



WELCOME TO THE UNIVERSITY OF EXETER'S PENRYN CAMPUS

This tour is designed to give you a flavour of the campus and show you the facilities located here.

Please feel free to explore the interior of each building, but be aware that some areas, particularly laboratories, have restricted access for health and safety reasons. If you are visiting during term time, many of these spaces will be in use, and we ask that you please avoid disrupting educational activities; you can use the plasma screen televisions in each building to see which rooms are occupied at a given time, and when they will be free for you to visit. If there are any spaces you are unable to see during your tour, you can use our virtual tour to gain unfettered access to these and other locations on campus; you can find this at www.exeter.ac.uk/virtualtours.

The Penryn Campus is set into a hillside and has many slopes and staircases, as well as a few unpaved paths, so we would advise that you wear comfortable shoes for your tour. For those with limited mobility, ramps and elevators are available across the campus, and stair-free access to the lower campus can be gained by using the road that runs from the Heart past Reprographics and down to Glasney Lodge.

The Penryn Campus, shared by the University of Exeter and Falmouth University, was opened in 2004. The University of Exeter in Cornwall offers more than two dozen degrees across 12 different subject areas – all of which take advantage of the duchy's natural beauty and use the landscape as a 'living laboratory'. Our educational infrastructure includes: lecture and seminar rooms across five different buildings; the Exchange Building,

a learning/teaching/research hub; the Collaboratory, a custom-built business engagement facility; the Camborne School of Mines test mine; cutting-edge laboratory spaces; and a wide variety of local and international destinations for field trips and internships.

The University has invested significantly in all of its campuses over the past few years. The Penryn Campus has benefitted from the addition of the £30m interdisciplinary Environment and Sustainability Institute, the £10m Exchange Building, and the £5.5m Science and Engineering Research Support Facility. The newly completed Heart Project will offer a beautiful new reception area and campus shop; construction of our new sports centre is currently underway.

As proud as we are of our state-of-the-art facilities, we recognise that they are only a part of what makes the Penryn Campus so successful. As you have doubtless already noticed, the community here is friendly and close-knit – attributes shared by nearby Penryn and Falmouth, where the majority of our students and staff reside. After your tour, you may wish to visit these towns to see where you would be living and socialising during your time at the uni; the Penryn town centre is a 10-minute walk or bus ride away, while you can reach Falmouth by bus or train within 15-20 minutes. Both towns provide plenty of opportunity to learn more about the area's rich history of artistic and scientific innovation, browse through the local galleries and shops, sample the delicious Cornish cuisine, or stroll by the coast. You can catch a bus from the stop just outside the Heart, or walk to the Penryn Train Station via the footpath at the bottom of campus.

CAMPUS MAPS



The department locations are correct as of August 2015

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Environment and Sustainability Institute (ESI)	3	Glasney Student Village	6		
		Glasney Lodge			
		Koofi			
		Multi-use Games Area (MUGA)			

THE TOUR

You are now ready to start the tour, which begins in the Exchange Building in The Compass 1.

-  The Exchange Building is a multifunctional space for both University of Exeter and Falmouth University students. The ground floor is home to the Career Zone, where you can get advice on all things job-related, and The Compass, where our friendly staff can help you access the many services offered by our Student Support team. If you head up the stairs of the ‘Social Street’, you will see the Exchange Lecture Theatre on your right. Take a left to enter the Penryn Campus Library.
-  The Penryn Campus Library has a wide range of materials, including books, journals, movies, and music. Penryn Campus students also have access to the entire catalogue offered by Falmouth University’s Falmouth Campus and the two Exeter-based libraries; they can also request items from other institutions throughout the country via the inter-library loan scheme. The Penryn Campus library features a special collections area, a periodicals section, quiet study areas, and spaces where you can work individually or in groups. Follow the signs around to the left of the front desk and you will find yourself in the IT suite.
-  Computers in the IT Suite are loaded with a variety of software, from word processing and statistical analysis packages to GIS and image manipulation programmes. You’ll find a postgrad-specific IT suite down the hallway at the far end of this space. If the main IT Suites here are full, you can work in one of the dedicated Exeter IT Clusters distributed across campus. Should you have any IT questions, you can visit the IT helpdesk for assistance. If you head back out the way you came, you can take the next set of stairs up the Social Street to the top floor of the Exchange.
-  The four seminar rooms in the Exchange are located here on Level 2, along with several group study spaces with outlets for plugging in your laptops, screens for broadcasting images directly from your computers, and white boards for jotting down brainstorming – or just doing a bit of doodling. Exit the Exchange through the automatic doors and walk towards the green SERSF building in front of you. As you walk, you’ll see to your right the Academy for Innovation and Research (AIR), a Falmouth University facility focused on digital economy and sustainable design; just beyond this is the Tremough Innovation Centre (TIC), a Cornwall Council facility which houses several local businesses and associated support services; finally, at the top of the hill, you’ll see the Environment and Sustainability Institute (ESI), an interdisciplinary centre leading cutting-edge research into solutions to problems of environmental change.
-  The Science and Engineering Research Support Facility (SERSF) building is an interdisciplinary space housing The Business School, the Renewable Energy team, and members of the Centre for Ecology and Conservation. SERSF is also home to the Collaboratory, a state-of-the-art conference suite designed to facilitate collaborations between businesses and Penryn Campus researchers – including students. Continue walking on the pavement to the left of SERSF and you will see an entrance to the Camborne School of Mines (CSM) Museum on your left.
-  CSM was founded in 1888 and was incorporated into the University of Exeter in 1993. This space houses its impressive mineral collection and trophy cabinet. CSM students can also see minerals in situ at the CSM test mine, located approximately 20 minutes from campus; this facility provides a space in which to learn mining techniques (including detonations) first-hand. Exit the Museum to your left, through the double doors leading into the Biosciences corridor.

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The majority of Biosciences researchers within the Centre for Ecology and Conservation (CEC) are based here in the Daphne du Maurier Building (DDM; recognisable by the distinctive pink stone with which it is constructed). You'll find many staff offices on this hallway, as well as some of their research facilities (lab space and purpose-built temperature control rooms). Leave the hallway through the double doors, cross through the foyer, and go through the next set of double doors. You'll pass by the CEC specimen cabinets, which house a range of biodiversity from many continents. This hallway is home to teaching laboratories used by the College of Engineering, Mathematics, and the Physical Sciences, as well as by the College of Life and Environmental Sciences (CLES). Head to the far end to peek into the CLES lab.

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In addition to providing an incredible view of the campus, Penryn, Falmouth, and the harbour, the laboratory offers a cutting-edge space in which to conduct scientific practicals. There are several screens around the room so that students can always see slides projected by the lecturer; there is also a suite of iPads that can be used for virtual dissections and also taken into the field. Walk back the way you came, to the foyer leading to the CEC hallway in front of you, with a staircase to your right and an exit to an exterior bridge to your left. Take the bridge and cross over into the other half of the Daphne du Maurier building.

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You are now in one of the main teaching centres on campus. Many of the walls in this half of the DDM building are collapsible, which allows rooms to be made larger for conferences, fairs, and other events. In their standard configuration, they provide space for two lecture theatres (A and B), a dozen seminar rooms (C-N), and five tutorial rooms (O-S). Feel free to peek into these facilities before going back across the bridge and taking the steps down into the DDM entryway, where you'll see the campus cash point. Head out the doors and walk down the staircase to your left. Halfway down, you will find the entrance to the headquarters of FXU, the students' union representing all the students of the University of Exeter in Cornwall (Penryn and Truro campuses) and those of Falmouth University across their two campuses (Penryn and Falmouth).

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FXU is responsible for coordinating many of the main social events on campus, and is also your gateway to the huge variety of sports clubs and societies on campus. FXU are also heavily involved with a number of local groups, and are very active in volunteering. The FXU headquarters is home to student-elected representatives and support staff, and is where you'll want to head if you need to buy tickets to FXU events, get approval to hang posters on campus, or ask questions related to student union activities. Walk down the final portion of the staircase and go around the building to your right; head up the next staircase and enter the current Fitness Centre.

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The Fitness Centre is fully equipped with exercise machines, weightlifting equipment, a Vibrogym, and an exercise studio where you can take classes such as spinning, body attack, yoga, and Pilates. We have just broken ground for a new £4 million sports facility that is due to be opened by the start of the 2016-17 academic year. Leave the Fitness Centre the way you came in and head across the courtyard to the Stannary; go up the stairs into the Stannary Bar, also known as the Upper Stannary.

12 The Upper Stannary acts as a central hub for students living on campus. It offers a variety of opportunities to socialise, including film and quiz nights. If you head to the railings and look below you, you'll see the campus refectory, also known as the Lower Stannary. You can access this area by heading back out the way you came and going down the stairs to your left; alternatively, there is also an indoor staircase between the bar and the door you just came through.

13 In addition to providing a space where you can eat breakfast and lunch or just meet with friends over a hot drink, the Stannary is also one of the largest performance venues in Cornwall, and is regularly used for theme nights, society nights, and concerts. All Stannary food is locally sourced, and local food vendors set up each day in the courtyard outside in order to offer specialty food options such as falafel and crumpets. Head to one of the two exits directly across from the cashiers, facing the Tremough House Annexe.

14 You may find yourself in Tremough House for a variety of reasons: It is home to the Penryn Surgery, which provides medical care for students five days a week; it houses a number of seminar rooms; it provides office space for Mathematics, Geography, and Biosciences lecturers; and it is home to the Chapel Lecture Theatre, currently the largest lecture space on campus (a new 300-seater will be available from September 2016) – used not only by our own academics, but also by visiting speakers invited by staff and students from both universities. Keeping the Annexe on your right, walk down the staircase to the Peter Lanyon Building to your left; pass by the first entrance opposite the Falmouth University Institute of Photography, and cross the courtyard to the far door.

15 This entrance to the Peter Lanyon Building places you at the heart of the Geography department's Centre for Geography, Environment and Society. The hallway to your left will give you access to the offices of the majority of our Geography staff; you'll also find the five Peter Lanyon lecture theatres. Head up the staircase to your right and you can explore some of the dedicated Exeter computing clusters and offices of English, History, Politics and Institute of Cornish Studies staff (to your left as you exit the stairwell). Take a right to see the building's many seminar rooms, and to head down a second staircase and return to the ground floor. Go out the door to your left and head around to the back of Peter Lanyon Building in order to visit Koofi Café.

16 Koofi is a Starbucks franchise that serves hot beverages as well as snacks and light meals. It is a popular meeting space for both students and staff, and provides job opportunities for students who wish to work while pursuing their studies. Continue up the hill towards the Glasney Lodge, which is located at the far side of the building.

17 The Glasney Lodge is staffed 24/7 and provides those living on campus access to our security personnel, first aiders, and a handyman. Residents can pick up their mail here and use this as a point of contact for deliveries from take-away restaurants and supermarkets. Head across the road and into Glasney Student Village, our on-campus halls of residence.

18 All blocks within Glasney Student Village are built to the same specification: On each floor you'll find seven rooms and one kitchen – a communal space outfitted with cooking facilities and a TV, Freeview box, and DVD player. There is a launderette per every three blocks, and you can find plenty of outdoor spaces for picnicking, grilling, or studying in the sun. If you have a bike or watersports equipment, you can store them in the bike sheds here in the Village. You might recognise some of the street names here – they were inspired by some of Cornwall's most famous beaches. Once you've gotten a feel for the Village, head back towards Glasney Lodge and head up the hill towards the Exchange.

19 As you walk, you'll see our Reprographics facility on your left; the colourful decorations on the outside of this building make it hard to miss! This is where you can print up everything from flyers to posters to your dissertation. Continue on up the hill to the new focal point of our campus – The Heart.

20 The Heart is a brand new facility that houses Campus Reception, in the front, and the Campus Shop, in the back. During term time, the shop is open from 8am-midnight during weekdays, and from 10am-10pm over the weekend. Many students get part-time work here during their time at the University.

You've now made a circuit of the Penryn Campus and seen all the main facilities where you'll be spending time while pursuing your degree.

If you'd like to see a couple of the hidden gems we have tucked away here on campus, cross the courtyard to the staircase running from the Tremough House Annexe down to the Peter Lanyon Building – but rather than take a left at the bottom, as you did last time, take a right and walk along to the crossroads at the far end of the path.

To your right, you can see the iconic Tremough House, which dates back to when the campus was used as a convent and school. To your left is the beautiful Tremough House lawn, which is carpeted with primroses and bluebells in the springtime, and provides a slope that is perfect for our annual slip-and-slide event. At the foot of the lawn is a path that provides pedestrian access to the Penryn Train Station and our off-campus student accommodation, The Sidings (to the left), as well as to Asda and other local shops (to the right).

21 Once you have reached the crossroads, you will see in front of you Falmouth University's Academy of Music and Theatre Arts (AMATA), a state-of-the-art facility that is home to the Performance Centre, where you can see a variety of acts throughout the year. It also houses a café where you can grab hot drinks and baked goods. Without going into the AMATA car park, take a right at the crossroads and walk up the hill to the Walled Garden, tucked away in the rhododendrons to your left.

22 This beautiful space contains a miniature apple and pear orchard where you can help yourself to fresh fruit in the autumn, and benches where you can relax and enjoy the sunshine. Nature lovers with keen eyes will be able to find several active beehives here, and may spot some of the small songbirds that have been ringed by our Biosciences researchers during annual mist-netting activities. Feel free to venture in and walk a circuit around the garden; when you are done, head back out the same way you came in, and continue up the hill towards Tremough House.

23 Outside of this historical building, you'll find some more lovely green spaces where you can enjoy the gorgeous Cornish sunshine. In the autumn and spring, you'll frequently see seminars being held on the grass next to the Tremough House pond. Cross through this walled lawn and head up the stairs through the terraced Italianate gardens just behind; at the top you will find a small shelter where you can sit and read quietly while listening to the birds sing. Take a right at the stop of the staircase and then curve around and take your next left, along the path that runs between the gardens and the car park; signs here will point the way towards Tremough Barton Cottages.

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As you walk towards the Cottages, you'll pass the thriving student allotment on your left; on the right, construction crews are hard at work on the new sports facility and nursery. As well as being home to several administrative teams, the Cottages provide a base for the Multifaith Chaplaincy and the Oasis, a space for quiet reflection. There are also several small apartments here for students who would like an alternative to Glasney Student Village. Just beyond the Cottages is the Farmhouse, which is home to researchers from the Centre for Ecology and Conservation. When you're ready, you can retrace your footsteps towards all the way back to the exit of the Walled Garden. Take a left and go up the hill, keeping the car park on your left (to your right is the back entrance of the Camborne School of Mines). As you crest the hill, you'll see the ESI in front of you. Follow the footpath to the right to enter the building.

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The ESI was built to a BREEAM Outstanding rating, recognising its environmentally friendly design and construction. Because its upper levels house laboratories with sensitive equipment and delicate experimental setups, these areas can only be accessed by the students and staff who conduct research there. However, the ESI café and exhibition space, both located on the ground floor, are available to all. Exit the ESI the way you came in and bear left, following the footpath. From here, you can get a closer look at the TIC, which also has a café where you can order hot drinks and light meals if you'd like to eat in a more intimate setting than The Stannary.

From here, you can continue back down the hill to return to one of the buildings you've previously seen, or you can conclude your visit and depart the campus. Either way, we hope you have enjoyed seeing the campus and that you are looking forward to returning here for your studies!

Useful websites:

Undergraduate study site – www.exeter.ac.uk/undergraduate

Postgraduate study site – www.exeter.ac.uk/postgraduate

Accommodation site – www.exeter.ac.uk/accommodation/cornwallcampuses/students

Penryn Campus films – www.exeter.ac.uk/cornwall/prospective/films

About Cornwall – www.exeter.ac.uk/thesouthwest/cornwall

Live It, a Students' Guide to Life in Cornwall – ex.ac.uk/agA



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