

ESOL Development Day

Tuesday, 11 March 2025

**Gower College Swansea, Sketty Hall Business
School,
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ESOL+




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ESOL Overview


- Approx. 800 learners
- Approx. 80% are asylum seekers & refugees
- 25 teaching staff
- 7 different levels from Pre-Entry to Level 2
- Provision based across 3 sites –
Llwyn y Bryn, Kingsway and Tycoch




Hisham Saeed
Different
Past: Shared
Futures Award
Inspire! Award Winner

“It doesn’t matter how old you are, where you’re from or what your background – getting an education or skills training will give you a second chance.”

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 Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

 Cymorth Rhyngwladol Ewrop
European Social Fund



ESOL+

- Background
- Development
- Subjects: Business, Engineering, Hairdressing, Health & Care, Supporting T&L in Schools, Visual Arts



“I absolutely love working as a bus driver. Practically, the exam wasn’t too difficult, but the theory test was hard. I wouldn’t have been able to do the interview without my English skills. I owe my career to the ESOL classes.” **Walid Albuqai**



ESOL+ progression 22/23

- **44** learners progressed from ESOL+ to these courses:
 - GCSEs, Pre-A level, A level
 - Pre-Access and Access courses in Health and Care, Engineering, Science
 - Digital Literacy, Literacy and Numeracy
 - Engineering and Built Environment
 - Hairdressing and Beauty
 - Teaching & Education - Supporting T&L in Schools, Teaching Academy
 - Creative, Visual & Performing Arts
 - Catering and Hospitality
- 14 on Level 1 (12 com); 24 on Level 2 (22 com) and 6 on Level 3 (4 com)
- **38** learners successfully completed (**86%**).



ESOL+ progression 23/24

- **76** learners progressed from ESOL+ to these courses:
 - GCSEs, Pre-A level, A level
 - Accountancy (AAT)
 - Pre-Access and Access courses in Business, Health and Care, Engineering, Science
 - Computing
 - Digital Literacy, Literacy and Numeracy
 - Engineering and Built Environment
 - Hairdressing and Beauty
 - Teaching & Education - Supporting T&L in Schools, Teaching Academy
 - Creative, Visual & Performing Arts
 - Catering and Hospitality
- 19 L1 (18 com); 38 L2 (35 com); 18 L3 (17 com) and 1 L4 (0 com)
- **70** learners successfully completed (**92%**)

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- Future plans



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Adult Learning Partnership Swansea

Adult Learning Partnership Swansea Membership



The provision of adult learning in Swansea is co-ordinated through the Adult Learning Partnership Swansea (ALPS). The main adult learning funded by the Welsh Government is delivered by the Council's Lifelong Learning Service and Adult Learning Wales. Gower College Swansea provides a programme of adult courses delivered using part-time further education funding. The partnership brings together a range of other organisations providing adult learning including Swansea University, University of Wales Trinity Saint David's, Swansea Council for Volunteer Service (SCVS) and Learn Welsh - Swansea Bay Region.



Swansea ALPS Highlights

- Sharing good practice events
- Website
- Progression opportunities throughout partnership
- Partnership events i.e. airshow, open evenings etc.
- Taster sessions in Adult Learners week
- ALPS celebratory event and Inspire Awards
- UNESCO City of Learning – 10 years
- Established UK Learning City Network 2025



Adult Learners Week and Inspire Awards

Addysg Oedolion Cymru / Adult Learning Wales

Adult Learners' Week Free Taster Sessions

Discover your passion for learning, improve your skills and boost your confidence with our range of free taster sessions. These taster sessions will be held at our Llwyn Y Bryn Campus and the surrounding community libraries, please see a full list below:

Session	Time	Date
Gowerton Library		
Sashiko Stitching	10.30 am - 12.30 pm	Tuesday 10 September
Introduction to Peg Weaving	1.30 pm - 3.30 pm	Tuesday 10 September
Online Safety	10.30 am - 12.30 pm	Wednesday 11 September
Photos - Organising and Backing Up	1.30 pm - 3.30 pm	Wednesday 11 September
Gorseion Library		
Sashiko Stitching	10.30 am - 12.30 pm	Monday 9 September
Introduction to Peg Weaving	1.30 pm - 3.30 pm	Monday 9 September
Manage Your Passwords	10.00 am - 12.00 pm	Tuesday 10 September
Shopping Online Safety	12.30 pm - 2.30 pm	Tuesday 10 September
Morriston Library		
Online Safety	10.30 am - 12.30 pm	9 September
Photos - Organising and Backing Up	1.30 pm - 3.30 pm	9 September
Shopping Online Safety	10.00 am - 12.00 pm	9 September
Managing Your Passwords	12.30 pm - 2.30 pm	9 September
Sashiko Stitching		
Introduction to Peg Weaving		

Sesiynau Blasu Am Ddim Wythnos Addysg Oedolion

Datgwybach eich awgrydd am addysgu, gwelwch eich sgiliau a rhoewch hwb i'ch hyder trwy fynychu ein sesiynau blasu. Dyddi y sesiynau hyn yn cael eu cynnal ar Gampws Llwyn Y Bryn a'r llyfrgellau cymunedol cyfagos:

Session	Time	Date
Llyfrgell Treorfa		
Pwytho Sashiko	10.30 am - 12.30 pm	Dydd Llun 9 Mehe
Cyflwyniad / Swyddu Gwladol Peg	1.30 pm - 3.30 pm	Dydd Llun 9 Mehe
Diwydion Cymunedol	10.30 am - 12.30 pm	Dydd Mawrth 10 Mehe
Rheoli Eidd Cyfnewidiadau	1.30 pm - 3.30 pm	Dydd Mawrth 10 Mehe
Sgiliau Ar-lein yn Ddiogel	10.30 am - 12.30 pm	Dydd Mawrth 11 Mehe
Pwytho Sashiko	1.30 pm - 3.30 pm	Dydd Mawrth 11 Mehe
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Inspire Awards – Guildhall Swansea





Launching the UK Learning City Network





Launching Swansea Learning Festival 2025





Swansea Learning Festival 2019



<https://youtu.be/z8lXxv-BffQ?si=lDgzrxn0j4PpQ5Tl>



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Mae Abertawe'n dathlu deng mlynedd fel Dinas Dysg UNESCO drwy gynnig blwyddyn o gyfleoedd dysgu am ddim drwy gydol 2025.



Ewch i'n tudalen Facebook am ragor o ddiweddariadau. Rydym hefyd yn falch o lansio Rhwydwaith Dinasoedd Dysg UNESCO cyntaf y DU ar 24 Ionawr.



Swansea celebrates ten years as a UNESCO Learning City with a year of free learning opportunities throughout 2025.



Visit our Facebook page for updates. We are also proud to launch the first UK UNESCO Learning City Network on January the 24th.

