Program Overview

Founded in 1920, Swansea University is a vibrant, research-led university at the forefront of academic and scientific discovery. Set in park land overlooking Swansea Bay, on the edge of the breathtaking Gower Peninsula, the university’s location is part of the institution’s appeal. Placed among the top universities in the U.K. for teaching quality and student satisfaction, Swansea aims to deliver an outstanding student experience along with a superior education.

Academics

Students accepted into the UNC Wilmington academic year/fall program with Swansea University will receive credit toward their degree requirements for most majors. Areas of study available include the arts, business and economics, environment and society, humanities, international studies, law, media and communication, and the physical sciences. Students wishing to study at Swansea for the fall semester only are not able to take courses in business, engineering, computer science, math, biology, geography or economics.

Program Facts

Location..............................................Swansea, Wales
City Population.......................................223,000
Campus Population.....................................12,000

Program Type

Exchange and Study Abroad

Program Dates

Academic Year
Early September to Mid June

Fall
Early September to Mid December

(A Spring Semester study abroad program is available on a separate flier)

Application Deadlines

Academic Year and Fall.........................March 1

Eligibility

Students are eligible to apply for this program if they meet the following eligibility criteria:

- Degree-seeking student
- At least Sophomore standing at time of participation
- Good judicial standing
- 2.8 GPA at time of application

Learn more at www.uncw.edu/international
Housing
Swansea University offers a variety of on campus and university affiliated housing options. Most student housing features single bedrooms with shared bathrooms and common areas, including kitchens. A team of residence tutors live on site providing practical advice and after-hours assistance. All university accommodations have Internet available.

Student Life
Swansea University has been awarded the Best Student Experience in Britain by the Times Higher Education Supplement. Swansea has an excellent range of international activities, including International Friendship House - a charitable organization run by British locals to show hospitality to international students. The university's sports centre boasts indoor courts, tennis, and racquetball courts, a modern uni-gym with fitness machines and free weights, along with direct access to an Olympic-sized pool. Swansea nightlife is excellent with a huge choice of clubs, bars, restaurants and cafes to choose from, as well as a major cinema complex and bowling centre.

Surrounding Areas
The surrounding countryside is some of the most beautiful in Britain. Swansea is only 35 miles from Cardiff, the capital of Wales, and has direct road and rail links to London and all the major cities in the U.K. The wonderful and varied landscape of the Gower Peninsula is close by and was the first place in Britain to be designated as an “Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.” Spectacular cliffs, lovely beaches and walks are only a few of the peninsula’s many features. There are opportunities for surfing, swimming, walking, boating, fishing, and other maritime pursuits.

Cost
This program is available as an Exchange or as a Study Abroad:

- **Exchange** – This means you pay your regular tuition and fees to UNCW, and your room and board costs abroad.
- **Study Abroad** – This means you pay your tuition, fees, room and board abroad.

With each option, there will be additional costs for international airfare, passport, visa, health insurance and local transportation. Please meet with an advisor at the Office of International Programs to discuss which option is best for you.

Financial Aid & Scholarships
Federal and state financial aid may be applied toward this program. Even if you are normally ineligible for financial aid, you should submit a financial aid application (FAFSA). You may find that you are eligible for additional funding.

UNCW students may also apply for a UNCW Education Abroad Grant and additional study abroad scholarships. Grant applications and additional information are available at http://www.uncw.edu/international/abroad/aid.html

Web Sites
Swansea University: www.swansea.ac.uk
Swansea Tourism Information: www.swansea.world-guides.com
UNCW Office of International Programs: www.uncw.edu/international