have to be English Literature. I thoroughly enjoyed having a small class as it gave me the opportunity to interact with everyone; not to mention we had a wonderful teacher who made every class very special for all of us. It was also the class that I shared with some of my favourite people! I absolutely loved every minute of it and it has to be part of the most memorable moments of Cardiff Sixth Form College.

Apart from being in lessons, one of my favourite moments was the History trip to Poland. I made core memories on that trip which I will never forget. Not only was it incredibly educational, my friends and I had the most wonderful time licking the walls of the salt mine, exploring Krakow from a horse carriage and rushing to buy a new suitcase the day of our departure because I had broke mine.”

OXBRIDGE SUCCESS

Cardiff students are extremely successful at gaining places at Oxford and Cambridge. The College runs specific courses for applicants with extra coaching for university entrance exams, interview coaching and weekly critical thinking classes.

In addition, as part of Dukes Education which runs Oxbridge Applications, Cardiff students receive tutorials and presentations as well as advice from current Oxbridge students studying the subjects they are applying for.

SUBJECTS STUDIED AT OXBRIDGE IN 2021

Law

Medicine

Chemical Engineering

Economics

Natural Sciences

Mathematics

5%

of Cardiff students
gained Oxbridge
places in 2021





UNIVERSITY PROGRESSION

The top five destinations for students from Cardiff Sixth Form College are the G5 universities: Oxford, Cambridge, LSE, UCL and Imperial.

Admissions tutors from leading universities are invited to visit Cardiff on a regular basis to advise students on making the right degree choice and how to prepare an effective personal statement.

COMPLETE UNIVERSITY GUIDE 2021

1. Cambridge
2. Oxford
3. St Andrews
4. London School of Economics
5. Imperial College
6. Loughborough
7. Durham
8. Lancaster
9. Bath
10. University College London

(Ranked on entry standards, student satisfaction, research quality and graduate prospects).

GUARDIAN UNIVERSITY RANKINGS 2021

1. Oxford
2. St Andrews
3. Cambridge
4. Durham
5. London School of Economics
6. Bath
7. Loughborough
8. Warwick
9. Imperial College
10. Lancaster

(Student focused and ranked by student benefit, student ratings by university, subject and job prospects).



CHIA YI ONG

Former School:

HELP International School

Subjects studied at A-level:

Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Maths

Grades at A-level:

A* A* A* A*

University:

University of Cambridge – Medicine



“Receiving an offer to study Medicine at Cambridge University was one of the happiest days of my young adult life. The Careers Department has been incredibly supportive and I would have been lost without their invaluable advice. Teachers have been such a source of motivation for me to keep working hard.

I love the gym membership each student has, allowing us to relax our tired minds after College classes. The canteen’s Asian food always helps to keep a little of the homesickness at bay, as well as the lovely staff at Reception who greet everyone that walks past them by name.

One of my favourite moments was taking a breath of fresh air on the A2 Biology trip and stopping for lunch in a beautiful meadow amongst the sand dunes, was a much-needed break from the usual schoolwork.”

TOP SUBJECT CHOICES IN 2021

39

students studying
Medicine,
Veterinary Medicine
and Dentistry

41

students studying
Engineering, Maths,
Computer Science,
and Architecture

25

students studying
Economics,
Business, Finance
and Management

11

students
studying
Law

14

students
studying
Natural Sciences

KEVYN XII LOONG TAN

Former School:

Lodge National Secondary School

Subjects studied at A-level:

Biology, Chemistry and Maths

Grades at A-level:

A* A A*

University:

Kings College London – Dentistry



“I have loved meeting new friends and friends from the rest of the world, playing football and founding the Dentistry Club. The ICE trip to Malaysia was special and getting great exposure to work experience is something that was important to me in my time at Cardiff. The support you get here is excellent. You get an insight into the application process and Dukes have organised interview sessions and UCAS programme sessions. People came into the College to

help with Personal Statements so that level of guidance is fantastic. Everyone here is friendly and accommodating and you can always talk to someone so that makes the transition period a lot easier.”



UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS BY DEGREE SUBJECT 2021

(e.g. in alphabetical order A)

Cardiff University – Medicine, Psychology with Professional Placement

Chinese University of Hong Kong – Medicine

City, University of London – Finance with Actuarial Science

Columbia University – Economics

Durham University – Computer Science, Business and Management, Law

Griffith University – Medicine

Imperial College London – Biochemistry, Materials Science and Engineering, Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Physics with Theoretical Physics, Mechanical Engineering, Electronic and Information Engineering, Computing, Aeronautical Engineering

King's College London – Law, Economics, Economics and Management, Accounting and Finance, Philosophy, Politics and Economics, Medicine, Mathematics with Management and Finance

Lancaster University – Electronic and Electrical Engineering

London School of Economics and Political Science – Economics, Finance, Politics and History, Law, Accounting and Finance, Management

Mahidol University – Medicine

New York University – Economics

Queen Mary University of London – Medicine, Business Management

Queen's University Belfast – Medicine

St George's, University of London – Medicine

University College Dublin – Medicine

University College London – Arts and Sciences, Economics, Applied Medical Sciences, Medical Sciences and Engineering, Mathematics, Computer Science, Law, Medicine, Biochemistry, Biomedical Sciences, Economics and Geography, Neuroscience, Comparative Literature, Engineering

(Chemical), Engineering (Electronic and Electrical), Engineering (Biomedical), Mathematics with Economics, Statistics, Economics and Finance, Engineering (Mechanical with Business Finance)

University of Aberdeen – Medicine

University of Birmingham – Medicine, Chemical Engineering

University of Bristol – Medicine, Aerospace Engineering, Mechanical Engineering

University of California, Berkeley – Civil Engineering

University of Cambridge – Chemical Engineering (via Natural Sciences), Economics, Mathematics

University of Central Lancashire – Medicine

University of East Anglia – Biomedicine

University of Exeter – Psychology

University of Glasgow – Aeronautical Engineering

University of Hong Kong – Medicine, Science, Law, International Business and Global Management, Dental Surgery, International Business and Global Management

University of Manchester – Mechanical Engineering, Materials Science and Engineering, Medicine, Civil Engineering

University of Nottingham – Electrical and Electronic Engineering

University of Oxford – Philosophy, Politics and Economics, Law, Medicine

University of Queensland – Physiotherapy

University of Sheffield – Medicine, Aerospace Engineering (Private Pilot Instruction), Architecture

University of St Andrews – Medicine, English

University of Warwick – Computer Science, Modern Languages and Economics, Economics, Psychology



PROGRESSION BY DISCIPLINE

13% Law, Humanities and Social Sciences

41% Healthcare (Med, Dent, Vet, Bio Sciences)

29% STEM (Computer Science, Mathematics, Engineering and Architecture)

18% Business, Finance and Economics

75% of Cardiff students go onto Russell Group Universities

89% of Cardiff students go onto QS Top 100

42% go onto G5 Universities

- Average class size - 7 Students
 - A Level students receive more than 25 hours of tuition per subject per week
 - One and two year GCSE and two year A-Level courses for students typically aged 14-19 years
 - High quality boarding options of single en-suite cluster rooms and apartments
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JOSHUA LOW

Former School:

Sri Kdu International School

Subjects studied at A-level:

Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Psychology

Grades at A-level:

A* A* A* A*

Gap Year

“I have taken part in lots of activities outside the classroom during my time at Cardiff Sixth Form College. In both years I have been a part of GLEE club and in my A2 year was one of the presidents. Through a tricky year with social distancing restrictions I embraced the challenge of moving activities online and trying to keep everybody motivated.

I was also part of the Debate society committee, debate really helped develop my confidence, presentation skills and communication skills and I really enjoyed



traveling across the country for Debate competitions with my friends.

The people I've met during my time at Cardiff have made my time here really special. Everyone gets on well at Cardiff Sixth Form College and you get to meet people from all over the world. The staff are all really friendly and I really feel genuinely want what's best for the students and support us in any way they can.”

HUMAIRA FADZIL

Former School:

Garden International School

Subjects studied at A-level:

English Literature, History, and Maths

Grades at A-level:

A*A A

University of choice:

University College London – Law

“For me, there is no single most memorable moment. In the College I have constantly made new but very unexpected memories throughout my time here. It isn't necessarily the most extravagant moments – for example, some of my best memories are simply from having food in the canteen with friends! The diverse range of people here at the College is something I believe to be hugely valuable.

There is no denying that sitting A-Levels can be a bit stressful at times but there are always people here at the College to help with that, whether it be staff or students. There is a real sense of community amongst us which helps us get through the hard times. I have grown



so much since arriving at the College not just academically but also mentally. You get to meet so many different people with so many different stories that help you expand your cultural and social awareness. I am so glad that I came to the College.”

SUPER CURRICULAR AND CAREERS PROGRAMME

- 100% of students take part in work placement and volunteering opportunities
- International work experience in India, Tanzania, Malaysia and Europe
- Academic societies – Healthcare, Engineering, Natural Sciences, Business, Economics and Finance, Law, Architecture and Art
- Weekly critical thinking lessons
- Award opportunities
- Personal development programme
- Varied extracurricular programme of sports and cultural activities





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