

THE UNIVERSITY of EDINBURGH School of Physics & Astronomy

Edinburgh Experience

World Class University

Mairi McKay:

The research we do here is world leading, we have a massive history of amazing physicists.

Aleksandra Ziolkowska:

Important is that you learn from the people who are just key figures in their field, they're specialists so you get the first hand knowledge from them.

Andrew Mackie:

I decided to study at Edinburgh for a multitude of reasons. First of all it's very prestigious, it's a very top tier university I'd say. It's always ranked very highly in the world rankings.

Vibrant, Historical and Cultural City

Mairi McKay: Edinburgh's a really great city, I fell in love with it as soon as I came here.

Owen Turner:

It's got a nice kind of community feel about it.

Cara Lynch:

One of the great things is definitely the city because, Holyrood Park is basically in the middle of it, and Arthur's seat is beautiful.

Owen Turner:

It feels uniquely like the capital of Scotland. When you walk down the Royal Mile or Princes Street in the centre of town you feel like there's a lot of culture there. Obviously Edinburgh Castle, which is just a picturesque addition to the city. It's just beautiful walking around and you can pretty easily lose yourself.

Aleksandra Ziolkowska:

Edinburgh is a very vibrant city, so there are some festivals, film festivals, theatre festivals, magic festivals all the time. So there is always something to do.

Mairi McKay:

Because it's so old, there's some amazing history.

Rebecca Lodin:

We went by car in the highlands and it was beautiful, and went to some Scottish distilleries and it was a great time.

Societies and Sports

Neil McBlane:

So the sports are great, there is a massive gym, and there are so many opportunities in sport. I played in a couple of teams before, I played for the hockey club, I run for the athletics club. And then there are also inter-mural sports which are much more casual. So you can play football casually, netball, hockey, whatever.

Mairi McKay:

A society for anything that you could ever imagine. I was part of the weightlifting club. I know someone who was part of the Harry Potter society. I have another friend who does archery.

Ozioma Kamalu:

Yeah there are so many societies here and so many things to try out. I'm part of the acapella society here which is quite new and emerging. Being on the committee now, I get to be a lot more involved in the future of the society, which I think is really exciting.

Finally...

Cara Lynch:

So we just came from a stress buster kickboxing session, and it was with a friend of mine, and we saw that the sun was setting and it was going to be a beautiful sunset, so we cycled as fast as we could to the Crags, to watch the sunset and it was obviously absolutely beautiful, and there was snow on the Pentlands, and that was definitely my best experience this year.