



University  
of Exeter



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AT THE UNIVERSITY OF  
EXETER WITH THE

# Future Leaders and Innovators Graduate Scheme



A guide to your new life in the South West

## Life in the South West – Exeter

Exeter is home to our largest site, the Streatham Campus, which is situated on the edge of the city, and St Luke's Campus in the centre.

With a population of 130,000, Exeter is a young, student-friendly city with 17% of people aged between 18 and 24.

Exeter boasts a high quality of life and low crime rate, a quarter of Exeter's population study or work at the University.

There is plenty to do in Exeter too – with high street brands galore and numerous unique independent stores, Exeter packs quite a shopping punch for a compact city. There's something for everyone within the city's

shopping centres, quirky stores, cobbled streets and markets, as well as a sizeable arts centre and creative hub right in the city centre.

There is a variety of travel options for Exeter – with great direct train links to London from both the Exeter Central and Exeter St David's stations, as well as to multiple countries from Exeter International Airport.

If you drive, Exeter is conveniently just off the M5 so it doesn't take long to drive to other major cities like Bristol (1hr) or Cardiff (2hrs).

Princesshay Shopping Centre, Exeter.



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For further information on the Devon culture and campuses [click here.](#)



Edinburgh  
1hr 35mins

Newcastle  
upon Tyne  
1hr 20mins

Belfast  
1hr 20mins

Dublin  
1hr 10mins

Manchester

Birmingham

Cardiff

Bristol

London

**EXETER**

**PENRYN**

Truro



Exeter is 2.5hrs from London by train.  
Penryn is 2hrs from Exeter by train.  
Truro is 15 minutes from Penryn by train.

## Life in the South West – Penryn and Truro

The University of Exeter has two sites in Cornwall: the Penryn Campus, which uniquely shares its space with Falmouth University; and the University's Medical School at Truro Hospital.

A huge benefit to our Cornish bases are the beaches! Just nearby there are: Castle, Maenporth, Gyllyngvase and Swanpool.

Some of these offer opportunities for kayak and paddleboard rental, beach games, swimming and – in the right conditions – even surfing.

Our Penryn Campus sits on the edge of the coastal town of Falmouth. This area has become home to a thriving cluster of creative enterprise and sustainable innovation.

Truro is a short bus or train ride away. The city boasts stunning views of the impressive Truro Cathedral – site of the Cornwall campuses' graduation ceremonies – as well as many opportunities for shopping, dining, and culture.

There is also fantastic surfing on the north coast, art galleries in St Ives, the beautiful gardens at the Eden Project, and the breathtaking views on The Lizard and Bodmin Moor. All of these and other destinations are easily explored by bus, train, car and bicycle, or even, via the Coastal Path, on foot.

Truro Cathedral.



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Gyllyngvase beach in Falmouth.



# A feeling of community

There are many perks to working at the University of Exeter, but the most important is the community feeling.

All cohorts of our Future Leaders and Innovators Graduate Scheme will be welcomed into their community together to reflect and build relationships – but there are also other opportunities to connect with your colleagues.

## BME Network

The Black and Minority Ethnic network for staff, students and allies. Its aim is to connect with like-minded people and create a supportive environment for all.

[Click here for more information.](#)

## Staff LGBTQIA+ Network

This network is open to staff of all marginalised sexual orientations and gender identities who would like a secure space to fully express themselves without fear of intimidation or harassment.

[Click here for more information.](#)

## Disability Network

This network aims to provide a space for staff and students to connect, share experiences and information, and provide support.

[Click here for more information.](#)

## Alumni Community

If you're a University of Exeter Graduate, there is a huge community for you to connect with if you haven't yet.

[Click here for more information.](#)







# Flexible working

Working at the University of Exeter comes with benefits, as there is a strong ethos in having a happy and flexible work / life balance.

Some of the benefits include:

- Hybrid working – many roles are available to work from home as well as the office, depending on suitability.
- Flexibility and the option to do compressed hours where possible.
- 39 days annual leave – inclusive of bank holidays and closure days.
- Opportunity to buy additional days of annual leave.
- Strong pension schemes.
- Up to 26 weeks full pay for maternity, adoption and shared parental and six weeks full pay paternity leave.
- The Career Break Scheme: a facility for staff to request an unpaid extended period away from their work to fulfil these personal obligations and requirements.



[Click here](#) for a video of current members of staff talking about reasons they love working at the University of Exeter.

## Performance is more important than presence:

The University believes that staff performance should be measured by what they achieve rather than how many hours they work or how long they stay in the office.



All University staff are able to use the gym / pool / classes facilities that we have on all campuses. Staff get a discounted rate for memberships – for more information [click here](#).



The University offers a wide range of financial benefits to staff including discounts at both local and national shops, NUS Extra cards, and the Exeter Rewards cashback card.



Proud partakers of the Cycle to Work programme. There are also some pool bikes available for use by all University employees.



TOP 150

Top 150 in the **Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2023**.

TOP 20

18th in the **Times Higher Education (THE) Impact Rankings 2023**.<sup>1</sup>

TOP 40

Top 40 in the **Times Higher Education (THE) Most International Universities in the World 2023**.

TOP 15

Top 15 in the **Guardian University Guide 2023** and **The Times and The Sunday Times Good University Guide 2023**.



More than **99%** of our research is rated of **international quality**<sup>2</sup> in REF 2021 with 12 of our subjects in the Top 10 for world-leading impact.<sup>3</sup>



Winner of **Business School of the Year** in the **Times Higher Education (THE) Awards 2022** in recognition of commitment to addressing the climate crisis.



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<sup>1</sup> Global performance tables that assess universities against the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

<sup>2</sup> Research rated 4\* + 3\* + 2\* in REF 2021. <sup>3</sup> Based on ranking for 4\* impact in REF 2021.

Streatham Campus, Exeter.



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