The work of the University of Reading straddles local, national and international boundaries. Increasingly, in an ever-more globalised world, it is the University’s international profile that is defining our reputation.

To ensure that Reading remains a successful university with the reputation to attract the best students and staff, research funding and business engagement, Reading is working hard to build on and further develop its international activity and partnerships.

Much of Reading’s research is undertaken by our academics in collaboration with peers at institutions in other countries, on the ground in other countries or in response to international dilemmas.

We attract staff from throughout the world, and they, along with thousands of our international alumni, bring a lot to our communities and take positive impressions and contacts back to their own countries, flying the flag for Reading and the Thames Valley.

The University of Reading’s Student Tutoring Scheme
- The scheme has been running for twenty years, matching students with the needs of local primary and secondary schools.
- This year alone almost 300 students have volunteered across 41 schools, providing over 4,000 hours of support to teachers and pupils.
- International students make up one quarter of all student volunteers.
- Many use their native language in 1:1 support for children with little English or to support modern language teaching.
- Since the scheme’s launch in 1992, over 4,400 students have volunteered in local schools.

‘The students have added a new dimension to lessons. They have been overwhelmingly enthusiastic and reliable, and have assisted our pupils in many different ways. It is lovely for our pupils to have input from these young, dynamic volunteers.’

Caroline Starkey, Head of Mathematics, Kendrick School

The University of Reading will be opening a campus in Malaysia to ensure we have a presence in South East Asia. The campus will bring increased awareness of Reading and the Thames Valley to a (very) fast developing economy.

As the University develops its profile internationally, we will take pride in being a flagSHIP for the region, confident that on the back of our research and teaching, we will help develop international diplomatic, business and cultural links and support the regional economy.

Key facts
- The University of Reading is ranked among the world’s top 1% of universities.
- Our first international student arrived from Kenya in 1904.
- Our international students make a financial contribution of £26 million to the University.
- International students each spend over £6,000 in the local economy every year.
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