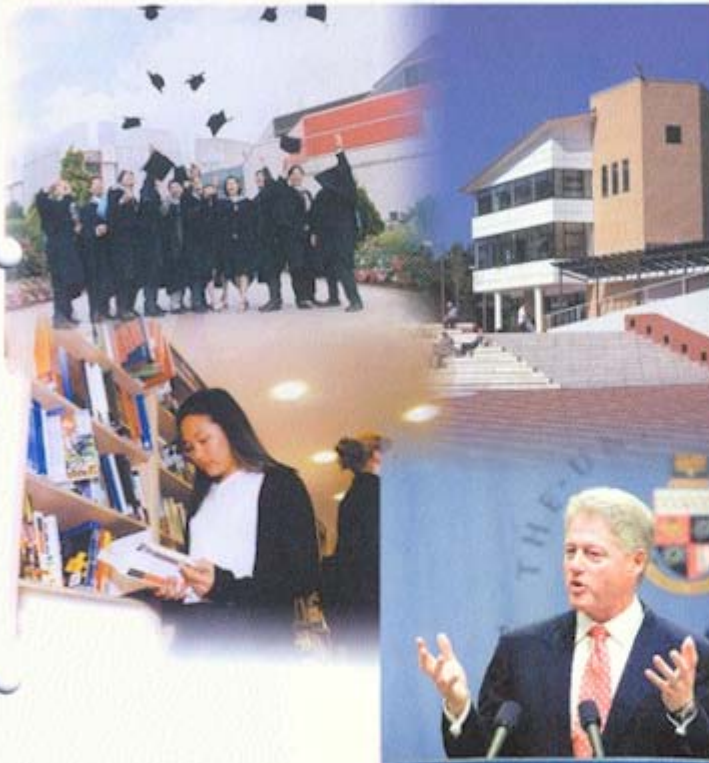


# Hong Kong

*Perspective*



UNIVERSITY OF  
WARWICK



from the **international**  
**office**

## Introduction

Warwick is now a leading British University, consistently ranked in the top ten universities in the UK. With over 15,900 students and 2,500 international students, it is known for being innovative, international and for its close links with industry and business.

## Graduate Profiles



**Lisa Marie Djeng, BSc in Economics (1995-98).**

Why did I decide to go to the University of Warwick? Its prestigious

reputation obviously made it stand out. It enjoys a high ranking overall as well as in many subjects including Economics that I wanted to study. I also knew that Warwick offered excellent teaching resources and facilities.

Once at Warwick, I realised its environment was indeed fantastic, with the right mix of learning and social events. Meeting friends from all over the world and learning about different cultures was one of the most valuable things I took away from Warwick. I was the Social Officer of the Chinese Society (1995-1996), Social Coordinator of the Singaporean Society (1996-1997) and a member of the Students' Union World Party Organising Committee (1997).

My impression of Warwick is that it is really committed to delivering the best learning atmosphere for its students to develop every tool required to achieve success in their chosen careers. Whether it's academic training, building a network of friends worldwide, or being exposed to cutting-edge technologies. In the course of assignments, we worked with new high-end technologies. You have to be able to pick up new skills quickly. It is this kind of challenge that makes Warwick so fulfilling. I also received excellent computer training and took part in presentation skill workshops. I was really impressed with the supportive study environment.

The option-based program of my Economics degree offered a lot of flexibility

in choice of courses. I took courses from the Warwick Business School, the Psychology Department and the Law School. There were many opportunities to learn and I took advantage of all. Lecturers and personal tutors and careers service officers were all friendly and supportive. They helped me tremendously in deciding on my future career path.

Upon graduation, I joined Price Waterhouse Coopers as a Graduate Associate in the Assurance & Business Advisory Service (ABAS), specialising in Consumer and Industrial Products, and obtaining my professional qualification. In 2000, I moved into the Investment Management industry and I am currently working in a fund management company as an Investment Analyst. I am involved in making investment recommendations and I go on company visits in Hong Kong, South Asia, Australia and Europe.

Here is my advice to prospective Warwick students: Get a clear sense of what your skills and interests are. Then you can match your own goals with what the University offers. There is also much to choose from. You need to be able to pick wisely!



**Eric Lee, BSc in Computer Science (1996-2000), MSc in Information Technology for Manufacture**

**(1999-2000).** I am currently working in Nortel Networks (Asia Pacific) as an operations supporter. This is my first job after my graduation from Warwick. I would like to share with you my wonderful experience as a student in Warwick, a place where you have every opportunity to develop your potential to the full.

If you are a keen sportsman like myself, you will enjoy your sports life at Warwick. The sports facilities on campus are excellent for players at any level. A number of Warwick sporting teams are among the top in the UK.

My own sports specialities are snooker and badminton. After winning some local

snooker championships, I captained the Warwick Snooker Team into the national semi-final in 1997. I was then lucky enough to have been selected as one of the England Universities representatives. I was also part of the Warwick badminton team which, in 1997, sealed a crucial victory in the British Universities final. By being involved in these sports, I had the chance to meet with many professional sportsmen, to train and compete with them in a friendly yet serious atmosphere.

The varied Warwick campus life provides a good training ground for students to develop different skills. I joined the Warwick Chinese Society and thoroughly enjoyed being a disc jockey. The experience was certainly fantastic training in public speaking and a confidence booster too. On the other hand, my role as Chairman to a society has provided me with lots of valuable opportunities to plan, lead and to interact with other students.

After receiving my first degree in Computer Science, I decided to stay on in Warwick for another year, to pursue a Master degree and hence better equip myself in the field of information technology. I did not think of going elsewhere knowing that Warwick postgraduate programmes enjoy a high reputation in both teaching and research quality.

What have I got after spending four years at Warwick? I have had a brilliant time. I have made some great friends. I also have two good degrees. Together with the old skills I have picked up, those four years have undoubtedly prepared me well for my career.

Choosing where to pursue a degree is an important and yet hard decision. I had wanted to go to a place that would enable me to develop fully my potential, not only academically, but also socially. I am glad I chose the University of Warwick.



**Yvonne Leung, BSc in Management Science (1984-87).**

I knew early that I wanted to pursue a career in the area of business

management. I chose Warwick because of its scenic and modern campus, and because Warwick Business School enjoys a high reputation.

My course was demanding and I remember I spent a lot of time in both the Library as well as the Computer Centre. I still have vivid memories of the Computer Centre where I used to spend many late evenings. Though in the mid-1980's use of computers

is not as common as it is now, Warwick's computing facilities and equipment were terrific. If I encountered any technical problems, there were plenty of 'experts' around who were willing to lend a helping hand. I did not think much about it at the time, but the computer skills that I acquired there proved to be invaluable in my future career.

Another place that I frequented was the cafe beneath the Library. My friends and I used to gather there between lectures, or simply after a hard 'work out' at the Library. For me chatting with friends while drinking a cup of hot chocolate was one of my favourite ways to relax.

Currently I am working as a portfolio manager at Towry Law (Asia) HK Limited, which is the Asian arm of the UK listed company, Towry Law plc. Although I left Warwick over 10 years ago, I still feel very much connected to Warwick through involvement in the Warwick Alumni in Hong Kong. The official name of the Alumni is Warwick University Students Association Hong Kong (WUSAHK) and I have been serving the executive committee since its establishment in 1994.

The knowledge and skills acquired during my three years at Warwick were immensely useful in my career but most important of all, I have made many lasting friends at both Warwick and now in WUSAHK. I am very proud to be part of

the Warwick family and I hope the Warwick network will continue to strengthen both locally and globally. The Warwick bond certainly does not end upon graduation.

### Scholarships available to students from Hong Kong (SAR)

#### The British Chevening Scholarships

The highly prestigious British Chevening Scholarships are available to students in the fields of Law, the MBA or Politics and International Relations only. For more information, please contact the British Council in Admiralty.

### EducationUK - University Representative Office



Ms Pamela Wood



Ms Nancy Chui

EducationUK are the official representative of the University of Warwick in Hong Kong. The office is staffed by a team of three dedicated counsellors all of whom have been to the UK and have extensive knowledge of living and studying in the UK. Ms Nancy Chui is the University of Warwick

counsellor and is herself a Warwick Industrial Economics graduate speaking English, Cantonese and Mandarin. Ms Pamela Wood is the office Director and has extensive knowledge of a range of UK universities.

EducationUK are able to provide comprehensive and friendly advice on any aspect of study at Warwick, from how to apply for a course to where the best places are to shop. The extensive counselling library is equipped with all the latest University of Warwick brochures, along with UK study guides, videos and even bus timetables to campus.

The office is conveniently located on the 13<sup>th</sup> floor of Orion Tower at the top of Wyndham Street near the junction with Hollywood Road in Central. EducationUK organise regular counselling sessions and seminars with staff from the University of Warwick. For a full schedule of visits by Warwick academics, please contact EducationUK on email at: [nchui@educationuk.com.hk](mailto:nchui@educationuk.com.hk)

### The Warwick pre-departure briefing



The University organises a pre-departure briefing in August, for all those students from Hong Kong who have accepted a place to study at the University of Warwick. The briefing is led by Nancy Chui, Warwick representative at EducationUK and a member of staff from the University, and is comprehensive, covering issues as diverse as, what to bring with you to the University, to how expensive mobile phones are in the UK. The event is always well attended and parents are also welcome to attend.

## Frequently Asked Questions

**Q** How long will I study for?

**A** The length of study is usually three years for an undergraduate program (although this may be four years for Masters programmes or those which have an inter-calated year or a year overseas.) Masters programmes are one year and PhDs usually take between 3 and 4 years.

**Q** Can I work during my study?

**A** Yes. As a result of government regulations international students studying in the UK are entitled to work up to 20 hours a week during term-time and full-time during vacations. Students no longer need to obtain permission from the Home Office or Job Centre in order to work part-time. More details about working in the UK are included in our Welcome Guide which you will receive on confirmation of accepting a place at Warwick.

**Q** What about accommodation?

**A** The university guarantees on campus accommodation to all single, unaccompanied overseas fee paying undergraduate students for their first year and final year and guarantees University accommodation to all new single unaccompanied overseas postgraduates in their first year of study. All rooms on campus should be networked for internet access from October 2001. Many rooms are offered on a thirty-nine week or fifty week letting period for students who would like to remain on campus during the vacations.

**Q** What if I have more questions?

**A** If you have more questions not covered by this brochure, please contact the EducationUK office on email at: [nchui@educationuk.com.hk](mailto:nchui@educationuk.com.hk) or check out the main university web site at [www.warwick.ac.uk](http://www.warwick.ac.uk) or the International Office web site at: [www.warwick.ac.uk/services/international](http://www.warwick.ac.uk/services/international)

The Your Invitation to Warwick brochure and the Welcome Guide also go into extensive detail about every aspect of study at Warwick.

THE TOP TEN UK RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES	
University of Cambridge	6.36
London School of Economics & Political Science	6.15
University of Oxford	6.09
University of Warwick	5.82
Imperial College of Science, Technology & Medicine	5.48
University College London	5.32
University of Edinburgh	5.05
University of Lancaster	5.04
University of York	5.00
University of Bath	4.97

Source: The Guardian Newspaper October



## The International Office



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