

CONFERENCE VENUE

Swansea University Wallace Building



The Wallace Building, Swansea University

The conference venue for the UKIRSC 2019 is the **Wallace Building** on **Singleton Campus, Swansea University, SA2 8PP**. The Wallace Building is home to the Bioscience and Geography departments and is named after the “father of biogeography”, Alfred Russel Wallace, Welsh evolutionary biologist best known for having independently conceived the theory of evolution through natural selection, alongside Charles Darwin.

Swansea University is situated in Singleton Park, a mature parkland and botanical gardens overlooking Swansea Bay beach. The Wallace Building is in the South West corner of Singleton Campus. It is approximately 15 minutes’ walk from the Uplands or Brynmill areas, 40 minutes’ walk from Swansea City Centre and 3 minutes from the beach (see map on page 5).

Registration will be held in the entrance foyer of the Wallace building. From there you can head directly upstairs to the Science Central for refreshments. Scientific posters will be displayed here. All guest lectures and student talks will take place in the Wallace Lecture Theatre, directly ahead on entering the Wallace Building and located down a short flight of stairs.

Tea and coffee will be provided on arrival and during breaks, but please bring your own re-usable cup. Lunch is not provided. There are plenty of options for lunch on campus and in the Uplands and Brynmill area just short walk away.



The Wallace Building Foyer. Down the stairs and ahead to the Wallace Lecture Theatre or up the stairs to Science Central.

ACCOMODATION

Staying with Students

There should be a limited number of beds/sofas available with students based in Swansea. These will be allocated on a first come first served basis, so if you would like to stay with a student please e-mail us directly at ukrsc@st-andrews.ac.uk and we will let you know whether there are still beds available and put you in touch with your host.

Accomodation in Swansea

To keep down on cost we suggest first looking at options for sharing accommodation with others via Airbnb. Alternatively, there are numerous hotels and B&Bs in Swansea. Most of these are approximately 20-40 mins walk from Swansea University, or a 10-15 minute bus ride. Best prices can often be found using Expedia/Trip Advisor/Booking.com/Hotels.com. Cheapest options are usually rooms based on 2-4 people sharing, which range from around £14-40 per person, per night. Some examples are shown overleaf along with the approximate walking durations to the Wallace Building.

Suggested Hotels

- 1. Swansea Central Travelodge** (40 min walk)
1 Princess Way, Swansea, SA1 3LQ

Room Type	Number of Guests	£ per night	£ per person
Family Room	3	£42	£14
Double Room	2	£35	£17.50
Single Room	1	£35	£35

- 2. Swansea City Premier Inn** (40 min walk)
The City Gates, Wind Street, Swansea, SA1 1EE

Room Type	Number of Guests	£ per night	£ per person
Double Room	2	£37	£18.50
Single Room	1	£37	£37

- 3. The Dragon Hotel** (40 min walk)
39 The Kingsway, Swansea, SA1 5LS

Room Type	Number of Guests	£ per night	£ per person
Family Room	4	£107	£26.75
Triple Room	3	£97.5	£32.5
Double Room	2	£78	£39

- 4. The Alexander Hotel** (20 min walk)
3 Sketty Rd, Uplands, Swansea SA2 0EU

Room Type	Number of Guests	£ per night	£ per person
Triple Room	3	£106	£35
Double Room	2	£82	£41

- 5. The Norton Hotel** (25 min walk)
Norton Rd, The Mumbles, Swansea SA3 5TQ

Room Type	Number of Guests	£ per night	£ per person
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Family Room	4	£126	£31.5
Double Room	2	£58.50	£29.25

Suggested B&Bs

- 1. Devon View Guesthouse** (20 min walk)
394-396 Oystermouth Rd, Swansea SA1 3UL

Room Type	Number of Guests	£ per night	£ per person
Triple Room	3	£64	£21.33
Double Room	2	£40	£20
Single Room	1	£30	£30

- 2. Sandpiper** (20 min walk)
266 Oystermouth Rd, Swansea SA1 3UH

Room Type	Number of Guests	£ per night	£ per person
Double Room	4	£43.33	£21.66
Single Room	1	£30	£30

- 3. Leonardos Guest House** (20 min walk)
380 Oystermouth Rd, Swansea SA1 3UL

Room Type	Number of Guests	£ per night	£ per person
Double Room	2	£46	£23
Single Room	1	£35	£35

MAP OF SWANSEA



Towards M4 West

Towards M4 East

Towards Mumbles

1. Swansea University Singleton Campus (conference venue)
2. Brynmill (recommended area for accommodation)
3. Uplands (recommended area for accommodation)
4. Swansea Marina (for the boat trip on January 27th)
5. Swansea Bus Station
6. Swansea City Centre
7. Swansea Train Station

TRAVEL

Swansea is in South Wales, situated 40 miles West of Cardiff, the capital city of Wales. Swansea is well connected with the rest of the UK either by train, or by car or bus via the M4.

BY PLANE:

There is no international airport at Swansea. There are however options to fly via domestic flights to nearby airports, for example Cardiff or Bristol. For students travelling from Scotland, there are domestic flights from Edinburgh, Glasgow, Aberdeen and Inverness direct to either Cardiff or Bristol. For students travelling from overseas the most suitable options include flying to Cardiff, Bristol, Birmingham or London Airports. If flying into London, by far the easiest options are London Gatwick or London Heathrow.

If flying to Cardiff: From Cardiff, catch a bus or take a taxi to central Cardiff. From central Cardiff, take a train or National Express bus to Swansea.

If flying to Bristol: From Bristol Airport, take a bus to Bristol Temple Meads train station. From here the trains run frequently and usually direct to Swansea (sometimes changing at Cardiff or Newport). The train journey will take approximately 2-3 hours.

Be aware that there are two train stations at Bristol: 1. Bristol Temple Meads and 2. Bristol Parkway. Make sure you have checked carefully which you will be travelling via!

If flying to London Gatwick. Take the train from Gatwick to Swansea with one change at Reading. The journey via train is approximately 4-5 hours. Alternatively, National Express Coaches offer a bus service to Swansea Bus Station (take either bus 201 or 202).

If flying to London Heathrow. Via train, either take the Rail-Air Link bus to Reading and the train from Reading to Swansea, or take the train from Heathrow to London (Paddington) and then the train from Paddington to Swansea. Via bus, take bus 201 or 202 from the airport bus station to Swansea.

If flying to London Luton. This will require a shuttle bus to Luton Parkway, followed by London Underground tube connections to London

Paddington station, where you can then get a train direct to Swansea. This journey will take approximately 5-6 hours. This is a more complicated journey - London Gatwick or Heathrow are preferred travel options.

If flying to Birmingham. Trains run from Birmingham International Airport to Swansea with a change at Bristol Parkway. This journey will take 2-3 hours.

BY CAR:

From the East: Travelling West on the M4 leave the motorway at junction 42 and follow signs for Swansea on the A483 (Fabian Way). The A483 becomes the A4067 (Oystermouth Road). Follow the A4067 signposted Swansea.

From the West: Travelling East/South East on the A48/M4 leave the motorway at junction 47 and follow signs for Swansea on the A483. Stay on the A483 until you start seeing signs to City Centre A4118, then follow these.

PARKING:

Only guests holding Blue Badges are allowed to park on Campus.

We recommend all other vehicles park in the City and County of Swansea's Recreation Ground Car Park, which is adjacent to the Singleton Park Campus and approximately 5 minutes' walk away. (All day parking, driver only, costs £3.50. All day parking, driver and passenger(s), costs £3.00. An afternoon charge from 1.00pm costs £2.00). Follow Sat Nav directions to SA2 0AU for the recreation ground.

BY TRAIN:

Trains arrive into Swansea Train Station. The train station is approximately 1 hour walk from Swansea University campus. The "ftrmetro" (or purple "bendy-bus") service provides a direct link from Swansea railway station to the Singleton Park Campus, at an approximate cost of £3.50 single and £4.00 return if using a day ticket. Alternatively taxi services run from outside the station and can take you to Swansea University for approximately £7-8. Walking from Swansea Train station to Swansea University will take ~ 1 hour.

BY BUS:

There are buses available from most major UK cities to Swansea Bus Station provided by services such as Greyhound Bus or National Express. From Swansea Bus Station to the University's Singleton Campus there

are frequent buses (numbers 2A, 3A, and 82A) departing every 15 minutes. These buses will bring you straight onto the Singleton Park Campus itself and buses return from the Singleton Park Campus to Swansea Bus Station at regular intervals.

MORE DETAILS:

For further details on travel please follow this link:

<http://www.swansea.ac.uk/the-university/location/directions/>

N.B. Refer only to the details for “Singleton Campus”, not “Bay Campus”.

For any questions concerning travel, please contact committee member William Kay: William.p.kay@swansea.ac.uk.

We look forward to welcoming you to Swansea University!



Swansea University Singleton Campus overlooking Swansea Bay