



NIGERIA PEERS

2021



NIGERIA PEER GUIDE

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

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

ANGELICA UZO

Former School:

Loyola Jesuit College, Abuja

Subjects studied at A-level:

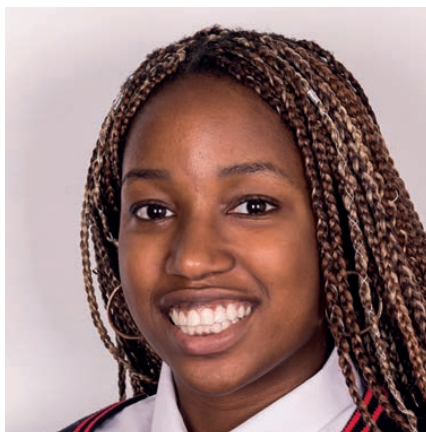
Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics

Grades at A-level:

A* A* A* A*

University of choice: University of

Birmingham – Chemical Engineering



“The teachers and my Head of House have really helped to support me in my studies and they are always available for any extra questions or queries I have about the work and have really helped me to achieve the A-level grades I did. The level of work expected here is high and it takes a lot of effort, but if you’re willing to ask for help and work hard from the start you can achieve your goals.

I’ve made some great friends during my two years at Cardiff and we got involved in lots of the activities planned by the school. In my second year I became House Captain for Franklin house and it was my job to encourage and motivate the other students to take part in the inter-house

competitions. There is plenty for everyone with competitions ranging from football, badminton and dodgeball to MasterChef, photography, fashion and film.

Between my friends and the house parents, there is always someone to have a chat with in the boarding house if you’re feeling a bit stressed or home-sick. Knowing that there is always someone close by to lean on helps gives students the confidence that they can achieve what they wanted from their time at Cardiff Sixth Form College. I’ll miss my time in Cardiff but I’m taking great memories with me.”



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



DANIELLA DANJUMA

Former School:

Oxford Manor College

Subjects studied at A-level:

Biology, Economics, Geography

Grades at A-level:

A* A* A*

University:

King's College London – Law

“My favourite A-level subject to study at Cardiff Sixth Form College was Geography. Learning Geography at Cardiff was very enlightening and it allowed me to learn more about the physical and social aspects of the world that we live in. My teacher, Mr Davies, helped me by enforcing the importance of critical thinking in Geography through his teaching methods. The recurrent past questions I answered in his class strengthened my ability to write any assessments I had.

The careers team at Cardiff were a great support with my UCAS application. The seminar's combined with the tutors provided during the 'UCAS week' programme helped guide me while writing my personal statement. They also allotted in-school lessons to prepare me for university entrance exams. With the lockdown, the careers department found an online work placement at White and Case LLP for me.



I also attended trips during my time at Cardiff including to an investment company, mock law trials and to debate competitions. There is plenty on offer at Cardiff for students to get involved in, academically and non-academically. Like many students I was also a part of the GLEE club and took part in numerous inter-house competitions including dodgeball, football, murder mystery and a fashion show! I've enjoyed my time with the friends I have made at Cardiff Sixth Form College and we are well supported by the boarding staff and teachers here. We will all look back on our time in Cardiff with good memories.”

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).



SHAAKIR ELELU

Former School:

Rainbow College

Subjects studied at A-level:

Mathematics, Further Maths, Physics and Chemistry

Grades at A-level:

A* A* A A*

University of choice:

University College London – Engineering (Electronic and Electrical)



“I have enjoyed the teaching here at Cardiff Sixth Form College and it is different to that I had back in Nigeria. The practical science lessons are my favourite where we do lots of experiments and work together to figure out how and why reactions take place. There is lots of time to study and the teachers are amazing – they give us extra support sessions and lots of online resources and will mark extra papers if you do them.

For me the difference at Cardiff has been that I now completely understand what I am taught. I often used to rely on cramming in Nigeria but I now read around my subjects, research online and listen to podcasts so I feel I am much better prepared for university. You are surrounded by intellectual students here and it has made me go the extra mile.

Although it is a very academic college, it is actually really fun at Cardiff! The College has a real mixture of students and some real personalities. I have found it really easy to make friends and there is no bad behaviour here - you can talk to anyone. I not only have friends from Nigeria but also from Malaysia, UK and Hong Kong for example. I love the diversity. I met my first friend playing basketball and now we are all one big family.”

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

DANIEL DANJUMA

Former School:

The Regent Secondary School

Subjects studied at A-level:

Economics, Mathematics, Further Mathematics, Physics

Grades at A-level:

A* A* A A

University:

University of Glasgow –
Aeronautical Engineering



“I have fully embraced the academic opportunities on offer at Cardiff Sixth Form College. My subject teachers were always available to answer any questions I had or provide extra assistance and with small classes and likeminded students I felt confident contributing in class discussions. The teaching at Cardiff has helped me to achieve my academic goals and anyone who attends Cardiff Sixth Form College will get the same chance if they are willing to follow the teachers’ advice and put in the work.

Outside of my studies I enjoyed getting involved in some of the sport and inter-house competitions in Cardiff with my friends. We’ve played football, basketball, badminton, table tennis, pool and even dodgeball! It’s a great chance to hang out with friends and have some fun.”



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

ABDULLAHI JA'AFAR

Former School:

The Regent Secondary School

Subjects studied at A-level:

Maths, Further Maths, Physics and Chemistry

Grades at A-level: A* A* A* A*

University of choice:

University of Oxford – Engineering



“The Cultural Event was by far my most memorable moment at Cardiff Sixth Form College. The different cultural dances and songs were very entertaining but were also very interesting. Seeing everyone in their cultural dress was great – there were so many different styles and colours!

During my time at Cardiff, I have loved taking part in the many inter-house competitions. Some competitions are very large, such as the NASA competition, whereas other competitions are only small, such as the Christmas tree decorating

competition. Regardless of size, all of these competitions have been great fun to partake in with friends.

There is no denying that the A-Level experience is a challenging one but it has certainly been worthwhile. I have made friends from all over the world that I intend to keep and I have achieved my academic goals.”



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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KINDA OTIENO

Former School:

The Regent Secondary School, Abuja

Subjects studied at A-level:

Mathematics, Economics and Physics

Grades at A-level:

A* A A

University of choice:

Trinity College Dublin – Business,
Economics and Social Studies

“All the teachers I had were always so helpful and patient whenever I didn’t understand something. They would always take time out of their busy schedules to give extra lessons to ensure that I understood all content thoroughly. I am also so grateful for the support that Miss Davies (my Head of House) gave me through some of the tough times.



During my time in Cardiff, I took part in the Debate Club, NASA, the Glee Club (where we performed Grease) and I performed at the Cultural Event. The Debate Club was particularly helpful in improving my public speaking skills. It helped build my confidence so now I feel more than comfortable speaking to groups of people.”

TABITHA BALOGUN

Former School:

Green Springs Lekki

Subjects studied at A-level:

Maths, Further Maths, Physics and Economics

Grades at A-level:

A* A* A A*

University:

University of Cambridge – Economics



“Performing in both years with the Glee Club in our productions of Mulan and Hairspray was brilliant, but being awarded the prestigious title of Head Girl was my proudest day here. I have really enjoyed having this position and the teamwork and responsibilities that it entails. I have also hosted the Cultural Event and been an active Debate Committee member. So many members of staff have been extremely helpful and encouraging during my time here. I am particularly thankful to Head of Careers Miss Bendle, who supported me throughout the UCAS process. Teachers here go the extra mile, even offering to come

in and provide additional support sessions on the weekends. The accommodation here is great and I have no doubt it is very similar to what I will experience in terms of university accommodation. Cardiff is a very multicultural school and enabled me to form friendships with people from all around the world whom I hope to remain friends with for a long time.”

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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