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**SINGAPORE PEERS**

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## SINGAPORE PEER GUIDE

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

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



### **ZI QI KOK**

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**Former School:**

Singapore International School

**Subjects studied at A-level:**

Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics and Further Maths

**Grades at A-level:**

A\* A\* A\* A\* A\*

**University:**

University of Cambridge – Medicine

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“The school has provided me with the means to pursue my desired career choice at my dream University. I loved having the British boarding school experience and all of the novelties that it involves. What distinguishes the College from other traditional institutions is that it adopts a superior academic approach, constantly encouraging students to challenge themselves and strive for excellence. The College has not only been helpful in providing much-needed academic support, but has also gone the extra mile in tailoring supplement classes to the students’ preferred career choice.”



### **EUGENE CHAI HAN SOH**

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**Former School:**

Anglo Chinese Junior College

**Subjects studied at A-level:**

Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Economics

**Grades at A-level:**

A\*A\*A A

**University:**

National Service

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“Meeting friends from different parts of the world is something quite unique that I’ve loved about Cardiff. I have made many friends from Cardiff and Malaysia so it’s been a great experience. Miss Davies (Head of House) has been great with helping me with managing challenging subjects and vouching for me when my grades haven’t been the best. I have enjoyed taking part in Glee, NASA and being part of our debating community. I have taken part in most of the extra-curricular activities and really enjoyed the Debate Finals in Swansea and Bristol. The annual Biology trip was fantastic as we were able to get outside, take soil samples and really get involved with our natural surroundings.”

# 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

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100% gaining A\*-B grades

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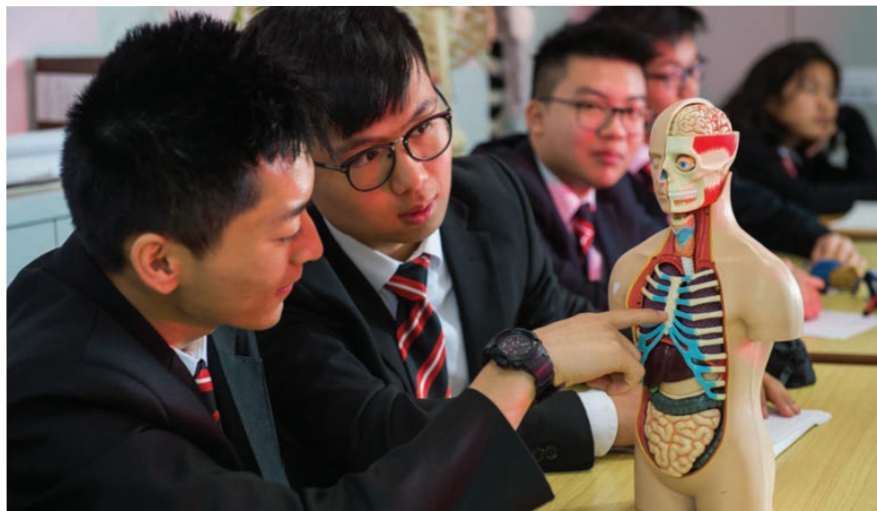
100% gaining A\*-C grades

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86% students gaining three A\*s or more

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100% gaining AAB in facilitating subjects





### LYNETTE TEE

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**Former School:**

Singapore Chinese Girls' School

**Subjects studied at A-level:**

Mathematics, Biology and Chemistry

**Grades at A-level:**

A\* A A

**University:**

University of St Andrews – Medicine

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“I loved the visit to London where we went to various museums and the enrichment week which followed was fantastic. Miss Davies helped and gave me plenty of advice and additional help in finding out my next steps after Cardiff.

The events at Cardiff Sixth Form College are great – I particularly loved the Halloween Party where we had a disco and everyone dressed up in scary costumes!”



### LEE WU QUN SEAN

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**Former School:**

Catholic High School

**Subjects studied at A-level:**

Economics, Mathematics, Further Maths, Government and Politics

**Grades at A-level:**

A\* A\* A\* A\*

**University:**

University of Cambridge – Law

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“Cardiff Sixth Form College is a great place to study, and I am glad and grateful to have earned a place here. Without the enormous efforts of the staff at the College, I would not have received my offer to study at the University of Cambridge.

I found the tuition to be of a high calibre with great support offered when needed. In addition to this, I have thoroughly enjoyed the extra- curricular activities and the mix of Eastern and Western cultures.”

# 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

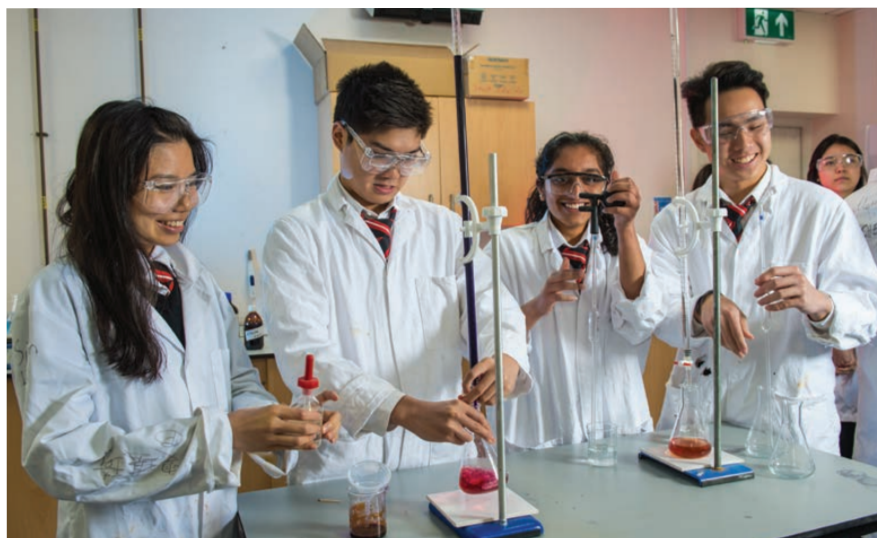
Natural Sciences

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).*





## CLARE GOH

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**Former School:**

Raffles Girls' School

**Subjects studied at A-level:**

Physics, Maths, Chemistry and Biology

**Grades at A-level:**

A A\* A\* A

**University:**

University of Bristol – Dentistry

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“A few years ago, I would never have imagined myself coming to the UK to study in a boarding school. However, when I faced a crossroad when deciding between taking Biology or Physics as my second H2 Science subject in Junior College in Singapore, I made the important decision to study here in Cardiff Sixth Form College. There are no qualms about the academic excellence of Cardiff, which is evident from previous results, proving it to be the top College in the UK. From arranging Work Experience, to providing UCAS and interview preparation, the school gives its students a leg up on others. The dedicated and supportive teachers helped me to manoeuvre smoothly in a fast-paced, intensive study environment. In addition, I was surrounded by like-minded peers who chased their goals relentlessly.

Besides academics, the College has many extra-curricular and super-curricular activities that allowed us to unwind and pursue our interests. Having never been to Wales prior to studying here, I was pleasantly surprised to discover how peaceful and safe Cardiff is. All in all, I am very grateful to this school.”

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## TOP SUBJECT CHOICES IN 2021

<p>39</p> <p>students studying Medicine, Veterinary Medicine and Dentistry</p>	<p>41</p> <p>students studying Engineering, Maths, Computer Science, and Architecture</p>	<p>25</p> <p>students studying Economics, Business, Finance and Management</p>	<p>11</p> <p>students studying Law</p>	<p>14</p> <p>students studying Natural Sciences</p>
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## CLAIRE CHAN

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### Former School:

Nanyang Girls' High School

### Subjects studied at A-level:

English Literature, Economics, Mathematics

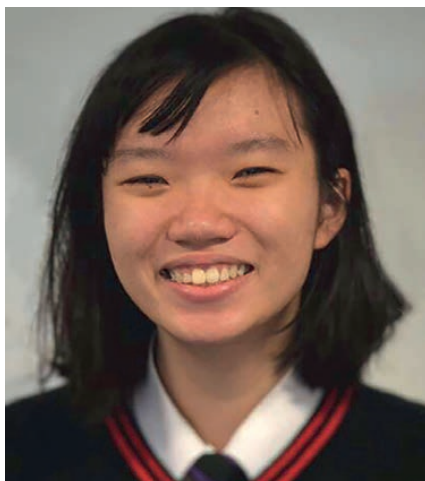
### Grades at A-level:

A\* A\* A\*

### University of choice:

London School of Economics and Political Science – Law

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“My most memorable moments in Cardiff Sixth Form College have been the various trips my friends and I have been on around the UK. In our spare time, we have really been able to explore all that the UK has to offer. This has made me feel so much more at home.

The careers department at Cardiff have been so helpful in helping me prepare my UCAS application. They regularly checked and made suggestions on how I could improve my personal statement and they were very patient in helping me prepare for my entrance exams. Being a law student, my entrance exams were very important and so this support was so valuable in helping me to attain offers from top UK universities.

There are so many clubs at Cardiff Sixth Form College to take part in! I took part in

Glee, Debate and the Law Society. These clubs were a lot of fun; my favourite was our Glee performance of Grease where I got to act as one of the main characters! I met so many amazing people at these clubs who I hope will be friends for life.

The trips I got to go on with my English Literature class are some of my best memories from Cardiff. We got to watch plays such as Doctor Faustus which were amazingly displayed and really helped me to understand what we had discussed in class. They made the syllabus content so much more interesting which is why I loved English lessons so much in Cardiff!”



# 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

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

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

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18% Business, Finance and Economics

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75% of Cardiff students go onto Russell Group Universities

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89% of Cardiff students go onto QS Top 100

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42% go onto G5 Universities

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- 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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## NATASHA KOWSHIK

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### Former School:

National Junior College

### Subjects studied at A-level:

Maths, Biology, Chemistry and Physics

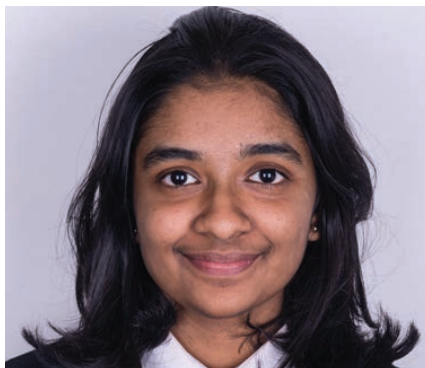
### Grades at A-level:

A\* A\* A\* A\*

### University:

University of Cambridge – Medicine

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“Meeting international friends has been the most fulfilling part of my time here. The teachers here are incredible; they are some of the best I have ever had. I have never truly been able to enjoy learning until I came to this College.

The teachers given me an immense amount of academic support and aided me in meeting my desired grade requirements for Cambridge. The Careers Department are exceptionally helpful in guiding us through

university applications. Aside from the academics, I participate in the Medical Ethics Society, and am the President of the Biology and Research Society.

The best trip that I attended was the International Citizenship Experience in India, as the opportunity to view pivotal procedures in a medical setting has laid the foundation for discussion in a lot of my university interviews.”

## JIANI LI

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**Former School:** Methodist Girls School, Singapore

**Subjects studied at A-level:**  
Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics, Physics

**Grades at A-level:**

A\* A\* A\* A\*

**University:**

University College London – Biochemistry

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“I chose Cardiff Sixth Form College to study my A-levels because I wanted to attend the top sixth form in the UK and I was not disappointed. The teachers are really friendly and available for any extra help required by students at any time, I can email them outside of lessons or go to the morning drop-in sessions that each subject organise. This really helped me stay on track with my studies throughout my two years at Cardiff.

I also owe a huge amount of gratitude to the careers department and my Head of House at Cardiff Sixth Form College for helping so much with my university application and organising work placements for me during my first year.

My second year at Cardiff was during Covid-19 unfortunately, but the school tried to create as many safe, socially distanced events

as possible for us to join in. I really missed all the fun of my first year of like the Christmas Ball, sports clubs and in person inter-house competitions. Living with my friends in boarding and having all the extra-curricular school activities allows has to have a really great work-life balance which is important during the stressful time of A-levels!

I have loved meeting people from all around the world at Cardiff Sixth Form College, learning all about their cultures and backgrounds. Learning within such a diverse community makes you a more holistic learner and I think prepares you for the working world after University.

I would recommend Cardiff Sixth Form College to any prospective students, I’ll miss it.”

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## 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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