

SUSSEX MARSHALL SCHOLARSHIP

Further information provided by Sussex

A world class University

The *Times Higher Education Supplement – World University Rankings 2008*, confirmed Sussex as one of the world's foremost universities. Sussex was ranked in the top 20 in the UK, the top 50 in Europe and the top 150 in the world. We received exceptionally high rankings for our research (6th in the UK for citations) and our international staff (54th in the world). National league tables put many of our subjects in the UK's top 10 or 20 – including business and management, engineering, media and linguistics.

A research-intensive University

The 2008 Research Assessment Exercise (RAE), which assesses research standards in UK universities, confirmed the University's pre-eminence as a research-led institution. Over 90 per cent of our research was rated as world-leading, internationally excellent or internationally recognized. No less than 18 of our subjects were ranked in the top 20 in the UK, with American Studies rated number 1, Politics rated at number 2 and Art History at number 3.

Research themes

As the University looks to build on its research strengths, we have identified the following six interdisciplinary research themes as future priorities:

- Digital and social media: applying digital media to construct and communicate across space and society.
- Culture and heritage: constructing identity and culture through notions of memory and place.
- Citizenship and democratization: freedom, violence and reconciling conflict in an insecure world.
- Mind and brain: unraveling the mind, brain and consciousness – from cell to self and a personal identify.
- Global transformations: rethinking social adaptation in the context of changing environments and the global economy.
- Environment and health: enhancing lifelong health and well-being by promoting illness prevention and improving the management of disease.

Doctoral School

Our commitment to research is underlined by the creation of a new Doctoral School from 2009-10. The Doctoral School will commit the University to excellence in developing the next generation of researchers to fulfill their potential, and recognize the contribution doctoral and postdoctoral researchers make within their own disciplines as well as to the distinctive interdisciplinary research environment at Sussex.

Junior Research Associate Scheme (JRA)

Research starts early at Sussex with talented Sussex undergraduates given a taste of life as academic researchers. Under the JRA scheme, up to 30 undergraduates receive £1,800 to support them in the summer vacation whilst they work on research projects.

A range of quality taught masters programmes

We offer over 150 taught masters programmes across a wide range of disciplines and have recently expanded our portfolio of programmes in Business and Management and introduced a range of new masters programmes in International Security which draw upon existing interdisciplinary strengths. We are also launching in 2010-11 a range of exciting new masters programmes in the area of climate change.

Links with US universities

In addition to lots and lots of informal faculty links with US institutions, the University has formal links with a large number of universities that facilitate student exchanges or a Junior Year Abroad. A full list of partner institutions is attached as [Appendix 1](#).

Funding and scholarships

In 2009-10, the University offered a range of partial masters scholarships to the value of over £175,000. These were available on a competitive basis and awarded to the most academically gifted students. Details of scholarships can be found at: <http://www.sussex.ac.uk/study/funding.php>

Student life

We were delighted to have achieved the highest 'Best Place to be' rating of all English institutions in the latest International Student Barometer survey – the fourth time that international students have voted us number one. Hundreds of our students responded and their feedback shows that:

- 96 per cent rate the environment as safe
- 93 per cent praise the research
- our teaching staff were highly rated as 'expert lecturers'
- our students think that Sussex offers a very multicultural environment, with better language support than many other leading institutions.
- Overall, almost 9 out of 10 international students would encourage other students to apply to Sussex.

Career development

We place a lot of emphasis on the career development of our students and, in the most recent final destination survey of UK postgraduates six months after completing their studies, 91% of Sussex postgraduates were either working, studying or a combination of the two.

Sussex campus

The University of Sussex is the only university in the UK that is situated in an area of outstanding natural beauty. It is also situated in the South Downs National Park – one of only 14 Parks in the UK renowned for their beautiful areas of countryside, meadows, moorlands, woods and wetlands.

Brighton

The University is just a few miles from the city of Brighton which is one of the most vibrant, colorful and creative cities in Europe. Cosmopolitan, compact, energetic, unique, fun, lively, historic, young, exotic and free-spirited, it's a city like no other. A fantastic mix of iconic attractions, famed nightlife, award winning restaurants, funky arts, culture & year round festivals & events Brighton really does have it all.

Further information

To find out more about Sussex visit: <http://www.sussex.ac.uk/>

US partner institutions with Sussex

[University of Alaska at Fairbanks](#)

[Arizona State University](#)

[University of California at Davis](#)

[University of California at Berkeley](#)

[University of California at Santa Cruz](#)

[University of California at Santa Barbara](#)

[University of California at Irvine](#)

[University of California at San Diego](#)

[University of Colorado](#)

[George Washington University, Washington DC](#)

[Georgetown University, Washington DC](#)

[University of Georgia](#)

[Georgia Tech., Atlanta](#)

[Louisiana State University](#)

[University of Massachusetts, Amherst](#)

[University of Miami, Coral Gables, Florida](#)

[University of Michigan, Ann Arbor](#)

[Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley](#)

[University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill](#)

[Occidental College, Los Angeles](#)

[Oregon State University, Corvallis](#)

[University of Pennsylvania](#)

[Pennsylvania State University, University Park](#)

[University of Pittsburgh](#)

[Purdue University, West Lafayette](#)

[Reed College, Portland, Oregon](#)

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[University of Rochester, Rochester](#)

[Spelman College, Atlanta](#)

[State University of New Jersey, Rutgers, New Brunswick](#)

[State University of New York, Stony Brook](#)

[University of Texas, Austin](#)

[Tulane University, New Orleans](#)

[University of Vermont, Burlington](#)

[Washington University in Seattle](#)

[Washington University, St Louis](#)