University of Nottingham: moving towards a global university

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Overview

• Background to the University’s International campuses
• Challenges faced
• Overcoming challenges
Spot the difference!
Setup

- British degree programmes from University of Nottingham
- Taught in English
- British approach to teaching
- Mirror programmes in UK
  - Inter-campus mobility
- Subject to same quality assurance processes
Student population

- UK, 33,944
- China, 5,257
- Malaysia, 4,360
Faculty Structure

- China
  - Faculty of Arts and Education
  - Faculty of Science and Engineering
  - Faculty of Social Sciences

- Malaysia
  - Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences
  - Faculty of Engineering
  - Faculty of Science
The Library
Challenges

Local requirements + UK requirements = Potential clash

Accreditations
Open Access
Copyright
Challenges: Collections

- Book ratio per student
- Space
- New vs historical collections
- Licences
Challenges: Information Literacy

- Different learning styles of students
- Second language
- Embedding in the curriculum
- Lack of support network
Overcoming challenges

- Skype calls
- Virtual attendance at professional events
- Sharing training material
- Developing re-purposable online material
- Joining relevant UK mailing lists
- Developing global collections
- Negotiations with publishers
Laptop loans

Laptops are available for loan in certain locations, for variable periods of time. Laptops on loan from the libraries may not be taken out of the building and are free to borrow from the Lending/Circulation Desk for 3 hour loan periods.

**UK**
- 24 hour access available in some locations
- **Computer room locations**
- Laptops available for library loans, 1 week loans and longer term loans
- **Further information on laptop loans**

**China**
- No 24 hours access
- **Computer room locations**
- Laptops available for library loans and summer loans (staff only)
- **Further information on laptop loans**

**Malaysia**
- 24 hour access available in some locations
- **Computer room locations**
- Laptops available for library loans only
- **Further information on laptop loan**

Printers and photocopiars

Print/copy/scan facilities are available across all campuses. At the start of the academic year all students are provided with a copy/print credit allocation. Once you have used all of this you can purchase more at library Lending/Circulation Desks and, where available, at payment kiosks, IT Service Points or via the University’s online payment gateway.
Summing up

- Exciting opportunities
- Raise profile of Nottingham

Challenges:
- Mirroring the UK
- Developing appropriate collections and access routes
- Supporting research
- Professional development of library staff