SENIOR PHASE COURSE OPTIONS

GREENFAULDS HIGH SCHOOL

Level 5 Courses 2024-2025

(Ungraded Courses—Assessed in School)

Sports Leadership

Mental Health & Criminology

Modern Language for Learning, Life and
Work: French/German/Spanish

NPA: Business & ICT Travel and Tourism

Course title	Sports Leadership
Course level	Level 5
Entry requirements	A pass in National 5/Higher PE would be advantageous. Pupils involved in coaching outside of school would be ideal candidates for this course.
.	S5 and S6 pupils involved in leadership activities or who wish to develop leadership skills.
What the course entails	The Leadership Award aims to encourage learners to respect the cultures and beliefs of others through working cooperatively with them and through valuing their contribution.
	The Award encourages learners to develop knowledge of leadership styles, skills, and qualities and to understand the impact a leader can have on others and on the success of an activity.
Assessment	This course consists of two Units: Leadership: An Introduction Leadership in Practice
	Pupils must work independently and research topic areas to fulfil the assessment conditions.
What the future can bring	Other qualifications in sport or related areas. HNC Sports Coaching and Development Further study, employment or training.

Course title	Mental Health and Criminology
Course level	Level 5
Entry	N4 pass in English. N4 pass in a social subject/biology also beneficial.
recommendations	
	 The course consists of three units: Understanding Mental Health Issues Influences on Mental Health and Wellbeing Coping Strategies and Building Resilience
What the course	The award aims to: reduce stigma surrounding mental health reduce stigma surrounding mental health
involves	arm young people with healthy coping strategies
1	 promote knowledge of the impact of mental health on behaviour dispel myths surrounding mental health
	 promote understanding of positive and negative impacts on mental health
	 help individuals to make the right choices
	 promote understanding of the potential uses and impact of social media and the internet
	create resilience
Assessment	Continuous assessment throughout the year. A mixture of open-book and closed- book assessments.
	The level 5 award could provide progression to:
	SCQF level 6 / QCF level 3 qualifications
	an NC in Health and Social Care
What the future can	 an SVQ 2/Modern Apprenticeship in Social Services and Healthcare
bring	 employment in the care sector
	These Awards provide opportunities to develop:
	 Core Skills (which underpin all National Certificates)
7	• transferable skills

Course title	Mental Health & Criminology
Course level	Level 5
Entry	National 4 in any Social Subject and/or National 4 in English
recommendations	
	The course covers three units:
	Crime in the Community – this unit looks at the different categories of crime and how the media report it. The unit examines the rates of crimes within North Lanarkshire and Glasgow. And examines how society tackles crime, for example, alternatives to custody and prison.
What the course	Crime Scenes – this unit looks at the importance of securing a crime scene and the role of the First Attending Officer. It examines the different types of evidence that needs to be secured at a crime scene.
involves	The History and Development of Criminology – this unit looks at how criminology emerged as an area of study in social sciences starting with issues like witchcraft and demonology. The unit then moves onto examine how criminology influenced how society understands crime and punishment, for example, the development of prisons, the biological, the psychological and sociological understanding of crime.
Assessment	The unit is assessed through a combination of open book and closed book assessments.
What the future can bring	This course can open many doors, for example, if you are interested in a career with the police or the prison service. It is also useful if you are interested in studying the social sciences.

Course title	Modern Language for I French/German/Spanis	Learning, Life and Work:
Course level	Level 5	
Entry recommendations		el 3 or 4 in Modern Language in Life upils should have a pass at National ne in S4)
What the course involves	tinue their language journey withe The Award provides you with the skills in combination with leaders guage skills which you can apply greater understanding of your ow aspects of life in different countries	vn and other cultures by comparing es. The main purpose of this award and relevant contexts for life and
Assessment	Writing, Listening & Talking is done in	Assessment of the four skills of Reading, class on an ongoing basis. The Level 5 upported throughout by their teachers.
What the future can bring	Linguists are known for their communi	 cation skills which are highly sought after nguages lead to a wide range of careers Human Resources Teaching Translation & Interpretation Policy & Research Health – International Agencies, such as 'Médecins sans Frontières' (MSF)

Course title	NPA: Business & ICT
Course level	Level 5
Entry	None
recommendations	The course involves the study of the following 4 units:
	Understanding Business:
	Give an account of the key objectives and activities of small and medium-sized business organisations
	Apply knowledge and understanding of factors that impact on the activities of small and medium-sized business
	Management of Marketing & Operations
	Apply knowledge and understanding of how marketing function contributes to the success of small and medium-sized business
1	Apply knowledge and understanding of how operations function contributes to the success of small and medium-sized business
What the course involves	IT Solutions for Administration
	Use a spreadsheet application to interpret a given brief
	Use advanced function of a relational database to interpret a given brief
	Communication in Administration
	Use technology to extract information and be able to evaluate sources of information
	Use advanced functions of technology to prepare and communicate information by interpreting a given brief, to convey a professional
	image
	Assessment will be continuous throughout the year and will include written, oral and presentation of information to demonstrate understanding. Candidates will demonstrate their depth of understanding in order to secure a pass at either level 5 or level 6
What the future	On successful completion of the course, candidates can move on to study NPA: Business & ICT at Level 6 or use the knowledge to gain employment in the Business, Administration & ICT sectors
can bring	

Course title	Travel and Tourism
Course level	Level 5
Entry recommendations	N4 in Travel and Tourism or other N4's. Some experience with IT and Geography can be helpful.
What the course involves	You will be researching destinations within Scotland, UK and beyond and recommending relevant attractions within each. You will also be creating holiday itineraries for customers, keeping up to date with what is trending in travel as well as the impacts that tourism has in popular areas!
	This course also encourages you to consider how employable you are, what skills do you have and how these compare to the careers in the Travel and Tourism industry and beyond. Lastly, it considers the key aspects of customer service and complaints handling.
Assessment	This is assessed throughout the year (all course work based) and there is no final exam. There are 4 units; Scotland, UK and Worldwide, Employability and Customer Service. Within each unit there are individual tasks (outcomes) to be completed in class on laptops.
What the future can bring	This course provides you with excellent research, IT skills and employability skills that are a must in any career. You will be working quite independently so this course prepares you well for going on to college or the world of work where the responsibility is placed on you.

National 5 Courses 2024-2025

Application of Maths

Art and Design

Ealain agus Deilbh (Art and Design through the medium of Gaelic)

Eachdraidh (History through the medium of Gaelic)

Dance

Drama

English

French

German

Spanish

Gaelic (Learners)

Gàidhlig

Health Sector

Laboratory Skills

Maths

Media & Literacy

Music

Music Technology

Philosophy

Practical Cookery

Practical Craft Skills (Metalwork)

Practical Electronics

Course title	Application of Maths
Course level	Level 5: National 5
Entry recommendations	National 4 Applications of Mathematics or National 4 Mathematics.
	Applications of Mathematics (National 5) has 3 Units:- Managing Finance and Statistics, Geometry and Measures and Numeracy. • Managing Finance and Statistics – develops skills that focus on
	the use of mathematical ideas and valid strategies that can be applied to managing finance and statistics in real-life contexts which may be new to the learner. This includes skills in analysing financial positions, budgeting as well as organising and presenting data to justify solutions and/or draw conclusions.
What the course involves	• Geometry and Measures – develops skills that focus on the use of mathematical ideas and valid strategies that can be applied to geometry and measurement in real-life contexts which may be new to the learner. This includes skills in analysing and using geometry and measures to determine and justify solutions to real-life problems.
	Numeracy - develops numerical skills in number processes and information handling to solve problems in the context of money, time and measurement.
1	Pupils will be continually assessed throughout the course.
Assessment	To gain the award of the course, the learner must pass the course assessment. The course assessment will consist of two components: Component 1 – question paper (Non-calculator), Component 2 – question paper (Calculator). These papers will be set and marked by SQA. Course assessment will provide the basis for grading in the course award.
What the future can bring	

Course title	Art and Design
Course level	Level 5: National 5
Entry recommendations	Working towards a National 5 English
	The course has three components – two practical and one written critical.
What the course involves	The course provides a broad, investigative, and practical experience of art and design. Learners will develop a knowledge of art and design practices by studying artists and designers and their work. They also develop an understanding of expressive and design processes through working on their portfolios. Learners are encouraged to be creative, independent thinkers and to be confident in exploring new medias and techniques as they produce work for their folios.
	Expressive portfolio is worth 100 marks Design portfolio is worth 100 marks
Assessment	Both practical portfolios are sent to the SQA for external assessment. The written exam takes place in May during the SQA exam diet.
What the future can bring	Progression on to Higher level certificate in Art and Design or Higher Photography

Course title	Ealain agus Deilbh (Art and Design through the medium of Gaelic)
Course level	Level 5: National 5
Entry	BGE Gàidhlig working towards National 5 Gàidhlig
recommendations	
What the course involves	This course will be delivered through the medium of Gaelic.
	The course has three components – two practical and one written critical.
	The course provides a broad, investigative, and practical experience of art and design. Learners will develop a knowledge of art and design practices by studying artists and designers and their work. They also develop an understanding of expressive and design processes through working on their port-
	folios. Learners are encouraged to be creative, independent thinkers and to be confident in exploring new medias and techniques as they produce work for their folios.
Assessment	Expressive portfolio is worth 100 marks Design portfolio is worth 100 marks Critical written exam is worth 50 marks Both practical portfolios are sent to the SQA for external assessment. The written exam takes place in May during the SQA exam diet.
What the future	Progression on to Higher level certificate in Art and Design or
can bring	Higher Photography

Course title	Eachdraidh (History through the medium of Gaelic)
Course level	Level 5: National 5
Entry recommendations	BGE Gàidhlig working towards National 5 Gàidhlig
What the course involves	This course will be delivered through the medium of Gaelic. In the National 5 GME History course, pupils will get a chance to develop their understanding of the world by learning about other people, in different times, places and circumstances. The course helps pupils to develop a map of the past and an appreciation and understanding of the events that have
	shaped the world today. Pupils will be given the chance to use and develop both their Gaelic and English language skills, with the final S4 exam being sat in the language of their choosing
	We will investigate a number of key topics over the course of S3-4: Topic 1: Era of the Great War, 1900-1928 Topic 2: Changing Britain, 1760-1914 Topic 3: Hitler and Nazi Germany, 1919-1939
Assessment	The final assessment consists of 1 paper with 3 sections: Scotland
	Britain
	Europe and World
R	There is an Assignment to be completed within class and submitted to SQA.
What the future can bring	Progression on to Higher level certificate in History

Course title	Dance
Course level	Level 5: National 5
Entry recommendations	A keen interest in Dance performance and a commitment to improving practical performance. Previous experience of practical Dance outside of school would be advantageous but not essential.
	The purpose of the National 5 Dance course is to enable candidates to develop a range of dance and choreographic skills. Candidates develop and reflect on technical and creative skills through practical learning. They gain an understanding of the origins of dance and the impact of theatre arts.
	The course aims to enable candidates to:
	demonstrate and apply knowledge and understanding of dance
	develop a range of technical dance skills
	develop performance skills to enhance performance
What the course	develop knowledge, understanding and appreciation of dance practice
involves	" understand and apply knowledge of a range of choreographic skills to create a dance
	evaluate their own work and the work of others
	work imaginatively and demonstrate creativity
	co-operate, support and work with others
	consider how theatre arts can enhance a performance
	apply the principles of safe dance practice
	The course assessment has three components.
	The question paper has 30 marks and is 20% of the overall course award.
Assessment	The practical activity (assess the creation and presentation of choreography for two dancers) has 65 marks and is 45% of the overall course award.
	The performance (solo performance in one dance style) has 35 marks and is 35% of the overall course award.
What the future can bring	Higher Dance

Course title	Drama
Course level	SCQF Level 5
Entry recommendations	Completion of N4 Drama or at discretion of Principal Teacher
What the course involves	60% Practical Acting (or Production role, Set, Sound, Costume, Make Up, Lighting) Presentation in front of SQA Visiting Assessor plus Preparation for Performance. 40% Written Paper
Assessment	SQA Visiting Assessor (Acting and Production) SQA Externally assessed (Written Paper)
What the future can bring	Progression to Higher Drama, NC Acting and Theatre Performance SCQF Level 6 and NPA Acting and Performance SQF Level 6

Course title	Drama
Course level	Level 5: National 5
Entry recommendations	Entry at discretion of Centre.
involves	60% Practical Acting (or Production role, Set, Sound, Costume, Make Up, Lighting) Presentation in front of SQA Visiting Assessor plus Preparation for Performance. 40% Written Paper
Assessment	SQA Visiting Assessor (Acting and Production) SQA Externally assessed (Written Paper)
bring	Progression to Higher Drama, NC Acting and Theatre Performance SCQF Level 6 and NPA Acting and Performance SQF Level 6 Skills useful for many job opportunities, not excluded to the Creative Industries. Skills developed include effective self-expression, skills in group work, presentation skills, practical application of imaginative skills, reflective skills. Helps develop confidence, in addition to development of acting and performance skills. Production skills etc.

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Course title	English
Course level	Level 5: National 5
Entry	National 4 English
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What the course involves	This course provides candidates with the opportunity to develop skills in reading, writing, talking and listening. Consequently, candidates should be able to understand, analyse, evaluate, and use, detailed language for a range of purposes in practical and relevant contexts.
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	The course is worth 100 marks in total. The breakdown is as follows: Reading for Understanding, Analysis and Evaluation (Exam):
	30 marks
	Critical Reading (Exam) 40 marks
Assessment	Folio (Externally assessed coursework): 30 marks
	Candidates must also undertake a Spoken Language assessment, which is internally assessed.
What the future can bring	Pupils who successfully achieve National 5 English may progress to Higher English or Level 6 Journalism.

Course title	French/German/Spanish
Course level	Level 5: National 5
Entry recommendations	Pupils should have a pass at Level 3 or 4 in Modern Language in Life and Work (completed in S3) or Pupils should have a pass at National 4 French/German/Spanish (if done in S4) Building on the four capacities, the Course enables learners to communicate, be critical thinkers, develop cultural awareness and be creative.
What the course involves	The Course offers learners opportunities to develop and extend a wide range of skills. In particular, the Course aims to enable learners to develop the ability to: Iisten and talk, read and write in a modern language understand and use a modern language in context plan and research, integrating and applying language skills
Assessment	 The course assessment consists of an exam: Component 1: Question Paper Reading (30 marks) Component 2: Question Paper Writing (20 Marks) Component 3: Question Paper Listening (20 marks) And course assessment, prepared during the year: Component 4: Assignment Writing (20 marks) Component 4: Performance—Talking (30 marks)
	Higher French/German/Spanish Linguists are known for their communication skills which are highly sought after in many businesses and industries. Languages lead to a wide range of careers including: • Human Resources • Teaching
What the future can bring	 Publishing Civil & Diplomatic Service Air Cabin Crew/Pilot Travel & Tourism Banking & Finance International Business International Law Translation & Interpretation Policy & Research Health – International Agencies, such as 'Médecins sans Frontières' (MSF) International Business
	AdvertisingMarketing & PR

Course title	National 5 Gaelic (Learners)
Course level	Level 5: National 5
Entry	BGE Gaelic (Learners)
recommendations	
	Thanks to our 1+2 model in our associated primaries and robust BGE curriculum, you will continue to build on an established foundation. Through studying a language you develop an international outlook, problem solving, critical thinking and communication skills among others.
What the course involves	With the opportunity to develop a range of skills there will be a variety of experiences within the course. You will also further develop your knowledge and understanding of Gaelic cultural heritage and the cultural heritage of others and cover the contexts of society, learning, employability and culture.
	The course provide you with opportunities to develop your reading, listening, talking and writing skills to help you understand and use Gaelic.
	The course consists of five components,
	 Reading
9	Writing
	Listening
Assessment	Talking
	Assignment (Writing)
(Reading, Writing and Listening are assessed in the final SQA examination whilst the Assignment (Writing) and Talking are completed within the class and submitted to SQA.
What the future can bring	National 5 Gaelic (Learners) feeds directly into the Higher Gaelic (Learners) course, as well as preparing you for further education and the world of work. You will develop your fluency and gain confidence in your use of the language.
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Course title	National 5 Gàidhlig
Course level	Level 5: National 5
Entry	Fluency in Gaelic having followed the Gàidhlig BGE Curriculum.
recommendations	
	Gaining a qualification in Gàidhlig is a recognition of your fluency in the language and demonstrates that you are able to use the language confidently and independently. You will develop your skills in talking, reading, listening and writing which will not only open many post-school employment opportunities, but will also
No.	allow you to deepen your knowledge of the Gaelic language.
What the course	
involves	With the opportunity to develop a range of skills there will be a variety of experiences within the course. You will read a range of
	texts and further your knowledge of analysing and evaluating
()	these. You will create texts and you will spend time developing
	your listening skills, whilst speaking a high level of Gaelic. You will also further develop your knowledge and understanding of Gaelic cultural heritage and the cultural heritage of others.
	The course consists of five components,
	Reading
	Literature
	Listening
Assessment	Talking
	Assignment (Writing)
	Reading, Literature and Listening are assessed in the final SQA examination whilst the Assignment (Writing) and Talking are completed within the class and submitted to SQA.
What the future can bring	National 5 Gàidhlig feeds directly into the Higher Gàidhlig course, as well as preparing you for further education and the world of work. You will develop your fluency and gain confidence in your use of the language.

	N5 Health Sector
Course title	(includes integrated Level 6 Award in First Aid including CPR)
Course level	Level 5 Skills For Work
Entry	N4 Science .
recommendations	An interest in finding out about working in the healthcare sector
	Learners develop employability skills and knowledge about the health sector. The course includes case studies, simulated workplace settings, individual research and other practical skills. The core skills covered by the course are communication, numeracy, problem solving and working with others. The course is especially relevant to people who are interested in working in the Healthcare sector or are interested in human biology and medicine.
What the course involves	The course consists of four Units
	1. Working in the Health Sector
V.	2. Life Sciences Industry and the Health Sector
	3. Improving Health and Wellbeing
	4. Physiology of the Cardiovascular System
Assessment	There is no external assessment. Assessment is based on evidence gathered throughout each unit. The necessary skills and attitudes being developed in this Course are assessed using research projects and presentations, demonstrations of skills (e.g. interviews), reflections and open book assessments. An important element in the assessment process will be the ability of the candidate to review their own progress and development throughout the Course. Candidates must successfully complete all units to obtain the full course award.
	Successful learners may progress to :
	Level 6 National Progression Award in Scientific Technologies
oring	National Certificate programme in further education- Social services and Health care
	Training / Employment

Course title	N5 Laboratory Science
Course level	Level 5: Skills for Work
Entry	N4 Pass in any science or at the discretion of the department
recommendations	
	The National 5 Laboratory Science Skills Course introduces learners to the knowledge and skills required for employment or further study in the industries and services using laboratory science. It also develops awareness of the range of employment opportunities within the sector.
What the course in-	Learners explore the various UK-based industries and develop practical skills. They also develop their employability skills and review their strengths and weaknesses — which are then used to help suggest the most appropriate career for them within, among others, the science, pharmaceutical, water, energy and food sectors.
	The course consists of four units :
	Careers using Laboratory Science
	Working in a Laboratory
9	Practical Skills
	Practical Investigation
Assessment	There is no external assessment. Assessment is based on evidence gathered throughout each unit. The necessary skills and attitudes being developed in this Course are assessed through an involvement in a range of practical activities, although, there are also elements of knowledge and understanding which are important. An important element in the assessment process will be the ability of the candidate to review their own progress and development throughout the Course. Candidates must successfully complete all units to obtain the full course award.
	Successful learners may progress to :
	Level 6 National Progression Award in Scientific Technologies (School)
What the future can bring	Level 6 National Progression award in Laboratory Science (College)
	A National Certificate programme in further education
	Training / Employment

Course title	Maths
Course level	Level 5: National 5
Entry recommendations	For entry to National 5 Mathematics learners should have achieved National 4 Mathematics or National 5 Applications of Mathematics
	Mathematics (National 5) has 3 units: Expressions and Formulae, Relationships and Applications
	• Expressions and Formulae - develops the knowledge and skills that involve the representation of ideas in symbolic form and the
	manipulation of abstract terms. Includes simplification of expressions and evaluation of formula covering aspects of algebra and geometry.
What the course involves	• Relationships - develops knowledge and skills which involve relationships in Mathematics, works with relationships in algebra, geometry, trigonometry and statistics and develops skills in
V	solving equations, analysing graphs, making reasoned deductions and predictions.
	• Applications – develops knowledge and skills in geometry, trigonometry and statistics which can be applied to solving real-life problems to make informed decisions. Develops the ability to interpret information, use diagrams and select appropriate techniques to produce a solution.
Assessment	Pupils will be continually assessed throughout the course. To gain the award of the course, the learner must pass the course assessment. The course assessment will consist of two components: Component 1 – question paper (Non-calculator), Component 2 – question paper (Calculator). These papers will be set and marked by SQA. Course assessment will provide the basis for grading in the course award.
What the future can bring	

Course title	Media & Literacy
Course level	Level 4: National 4 or Level 5: National 5
Entry	National 4 or National 5 English
recommendations	
What the course involves	This course is for learners who are interested in film, television, advertising, the press and/or other media and creating their own media content. It combines theory with practice. The course is designed to help pupils develop and extend a wide range of skills including communication, independent learning, critical literacy, personal and interpersonal working, and creative thinking.
Assessment	National 4 Media is internally assessed throughout the year. National 5 Media is assessed via an SQA exam and an assignment in which candidates plan and develop media content.
What the future can bring	Pupils who sit National 4 Media may progress to National 5 Media the following year. Pupils who sit National 5 Media may wish to consider National 5 English or Level 6 Journalism.

Course title	Music
Course level	Level 5: National 5
	None
recommendations	
involves	Performance: Pupils develop their skills on two instruments at grade 3. A minimum of 2 minutes is required on one instrument. Total programme length over two instruments is eight minutes.
	Understanding Music: Pupils learn music concepts (like a musical dictionary) and identify what they're listening to. This is mainly multiple choice in a paper. This exam takes place during the exam period for all other subjects. i.e. April / May.
	Composition:
V	Pupils make up their own music with assistance and write a short reflection on how they composed this music. This element is worth 15%.
	Performance: Pupils perform on two instruments for a total of eight minutes to an external examiner in late February / early March. This is worth 50% of the overall course award. Understanding Music: An external listening paper worth 35% of the course award. This exam is usually in late April. Composition: Folio submitted to SQA which includes composition & reflection. This element is worth 15%.
bring	Music teacher, session musician, music therapist, booking agent, composer, DJ, event manager, instrument technician, livelsound technician, music PR, musical director, musician, private music teacher, radio producer, songwriter, sound engineer, tour manager.

Course title	Music Technology
Course level	Level 5: National 5
Entry	None
recommendations	
	In this subject you will develop skills in the following areas:
involves	 Music Technology Skills: In this unit, you will learn how to use Music technology software as well as learning how to use sound effects. You will also learn how to use microphones and how to capture audio.
	 Understanding 20th and 21st Century Music: You learn about modern music styles (Punk, Hip Hop, Rock, Electronica etc).
	 Music Technology in Context: You will use your music technology skills to create two projects. These can be any of the following: a live performance, a radio broadcast, a soundtrack for film/TV, an audio book or a sound design for computer gaming.
Assessment	 70% of final grade – A folio consisting of two projects. 30% of final grade – A listening paper.
What the future	Music Producer.
can bring	 Sound designer for games/films/media. BBC Sound Engineer. Studio Engineer. Live Sound Engineer.
	Mastering Engineer.
	Radio Broadcast Engineer.
	Music Editor. Sound Designer.
8	Sound Designer.Music Business Venture.

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he Philosophy course consists of 3 areas of study: <u>rguments in Action</u>
arguments in Actions helps to develop our critical thinking and arguing skills uch as how to present an argument in a easy to access way and spotting the aws and fallacies commonly found in logical arguments.
he course will teach how to construct a philosophical argument, how to spot when arguments do and do not work, the most commonly found fallacies in arguments and how to recognise when they are used amongst other valuable skills.
rguments in Action has its own section in Paper 2 of the exam, worth 30 narks.
inowledge & Doubt his section of the course explores how we can truly say we "know" things. We will answer questions like "how can we trust our senses?" and "can we be sure he world exists?". We will study the philosophies of Descartes and Hume, two ifferent responses to these questions.
nowledge & Doubt is assessed with an essay in Paper 1 and 10 marks of short uestions in Paper 2.
Moral Philosophy
floral Philosophy seeks to answer the questions of morality in society. Where oes our morality comes from, what makes an action right or wrong and what hould we use to determine what action to take? These questions will be exlored through the study of the theories of Utilitarianism and Kantian Ethics.
Noral Philosophy is assessed with an essay in Paper 1 and 10 marks of short uestions in Paper 2.
lational 5— 180 mark exam paper & a 20 mark internally assessed assign- nent.
tudying Philosophy can help with access to careers in Law, Politics, Science, ournalism, Teaching, Business and anything else that requires problem solving, ritical thinking and strong communication skills.

Course title	Practical Cookery
Course level	Level 5: National 5
Entry	Full participation in the S1/S2 Home Economics course.
recommendations	
	The course aims to enable learners to:
	 Use a range of cookery skills, food preparation techniques and cookery processes.
	 Develop an understanding of ingredients and their uses and an awareness of responsible sourcing and of their sustainability
What the course	 Develop an awareness of current dietary advice relating to the use of ingredients on health & wellbeing.
involves	 Select and use ingredients to produce and garnish or deco- rate dishes.
	 Plan and produce meals and present them appropriately.
l.	 Develop an understanding of the importance of food safety & hygiene and work safely and hygienically.
	The course assessment has 3 components:
Assessment	Question paper: (1 hour) 30 marks Assignment: 1 hour 45 minutes
	Practical Activity (plan, prepare, present 3 course meal): 2 hours 30 minutes
	Other qualifications in hospitality or related areas.
What the future can bring	Further study, employment or training.

Course title	Practical Craft Skills: Metalwork
Course level	Level 5: National 5
Entry	Preferably N5 Woodwork, but not necessary
recommendations	
	This is a practical subject which is set primarily in the workshop with a small element of theory.
	The course covers three key areas of metalwork of:
What the course involves	Bench skills, machine and processes and fabrication where pupils will learn the skills of working with metal as well as joining metal via welding.
	Students will be taught health and Safety practices within the workshop environment to ensure they are safe when working with the machinery and tools.
	Three units to pass which are covered through different models which cover using metal work tools, measuring and marking out, Sheet metal skills, welding and using machinery to create complete objects from given drawings.
Assessment	Assignment set by SQA to utilise the skills learned through the three units of work which will be assessed to SQA standards and be worth 70 marks.
	Theory will also be included which will be working towards an exam at the end of the year which is worth 30 marks.
	Welding apprentices
	Fabrication courses at college
What the future can bring	Blacksmith

Course title	Practical Electronics
Course level	Level 5: National 5
	N4 Maths (minimum)
Entry	N4 Physics (optional)
recommendations	
What the course involves	Learning about electronic components and circuits. The Practical Electronics course provides a broad practical introduction to electronics. The course encourages candidates to become responsible and creative in their use of technologies. Pupils are involved in designing, simulating and constructing circuits (lots of soldering!)
	Assignment is 70% of final mark (This involves designing and building a circuit).
Assessment	Written SQA exam is 30% of final mark
	NPA Level 6 Scientific technologies
	NC courses (college)
What the future can bring	Practical electronics is a great course to do if you want to be an electrician ,mechanic, electrical engineer or involved music technology.
	The skills gained are useful in many different careers.

Level 6 Courses 2024-2025

(Ungraded Courses—Assessed in School)

Creative Thinking
Criminology

Foundation Apprenticeship: Creative & Digital Media (Through the medium of Gaelic)

Foundation Apprenticeship: Early Years & Childcare (Through the medium of Gaelic)

NPA: Business & ICT

Journalism

Scottish Studies

Sports Leadership

NPA: Music

NPA: Sound Production

NPA: Music Business

NPA: Acting & Performance

NPA: Scientific Technologies

Course title	Creative Thinking
Course level	Level 5/6
Entry recommendations	Art and Design, Design and Manufacture, Higher English, Graphic Design
	A unique qualification that is designed to provide interactive and immersive project-based learning to help young people improve their creative, problem-solving, and critical thinking abilities and become more resilient in overcoming future challenges. It will allow pupils to work in a team but also on their own, learning the skills needed to work within a design environment.
What the course involves	There are different "creative playlists" that pupils will work through starting with "Creative Bravery" where they will explore the world of sustainability, advertising and ways to make the students think differently about design and the world we live in.
	A variation of manual skills to creative and showcase ideas and also computerised design ideas as well.
	Each Creative playlists has a number of lessons which each one will be assessed using the Creative Thinking assessment toolkit.
	Pupils will be graded on their ability to
	research into a design problem
	Be imaginative and create concepts to meet a brief
Assessment	Be able to evaluate their ideas and use the "fail and Fix" method to make ideas better.
	Be able to communicate ideas through group work, presentations, design concepts,
7	Evaluate their own and each others creations
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What the future	Design careers
can bring	University/college courses on design

Course title	Criminology
Course level	Level 6:
Entry	Progression on to Higher level certificate in History
recommendations	
	The course covers three units:
	Criminology:
	The Nature and Extent of Crime – this unit looks at two main areas how society defines crime and how crime is measured. The first area looks at the difference between a legal definition of crime and a social sciences definition of crime, how crime changes over the time and crimes in different cultures. The second area looks at how crime is officially recorded and how the 'dark figures' of crime are captured.
	Crime and the Law:
What the course in volves	This unit looks at the legal rights and responsibilities of UK citizens, the causes and theories of crime, the impact of crime on victims, offenders and their families, social and economic impact of crime on wider society and the effectiveness of prisons and alternatives to custody.
	Crime Control Strategies :
	This unit looks at how the courts operate, and the different punishments issued by the courts. The first unit examines the roles and powers of different Scottish courts. The second unit examines the types of punishment, effective of rehabilitation and rates of reoffending.
Assessment	The units are assessed through a combination of open book and closed book assessments.
What the future ca	This course can open many doors, for example, if you are interested in a career with the police or the prison service. It is also useful if you are interested in studying the social sciences and subjects like legal studies and law.

	Foundation Apprenticeship:
	Creative & Digital Media or Early Years &
Course title	Childcare
	(Through the medium of Gaelic)
Course level	Level 6:
Entry	Higher Gàidhlig A/B
recommendations	
	This course will be run across two columns and is the equivalent of two Level 6 qualifications.
	The course is run through the school and delivered in collaboration with Sàbhal Mòr Ostaig (SMO) at the University of the Highlands and Islands (UHI), as well as working with partners in the wider education and digital media sectors.
What the course involves	SMO will deliver the bulk of the learning digitally, with pupils going on placement to either Condorrat Primary School or a Digital/Media organisation.
	The digital lessons will be delivered in class time and pupils will work alongside other students from across the country who are embarking on the same course.
	These are work-based learning opportunities for learners in their senior phase of secondary education.
Assessment	The course is assessed digitally and pupils will upload the evidence of their work onto the UHI portal. Pupils will spend time in school working on their profiles and completing tasks set.
	Foundations Apprenticeships feed directly into further education and training, as well as preparing you for the world of work.
What the future can bring	Success in Foundation Apprenticeships gives you hand-on experience in the Gaelic sector and prepares you for progression to further education, including courses at Sabhal Mòr Ostaig, University of Glasgow, University of Strathclyde, University of Edinburgh, University of Stirling and others.
7	These courses are an excellent bridge into further education and develop your ability to work independently and take on further challenge and broaden your skill set.
	Completing a Foundation Apprenticeship can lead to progression on to a job, such as a Modern or Graduate Apprenticeship.

Course title	NPA: Business & ICT
Course level	Level 6
Entry	None
recommendations	The course involves the study of the following 4 units:
	Understanding Business:
	Give an account of the key objectives and activities of small and medium-sized business organisations
	Apply knowledge and understanding of factors that impact on the activities of small and medium-sized business
	Management of Marketing & Operations
	Apply knowledge and understanding of how marketing function contributes to the success of small and medium-sized business
1	Apply knowledge and understanding of how operations function contributes to the success of small and medium-sized business
What the course involves	IT Solutions for Administration
	Use a spreadsheet application to interpret a given brief
	Use advanced function of a relational database to interpret a given brief
	Communication in Administration
	Use technology to extract information and be able to evaluate sources of information
	Use advanced functions of technology to prepare and communicate information by interpreting a given brief, to convey a professional
	image
	Assessment will be continuous throughout the year and will include written, oral and presentation of information to demonstrate understanding. Candidates will demonstrate their depth of understanding in order to secure a pass at either level 5 or level 6
What the future	On successful completion of the course, candidates can move on to study NPA: Business & ICT at Level 6 or use the knowledge to gain employment in the Business, Administration & ICT sectors
can bring	

1	Course title	Journalism
	Course level	Level 6: NPA
100	Entry recommendations	Nat 5 A-C in English or Higher A-C in English
		This is a stimulating course, designed to provide an introduction to the activities involved in Journalism. You will develop your research and interview skills as well as improving your competency in a range of journalistic related disciplines (including newswriting, page layout and design, website development and photography).
	What the course involves	
	Assessment	Level 6 Journalism is an internally assessed course. Assessment takes place throughout the year as pupils complete mandatory units.
	What the future can bring	Pupils who successfully achieve Level 6 Journalism may wish to consider Higher English.

Course title	Scottish Studies	
Course level	Level 6	
Entry recommendations	Nat 5 A-C in a Social Subject and/or Nat	5 A-C in English
	Sin	
What the course involves	The Award may interest learners living a as it provides opportunities to broaden to preciation of the society in which they livide opportunities for learners to reflect sense of identity as residents of Scotlan	heir understanding and apve. This, in turn, may proon, and build, their own
Assessment	Assessment is based on a 50% pass of each un the course. There is no end of year exam.	it as you work your way through
What the future can bring	An interest in continuing studies either in social s	subjects or in literacy.

Course title	Sports Leadership
Course level	Level 6
Entry requirements	r pass in realistial stringilist i 2 weala se aaramagesas.
	Pupils involved in coaching outside of school would be ideal candidates for this course.
	S5 and S6 pupils involved in leadership activities or who wish to develop leadership skills.
What the course entails	The Leadership Award aims to encourage learners to respect the cultures and beliefs of others through working cooperatively with them and through valuing their
	contribution.
	The Award encourages learners to develop knowledge of leadership styles, skills, and qualities and to understand the impact a leader can have on others and on the success of an activity.
Assessment	This course consists of two Units:
	Leadership: An Introduction Leadership in Practice
	Pupils must work independently and research topic areas to fulfil the assessment conditions.
What the future can bring	Other qualifications in sport or related areas. HNC Sports Coaching and Development Further study, employment or training.

Course title	NPA: Music	
Course level	Level 6	
Entry recommendations	N5 is preferable, but not essential. Please discuss with the PT if you have not studied N5 music.	
	Units: Performing Music on one Instrument or voice - This is a unit that provides a first instrument for candidates who have a particular aptitude or interest in a specific course of study on one musical instrument or voice.	
What the course involves What the course instrument and programme of music in a live setting to a sneeded. Performing Music on One Instrument or Voice (i.e. a second)		
	<i>ment)</i> Practise, keep a Log and perform contrasting pieces.	
_	Mandatory Units	
	Performing Music on One Instrument or Voice-	
Assessment Practise, keep a Log and perform contrasting pieces.		
	Music - Live Performance	
Music teacher, session musician, music therapist, booking agent, composer, DJ, event manager, instrument technician, live sound technician, music PR, musical director, musician, private music teacher, radio producer, songwriter, sound engineer, tour manager.		

Course title	NPA: Sound Production
Course level	Level 6
Entry recommendations	None
	In this subject you will develop skills in the following areas: Sound Engineering/Production: Learn to add effects, record mic tracks and create your own music. Safe Signal Path: Learn about sound waves and creating a studio recording environ-
What the course involves	ment. CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING UNITS: Creative Project: Use Music Tech software to create sound design for a game or film. Appreciation of Music: Research and investigate a variety of different genres such as New Wave, R'n'B, Punk, Indie etc
Assessment	All components are internally marked by your teacher and are in the form of research tasks, audio/video projects etc.
What the future can bring	Music Producer. Sound designer for games/films/media. BBC Sound Engineer. Studio Engineer. Live Sound Engineer. Mastering Engineer.

Course title	NPA: Music Business		
Course level	Level 6		
Entry recommendations	None		
	In this subject you will develop skills in the following areas: Promotion in the Music industry: Research and create your own pro-		
What the course involves	mo materials for your chosen artist/product. The UK Music Industry: Learn about different organisations within the Music industry.		
	CHOOSE ONE OF THE FOLLOWING UNITS: <u>Creative Project:</u> Use Music Tech software to create sound design for a game or film.		
	Appreciation of Music: Research and investigate a variety of different genres such as New Wave, R'n'B, Punk, Indie etc.		
Assessment	All components are internally marked by your teacher and are in the form of posters, blog entries, research tasks etc.		
What the future can bring	Live music promotion Artist management Social media management Marketing and public relations Events and festival management Digital music industries		

Course title	NPA: Acting & Performance	
Course level	Level 6	
Entry recommendations	National 5 Drama (A or B) recommended. Entry at discretion of Centre	
	The course involves two Units. Drama: Theatre Skills in Performance	
volves	The focus of this Unit is stagecraft and performance. Professional Theatre in Context Candidates experience and analyse two contrasting professional theatrical productions	
Assessment	Internally assessed on a pass/fail basis.	
What the future can bring	These Units allow the candidates to develop stagecraft, performance skills and awareness of professional theatre. This can lead to progression into college and university Performing arts courses, and the creative arts industry, such as theatre, film and	

Course title	NPA: Scientific Technologies
Course level	Level 6
Entry recommendations	N5 pass (A-C) preferred but entry is at discretion of the centre
	Candidates will study the following 4 units:
What the course involves	Laboratory safety Mathematics for science 2 Fundamental Chemistry; AN Introduction
	Experimental Procedures: Science
Assessment	Candidates will be continually assessed throughout the year on a pass/fail basis
What the future can bring	Successful completion of the course can lead to further learning in Higher Chemistry or progress onto College Learning in an HNC Applied Sciences or Modern Apprenticeship in Life Science

Higher Courses 2024 - 2025

Accounts

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Application of Maths

Art and Design

Biology

Business Management

Chemistry

Computing Science

Dance

Design and Manufacture

Drama

English

French

German

Geography

Graphic Communication

Gaelic (Learners)

Gàidhlig

History

Human Biology

Maths

Media

Modern Studies

Music

Music Technology

Philosophy

Photography

Physical Education

Physics

Politics

Psychology

RMPS

Spanish

Course title	Accounts	
Course level	Level 6: Higher	
	N5 Accounting and/or N5 Maths	
Entry	Appropriate for Crash Higher providing excellent attendance record	
recommendations		
The course consists of two areas of study:		
	Financial accounting	
What the course involves	Candidates develop their understanding of how to prepare routine and complex financial accounting information. They learn about current financial accounting regulations and apply them to a range of business structures Stakeholders use this information to assess an organisation's current financial position to make decisions on whether to invest, expand, close etc	
	Management accounting	
	Candidates develop their understanding of internal accounting procedures.	
	They learn how to prepare information using a range of routine and complex accounting techniques. Management use this information when making decisions about the planning, control and future direc-	
	Question paper 120 marks - Exam conditions in SQA diet.	
Assessment	Assignment 60 marks - Exam conditions in March.	
Assessment		
	Both the Question Paper and the Assignment are 2.5 hours each	
1	Numeracy skills, Employability, Enterprise and Citizenship as well as	
	Thinking skills, Communication and ICT are all embedded in the	
Mark de a Sal	course and serve pupils well when applying for jobs and University	
What the future places. A wide range of College and University courses, as we can bring Apprenticeships and Job opportunities can be accessed follow		
	this course. Some of our very best pupils have had really successful Apprenticeships through the biggest Accounting firms like KPMG and	

Course title	Administration & IT	
Course level	Level 6: Higher	
	Nat 5 Administration & IT A-C	
Entry	Any pupil considering crashing should have Nat 5 Maths C or above	
recommendations		
	Course has 3 units:	
	Communications in Admin	
	Admin Theory and Practice	
	IT Solutions	
What the course involves	Across the course, students will have the opportunity to further develop their ICT skills using communication software (email, ediary, powerpoint) and industry standard software such as MS Word, Excel and Access covering word processing, spreadsheets and databases.	
V	There is also a theory element to the course (ATP) which looks at to role of an administrator, team working, legislation and how IT has in pacted the workplace.	
	Assignment (70 marks) – this covers all of the practical ICT work done over the session. It is a 2 hours paper done using ICT.	
Assessment	Question paper (50 marks) – consists of one case study relating to one area of working practice, followed by a series of other questions covering the course.	
What the future can bring		

Co	ourse title	Application of Maths
Сс	ourse level	Level 6 Higher
	ntry commendations	National 4 Applications of Mathematics or National 4 Mathematics.
		Applications of Mathematics (National 5) has 3 Units:- Managing Finance and Statistics, Geometry and Measures and Numeracy.
		• Managing Finance and Statistics – develops skills that focus on the use of mathematical ideas and valid strategies that can be ap- plied to managing finance and statistics in real-life contexts which
V,		may be new to the learner. This includes skills in analysing financial positions, budgeting as well as organising and presenting data to justify solutions and/or draw conclusions.
	hat the course volves	• Geometry and Measures – develops skills that focus on the use of mathematical ideas and valid strategies that can be applied to geometry and measurement in real-life contexts which may be new to the learner. This includes skills in analysing and using geometry and measures to determine and justify solutions to real-life problems.
		• Numeracy - develops numerical skills in number processes and information handling to solve problems in the context of money, time and measurement.
	1	Pupils will be continually assessed throughout the course.
As	ssessment	To gain the award of the course, the learner must pass the course assessment. The course assessment will consist of two components: Component 1 – question paper (Non-calculator), Component 2 – question paper (Calculator). These papers will be set and marked by SQA. Course assessment will provide the basis for grading in the course award.
	hat the future n bring	

Course title	Art and Design
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry	Nat 5 A-C in Art and Design
recommendations	
What the course involves	The Higher art and design course comprises two practical folios (expressive art and design) – each worth 100 marks, as well as a written exam, which is 2-hours long and worth 60 marks. The folios are externally assessed and pupils should submit their best work - typically, each folio is mounted across three A2-sized sheets. Students choose a theme for their expressive art folio and a genre e.g. 'reflections' for still life, and create artwork using different materials e.g. coloured pencil, chalk pastels, watercolours paints and acrylic paints. Methods include drawing, painting, printmaking, and ceramics. For the design folio, students select an area of design and invent a design brief with a problem to solve e.g. graphic design and a travel poster to advertise a travel destination, and create original design ideas, developing these further and creating a solution. Design projects can be 2D or 3D and involve working with different materials, such as pens, pencils, paints, embossed metal, papier mache, handmade felt, and clay. Methods include drawing, painting, ICT, printmaking, textile techniques, embossing, feltmaking, and ceramics. Pupils complete short written evaluations for both practical projects, and the written exam paper is a booklet with a choice of questions that relate to different expressive art and design areas.
	Design folio
Assessment	Expressive Folio
	Exam
What the future can bring	illustrator, artist, graphic designer, story board designer for TV, film or gaming, animator, fashion designer, jewellery designer, tattoo artist, product designer, architect, landscape artist, sculptor, art therapist, milliner, stone mason, art historian, interior designer, and an art or design lecturer or teacher.

Course title	Biology		
Course level	Level 6: Higher		
	Nat 5 A-C in Biology		
Entry recommendations	Learners without N5 Biology should have proven success in another science course at N5. Please discuss with the PT Science.		
	The Higher qualification in Biology give learners an understanding of cell biology, genetics and growth. It covers major concepts that make biology an important area of investigative science. The course gives an understanding of the way in which biological principles can be applied to the modern world. The skills of scientific inquiry and investigation are developed, throughout the Course, by investigating the applications of biology.		
What the course involves	The Course allows learners to develop deeper understanding of the underlying themes of biology: evolution and adaptation; structure and function; genotype and niche.		
	The course is made up from three units:		
	DNA and the genome		
	Metabolism and survival		
	Sustainability and interdependence		
	Course assessment structure: Written exa	am. and an assignment	
	The course is assessed by a written examination, set and marked by SQA. The question paper has two sections. Section 1 contains multipe choice questions and has 25 marks. Section 2 contains structured an extended-response questions and has 95 marks. This is 80% of the total marks for the course assessment.		
The assignment assesses the application of skills of scientific inquiry and related biology knowledge and understanding. It allows assessment of skills that cannot be assessed by a question paper; for example, had ling and processing data gathered through experimental work and research skills.		standing. It allows assessment estion paper; for example, han-	
	The assignment is worth 20% of the total exam mark.		
7	Learners who achieve a Pass at Higher could progress to Advanced Higher Biology.		
What the future ca bring	Higher Biology is also required for entry to a number of Further and Higher education courses.		

Course title	Business Manager	ment) Imm
Course level	Level 6: Higher	\rightleftharpoons	IJ	///////
Entry recommendations	Nat 5 A-C in Business Manager English, History or equivalent	nent or	C or abov	e in Modern Studies,
	Business Management Higher I Management of People, Manag ations and Management of Mar	ement o		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
What the course involves	Within these units, pupils will de They see the ways that society fluences can affect them. They each department in a company	relies or will gair	n business n an under	es and how external instanding as to how
Pupils will develop enterprising skills and attributes. ent, or group research and investigations and compatudies. They will analyse and interpret business inf			mplete tasks and case	
	There is an exam paper which is	s worth	90 marks	. 22
	component	Marks	duration	
	Component 1—question paper	90	2hrs 45	
	Component 2—assignment	30	8 hours	
Assessment	There is an assignment to be coworth 30 marks. This assignme lar business (pupil choice). The completion of this but it is an incolass teacher.	nt is bare	sed around nany docu	d a report on a particu- ments to help with the
What the future				lf-employed person, and
can bring	Some candidates go onto study university of which there are ma			courses at college or

Course title	Chemistry
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry	Nat 5 A-C in Chemistry and ideally Nat5 Mathematics A-C
recommendations	
	The Course develops greater knowledge of bonding, structure and properties of the mole, and enables learners to acquire enhanced understanding of carbon compound reactions, nomenclature and structural formulae, and of polymers and natural products. They will also study Hess's Law, equilibrium, acids and bases, redox reactions, and chemistry of food.
What the course in-	
volves	The course is made up from four units:
	Chemical changes and structure
	Nature's chemistry
V.	Chemistry in society
	•Researching chemistry
	External examination ,set and marked by SQA
	Paper 1 (40 mins) 25marks
	Paper 2 (2hrs 20 mins) – worth 95marks
	Assignment: The assignment assesses the application of skills of scientific inquiry and related chemistry knowledge and understanding. It is completed in class and marked by SQA .s The assignment has a total mark allocation of 20 marks. This is scaled to 30 marks by SQA to represent 20% of the overall marks for the course assessment.
6	Learners who achieve a Pass at Higher could progress to Advanced Higher Chemistry .
What the future can bring	Higher Chemistry is also required for entry to a number of Further and Higher education science courses.
oring	Other qualifications in chemistry or related areas
	Further study, employment and/or training

Course title	Computing Science
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry recommendations	Nat 5 A-C in Computing Science
, occinimentalismo	Provides an understanding of the technologies and practical skills that underpin our modern, digital world. Also builds an awareness of the importance of computing in meeting the needs of society today and in the future.
What the course in-	Includes 4 areas of study (that continue on from N5):
volves	 Software Development (using Python)
VA.	Web Design
	 Databases
	Computer Systems
	The course assessment has two components:
Assessment	Final exam (question paper) 80 marks 1.5hrs Assignment 40 marks 6hrs (during class time)
	Computing Science is vital to everyday life. It shapes the world we live in and its future. Computing is embedded in the world around us, from systems and devices in our homes to our places of work.
	Studying Computing Science brings many benefits apart from learning about technology. You will learn valuable transferable work and life skills, such as being able to solve problems in a logical way, think creatively and handle information.
	Possible career paths:
What the future can	Web designer
bring	App developer
	Cyber security analyst
	Database administrator
	Games programmer
	IT support engineer
	Software engineer
	Computing Science teacher

Course title	Dance
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry recommendations	Nat 5 A-C in Dance.
	The Higher course allows candidates to consolidate and extend their dance skills developed through the National 5 Dance course.
	Candidates learn how to use dance techniques and choreography creatively to enhance performance. They experiment with a range of dance styles and learn how to apply them to enhance their own performances and the performances of others. Candidates also explore the use of theatre arts in dance.
What the course involves	Learners will develop their technical and choreographic skills; they will learn to analyse the work of dance practitioners and how to use this knowledge to inform and influence their own creative thinking and performance.
	There are two areas of study: Choreography and technical skills. Choreography: Learners explore choreographic principles to enhance their creativity and develop the skills and knowledge they need to plan and create a choreography for three or more dancers or a solo choreography.
	Technical skills: Learners explore a minimum of two contrasting dance styles through structured technique classes
	The course assessment has three components.
	Component 1: question paper - 2 hours (40 marks)
Assessment	Component 2: practical activity (Choreography 35 marks and Choreography Review 25 marks)
	Component 3: performance 2 solos – Jazz and Commercial (70 marks)
What the future can bring	HNC and HND Professional Dance Performance HNC and HND Dance Artists

Course title	Design and Manufacture
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry recommendations	Nat 5 A-C in Design and Manufacture and/or Nat 5 A-C in Graphic Communication and/or Nat 5 A-C in Art and Design
	This course is broken into two areas really of design, materials and manufacturing. This is different to N5 where you are not in the you workshop like N5 – you do a small amount in there creating models, which can be simple ones made out of card and done in the classroom but nothing like N5.
What the course involves	Design is looking at factors that influence a product and how designers use these to help make their product successful within the market place. This has a lot of written work and design work of drawing and rendering and modelling.
	Materials and Manufacturing look into how a product is made in industry. This is all theory really, but shows how products are made and can be interesting.
	The Design Assignment is completed over a period of time and done in class only. SQA give you three briefs to choose from and you have to work through the design process and produce a folio.
	Design Assignment—90 marks
Assessment	Exam—80 marks
	Product Design, Interior Design, product design engineering
What the future	
can bring	

Course title	Drama
Course level	SCQF Level 6
	National 5 Drama (A or B) recommended. Entry at discretion of Centre
Entry recommendations	
	60% Practical Acting roles (or Production role ie Costume, Lighting, Set, Sound, Costume, etc)
	40% Written Paper (includes two essay questions)
What the course involves	
	SQA Visiting Assessor (Practical) Presentation in front of SQA Examiner SQA Externally assessed (Written Paper)
Assessment	
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What the future can bring	Progression to Advanced Higher Drama, HNC Acting and Theatre Performance SCQF Level 7, Drama School and many University courses not including Acting and Performance courses and the Creative Industries

Course title	English) 	
Course level	Level 6: Higher		
Entry	National 4 English		
recommenda- tions			
What the course involves	This course provides candidates with the skills in reading, writing, talking and list didates should be able to understand, a detailed language for a range of purpost vant contexts.	ening. Consequently, can- analyse, evaluate, and use,	
	The course is worth 100 marks in total. The breakdown is as follows:		
	 Reading for Understanding, Analysis and Evaluation (Exam): 30 marks 		
	Critical Reading (Exam) 40 marks		
	 Folio (Externally assessed course) 	vork): 30 marks	
Assessment			
	Candidates must also undertake a Spoment, which is internally assessed.	ken Language assess-	
What the future	Pupils who successfully achieve Nation to Higher English or Level 6 Journalism		
can bring			

Course title	French/German/	'Spanish
Course level	Level 6: Higher	
Entry recommendations	Nat 5 A-C French/German/Spanish or Pupils should have a pass at Level 5 Modern Languages for Learning and Work.	
What the course in-	to reach a stage where the langu	rn Languages gives learners the opportunity uage is used independently in confident and ps communicative competence to a level of f situations.
wnat the course in- volves	write in a modern language, and	ses enable learners to read, listen, talk and to understand and use a modern language. skills of translation and apply knowledge and uage.
Assessment	 The course assessment consists Component 1&2: Question P Component 3: Question Paper And course assessment, prepare Component 3: Assignment W Component 4: Performance 	aper Reading and Writing (50 marks) er Listening (20 Marks) ed during the year: /riting (20 marks)
What the future can bring	- C	 nmunication skills which are highly sought afstries. Languages lead to a wide range of ca- Human Resources Teaching Translation & Interpretation Policy & Research Health – International Agencies, such as 'Médecins sans Frontières' (MSF)
	International LawAdvertisingMarketing & PR	

Course title	Geography
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry	Nat 5 A-C in Geography
recommendations	
	Higher Geography is split into 3 sections :
	Physical Geography—focusing on the natural elements of Planet Earth. This area of Geography is scientific in nature and investigates the Atmosphere (air and weather), Lithosphere (coastal and glaciated landscapes), Hydrosphere (water and river systems) and Biosphere (living things).
What the course	Human Geography—focusing on human civilisation and how we interact with our Planet and it's resources. This area is social in nature and investigates Urban (cities—Glasgow and Rio de Janeiro), Rural (countryside—deforestation in the Amazon and National Parks in the UK) and Population (impact of population change and migration).
involves	Global Issues—focusing on pressing world issues that affect people across the Planet. This area combines social and natural aspects of Geography and investigates Development and Health (economic development and how development affects health. Disease case study: Malaria), Climate Change (cause, effects and strategies to combat it) and Energy (demand for energy across the world, with case studies on renewable and non-renewable energy sources)
	Assignment: Outdoor fieldwork is a key component of Geography and we go on a fieldtrip to Glasgow's Inner City to investigate the effects of regeneration in 2 contrasting areas—The New Gorbals and Glasgow Harbour. Fieldwork includes questionnaires, environmental quality surveys, land use surveys, traffic/litter/pedestrian surveys, photography, observation notes.
Assessment	The Assignment is worth 27% and the final exam is worth the remaining 73%.
	Learners develop a wide range of sought after transferable skills throughout this course. Geographers are numerate, literate, able to read and interpret various maps, graphs and charts, have strong social, environmental and cultural awareness and an appreciation for nature. They are taught to think critically and analytically and can problem solve effectively. Geography can be studied at University either through the
(Batchelor of Science route or Batchelor of Arts and Social Science route. Many wide and varied career paths are open to Geographers - from careers that involve science
AND THE	such as meteorology and climatology (weather and climate change forecasting), vol-
What the future can bring	canology and seismology (volcanic eruption and earthquake experts), zoology (studying animal habitat, health and behaviour) various types of engineering (geo, hydro, civil) and health professions to careers that involve travelling the World such as the travel and tourism industry, travel writing, working as a pilot or cabin crew, nat ural disaster management, aid worker and journalism – or working with society such as teaching, outdoor learning instructor, town planning and working in government to name just a few! There is a growing field in environmental conservation and climate change work that many Geographers find themselves in. The prospect of a wide and
	varied range of exciting jobs connected to Geography is a big draw for students into the Department.

Course title	Graphic Communication
1	Level 6: Higher
Course level	
Entry	Nat 5 A-C in Graphic Communication and/or Nat 5 A-C in Art and
	Design
recommendations	
	You will look into different ways you can communicate graphics to different people. You will learn different commands on Inventor to N5 and then expand on your skills to produce more complex objects. You will also learn more to do with Desk Top Publishing which deals with ways to advertise/market something. Architecture has been re-introduced and you will learn about the plans used, symbols used and create some drawings to scale. You will also learn new drawings on the boards as well to help with theory.
What the course involves	The assessment is broken up into 2 parts of an assignment which you only get 8 hours for. This has three tasks of CAD/DTP and manual sketching and rendering. Then you have the exam itself. This is a mix of questions from across the course looking at how a product can be made on inventor, how an advertisement has been produced, pick a view question based on the board work and other areas covered too.
9/4	Assignment - 8 hours to complete and 50 marks
Assessment	Exam - 80 marks
What the future can bring	Graphic Designer, Web designer, app designer, engineer

Course title	Gaelic (Learners)
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry	Nat 5 A-C in Gaelic (Learners)
recommendations	
What the course involves	The Higher Gaelic (Learners) course builds on the content covered with the National 5 Gaelic (Learners) course and aims to bring more breadth and depth to language learning, including a more detailed knowledge of vocabulary and grammar. Through studying a language you develop an international outlook, problem solving, critical thinking and communication skills among others. With the opportunity to develop a range of skills there will be a variety of experiences within the course. You will also further develop your knowledge and understanding of Gaelic cultural heritage and the cultural heritage of others and cover the contexts of society,
	learning, employability and culture. The course provide you with opportunities to develop your reading, listening, talking and writing skills to help you understand and use Gaelic.
	The course consists of five components,
	Reading
	• Writing
	Listening
Assessment	Talking
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	Reading, Writing and Listening are assessed in the final SQA examination whilst the Assignment (Writing) and Talking are completed within the class and submitted to SQA.
What the future cal	Higher Gaelic (Learners) feeds directly into the Advanced Higher Gaelic (Learners) course, as well as preparing you for further education and the world of work. You will develop your fluency and gain

Course title	Gàidhlig
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry	Nat 5 A-C in Gàidhlig
recommendations	
	Gaining a qualification in Gàidhlig is a recognition of your fluency in the language and demonstrates that you are able to use the language confidently and independently. You will develop your skills in talking, reading, listening and writing which will not only open many post-school employment opportunities, but will also allow you to deepen your knowledge of the Gaelic language.
What the course nvolves	With the opportunity to develop a range of skills there will be a variety of experiences within the course. You will read a range of texts and further your knowledge of analysing and evaluating these. You will create texts and you will spend time developing your listening skills, whilst speaking a high level of Gaelic. You will also further develop your knowledge and understanding of Gaelic cultural heritage and the cultural heritage of others.
	The course consists of five components,
	Reading
	Literature
	 Listening
Assessment	Talking
	Assignment (Writing)
	Reading, Literature and Listening are assessed in the final SQA examination whilst the Assignment (Writing) and Talking are completed within the class and submitted to SQA.
	Higher Gàidhlig feeds directly into the Advanced Higher Gàidhlig course, as well as preparing you for the world of work. You will develop your fluency to the extent that you may wish to take on leadership roles within different clubs run through the medium of Gaelic within the school or community and work with partners such as
	Condorrat Primary School or Community Learning and Develop-
What the future car	ment.
bring	
	Success at Higher Gàidhlig level also prepares you for progression to further education, including courses at Sabhal Mòr Ostaig, University of Glasgow, University of Strathclyde, University of Edinburgh, University of Stirling and others.

	History
Course title	
Course level	Level 6: Higher
	N5 Pass in History or other relevant Social Subject
Entry recommendations	
	Component 1 - Investigates both 'British' history and wider
	'European & World' history through critical responses to essay questions. British topics include the 'Women's Suffrage', the
	'Liberal Motives' and both the 'Liberal and Labour Reforms' as
V A.	Britain established her Welfare State. Students also cover 'U.S Immigration' and unpack the reasons for the 'Great Depression' in
	the States. Finally, we study they reasons for the 'rise of Nazism' in Germany and account for how 'Hitler manager top retain con-
	trol in Germany between 1933 - 39'.
	Companent 2 Featigness on Coattigh History, as atudants igurnay,
What the course involves	Component 2 - Focusses on Scottish History as students journey back to Medieval Scotland to learn about the Wars of Independ-
	ence 1286 - 1329. This is the skills-based element of the course focusing on pupils use of historical sources of evidence.
	Component 3 - The extended essay known as the assignment. Students select their own question before writing a response to
	answer said question. This compulsory piece of coursework (27%
	of the final award) is administered in March.
	Question Paper 1; British, European and World History (1 hour
Assessment	30mins) Question Paper 2: Scottish History (1 hour 30 mins)
	Assignment (1hour 30mins)
	Successful completion of the course can lead to candidates
	studying other Level 6 Social Subjects courses or Advanced Higher History
What the future can bring	Thigher thistory

Level 6: Higher
N5 Biology (A-C) . Learners without N5 Biology should have proven success in another Science. Must discuss wit PT Science
Course content includes the following areas from human biology. Human Cells – The key areas covered are division and differentiation in human cells, structure and replication of DNA, gene expressions, muta-
tions, human genomics, metabolic pathways, energy systems in muscle cells.
Physiology and Health - The key areas covered are gamete production and fertilisation, hormonal control of reproduction, the biology of controlling fertility, antenatal and postnatal screening, the structure and function of arteries, capillaries and veins, structure
and function of the heart, pathology of cardiovascular disease, blood glucose levels and obesity.
Neurobiology and Immunology -The key areas covered are divisions of the nervous system and neural pathways, the cerebral cortex, memory,the cells of the nervous system and neurotransmitters at synapses, non-specific body defences, specific cellular defences against pathogens, immunisation clinical trials of vaccines and drugs.
<u>Course exam</u> – externally set and assessed by SQA .
This is split into two papers -Multiple Choice (25marks) and Extended Response (95 marks) There is also a course assignment which is marked externally by the SQA and is worth 20% of the final mark in Human biology
Successful learners may progress to :- Advanced Higher Biology
Entry into employment, training or further education.

Course title	Mathematics
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry recommendations	For entry to Higher Mathematics learners should have achieved National 5 Mathematics, preferably at an A or B level
	Higher Mathematics has 3 units: Expressions and Functions, Relationships and Calculus and Applications
What the course involves	• Expressions and Functions - develops knowledge and skills that involve the manipulation of expressions, the use of vectors and the study of mathematical functions.
	Relationships and Calculus - develop knowledge and skills that involve solving equations and introduces both differential calculus and integral calculus.
	Applications - develops knowledge and skills that involve geometric applications, applications of sequences and applications of calculus.
Assessment	Pupils will be continually assessed throughout the course. To gain the award of the course, the learner must pass the course assessment. The course assessment will consist of two components: Component 1 – question paper (Non-calculator), Component 2 – question paper (Calculator). These papers will be set and marked by SQA. Course assessment will provide the basis for grading in the course award.
What the future can bring	

Course title	Media	
Course level	Level 6: Higher	
Entry	N5 Media Pass or N5 English Pass	
recommendations		
What the course	Candidates will undertake learning in the following areas: Analysing Media Content Creating Media Content	
involves		
Assessment	Question Paper 1: Analysis of media content (1hour 45 mins) Question Paper 2: The Role of the Media (1 hour) Assignment	
What the future can bring	Successful completion of the course can see candidates move- onto further Level 6 courses within the department including Journalism and English. Candidates can also move onto HNC level study at College in Media related areas	

Course title	Modern Studies
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry	Nat 5 A-C in Modern Studies
recommendations	
What the course in	This course includes 3 separate units plus an assignment. Which all require a consistent effort and motivation towards coursework.
What the course in- volves	Our Higher topics are Democracy in the UK, Social Inequality and Global Conflict.
	The course assessment has 3 components:
	Assignment which is worth 30 marks and is completed in class under exam conditions and sent to SQA for marking.
Assessment	Paper 1 which is worth 52 marks and is part of the SQA exam pupils will sit in May.
	Paper 2 which is worth 28 marks and is part of the SQA exam pupils will sit in May.
What the future can bring	This course is excellent in building transferable and valuable skills such as analysing, researching, evaluating, information handling and literacy. All of which are vital for further education at both university and college level, as well as when applying for wider work.
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Course title	Higher Music
Course level	Higher
Forting (N5 is preferable, but not essential. Please speak to the PT if you are con-
Entry	sidering crashing this course.
recommendations	
What the course in- volves	Performance: Pupils develop their skills on two instruments at grade 4 level. A minimum of four minutes is required on one instrument. Total programme length over two instruments is twelve minutes. Understanding Music: Pupils learn music concepts (like a musical dictionary) and identify what they're listening to. This exam takes place during the exam period for all other subjects. i.e. April / May.
	Performance: Pupils perform on two instruments for a total of twelve minutes to an external examiner late February / early March. This is worth 50% of the overall course award. Understanding Music: An external listening paper worth 35% of the course award.
Assessment	Composition: Folio submitted to SQA which includes composition & reflection. This element is worth 15%.
What the future can bring	Music teacher, session musician, music therapist, booking agent, composer, DJ, event manager, instrument technician, live sound technician, music PR, musical director, musician, private music teacher, radio producer, songwriter, sound engineer, tour manager.

Course title	Music Technology) mm
Course level	HIGHER	
Entry recommendations	N5 Music Technology. (Please speak to Mr Sharpe or Miss Dunca Music Tech but have not completed N5.)	an if you are keen to sit Higher
	In this subject you will develop skills in the Music Technology Skills: In this unit, you will learn how to use Music learning how to use advanced sound effected record in a studio environment.	technology software as well as
What the course involves	Understanding 20th and 21st Century You learn about modern music styles (Indi'n' B etc).	
	Music Technology in Context: You will use your music technology skills to can be a live performance, a radio broadc audio book or a sound design for compute	ast, a soundtrack for film/TV, an
Assessment	70% of final grade – A folio consisting of 30% of final grade – A listening paper.	of one project.
What the future can bring	Music Producer. Sound designer for games/films/media. BBC Sound Engineer. Studio Engineer. Live Sound Engineer. Mastering Engineer. Radio Broadcast Engineer. Music Editor. Sound Designer.	

Course title	Philosophy
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry recommendations	Nat 5 A-C in RMPS and/or Nat 5 A-C in another Social Subject and/or Nat 5 A-C in English. Must be comfortable writing essays.
	The Philosophy course consists of 3 areas of study:
	Arguments in Action
	Arguments in Actions helps to develop our critical thinking and arguing skills such as how to present an argument in a easy to access way and spotting the flaws and fallacies commonly found in logical arguments.
	The course will teach how to construct a philosophical argument, how to spot when arguments do and do not work, the most commonly found fallacies in arguments and how to recognise when they are used amongst other valuable skills.
	Arguments in Action has its own section in Paper 2 of the exam, worth 30 marks.
What the course involves	Knowledge & Doubt This section of the course explores how we can truly say we "know" things. We will answer questions like "how can we trust our senses?" and "can we be sure the world exists?". We will study the philosophies of Descartes and Hume, two different responses to these questions.
	Knowledge & Doubt is assessed with an essay in Paper 1 and 10 marks of short questions in Paper 2.
	Moral Philosophy
	Moral Philosophy seeks to answer the questions of morality in society. Where does our morality comes from, what makes an action right or wrong and what should we use to determine what action to take? These questions will be explored through the study of the theories of Utilitarianism and Kantian Ethics.
	Moral Philosophy is assessed with an essay in Paper 1 and 10 marks of short questions in Paper 2.
	National 5— 1 80 mark exam paper & a 20 mark internally assessed assignment.
Assessment	<u>Higher</u> —2 exam papers (Paper 1: 2 30 mark essays, Paper 2: 50 marks short questions)
What the future can bring	Studying Philosophy can help with access to careers in Law, Politics, Science, Journalism, Teaching, Business and anything else that requires problem solving, critical thinking and strong communication skills.

Course title	Photography
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry recommendations	Nat 5 A-C in English and Nat 5 A-C in Art (not essential but useful)
	The Higher Photography course includes the technical and creative sides of photography. The course comprises a series of units covering basic camera controls and the use of research skills and Digital Imaging.
What the course involves	These skills are then combined in the thematic course project. The student selects a theme and produces a body of work expressing their interpretation of the chosen theme the work is then presented and externally assessed by SQA.
	The course allows pupils to develop their own knowledge and understanding of photographic media and different camera techniques and processes. While also allowing them to develop their own creative skills.
	Throughout the course pupils will research photographers social, cultural, historical, and scientific influences and identify how they impact their work. This will deepen their knowledge and understanding of different styles and genres of Photography while also experimenting with different camera handling techniques and photographic processes.
	Pupils will need to demonstrate technical photographic skills and show their own personal, creative responses when photographing a variety of subjects. They will plan out their own project which provides opportunities to develop critical-thinking skills, and to evaluate their own photo-graphic work and practice.
	The course assessment has two components:
_	Final Project 100 marks
Assessment	Question Paper 30 Marks
	(Both externally assessed by SQA)
	At school learners can continue Photography at Adv Higher level via the Art & Design course.
What the future can bring	College courses include HNC (level 7) or HND (level 8) Photography courses which can progress onto a degree level Photography course.
	As well as the option of working as a professional/freelance Photographer there are many other creative careers where having a Photography qualification is beneficial:
	Graphic Design, Fashion, Video Editing, Journalism, Media/Newspaper, Nature, Wildlife, Travel, Web Design, Portrait & Wedding, Corporate, Forensic, Music, Advertising, Visual merchandiser, Art director, Filmmaker, Visual Effects Artist, Fine Art, Stylist, Medical Illustrator and many more.

Course title	Physical Education
Course level	Level 6: Higher
	Nat 5 A-C in Physical Education.
Entry recommendations	If crashing the course, a pass in National 5 English and experience of sport outside of school as 50% of overall grade is based on practical ability.
	The course consists of two areas of study: Factors impacting on performance:
	Candidates develop knowledge and understanding of mental, emotional, social and physical factors that impact on personal performance in physical activities.
What the course involves	Performance: Candidates develop their ability to demonstrate a broad and comprehensive range of complex movement and performance skills through a range of physical activities e.g. gymnastics, trampolining, netball, football, badminton, volley-
1	ball, I fitness and cross country. Pupils must participate in all the course activities.
	Throughout the course, pupils will be assessed in a range of individual, team and aesthetic activities. The final performance component will assess the pupils' ability to effectively perform in two different physical activities, each performance will be marked out of 30. This is 50% of the overall marks for the course assessment.
Assessment	Pupils will sit a 2.5 hour written exam. The question paper has a total mark allocation of 50 marks. This is 50% of the overall marks for the course assessment.
	The question paper has three mandatory sections and focuses on:
	" factors impacting on performance
6	methods of collecting information to analyse factors impacting on performance
	" performance development process
	recording, monitoring, and evaluating performance development
What the future can bring	Other qualifications in sport or related areas. Further study, employment or training.

Course title	Physics
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry recommendations	Nat 5 A-C in Physics (A-C) also recommended to have passed Nat 5 Mathematics (A-C). Learners without N5 Physics should have proven success in other science courses. Please discuss with the PT Science.
What the course	The Higher Physics Course develops learners' curiosity, interest and enthusiasm for physics in a range of contexts. The skills of scientific inquiry and investigation are developed throughout the course, and the relevance of physics is highlighted by the study of the applications of physics in everyday contexts.
involves	The course is made up from four units: • Our Dynamic Universe
	Particles and Waves
V.	• Electricity
	Researching Physics
	Course assessment structure : Written exam and an assignment.
Assessment	The course is assessed by a written examination, set and marked by the SQA. The question paper has two sections. Both papers have a total mark allocation of 155 marks. This contributes 80% to the overall marks for the course assessment.
	The assignment assesses the application of skills of scientific inquiry and related physics knowledge and understanding and is worth the remaining 20% of the total exam mark.
	Learners who achieve a pass at Higher could progress to Advanced Higher Physics.
What the future can bring	Higher Physics is also required for entry to a number of Further and Higher education courses in Science and Engineering.

Course title	Politics
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry recommendations	Nat 5 A-C in English or any Social Subject
What the course involves	The course covers three areas. Unit one looks at political theory, which covers political ideologies and the different types of democracy. The first looks at socialism and how a socialist country would function, comparing it conservatism and capitalism. The second looks at the role referendums play in democracies around the world, and whether democracies would function better with these in place of elected representatives.
	Unit two covers American politics. It looks at the President, evaluating just how powerful they are. It also looks at the US Constitution, examining the role it plays in American life. The unit then looks at the Prime Minister in the UK as well as the UK constitution, comparing how similar or different they are their American counterparts.
	Finally, the last unit looks at Political Parties in the UK, which covers campaigning strategies as well as the 2019 election. The first looks at how Political Parties campaign for votes using new technology, traditional strategies and the media. The second looks at the 2019 election in detail, specifically why Labour lost the election so badly.
Assessment	Paper 1 – Essay paper (52 marks)
	Paper 2 – Skills paper (28 marks)
	Personal choice essay (30 marks)
What the future can bring	Politics gives students a grounding in some of the most important political concepts. Students have gone on to a wide range of courses at university, from politics courses and international relations to law.
F	The course has a phenomenal track record of success, with extremely high pass rates, especially A pass rates.

Course title	Psychology
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry recommendations	Nat 5 A-C in Psychology. If S6 with no prior attainment, a Higher at A-C in another social subject would be required. If S5 with no prior attainment, an A/B in another social subject at N5 would be required. Some experience of maths/biology would also be beneficial.
What the course en- tails	A current Higher Psychology pupil: "The course is interesting as it takes both social subjects and science and combines them. This is good as it allows you to develop skills from both. Even if you have never taken a social subject or science, it is easy to understand. The topics covered also allow you to develop knowledge in areas which you would have never been able to study before within school, such as conformity and obedience as well as sleep and dreams, making this course an amazing one to take.
	I took this course as I had heard good things about it from friends and my sister. In addition, I also took it to help me understand the world in a new way as it introduces us to new ideas about humans"
	The course covers the following topics:
	Research Methods
	Social Behaviour
	Conformity and Obedience
	Social Relationships
Assessment	Individual Behaviour
	Sleep and Dreams
	The course is assessed as follows:
6	 Final exam - 66.6% of overall grade.
	Coursework - 33.3% of overall grade.
What the future can bring	Psychology is a versatile subject that can lead to careers in the health sector, social work, counselling, education, law, police, research, recruitment and HR, advertising and marketing, charity work and notfor-profit organisations and more!

Course title	RMPS
Course level	Level 6: Higher
Entry recommendations	It will help if you have National 5 RMPS but you do not need to have it to do well.
	This course helps learners to understand society. They learn about, and from, religious beliefs, non-religious viewpoints, and personal experience. By exploring how religion, morality and philosophy can help people find meaning and purpose in life, pupils develop their understanding of human beliefs, values and behaviour. Throughout the course, there are opportunities for pupils to develop literacy, personal learning and thinking skills, and a sense of responsible citizenship.
	The course consists of three units - Buddhism (world religion), Justice (morality) and Existence of God (philosophical question).
What the course involves	Buddhism is a major world religion that originated in India but has been becoming very popular in the West especially through practices like mindfulness and meditation. As a religion with no God, it really challenges the belief about what a religion is with a very different view to life, the meaning of it and how to live. You will be encouraged to reflect on what you think about these beliefs and practices.
	Justice covers topics like the causes of crime and asks you to consider why people might commit crimes in the first place, why we punish people who commit crimes and what the purposes of these really are as well as look at some types of punishment, such as fines, prison and the death penalty. You will be encouraged to learn about different viewpoints to these, religious and non-religious, and express what your viewpoint on these issues are.
	In Existence of God, we ask the big philosophical question – does God exist? We look at different classic historical arguments to support that he does as well as challenges to this and you will be encouraged to engage in this debate and consider what you think of these arguments and whether they offer enough proof to say God definitely does or does not exist.
Assessment	Exam – two papers, 80 marks. A mixture of 10 mark short essays and 20 mark longer essays. Paper 1 (2h 20 min) and paper 2 (45 minutes). Assesses: Knowledge and understanding, analysis and evaluation. Assignment – 30 mark essay assessed by SQA.
What the future can bring	This course will help you develop a range of skills that will be useful in any future career and life in general as you will expand your understanding of human nature, different religious and non-religious beliefs and to continuously reflect on your own beliefs. This will be particularly useful in careers like law, psychology, teaching, counselling, politics, health care, and many more!



(Ungraded Courses—Assessed in School)

Refereeing
Scottish Baccalaureate in Science (S6 only)

Course title	Refereeing
Course level	Level 7
Entry recommendations	Interest in football and developing knowledge and understanding of the laws of the game. Pupils will be involved in practical activity so basic fitness levels are expected.
What the course involves	The PDA (Professional Development Award) in Scottish Football Association has been developed in partnership with the SFA's Referee Development Department. The refereeing course is designed to equip individuals with knowledge and understanding of Scottish Football Association (SFA) refereeing, concentrating on knowledge and understanding of the Laws of the Game of football. It also includes learning about formal controls, misconduct, match reports and fitness standards for referees. This knowledge is drawn together by refereeing a football match. Refereeing pupils gain experience through refereeing in school and helping referee in football assessments throughout the year. It offers candidates the opportunity to develop refereeing skills and enables progression to other widely recognised SFA refereeing qualifications.
Assessment What the future can bring	The course consists of 2 mandatory units: Laws of the Game Practical Refereeing Course assessment: Laws of the game – online exam multiple choice (2 hours) plus online video exam. Practical – fitness test, assessed refereeing a game. Pupils completing the refereeing course also complete the SQA level 5 Health & Wellbeing award. PDAs in Sport at SCQF level 7 and level 8 SQA awards which incorporate higher level units, eg HNC/D (SCQF levels 7/8) SFA refereeing structure

Course title	Scottish Baccalaureate in Science (S6 only)
Course level	Level 7
Entry recommendations	The Baccalaureate is intended for candidates who, in Fifth and Sixth Years can offer Higher and Advanced Higher level in two different, eligible subjects, together with Mathematics or Statistics. The full award requires three different eligible courses, Two at AH level and one at Higher level.
	The defining feature of the Scottish Baccalaureate in Science is the interdisciplinary project and the added value it brings to the Baccalaureate as a whole.
What the course involves	The Interdisciplinary Project unit offers students a challenging yet rewarding opportunity to develop their subject knowledge at Advanced Higher level and, at the same time, to develop the learning skills needed for future studies, employment and life.
	Students independently chose the theme of their project and the best way to carry it out. They decide on research contacts, how to approach links with outside agencies how to present their results.
	The mandatory components are:
	Interdisciplinary Project Unit Advanced Higher SCQF Level 7 (16 SCQF points)
	Two courses Advanced Higher SCQF Level 7 (64 SCQF points)
Assessment	One course Higher SCQF Level 6 (24 SCQF points)
	The Interdisciplinary Project Unit will be graded A, B or C.
E	The Science Baccalaureate bridges the gap between school and
	University. It allows students to broaden their experience outside
What the future can bring	school life and helps to equip the student with the generic skills attitude and confidence necessary to make the transition into Higher education of employment.

Advanced Higher Courses

2024-2025

Art and Design

Biology

Chemistry

Drama

English

Gàidhlig

Graphic Communication

Maths

Modern Studies

Music

Physics

Course title	Art & Design (Expressive <u>or</u> Design)
Course level	Level 7: Advanced Higher
Entry	Higher Art A-C
recommendations	
	Learners are given the option to specialise in expressive art or design as their focus in Advanced Higher: The Expressive Advanced Higher course provides opportunities for learners to develop their creativity, visual awareness and understanding of aesthetic, while exploring how to communicate their personal thoughts, ideas and opinions through their expressive artwork. This involves visually exploring and responding in an individual way to stimuli, researching challenging expressive art contexts and evaluating how artists respond creatively to stimuli.
What the course	The Design Advanced Higher course provides opportunities for learners to develop their personal creativity and apply their understanding of design practice, function and aesthetics. This involves exploring and researching challenging design contexts, issues and opportunities, and evaluating and incorporating visual stimuli and other information from a variety of sources. Both courses require candidates to submit a number of A1 sheets which show clear development towards a final outcome as well as a critical analysis based on their research and study of a chosen artist or designer.
involves	Expressive
	Learners will evidence ability to develop creative ideas and artwork in response to a chosen expressive stimulus/theme concept. They will also demonstrate their analytical and evaluative skills. This will include analysing in detail either a single chosen artwork or a closely related group of work(s) which relates in some way to their practical artwork. It will also include an evaluation of your portfolio of artwork.
	Design
	Learners will evidence ability to develop creative ideas and design work in response to a design brief. They will also demonstrate analytical and evaluative skills. This will include analysing in detail either a single chosen design work or a closely related group of work(s), which relates in some way to their practical design work. It will also include an evaluation of your portfolio of design work.
	Design or Expressive Portfolio including written critical analysis and evaluation is
	awarded one overall mark as part of a full body of work – 100 marks in total.
Assessment	Portfolio (Expressive or Design) 64 Marks
Assessment	Contextual Analysis 30 Marks
	Evaluation 6 Marks
What the future can bring	The Adv Higher Art & Design course will provide learners with a portfolio that can be used as entry to a variety of College and Universities offering BA Hons and Master degrees. Courses in Fine Arts and Design can unlock many opportunities for exciting careers in fields such as Art Curating, Set Design, Special effects specialisms, Tv and Film, Prop building, Graphic Design, Marketing, Design specific to the Music Industry, The Fashion Industry, Architecture and Art Education. Pupil's taking the subject further
	may also consider Secondary Education, Interior Design, and many other fields such as Art History, Arts Management, Museum Studies, Historic Preservation, Visual Communications, and many more.

Course title	Biology
Course level	Level 7: Advanced Higher
Entry	Higher Biology A - C
recommendations	
What the course	The Advanced Higher Biology Course is based on integrative ideas and unifying principles of modern biological science. It covers key aspects of life science at the molecular scale and extends to aspects of the biology of whole organisms that are among the major driving forces of evolution. In addition, the Advanced Higher Biology Course aims to develop a sound theoretical understanding and practical experience of experimental investigative work in biological science.
involves	The course is made up from three units:
	Cells and Proteins
	Organisms and Evolution
	Investigative Biology
	The course is assessed by a 3h written examination, set and marked by the SQA. The question paper has two sections. Section 1 contains multiple-choice questions and has 20 marks. Section 2 contains structured and extended-response questions and has 80 marks.
Assessment	A research project is completed in school and is marked by the SQA.
	The project allows candidates to individually carry out an in-depth investigation of a biology topic and produce a project report
	The project report is worth 25% of the overall mark for the final course assessment
(Advanced Higher Biology provides entrance requirements for a wide variety of Higher Education courses.
What the future can bring	

Course title	Chemistry
Course level	Level 7: Advanced Higher
Entry	Higher Chemistry A-C
recommendations	
	The Advanced Higher qualification in Chemistry develops sophisticated skills of independent study and thought.
	Learners carry out an in-depth study of electronic structure, chemical bonding, thermochemistry and reaction kinetics.
	Further topics for study include organic chemistry, structural analysis, and medicinal chemistry
What the course involves	
	The course is made up from three units: -
	-Inorganic and physical chemistry
	- Organic chemistry and instrumental analysis
'	- Researching chemistry
	The course is assessed by a 3h written examination, set and marked by the SQA.
Assessment	A project is completed in school time and is marked by the SQA. The project allows candidates to individually carry out an in-depth investigation of a chemistry topic and produce a project report. The project report is worth 25% of the final mark.
What the future can bring	Advanced Higher Chemistry provides entrance requirements for a wide variety of Higher Education courses.

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Course title	Drama
Course level	Level 7: Advanced Higher
Entry recommendations	Candidates should have achieved the Higher Drama course or equivalent qualifications and/or experience prior to starting this course.
What the course involves	Component 1: project–dissertation has 30 marks out of a total of 100 marks for the course Component 3: performance 50
Assessment	SQA Visiting Assessor (Acting and Production) SQA Externally assessed (Written Paper) Project—dissertation 30 marks out of a total of 100 marks for the course assessment. Candidates identify a performance issue, carry out research and communicate their findings in a dissertation of 2,500 to 3,000 words. Course Assignment: 20 Marks out of 100 for the course. analyse a professional theatrical production and the work of at least one theatre practitioner (actor, director, and/or designer) involved in the production, in an extended response. Performance: The performance has 50 marks out of a total of 100 marks for the course assessment
What the future can	A range of drama-related Higher National Certificates (HNCs) and/or Higher National Diplomas (HNDs), degrees in drama and related disciplines, careers in the creative industries and other industries. Work progression in no way not excluded to theatre, film and television, as course help develop effective self-expression, skills in group work, presentation skills, practical application of imaginative skills, analysis, reflective skills. Helps develop confidence.

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Course title	English
Course level	Level 7: Advanced Higher
Entry recommendations	Higher English A –C
What the course involves	Advanced Higher English focuses on the critical and creative study of complex and sophisticated literature and language. It provides you with opportunities to add specialism, depth and independence to your English and study skills.
Assessment	Advanced Higher English is assessed through externally assessed coursework and via a final exam. Candidates must submit a portfolio of writing and a critical dissertation to the SQA.
What the future can bring	The course provides a clear progressive pathway for pupils who wish to go on to study English literature, language or other disciplines in further and higher education.

Course title	Gàidhlig
Course level	Level 7: Advanced Higher
Entry	Higher Gàidhlig A-C
recommendation	IS
	Gaining a qualification in Gàidhlig is a recognition of your fluency in the language and demonstrates that you are able to use the language confidently and independently. You will develop your skills in talking, reading, listening and writing which will not only open many post-school employment opportunities, but will also allow you to deepen your knowledge of the Gaelic language.
What the course involves	With the opportunity to develop a range of skills there will be a variety of experiences within the course. You will further develop the skills that you have focussed on within the Higher course whilst at the same time broadening your skill set, including translational. You will also work more independently as you focus on areas of Gaelic cultural heritage and the cultural heritage of others.
1	The Advanced Higher course will also give you the opportunity to develop and apply at an advanced level, the language skills of translation and interpretation through an in-depth study of Gaelic language and literature. You will also demonstrate your knowledge, skills and understanding through the production of a specialist study.
	The course consists of four components,
	Practical Criticism
	Literature and Writing
Assessment	 Translating
	Talking
	Practical Criticism, Literature and Writing and Translating are assessed in the final SQA examination whilst the Talking is assessed by a visiting SQA assessor.
	Advanced Higher Gàidhlig feeds directly into further education and training, as well as preparing you for the world of work.
What the future can bring	Success at Advanced Higher Gàidhlig level also prepares you for progression to further education, including courses at Sabhal Mòr Ostaig, University of Glasgow, University of Strathclyde, University of Edinburgh, University of Stirling and others.
7	The course is an excellent bridge into further education and develops your ability to work independently and take on further challenge and broaden your skill set.

Course title	Graphic Communication
Course level	Level 7: Advanced Higher
Entry	Higher Graphic Communication A-C
recommendations	
	This course has three units to it which you need to work through to allow you the knowledge and skills to tackle the final assignment.
	Unit 1: CAD unit of a camera casing. Looking into Audiences that would make use of types of CAD drawings, producing manual sketches of parts and designing a mount for the camera case.
What the course involves	Unit 2: CVMG unit of a webpage. Using the camera case as inspiration, you will be creating a webpage for it. You will be creating a logo and company name to go along with it and creating
	links to pages within the webpage. Audiences for CVMG are also looked at and printing techniques.
	Unit 3: Architecture unit. Looking at housing estates and creating a floor plan, site plan and an exterior of a house and interior. Audiences will also be looked at for this unit.
Assessment	Assignment—you need to set this and you have a 20 page limit to bring together CAD and CVMG. This is worth 90 marks and extended period of time to complete.
M	University or College for several courses:
	CAD technician
	Architecture technician
What the future	Architecture
can bring	Graphic design
	Web Design
	App Design
	Interior Design

Course title	Maths
Course level	Level 7: Advanced Higher
Entry recommendations	Higher Maths A-C.
	Advanced Higher Mathematics has 3 units.
	Methods in Algebra and Calculus – develops advanced knowledge and skills in algebra and calculus that can be used in practical and abstract situations to manage information in mathematical form.
What the course involves	• Applications of Algebra and Calculus – develops advance knowledge and skills that involve the application of algebra and calculus to real-life and mathematical situations, including applications of geometry. Learners will acquire skills in interpreting and analysing problem situations where these skills can be used.
	• Geometry, Proof and Systems of Equations – develops advanced knowledge and skills that involve geometry, number and algebra, and to examine the close relationship between them. Learners will develop skills in logical thinking.
	Pupils will be continually assessed throughout the course.
Assessment	To gain the award of the course, the learner must pass the course assessment. The course assessment will consist of a paper set and marked by SQA. Course assessment will provide the basis for grading in the course award.
What the future can bring	The course is excellent preparation for further or higher education of mathematically-based courses such and Mathematics, Physics and Engineering.

Course title	Modern Studies
Course level	Level 7: Advanced Higher
Entry recommendations	Higher Modern Studies A-C
What the course involves	This course includes three separate units plus a dissertation, which all require a consistent and motivated effort towards the course work. Independent working and further reading is required to complete the course successfully.
	Our Advanced Higher topic is Crime and the Law with units on Responses to Crime, Theories and Research Methods.
Assessment	The exam is worth 90 marks and the dissertation that pupils complete independently is worth 50 marks.
What the future can bring	This course is excellent in building transferable and valuable skills such as analysing, researching, evaluating, information handling and literacy. All of which are vital for further education at both university and college level, as well as when applying for wider work.

Course title	Advanced Higher Music
Course level	Level 7: Advanced Higher
Entry recommendations	Higher
What the course involves	Performance: Pupils develop their skills on two instruments at grade 5 level. A minimum of six minutes is required on one instrument. Total programme length over two instruments is eighteen minutes. Understanding Music: Pupils learn music concepts (like a musical dictionary) and identify what they're listening to. This exam takes place during the exam period for all other subjects. i.e. April / May. Composition: Pupils make up their own music with assistance and write a short reflection on how they composed this music. Pupils analyse two pieces of music.
Assessment	Performance: Pupils perform on two instruments for a total of twelve minutes to an external examiner in May. This is worth 50% of the overall course award. Understanding Music: An external listening paper worth 35% of the course award. Composition: Folio submitted to SQA. This element is worth 15%.
What the future can bring	Music teacher, session musician, music therapist, booking agent, composer, DJ, event manager, instrument technician, live sound technician, music PR, musical director, musician, private music teacher, radio producer, songwriter, sound engineer, tour manager.

Course title	Physics
Course level	Level 7: Advanced Higher
Entry recommendations	Higher Physics A-C
	The study of Advanced Higher Physics offers opportunities for collaborative and independent learning set within familiar and unfamiliar contexts. It seeks to illustrate and emphasise situations where the principles of physics are used and applied, thus promoting the candidates' awareness that physics involves interaction between theory and practice. The course allows candidates an op-
	portunity to engage in some independent research and endeavours to foster an interest in current developments in Physics, and the applications of Physics. Course content includes the following areas of physics:
What the course	Rotational motion and astrophysics
involves	The topics covered are: "kinematic relationships "angular motion "rotational dynamics "gravitation "general relativity "stellar physics
	Quanta and waves
	The topics covered are: "introduction to quantum theory "particles from space "simple harmonic motion "waves "interference polarisation
	Electromagnetism
	The topics covered are: "fields "circuits "electromagnetic radiation
	Course is assessed by a 3 hour written examination which is set and marked by the SQA.
Assessment	There is also an independent project which is completed in school and marked by the SQA. The project assesses the application of skills of scientific inquiry and related physics knowledge and understanding. The project is worth 25% of the final course assessment.
What the future can bring	Advanced Higher Physics provides entrance requirements for a wide variety of Higher Education courses.