



Gower College Swansea
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AS Level

**Welcome Evening
2017/2018**

Gorseinon 2nd October



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What you expect from us?

- Excellent teaching
- Support and guidance
- Communication (Parent Zone)



Parent Views

- “It took me by surprise how much support and guidance is offered in college. My daughter improved as an individual and was ready for University.”
- “They don’t always get it right, but they listen and respond in a professional and timely manner.”
- “I would recommend this college after having three of my children attend and be successful. Positive experiences throughout their time in college.”

* Source Annual Parental Survey



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Our Results 2016/17

AS/A level Pass Rates

1990 students sat both AS and A
levels

In total they studied just over 4950
subjects



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AS Results

Increased our consistent high pass rate
– **91% (Wales Average 89%)**

With **65%** getting A-C grades (**Wales
Average 63%**)

**Across AS and A level 220 students
achieved A* and A grades in all
their subjects**



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A2 Results

Maintained the same high pass rate as
we always have – **97%**

With large numbers achieving the
higher grades:

82% achieved A*-C grades

27% achieved A* - A

**6 students will be going to Oxford
or Cambridge**

**Over 200 to Russell Group
Universities**

A LEVEL STRUCTURE



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Learning Area
Managers

LEARNER MANAGEMENT

LEAD
TUTORS

Lead Tutor 1 Richard Durran	Lead Tutor 2 Michelle Knipe	Lead Tutor 3 Jen Hill	Lead Tutor 4 Louisa Walters	Lead Tutor 5 Denise Thomas
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PERSONAL
TUTORS

Defined Group of Personal Tutors	Defined Group of Personal Tutors	Defined Group of Personal Tutors	Defined Group of Personal Tutors	Defined Group of Personal Tutors
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Dean of Faculty
Nick Brazil

HE Progression Tutor
A Level
Terry Summerfield

CURRICULUM
CO-ORDINATOR

Curriculum Leader per Subject or Cluster of Subjects



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Tutorial System

- Personal Tutor
- Lead Tutor
- Enhanced Programme
(Essential Skills)
- One to ones (Target Setting)
- Group topics
- Skills



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Your Help and Support

- Learning Programme, everything counts!
- What is the norm a 2/3/4 A Level programme?
 - My eILP (ENGAGE)

<https://myeilp.gowercollegeswansea.ac.uk>

<http://parents.gcs.ac.uk/en/welcome-to-the-gower-college-swansea-parent-zone/>

- Absence reporting/Attendance



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Key Dates

Friday 13th October – Deadline for Subject Withdrawals or Transfers

30th – 3rd November- Half Term

End of Christmas Term– Target Setting 1

Friday 22nd December – End of Term 1

Monday 8th January – Start of Term 2

Thursday 11th January – Progress Evening

19th–23rd February - Half Term



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Key Dates

End of Easter Term– Target Setting 2

Friday 30th March – End of Term 2

Monday 16th April – Start of Term 3

Tuesday 8th May – Start of External Exams

28th May – 1st June – Half Term

Monday 11th June – AS Students return to classes

Wednesday 20th June – HE Fayre

Friday 22nd June – End of Academic Year



Extra Curricular Opportunities

- SEREN (HE +) 
- Medics
- STEM
- Sports Academies
- Kenya Project
- Student Council
- Societies and Clubs



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Student Services & Learning Support

- **Anne Pitman** –
Head of Student Service



Welfare Provision

- **Health Advisors**
 - Run tutorials on Healthy Colleges, sexual health and contraception
 - Offer daily surgeries for students
 - Run a Condom Scheme for students
 - Provide training on significant health needs for staff (ie) Epilepsy, Epi pens and Insulin
- **Student Support Officers**
 - First point of contact if a student is in crisis
- **Counsellors**
 - Free support for student with emotional difficulties



Welfare Provision

Recreational Officers

- Manage behaviour and offer support to students in common room areas

Student Funding Officers

- Financial Support and advice on buses

E&D Officer

- Runs various tutorials on E&D
- Embeds E&D in the curriculum



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Tutorials

- Alcohol
- Drugs
- Staying Safe on-line
- Healthy Lifestyles
- Contraception and STI's
- E&D
- Looserville
- Sexting
- Domestic Abuse
- Cultural Awareness

Enrichment

Sporting Activities

Basket Ball

Football

Rugby

Hockey

Gym

Exciting Experience's

Go Karting

Climbing

Surfing

Go Ape

Paddle Surfing



Events



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- **Diversity Fayre**

African drumming, street dance, Indian and Chinese dance, Capoeira (Brazilian martial arts) Welsh folk/funk music and an array of live music and dance performances by students.

- **Healthy Colleges**

- Free porridge all week
- Exercise program with special activities put on
- Exciting activities in the common room for students to engage with



Drive **Safely** Swansea

- An event run in partnership with the Police, Fire Brigade and Safer Driving Swansea
- Students get the opportunity to look at the 5 fatalities, driving while, texting, under the influence, speeding, not wearing a seat belt or being careless
- The event is interactive and includes a driving simulator amongst other activities
- Most importantly it provides Young People with the opportunity to look at the impact of the 5 fatalities





eNGAGE

The College's implementation of the eLIP

ACCESS via a **WEB BROWSER**

or

DOWNLOAD the **APP** from **GOOGLE PLAY**

To access eNGAGE from a web browser:
<https://myeilp.gowercollegeswansea.ac.uk>

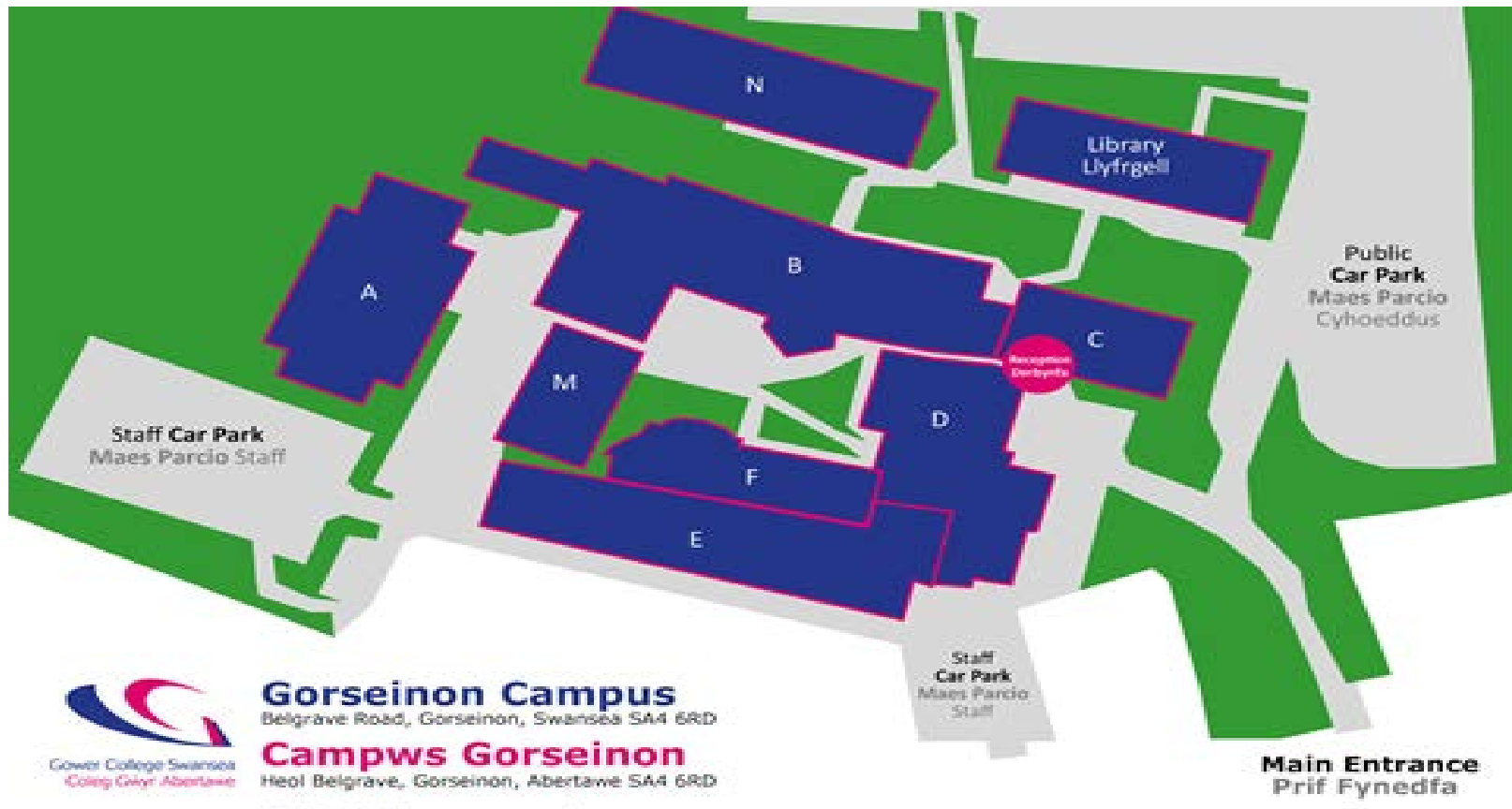
Prefix your username with SWANCOLL\
i.e SWANCOLL\SIM10029921

the password is cAsE sensitive and it's the one you use to login to College computers



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Campus Map



Gorseinon Campus
Belgrave Road, Gorseinon, Swansea SA4 6RD
Campws Gorseinon
Heol Belgrave, Gorseinon, Abertawe SA4 6RD

Main Entrance
Prif Fynedfa



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Thank you for listening

Any Questions?