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Bangor University wins hat-trick at National Student Housing Awards



Bangor University has won awards for both the **Best Environmental Management** and the **Best Students Internet** in the National Student Housing Survey Awards.

The Awards are solely based on student feedback from tens of thousands of UK students to the survey compiled by Red Brick Research.

The University was also awarded an **International Accommodation Quality Mark**. This Quality Mark is awarded to any accommodation provider achieving 90% satisfaction or above with international students.

Read the full story here: www.bangor.ac.uk/news/latest/bangor-university-wins-hat-trick-at-national-student-housing-awards-38039



Representing the team work responsible for the success were: James Gibney, Yvonne Williams, Dr Einir Young, Prof Carol Tully, Deirdre McIntyre, Gwen Holland, Ann Thomas and Mike Roe

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www.bangor.ac.uk/international/news/international-student-newsletter-welcome-week-2018-37991

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Staff News

We welcome
Michael Rogerson
to the International
Education Centre!



Michael Rogerson

We would like to introduce you to our newest team member at the International Education Centre!

Michael Rogerson began working at the University in 2005 in our School of Psychology as an Admissions and Marketing Assistant, he then moved on in 2007 to become a Postgraduate Marketing Officer within our Marketing, Recruitment and Communications department before joining us at the International Education Centre this month as an International Recruitment Officer!

Michael will be responsible for student recruitment in Europe, and this involves working with partner institutions, management of recruitment agents, developing country specific promotional campaigns and attending overseas exhibitions.

If you would like to contact Michael about any aspect of student recruitment in Europe please email him on:
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School of Healthcare Sciences visit the World Health Organization Headquarters, Geneva, Switzerland

Five students from Bangor University's **School of Healthcare Sciences** recently visited the World Health Organization Headquarters (WHO) in Geneva, Switzerland. The students, who are enrolled on the **MSc Public Health and Health Promotion programme**, were particularly interested in the work that the WHO does in the fields of mental health, HIV/AIDS, adolescent health, non-communicable diseases, and tobacco control.

Following an introduction to the functions of the WHO by Tarik Jasarevic, the students met Dr Alison Schafer to discuss the organisation's approach in the community mobilisation of mental health services. They then had the opportunity to discuss the WHO's global health strategy for HIV/AIDS with Dr Vindi Singh (Medical Officer). This was followed by a meeting with Marina Plesons (Consultant on Gender and Adolescent Sexual Health) to discuss the value of focussing on gender socialisation and construction when developing policies and programmes on adolescent health. Finally, the students met Dr Vinayak Prasad, Programme Manager on Tobacco Control, and Acting Director of the Prevention of Non-Communicable Diseases. Dr Prasad discussed worldwide initiatives on tobacco control, the WHO Framework Convention on Tobacco Control, and the Global Action Plan for the Prevention and Control of Non-Communicable Diseases.



L-R: *Bangor University MSc Public Health & Health Promotion students at the WHO Headquarters, Geneva: Mara Elizabeth Ostafichuk (Canada), Gracious Ali (Malawi), Paula Sandra Opoka (Uganda), Stephen Bukenya (Uganda), and Julius Cesar Alejandro (Philippines)*

Reflecting on the success of the visit, Senior Course Representative Julius Cesar Alejandro (a Chevening Scholar who organised the visit) said: *"The meetings with key personnel at the WHO were extremely useful in helping us understand how the World Health Organization functions in improving global health. We would like to thank Dorine van der Wal, from the WHO Briefing Centre, for facilitating this visit"*.

Bahrain Embassy Visit



Mr AlManea, Education Counsellor and Mr Emad Fam, Academic Advisor from the Bahrain Embassy pictured in Bangor with our new Bahrain students

Bangor University were pleased to welcome representatives from the Bahrain Embassy in London, Mr AlManea, Education Counsellor and Mr Emad Fam, Academic Advisor on Tuesday, 25th September.

Bangor University has a long history of partnerships with Bahrain, in particular with the Bahrain Institute of Banking and Finance (BIBF), the Bangor University graduate programme at BIBF is one of the most successful undergraduate programmes in Bahrain.

The Chartered Banker MBA, a part time blended learning MBA for professionals

The **Chartered Banker MBA** is the only qualification in the world where you can obtain an MBA from a Business School known for its banking research '*Consistently ranked as one of the top 25 in the world for Banking research*' (RePEc 2017), along with Chartered Banker status. The course is a part-time blended learning programme designed for professionals.

We will still be accepting applicants in October so if you apply for the full programme this Autumn you can have a module for free on us!

Quote: FREEMODULE18 <https://goo.gl/aAji6K>

We welcome applications from graduates with a good first degree. Alternatively, possession of an approved professional qualification and practical experience may also be accepted. Applicants should have a minimum of 3 years experience at a relevant level. Candidates who do not have a formal degree and/or professional qualification, but who have several years of approved management experience will also be considered.

To check your eligibility online or make an application visit:
<https://charteredbankermba.bangor.ac.uk/admissions.php.en>

or contact:

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Email: cbmba-admissions@bangor.ac.uk



Graduation 2018



Double award for Shammi Rahman!

Shammi Rahman, 21, from Dhaka, Bangladesh graduated with a **first-class BEng Electronic Engineering degree**, and also **won the Dr John Robert Jones Prize**, which is awarded annually to the best students in their discipline at the University.

Shammi has always wanted to study in the UK and claims the day she was granted her student visa as *"one of the best days"* of her life. I was also given a **£5,000 International Student Scholarship** which made the decision much easier.

Shammi explains: "Coming to the UK was very exciting. Bangor University itself was so much better than I ever imagined it would be. I have had so many new experiences here. The last three years of my course have been truly exhilarating.

"I made sure that I took up as

many opportunities as possible, which included a role as an **international student ambassador** and a **peer guide** for two years. They were enjoyable experiences. I also **volunteered as an ELCOS summer buddy** during my first summer here, which was an awesome experience. I got to visit many beautiful places in North Wales while helping the students enrolled on the English course.

During my third year I **became president of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers Student Society**. I also **completed an undergraduate internship** which was arranged by the **Careers and Employability Service**.

Most importantly, my time at Bangor University cemented my decision to pursue a career in research. My lecturers were very encouraging and I would probably not have tried as hard if it were not



Shammi Rahman

for them. Also, I met my husband in Bangor University and we got married in Bangor, which was definitely the best part!

"I cannot wait to be an official engineer!"



First cohort of students graduated from Bangor College China

Bangor College China which opened its doors in 2014 offering BSc degrees in Accounting and Finance, Banking and Finance, Electronic Engineering and Forestry and Environmental Management, reached a key milestone in July 2018 with the graduation of the first cohort of students. In a partnership between Bangor University and Central South University of Forestry and Technology in Changsha, China, students gain a double degree – a bachelor degree from both institutions, enhancing their knowledge, skills and future employment prospects. Students are taught by leading academics from both institutions and may choose to undertake their entire studies in China or alternatively to commence in China and complete in Bangor University.



Some of the Bangor College China graduates pictured with the leaders of both Universities; Vice Chancellor Professor John Hughes of Bangor University and Professor Zhao, Party Secretary of Central South University of Forestry and Technology as well as other staff members from both Universities

China-based students graduated on the 8th July in a ceremony at Central South University of Forestry and Technology in China.

Students fly in from Singapore to attend their graduation!



MBA students Vidhi Prasant Paun and Hemant Mishra who studied at our partner institution MDIS in Singapore graduating at the Bangor Business School ceremony.

Research News

PhD student awarded Marie Sklodowska Curie Fellowship



Karina Marsden

Karina Marsden, a current post-doctoral researcher within the **School of Natural Sciences**, has been awarded a Horizon2020 funded Marie Sklodowska Curie Global Fellowship, which allows for international mobility and knowledge exchange.

Karina will spend 2 years working in The University of Melbourne, under the supervision of Professor Richard Eckard, before returning to Bangor University, under the supervision of Professor Dave Chadwick for the final year of the project, titled 'Target-N20'.

The project aims to establish the environmental and economic effectiveness of mitigation strategies to reduce nitrous oxide, a powerful greenhouse gas, from intensive dairy farms.

During the training-through-research project, Karina will have opportunities to learn mathematical modelling, molecular ecology and stable isotope methods in order to better understand soil nitrogen cycling within dairy farms.

Our Bermudian Product Design student makes the news!

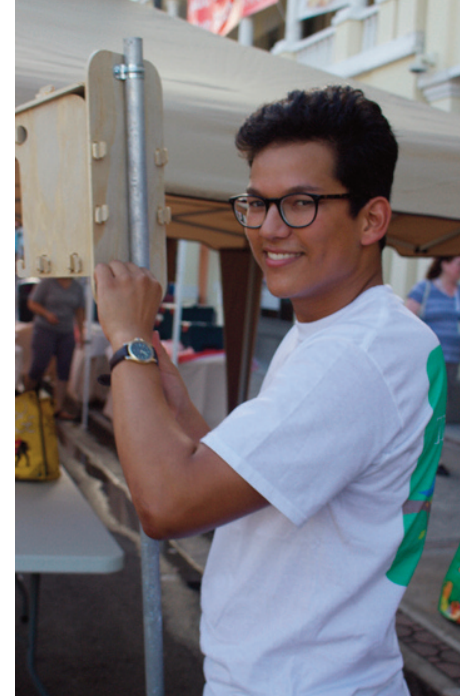
Christian Chin-Gurret from Bermuda who is studying for a **BSc (Hons) in Product Design** at Bangor University has made his local news back home in Bermuda! He has already designed a repertoire of products, including a water bottle holder, a lamp inspired by the Bermuda kite and a light for a camper van! His latest creation which he launched in August is a Bermudian Bluebird Box. The bird box allows people to forgo hammers and nails and assemble the boxes quickly and easy.

Christian who is about to begin his 3rd year at Bangor spent his summer taking part in the Bermuda Economic Development Corporation's first Summer Student Entrepreneur Programme (SSEP) while also working at a local architecture firm, OBMI.

Chin-Gurret said: *"This is a refined design that I've worked to greatly advance upon over the course of my degree. The idea for this was born when I collaborated with a company in Wales that converts regular vans to make them into bespoke camper vans.*

"While at the company I designed and manufactured bird boxes for their Caravan Site. I have now taken this design and modified it for Bermuda's Eastern Bluebird and will be selling them at Harbour Nights on Wednesdays and through my face book page The Happy Bird Co.

"The modifications include making the bird box longer and the sidewalls thicker, as well as adding more ventilation to accommodate the higher temperatures in Bermuda."



Christian Chin-Gurret

Bangor student Christian said he has studied many bird box blueprints from various bird and Audubon societies around the world, as well as the Bermuda Audubon Society. He also liaised with Bermuda's Audubon Society and local bluebird expert Stuart Smith to create this "easy to make, fit for purpose and incredibly unique design".

"Not only is the design unique in that it can be assembled without any aid from any other material, but its mindful features of having a removable floor and door flap make it easy to clean after nesting season," Chin-Gurret said.

With blue bird numbers declining over the years due to several factors, he believes the timing is right to give these birds the homes they deserve.

Take a look at Christian's company:
Facebook [The Happy Bird Co]
Instagram [@TheHappyBirdCo]

New Academic structure

Bangor University has now been restructured into three colleges:-

- **College of Arts, Humanities and Business**
- **College of Environmental Sciences and Engineering**
- **College of Human Sciences**

Each college includes a number of schools, as listed below:

College of Arts, Humanities and Business: **Dean:- Andrew Edwards**

- Bangor Business School
- School of History, Philosophy and Social Sciences
- School of Languages, Literatures, and Linguistics
- School of Law
- School of Music and Media
- School of Welsh

www.bangor.ac.uk/arts-humanities-and-business/

College of Environmental Sciences and Engineering: **Dean:- Paul Spencer**

- School of Computer Science and Electronic Engineering
- School of Natural Sciences
- School of Ocean Sciences

www.bangor.ac.uk/environmental-sciences-and-engineering/

College of Human Science: **Dean:- Nicky Callow**

- School of Education and Human Development
- School of Health Sciences
- School of Medical Sciences
- School of Psychology
- School of Sport, Health and Exercise Sciences

www.bangor.ac.uk/human-sciences/

January 2019 Intake Courses

Having just welcomed our new cohort of students in September 2018, we are now accepting applications for our January 2019 intake. The following courses are available:

Business: Accounting MSc, Accounting & Banking MSc, Accounting & Finance MSc, Banking & Finance MBA/MSc/MA, Banking & Finance (Chartered Banker) MSc/MA, Banking & Law MBA/MA, Business & Marketing MA, Environmental Management MBA, Finance MBA/MSc, Islamic Banking & Finance MBA/MSc, International Business MBA, International Marketing MBA, Management MBA, Management & Finance MSc/MA

Law: International Commercial & Business Law LLM, International Criminal Law & Human Rights Law LLM, International Intellectual Property Law LLM, International Law LLM, Law LLM, Law & Banking LLM, Law of the Sea LLM, Maritime Law LLM, Procurement Law, Strategy & Practice (Distance Learning) LLM, Criminology & Law MA, Law & Management MBA

Social Sciences: Comparative Criminology & Criminal Justice MA, Criminology & Law MA, Criminology & Sociology MA, Social Policy MA, Sociology MA

Bangor International College (IIB) & (IIM):

International Year Zero: Business, Management & Finance; Law, Media, Social Sciences & Psychology; Electronic Engineering & Computer Science

International Year 1: Business, Management & Finance

International Incorporated Masters (2 term): Business and Management; Investment and Banking; Accounting and Finance

Fees and Scholarships remain the same as for the September 2018 intake.
More details can be found at: www.bangor.ac.uk/international/courses/january-start

Meet us in your country in 2018

We shall be visiting the following countries between October and November 2018:

India	-	Sept - Oct	Vietnam	-	Oct	Singapore	-	Oct & Nov
Bahrain	-	Oct	Thailand	-	Oct	Thailand	-	Oct
Egypt	-	Oct	China	-	Oct & Nov	Pakistan	-	Nov
Greece	-	Oct	USA	-	Oct & Nov			
Saudi Arabia	-	Oct	Malaysia	-	Oct & Nov			

If your country is not listed above then you may contact the relevant **Country Manager** listed below, OR visit our country visits page for more information: www.bangor.ac.uk/international/visits

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