

HIGHER EDUCATION ENTRY GUIDE 2025-26

This annually updated guide has been developed to support Skills Development Scotland (SDS) staff and teams with collated HE dates and details for:

- University admission & entry criteria (ones to watch out for)
- Pathways between College & Universities – Articulation (entry to 2nd / 3rd year)
- UCAS Key Dates 2025-2026
- UCAS Discovery Day's Scotland - dates & locations
- University Open Days – live & online insight options, Articulation routes from college (if available), value placed on Foundation Apprenticeships for entry & if the university has Graduate Apprenticeships

All information is from public sources and can be used, adapted and shared.

If any of this is of value to a customer or partner, please pass it on.

All dates and links are accurate at time of release - 30 April 2025

Open Day dates will be checked and refreshed in August 2025 in time for the next academic year

If you notice anything that requires corrections, please contact Lynn using the email below.

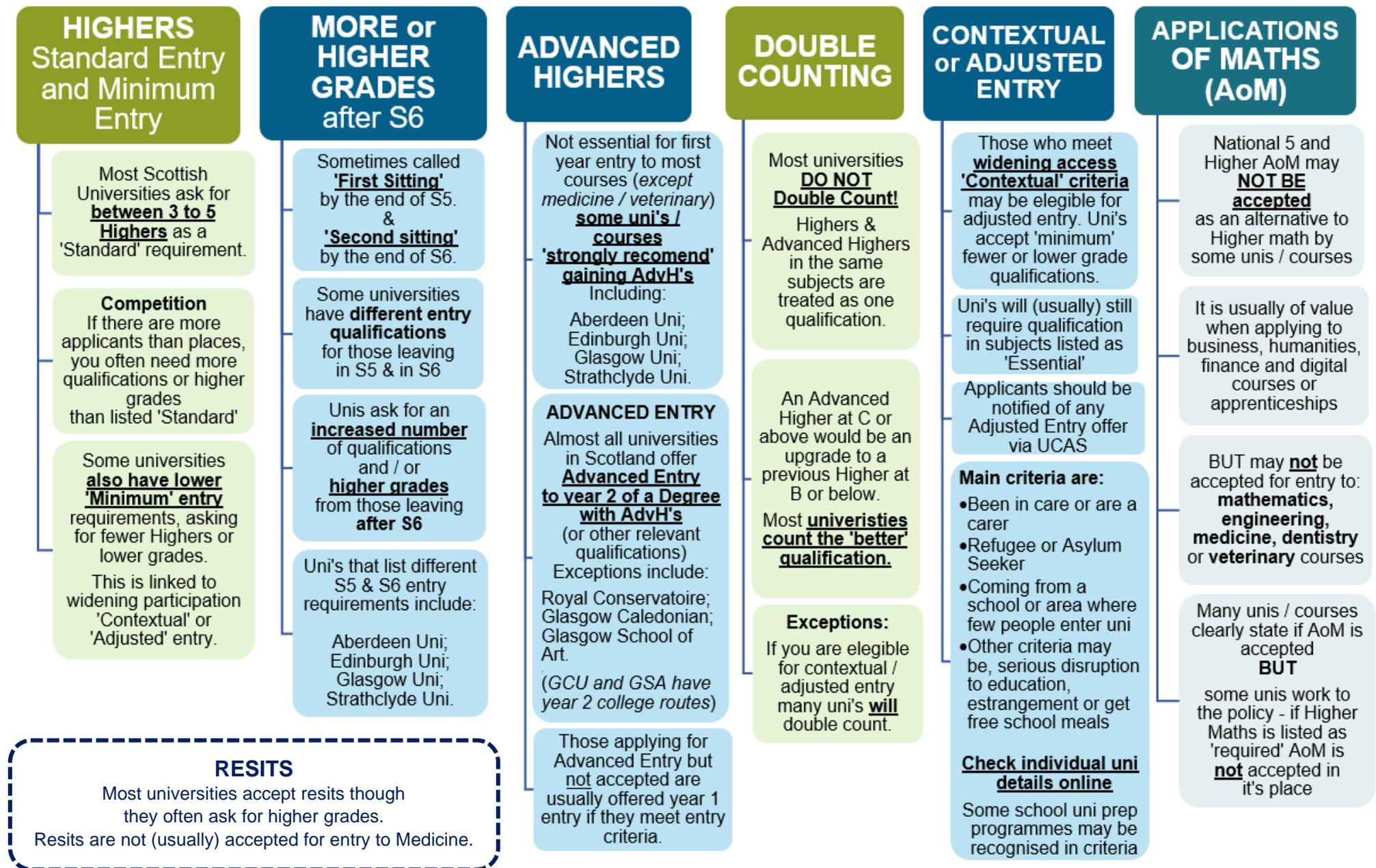
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UNIVERSITY ADMISSION & ENTRY CRITERIA 2025-2026

Each university sets its own entry criteria often reflecting levels of difficulty within a course OR competition for places. While it is essential to research and compare individual course entry criteria, it's helpful to be aware of these common entry policies.



PATHWAYS BETWEEN COLLEGE & UNIVERSITY 2025-26

What is Articulation?

There are various routes between college and university. Some colleges & universities have 'Articulation Agreements'. 'Articulation' lets you progress from an HNC straight into the 2nd year of a degree (1+3) or from an HND into the third year of a related degree (2+2).

In 2022-2023, 8,790 students entered university first-degree courses with an HNC/HND qualification.

Over 50.7% of those students went straight into 2nd year (with HNC) or 3rd year (with HND).

This is known as Articulation with Advanced Standing.

SOURCE: Scottish Funding Council (SFC) [Widening Access Report 2024](#)

FINDING ARTICULATION PATHWAYS

College / University websites and prospectuses often have information on their Articulation options and partnerships (see links below)

There is currently one online tool that lets you view multiple articulation option in one place:



www.pathways.ac.uk/

Web page where you can explore pathways between college courses and university degrees, includes these universities:

- Abertay University
- Edinburgh University
- Edinburgh Napier University
- Heriot-Watt University
- Kingston University (delivered Edinburgh College)
- Queen Margaret University Edinburgh
- St Andrew's University
- Stirling University
- The Open University

UNIVERSITIES NOT COVERED BY PATHWAYS

Almost all universities have Articulation options, here are links to some university Articulation information areas:

University of the Highlands & Islands (UHI) Coming from College	Dundee University Articulation routes for Life Science , Humanities & Environmental Science	Aberdeen University Entry from College	Robert Gordon University Degree Link	Glasgow University Widening Participation HNC Articulation
Glasgow Caledonian University College Pathways	Strathclyde University Entry from College	University of the West of Scotland (UWS) College to Uni	Glasgow School of Art Advanced Entry	Open University (OU) Articulation agreement between SQA and OU

NOTE: Royal Conservatoire of Scotland (RSC) Almost all student coming from college start in 1st year due to the practical nature of the courses



More info on ['College to university: Articulation routes'](#) in My World of Work & under 'ARTICULATION' in the Open Days pages 7-15 for individual institution

KEY DATES – 2025 Entry

	Date	Action
	30 June 2025 By 6pm	Applications after this date automatically enter Clearing Students can monitor all progress by logging into their UCAS Hub
	5 July 2025	Clearing officially opens and vacancies are displayed
	24 September 2025 by 6pm	Final date for applications to 2025 courses
	TBC (October)	Final date for adding Clearing choices.

KEY DATES – 2026 Entry

	Date	Action
	29 April 2025	UCAS search tool displays 2026 courses.
	13 May 2025	UCAS Undergraduate application open for 2026 entry. Students can monitor progress by logging into their UCAS Hub
	10 July 2025	UCAS Conservatoire applications open for 2026 entry. Conservatoires can start making decisions on applications right away.
	2 September 2025	Completed applications can be submitted to UCAS. Universities & colleges can start making decisions right away.
	2 October 2025	Final date for Conservatoire music applications. Dance, drama or musical theatre courses may have different deadlines – check conservatoires' websites for details. Contact them if deadline passed.
	15 October 2025 By 6pm	Final date for applications for Oxford, Cambridge and most medicine, dentistry & veterinary medicine/science. Reference must have been completed.
	14 January 2026 By 6pm	Applications for majority of courses should be sent to UCAS by this date. (Including most Conservatoires) Reference must have been completed.
	26 February 2026	Extra 2026 Opens. If you have used all 5 choices on your original application and do not have an offer, you can add another choice. (Extra closes 4 July 2026)
	30 June 2026 By 6pm	Applications after this date automatically enter Clearing Students can monitor all progress by logging into their UCAS Hub
	5 July 2026	Clearing officially opens and vacancies are displayed
	24 September 2026 by 6pm	Final date for applications to 2026 courses
	19 October	Final date for adding Clearing choices.

MUST REPLY TO UNIVERSITIES & CONSERVATOIRES BY DBD

If you receive an offer or offers following your UCAS application, you must reply by the **decline by default (DBD)** date or offer will be removed

CONSERVATOIRES	Offer Received before:	Must Reply by DBD
	14 May 2025 09 July 2025 01 August 2025	03 June 2025 29 July 2025 10 September 2025
	08 January 2026 12 March 2026 14 May 2026 07 July 2026 01 August 2026	10 February 2026 07 April 2026 02 June 2026 29 July 2026 08 Sept 2026
UNDERGRADUATE	Offer Received before:	Must Reply by DBD
	14 May 2025 17 July 2025	05 June 2025 23 July 2025
	31 March 2026 13 May 2026 15 July 2026	06 May 2026 03 June 2026 22 July 2026

UNIVERSITIES & CONSERVATOIRES MUST REPLY BY RBD

Universities must decide on any UCAS application by the **reject by default (RBD)** date or application is automatically declined

CONSERVATOIRES	Applied before:	Uni Must Reply by RBD
	14 May 2025	03 June 2025
	01 May 2026 02 June 2026	06 July 2026 29 July 2026
UNDERGRADUATE	Applied before:	Uni Must Reply by RBD
	29 January 2025 30 June 2025	13 May 2025 16 July 2025
	14 January 2026 30 June 2026	12 May 2026 14 July 2026

UCAS

Find out more at: [UCAS.com](https://www.ucas.com) or [Application deadlines](#)

Follow UCAS on social media to stay connected



Exploring Higher Education 2025

UCAS Discovery Days	Dates 2025	Further information – see UCAS Discovery Exhibitions & Discovery Day Guide
Forth Valley	Wednesday 28 August	University of Stirling, Stirling – 9.30am-3pm
Edinburgh	Tuesday 2 September	Royal Highland Centre, Edinburgh - 9.30am-3pm
Aberdeen	Wednesday 3 September	Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen - 9.30am-3pm
Glasgow	Tuesday 9 September	SEC Centre, Glasgow - 9.30am-3pm
Lanarkshire	Wednesday 10 September	University of the West of Scotland (UWS), Lanarkshire Campus - 9.30am-3pm
Ayrshire	Thursday 11 September	Ayrshire College, Ayr Campus - 9.30am-3pm
Moray	Wednesday 17 September	University of Highlands & Islands (UHI) Moray, Elgin - 9.30am-3pm
Inverness	Thursday 18 September	University of Highlands & Islands (UHI) Inverness - 9.30am-3pm
Fife	Tuesday 23 September	Carnegie Conference Centre, Dunfermline
Borders	Wednesday 24 September	Borders Event Centre, Kelso - 10am-2pm
Dumfries & Galloway	Thursday 25 September	Easterbrook Hall, Dumfries - 9.30am-2pm
Dundee	Tuesday 30 September	Dundee and Angus College, Gardyne Campus
Stornoway	Thursday 2 October	Stornoway Town Hall, Stornoway



UCAS Subject Spotlights

Explore tasters and virtual lectures via UCAS Hub – see [About Springpod Subject Spotlight](#) or go to [Subject Search](#)
 Many **Scottish universities** have virtual tours and online subject intros – see next section Open Days ‘ONLINE’ links.

University of Sanctuary Dundee University Dundee admissions policy	DUNDEE CAMPUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dentistry Open Day - Tuesday 17 June, 10am-2pm • Mini Open Day – Tuesday 17 June, 12-4pm • Medicine Open Day – Wednesday 2 July 8.30am-2pm • Open Day – Saturday 27 September / Saturday 25 October (both 9am-5pm) • Bookable Campus Tours - in-person, bookable Monday's up to 30 December 2024 (2:30-3:30pm)
	ONLINE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • University of Dundee Virtual Tour • Follow the University of Dundee - Facebook; X; Instagram; YouTube
	Articulation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dundee Uni offers 1+3 Articulation routes; you need to go into individual course entry requirements and select 'I am studying: HNC/HND' to view 2nd year entry options. • There are 3 courses listed as delivered with a college partner: Dundee & Angus MA Humanities / BSc Life Sciences / BSc Environmental Science
	FA for Entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to x1 higher at A, excluding Medicine & Dentistry. For more Apprenticeship.Scot Exploration Tool
	GA's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate Apprenticeship Opportunities linked to Business, Engineering, and IT
University of Sanctuary University of Edinburgh Edinburgh admissions policy	EDINBURGH CAMPUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday 20 June • Saturday 4 October • Saturday 25 October • Campus visits – you can book student-led tours or download a self-guided audio tour
	EDINBURGH COLLEGE OF ART (ECA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ECA will participate Open Day with an additional Open Day Monday 2 June to coincide with the ECA Graduate Show
	ONLINE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • You can sign up for Events mailing list including online information events or go on a Virtual Tour • Medicine & Veterinary Medicine have a small set of introductory and lecture videos • Follow Edinburgh University – Social Media Directory
	ARTICULATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Edinburgh have no formal articulation partnerships, but do offer 2nd year entry to a range of Science & Engineering Degrees and many Art & Design degrees. They also have HNC (Edinburgh College) route to MA Health in Social Care and HNC (West Lothian College) route to MA Learning in Communities - see www.pathways.ac.uk
	FA for entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to x1 higher at A see Edinburgh FA webpage for full details. For more on where an FA can lead see Apprenticeship.Scot Exploration Tool

<p><u>Edinburgh Napier University</u></p> <p><u>Understanding Napier entry requirements & Terms & Conditions</u></p>	NAPIER CAMPUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday 20 September • Saturday 1 November • Live Campus Tours ongoing bookable tours of Craiglockhart, Merchiston and Sighthill campuses
	ONLINE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Napier have a Virtual Tour and Student Chat plus mini lectures for Engineering & Quantity Surveying • Follow Edinburgh Napier University - LinkedIn; Instagram; Facebook; X; TikTok; YouTube; Bluesky; and Reddit
	<u>ARTICULATION</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Napier has an Associate Student Scheme with guaranteed places within School of Computing via – Borders, Dundee & Angus, Edinburgh, Forth Valley, Fife & west Lothian - and in the School of Engineering & the Build Environment via – Borders, Edinburgh, Forth Valley, Fife & West Lothian Colleges. Also See articulation course listings on www.pathways.ac.uk
	FA for entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to 1 higher at A. For more Apprenticeship.Scot Exploration Tool
	GA's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate Apprenticeship Opportunities in Engineering, Construction, Business Management and IT, including Software, Cyber Security & Data Science
<p><u>University of Sanctuary</u></p> <p><u>University of Glasgow (UoG)</u></p> <p><u>Admissions Guidance & University regulations</u></p>	GILMOREHILL CAMPUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday 19 June • Wednesday 3 September • Saturday 18 October (all 9am-3pm) • Campus Tour – ongoing bookable campus live tours with Student Ambassadors or self-guided tours
	DUMFRIES CAMPUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday 4 October 11am-3pm (Social & Environmental Sustainability / primary education with teaching) • Campus Tours – small-group, scheduled guided tours of the campus
	ONLINE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Studying Medicine Information Session for parents, carers & guardians – Tuesday 4 June, 6.30pm • Uni Buddy chat to speak to staff and students, student Blogs and recorded student Q&A on YouTube • Follow the University of Glasgow – Bluesky; Facebook; Instagram; X; YouTube
	<u>ARTICULATION</u>	<p>UoG have agreed HNC Articulation route with college partners for entry to 2nd year of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • BSc Life Sciences from: Glasgow Kelvin; West College; Glasgow Clyde; Ayrshire; & South Lanarkshire • MA Arts & Social Sciences (not Psychology) from: Glasgow Clyde; West of Scotland & City of Glasgow. • BEng Engineering from: Glasgow Kelvin College or Ayrshire College <p>Introduction of new articulation routes if part of UoG Widening Participation approach</p>
	FA for entry	Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to 1 higher at A. Excludes Law, Medicine, Dentistry & Vet Medicine.
	GA	Glasgow University Graduate Apprenticeship Opportunities in Software Engineering

<p><u>Glasgow Caledonian University (GCU)</u></p> <p><u>Admissions policies</u></p>	<p>GLASGOW CAMPUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday 5 September, 10am-2pm • Saturday 4 October, 10am-2pm • Ongoing bookable Campus Tours (Glasgow & London Campus tours)
	<p>ONLINE</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual Information Sessions (all 5.30-6.30pm): What is Clearing & Still Time to Apply, Wednesday 18 June; How to Prepare for Open Days, Wednesday 27 August; UCAS Applications & Personal Statement Hints & Tips, Wednesday 29 October; Why GCU could be for you, Wednesday 3 December. • Virtual Tour – Glasgow Campus • Ask a Student UniBuddy chat • Follow GCU: Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn; TikTok; X; YouTube
	<p><u>ARTICULATION</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GCU Articulation courses are called ‘Pathways’, they have 12 Pathway courses where you study for 2 years at college then one to two years at GCU. Also see GCU College Connect
	<p>FA for entry</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to x1 higher at B. For more Apprenticeship.Scot Exploration Tool
	<p>GA’s</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GCU Graduate Apprenticeship Opportunities in Business Management (option with Hospitality or HR), Accountancy, Cyber Security, software Development, AI & Data Science, Engineering & Construction.

<p><u>Heriot-Watt University</u></p> <p><u>Fair Access Policy</u></p>	<p>EDINBURGH CAMPUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday 27 September 10am-4pm • Saturday 25 October 12-6pm (booking open from April) • Bookable campus tours and self-guided tour and video are available
	<p>BORDERS CAMPUS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday 10 October / Friday 7 November both 10am-3pm (booking open from April)
	<p>ONLINE</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explore Edinburgh Campus includes a virtual tour and has self-led Campus Trails • Explore Orkney Campus has a short video tour (International Centre for Island Technology) • Follow Heriot-Watt University – Bluesky; Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn; TikTok; X; YouTube
	<p><u>ARTICULATION</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30 courses with articulation routes via college HNC/HND listed on www.pathways.ac.uk • HW has an Associate Student Scheme with Forth Valley College for 3rd year entry to Engineering or Brewing & Distilling Degrees. There is also Associate Student Degree paths from Edinburgh College.
	<p>FA for entry</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to x1 higher at A. For more Apprenticeship.Scot Exploration Tool
	<p>GA’s</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate Apprenticeship Opportunities in Business Management (option with Finance) Engineering, Construction, Software Development & Data Science.

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>University of the Highlands & Island (UHI)</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">UHI policies & Admission process T&Cs</p>	UHI INVERNESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Information & Application Day - Saturday 17 May 10am-2pm Open Day – Wednesday 6 August, 11am -3pm
	UHI MORAY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Performing Arts Drop In - Tuesday 13 May 4.30-6.30pm / Monday 9 June 4-6pm (Out of the Darkness Theatre Company, Elgin) / Friday 25 June 2-4pm / Friday 8 August, 10am-12o’c Interactive Healthcare Drip In – Tuesday 10 June 4-6pm Open Day – Saturday 8 November 10am-2pm / Thursday 8 January 2026 / Thursday 26 March 2026
	UHI PERTH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Results Day Drop In - Wednesday 6 August, 2-4pm Open Day – Saturday 4 October, 10am-2pm
	ONLINE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Graduate Apprenticeship BA Early Learning & Childcare Information Event – Tuesday 27 May 7-8pm Follow UHI - Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn; X; YouTube
	<u>ARTICULATION</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> UHI has internal articulation paths - articulation routes agreed with UHI college - and articulation agreements with 9 non-UHI colleges across Scotland. Part of UHI <u>widening access framework</u> priorities
	FA for entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to 1 higher at B, but recognition varies for different types of FA, most are recognised as equivalent to x2 Higher by UHI. See Apprenticeship.Scot <u>Exploration Tool</u>
	GA’s	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>UHI Graduate Apprenticeships</u> in Business Management, Engineering, Construction, Learning & Childcare. Planning to offer Software Development, Accountancy and Design Manufacture
<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Queen Margaret University Edinburgh (QMU)</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">QMU Admissions policy</p>	QMU CAMPUS EDINBURGH	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Saturday 28 September Saturday 25 October <u>Campus Tour</u> ongoing bookable student led campus tours
	ONLINE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Experience QMU portal</u> includes virtual campus tour and course ‘Experience’ case studies and videos <u>‘Ask a Student’</u> – student stories and option to email questions direct to students Follow the University of – Bluesky; Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn; TikTok; Threads; X; YouTube
	<u>ARTICULATION</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> QMU share their Articulation options on www.pathways.ac.uk and have a <u>list of FE college partners</u>. <u>QMU Associate Student Scheme</u> with West Lothian and Newbattle Abbey for entry to Psychology & Sociology and with Fife Colleges for Media, PR & Marketing linked degrees. You are in a degree from day one, but initially based in college before moving to guaranteed BSc or BA degree at QMU (entry requirement for all Associate Student routes CCC at Higher or equivalent) From 2024 they validate <u>BA International Hospitality, Events & Tourism Management</u> delivered at Glasgow College allowing HND students to progress to 3rd year (SCQF 9) with full access to QMU.
	FA for entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to x1 higher at A. For more Apprenticeship.Scot <u>Exploration Tool</u>
GA’s	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Unconfirmed if <u>Graduate Apprenticeship in Business Management</u> is available in 2025. Contact QMU 	

<p><u>Robert Gordon University (RGU)</u></p> <p>RGU policies including recruitment & admissions</p>	<p>RGU CAMPUS ABERDEEN</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday 28 August • Saturday 25 October • Saturday 22 November • RGU Discovery Days on campus (<i>not UCAS Discovery Day</i>) – Saturday 10 May 10am – 2pm • Campus Visits – Wednesday or Friday 12-2pm until Friday 31 October
	<p>ONLINE</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RGU Virtual Tour • Chat to RGU staff & students • Follow Robert Gordon University - Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn; TikTok; X; YouTube
	<p><u>ARTICULATION</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RGU work closely with – North East Scotland (NEScol), Dundee & Angus, Fife, City of Glasgow, Glasgow Clyde, and Forth Valley Colleges –with details on all HNC/HND ‘Degree Links’ and transition support. They accept articulation applications from other colleges and have an Associate Student Scheme
	<p>FA for entry</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to x1 Higher at A or x2 higher at B. RGU accepts all FA subjects, but if the degree requires Higher subjects, FA cannot replace. Apprenticeship.Scot Exploration Tool
	<p>GA’s</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RGU Graduate Apprenticeship Opportunities in Engineering, Construction, Business Management, Accounting, Cyber Security and Data Science (<i>good GA page with information, case studies and videos</i>)
<p><u>Royal Conservatoire of Scotland (RCS)</u></p> <p>RCS policies admissions in General Policy menu</p>	<p>RCS CAMPUS GLASGOW</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Music – Thursday 15 May (10am-5pm) • Education – Monday 19 May (10am-3pm) • Sign up for notifications.
	<p>ONLINE</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Distance Learning Discovery Sessions: Tuesday 20 May 10am / Monday 3 June 10am for: Med Learning & Teaching in Arts; MA Psychology in Arts (music); MA Arts Leadership & Fundraising; MA Creative Arts Practice • Follow the RCS - Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn; TikTok; X; YouTube
	<p>Articulation</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RCS accepts applicants from colleges but rarely offers Advanced Standing – applications for entry to 2nd or 3rd year are considered on a case-by-case basis. To support widening participation they created a student Transitions Zone and Widening Access to Creative Industries (WACI) youth programme.
	<p>FA for entry</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to x1 higher at A. For more Apprenticeship.Scot Exploration Tool

University of Sanctuary St Andrews University Admissions policy	ST ANDREWS CAMPUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday 11 October • Wednesday 29 October • Wednesday 5 November • Talk & Tour student led tour and Q&A with admissions staff and Self-guided tour available
	ONLINE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Online visiting day -Wednesday 21 May • Undergraduate ONLINE Events – like ‘Study at St Andrews’ and ‘Tea & Talk’ online • Explore St Andrew’s ONLINE virtual tour • Follow the St Andrews - Facebook; Instagram; X; YouTube
	ARTICULATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FE-HE Pathways into Faculty of Arts degrees from HN Social Science courses or entry to 2nd year of BSc Science from an HNC Applied Science. Partner colleges are Fife and Dundee & Angus. St Andrews is on www.pathways.ac.uk. (+have a ‘Gateway to...’ programme to support wider access)
	FA for entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to x1 higher at A in Faculty of Arts and Science for non-science subjects, excluded medicine. For more see Apprenticeship.Scot Exploration Tool
University of Stirling Admissions policy	STIRLING CAMPUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday 20 September • Saturday 1 November - register for updates
	ONLINE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual open Day – Wednesday 8 October • Virtual Tour is available anytime • Follow Stirling uni on - Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn; TikTok; X; YouTube
	ARTICULATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stirling has an Articulation listing with over 30, degree subjects and is on www.pathways.ac.uk
	FA for entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to x1 higher at B, excludes Law and if applying for Engineering only Civil or Engineering FE is recognised. For more Apprenticeship.Scot Exploration Tool
	GA’s	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate Apprenticeship Opportunities - BSc Data Science
University of Strathclyde Admissions policy	STRATHCLYDE CAMPUS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday 2 September • Saturday 4 October (register for updates)
	ONLINE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bookable 1hr Campus Tours, Virtual tour and chat with students • Follow Strathclyde uni - Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn; TikTok; X; YouTube;
	ARTICULATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strathclyde has a list of Formal Articulation routes and feeder colleges, including Engineering Academy pathways to BEng or MEng courses and link with 7 college partners
	FA for entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to x1 higher at B. Excludes Law. If applying for Engineering, only FA in Civil or Engineering will be recognised. For more see Apprenticeship.Scot Exploration Tool
	GA’s	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate Apprenticeships in Business Management, IT Management, IT Software Development, Cyber Security, Civil Engineering and Deig & Manufacture Engineering

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>University of the West of Scotland (UWS)</u></p>	LANARKSHIRE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday 7 June
	DUMFRIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday 12 June
	PAISLEY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday 14 June
	AYR	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday 21 June
	ONLINE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual Campus Tours of Paisley, Lanarkshire, and Ayr Campuses • Follow UWS - Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn; X; YouTube; Weibo
	ARTICULATION	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Almost all UWS course have advanced entry options, they have 10 college partners and an Associate Student Scheme. See UWS College to Uni Guide 2025
	FA for entry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to x1 higher at A. For more Apprenticeship.Scot Exploration Tool
	GA's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Graduate Apprenticeship Opportunities, in Business Management, Project Management, Engineering, Childcare, Software Development, Operating Department Practitioner (with NHS) and Town Planning <p>Upcoming GA insight webinars:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engineering Design & Manufacture webinar – Thursday 22 May, 10-10:45am • Business Management webinar – Thursday 29 May, 10-10:45am • Data, AI and Software webinar – Thursday 5 June, 10-10:45am

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Scottish Rural College (SRUC)</u></p> <p>Flexible entry requirements & admissions policy</p>	ABERDEEN CAMPUS	Veterinary Science (all AM or PM)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday 14 June • Saturday 16 August • Saturday 8 November
		Vet Nursing & Animal Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 11 June • Wednesday 13 August • Wednesday 8 October • Wednesday 19 November
		Rural Land Use	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 4 June • Wednesday 6 August • Wednesday 15 October • Wednesday 12 November
	OATRIDGE CAMPUS	Vet Nursing & Animal Care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday 2 May • Friday 21 November
		All other subjects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday 9 May • Friday 3 October • Friday 14 November

SRUC continued	ELMWOOD FIFE CAMPUS	Horticulture Taster Day S4-S6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday 15 May • Wednesday 18 June
	EDINBURGH CAMPUS		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 11 June • Wednesday 13 August • Wednesday 1 October • Wednesday 12 November
	BARONY DUMFRIES		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday 15 May • Thursday 14 August • Thursday 9 October • Thursday 27 November
	ONLINE		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aberdeen Veterinary Science online UCAS Application Event – Thursday 25 September 2025 • Personalised Virtual Tour Experience or see Podcasts & Videos channels • Follow SRUC - Facebook; X; Instagram; LinkedIn; YouTube
	Articulation		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SRUC has its own internal HNC and HND progression pathways but also accept qualifications from other institutions for advanced entry to most courses.
	FA for entry		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to x1 higher at A. More Apprenticeship.Scot Exploration Tool
	MA's		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Modern Apprenticeship (MA) course are available via SRUC, GA's are not offered here.

<u>Glasgow School of Art (GSA)</u> How to apply	GSA CAMPUS		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GSA Open – year-round on-campus and virtual events or sign up to GSA mailing list
	ONLINE		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GSA Virtual Tour on Vimeo • Follow the GSA - Facebook; Flickr; Instagram; LinkedIn; Threads; X; Vimeo; YouTube;
	<u>ARTICULATION</u>		<p>GSA have 2 Articulation Agreements with Associate Student Schemes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Forth Valley College for entry to BDes Sound Production and BDes Sound for Moving Image • Glasgow Clyde College for entry to School of Fine Art, School of Design (except Interaction Design & Product Design Engineering) and School of Innovation & Technology for Product Design only.
	FA for entry		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foundation Apprenticeships equivalent to x1 higher at A. For more Apprenticeship.Scot Exploration Tool

OPEN UNIVERSITY (OU) is not covered as they do not have a traditional open day model. OU has open recognition of all Foundation Apprenticeships and [Articulation pathways](#) from HNC and HND courses to related OU degrees.

ADDITIONAL HE RESEARCH & SUPPORT SOURCE



[DISCOVER UNI: www.discoveruni.gov.uk](http://www.discoveruni.gov.uk)

UK and Scottish University data for individual courses. You can look up and save multiple courses to compare student experience, entry data or post study employment & earnings:

NOTE: Entry data is shown as UCAS Tariff points. You can work out how many points Scottish qualifications are worth using the [UCAS Tariff Calculator](#)



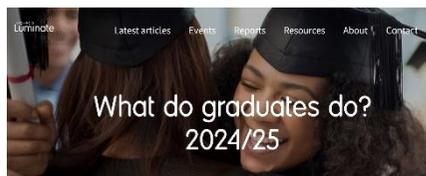
[INTRODUCTION TO WIDENING PARTICIPATION IN SCOTLAND](#)

SCAPP resource designed for practitioners working in widening access (WA), widening participation (WP) and outreach. Of value to anyone who wants to better understand the support, tools and activities employed to widen participation in Higher Education.



[UNI TASTER DAYS - www.unitasterdays.com](http://www.unitasterdays.com)

Search for university events by school name or postcode. Access over 80 videos to introducing different university subjects, they also have a [Jargon Buster](#), and annually updated student and parent HE guides.



[PROSPECTS LUMINATE - https://luminate.prospects.ac.uk/](https://luminate.prospects.ac.uk/)

Insight into UK graduate experience and post-study opportunities. Their annual [‘What do graduates do?’](#) resource analysing HESA graduate destinations data 15 months after leaving, can support conversations about where a degree may lead. **NOTE:** HESA data is also used in Discover Uni