

Oceans Past X conference

25 – 28 June 2024, University of Exeter's Cornwall Campus, Penryn

Accommodation and catering guide

Campus accommodation

We have reserved 30 ensuite rooms on Penryn campus, just a few minutes' walk from where the conference sessions will be held.

Rooms will be charged at **£45.00 per night** and are available from Mon 24th June with options to depart either on Fri 28th or Sat 29th June.

All bedrooms are priced per room per night and occupancy is a maximum of two people per room. We will need the names of all guests (including those who are not attending the conference) for fire safety purposes. Most rooms are double beds with some rooms set up as twin beds. We will do our best to provide you with the room set up you request but we can provide no promises for shared rooms.

The price does not include breakfast but guests can purchase their own breakfast on site, or there is a communal kitchen shared between rooms and a campus shop selling basic food stuffs.

Timing of check-in is from 16:00 and check-out is no later than 10:00 hours.

Accommodation will be first-come, first served basis. **Payment in full** must be made for your booking to be reserved. **Booking and payment must be made by 10 May 2024**. Cancellation with a full refund will be possible until 25 May 2024, after which we will do our best to refund your accommodation if you have to cancel, but cannot promise a full refund. **A booking link and further details on booking options will be provided in the coming weeks.**

For more details including pictures of the accommodation, see <https://cornwall-plus.co.uk/stay/accommodation/>.

Accommodation in Penryn and Falmouth

There are lots of options for accommodation in Falmouth or Penryn, but be sure to book early for the most options and deals, as June gets very busy. Falmouth is the larger town with access to Gyllynvase, Castle, and Swanpool beaches (<https://www.visitcornwall.com/things-to-do/beaches/gyllynvase-beach>), piers, Pendennis Castle, shops and harbours, while those staying in Penryn will experience a pretty but small town/village focused around a working harbourside, with fewer amenities but situated close to campus. Both towns have regular bus services and taxis travelling to campus and between Falmouth-Penryn.

Accommodation includes hotels such as [St Michael's Hotel and Spa](#), the [Greenbank Hotel](#) and [Falmouth Hotel](#). Lots of smaller accommodation (fully or partially catered) can be found if you search for 'B&B Falmouth UK' (B&B=Bed and Breakfast) or [AirBnB](#). **Reasonably priced accommodation books up fast in the summer months so be sure to book in advance.** Also be sure not to accidentally book accommodation in Falmouth, Massachusetts!

On campus catering

For those staying on campus the Stannary (see map in travel guide) sells hot and cold breakfasts. There are other catering options on campus and cafes open from 9am for tea and coffee. The registration fee covers conference tea/coffee/snacks in the mornings and afternoons, and lunch every day. On Tuesday evening there will be a poster session with a bar and hot and cold food, included in the price of registration. Thursday evening there will be a picnic banquet (at extra cost, see registration fees) at the National Maritime Museum. Other evenings are free with plenty of options for exploring Penryn and Falmouth. Suggestions for evening food options are below.

Evening food options

Harbour Lights, Arwenack Street, Falmouth TR11 3LH; 01326 316934

Fancy fish 'n chips while sitting in a traditional British pub overlooking the harbour? A favourite for Falmouth locals, students and visitors alike, Harbour Lights is open 7 days a week and is situated above 'The Front' pub, which allows you to bring food (from Harbour Lights or anywhere else you fancy) as long as you buy a drink!

The Boathouse, Beacon Street, Trevethan Hill, Falmouth TR11 2AG; 01326 315425

A 300-year old Freehouse selling food and drinks with a wonderful view over the Fal estuary.

The Greenbank Hotel (and Working Boat bar), Harbourside, Falmouth, Cornwall, TR11 2SR; 01326 312440

Several restaurants serve food in and around the Greenbank Hotel. With their private pontoon for hotel and restaurant visitors arriving by boat you know you're close to the water.

The Chainlocker, Quay Street, Falmouth, TR11 3HH; 01326 311085

Downstairs houses a 16th century pub (one of Falmouth's oldest buildings, probably) with plenty of historic photos and memorability to keep you entertained, while upstairs hosts a restaurant with superb views.

The Chic Pea, 28 Arwenack St, Falmouth TR11 3JB

Ruth's personal favourite and another good option for takeaway enroute to the Front pub, a falafel and smoothie bar.

Indidog Eatery, 28 Market Street, Falmouth, Cornwall, TR11 3AT; 01326 450699

Another venue that requires advance booking due to its location next to the water (located on the harbour wall of Fish Strand Quay) in central Falmouth.

Beerwolf Books, 3 Bells Ct, Falmouth TR11 3AZ

A special mention as they do not serve food, but if you fancy browsing books while drinking beer and appreciating historic décor, this pub should not disappoint.

Pizza Pls, Bohl's Yard, St Thomas St, Penryn TR10 8JP; 01326 761255; hello@pizzapls.com

Delicious, freshly made pizzas in a cozy location in the heart of Penryn. One to book ahead if you have a large group. They also do takeaway.

Verdant Brewing Co. Taproom, Parkengue Kernick Industrial Estate, Penryn TR10 9EP; 01326 619117

Another pizza place but (importantly) this is attached to a taproom with a large range of locally crafted beers. Takeaway is also an option and the brewery is a short walk from campus.

Muddy Beach Café, Jubilee Wharf, Penryn TR10 8FG; bookings@muddybeach.com; 01326 374424

Great breakfasts and lunches. Situated at the bottom of the hill in Penryn overlooking the top of the harbour, time your trip for high tide if you want to see more water and less... mud.