



**SOUTH KOREA PEERS**  
2021



## **SOUTH KOREA PEER GUIDE**

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

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



### JAWOON (JOHN) LEE

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**Former School:**

North London Collegiate School Jeju

**Subjects studied at A-level:**

Maths, Biology and Chemistry

**Grades at A-level:**

A A\* A

**University of choice:**

Kings College London – Biomedical Science

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“I was nervous initially to study in a brand new country but within weeks of being at Cardiff I felt settled in my accommodation and had fantastic new like-minded friends around me. I am very grateful to the teachers for the help that I have received over my time here both in academic classes and in Careers Department help sessions. The Careers Department gave out a great deal of information relating to the lengthy application process for specific universities, wrote us reference letters and reviewed the state of our applications regularly. My subject teachers have been happy to provide learning resources for exam preparation.”



### JAEWOOK CHUNG

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**Former School:**

Hanil High School

**Subjects studied at A-level:**

Maths, Further Maths, Economics, Government and Politics

**Grades at A-level:**

A\* A\* A\* A

**University:**

University of Cambridge – Economics

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“My teachers always challenged me to do my absolute best and work hard, making us understand theories and how to strategically approach the exam to achieve top A\* grades. I personally think that my friends I made here are the highlight of my experience, regardless of my academic achievements.

I particularly enjoyed playing for the College football team in my free time. This game taught me a great deal about teamwork outside of the classroom environment, and I learnt a lot about how to cooperate with others effectively in order to obtain the best result.”





# 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



# 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

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Medicine

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Chemical Engineering

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Economics

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Natural Sciences

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Mathematics

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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).*







## DAVID (BYUNG YUN) KIM

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### Former School:

Saint Joseph's Institution International

### Subjects studied at A-level:

Biology, Chemistry, Physics and Maths

### Grades at A-level:

A A B A\*

### University:

St George's University of London, Medicine

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"I really enjoyed our London trip to the museum which was really interesting and a great chance to spend some quality time with my friends. The Careers Team here have helped me enormously in gaining a better insight in how to write a successful application to the universities I chose. Furthermore, they also helped overcome any difficulties I faced during the application process. My subject teachers were also always there to help me gain confidence in my upcoming examinations.

I have participated in the Swansea Regionals with the NASA team, I've been an MC for the College Talent Show when I was in my AS year and even took part in the Dance Club and fashion show which was a lot of fun. Going away with the College is great because it is a chance to de-stress and forget about academia for a while.

The ICE India trip was an eye-opening experience that I truly loved and learned a lot from. Being in the hospital for several days and learning about the healthcare system of another country was informative and I got a chance to gain a better understanding about what it takes to work in the healthcare profession. Being in an international school really helped me meet friends with diverse backgrounds that I can keep catching up with after my time in Cardiff Sixth Form College is over."

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## 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
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# 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



$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$$

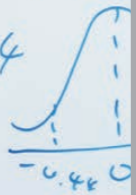


$$P(1.56 \leq X)$$

$$Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$$

$$Z = \frac{1.56 - 2}{1} = -0.44$$

$$P(-0.44 \leq X)$$



$$= 0.54$$



# 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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## SEEUN CHOI

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### Former School:

Hungjin High School

### Subjects studied at A-level:

Maths, Biology, and Psychology

### Grades at A-level:

A\* A A\*

### University:

University of Bath – Psychology

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“There is no doubt that the unconditional efforts of the staff lay the foundations to our achievements for sky high grades. As students of this prestigious College, we strive diligently for success. Being in this College has exposed me to the importance of cultural diversity and this has allowed me to obtain not only knowledge, but also social skills set for the real world. The friends that I have made here have truly broadened the way I view life and its ups and downs, keeping me motivated - especially around the exam



periods. Finally, I would like to seize this opportunity to express my utmost gratitude to all of the teachers at Cardiff Sixth Form College. I would not be the same person I am today without them.”

## JULIA MIN

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**Former School:**

Seoul International School

**Subjects studied at A-level:**

Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics

**Grades at A-level:**

A\* A\* A\*

**University:**

University of Sheffield – Medicine

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“Arriving in Cardiff Sixth Form College and meeting friends from all corners of the globe has certainly opened a new chapter of my life. The teachers are true mentors and motivators who encourage every student to work hard and have pointed me in the right direction of how to improve and get back on track.

Moreover, I was able to become a more mature version of myself through the rigorous tests that I was put through at college. Each exam and each lesson was aimed towards helping me thrive and learn.

Being in college gave me an important learning experience that taught me self-confidence and the will to always give my best. In addition, it has blessed me with friends,

many of whom will remain with me for the rest of my life. Despite the limitations due to COVID-19, the continuous support from my friends and staff in boarding has helped me to stay safe and positive at all times.”

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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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