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Project:

Integrated security system

Client:

Cardiff University

Value:

£350,000 (installation) plus £60,000 per annum (maintenance)

Overview:

Founded by Royal Charter in 1883, Cardiff University has long been recognised as one of Britain's leading teaching and research universities. Combining impressive modern facilities and a dynamic approach to teaching, the university attracts a large student population from a variety of backgrounds, from across Wales, the rest of the UK and world-wide.

Providing a safe environment in which students can live and study is a major priority for the university's management. CDS was appointed following a tender process to install an integrated electronic security system across several residential and teaching sites which are spread throughout the centre of the capital city.

Project description

In order to meet the specific requirements of the University with regard to coverage, flexibility, cost and ease of use, CDS selected a complex integrated security system which incorporated analogue CCTV technologies, a networked digital video recording system and a networked, multi-site access control system for extra security.

At the client's request, CDS integrated these various systems into one unifying platform, to allow for more simple management of the system and to save on control room and monitoring costs. CDS created a single, purpose-built control room with enough operator consoles for four concurrent operators to monitor the security systems.

As part of the contract, CDS continues to provide preventative and corrective maintenance service work at the university. This is necessary to ensure the system remains fully operational at all times and so protect not only the welfare of thousands of students and staff but also the high capital value of the many pieces of unique equipment the university houses.