In 2013, Heriot-Watt was named Scottish University of the Year for the second year running by the London Sunday Times University Guide. This impressive distinction recognizes Heriot-Watt’s innovation, teaching excellence, research and first-rate facilities, as well as the employability of its graduates. The university is also an exciting and dynamic place — voted UK University of the Year for Student Experience, also in 2013.

Heriot-Watt is located in Edinburgh, home to the Scottish Parliament and the center of Scottish law, government and politics. Its many achievements include pioneering scientific research, from Alexander Graham Bell’s telephone to the cloning of Dolly the sheep.

Edinburgh offers you a wealth of entertainment from sports and cinema, to gardens, historic sites and clubbing. The city has magnificent architecture and a cosmopolitan feel — particularly during its world-renowned Edinburgh Fringe, the largest arts festival in the world. Heriot-Watt’s park-like, state-of-the-art campus, is ideal for study, living and recreation. You are just a short bus ride from the city center. For more information on Heriot Watt University, visit www.hw.ac.uk

“Heriot-Watt is a great school in the most amazing city I have ever seen. I loved experiencing a totally different way of life, and would go back in a heartbeat!”

— Bodhi Piedmont-Fleishmann
Environmental Engineering ’13

“My firm relies heavily on their engineers’ ability to adapt to other countries’ construction methods, building codes as well as their professional culture. Studying abroad at Heriot-Watt has been invaluable to me both academically and professionally.”

— Mary Ferguson
B.S. Civil & Environmental Engineering ’09
M.S. Stanford University ’11
**Academics:** Civil or Environmental Engineering majors must take two or three required and one or two elective courses and have a 2.5 or higher in their major. The recommended course load is four Heriot-Watt (H-W) courses. Civil Engineering students formulate a plan of study with Faculty Coordinator, Professor Ray Cook and Environmental Engineering students work with Faculty Coordinator, Professor James Malley.

**Housing and Meals:** Students normally seek out private apartments (and independent meals) in Edinburgh as on-campus accommodation at H-W is not guaranteed. There is a basic budget provided on the H-W Student Support and Accommodation webpage to estimate expenses. Often students do not have housing confirmed before leaving for H-W and must expect to arrive without having a permanent address. Once in Edinburgh, you’ll find systems in place to find off-campus housing and, occasionally, on-campus housing.

**Extra-Curricular Activities:** The H-W University Students Union is very active and plays a key role in bringing students together through a wide range of student-run clubs, societies and events. From the Computer Games Society to the Dance Club, there is something for everyone. The Center for Sport and Exercise (CSE) at the Edinburgh Campus is recognized as one of the best university sports centers in the UK. Facilities include sports halls, playing pitches, squash courts, gyms, fitness classes, physiotherapy, podiatry, sports massage, and sports science testing services.

**Tuition, Fees and Financial Aid:** UNH students pay their normal tuition and some fees, which is often the most affordable way to study abroad. UNH currently allows federal, state and institutional aid except work study to transfer for all UNH study abroad programs. Because each student’s financial aid package is unique, you will need to work with the UNH Financial Aid Office to learn how your financial aid will apply.

**Travel and Insurance:** Students purchase their flight independently. Visit the study abroad section of the CIE website for information about the UNH Insurance and Travel Assistance Program.

**Eligibility:** Students need to meet UNH study away eligibility requirements. Visit the study abroad section of the CIE website for details. Civil and Environmental Engineering students must confirm eligibility with their academic advisor and the appropriate faculty exchange coordinator.

**Application Deadlines:** A spring semester exchange, the deadline for the application at CIE is September 14. Ask Catherine D’Auteuil, the Coordinator of Student Programs for the official timeline.

**What next?** To find out more details about exchanges, attend a Study Abroad Information Session. Applications are available at the Heriot-Watt University information session, held early in the fall semester for studying abroad in spring 2016, or from Catherine D’Auteuil, Coordinator of Student Programs.