



**APPLYING FOR
SCHOOL COLLEGE
COURSE**

Ayrshire College

Three main campuses



Kilmarnock Entrance Area



Role of School College Partnership

To provide a broad range and depth of subjects, qualifications, skills and experience to:

- Get a job in a field you wish to work in
- Achieve an apprenticeship
- To progress to further / higher level of study
- Develop existing skills to further your career

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SCHOOL COLLEGE PARTNERSHIP

- Courses start in June and finish at the end of April
- Tue/Thu
2:00 - 4:00 or 2:00 - 5:00
- Attendance may be required during exam leave in May
- Travel to and from college is organised through school



BENEFITS

- Student card
- Access to LRC and printing
- Access to gym facilities (induction required)
- Use of restaurants
- Use of salons
- Help with full-time college applications
- Independent learning
- Meet students from other schools with same interests
- Expand social life
- Adult environment
- Use of technology and equipment not available in school
- Raise awareness of progression opportunities
- References

THE SCOTTISH CREDIT AND QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK

This Framework diagram has been produced to show the mainstream Scottish qualifications already credit rated by SQA and HEIs. However, there are a diverse number of learning programmes on the Framework, which, due to the limitations of this format, cannot be represented here. For more information, please visit the SCQF website at www.scqf.org.uk to view the interactive version of the Framework or search the Database.



SCQF Levels	SQA Qualifications			Qualifications of Higher Education Institutions	Apprenticeships & SVQs
12				Doctoral Degree	Professional Apprenticeship
11				Masters Degree, Integrated Masters Degree, Post Graduate Diploma, Post Graduate Certificate	Graduate Apprenticeship Professional Apprenticeship SVQ
10				Honours Degree, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate	Graduate Apprenticeship Professional Apprenticeship
9			Professional Development Award	Bachelors / Ordinary Degree, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate	Graduate Apprenticeship Technical Apprenticeship SVQ
8		Higher National Diploma		Diploma Of Higher Education	Higher Apprenticeship Technical Apprenticeship SVQ
7	Advanced Higher, Awards, Scottish Baccalaureate	Higher National Certificate		Certificate Of Higher Education	Modern Apprenticeship SVQ
6	Higher, Awards, Skills for Work Higher				Modern Apprenticeship Foundation Apprenticeship SVQ
5	National 5, Awards, Skills for Work National 5				Modern Apprenticeship SVQ
4	National 4, Awards, Skills for Work National 4	National Certificate	National Progression Award		SVQ
3	National 3, Awards, Skills for Work National 3				
2	National 2, Awards				
1	National 1, Awards				

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Level 4

- Steps to Work Award: Hair & Beauty
- Skills for Work Early Education and Childcare
- Introduction to the Construction Industry
- Skills for Work: Uniformed Services
- NPA Professional Cookery
- Skills for Work: Automotive
- NPA Software Development
- SVQ Level 1 Performing Engineering Operations



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Level 5

- Skills for Work: Early Education & Childcare
- Skills for Work: Renewable Energy – **Kilwinning Campus and Ayr Campus**
- NPA Hospitality
- NPA Digital Media with Film Making – **Ayr Campus**
- SVQ 2 Performing Engineering Operations(infill to Full time)
- Mental Health & Wellbeing Award
- NPA Sport & Fitness (Football)



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Level 6

- Art Portfolio & Print Making (including life drawing) - **Ayr Campus**
- NPA Criminology - **Kilwinning and Ayr Campus**
- NPA Psychology
- NPA Acting & Performance - **Ayr Campus**
- NPA Production Arts - **Ayr Campus**
- NPA Children & Young People - **Kilwinning and Ayr Campus**
- NPA Software Development
- NPA Sound Production - **Ayr Campus**
- NC Oral Health Care (infill to Full Time – **Kilwinning Campus**)
- Foundation Apprenticeship Electrical Engineering - **Kilwinning Campus**
- Foundation Apprenticeship Aeronautical Engineering - **Ayr Campus**

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WHAT IS A FOUNDATION APPRENTICESHIP?

- Two year level 6 Apprenticeship which is completed through S5 and S6 as part of your school timetable
- Courses run on a Tues/Thurs from 2:00-5:00
- It is the same level as a higher qualification and recognised by employers, colleges & universities
- You will gain an industry recognised qualification as well as your school qualifications
- Gain work experience with an employer
- Get a head start in your career
- Boost your CV or application for college or university



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***Level 7 HNC (infill
to Full time)***

- HNC Applied Sciences
- HNC Architecture with Sustainability – **Ayr Campus**
- HNC Cyber Security – **Kilwinning Campus**
- HNC Electrical Engineering - **Kilwinning Campus**
- HNC Mechatronics - **Kilwinning Campus**
- HNC Hospitality and Operations - **Kilwinning Campus**
- HNC Sports Coaching & Development

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WHAT IS AN HNC (*infill*) ?

- A Full Time course which pupils can infill to as part of their school timetable
- It is the same level of learning as an Advanced Higher
- You will attend college two full days per week alongside your other school subjects
- There is no end of year exam as assessments are ongoing throughout the year.
- You will be required to complete a Graded Unit which is project based and is graded according to your knowledge and skills.
- If completed successfully this will gain you entry to an HND College Course and possible University (depending on entry requirements).

Entry requirements

- **Level 4 – no formal qualifications**
- **Level 5 – 4 or 5 National 4 qualifications**
- **Level 6 – 4 or 5 National 5 qualifications**
- **Level 7 – 1 or 2 Higher Qualifications**

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What's next?

- Applications for School-College Courses are open from the 16th of January and close on the 26th of March
- You should discuss with your Guidance Teacher before making your application
- Each course has a different selection process which you will be informed about after you make an application
- An explanation of each selection process is explained on the website under the School-College Courses – Apply. You will find a handbook at the top of the page -
<https://www1.ayrshire.ac.uk/media/10400/interview-handbook.pdf>

Questions?

- If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch using the contact details below -

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