

ERASMUS Policy

The University has strategically committed to driving and supporting the mainstreaming of international activity by developing an appropriate organisational structure, with clear accountabilities, that underpin the management, leadership, support and monitoring of internationalisation across UWS.

In our vision we commit to having a transformational influence on the economic, social and cultural development of the West of Scotland and beyond, by providing relevant, high quality, inclusive higher education and innovative and useful research; and in our mission we pledge to increasingly become a partner of choice across the West of Scotland, nationally and internationally.

UWS will underpin its internationalisation agenda through a proactively managed international partnership network. We will seek mutually beneficial partnerships based on shared values and academic coherence.

Through various courses and other interventions, students will have enhanced opportunities to participate in outward bound mobility or learning that takes place overseas.

International partnerships will be selected based on a range of criteria including shared academic interests, capacity to support the partnership and clear strategic fit.

We will promote a culture of global citizenship through a diverse student population drawn from around the world with development opportunities at home and overseas.

UWS students, from the UK and overseas, will be exposed to learning and social environments that help to develop them as global citizens and provide an excellent and culturally diverse student experience. They will be able to take ethically informed actions based upon understanding of internationalisation, equality, inclusion, diversity, sustainability and enterprise.

International student recruitment will continue to make an important financial contribution to the University's wider development and income derived from this will underpin other aspects of the University's internationalisation agenda.

We will underpin these activities by continuing to enhance partnership working as well as seeking mutually beneficial overseas relationships, with a focus on key strategic partners.

We will also support internationalisation across the University by enhancing our central professional support structures and networks for colleagues to draw upon. These will facilitate and support school-led activities; and deliver robust diligence, monitoring and reporting arrangements.

UWS will actively seek out research and knowledge exchange opportunities on an international basis (including European Union-funded, Aid-funded and commercial consulting activities) that support the achievement of our RKE targets and fulfil the objectives of our international strategy.