

Internationalisation

International Campuses & Inward Credit

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The University of
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UNITED KINGDOM • CHINA • MALAYSIA

Global Reach

“Internationalisation is at the heart of this University. We have been described by The Times as ‘the closest the UK has to a truly global university’ due to our campuses in the UK, China and Malaysia, which act as hosts to a genuinely global academic community in all three countries.”



UNMC

University of Nottingham Malaysia Campus

- Opened in September 2000
- First branch campus of a UK university in Malaysia
- Purpose-built campus at Semenyih opened September 2005
 - 30km south of Kuala Lumpur
 - 101 acre site in scenic position overlooking green hills
- A full and integral part of The University of Nottingham, UK

- >4,100 students from 70+ countries



UNMC Engineering

- 2000 students
- 70+ countries
- UG, PGT, PhD
- 100+ academic staff



UNNC

University of Nottingham Ningbo China

- 140 acre purpose built campus
- Opened to students in 2006
- Facilities for 5,000 students, including:
 - on-site residential facilities for all students and staff
 - restaurants and shops
 - a dedicated sports complex
 - state-of-the-art teaching and research buildings
- A full and integral part of The University of Nottingham, UK

University of Nottingham Ningbo, China 宁波诺丁汉大学

Teaching and Language Centre
教学与语言中心

Main Building
行政楼

Student Services & Computing Centre
学生服务与计算机中心

Staff Hotel &
Restaurants
教师公寓及餐厅



Sports Centre
体育馆

Centre for Sustainable Energy Technology
可持续能源与技术研究中心

Student Residences
学生宿舍



Science and Engineering Building 理工楼



Delivering Civil Engineering Programmes Overseas

- Nottingham, UK
 - 3 year BEng
 - 4 year MEng
 - MSc
- UNMC
 - BEng, MEng, MSc
- UNNC
 - BEng and MSc
 - 2+2 and 4+0

Courses on all three campuses should be “undifferentiated”

i.e. They deliver the same learning outcomes, to the same standards leading to the same qualification.

Staffing

- Balance between staff recruited locally and seconded from Nottingham
- Staff expected to be research active
 - Similar expectations for promotion on each campus
- Professional development and review
 - Same systems used on all campuses
 - PGCHE
 - SET/SEM data collated across all campuses

Student Mobility

- Fundamental to University aims
 - 25% of all students should experience study at an overseas institution
- Exchange – 1 year or 1 semester at another campus
- Transfer
 - 2+2 students from UNNC
 - 1+3, 2+2 and 3+1 students from UNMC
 - Available for UK students too

Quality Systems

- Essential for maintaining course content and standards
- One “Quality Manual” for all campuses
- One Head of Department for all campuses
 - Overall responsibility for implementation of QM
 - Delegation of responsibility to local Directors of Studies

Accreditation

- Appropriate accreditation is essential for our courses on all three campuses
- Nottingham UK and UNMC courses accredited by the Joint Board of Moderators (JBM)
 - UNNC will be put forward when first cohort graduate
- UNMC also accredited by BEM
 - “Not needed” according to Washington Accord
 - Funding implications for Malaysian students

Assessment and Moderation

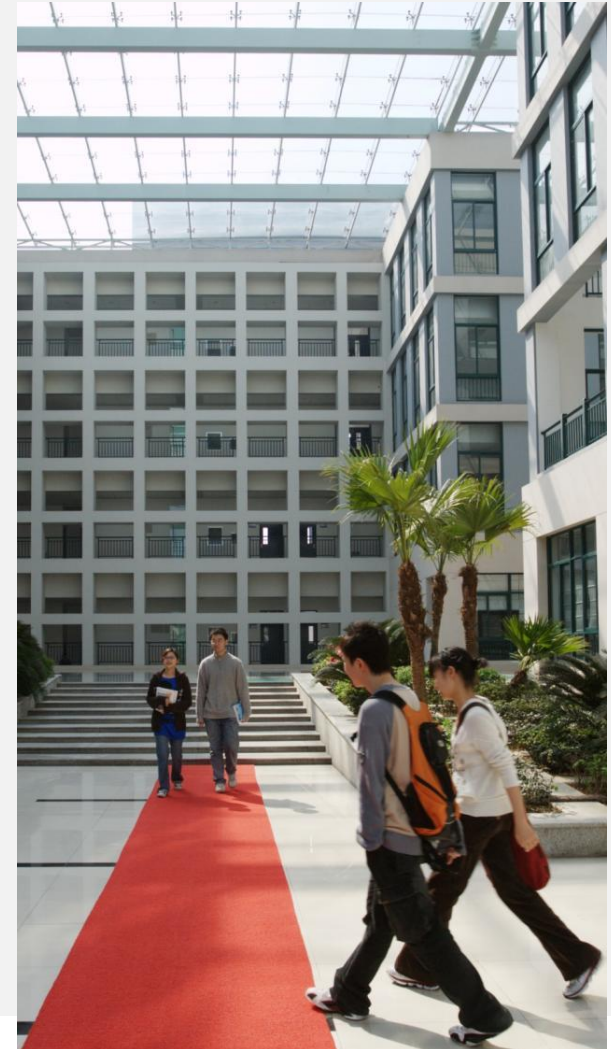
- Internal moderation of assessment on each campus
- Cross-campus moderation of examinations
- External moderation by external examiner
 - One external examiner for all campuses
 - All marks returned to one board of examiners
- Where time zones permit we use one examination paper
 - But status of staff on overseas campuses important

Undifferentiated... ...but not always identical

- Some elective modules only available on one campus
 - Reflects individual staff expertise
 - IT adopted to allow inter campus delivery
 - Staff mobility to deliver teaching
- Some specific requirements for host nations
 - E.g. Industrial placement module in Malaysia
- Sensitive to needs of local construction industry

Is It Worth It?

- University does receive income
- Recruitment of students
 - Attractive to international students
 - Incoming students of proven quality to UK
- Transfer students achieve very good degrees
- We offer something different to HEU students
- Excellent opportunities for staff



“Year Out Counting”

- With language courses
 - France and Germany via Erasmus
- Department arranged agreements
 - Principally in North America
 - Bucknell, UBC, Lehigh and others
- Universitas 21
 - Melbourne and UNSW most popular
- Our own campuses

How do we approve exchanges?

- There are 2 aspects
 - Make sure that the student has an appropriate course at the destination
 - Make sure the marks are fairly transferred back to a Nottingham mark on their return

Appropriate Course

- Exchange coordinator ensures core Nottingham modules covered
 - Published specifications and LOs
 - Visits by staff
 - Previous experience
- Caveats
 - Greater proportion compulsory modules overseas
 - 100% match hard to achieve
 - Loading has to be appropriate (90-100% Nottingham)

Appropriate Marks

Mark Conversion Process

- Aim to provide a fair assessment
 - Fair to the students who go overseas
 - Fair to those who choose to stay in Nottingham
- Process
 - Panel considers transcripts and students reports
 - Module marks converted using IO guidance
 - Average mark calculated
 - Moderated

Thank You



UNMC Student Numbers in Civil Engineering

YEAR	Academic Year				
	2006/07	2007/08	2008/9	2009/10	2010/11
1st Year	25	46	45	49	79
2nd Year	0	33	58	43	62
3rd Year (BEng)	0	0	14	50	24
3rd Year (MEng)	0	0	11	20	18
4th Year	0	0	0	11	21
Total No. of Students Per Session	25	79	128	173	204

¹ *Excludes students who are on Mobility in the UK*

UNNC Student Numbers Engineering Faculty

Year	2011		2010		2009		2008		2007	
	2+2	4+0	2+2	4+0	2+2	4+0	2+2	4+0	2+2	4+0
AEE	46	27	51	20	79	0	75	0	60	0
Arch	0	24	0	30	0	0	0	0	0	0
ME	14	32	12	9	28	0	27	0	0	0
CE	20	38	24	14	35	0	24	0	0	0
EE	14	24	12	9	16	0	19	0	0	0
CHE	17	18	12	12	15	0	0	0	0	0
EEE	27	35	24	13	24	0	0	0	0	0
EnS	22	0	12	0	19	0	0	0	0	0
PDM	6	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	166	220	147	107	216	0	145	0	60	0
Total	386		254		216		145		60	