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University of Portsmouth

Facts and Figures 2012/13



Vision

We will enhance our position as a leading modern university through the delivery of excellent teaching, through engagement in research of international quality and in knowledge services of the highest standard, enabling us to make a major contribution to social, cultural, educational and economic development.

Excellent in all we do

Excellence is at the heart of our strategy. We aim for the highest quality in all we do, achieved through a culture of evaluation and continuous enhancement. The full commitment of our staff and constructive staff support and development are essential to the delivery of our vision for the success of the University.

Our values

We will be a socially responsible university, serious about inclusivity and committed to improving social mobility. We will maintain the highest levels of academic and professional integrity and will ensure that we deliver our obligations in relation to corporate social responsibility. We will be driven by values of equality, openness, tolerance and respect. We will demonstrate and expect of others ethical and responsible behaviours.

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Introduction

The University of Portsmouth is a leading modern university with a strong reputation for teaching and research. Many of our academics are international leaders in their fields and our students learn from experts who are pushing forward the boundaries of knowledge.

We are ranked among the top 400 universities in the world and the top modern university in the United Kingdom in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings.

Our 23,000 plus students, including 3,000 from over 100 countries, are supported by over 2,500 staff. We offer superb facilities in a vibrant waterfront location – a university by the sea but in the heart of one of Britain’s most historic cities.

We are a research-active university with a wide range of internationally excellent areas, such as the Institute of Biomedical and Biomolecular Sciences, the Centre for European and International Research and the Institute of Cosmology and Gravitation. We are home to the UK’s first Brain Tumour Research Centre of Excellence. We also have well-developed strengths in applied research with business, industry, and the public and voluntary sectors.

- We invested £17.4 million in our estate in 2011/12, including £9 million on the purchase of St Andrew’s Court.
- Work continues on the £14 million investment in more teaching and exhibition space and artist studios in a new wing of the Eldon Building.
- Our 2011/12 income was £176 million.

| | 2011/12 £000 |
|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Funding council grants | 61,000 |
| Tuition fees and education contracts | 85,850 |
| Research grants and contracts | 7,476 |
| Other income | 21,640 |
| Endowment and investment income | 520 |
| Total income | 176,486 |

Academic experience

We are proud of our teaching record, receiving the highest possible rating in the most recent Quality Assurance Agency audit. The 2012 National Student Survey placed Portsmouth within the top 25 per cent of mainstream English universities for student satisfaction, with 87 per cent of students reporting being satisfied or very satisfied with their course, above the sector average for England of 84 per cent.

Our students don't just learn through lectures. Real-life learning takes place in facilities such as our Forensics House, mock courtroom, model pharmacy, the Bloomberg Suite, plus a dedicated news room and a TV studio. Our Centre for Simulation in Healthcare is fully equipped with patient simulators that react like humans, and our radiography students practise with a three-dimensional virtual training suite.

We have excellent links with industry and a strong record of student employability. Our Careers and Recruitment service offers a wide range of resources, skills workshops, and guidance and employer events to support students in gaining employment.

The University has:

- More than 450 different degree programmes (217 undergraduate, 169 postgraduate and 65 research degrees).
- A proactive approach to enhancing employability both within the curriculum and through extra-curricular opportunities including volunteering, internships and the support of an in-house recruitment agency for both students and graduates.
- A strong set of results for graduate destinations, as 89 per cent of our 2011 graduates went into employment or further study or training.
- A Student Enterprise team which supports many potential student entrepreneurs through workshops, competitions and mentoring.
- An award-winning library with study places for over 800 readers, with nearly 400,000 books, 88,000 ebooks and 17,300 eJournals as well as online newspaper archives.
- A significant number of our courses are accredited or validated by professional organisations and many more offer an accelerated route to qualifying within a profession or obtaining chartered status.
- Almost 1,900 students who learned a language in 2011/12 on our Institution Wide Language Programme, for credit or interest.

Students

The University of Portsmouth is one of the UK's most popular modern universities. We had around 36,000 applications for 2012 entry, including 9,000 from international students from 140 countries.

Nearly 88,000 people have graduated from the University of Portsmouth since 1992. 5,900 students graduated from the University in 2012 in 16 ceremonies.

Student population

| Total students | Number | % of population |
|--|---------------|-----------------|
| Mode of attendance | | |
| Full time | 18,878 | 83 |
| Part time | 3,831 | 17 |
| Total | 22,709 | 100 |
| Course level | | |
| Undergraduate | 18,889 | 83 |
| Postgraduate taught | 3,217 | 14 |
| Postgraduate research | 603 | 3 |
| Total | 22,709 | 100 |
| Country | | |
| UK/EU students | 19,725 | 87 |
| International students | 2,984 | 13 |
| Total | 22,709 | 100 |
| Gender | | |
| Female | | 45 |
| Male | | 55 |
| Age on entry | | |
| Aged 21 and over on entry (full time, undergraduates) | | 15 |

Statistics provided by Academic Registry and Planning Department in December 2012 using data sources: HESES12 and HESA 2011/12.

Research

According to the results of the national Research Assessment Exercise (RAE 2008), research at the University of Portsmouth is world-class – with 40 per cent of the research submitted rated internationally excellent or world-leading and 78 per cent rated internationally recognised or above.

The University's HEFCE quality-related (QR) research funding for 2011/12 is £5 million.

In three areas, Portsmouth was in the national top ten for research quality:

- Allied Health Professions and Studies
- Applied Mathematics
- European Studies

In seven other areas, Portsmouth research was more than 50 per cent internationally recognised or above:

- Mechanical, Aeronautical and Manufacturing Engineering
- Earth Systems and Environmental Sciences
- Business and Management Studies
- Geography and Environmental Studies
- Computer Science and Informatics
- Psychology
- Art and Design

External research funding

In addition to the £5 million of HEFCE QR research funding, the University attracted £7.5 million in external research funding including fellowships and Knowledge Transfer Partnerships.

| | 2011/12 £000 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|
| Research councils | 2,381 |
| UK based charities | 902 |
| UK-government/health authority | 1,093 |
| UK-based industry/commerce | 655 |
| EU government | 1,717 |
| EU other | 142 |
| Other overseas | 269 |
| Other | 317 |
| Total | 7,476 |

Staff

The University of Portsmouth is one of the city's largest employers with almost 2,500 permanent and fixed-term staff in close to 2,000 roles.

In the 2011 staff survey, 96 per cent of respondents said the University is a good place to work, 83 per cent felt part of the University and 94 per cent were proud to work here. Staff also felt valued by students and colleagues, and could identify with the University's values.

Chancellor

Sandi Toksvig

Chair of the Board of Governors

Stuart Iles

Leadership and senior management

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|---|------------------------------------|
| Vice-Chancellor | Professor John Craven |
| Deputy Vice-Chancellor | Ms Rebecca Bunting |
| Pro Vice-Chancellor | Dr David Arrell |
| Director of Finance | Ms Emma Woollard |
| Business School | Dean Professor Gioia Pescetto |
| Faculty of Creative and Cultural Industries | Dean Dr Simon Claridge |
| Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences | Dean Mr Dave Russell |
| Faculty of Science | Dean Professor Paul Hayes |
| Faculty of Technology | Dean Professor Djamel Ait-Boudaoud |

| Staff type | Number of staff |
|-------------------|-----------------|
| Academic/research | 1,126 |
| Support services | 1,356 |

Community engagement and economic impact

The University makes a significant contribution to the social, economic and cultural life of Portsmouth.

We are committed to initiatives that inspire people to achieve academically. We want everyone who is capable of benefiting from a university education to be aware of opportunities.

The annual economic benefits of the University to our local community exceed £250 million. We are one of the largest employers in the city, and our highly-skilled graduates contribute through their professional roles in our schools, health and justice services, businesses, local authorities and charities.

- We have a long-standing commitment to encouraging participation in higher education from areas of the community with low rates of progression to university:
 - 1,600 primary children visit the University every year.
 - We have more than 6,000 members of our UP for It club for 11–16 year-olds.
 - Over 8,500 young people experience a University talk or workshop every year.
 - More than 500 17–18 year-olds attend our faculty conferences each year.
 - We host a residential summer school each year for 100 local pupils.
- The Dental Academy has provided care to 2,000 new patients this year, in addition to the 4,000 patients under regular care. It has also delivered a supervised tooth brushing programme in local schools and nurseries.
- In the academic year 2011/12, students spent around 9,500 hours volunteering with local charities and community groups.
- In 2012 we earned £2.4 million by hosting around 250 conferences and meetings for local, regional and national organisations, and by accommodating more than 20,000 visitors to the city in our award winning facilities.
- We are partnering with the New Theatre Royal in a development to provide more creative opportunities for students and the local community.