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Why choose higher education?

Returning to study or progressing to university can be very rewarding, but it can also be very hard work and often requires a lot of motivation.

- a degree is a requirement for initial entry into some careers (e.g. medicine, engineering or architecture)
- increased earning potential and better promotion prospects
- making new friends and becoming more independent
- gaining confidence and self-reliance
- broadening educational and personal horizons
- developing transferable skills which can give you the edge in the fast-changing world of employment
- a sense of personal achievement
- the pure enjoyment of studying a subject you are passionate about

Where will you study your degree?

Over 400 students a year from Jersey start higher education courses, with the majority going to the UK to study. However, studying in the UK may not appeal to everyone. An increasing number of people are considering other locations or alternative teaching methods to obtain a degree.

The aim of this guide is to provide a range of information in one place, to help anyone who might be considering their route into higher education.

We have focused on three specific study options; online, on-Island and studying abroad.



Financing a degree

One of the most important factors when researching higher education is how to finance a degree.

Are you eligible for a States of Jersey Student Award?

Residency requirements

You must be ordinarily resident in Jersey for five years, immediately before 31 August of the first year of the course

Academic Qualification Requirements

Age	Course	Qualification criteria
Under 21 years	Degree (e.g. BA, BSc)	Two passes at A(2)-level or an equivalent level 3
21 years +	Degree (e.g. BA, BSc)	Level 3 qualification
All ages	Higher National Diploma, Foundation Degree or comparable course	One A(2) level pass or an equivalent level 3 qualification

What courses are eligible for funding?

Applications for first degree courses in Jersey, online and outside the UK will be considered if the course is fully accredited and is of an educational standard, at least as high as that of recognised courses in the UK. You must provide evidence that the course is equivalent to a UK degree and details of the course and offer letter.

How much will I need to pay?

Studying locally

The States of Jersey may contribute towards your tuition fees. If you are aged over 25 it will depend on your income for the previous year. If you are aged under 25 it will be dependant on your parent's household income. There is a capped amount of funding that applicants may be eligible to receive. Typically, the maximum funding for each academic year towards tuition fees is capped at £9,000. However, this may vary depending on which course you decide to study.

Studying abroad

If you decide to study abroad, you will be required to pay the tuition fee directly to the university in advance of starting the course. Tuition fees are paid to the university in their country's currency. The States of Jersey will then reimburse you up to the equivalent UK cost of the course*. Reimbursements will be paid in two instalments at the beginning of each semester on receipt of a copy of the students account summary and receipt for the fees paid.

Studying distance learning

Funding towards distance learning courses is a reimbursement scheme. You will need to pay for the course and will be reimbursed by the States of Jersey. Funding is calculated on an individual's gross income. The maximum funding for studying via distance learning is capped at £4,000 per year.

There are lots of contributing factors in terms of funding. For further information on eligibility or how contributions are calculated, please visit www.gov.je/studentfinance

*Subject to the assessment.

How do I apply for funding?

Complete the HE1 student grant application form and return it to Student Finance. Please ensure that the form is signed in the relevant sections and that you have included your Social Security number.

This form is available from:

- 1) Careers Jersey reception in the Social Security building, La Motte Street
- 2) secondary schools and colleges
- 3) Student Finance, telephone +44(0) 1534 449457

Deadlines for submitting the HE1 form are:

- 31 March prior to the commencement of a course starting in the autumn or following spring

Closing date for applications is:

- 31 December prior to the commencement of a course starting in the autumn or following spring



Examples of cost comparison

BSc (Hons) ICT for Business (or similar)

Where	Cost (per annum)	Length
Jersey: Highlands College University Centre	£6500	3 years
UK: University of Manchester	£8000	3 years
Europe: IT University of Copenhagen	£0	3 years
Rest of world: Australia - RMIT	£14700	3 years
Online: Open University (part-time)	£2562	6 years

BSc (Hons) Social Sciences

Where	Cost (per annum)	Length
Jersey: Highlands College University Centre	£6500	3 years
UK: University of Brighton	£9000	3 years
Europe: Rhein-Waal University of Applied Sciences (Germany)	£356	3 years
Rest of world: University of Ottawa (Canada)	£6369	3 years
Online: Open University (part-time)	£2562	6 years

BSc (Hons) International Financial Services (or similar)

Where	Cost (per annum)	Length
Jersey: Jersey International Business School	£8750 + GST	2 Years
UK: Bangor University	£9000	3 Years
Europe: University of Applied Sciences, Wiener Neustadt (Austria)	£726	3 Years
Rest of world: University of Otago (New Zealand)	£13745	3 Years
Online: Open University (part-time)	£2562	6 Years

(Fees correct as of 2013)

On-Island study

You don't have to leave Jersey to get a UK accredited degree. There are an increasing number of higher education courses available on-Island.

Five reasons to study on-Island:

1. Affordability

Studying a degree on-Island is significantly cheaper than studying in the UK. For example, a University Foundation Degree at Highlands University Centre will cost £5689 (for classroom based subjects e.g Financial Services) and £6663 (for workshop based subjects e.g IT for Business). The majority of UK universities are charging £9000. (2013/14 fees)

2. Live at home

Studying for a degree in Jersey means that you wouldn't have to leave home. So regardless of whether you live with your parents or have a family of your own you don't need to pack up and move away.

3. Employability

Many local degree providers have links with local businesses, which will help when gaining work experience and improve your chances of employment once you have graduated.

4. Smaller classes

Typically classes in Jersey are around 10 – 20 compared to 200 at UK universities. In addition, one-to-one contact is more than you would normally experience at a UK university, this increases your ability to pass with a high grade.

5. Excellence

Despite being taught in Jersey, many of these degrees will be in partnership with UK universities. For example, the BSc (Hons) International Financial Services taught at the Jersey International Business School is in partnership with the University of Buckinghamshire and the Law degree (LLB) from the Institute of Law is partnered with the University of London.



Sally Johnson

FdA Childhood Studies

**University Centre Highlands
(Plymouth University)**

"I did not want to leave the Island to study in the UK"

"Five years ago I was working as a relationship manager assistant in an international bank. However, it was not a job that I was passionate about and I did not feel that I used my abilities to their full potential. Having saved up, I went travelling around the world for a year and was lucky enough to have the opportunity of teaching English to a small class in a school in Indonesia. This experience made me realise how incredibly rewarding working with children was, and inspired me to turn my attention to further study in this area when I returned to Jersey.

Having just returned to Jersey, I did not want to leave the Island to study in the UK. Fortunately, the Plymouth University foundation degree (FdA) Childhood Studies had just started to enrol at the University Centre at Highlands and I gained a place.

I began my degree studies with a view to becoming a primary school teacher. However, we covered so many different areas on the course, such as youth work, social work and outdoor education, that I decided I wanted to learn about these areas before making a career decision. What I found most important was that every day I spent in college and worked with children in placement, I learnt something new and I am so grateful to have developed professional skills towards a career in such a rewarding, important and ever-changing field.

Through hard work, dedication and pure enjoyment I achieved a first class degree and I am now enrolled on the PTTLS (Preparing to Teach in the Lifelong Learning Sector) course in view to exploring teaching in further education."

Degrees and Master's currently available on-Island

Subject	Qualification	Provider	Study Mode
Accounting and Finance	FdA	University Centre, Highlands	Full time
Applied Accountancy	BSc	BPP (Oxford Brookes University)	Part time
Applied Accountancy	BSc	One Study (Oxford Brookes University)	Part time
Architectural Technology	BSc	University Centre, Highlands	Part time
Art	FdA	University Centre, Highlands	Part time
Business and Management	BA (Hons), with FdA	University Centre, Highlands	Full time
Business Administration	MBA	University Centre, Highlands	Part time
Childhood Studies	BA (Hons), with FdA	University Centre, Highlands	Full/part time
Construction Management	BSc	University Centre, Highlands	Full time
Construction Project Management	PgDip/MSc	University Centre, Highlands	Full Time
Financial Services	BA (Hons), with FdA	University Centre, Highlands	Full time
Human Resources	MSc	University Centre, Highlands	Part time
International Financial Services	BSc (Hons)	JIBS (University of Buckingham)	Full time
IT for Business	BA (Hons), with FdA	University Centre, Highlands	Full time
Law (Degree)	LLB	Institute of Law (University of London)	Full/part time
Management with Compliance	BSc (Hons)	JIBS (University of Manchester Business School)	Part time
Management with Trusts & Estates	BSc (Hons)	JIBS (University of Manchester Business School)	Part time
Nursing	Diploma of Higher Education	Department for Health and Social Services (affiliated with University of Chester)	Full time (work based)
Public Law (Masters)	LLM	Institute of Law (UAB Barcelona)	Full/part time
Secondary school teaching	JGTTP	Education Sport and Culture (affiliated with Institute of Education, London University)	Full time (work based)
Social Sciences	BSc (Hons)	University Centre, Highlands	Full/part time
Sport and Management	FdA	University Centre, Highlands	Full time

FdA: Foundation degree

BA / BSc: Bachelor of Arts / Bachelor of Science

JGTTP: Jersey Graduate Teaching
Training Programme

MSc: Master of Science

LLB: Bachelor of Laws

LLM: Master of Laws

JIBS: Jersey International
Business School

What is online/distance learning?

Online or distance learning is when you study a course or degree from a recognised university without having to attend the institution.

This can be an extremely appealing option for people looking to further their qualifications without leaving their job or travelling off Island. These degrees also do not have set study periods. This means you decide the pace and place of your study, which can be extremely useful when trying to balance work commitments or family life.

The costs associated with distance learning are usually lower when compared with full-time residential study for a similar course. This can be an important factor when deciding on a study type.

Most distance learning degrees provide access to online forums. This helps alleviate any loneliness associated with distance learning and provides opportunities to discuss subject matter and solve problems with fellow distance learners. Some students also use social media as a way of keeping in touch and communicating with other learners. These discussions are usually monitored by tutors allowing them to step in and help solve problems that students are experiencing.

Top tips for studying online/distance learning

Internet access

Many distance learning providers require that you have a computer and internet access as this is a vital means of communication with your tutor. Essays are submitted over email and tutors can be contacted for advice at prearranged times by email, Skype or over the telephone.

Motivation

Distance learning requires determination and self-motivation. Often degrees take longer to complete as you are studying part-time. Moreover, completing a distance learning degree whilst in work demonstrates a lot about the person's organisation and commitment, as it is not easy to work a full eight hour day followed by two or three hours' study in the evenings.

Do your research

It is important to consider the reputation of the educational institution providing distance learning. Their reputation will give a good indication of the quality of the course, materials and final qualification you can expect to receive. It may also influence the recognition that your qualification receives from employers and professional bodies.

It is important to research a university thoroughly before enrolling. If you are still unsure, contact a careers adviser at Careers Jersey who will be able to help you with your decision.



Sindy Stopher-Richford

**BSc (Honours) Social Policy & Criminology
(currently in 6th and final year)**

Open University

"You can fit it around your lifestyle and you are able to earn money in a full time job whilst studying"

"I chose an online degree because I left school at 15 with no GCSEs and although I have two NVQs, I really wanted to push myself to achieve something that I could be proud of and would also be beneficial for my career. I also have a son, so studying full-time at a brick university was not an option for me.

The benefits of studying online are that you can fit it around your lifestyle and you are able to earn money in a full time job whilst studying, it's the best of both worlds really.

The most challenging thing about studying online is having to maintain the commitment to study, it takes a lot of determination. There are

always going to be things in life which throw you off track with your study time, but you have to stay motivated and carry on.

I would advise anyone who is thinking of studying online to go for it, but don't underestimate the time you need to put into it. I have chosen to study from October to June so I give myself a few months off in the summer as a reward. Over the years, I have also had to give up on other commitments, such as my second job and volunteer work. However, these are things I could pick back up again once I have achieved my degree. Ultimately, it is really satisfying and does give you an amazing sense of achievement."



So, you're thinking about studying abroad?

Studying in another country is a unique opportunity to immerse yourself in a different culture whilst furthering your education.

From making friends with other international students to working with local co-workers, the experience will strengthen your independence and personal skills. You will also have the opportunity to travel extensively and see parts of the country that would not be possible on a traditional holiday.

Five reasons to study abroad:

1) Outside of UCAS

Applications to study abroad are completed outside the UCAS application process. This means you can still apply for five UK universities as well as any institutions abroad, increasing your possible number of offers.

2) Stand out from the crowd

Your CV will stand out to employers as it is still relatively unusual for British nationals to attend university outside the UK. Employers view international students as having a special set of skills which sets them apart from others. These include independence and determination as well as a global perspective. You will also develop a different set of transferable skills to your UK based counterparts, skills that are greatly valued by prospective employers.

3) Cost

Cost also plays a factor. Typically, degrees taught in Europe generally cost less than in the UK with some tuition even being free. However, studying in Australia or New Zealand is generally more expensive than the UK, but the cost of living is lower. The options are endless, which is why it's so important that you put the effort into your research before you commit.

4) Travel

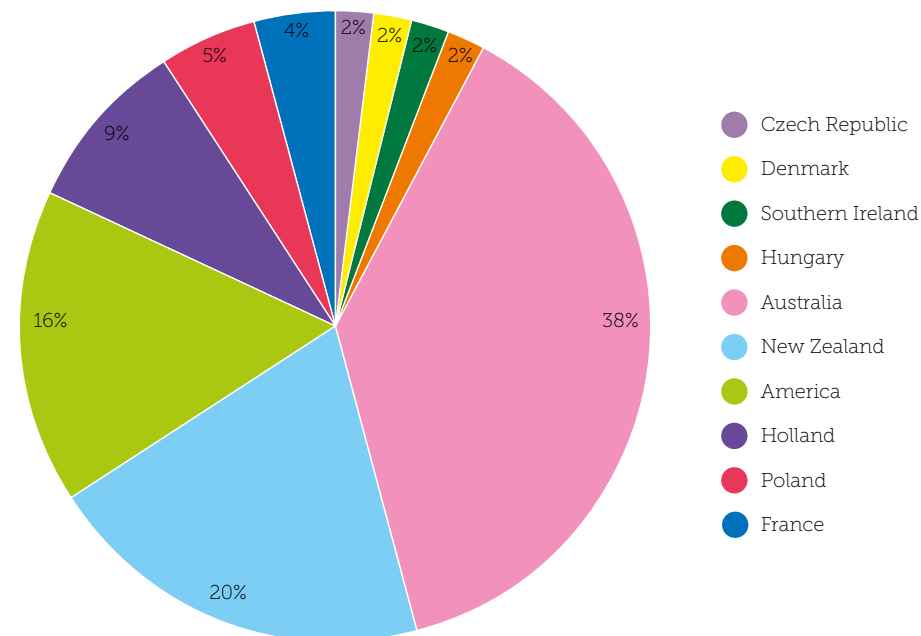
Studying abroad will allow you to travel, explore and integrate into new cultures. If you go to a non-English speaking country, you may also learn a new language.

5) Become a global citizen

It may expand your world view and turn you into a global citizen with contacts in different parts of the world. You will encounter situations that are wholly unfamiliar to you and will learn to adapt and respond in effective ways, discovering new strengths and abilities at the same time.

Where do Jersey Students go?

Academic Year 2008/09 to 2013/14



33% of students cited their main motivation for studying abroad was an appetite for adventure. 26% had a desire to build an international career.

*survey by Graduate Prospects



Things to consider

- 1) Cost of living (accommodation, food, books)
- 2) Exchange rate (which can vary over time)
- 3) Travelling back home

Application processes and visas

Where do I begin?

Once you've made a decision on a course, you then need to think about which country you want to study in. Each country has its own unique application process, so make sure you've done plenty of research so you know exactly what is expected from you.

What do I need to know about visas?

Visa applications vary from country to country. However, the best place to start your research would be the government website of your intended study destination. Most countries will state that you need to have been accepted onto a higher education course before you can apply for a visa. Proof requirements vary from country to country, so it is important that you undertake research well in advance to give yourself plenty of time to assemble the correct documents.



America

Application process

Applying to a university in America may seem daunting at first. However, it is asking for much of the same information that you would collate if you were applying to a university in the UK. You will need to complete the application form. Some universities accept applications via the "Common Application" (www.commonapp.org) which is similar to UCAS however some universities have their own application forms. You will need your admissions exam scores, these are tests unrelated to your A-levels that you sit outside of school (SAT or ACT). You will also have to write an admissions essay. This will be set by the university and will form part of your application. Finally, you are required to provide up to three references from teachers, coaches, employers or individuals who know you well.

Visa guidelines

The most common visa for those who want to study in America is the F-1 Student Visa. It is for individuals who want to study at accredited colleges. You begin the process by applying to the university directly. If your application is accepted you will obtain Form I-20 from the university and pay the I-901 SEVIS receipt. You will then be added to the SEVIS database with an individual ID number.

After the university enters your information into the SEVIS database, it will then be your responsibility to schedule the "Initial Entry Visa Interview" with your local American embassy or consulate. To find out your closest embassy, check the U.S. Department of State. Wait times for student visa appointments at embassies and consulates world-wide can be found at www.travel.state.gov



Australia

Application process

There is no central application process for students with non-Australian qualifications. However, it is relatively simple to apply directly to the university you wish to attend. Usually the deadline for applications is five months before your studies commence. As most degrees start in February you could apply directly after receiving your A-level results. You should receive a decision on your application in between three to six weeks.

Visa guidelines

International students must have a valid visa for the duration of their studies in Australia. Most international students will need the Higher Education (subclass 573) visa when the main course of study is a bachelor degree or associate degree. To be eligible for a student visa, applicants must be accepted for full-time study for a course listed on the Commonwealth Register of Institutions and Courses for Overseas Students (CRICOS). Applicants must also meet financial, health insurance, English language proficiency and character requirements. There is no limit on the number of student visas issued each year. If applicants meet requirements, they will be granted a student visa. Student visas are issued for the entire period of study in Australia. This visa allows you to work up to 20 hours per week during term time and for unlimited hours during holidays.



Canada

Application process

Canada does not have a central applications process, therefore you will have to apply to universities directly. Each school will have slightly different application criteria but all recognise British qualifications so please make sure you check the specific university website. An international application for study can take up to seven weeks to be processed so ensure you submit your application leaving plenty of time prior to the mid-march deadline.

Visa guidelines

You will need to apply for a study permit if you plan to attend any university or other educational institution in Canada. The university must complete and send you a letter of acceptance. You must include the original letter with your study permit application. In addition to this you must supply proof of identity and proof of financial support. If you would like to work while you study you will have to apply for an off-campus work permit, this is separate to your study permit and applications can be made at any time during your studies.

Worldwide study



Europe

Application process

Each country within Europe has different application routes. Countries such as: Austria, Denmark, Germany, Spain, Switzerland, Belgium and Italy all require you apply directly to the universities, whereas Sweden, Holland, France, Portugal and Ireland all have centralised application bodies similar to UCAS. A good place to begin researching studying in Europe is the Eunicas website (www.eunicas.co.uk).

There is no catch all process of application therefore, we would urge you to contact the institutions that you are interested in before beginning any form of application. Some countries give complete application process autonomy to the universities. It is especially

worthwhile contacting these as they will be able to tell you exactly what they look for in an application.

Application timelines also vary greatly and you should research these thoroughly before applying. Here are some examples of the deadline variations that exist: Sweden is January, Denmark is March, Germany is July and Austria is September.

Visa guidelines

European citizens are allowed to move throughout the EU freely, as holders of British passports. Jersey students do not require a visa to study anywhere within the EU.



New Zealand

Application process

International students usually apply directly to the university as no central application format exists. Some universities have UK based representatives to get around the issue of time difference. Check this website to see if the institution you are interested in has a UK representative (www.universityinnewzealand.co.uk/universities). If they do not have a representative then you can contact the university directly (details will be found on the university website). Keep in mind that the New Zealand academic year begins in February/March so you will be heading off a few months after UK based students.

Visa guidelines

Once you have received your offer you will then have to provide evidence to the New Zealand visa office. This may include: education provider's name and contact details, the name of the course and the minimum time required for completing it, proof that the course and course provider meet New Zealand's requirements for international students, the amount of the fee for the complete course and whether it is full-time or part-time. Student visa holders can work 20 hours per week during term time and full time during holidays.

Other countries

If you are interested in studying in a country not outlined above, then we would recommend visiting the directory at the back of this booklet. We've included a list of organisations that offer advice and guidance on studying abroad.

In addition, the country's government website is the best place to start your research on visas.



Rachael Crosby

MA in Political Studies

**University of Auckland
(New Zealand)**

"Don't worry about being the only one going further afield"

"I moved to New Zealand by myself when I was 18 to study BA Political Studies and Criminology. I had to deal with being in a new country as well as living away from home, but surprisingly it wasn't that hard. New Zealanders are incredibly welcoming and there are many aspects of their culture that is fairly similar to the UK, so it wasn't too much of a drastic change.

I always knew that I wanted to go to university but part of me really wanted to go travelling. I came up with the perfect combination of going to university in New Zealand. The application process was really easy thanks to a company called Study Options who helped me through every step of the application process, as well as helping with visas etc.

The most challenging thing about being this far away is that I can never pop home for the weekend. You have to be quite independent to be able to live this far away and be able to get through living away from home for long periods of time. I found that Skype and Facetime were great to combat home-sickness. However, I would say, don't let the fact that it's a little scary and unknown stop you. All my friends headed to UK universities to study, but don't worry about being the only one going further afield. That said, make sure you thoroughly research what you want to do and where you want to go before you get there to make sure it suits you - it's a long way to turn back if you decide you don't like it!"

**Sandra Esteves****BA Psychology****University of Groningen (Holland)**

"Everyone speaks near perfect English and my course is in English also"

"The reason I chose to study in Europe instead of the UK was because of the lower fees. The fees at the University of Groningen are £1600 a year compared to £8000 if I had studied in the UK. In addition, my university is ranked 89th in the world, which is higher than Exeter, Sussex, and Cardiff. I would not have been able to get into a competitive university in the UK with my A-Level results because the competition is so high. However, I did have to attend a test day at the university in June.

I absolutely love living in Holland and surprisingly, there wasn't much of a culture shock moving there. It was quite easy because everyone speaks near perfect English and my course is in English too. The most challenging thing was sorting out my bank account, which was a bit of a pain.

If I was asked to advise anyone thinking about studying abroad I would say, don't hesitate! You meet so many people from all over the world and it's a really amazing experience."

**Ashley James Aziz****BA English Language & Culture****University of Groningen (Holland)**

"I wanted to experience a new culture and learn a new language"

"I chose this university because the fees are much cheaper and the university is of a higher standard than any I was able to get in to in the UK. In addition, I wanted to experience a new culture and learn a new language.

My advice to anyone thinking of studying abroad would be make sure that you do a lot of research as some aspects of the degree will be different to a UK degree. It's also a good idea to be prepared before you arrive and know what needs to be done before you get there."



Focus on America

America is a vast country spanning six time zones, with climates, terrain and cultures that vary hugely. With this in mind, higher education institutions vary immensely. There are over 4,500 American universities offering a wide range of undergraduate degrees.

Applying to study in America can be a long process at times. You are advised to start your research at least one and a half years before you are due to commence your degree and attempt to narrow down your choices to around six universities. You should also think about taking an admissions test at this time. The results of the tests are valid for five years so it is a good idea to get it out of the way.

Five reasons to study in America:

1) Outstanding programmes

America has one of the finest university systems in the world, with outstanding programmes in virtually all fields. The infrastructure and research facilities at universities are world class and many of the faculty members are leading authorities in their field. In fact, graduate students in select schools have the opportunity to work directly with Nobel laureates.

2) Scholarships

Many international students are eligible for funding from American universities and external funding bodies. Scholarships are offered to students based upon financial need, talent or personal characteristics as well as extracurricular activity, country of origin and subject choice. Roughly 10% of international undergraduate students primary funding comes directly from American universities.

3) Choice and flexibility

The structure of the American degree system is quite different to the UK model. However, this will not put students at a disadvantage because it is so well regarded. Students are encouraged

to choose similar classes that together form their 'major' and a smaller number of classes in a subject that they wish to 'minor' in. Students only graduate with their degree once they've completed a certain number of credits. Therefore, it is possible to graduate ahead of schedule or even add courses in another field of interest to graduate with a double major.

4) Leaders of industry

America is the leader in many fields of industry, technology and research. This is reflected in the equipment and funding of universities, many of whom work in partnership with industry leaders on research projects. You can be a part of this exciting work often right at the forefront of your chosen subject field.

5) Smaller class sizes

Students who study in America will also benefit from typically smaller class sizes as well as increased contact time with professors. This serves to motivate students and fosters a personal approach to the curriculum.

Did you know... over 70,000 international students study in America each year.



Focus on Holland

Holland is known to most people for canals, cobbled streets, bicycles and now extremely low university tuition fees. In addition, there are over 200 bachelor degrees taught entirely in English.

Holland is a highly outward-looking country and its economy is perhaps the most international in Europe. Jersey students who have gone to study in Holland have found it to be a very welcoming and supportive study environment.

Five reasons to study in Holland:

1) Low tuition fees

The average annual degree fee is €1,835 per year. These fees are significantly cheaper than UK universities which are typically around £9000 per year. However, we don't believe you should go abroad just to save money - make sure you do your research.

2) Worldwide reputation

Holland is recognised as a leading European knowledge centre with a high worldwide reputation. The Dutch educational system has received international acclaim for its focus on problem based learning, team work and analytical thinking to encourage students to develop their own professional identity. A degree from a Dutch university can be useful in terms of having a successful career in any country of the world.

3) English speaking

Over 90% of the population speak English in Holland. In addition, international students come from all over the world which makes living, studying and working in Holland an exciting prospect for any student.

4) Professional networks

Due to the favourable economic conditions, many international companies set up departments in Holland. This increases the opportunity to gain internships and work experience during your studies and allows you to create your own professional networks.

5) Central European location

Due to Holland's central location it is often described as a place where German, British and French cultures meet. It is an hour's flight from Amsterdam to Paris, Berlin, Brussels and London. Dutch universities also provide opportunities to explore European countries through study tours and exchange programmes with many famous education institutes in Europe.

Studying abroad is a big decision to take; there are many things that you need to consider if you want to study in Holland. The application process, securing a student loan and finding accommodation will all be more complicated than going to a British university. Having said that, it doesn't need to be that difficult and, as with most things, the more time you allow for the process, the smoother it will go.

Did you know... Dutch degrees focus on career outcomes and may not have the same course names as UK equivalent degrees.



Focus on New Zealand

Both Australia and New Zealand are home to internationally prestigious, research-led universities, many of which are ranked among the best in the world.

Both education systems are based on the British model. This is extremely reassuring for potential students from Jersey and particularly important if you wish to study a professional degree, such as engineering, nursing or veterinary science, as the qualifications will be recognised by British industry bodies. This allows students to qualify overseas and immediately return to work in the UK without having to take any conversion courses.

Due to the geographical make-up of the countries and their culture of sport, if you are looking to study a degree related to sports science, geography, environmental science or marine studies, then by heading to Australia or New Zealand you are guaranteed to be studying with a university ranked as top globally in that subject area.

Five reasons to study in New Zealand:

1) Availability

Unlike the UK, New Zealand does not have huge competition to enter the first year of a university degree. This is because the New Zealand government has invested heavily in university education over the years. As a result New Zealand has more capacity than students. Therefore, entry requirements are moderate compared with most of the top universities in the UK.

2) International campuses

Campuses are highly international, with students from all corners of the globe studying and socialising. As a result New Zealand has a well-developed system of pastoral care for international students, backed by a government-monitored Code of Practice. This means you will be well looked after during your time studying there.

3) Low cost of living

The country has a comparatively low cost of living, abundant fresh food at reasonable prices and a wide variety of student accommodation options.

4) Visa benefits

Working whilst studying for a degree is encouraged in New Zealand. With a student visa, students are eligible to work up to 20 hours per week during the semester. Once you have completed your degree you become eligible for a Graduate Job Search Work Visa for a maximum of 12 months, then once you have found a job you can apply for a further visa valid for up to three years under the Study to Work category.

5) Uniqueness

New Zealand has a reputation as the adventure capital of the world and is also internationally recognised for its natural beauty. The countryside is unique and spectacular, from rolling hills to green rainforests.

Did you know... the academic year in New Zealand runs from March to November allowing you the chance to work or travel before beginning your studies



On-Island:

Highlands College

www.highlands.ac.uk

One Study

www.onestudytraining.co.uk

Jersey International Business School

www.jerseyibs.com

Institute of Law Jersey

www.lawinstitute.ac.je

Bachelor of Nursing Degree Programme

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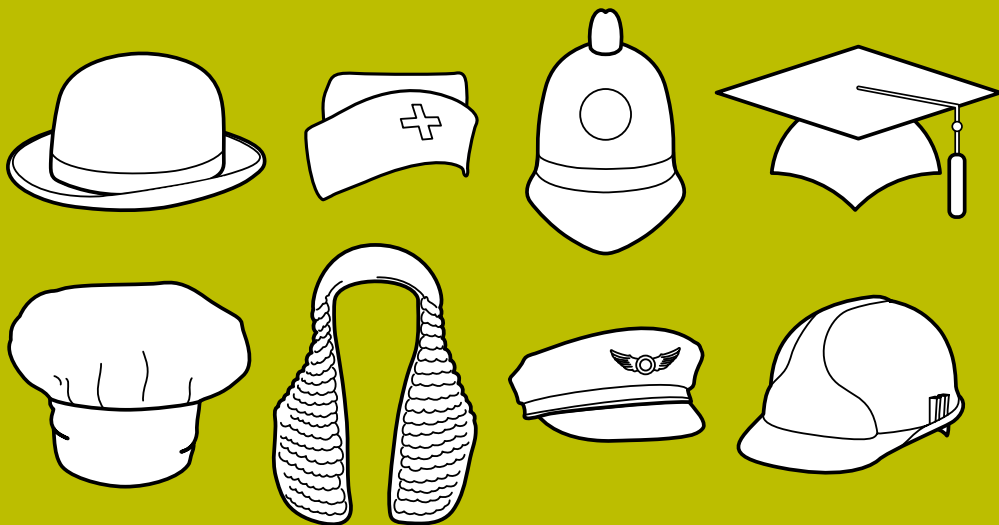
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