

**EVALUATION OF HOW WALES PROMOTES AND
ENGAGES WITH ISSUES OF GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP
AND HUMAN RIGHTS FROM A POLICY AND
PRACTICE PERSPECTIVE.**

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BACKGROUND INFORMATION OF WALES



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Visit Wales (2019)

Wales is a country filled with traditions , culture and heritage.

Population – 3.1M

National Day – 1st March , ST. David's day

National symbol – Dragon , Daffodil and leek

Languages – Welsh and English

Six cities – Cardiff (capital) , Swansea , Bangor , Newport, St . David's and St. Asaph



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WHAT IS GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP ?

Oxfam education (2020)

A global citizen is someone who is aware and understands the wider world and takes an active role in the community .

United Nations Schools (2020)

A global citizen is someone who cares about the world they live in. They actively support causes they believe in and work with others to make a positive impact on the planet.



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WHAT ARE HUMAN RIGHTS ?

Equality and human rights commissioner (n/d)

- basic rights and freedoms every person has from birth till death
- Regardless of who you are and where you are
- These rights can be taken away from someone e.g crime or public interest

Basic human rights protected by Human Rights Act (1998)

Citizens advice (2020)

There are thirty articles of human rights

Examples of human rights are : the right to life , the right to freedom of religion and belief and the right to respect for private and family life .



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EDUCATING PEOPLE ABOUT GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP

Smith (2016)

In Wales, Global citizenship is not a stand alone subject and is taught through PSE ,ESDGC and the Welsh Baccalaureate.

Global citizenship in education is an attempt to try and get students to understand political literacy. The aim is for students to recognise and understand citizenship in their community and on a wider scale .



WALES AND THE UNITED NATIONS

United Nations (2020)

The United Nations was founded in 1945 and has 193 members. The mission is to work on the guided purposes and principles. 2020 marks the 75th anniversary of the United Nations

United Nations Wales Association (2020)

The United Nations Wales Association supports the UN's vision of a peaceful world that is just, sustainable and human rights are fully respected

GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP IN WALES :POLICY

The wellbeing for future generations act (2015)

Future Generations commissioner of Wales (2020)

Require public bodies to think about their long term actions . To ensure they work together to prevent poverty ,health inequalities and climate change.

Seven well being goals

Unique to wales – inspiring other countries

five key ways of working –

- Longterm, integration , involvement ,collaboration ,prevention

GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP IN WALES : MEDIA

News

27th January

Prestatyn primary school retains top eco award

By Terry Canty



Eco leaders for the school Lisa Graham and Caroline Van Niekerk celebrate with some of the Eco Council pupils.



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Sustainability at heart of university teaching

HUMAN RIGHTS IN WALES : POLICY

Equality and human rights commissioner Wales (2018)

- The commission in Wales strives for equality and human rights for all
- Eliminate discrimination, reduce inequality and create a fair chance to participate in society
- Senedd research (2017)
- Children and Young Person's Rights Measure 2011 - Highlights Welsh ministers responsibility with UN convention of the right of the child
- The Social Services and Well-being Act - Welsh ministers responsibility to the elderly
- Government of Wales Act 2006 and the Wales Act 2017 – explain that ministers can't make decisions that do not comply with human rights legislation



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HUMAN RIGHTS IN WALES

Senedd research 2017

Everyone in Wales is protected by the European court of human rights , health research authority and European law . Also, some Welsh Laws are linked to international human right laws



HUMAN RIGHT ISSUES WALES : CREATING A FAIRER WALES



Equality Human Right Commission (2018)-

Summary found – Wales is improving with education , work and political / civil participation

Socio-economic disadvantage- most people in Wales are reliant on Welfare. Rising employment but does not guarantee a standard of living

Disabled people falling further behind – one in five pupils have additional learning needs . Disabled people's employment in Wales are less than half of those for non-disabled people

Race inequality persists in Wales – 75% of hate crimes were reported in Wales in 2017/2018 which were based on race/ religion. Ethnic minority groups experience high levels of violence that can be felt in the local area which can create isolation

WESTERN VS EASTERN VIEWS ON GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP AND HUMAN RIGHTS

Comparing Wales and Poland

Poland perspective citizenship education Leek (2016)

- Based on a framework of world centred perspectives within a national context
- purpose is to create citizens who are members of the world and community but do not have to give up their national identity
- consider global problems as well as their own countries . Provides the view that everything is linked in terms of local and global problems

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Poland and Human Rights: Human rights Watch (2020)

- The Polish government undermines law concerning human rights and freedom of speech . Judges and prosecutors face disciplinary action if they stand up for this rule
- Funding for organisations on women's rights and migration have had their funding cut
- LGBT community is regularly under attack with some towns now declared " LGBT free zones "
- Refusal of asylum seeking

SUMMARY OF GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP AND HUMAN RIGHTS IN WALES

To conclude :

Wales is trying to educate people about global citizenship and human rights

There are plenty of policies and legislation in place to ensure everyone is protected

However, more can be done to improve Wales and how they tackle issues such as race inequality, disability and socio- economic issues .

Western countries seem to be better off than Eastern .



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