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West of Scotland



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of Glasgow

# Top-Up Programme

**The Top-Up Programme has been working with schools in the west of Scotland since 1999, preparing pupils who are considering applying for further study at college or university to apply, gain entry and succeed.**

S5 and S6 pupils take part in 10 in-school sessions between November and March and a campus session, participating in a lecture, seminar, lab and student life workshop. Pupils also complete a written assignment from a choice of 5 academic subjects.





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# Supporting Access to General Subjects

By taking part in the **Top-Up Programme** you will enhance your skills in:

- Time Management
- Critical thinking and debating
- Critical reading and effective note-taking
- Taking part in a lecture and note-taking
- Preparing for and participating in a seminar
- Planning, researching and completing a written assignment

You will be graded for your on-course performance and receive a “Student Profile” and certificate of completion. Successful participants may benefit from an **adjusted offer of entry** to the University of Glasgow and the other FOCUS West partner institutions. Universities across Scotland may also take Top-Up performance into account when considering your application.

As well as aiding application and admission, the skills gained on Top-Up enable pupils to **succeed as students** in university or college.

**Top-Up** is the University of Glasgow's main contribution to **FOCUS West**. We work with all FOCUS West schools and other selected target schools in partnership with Local Authorities.

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