ARE YOU STIRLING?
We’re proud to provide our students with an outstanding education, founded on innovation and excellence. You’ll find that Stirling is a place where everyone is treated with respect and where ability, not background, is valued.

Our focus is on helping you to be the difference in your chosen career and, with flexible degree courses to choose from, we’ll equip you with the knowledge, expertise and lifelong employability skills to stand out from the crowd.

We’re delighted 97 percent of our undergraduate – and 96 percent of postgraduate – leavers are in work or further study within six months of graduating.

Our students, graduates and staff are having a positive impact internationally, with Stirling named as one of the world’s top 50 universities in the Times Higher Education Golden Age University Rankings 2018. We celebrate our global outlook, with more than 120 nationalities represented on our diverse, inclusive and multicultural campus.

The University’s beautiful 330-acre campus offers an unrivalled living and learning environment. Our facilities were rated five-star in the prestigious QS World University Rankings 2018, along with our teaching, employability, inclusiveness and internationalisation.

To further enhance our student experience, we’re investing £41 million to create world-class fitness and high-performance sports facilities, as well as a new ‘Campus Central’ social and learning space. These projects have been shaped in collaboration with our students, staff and wider community.

At the University of Stirling, we’re committed to helping you make a positive difference in the world.

If you’re into sport, you’ll love Stirling. As Scotland’s University for Sporting Excellence, we provide high-quality sports facilities for our students, high-performance and Olympic athletes, staff, and the wider community. Our athletes enjoyed incredible success at the 2018 Commonwealth Games in Australia, returning with an impressive total of 11 medals.

We’re the home of Scotland’s National Swimming Academy, the Scottish National Tennis Centre, the Tennis Scotland National Academy and Triathlon Scotland. Our students rated our sports facilities – which include a 50m swimming pool and a golf course – first in Scotland, and top 5 in the UK, in the Times Higher Education Student Experience Survey 2018.

Our award-winning Students’ Union is the University’s hub, providing entertainment and welfare services to make your life at Stirling the best it can be. With more than 120 clubs and societies to choose from, settling into university life couldn’t be simpler.

You’re about to make a very exciting and important decision about where you choose to study – and we’re delighted you’re considering joining us at Stirling. I hope this prospectus offers a flavour of life at Stirling and that you’re able to visit our campus during one of our Open Day events.

I wish you the very best of luck with your studies and look forward to welcoming you on campus soon.
**BREAKING NEW FACILITIES**

Campus Central will be the new heart of our stunning campus, giving you cutting-edge learning facilities and dynamic spaces. It’s going to be an expert blend of modern architecture and natural beauty, and will include:

- New meeting spaces and student support facilities
- Collaborative learning and research spaces
- Bigger and better food and shopping
- Beautiful green space to sit and think
- A convenient transport hub

As Scotland’s University for Sporting Excellence, you’d expect Stirling to have incredible sports facilities – and you won’t be disappointed with our cutting-edge new complex. Integrating the National Swimming Academy and Scottish National Tennis Centre, you’ll be able to enjoy our:

- Purpose-built fitness studios
- State-of-the-art gym
- Two sports halls, six indoor tennis courts
- Dedicated indoor cycling studio
- Strength and conditioning areas
- World-class high-performance suite
- Enhanced changing facilities
- Open-plan communal spaces, cafe and reception area

At the University of Stirling, we want to give you the best-possible student experience – which means you’ll need world-class facilities. That’s why we’re investing £41 million updating our key student hubs in time for your arrival in September 2020, and we think you’re going to love it.

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84.4% **STUDENT SATISFACTION**  
National Student Survey 2018

1ST **IN SCOTLAND AND THE UK FOR CAMPUS ENVIRONMENT**  
International Student Barometer 2016

MORE THAN 97% **OF OUR UNDERGRADUATE LEAVERS ARE IN EMPLOYMENT OR FURTHER STUDY WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF GRADUATING**  
Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education survey 2016/17

88,000 **ALUMNI IN MORE THAN 170 COUNTRIES**
WALLACE MONUMENT
Climb 246 steps to reach the top of our famous landmark, built to commemorate Scots hero, Sir William Wallace.

COTTRELL BUILDING
The Cottrell Building is home to the Faculty of Natural Sciences and the Stirling Management School.

INTO BUILDING
Our new centre is designed to offer international students unique academic pathways that can help them gain a degree.

NATIONAL SWIMMING ACADEMY
Home to Scottish Swimming and our world-class student athletes, who practise more than 35 hours per week in our Olympic pool.

THE PITCHES
Get a front row seat to the action on our grass and artificial pitches.

AIRTHREY GOLF COURSE
Less than a five-minute walk from student accommodation, our nine-hole golf course is right on your doorstep.

ANDREW MILLER BUILDING
The heart of the University, made up of the Atrium, Library, Students’ Union and the Macrobert Arts Centre.

LOOK AROUND
NEW DEVELOPMENT
STIRLING COURT HOTEL
The perfect place to stay, with 100 bedrooms, an elegant restaurant, welcoming lounge bar and excellent meeting facilities.

AIRTHREY CASTLE
Our very own 18th-century castle is still in use today, and overlooks the University’s picturesque golf course.

THE LINK BRIDGE
The scenic commute between halls and University, and you’ll never have to worry about being late again.

ARTHRHEY LOCK
Our very own loch; home to our water sports team, along with our resident swans.

AIRTHREY PARK MEDICAL CENTRE
Our on-campus general medical practice and dental centre.

STUDENT ACCOMMODATION
Home to our students: more than 2,500 bedrooms across 20 residences on and off campus.

PATHFOOT BUILDING
Home to the Faculty of Arts and Humanities, the Faculty of Health Sciences and Sport and the Institute of Aquaculture. It also hosts an art collection.

NATIONAL TENNIS CENTRE
Tennis superstars Andy Murray and Gordon Reid famously honed their skills on our courts.

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FIVE-STAR FACILITIES
Our facilities were given the top score in the 2018 QS World University Rankings – and it’s easy to see why. The University’s refurbished library has a range of different study spaces to suit your needs; our contemporary, spacious and secure accommodation has options to suit every taste and budget; and our world-class sports facilities enable you to play and train alongside Olympic athletes.

PLENTY OF CULTURE
Our campus is a vibrant, artistic and cultural hotspot. Located at its heart is the MacRobert Arts Centre, the leading cultural hub and arts centre in Scotland’s central region. It regularly hosts new theatre productions, dance, comedy and contemporary music. Meanwhile, its critically acclaimed cinema offers excellent value and a great programme of blockbusters, art-house movies, classics and documentaries.

ARTHREY CASTLE
How many universities can say they have their own castle? Overlooking the University’s loch, the 18th-century Arthreay Castle boasts a fascinating history – and is still in active use today.

SCOTTISH TENNIS CENTRE
As the home of the Scottish National Tennis Centre, our campus is the nation’s premier training ground for the game’s biggest stars. But you don’t need to be an aspiring Wimbledon champion to take advantage of our world-class facilities – courts are open to everybody.

UNIVERSITY ART COLLECTION
Stirling’s public art collection is one of the finest in the country. Our unique works include paintings, sketches, tapestries and sculptures from some of the biggest names in Scottish contemporary art.

STIRLING COURT HOTEL
For visiting family and friends, the University has a 100-bedroom hotel and versatile conference centre right here on campus. The hotel also features a relaxing bar, café and excellent restaurant.

“...the campus is a five-minute bus ride away from the city centre, enabling you to have the peace and quiet of the country but also the buzz of the city.”

Angela McIvor (Scotland)
BA (Hons) Human Resource Management and Marketing

PLANNED NEW BUILDING
The University’s £33.2 million new College of Business and Public Policy building is set to open in September 2020, providing a world-class home for the University’s new School of Management and Public Policy. The new building will feature cutting-edge technology and state-of-the-art facilities.

120+
NATIONALITIES ARE REPRESENTED ON CAMPUS

ON AN ADVENTURE
The University’s 330-acre campus isn’t just a gorgeous place to call home; it’s an inspirational place where cutting-edge technology combines with breathtaking nature and where a world of discoveries awaits you.
STIRLING

The ancient city of Stirling combines the charm of an historic destination with the buzz of a young population.

SHOP ‘TIL YOU DROP
Stirling has everything you could hope for in a premier shopping destination. The city’s historic Victorian arcade, bustling high street and Thistles Shopping Centre boast all the biggest brands and quirkiest pop-up shops imaginable.

SOAK UP THE CULTURE
The Castle and the Albert Halls are popular for concerts, while the Old Town venue the Tolbooth has a famous live music and arts scene. We have a multiplex cinema, and the Macrobert Arts Centre showcases the best in arthouse and mainstream cinema, along with a year-round live performance programme right here on campus.

PUBS AND GRUB
TinPot Microbrewery and Allanwater Brewhouse are just a few minutes’ walk from campus, and craft beer revolutionaries BrewDog are in Stirling. Popular speciality cafes like the Burgh Coffeehouse and student-friendly eateries including Nando’s, Domino’s and Subway are also in the city centre.

WALK WITH HISTORY
Stirling Castle is one of Scotland’s grandest and former home to Mary, Queen of Scots. It’s also where the world’s oldest football was discovered hidden behind some panelling! The historic Old Town remembers Robert the Bruce and William Wallace, and still bears the scars from military campaigns that changed the course of Britain’s history.

GET CONNECTED
Stirling has everything you could hope for and even has Nextbike cycle-sharing stations. Its central location also means Glasgow and Edinburgh are within easy reach for a day of shopping or a night out. With around 130 gigs a week in Glasgow, and the world’s biggest arts festival in Edinburgh, you’re not going to want to miss out on either city.

GO OUTDOORS
If you’d like to explore the sets of iconic films and TV series, the University is a frequent film location and nearby Doune Castle features in Outlander, Game of Thrones and The Outlaw King.

For a change of pace, Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park are on our doorstep and the Scottish Highlands are less than an hour away. Whether it’s skiing, rock climbing or simply enjoying the beauty of one of the world’s last wild places, you should add outdoor adventures to your to-do list.

“Stirling is in the perfect location if you want to make the most of what central Scotland has to offer. It’s a beautiful city and there’s loads to get stuck into both on and off campus, from sport to music and the arts – there’s something for everyone.”

Calum Murdoch (Scotland) BSc (Hons) Management Science and Mathematics

IN A CITY WHERE 20% OF RESIDENTS ARE STUDENTS, LIFE IN STIRLING MEANS YOU’RE NEVER FAR FROM A FRIENDLY FACE AND A FANTASTIC EXPERIENCE

MOST AFFORDABLE CITY IN THE UK
(Bank of Scotland survey February 2018)
YOUR STIRLING BUCKET LIST

University is all about trying new things – and Stirling is the perfect place to get involved. The city gives you a backstage pass to some of the country’s weirdest and most wonderful experiences imaginable. To give you an idea, here are our top 10 events to mark in your calendar.

STAY COOL AT THE LOONY DOOK

Feeling bold? One of Scotland’s biggest New Year’s Day traditions is the annual Firth of Forth Loony Dook, which sees thousands of brave souls charge into the freezing sea to celebrate the new year and raise money for charity.

HIT THE SLOPES IN AVIEMORE

Do you enjoy skiing or snowboarding? Stirling has trains running directly to the Cairngorms National Park and Aviemore. There are world-class runs available for all skill levels and, for practice, there’s a 120m dry slope just eight miles from the University.

SHOP THE STYLE MILE

Stirling has plenty of fantastic shops – but nothing compares to Glasgow’s Style Mile. According to Lonely Planet, it’s the UK’s biggest shopping district outside London, with everything from global fashion brands to one-off stockists in more than 1,500 stores. Best of all, it’s just 35 minutes down the road from Stirling.

CELEBRATE IN STYLE AT THE SPORTS UNION BALL

The Sports Union Ball is, without doubt, one of the most anticipated events on the social calendar. As the annual awards ceremony for student achievements in sport at the University of Stirling, it’s a celebration not to be missed.

BE INTRIGUED AT STIRLING CASTLE

Perched high above the city, award-winning Stirling Castle will transport you to the 16th-century with all its splendour. Meet historical characters in the Royal Palace and learn about kings, queens and warriors of old who changed the course of Scotland’s history.

EDINBURGH FRINGE FESTIVAL

Looking for a bit of culture? The world’s largest arts festival is virtually on the doorstep. It runs over 25 days in August and features more than 50,000 performances across 300 venues. You’ll find all sorts of music, dance, theatre, comedy, cabaret, musicals, lectures, special events and so much more.

ESCAPE ROOMS STIRLING

Challenge your inner detective to solve the puzzles and riddles with clues that allow you to escape from Castle Alba or from the space ship Velocity.

GET LOST IN THE ENCHANTED FOREST

Named the Best Outdoor Festival in the Scottish Outdoor and Leisure Awards 2017, the Enchanted Forest is Scotland’s top immersive sound and light event. It’s set amidst the stunning Faskally Wood just north of Stirling and is the perfect way to find your holiday spirit. Book early!

DECK THE HALLS IN EDINBURGH

Counting down the days until Christmas? You’ll find plenty of magic in Edinburgh. For seven weeks every year, the medieval Old Town is transformed into a winter wonderland – complete with traditional markets, ice skating and plenty of mulled wine.

RING IN THE NEW YEAR AT STIRLING HOGMANAY

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Right in the heart of Scotland, Stirling is ideal for taking advantage of the country's lively atmosphere. With our beautiful campus as your base, you'll be perfectly placed to discover the unique sights and sounds of one of the world's most vibrant and inspiring countries.

EDUCATION
Scotland has more world-class universities per head than anywhere else in the world. We offer unrivalled quality and choice, and maintain some of the highest rates of graduate employment in the UK. Stirling is regularly awarded five QS stars for its commitment to graduate employability, with more than 97 percent of our students in employment or further study within six months of graduating.1

1  QS World University Rankings 2018

2  Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education survey 2016/17

INNOVATION
Scotland is famous for its inventions: penicillin, the bicycle, the television, the telephone and animal cloning all came from our nation of innovators – and we're continuing that tradition. University of Stirling researchers are at the forefront of their fields, which means our students are taught by experts in each area of study. At Stirling, you'll be encouraged to take part in work placements and internships with the brightest start-ups, as well as leading organisations – who knows what you'll discover?

SPORT
The Scots invented golf, curling and cycling, and have had a major impact on the development of rugby, hockey and football. From the 2016 Rio Olympic Games medal haul, to hosting the 2018 European Championships, Scotland is a haven for sporting success. With world-class facilities, strong community links and our great outdoors just waiting for you, why not take up a new sport or outdoor activity when you're here. You'll find lots to inspire you in Scotland!

FOOD AND DRINK
Scotland is renowned for its unique cuisine and internationally acclaimed whisky. The country boasts an incredible culinary tradition and has nine Michelin-starred restaurants. No Scottish experience is complete without a hearty serving of haggis, neeps and tatties, and many of the world's top whisky distilleries are found in the local countryside and neighbouring Highlands. If you're into food and drink, Scotland has plenty to offer.

BEAUTY
Scotland is, quite simply, beautiful. Mountains, lochs, beaches, islands and castles offer wonderful opportunities for cycling, climbing, walking, skiing, swimming or just having the space to sit and think. Our towns and cities all have their own character, and Stirling's central location means you're never far from a new adventure. And travelling to the rest of the UK and Europe is easy, with convenient and affordable transport links.
The University of Stirling is an international university with a global reputation for excellence in teaching and high-quality research.

With more than 100 international research partners and almost three-quarters of our research activity rated either world-leading or internationally excellent1, it’s not surprising that we’ve also been awarded five QS stars in the World University Rankings for internationalisation2. Thinking and working globally is part of our daily teaching, learning and research practice. This means your degree will be outward-looking, and full of possibilities and potential. Studying at Stirling sets you up to be a global citizen in an increasingly connected world.

A DIVERSE CAMPUS
We’re top in Scotland for welcoming international students3, with more than 120 nationalities represented on campus. Our exchange partnerships mean students can join our community for a year or a semester as part of their studies. This helps to create a unique atmosphere on campus, with plenty of opportunities to meet new people and experience diverse cultures. Who knows – perhaps you’ll be inspired to follow in their footsteps and study abroad as part of your degree, too? There’s a whole world out there – let us help you discover it.

LASTING CONNECTIONS
Studying at Stirling is a truly connected experience. When you graduate, you’ll automatically become a member of our alumni association. This means you’ll join a vibrant network of 88,000 people in more than 170 countries. It’s an amazing resource for mentoring, career development, advice and support. We strive to make sure our former students stay connected with each other, and love welcoming back our alumni as mentors, guest lecturers and speakers through our Alumni Ambassador Programme. As well as hosting work experience opportunities and placements that enable students to practise their skills in real-life situations, alumni also organise reunions and events for graduates living in their local communities.

1 Research Excellence Framework 2014
2 QS World University Rankings 2018
3 International Student Barometer 2016

Fu Hanyu (China)
BA (Hons) Translation and Interpreting Studies

“It’s a wonderful experience studying here with all the beautiful scenery and the lake. I also live on the campus and am so happy; there’s lots to do and I love the swimming pool! My lecturers and the support staff really care about me and I’ve been helped to think and research for myself. It feels great!”

Pyry Paulasaari (Finland)
BA (Hons) Law and Politics

“I chose Stirling because it has a very international outlook, and Scotland is well known for its high standards of education. I’m a big fan of the library and the sports facilities are phenomenal. I really enjoy the city and it’s a wonderful addition to the university’s atmosphere.”

THE WORLD

RUBY
“Being at the University of Stirling has allowed me to discover myself in a new way; the location and natural beauty of the area are a wonderful daily sight. I love being able to learn about different teaching methods and on a campus that is so diverse.”

CHANTELLE GRIEVE

(Northern Ireland)
BA (Hons) Film and Media

“Stirling was my first choice. I’ve made friends from around the world here, and even visited Alberto and Jorge from Uni in Madrid last summer. Nights out in Stirling are great and it was lots of fun dressing up as ABBA for Halloween.”

EWAN LEWIS

(Scotland)
BSc (Hons) Mathematics

“Made friends from America on the University’s Study Abroad programme at the University of Alabama. I’m now back in Stirling and it’s great to come home to the beautiful campus and my friends, but I will never forget the experience. I am very fortunate that the University has many connections all over the world.”

LIAM HOLMES

(England)
BA (Hons) History

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JANETTE GUERRERO

(California)
BA (Hons) Psychology

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Astrid Smollenbroek, Union President 2018/19

YOUR STUDENTS’ UNION
Your award-winning Students’ Union is the beating heart of the University. Through its student-focused representation, the Union aims to ‘Make Students’ Lives Better’. Alongside our student-focused representation work, we offer a wide range of services designed to improve your student experience. From societies to sports clubs, events to environmental projects, no matter what your interest is, we are here for you.

SUPPORT FROM THE UNION
The Students’ Union body elects Student Officers each year to work with Faculty Officers and Course Reps to enhance all aspects of student life. From academic representation to course feedback, campaigns on student housing to tuition fees, the Union is here for you. The Union will help you to deal with any personal or academic issue you may be facing. All services are run by a dedicated team that provides confidential and informed academic and non-academic support and guidance.

FACILITIES FOR YOU
Your Union also runs several award-winning and student-focused outlets. Whether you’re looking for a pizza, coffee, or a space to relax or party in, your Union provides it all. Studio serves food all day to a backdrop of live sport and regular entertainment. The outside deck offers stunning views, while our cafe in Underground serves Starbucks coffee, paninis, soups and cakes.

At night, you can relax in our Studio bar or check out what’s going on in our multipurpose space Venue. From Freshers’ Week events, with guest DJs like BBC Radio 1’s Scott Mills and performances from Cascada, to comedy nights and regular ceilidhs – there’s something for everybody – whether you’re studying Psychology or not. You may not learn to read people’s minds, but you’ll have an amazing time.

COMIC AND SCI-FI
Ever fancied teaming up with friends for an awesome fantasy adventure or roaming the post-apocalyptic wastes? Shazam is one of the biggest and most popular ‘fandom’ societies, and is the perfect place to relax and indulge in all your favourites.

INTERNATIONAL
Want to mix with students from across the globe? The International Society is the biggest on campus and all are welcome. From Christmas Markets in Edinburgh to St Andrews and its beaches, the International Society is the best way to explore while making new connections.

POLITICS
Ready to join the debate? PolSoc brings together all sides of the political spectrum for an array of activities. They’ve travelled to Amsterdam, Berlin and Barcelona and have a Model UN here on campus.

LIVE MUSIC
Are you a budding musician? Check out the Live Music Society. All instruments, skill levels and tastes are welcome. Both electric and acoustic sessions are offered, and the society hosts a weekly Open Mic night in the Students’ Union Studio bar.

MUSICAL THEATRE
Do you have secret West End ambitions? The Musical Theatre Society is the perfect training ground. The group runs loads of singing and acting workshops designed for beginners and seasoned thespians alike.

PSYCHOLOGY
The Psychology Society hosts all sorts of workshops, trips and socials that are open to everybody – whether you’re studying Psychology or not. You may not learn to read people’s minds, but you’ll have an amazing time.

STIRLING UNIVERSITY DRAMA SOCIETY (SUDS)
To be or not to be… in this amazing society?! SUDS is one of our top award-winning societies, with activities ranging from acting workshops right through to full stage productions, scriptwriting, make-up, costume design and stage management. Whether you love the limelight, or think you could work one, this might be the group for you!

VOLUNTEERING
Want to make a difference? This society is for anyone interested in volunteering, fundraising and helping local charities in Stirling. From collecting donations for the local foodbank, to raising money for charities and visiting social enterprises, if you’re passionate about helping others, this is the place for you.

For more information, visit: stir.ac.uk/23c

STIRLING UNIVERSITY DRAMA SOCIETY (SUDS)
See page 24 for more on the Sports Union.

FROM ROCK MUSIC TO RUGBY

CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

University isn’t about locking yourself in the library for days on end. Here at Stirling, our students love to explore and share the passions and interests that make them unique. That’s why we have more than 70 societies and 50 sports clubs to choose from, including our three award-winning student media outlets – Air3 Radio, Air TV and Brig Newspaper. If there’s nothing that piques your interest, we can even help you start your own club.

UNIVERSITY DRAMA SOCIETY (SUDS)

Get involved

120+ CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

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See page 24 for more on the Sports Union.
HARRY MITCHELL  
(Scotland)  
BA (Hons) Digital Media

“It can be quite daunting to move away from home, but it’s really welcoming here and everyone is so thoughtful. The Christian Union is like one big family.”

LAURA FAIRBURN  
(Scotland)  
BA (Hons) Business Studies and Politics

“I joined Air3 Radio and Air TV, where I’ve been given lots of creative freedom, along with the chance to expand my skills and meet people. As an integrated student with Forth Valley College, it’s also a great way to spend time on campus.”

RODDY WILSON  
(Scotland)  
BSc (Hons) Sports and Exercise Science

“I’m Publicity Officer of the Rock and Metal Society. It’s important to join a society, especially if you don’t live in Stirling or in halls. It’s a good way to make friends, as depending on your courses and classes, you may not study with the same people across the years and semesters; this is the best way to make friends.”

MICHAEL MCNEIGHT  
(Northern Ireland)  
BA (Hons) French and Spanish

“I’m President of the Rock and Metal Society and it’s not just a case of ‘Do you like music and do you want to hang out?’ For me it’s a family, and regardless of what the night out is, people come to join up with people they feel really comfortable with, through a mutual bond of music that we love.”

SARAH MAYES  
(Northern Ireland)  
BA (Hons) Psychology

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We have been at the forefront of Scottish sport for five decades and are proud to have supported world-class athletes from around the globe. Our incredible student athletes have competed at the Olympic and Commonwealth Games, World Championships and Walker Cup.

Sport, health and wellbeing are in our DNA, and we aim to make sure every student can enjoy our world-class sports facilities – which are fully accessible. Whether you’re an Olympic athlete, fitness lover, sports fanatic or completely new to physical activity, we have programmes, classes and clubs to suit you.

Choose from more than 50 fitness classes per week, learn to swim, try tennis, join a walking or running group around our beautiful campus, or bolster your CV with fantastic coaching and volunteer opportunities. Be part of something brilliant.

FACILITIES
Open to all students, our world-class facilities include:

- The National Tennis Centre, which features six indoor courts
- The National Swimming Academy, which houses a 50-metre, six-lane pool and high-performance preparation room
- A nine-hole, par-three golf course, putting green, driving range, pavilion and video analysis suite
- An eight-court multipurpose sports hall and two squash courts
- A 400m all-weather running track
- Two artificial (3G and sand-based) and seven grass pitches

And our new £20 million sports complex will feature:

- Two purpose-built, air-conditioned fitness studios
- A state-of-the-art gym and indoor cycling studio
- An additional three-court sports hall
- Strength and conditioning areas with professional free weights equipment
- A world-class high-performance suite for scholar athletes and Sports Union clubs
- Exciting new communal spaces, general facilities, cafe and reception area
HEALTH AND FITNESS
We provide a wide variety of classes, workshops and activities. From high-intensity circuit classes to serene yoga workshops, our health and fitness programme has been designed with all students in mind. Whatever your goals or interests, we’ve got you covered.

GET ACTIVE
If you want to exercise, or play or try a new sport, in a social environment – away from the pressure of competition – then Get Active is the programme for you. Incorporating our turn-up-and-play, intramural and beginner courses, it’s a great way to keep fit, socialise and meet new people, all in the name of fun.

COACHING AND VOLUNTEERING
As well as participation, we also offer a range of coaching and volunteering opportunities for students in activities such as club support services, community lessons, event delivery and more.

CLUB SPORT
In conjunction with the Sports Union, we support over 50 sports clubs of multiple teams for students of all abilities and interests, competing in a range of domestic and national competitions. Whether you’re an eager beginner or experienced competitive athlete, our clubs can provide the perfect sporting environment.

For more information on our Sports Union, visit: stir.ac.uk/1a7

OUR SPORTS INCLUDE:

- American football
- Archery
- Athletics
- Badminton
- Basketball
- Boxing
- Cheerleading
- Cricket
- Curling
- Cycling
- Dance
- Equestrian
- Fencing
- Football
- Futsal
- Gaelic football
- Golf
- Hockey
- Judo
- Kayak
- Lacrosse
- Mountaineering
- Muay Thai boxing
- Netball
- Open ocean divers
- Orienteering
- Polo club
- Power lifting
- Rowing
- Rugby
- Sen-no-kai
- Shinty
- Skydiving
- Snow sports
- Squash
- Sub-aqua
- Surf
- Swimming
- Table tennis
- Tennis
- Touch rugby
- Trampoline and gymnastics
- Triathlon
- Ultimate Frisbee
- Underwater hockey
- Volleyball
- Water polo
PERFORMANCE SPORT
Our performance sport programme is world-renowned, attracting student athletes from across the globe and producing World, Paralympic and Olympic medallists.

SPORTS SCHOLARSHIPS
Our sports scholarship programmes provide student athletes with high-quality coaching and support services, including academic flexibility, sports science, strength and conditioning, physiotherapy, and sports psychology as well as financial subsidies.

Scholarships are available for athletes competing in our core sports listed below, or any other sport if at the required level. Core sports include:

- Curling
- Football (men and women)
- Golf
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Triathlon

To be considered for a scholarship, prospective athletes must hold a profile and proven track record in national competition at junior level or beyond, and successfully gain admission to an academic course at the University. For more details and sport-specific criteria, visit: stir.ac.uk/performance

ADDITIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS
Undergraduate students from England, Northern Ireland and Wales can also apply for a further sports scholarship with a value of £2,000 per year of study. Students successfully progressing to fourth year also receive Honours Scholarships to cover their final year tuition fees.

WINNING STUDENTS
The national Winning Students programme offers scholarships to talented student athletes studying in Scotland. The programme is based on 12 core sports where governing bodies nominate eligible athletes for scholarships valued up to £6,000 per year. Athletes can also apply to be considered for scholarships in non-core individual or small combination sports. Core scholarship sports include:

- Badminton
- Canoeing
- Curling
- Football
- Golf
- Hockey
- Judo
- Orienteering
- Rowing
- Swimming
- Tennis
- Triathlon

For more information about sports scholarships, contact:
PerformanceSport@stir.ac.uk
+44 (0)1786 466910

PARTNERS
As one of the UK’s leading universities for sport, we have close working relationships with a number of partners operating from the campus:

Duncan became Scotland’s most decorated athlete ever at a single Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast and won three European gold medals in 2018. Duncan was also named Scottish Sportsperson of the Year and Scottish Sports Personality of the Year at the prestigious Team Scotland and Sunday Mail Scottish Sports Awards in the same year.

“...and when you put together the amazing facilities, staff and general support, it is the perfect place for a world-class performance programme.”
WORKING TOGETHER
Here at Stirling, we’re into collaborative working. That’s why our popular library with beautiful views offers a wide range of study options to suit all tastes. We’ve got bespoke study pods, training suites, 10 group study rooms, study desks with PCs and plenty of more relaxed options, including a designated wellbeing space to chill out and recharge.

ARCHIVES AND SPECIAL COLLECTIONS
Our collections don’t just include journals – on everything from popular culture to philately – the library is also home to the University archive and its dedicated reading room that will enable you to explore our wide range of historical collections. You’ll enjoy unrivalled access to original manuscripts and quirky artefacts that have contributed to shaping world events.

NEW TECHNOLOGIES
Our Maker Space is the newest addition to the library, offering everyone the opportunity to get to grips with digital creativity using the latest technologies. Maker Space facilities include 3D scanning, 3D printing, laser cutting and etching, and equipment to learn about the basics of coding.

For more information about our library services, visit: stir.ac.uk/library
Living away from home for the first time is exciting. New students are always prioritised when we allocate accommodation, and our friendly staff are here to lend support. We also have dedicated, on-site Accommodation Liaison Students who are on hand to help you.

Student living is split between our campus, nearby Stirling and Bridge of Allan – all beautiful, safe places to live with excellent travel links to and from campus. We’ll guarantee you an offer of University-managed accommodation in your first year of study if you meet the eligibility criteria. All you need to do is confirm your place at Stirling and apply for accommodation by the advertised date. (See website for eligibility criteria and terms and conditions).

In 2018-2019, accommodation costs ranged from £84 to £167.48 per week, and included utilities, Wi-Fi, insurance, bedding and bed linen.

We have different types of accommodation to reflect the needs and budgets of our students. All accommodation options are self-catered and kitchens are equipped with cooker, microwave, fridge, freezer and kettle. Toilets and showers are either en-suite or in shared facilities. Accommodation is single occupancy, and you can choose from a range of flats, chalets and townhouses. We also have some family accommodation.

On campus, everything is planned around you, so you’ll find card-operated laundry facilities, a supermarket, pharmacy, medical and dental centre, gym, bookshop and bank within a few minutes’ walk, as well as all the facilities the University and Students’ Union have to offer.

If your family and friends are missing you and fancy a visit, we have the Stirling Court Hotel on campus, with a fantastic restaurant, bar and facilities. stirlingcourthotel.com

We can provide or adapt accommodation for a variety of requirements following a pre-entry visit. If you have any specific needs, please get in touch with us as soon as you can and we’ll take it from there. ask@stir.ac.uk

You can apply for accommodation through our online portal – you’ll get access to this once you have a confirmed place at Stirling (either conditional or unconditional). New students can apply for accommodation from around April. There are several different instalment plans available for paying rent. For more information, up-to-date costs and booking details, visit: stir.ac.uk/accommodation
We appreciate that not all students are after the same thing. That’s why we’ve compiled a quick list of options to help you decide where you’d like to stay during your time at Stirling.

LIVING IN UNIVERSITY OR PRIVATE RENTAL ACCOMMODATION

You have the power of choice
The University has plenty of accommodation options and the local area has accommodation to suit all tastes and budgets.

Share with friends
You can request to be housed with a group of friends in University accommodation or choose accommodation for yourself and a group of friends in the private sector.

You may feel homesick
It happens to everybody, but just remember that everyone feels that way at first; that’s why we have our Accommodation Operations Team and Accommodation Liaison Students on hand to talk to and to help you.

You’ll have to budget
Moving away from home and paying rent means you’ve got to manage your money wisely. Fortunately, Stirling offers a low cost of living. See page 123.

PLAN AHEAD
Sometimes it helps to write everything down. There are loads of great, free websites that can help you to budget and plan your monthly expenses. You can also find out about additional funding you may be eligible for: stir.ac.uk/21h

TAKE UP COOKING
Nothing eats away at your finances quicker than too many takeaways. Instead of eating out, why not learn to cook? It’s cheaper, healthier and a fantastic way to impress your flatmates.

THE RIGHT BANK ACCOUNT
It can be tempting to choose a bank account based on who’s offering the most freebies or the highest overdraft, but you’ve got to shop around and read the fine print. If you need help, we have a bank on campus and others locally to offer savings advice.

SHOP SAVVY
You can save hundreds of pounds each year by simply shopping smart. Use price comparison sites, shop for food online to avoid impulse buys and don’t be afraid to try out supermarkets’ own brand labels.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF DISCOUNTS
Our students enjoy discounts at a wide selection of retail shops and restaurants around Stirling. You should always ask staff before you buy something to make sure you don’t miss out.

LIVING IN UNIVERSITY ACCOMMODATION
It’s safe and secure
All our accommodation has staff on hand 24/7 to offer you their full support and assistance.

You don’t need to worry about bills
Heating, electricity, insurance and Wi-Fi charges are all included in your rent. Bedding and housekeeping support are also provided.

Conveniently located
It’s easier to roll out of bed and make it to those early-morning lectures if you’re in University accommodation. You’re always within a stone’s throw of our on-campus restaurants, bar, supermarket, cinema, theatre and Sports Centre.

RENTING PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION

Be prepared to haggle
If you choose to go privately, landlords may charge extra for additional services, but improving your negotiating skills isn’t a bad thing.

Think about bills
All of our University accommodation prices include bills. But most private rental fees don’t include energy or broadband fees – some properties don’t come with furniture either.

You need to be very self-sufficient
Most private properties don’t give you 24/7 access to dedicated security staff.

LIVING AT HOME

You won’t feel homesick
Family and friends will still be right there whenever you need them. Home-cooked meals are a plus, too.

You get continuity
You can continue to work at the same part-time job or stay at the same clubs and teams that you’re in.

Nobody likes a commute
If you choose to live at home, you may have to spend a lot of time travelling to and from campus.

You’ll lose time with peers
Living in University accommodation is a quick way to make new friends, gain independence and make the most of university life.

For more advice, contact our Accommodation Services Team: stir.ac.uk/accommodation

CHOOSING THE RIGHT HOME

Just because you’re choosing to study, that doesn’t mean you’ve got to fall into the cash-strapped student stereotype. There are plenty of ways to manage your money and stretch your finances to make sure you live comfortably while studying with us.

FIVE OF OUR TOP TIPS:

1. PLAN AHEAD
2. TAKE UP COOKING
3. THE RIGHT BANK ACCOUNT
4. SHOP SAVVY
5. TAKE ADVANTAGE OF DISCOUNTS
ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION
This team provides the expertise to enable students with a wide variety of needs to access all aspects of their university life. Dedicated advisers offer assessments for all your learning and support requirements, and create a tailored package to meet them.

If you have specific needs, please talk to us before you apply. We highly recommend pre-entry visits for students with mobility or sensory impairments.

CAREERS AND EMPLOYABILITY
Whatever your ambitions, we’ll ensure you can make the most of your abilities. From discussing your future career plans, to supporting you with practical job-seeking skills, our Careers and Employability Consultants can help you to be the difference in your chosen field.

EMOTIONAL WELLBEING
We offer a free, confidential counselling service with qualified counsellors and mental health advisers who are here for you throughout your time at Stirling.

FAITH AND SPIRITUALITY
The Chaplaincy is open to all faiths and none, and celebrates the wealth of nationalities, cultures and beliefs represented here at the University of Stirling. It has a quiet room for reflection and meditation, along with a lively and sociable communal area. Our team of chaplains provide emotional, spiritual or practical support, and we have a dedicated prayer and wash room for Muslim students.

IMMIGRATION
Our Student Immigration Team can provide you with advice and information to ensure you’re able to secure the appropriate visa to cover the duration of your studies at Stirling.

MONEY SUPPORT
Student Money Advisers can help with budgeting and money management. They can also help you apply for additional funding and financial support. Further to this, the Income Office provides a range of flexible and secure options for fee payments.

STUDENT LEARNING SERVICES
Regular workshops and tutorials are organised by our Student Learning Services Team. No matter what stage of study you’re at, take advantage of our daily drop-in sessions, workshops and other services designed to help you become an independent, successful learner.

STUDY ABROAD
We offer a wide range of once-in-a-lifetime Study Abroad opportunities. You can choose to study at one of our partner universities across five continents and develop your personal skills, broaden your horizons and experience new cultures.

ask@stir.ac.uk
stir.ac.uk/studentsupport
01786 466022
THE ADVENTURE

Want to see the world? The University of Stirling is a truly international institution that offers a wide range of once-in-a-lifetime Study Abroad opportunities. From a semester in Tokyo to a year in Spain or California, we have partnerships with more than 70 universities across five continents that provide our students with a global and dynamic educational experience.

WHY STUDY ABROAD?
Our Study Abroad programmes are unique adventures designed to help you to see the world, experience new cultures and discover crucial skills and perspectives that will broaden your horizons. Taking part will also show future employers your ambition, maturity and self-reliance. Studying abroad helps you stand out to employers by showing you’ve got what it takes to thrive in an increasingly global workplace, and that you’re the kind of person who can handle anything life throws at you.

As a student at the University of Stirling, you could spend up to a year studying at one of our many partner universities as a fully integrated part of your degree. That means you’ll continue to learn more about your chosen field while overseas, and will keep earning credits towards your graduation at Stirling.

Costs shouldn’t be a barrier. Because it counts as part of your degree, tuition is funded in the normal way. And because it doesn’t extend the length of your degree, there’s no extra time to fund, either. Plus, there’s a range of grants and scholarships to help with living costs.

A WORLD OF OPPORTUNITY
All our students are encouraged to take part in one of our overseas exchange programmes. Most Honours degree students are eligible to study abroad in their third year – and it’s a compulsory part of your course if you study French or Spanish.

The application process starts in October every year, and students are chosen based on their academic profile, the strength of their application and a short interview. From there, our expert team will guide you through the process to help you prepare for your adventure and make the most of your time overseas.

STUDY ABROAD TIPS

WANT TO MAKE THE MOST OF YOUR TIME ABROAD?
Most of our Study Abroad programmes are once-in-a-lifetime opportunities. To ensure you’re able to make the most out of your adventure, we’ve rounded up a few top tips from students who have taken advantage of the Study Abroad programme:

“Studying abroad in America was amazing; I experienced another culture, made new friends and learned so much about myself. Moving to another country was daunting and pushed my boundaries, but it’s more than worth it, and I have the most incredible memories. I’m now really confident about what the future will bring and I recommend Study Abroad to everyone!”
Ricky Schubert (Germany)
BSc (Hons) Psychology
Study Abroad at San Diego State University

1 DO YOUR HOMEWORK
Once you’ve successfully snagged a Study Abroad spot, it’s always worth learning a little bit about your new country before you ship off. Not only will it give you a working knowledge of the local customs and culture, but it will also give you some ideas about what you’d like to see or do in between classes.

2 LEARN THE LANGUAGE
Half the fun of studying abroad is getting the opportunity to immerse yourself in a brand-new culture. To get a taste of life as a local, it’s always worth talking the talk. Do your best to learn key phrases and regional slang. Not only will it help you get by on a daily basis, but you’ll definitely earn some respect from the locals.

3 DON’T FORGET YOU’RE JUST VISITING
After you settle in, you may be tempted to shun sightseeing in order to live more like a local. There’s nothing wrong with that, but don’t forget that your time abroad has got an expiry date. If there’s something you want to see or do, you shouldn’t put it off.
At Stirling, one of our top priorities is to enhance your employability through top-quality education. Everything you do while you’re studying here is designed to help you build the skills you’ll need to be the difference and stand out to potential employers – whether it’s getting involved in the Students’ Union, studying abroad, taking part in internships or even balancing part-time work with study.

We’ve been awarded five QS stars for employability1, with more than 97 percent of our graduates having a positive destination after University, including work or further study2. In the Higher Education Statistics Agency’s Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education (DLHE) survey published in 2017, our students were earning £23,000 on average per year within six months of graduating.

**SKILLS THAT LAST**

We’ve built strong links with national and international organisations, as well as the brightest and best small businesses and start-ups flourishing around us. That means all sorts of opportunities for you to test your learning in real-life situations. Whether it’s an internship, work experience or tackling a real business issue in a work-based project, you’ll stretch yourself and learn new skills to get an idea of which working environment suits you.

Reflecting on your personal and professional development is important. Our expert staff within our Careers and Employability Service can support you with practical skills like CV writing and interview practice. They’ll also help you get to know yourself, your strengths, your aspirations and the things you need to work on – all essential skills for developing a career for life.

While you’re studying for your degree, our innovative My Stirling Award recognises your participation in extra-curricular activities such as part-time work, volunteering or involvement with University clubs and societies. These different skills and attributes, developed over your time at Stirling, are brought together and presented in your degree transcript. So, when it comes to proving your worth to potential employers, it’s all in one place.

1 QS World University Rankings 2018
2 Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education survey 2016/17

**ARE YOU CAREER READY?**

**2ND IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 15 IN THE UK FOR EMPLOYABILITY**

Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education survey 2016/17

“The Careers and Employability Service is a wonderful resource that all students should make use of during their time at Stirling (and even after you graduate)! The guidance they offer gives you the skills you need to be a cut above the rest of the graduate market.”

Amy McDermott (Scotland)
BA (Hons) Politics and Social Policy

"Thanks to a Saltire Scholar Internship at Neogen GeneSeek in Nebraska, I gained valuable insight into a commercial research and development laboratory, and knowledge I can apply to my studies. I met people from many different States and the professional connections I’ve made will be very useful. I’ve really grown living away from home alone and it’s been an amazing experience.”

Megan McFadzean (Scotland)
BSc (Hons) Cell Biology

I AM STIRLING
BEING THE DIFFERENCE

Increasing your employability isn’t just about achieving outstanding academic results. That’s why we’re committed to providing you with the skills and knowledge you’ll need to make a difference to major industries and sectors, and change the world for the better.

As part of this commitment, we’ve partnered with a wide range of leading businesses and public service providers to offer students a host of internship and work experience opportunities. That’s just part of the reason we have been awarded five QS stars for employability1, with more than 97 percent of our undergraduate leavers in employment or further study within six months of graduating2.

EXPLORE NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Launched in collaboration with SantanderUniversities, the Stirling Internship Programme offers students and graduates a wide variety of paid internships, from part-time during semester to 10 weeks full-time during the summer holiday.

The Careers and Employability Service also advertises work experience opportunities throughout the year. Our Careers and Employability Consultants are on standby to help you secure those opportunities by boosting your CV and preparing you for your first big step into the world of work.

A HANDS-ON EDUCATION

Several of our courses – such, as Nursing, Teaching Qualification in Further Education (TQFE) Pre-service and Social Work – include compulsory work placements as part of the curriculum. These placements are a great way to develop practical skills ahead of your future career in a workplace environment supported by industry professionals.

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2ND IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 15 IN THE UK FOR EMPLOYABILITY

Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education survey 2016/17

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Talent Acquisition Specialist, Enterprise Holdings

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“My summer internship at Enterprise was the perfect way for me to develop managerial skills at a fast-paced, global business. It opened up lots of new opportunities for me, and I made some great connections along the way!”

Connor de Koning (Holland)
BA (Hons) Business Studies and Economics

“I was fortunate to have an internship at a marketing agency. Working alongside the client service team, I gained valuable insight into agency life and clients’ projects across the marketing mix. The opportunity reaffirmed that marketing was the best career choice for me and I now work at a well-established marketing agency in Belfast, Northern Ireland.”

Hallie Jennings (Northern Ireland)
BA (Hons) Marketing

1 QS World University Rankings 2018
2 Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education survey 2016/17
Doug graduated in 1973 with a BSc in Marine Biology and since then has become one of the world’s best-known and most respected cameramen, specialising in natural history, expeditions and science documentaries. In his filming career, he’s worked for many broadcasters, including the BBC, Discovery and National Geographic, and on film projects ranging from *The Blue Planet* and *Frozen Planet* to Brian Cox’s *Forces of Nature*. Doug received the University’s inaugural Graduate of the Year Award in 2018.

“I value the knowledge gained during my degree and it was a great way to start my career. My lecturers were really helpful, and they were researching in subject areas that really interested me. They gave me the confidence to write to biological expeditions and I ended up in the Red Sea one year later. I would encourage anybody to consider studying at the University of Stirling.”

**DOUG ALLAN**

Multi-award-winning wildlife cinematographer, biologist and research diver
INTERNATIONAL

AMITY GLOBAL INSTITUTE, SINGAPORE
Amity is part of a leading worldwide education group with the vision of being an educational institute of excellence providing affordable education for both local and international students. The University of Stirling has partnered with Amity to offer the following courses, delivered from their Singapore campus:
• BA (Hons) Accounting and Finance
• BSc (Hons) Management
amitysingapore.sg

MUSCAT COLLEGE, OMAN
Muscat College is one of Oman’s oldest privately owned colleges, and we have now enjoyed a partnership with them for more than a decade. It’s renowned for its creative and innovative approach to research and learning – which is why the University of Stirling has partnered with SIM to develop a range of business courses designed to offer students a truly global academic experience. Courses include:
• BA (Hons) Retail Marketing
• BA (Hons) Sport Business Management
• BA (Hons) Sustainable Events Management
muscatcollege.edu.om

SINGAPORE INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT, SINGAPORE
Singapore Institute of Management (SIM) is one of the country’s premier higher education institutions. Having earned the backing of the Singaporean Government’s Workforce Development Agency, the University of Stirling has partnered with SIM to develop a range of business courses designed to offer students a truly global academic experience. Courses include:
• BA (Hons) Retail Marketing
• BA (Hons) Sports Studies and Marketing
• BA (Hons) Sport Business Management
• BA (Hons) Sustainable Events Management
simge.edu.sg

REGIONAL

FORTH VALLEY COLLEGE, STIRLING
Forth Valley College was Scotland’s first regional college, and delivers more than 750 courses from its three campuses in Stirling, Alloa and Falkirk. In partnership with the college, the University of Stirling has developed four innovative skills courses taught on both the college’s nearby Stirling and Falkirk campuses, as well as on the University campus. Courses include:
• BSc (Hons) Applied Biological Sciences
• BSc (Hons) Applied Computing
• BA (Hons) Digital Media
• BA (Hons) Heritage and Tourism
forthvalley.ac.uk

INTO UNIVERSITY OF STIRLING, STIRLING
INTO University of Stirling offers a variety of pathways for international students, including preparatory courses leading to a wide range of university degree courses. See pages 46-47 for more information.
The University of Stirling plays home to a diverse international community. To help that community thrive, we’ve teamed up with global education leader, INTO University Partnerships.

At INTO University of Stirling, our focus is on the provision of preparatory courses for international students, with the following pathway programmes:

- International Foundation programmes
- Undergraduate Degree with International Year One and International Year Two
- Academic English language programmes

These programmes are designed for international students who have the potential to succeed but do not yet meet the requirements for direct entry into an undergraduate degree at the University of Stirling. At INTO University of Stirling, it’s our job to make sure you have an outstanding academic, social and cultural experience that supports your unique needs and potential.

Through our dynamic academic pathway programmes and specialist Academic English language courses, we offer a range of pathways from our state-of-the-art INTO University of Stirling Building that are designed to help you pursue academic success.

**INTO CENTRE**

Our INTO University of Stirling Building sits at the heart of the campus, providing everything you need, from bright and modern classrooms, to specialist tuition and friendly support teams.

**INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION**

INTO University of Stirling’s International Foundation programme ensures you meet the English language and academic entry requirements for Year 2 entry to your preferred course at the University of Stirling. The programme can be completed in three terms – or four if you’d like to take an extra English language course at the beginning of your programme.

Pathways include:

- International Foundation in Business, Finance, Economics and Marketing
- International Foundation in Media, Humanities and Social Sciences
- International Foundation in Science, Sport, Computing and Engineering

**UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE WITH INTERNATIONAL YEAR ONE AND INTERNATIONAL YEAR TWO**

INTO University of Stirling’s Undergraduate Degree with International Year One and International Year Two combines the pathway programme with a progression degree of your choice. It’s ideal if you’d like to progress to a degree course at the University of Stirling, because it allows you to study both your university preparation programme and your degree under one student visa.

Pathways include:

- Undergraduate Degree with International Year One
- Undergraduate Degree with International Year Two

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE COURSES**

If you’re an international student wanting to study with us, INTO University of Stirling offers flexible and intensive English language courses designed to prepare you for your degree. You can take these courses individually or as part of a degree course, and they help you develop your knowledge, ability and confidence in a variety of skills that are essential for study here in Stirling.

**PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH**

For students who meet the academic requirements to study on a University of Stirling degree course but do not have an adequate IELTS score to meet our English language requirements, the University offers a range of pre-seasonal English courses. The courses range from 3 to 12 weeks and are designed to improve your IELTS score by up to 1.0 in one or more skills.

[stir.ac.uk/18g]

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(Bahrain)

International Foundation in Finance, Economics, Marketing and Business
WE'RE FLEXIBLE
Flexibility is built into the curriculum at Stirling. In Year 1 and in Year 2 for most degrees you’ll generally study a range of subjects across a variety of disciplines. We encourage you to push your boundaries and study the things you’re passionate about. That may mean studying subjects that naturally enhance your main degree topic or trying something completely new. Whatever you choose to study, it all counts towards your final degree and you’ll earn credits all the way through.

Midway through Year 2 is when we ask you to bring together everything you’ve learned so far and choose your graduating subject(s). Again, this is completely flexible – you can stick to your original subject choice, add a second subject for Combined Honours or change path completely. It’s up to you! Why do we place this emphasis on flexibility? We want every student to get the most out of their time with us, so our ethos is based on offering as many opportunities as possible. Subject choice is a big part of that. Put simply, you’re in control, so you have the chance to expand on your interests as they develop and study the things you love.

COMBINED HONOURS
If you do choose a Combined Honours degree, you’ll be able to specialise simultaneously in two or more subjects. But choosing to study more than one subject does not mean you’ll have to do more work. You’ll still take the same number of credits each semester, and will be allowed to choose from a wide range of modules.

ADVANCED ENTRY
If you have excellent A-level, Advanced Higher grades or full HNC/HND qualifications, we also offer Advanced Entry routes that enable you to skip Year 1 study and enter directly into Year 2 of your chosen degree – so you can complete your Honours degree in just three years. Advanced Entry is only available for some courses, so you should consult your preferred course page to learn more.

1 IN 3 OF OUR STUDENTS IS CURRENTLY STUDYING A COMBINED DEGREE

RESEARCH AT STIRLING MAKES A DIFFERENCE
We believe great ideas and groundbreaking research can transform society and make the world a better place. That’s why research is such a crucial part of our learning and teaching, and why almost three-quarters of our research activity is rated either world-leading or internationally excellent*.

Our research makes an economic, social and cultural impact on the world, and falls under three interdisciplinary themes: Cultures, Communities and Society; Global Security and Resilience; and Living Well. Whether it’s preventing cancer, helping governments combat the effects of climate change or improving food security in communities across the globe, our researchers are collaborating to solve real-world problems.

Our Aquaculture and Marine Biology experts are ranked top five in the UK for research in Agriculture, Veterinary and Food Science. We’re also first in Scotland and top 15 in the UK for Health Sciences research. We’re in the top 25 UK institutions for Business and Management research, and 100 percent of our Psychology impact case studies are classed as world-leading*. * Research Excellence Framework 2014

Here are some of the accolades we’ve been awarded during the last year:

2ND IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 10 IN THE UK FOR MARKETING
3RD IN SCOTLAND FOR FRENCH
TOP 5 IN SCOTLAND FOR SPORTS SCIENCE
The Complete University Guide 2019

1ST IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 5 IN THE UK FOR JOURNALISM
1ST IN SCOTLAND FOR MEDIA AND FILM STUDIES
1ST IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 10 IN THE UK FOR EDUCATION
2ND IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 5 IN THE UK FOR ECONOMICS
The Guardian University Guide 2019

1ST IN SCOTLAND AND 3RD IN THE UK FOR CRIMINOLOGY
1ST IN SCOTLAND FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA
2ND IN SCOTLAND AND 2ND IN THE UK FOR SOCIAL WORK
3RD IN SCOTLAND FOR COMPUTER SCIENCE
The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2019

1ST IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 10 IN THE UK FOR ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE
3RD IN SCOTLAND FOR SOCIETY AND SOCIAL POLICY
Here at Stirling, we believe in choice. That’s why we offer more than 220 course combinations, enabling you to specialise in multiple subject areas as part of your own unique Combined Honours degree.

If you know exactly which subjects you’d like to study, you can apply for one of our combined courses now – or, thanks to our flexible course structure, you can try out different subjects and decide which ones you’d like to combine later.

After you’ve been accepted onto a course at Stirling, you’ll be asked to sign up for three modules to take in your first semester. One of these modules needs to be in the subject you’ve picked as your degree, but the other two could be from any one of the almost 70 Single Honours courses we offer.

If you end up falling in love with your new subjects, you’ll be allowed to mix and match two of them after Semester 3 to create your Combined Honours degree.

### TAKE A LOOK AT SOME EXAMPLES OF DEGREE COMBINATIONS:

- **Films and Media Studies and Law (BA (Hons))**
- **Psychology and Sports Studies (BA (Hons))**
- **Philosophy, Religious Studies and Professional Education (BA (Hons))**
- **Environmental Science and Politics (BSc (Hons))**
- **Accountancy and Spanish (BAcc (Hons))**

### Study Abroad
- Opportunities available

### Part-time study options available

### Complete your Honours degree in three years, subject to suitable qualifications or experience

### This course is also available to study overseas with our global partners

### Integrated undergraduate degree jointly delivered by Forth Valley College and the University of Stirling

Are you interested in more than one of our courses? You might not have to choose between them.

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- **Environmental Science and Politics (BSc (Hons))**
- **Accountancy and Spanish (BAcc (Hons))**
STIRLING MANAGEMENT SCHOOL

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By studying towards the BAcc degree, you will learn that accountancy involves the preparation, presentation and interpretation of financial information to enable investors, lenders, management, employees, government and others to make effective decisions.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS

SQA Highers: 4A
GCE A-levels: 
SQA Adv. Highers: 3A
BTEC (Level 3): D
Other qualifications: Mathematics preferred.

YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS

SQA Adv. Highers: 3A
GCE A-levels: 
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BTEC (Level 3): D
Other qualifications: To include Accountancy and Economics. Preference given to those with Mathematics.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

Scottish HNC/HND: Minimum entry: Bs in graded unit. Advanced entry: Please consult website for details.

Additional information: General entry requirements apply – see pages 120-121.

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Mathematics National 5 (B), Intermediate 2 (C), Standard Grade (3), GCSE (C4) or equivalent required.

COURSE CONTENT

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You will have numerous opportunities to develop appropriate work-related skills at every stage of your studies, including the Professional Development and Practice module in Semester 8, which helps you to prepare to enter the workplace.

Our BAcc degree can be taken as a three-year specialist degree or as a four-year Honours degree, which includes writing a dissertation on an accounting topic. A BAcc (Hons) Accountancy and Finance course is also available, which provides scope to study more finance-based topics.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Accountancy offers a wide choice of careers with organisations in every field, from healthcare and sport to charities and local and national governments. Careers include: financial and management accounting, auditing, taxation, consultancy and financial services.

Our graduates have found employment as:

• Business Advisory Managers
• Chartered Accountants
• Chief Financial Officers
• Finance Directors
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• Tax Accountants

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Our Accountancy graduates are currently working in 21 countries around the world, having found employment as:

• Accountants
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ANIMAL BIOLOGY
BSc (Hons)

What determines variation in animal resistance to disease? Why do many female animals exhibit mate choice? How can we help animals cope in hostile environments? This course will enable you to study the enormous variety of animal life on earth and discover the answers to these and many other questions.

Our strong research focus on the interaction between people and the environment makes Stirling the ideal place to study organismal biology.

Our Faculty studies many facets of animal biology including: Animal Behaviour; Ecology; Evolution; Cell Biology; and Physiology. We also explore applied aspects of animal conservation and management. Stirling is Scotland’s hub for conservation science, and we have close links with many animal conservation organisations based on campus or in the local area.

Fieldwork is an essential part of your training. In addition to fieldwork in Scotland, we run two optional field courses in Year 4. One course is situated in the French Cévennes Mountains, which is a UNESCO World Biosphere Reserve, and the second course is based at Gabon’s Lope National Park, in the heart of the western Congo Basin.

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COURSE CONTENT

Semesters 1-4 cover a range of core modules, including: Cell Biology; Ecology; Biodiversity; and Practical Skills – plus additional modules in other disciplines.


In Semesters 7-8, you conduct an independent research project and take several advanced modules. Your options for these will include the field courses in France and Gabon; Immunology and Disease; The Evolution of Sex; Conservation Biology, and Cell Birth, Life and Death.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Animal Biologists work in the agriculture, pharmaceutical and biotechnology industries, with conservation management and environmental agencies. Other career paths include: forensic sciences, teaching, the food industry, commercial analytical laboratories, and, with further study, professions allied to medicine and in academic, government and industrial research laboratories.

Our graduates have found employment as:

• Agricultural Officers
• Biomedical Scientists
• Ecologists
• Research Assistants
• Veterinary Nurses
• Wildlife Information Assistants

STUDY AT SCOTLAND’S ACADEMIC HUB FOR ANIMAL CONSERVATION

Life Sciences Scotland 2017

TO THE SCOTTISH ECONOMY

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TO THE SCOTTISH ECONOMY

Companies in the sector contribute in excess of £4.2 billion to the Scottish economy

Life Sciences Scotland 2017

This course is not available as a combined degree.

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APPLIED BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
BSc (Hons)

Scotland is internationally recognised in the Life Sciences arena, with crucial contributions to areas like drug discovery and development, contract research, medical technologies, stem cells, specialised bio-manufacturing and bioinformatics.

The Life Sciences industries have identified particular problems in recruiting work-ready science graduates. These industries are highly regulated, and many students currently graduate from university without the skill sets employers seek.

To meet the needs of the Life Sciences industry, and in consultation with employers, Forth Valley College and the University of Stirling have developed a four-year, fully integrated degree course in Applied Biological Sciences. This course is designed to equip students with an awareness of industry practices and the technical expertise sought by employers.

This will help ensure that Scotland has ‘employment-ready’ graduates with the competence and education required by industry, while supporting realistic graduate expectations and promoting staff retention rates.

Academics from the University and College work together alongside employers to deliver the most up-to-date and industry-relevant curriculum. All undergraduates of this course will have dual student status, and will be fully enrolled within both institutions. Students will have full access to all of the University’s and College’s online and on-site facilities from Year 1 onwards.

COURSE CONTENT

Semesters 1-4 will be delivered by Forth Valley College (Falkirk Campus), with some key subject tutorials delivered at the University of Stirling.

Categories will include: Microbiology, Immunology, Fundamental Chemistry, Instrumental Techniques and Quality; and Health and Safety Systems in Science Industries. All modules will have an applied and practical skills focus.

From Semester 5, you will be taught at the University of Stirling for the remainder of the course. Subjects taken include: Cell Biology, Applied Immunology, Protein Biochemistry, Microbiology, Genetic Engineering, and Proteomics and Systems Biology.

A highlight of this course is an industry placement undertaken in Semester 6, which provides students with practical experience and networking opportunities.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

A degree in biology can help you get a job in health sectors and science. However, there are many other career opportunities this degree can provide. Our graduates have found employment as:

• Biotechnologists
• Higher Education Lecturers
• Microbiologists
• Nanotechnologists
• Nature Conservation Officers
• Pharmacologists
• Secondary School Teachers
• Soil Scientists
• Zoologists

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This course is not available as a combined degree.
Our BSc (Hons) in Applied Computing is a highly practical degree developed in partnership with 50 companies from the Scottish ICT Industry who are looking for an additional 45,000 professionals to join their workforce over the next five years.

The first two years of this course will be taught at Forth Valley College following an enhanced Software Development HND curriculum, and the remaining years will be taught by academics at the University of Stirling. In Years 3 and 4, two key components of the course are the industrial placement and the Honours project. During this time you will develop a range of specialist technical development skills and knowledge in programming and systems development. You will also gain academic, technical and professional training leading to the skills necessary to design, implement, support, evaluate or manage IT systems in a vast range of industries.

You will have dual student status and be fully enrolled within both institutions, having full access to all of the University of Stirling and Forth Valley College online and on-site facilities from your first year onwards.

**COURSE CONTENT**

You will spend the first two years of this four-year course at Forth Valley College (Falkirk Campus), before transferring to the University for Years 3 and 4. During Year 2 at the College, students will also take a module at the University to support the transition from the College to the University environment. The course contains a compulsory three-month industrial work placement after Year 3.

During this course, you will have the opportunity to study the following modules.


- Semesters 5 and 6 at the University cover modules in: Software Engineering, Multimedia and Human-Computer Interaction, Database Principles and Applications, Computer Game Technologies, and Information Systems.

In Semesters 7 and 8, modules include: Big Data and Social Media, Data Science, Game Development, Programming, and Information Systems. You will carry out an independent project in your final year that will give you the opportunity to develop a major piece of work from initial requirements to final delivery.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

There is high demand for computer science graduates who can find employment in various sectors such as software development, consultancy, and business analysis. Our graduates have found employment as:

- Business Intelligence Analysts
- Computer Programmers
- Computer Systems Analysts
- Computer Systems Engineers
- Database Administrators
- Network Systems Administrators
- Software Applications Developers
- Web Developers

This course is not available as a combined degree.

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The Institute of Aquaculture at the University of Stirling is the leading international centre in its field, and the largest of its kind in the world. As part of Stirling’s UK City Region Deal, £17 million for a new Institute of Aquaculture and Global Aquatic Food Security facility has been recently announced.

Keeping our aquatic environments healthy, protected and sustainable is vital for our planet and the people living on it. The aquaculture industry – or aquatic agriculture – already provides over 50 percent of all fish and seafood for human consumption worldwide. However, aquaculture is more than just “fish farming”; it includes the culture of many species, including crocodiles and turtles.

Our Aquaculture course will train you in all subjects relevant to global aquaculture.

- In Semesters 5 and 6, you could benefit from an exchange programme with various institutions across the world, including Australia, Canada and the USA.

The course enables students to understand the form and function of aquatic systems, and understand the biology, ecology and management of organisms inhabiting these systems. Students will gain detailed knowledge of various aspects of the aquaculture industry, including: production and hatchery systems, nutrition, animal health and disease, and aquaculture development, aquaculture or related positions, including: scientists e.g. Analytical Research, Fish Pathologists, Microbiologists, Biostatisticians, Mathematicians e.g. Fisheries Technicians e.g. Hatcheries, Health Managers, Higher Education Lecturers, Fish Biologists, Nutrition Analysts (Fish Feed), and Global Aquatic Food Security role.

- Widening access students may be eligible for a reduced offer entry – see page 120.

**COURSE CONTENT**

During Semesters 5-8, core modules include Microbiology and Animal Pathology, together with specialist topics such as Aquaculture Production Environments, and Genetics and Reproduction, plus an Aquaculture field course.

Aquaculture is not available as a combined degree. Honours degree, but it shares a common foundation with the degree course in Marine Biology, so you have the option to take a degree in Marine Biology until the end of Semester 5.

Additional student costs are kept as low as possible, but include the purchase of a lab coat and some personal lab kit.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

A graduate in Aquaculture is well equipped to enter both the expanding field of aquaculture or related positions, including: aquaculture development, aquaculture production, hatchery companies, fish farm companies, environmental impact assessment, recreational and conservation fisheries, pollution control, pharmaceutical companies, fisheries management and governmental regulatory departments.

In addition, there is a wide range of more general graduate employment, such as biotechnology companies, bioinformatics, health sciences, the food industry, marketing, science and journalism and teaching.

A second degree (MSc or PhD) will often be required for career advancement to more senior research posts, and many of our graduates go on to pursue further study at Stirling or other UK and overseas universities.

Our graduates have found employment as:

- Agricultural Managers (Food Supply)
- Commercial Fish Farm Operators, Managers, Owners, Directors
- Ecologists
- Fish Pathologists
- Fishery Technicians e.g. Hatcheries
- Health Managers
- Higher Education Lecturers
- Microbiologists
- Nutrition Analysts (Fish Feed)
- Scientists, e.g. Analytical Research and Development etc.
- Trainee Fish Farm Managers
Biology

BSc (Hons)

**Course Content**

Semesters 1-4 include core modules in: Cell Biology, Physiology, Genetics and Evolution, Ecology, and Practical Skills in Laboratory and Field Settings. You will take a field course in Ecology and Identification Skills, as well as additional modules in other disciplines. During Semesters 5-6, your module choices include: Plant Ecology, Behavioural Ecology, Applied Immunology, Animal Cell Biology, Microbiology, Animal Physiology, and Population and Community Ecology. In Semesters 7-8, you will undertake an independent research project, and study between four and six advanced modules from a range of options.

**Career Opportunities**

Biology graduates progress to successful careers in the pharmaceutical, biomedical and agricultural industries, among others. Many find employment in conservation, management and environmental agencies. Other career paths include: the civil service, forensic science, teaching, the food industry, hospital analytical laboratories, and government and industrial research laboratories.

Our graduates have found employment as:
- Geographical Information Analysts
- Laboratory Technicians
- Microbiologists
- Recycling Officers
- Scientists e.g. Analytical Biological/Research/Soil/Water etc.
- Waste Management Officers

This course is not available as a combined degree.
BUSINESS STUDIES
BA (Hons)

Our focused yet flexible approach to learning means you can undertake a single Honours degree in Business Studies, or one of a number of combined degree courses that bring together Business Studies and another subject. Students intending to specialise in Business Studies are encouraged to take modules in related subject areas, such as Accountancy, Marketing, Retail Studies, Economics or Computing Science.

Wherever route you choose, the knowledge, skills and competencies you gain from this course offer a firm foundation to continue developing your management expertise.

Our teaching staff are active in various areas of current management research, which informs our teaching and ensures our course content is relevant to current trends within business. Guest speakers from a wide range of industries bring learning into the classroom, and several modules use ‘live’ business simulations to give you real-world experience of managing a company.


course content
Semesters 1-2 will provide you with a grounding in the subjects of Business and Management, as well as analytical techniques that underpin Business; Activity and Management.

Semesters 3-4 focus on Business and Management, including: the Organisation of Business; and the Fundamentals of Business and Management.

Semesters 5-8 comprise a series of interlinked core modules, including: International Business; Responsible Business; and Strategic Management. Elective modules include: Human Resource Management; and Project Management. Your will have numerous opportunities to develop appropriate work-related skills at every stage of your studies, including the Professional Development and Practice module in Semester 6 or 8, which helps you prepare for entering the workplace. We also offer opportunities for you to gain work experience via internships with a number of local, regional and national organisations.

Career opportunities
Business Studies graduates are well placed for a variety of jobs covering many different business sectors.

Our graduates have found employment as:

• Business Owners
• Commercial and Business Development Managers
• Company Secretaries
• Finance Managers
• Production Managers
• Senior Market Advisors

Other qualifications
Scottish HNC/HND: Minimum entry: Bs in graded unit. Advanced entry: Please consult website for details.

Access courses:
• See page 116. Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 120.


cell biology
BSc (Hons)

The study of biological systems at cellular and subcellular levels is key to understanding how organisms develop, how they respond to their environment and how the diseased state differs from the healthy state.

Recent advances in cell biology are enabling cell biologists to:

• Understand the basis of diseases in humans, animals and plants
• Develop novel treatments and therapies for diseases
• Explore the processes associated with aging
• Improve the quality and quantity of important food crops
• Develop novel and sustainable fuels
• Assess the impacts of environmental changes on biological systems

Our Cell Biology course at Stirling offers unique interdisciplinary training in areas that underpin modern biology.

Additional student costs are kept as low as possible, but include the purchase of a lab coat and some personal lab kit, as well as travel expenses for an optional placement module.

Course content
In Semesters 1-4, you will study the following core modules: Cell Biology, Physiology, Genes and Evolution; Ecology; and Biodiversity. In addition to the core modules, you will study Practical Skills in the Biological, Environmental and Quantitative Techniques. You will take additional modules in other disciplines of your choice. These are often in Biological, Environmental or Aquatic Sciences.

Semesters 5-6 include modules in: Animal Physiology, Microbiology, and Animal Cell Biology. Students will also select additional modules such as: Advanced Marine Biology; Applied Immunology; Behavioural Ecology; Plant Ecology; and an Applied Biological Sciences placement.

In Semesters 7-8, you will undertake an independent research project and a number of advanced modules from a range of options, which currently include: Molecular Techniques; Omics and Systems Biology; Molecular Evolution and Phylogenetics; Cell Birth, Life and Death; Genetic Engineering; Immunology and Disease; and Proteomics.

A research project is a major component of the final year, and the project topics offered to you will reflect the active research interests of academic staff.

Career opportunities
Cell Biology graduates enter careers in the healthcare, science and pharmaceutical sectors. Specific career paths include working as research assistants/technicians in academia or industry, or teaching in colleges/schools. A number of our students have progressed onto a postgraduate degree such as an MSc or PhD.

Our graduates have found employment as:

• Laboratory Technicians
• Microbiologists
• Scientists e.g. Analytical Biological/ Research/Soil/Water etc.

Other qualifications
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COMPUTING SCIENCE
BSc (Hons)

This course will teach you how to design and analyse computer systems in both practice and theory. It will help you develop a firm understanding of how computers work, effective computer programming skills and how computers operate within their environment. Our graduates are highly sought after within the industry.

We help our students build strong links with businesses by offering the opportunity of a three-month summer placement or a one-year placement. Students will also have the option to experience diverse international teaching methods by choosing to Study Abroad.

Our students enjoy access to a vibrant community, with exposure to BCS, the Chartered Institute for IT, and an active Computer Club that supports projects and activities for those interested in computing science, including the organisation of a Hackathon.

BSc (Hons) graduates are fully accredited by BCS, The Chartered Institute for IT for the educational requirements of being a Chartered Information Technology Professional (CITP), which is the Society’s professional membership level.

COURSE CONTENT
In Semesters 1-3, students from all three of our computing-related degrees take the same core modules in Computing Science. Core concepts include: Computational Thinking; Programming Using Java; Social and Professional Issues; Usability and Accessibility of Interfaces; and Data Structures, Objects and Algorithms. You will take two further subjects in addition. In Semester 1, you will also take a Mathematics module that is tailored to Computing students and focuses on the understanding of algorithms and complexity.

Students 4-8 cover compulsory modules such as: Computer Systems; Software Engineering; Computer Security; and Networks. Optional modules include: Artificial Intelligence; Web Services; Telecommunications; and Games Development.

Honours students undertake an independent project in their final year. The choice of project topic can be motivated by a particular interest that you have, and may involve the design and development of a major piece of software, an investigation into a particular research-driven topic or the development of control software for a hardware device.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
This degree will place you at the forefront of computing in a web-based world, and our industrial placements will equip you with work experience.

Our graduates are well-equipped to enter either the software industry itself or one of the many fields in which computer systems are extensively used and developed. Recent employment success for our graduates include: Agilent (Hewlett Packard), British Telecom, Google, HSBC, KANÀ, Logica, Microsoft and Scottish Power.

Our graduates have found employment as:
• Cybersecurity Consultants
• Database Administrators
• Games Developers
• IT Management Consultants
• Information Systems Managers
• Multimedia Programmers
• Software Developers and Testers
• Systems Administrators
• Systems Designers
• Web Developers

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see: pages 120-121.

Wide-ranging access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 120.

CONSERVATION BIOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT
BSc (Hons)

The contemporary world is one of rapidly increasing human interference in natural environments, as well as competition for space and resources. A degree in Conservation Biology and Management will provide you with the framework to develop an understanding of the complex relationships between environments and their inhabitants, as well as the policies and management strategies that aim to safeguard our biodiversity and the ecosystem services upon which humans depend.

Stirling is an ideal place to study this. The city is home to more environmental and conservation organisations than anywhere else in the UK. We have strong links with all these organisations, and some are even based at the University.

Our research is at the interface between the environment and society, and includes: Conservation Science; Evolutionary Ecology; Ecosystem Ecology; Hydro-Geomorphology; and Remote Sensing. You will receive excellent practical training, hands-on experience and preparation for a range of careers in conservation and related fields.

Additional student costs are kept as low as possible, but include the purchase of a lab coat and some personal lab kit.

COURSE CONTENT
In Semesters 1-4, students from all three of our computing-related degrees take the same core modules in Computing Science. Core concepts include: Computational Thinking; Programming Using Java; Social and Professional Issues; Usability and Accessibility of Interfaces; and Data Structures, Objects and Algorithms. You will take two further subjects in addition. In Semester 1, you will also take a Mathematics module that is tailored to Computing students and focuses on the understanding of algorithms and complexity.

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COMBINED DEGREE ONLY

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SOA: Higher: ABB
GCE H2-levels: BBB
IB Diploma: 32
BTEC (Level 3): DDM

YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS

SOA: H2-higher: ABB
GCE A-levels: ABB
IB Diploma: 35

Essential subjects:

For full details please contact admissions@stir.ac.uk

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Widening access students may be welcomed. See page 116.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

Scottish HNC/HND: Minimum entry: 8s in graded unit. Advanced entry: Please consult website for details.


ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

General entry requirements apply – see pages 120-121.

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Part-time, advanced entry and Study Abroad options available.

How does society work? How are crime and other social problems situated in society, and how do different cultures understand these problems? What can we learn from the success of social policies in other countries? Our course provides an international and comparative approach to help you understand a wide range of social issues, including: crime and criminal justice; inequality and welfare; race; immigration; disability; addiction; youth; and ageing. You will attain a strong training in Criminology and the theory and methods of applied social science. If you are considering a career in the police, the prison service or human rights agencies, it will provide a strong academic base.

Criminology can only be studied as a combined degree. It can be combined with any of the following options: Law (MM91); Philosophy (MV95); Politics (ML92); Sociology (LM39); or Social Policy (LL64).

There is a very strong practical/applied focus at Stirling, with excellent links between our research and research centres and our teaching. Our lecturers are involved in various fields of research, for example: police practice; surveillance; children affected by parental criminality; and corporate and white collar crime. You will also have the opportunity to develop practical research courses through qualitative research and quantitative research courses and your own research dissertation, which will provide you with highly valued transferable skills.

COURSE CONTENT

The Stirling degree structure is very flexible in the first two years, allowing you to experiment with new subjects. Students in Years 1 and 2 are able to choose from a range of modules available from other subjects across the University. Modules include: Crime; Risk and Modernity; Crimes of Power; Punishment and Society; Criminological Theories in Context; Gender, Crime and Justice; Drugs; Crime and Society; Global Markets and Crime; Urban Society; and Honours Seminar - Doing Social Research.

In Year 3, a combination of prescribed and optional modules will form your chosen combined degree course. The final-year dissertation counts for two modules and will provide you with an opportunity to apply your research methods studied into practice while focusing on an area of particular interest.

Throughout the duration of the course you will learn how to identify and recognise the inherent importance and value of a discipline from an economic, social and cultural perspective – and make links between the discipline and professional opportunities. You will also learn how to become a critical thinker with analytical and problem-solving abilities, able to re-shape and transform knowledge to generate new understandings, that you can then apply creatively in different contexts.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

As well as specific subject-based knowledge, you will graduate with a wide range of experience and skills – in particular, communication skills, self-management skills and interpersonal skills, providing you with a competitive edge across the private, public and voluntary sectors. Criminology provides a strong academic base if you are considering careers in the police, the prison service; probation; social work; community care and law; regulatory fields such as the factory and tax inspectors; human rights agencies; charitable foundations; and lobby groups. Our graduates have found employment as:

- Analyst Researchers
- Corrections Officers
- Criminal Justice Workers
- Fraud Investigators
- Investigative Assistants
- Police Officers
- Prison Officers

This course is not available as a combined degree.

As the speed of change in the media sector continues to accelerate, the demand for graduates able to embrace new technology and innovative methods of content delivery is also growing.

This course provides students with rigorous and challenging training in the tools, applications and possibilities of the digital environment – from the preparation of journalistic and multipart content to its effective display and dissemination across television, film, radio, print, online and beyond.

The overarching aim of the course is to make sure graduates are work ready, and will meet the critical skills requirements of a multi-sector job environment through the development of relevant skills in journalism and related content development technologies. Students will not only be equipped with the skills to be creative and productive in the digital era, but will also understand the ethical, legal and theoretical dimensions of this industry.

IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 10 IN THE UK FOR MEDIA AND FILM STUDIES

The Guardian University Guide 2019
ECOLOGY
BSc (Hons)

People have an enormous impact on their environment through resource use, habitat degradation and climate change. Understanding how our actions impact the ecological balance across the planet has never been more important. Our Ecology degree is designed to help you understand how animals, plants, fungi and microorganisms interact with their environment, as well as the relationships between people and the rest of the biosphere.

Our course covers the core conceptual issues of Ecology in its broadest sense, but also provides hands-on opportunities for learning transferrable skills and analysing ecological relationships across all types of organisms. Whether you are interested in pursuing an academic career, or want to participate in the practical solution of ecological problems, Ecology will provide you with the tools and concepts you need to make a difference.

Fieldwork – an essential part of training – takes up around a third of the timetable, whether you are interested in pursuing an academic career, or want to participate in the practical solution of ecological problems. Ecology will provide you with the tools and concepts you need to make a difference.

Ecology students say our staff are good at explaining things
100%
National Student Survey 2018

COURSE CONTENT
Semesters 1-4 cover core modules in: Biological Sciences; Environmental Sciences; and Practical Skills in the Natural Sciences. Semesters 5-6 cover the following advanced modules: Animal Ecology, Plant Ecology and Physiology, Population and Community Ecology, plus further optional modules, including the Spanish field course. In Semesters 7-8, students undertake an independent research project and attend the overseas field course in France. They also take between four and six advanced modules from a defined list of options. The research project in the final year takes up around a third of the timetable, and is strongly linked with the active research interests of academic staff in biological and environmental sciences.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
With this well-respected degree, our graduates have entered a range of jobs in academic and applied ecology, including roles as university and government researchers, natural history filmmakers, nature reserve managers, and policymakers with environmental agencies and conservation bodies. Our graduates have found employment as:
- Ecologists
- Energy Advisors
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In the current economic climate, the role of the economist is now becoming more crucial, with the welfare and prosperity of people, communities and nations dependent upon their accurate interpretations and responses to continually shifting environmental, social and economic realities.

This course can be combined with: Accountancy (L114); Business Studies (L113); Environmental Science (FL91); Finance (L113); Marketing (L115); Mathematics (L111); Politics (L122) or Politics/Philosophy (L08D).

COURSE COMBINATIONS

ECOLOGY
UCAS CODE: C180

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS
YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Higher: AAB – by the end of 55
AAA – by the end of 56
GCE A-levels: BBB
IB Diploma: 32
BTEC (Level 3): DDM

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND: To include Biological Science, Geography or Geology.

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EDUCATION (PRIMARY)

BA/BSc (Hons)

COMBINED DEGREE ONLY

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

FOUR-YEAR HOURS (EXCEPT EARLY YEARS)

SOA Highers:
ABB – by the end of 55
AAB – by the end of 56
BBB
IB Diploma:
32
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DDM

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Additional required subjects
Environmcnt (XX11)
To include an SQA Higher (H),
A-level (A) or equivalent in Biology,
Chemistry, Environmental Science,
Modern Languages (XX18)
To include an SQA Higher (H),
A-level (A) or equivalent in one of French or Spanish.
Numenric (XX11)
To include an SQA Higher Maths,
Primary Science Joint Programme
with Heriot-Watt University (FX433)
Higher Chemistry and Higher Physics
or support subjects.
Additional Support Needs (XX14)
Early Years (XX15)
Literacy (XX10)

ACCREDITATION

Recently reaccredited by the General Teaching Council of Scotland with seven commendations, that include being student-centred and the high quality of our research-informed approaches.

COURSE CONTENT

You will develop your understanding of Education theory and practice alongside your subject specialisation in Semesters 1-2 and undertake a self-organised placement.

In Semesters 3-4, you will continue to study Education alongside your subject speciality. You also begin to develop your knowledge and understanding of literacy and numeracy, along with other aspects of the primary curriculum. At the end of Semester 4, you will undertake a four-week school placement.

In Semesters 5-6, you will continue to develop your understanding of teaching literacy and numeracy. After your five-week school experience, you will undertake an advanced education module with a focus on different identities and inclusion. You will also take a module on pedagogy, policy and practice in relation to your subject specialism.

Semester 7 includes a 10-week school experience, with opportunities to teach your chosen specialism. In Semester 8, you will complete an Enquiry into Practice that is closely related to your placement, and undertake an independent study of your choice linked to your chosen specialism.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The majority of our graduates enter the Scottish Government’s Probationary Teacher Scheme, which entitles them to guaranteed employment for one year as a newly qualified teacher in a Scottish local authority school.

Other roles include: corporate training and development; museum and leisure education; educational psychology; translation; or media.

WEBSITE: stir.ac.uk/43
Texts are all around us – from books and magazines to TV, email and the internet. The ability to analyse them and their often subtle meanings is a skill this degree provides.

Our course offers you the perfect chance to dedicate yourself to reading and enjoying a range of great poems, plays and novels from across the world. Your own creative writing can form a part of this degree as we believe it aids your understanding of literary style and technique, and develops your imagination.

Staff in English Studies research and teach in areas from the medieval period to the present day, as well as in linguistics and creative writing. We are also proud to have the McManusArt Centre on campus, which runs an exciting theatre and film programme throughout the semesters. We are fortunate to host the Booker Prize Foundation Initiative each year, which means that you will have the opportunity to meet world-renowned authors and discuss their work.

COURSE CONTENT
In Semesters 1-2, you will take two compulsory modules (Introduction to English Studies: Genres, and Introduction to English Studies: Theories Approaches), plus four additional modules from other disciplines, which could include Linguistics.

In Semester 3, you will study Literary Revolutions.

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Graduates have found work as: Countryside Rangers, guides and environmental or geography educators – raising public awareness of environmental issues – and other careers specific to outdoor education.

Our graduates have found employment as:

- Ecologists
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- Environmental Education Officers
- Environmental Managers/Consultants
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We were one of the first universities to introduce an Environmental Science degree in the UK. Our course is accredited by the Institute of Environmental Sciences (IES) and our students are entitled to free membership of the institute.

We are committed to educating students in work-relevant skills demanded by employers, which is why a specialist skills module is included in each semester of our course, and regular careers sessions are embedded into core teaching. Field training is a fundamental element that includes field courses in Scotland, Iceland and Spain. Additional cost may occur.

Our exchange programmes with institutions across North America and Europe, as well as several universities in Asia and Australia, mean that you can spend one semester studying abroad during Year 3.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Our focus on providing technical field and laboratory training, as well as scientific knowledge, means our graduates are highly employable. Many go on to work in a wide range of organisations including water authorities, renewable energy companies, conservation bodies, environmental consultancies, local authorities and government agencies – or take up postgraduate study in education, environmental management and information technology.

Our graduates have found employment as:
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- Laboratory Technicians
- Microbiologists
- Nature/Conservation Officers
- Recycling Officers
- Scientists etc. e.g. Analytical Biological/Research/Soil/Water etc.
- Waste Management Officers

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It leads directly to a postgraduate qualification, and is designed specifically for students who want to pursue a career in the environment sector. It offers an environmental placement and an industry-linked final-year project, equipping you with the key knowledge, skills and career awareness to succeed in the environmental sciences sector.

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FILM AND MEDIA

BA (Hons)

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UCAS CODE: P300

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS

SQA Highers: AAAAB – by the end of S5
AAABB – by the end of S6

GCE A-levels:
BBB
IB Diploma:
22
BTEC (Level 3):
32

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry: B in graded unit.
Advanced entry: Please consult website for details.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

General entry requirements apply – see pages 120-121.
Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 120.

We are pioneers in Film and Media education and research, and have been nationally and internationally active in the field since 1979.

Our Film and Media degree combines analysis and practice. You will develop the critical and theoretical skills you need to study film, broadcasting, journalism, digital media, advertising and public relations. You will have the option of selecting modules devoted to audio and video production, and of developing related skills.

Students get the chance to develop their skills within a supportive and stimulating environment. Teaching staff include specialists in gender, broadcast production, documentary, scriptwriting, radio drama, Scottish cinema, film philosophy, public relations and digital media. The course is strengthened by regular input from our industry advisory board of professionals, who offer a diverse range of experience and expertise.

As well as our excellent teaching and research, you will benefit from access to the MacRobert Arts Centre, our on-campus, multi-screen cinema and theatre. This excellent resource offers a variety of different opportunities throughout the year, including film and cultural festivals. Students also choose to contribute to our campus television station and filmmaking group, AirTV, and to Air3 Radio.

COURSE CONTENT

In Semesters 1-4, you will learn vital skills in different aspects of film and media analysis across five core modules: Media Issues and Industries; The Moving Image; Reading Film and Television; Digital Media and Culture; and Understanding Audiences. You will also be able to choose additional modules from a range of options.

Semesters 5-8 also provide choices from modules including: Scriptwriting; Terrorism in the Media; Experimental Cinema, Global Film and/or Philosophy; Sport and the Media; and Feminism and Television.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Many Film and Media students have established successful careers in the media. These include broadcast and print journalism, television, radio and film production, media management, advertising and public relations. Transferable skills also mean that some students have established careers in more traditional areas such as education, banking and the civil service.

Our graduates have found employment as:
- Media Planners
- Multimedia Specialists
- Programme Researchers
- Public Relations Officers
- Social Media Managers
- Television, Film and Video Producers
- Web Content Managers
- Workers in Broadcasting, Film and Video

STIRLING MANAGEMENT SCHOOL

OF FINANCE STUDENTS SAY OUR STAFF ARE GOOD AT EXPLAINING THINGS

National Student Survey 2018

92.7%

COURSE CONTENT

In Semesters 1-3, you will study the core modules in Finance, Accounting and Economics, and two other subjects per semester.

Semesters 4-8 cover core advanced modules, including: Mergers and Acquisitions; International Finance; and Financial Analysis.

You can choose further advanced modules in Accountancy and Finance from a list of electives, or from those required by the particular degree course you are following.

You will have numerous opportunities to develop appropriate, work-related skills at every stage of your studies, including the Professional Development and Practice module in Semester 8, which helps you prepare for entering the workplace.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Many significant decisions made by companies, individuals and financial institutions require the analytical skills and professional judgement developed by studying Finance. Accordingly, a wide range of career opportunities are available to graduates of this discipline.

Our graduates have found employment as:
- Auditors
- Group Financial Controllers
- Investment Directors
- Senior Finance Directors
- Senior Mergers and Acquisitions Managers

This course can be combined with:
French at Stirling focuses on the contemporary, global nature of French language and culture today.

Through studying language, literature and film you will develop a cultural awareness of how France sees itself and its place in the world. You will explore ethnic diversity in contemporary France, and the complexity of Francophone cultures in places as diverse as Quebec, the Maghreb and sub-Saharan Africa.

French is a core option in the School of Modern Languages and Cultures, with modules including:
- Language and Culture: Francophone Communities
- Literature and Film: Francophone Writing
- Media: Francophone Media

This course aims to prepare you for a wide range of career opportunities, including:
- Language teachers
- Translators
- Journalists
- Public relations officers
- Marketing managers
- Foreign office representatives

**COURSE CONTENT**
You can begin your French studies in either our Advanced stream (for all students who have a Higher French or equivalent) or our Beginners’ stream.

For students in the Beginners’ stream, the focus is first and foremost on intensive language learning and on building written and spoken language skills across the first semester of study.

For students in our Advanced stream, the focus will be on developing an understanding of Francophone literature and culture. This will include written and spoken language skills, as well as an introduction to Francophone literature and culture.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**
- GCE A-levels: ABB
- IB Diploma: 32
- BTEC (Level 3): 32

**OTHER REQUIREMENTS**
See page 116.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**
Language graduates are in high demand, with a wide range of career opportunities available. These include:
- Teachers
- Translators
- Media professionals
- Marketing managers

With a French degree, you will be well-equipped to work in a variety of sectors, including:
- Education
- Media
- Business
- Tourism

**COURSE COMBINATIONS**
This course can be combined with:
- Business Studies (HRF3)
- Computing Science (GR41)
- Psychology (GR11)
- International Relations (HRP3)
- Journalism Studies (RP15)
- Law (RM11)
- Marketing (NRS1)
- Mathematics (GR11)
- Philosophy (RV15)
- Politics (LR21)
- Professional Education (Primary) (Y21C)
- Professional Education (Secondary) (RX01)

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**GEOGRAPHY - ENVIRONMENTAL GEOGRAPHY**

This is a unique course rooted in the real world that equips our graduates with the skills to face global challenges in the 21st century.

Environmental Geography is the integrated study of the world, its landscapes, places, people and their relationship with the environment. It seeks to make sense of the world we live in, and is unique in bridging the environmental and social sciences.

While Physical Geography and Human Geography are disciplines in their own right, Environmental Geography combines these subjects to provide a much-needed capability to study and understand interactions between people and the environments in which they live.

Environmental geographers explore the spatial and temporal patterns of the world – from the global to the local – and offer solutions to some of our most pressing environmental problems. You will apply these skills to understanding the biophysical processes that drive environmental change – and to real-world issues including food, energy and water security – within political and economic frameworks.

**COURSE CONTENT**
This course covers the following core modules:
- Physical Geography
- Environmental and Social Geography
- Environmental Issues and Statistical Techniques

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**
- GCE A-levels: ABB
- IB Diploma: 32
- BTEC (Level 3): 32

**OTHER REQUIREMENTS**
See page 116.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**
Environmental Geography graduates are equipped with a unique combination of subject-specific and transferable skills, enabling them to develop their understanding of the relationships between environment and people. These skills, along with experience in fields like investigation, problem-solving, team working, communication and geographical information technology, make them highly sought after by a wide range of industrial, commercial and public-sector employers.

Our graduates have found employment as:
- Ecologists
- Geographic Information Analysts
- Nature Conservation Officers
- Recycling Officers
- Waste Management Officers

**COURSE COMBINATIONS**
This course can be combined with:
- Environmental Geography
- Professional Education (PaX11)
- Environmental Geography and Outdoor Education (Y21C)
An innovative degree designed for students interested in the heritage, conservation and tourism sectors.

The University has joined forces with Forth Valley College to create an innovative new course that will produce highly skilled, work-ready graduates for the heritage, conservation and tourism sectors. The degree is supported by organisations such as VisitScotland and Scottish Canals.

This course combines the applied tourism and business skills of Forth Valley College’s Travel and Tourism programme with the University’s advanced academic skills in areas such as heritage, history, exhibition design, marketing and environmental studies. It is designed to equip students with sector-specific applied business skills alongside academic theory that is appropriate for an understanding of contemporary heritage management issues, and promotional and interpretative methods and techniques. It也将 provide you with a broad knowledge and understanding of the challenges facing the management and promotion of historic and natural environments — both in Scotland and internationally.

Throughout the four years, there will be an integrated approach to teaching. Academics from the college and the University will work together alongside employers to deliver the most up-to-date and industry-relevant curriculum. The result is a broad interdisciplinary training in heritage, tourism and conservation that is rigorous and intellectually challenging.

**DEGREE SUPPORTED BY VISITSCOTLAND AND SCOTTISH CANALS**

**COURSE CONTENT**

The first two years will be delivered by Forth Valley College (Stirling Campus), and all students will also be registered at the University from the first year — providing full access to the University library and other services. Students will also take a module at the University in the second year.

Students will have the opportunity to gain work experience with a relevant company in Year 2.

Students will then progress to the University of Stirling for the last two years. Modules include: Heritage Protection – Theory and Practice; Interpretation and Exhibition Design; History, Heritage and Tradition – Making Identities in the Modern Era; Branding and Communications; Environmental Policy in Management; and Conservation Management.

During the final year of the course, you will engage in an extended piece of supervised independent study in the form of either a dissertation or a portfolio.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Employability skills are embedded throughout the course, alongside transferrable skills in critical thinking, research, planning, communication and teamwork.

We work in partnership with organisations like VisitScotland, Scottish Canals and Historic Environment Scotland to make sure our course meets the needs of the heritage and tourism sectors and our students have close contact with them.

There are a wide range of associated organisations and businesses in the UK and internationally that require employees with advanced skills, learning and experience. These include conservation, heritage management, interpretation, community engagement, education, visitor attraction operations, tourism management, marketing and communications.

Our graduates find employment as:

- Conservation Managers
- Engagement Officers
- Membership and Visitor Managers
- Partnership and Community Engagement Officers
- Project Managers

This course is not available as a combined degree.

If you really want to understand the modern world, it is essential to understand the past. Here at Stirling, we have developed different and innovative ways to help you do that.

Our History course will equip you with a range of intellectual and personal skills. You will gain an awareness of how different societies across the world have changed over time by exploring areas such as Scottish, British, European, American and African history. You will engage with different types of history, such as political, social, cultural, gender, computer and environmental.

History may be studied in combination with a range of other subjects.

A History degree sets the kind of intellectual challenges and fosters particular skills that employers have always recognised and valued. These include: the ability to argue a persuasive case; a capacity for independent work and effective time management; an ability to organise and solve problems; and a capacity to communicate clearly, both in writing and speech.

**COURSE CONTENT**

In Semesters 1–3, you will take History, plus two other subjects.

Semesters 4-6 will offer you the opportunity to study two or three modules per semester from a varied list of History topics, including: Environmental; Computing; Social; Political; African; European; American; British and Scottish.

During Semester 4, you will also take the module ‘Back to the Future: putting history and heritage to work’. This is an employability module aimed at exploring a wide range of career options through guest speakers and workshops.

In Semester 7-8, you will choose a special subject that involves the use of printed documentary collections and other source material. Students have a choice of five or six topics, including specialised themes such as the American Revolution, 1868, Early Modern Scotland or Popular Politics in Britain.

To complete the course, you will also need to take a supervised dissertation of between 12,000 and 14,000 words on a research topic of your choice.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Our History graduates have been successful in obtaining a wide variety of posts — some in history-related areas, such as teaching or work in museums and libraries, and others in fields such as administration, commerce, the civil service, banking and insurance.

Our graduates have found employment as:

- Academic Librarians
- Archaeologists
- Archivists
- Broadcast Journalists
- Civil Service Administrators
- Conservation Officers
- Editorial Assistants
- Heritage Managers
- Historic Buildings Inspectors
- Information Officers
- Museum Education Officers
- Museum and Gallery Curators
- Secondary School Teachers

**COURSE COMBINATIONS**

This course can be combined with:

- English Studies (QV31);
- English Studies/Professional Education (QV42);
- Film and Media (PV31);
- French (RV11);
- Journalism Studies (VP51);
- Law (MV11);
- Philosophy (VV11);
- Politics (LV21);
- Politics/Professional Education (LVX1);
- Professional Education (VVX1);
- Religion (VV16);
- Religion/Professional Education (VX11);
- Sociology (LV31);
- Sociology/Professional Education (VXO1); Spanish (RV41);
- or Sports Studies (VC16).
HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

BA (Hons)

Human Resource Management (HRM) is a function within an organisation that is performance focused, and students can expect to learn how HR professionals contribute to the strategic goals of the organisation through managing employee recruitment, performance and individual development effectively.

Specialists in this role work closely with operational managers to develop and promote the employment relationship, enhance individual and team performance and ensure that workers are fairly treated. HRM also attempts to increase the organisation’s ability to adapt within its environment through broadening the skills of the workforce. As such, HR specialists also need a good understanding of the labour market and their organisation’s wider social, economic and political environments.

COURSE CONTENT
In Semesters 1 and 2, you will be taught core modules including: The Global Business Environment – An Introduction; and The Management Challenge – An Introduction. Additional modules are taken from elsewhere in the University, though many students choose related subjects such as: Business Law; Economics; Psychology, or Sociology. From Semesters 3 and 4, you will take modules focusing on the development of the core skills, knowledge and professional behaviours needed to perform effectively in an HR functional role in a modern organisation, including: HRM Techniques; and Employee Engagement.

In addition to specialist HRM modules, you can choose optional modules from Business Studies, Management or one of the other subjects you are qualified in – for example, Marketing. You are encouraged to take electives in Accounting and Finance for Managers and Economics for Managers.

You will have numerous opportunities to develop appropriate work-related skills at every stage of your studies, including the Professional Development and Practice module in Semester 6 or 8, which helps you prepare for entering the workplace.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
The BA (Hons) Human Resource Management is highly relevant to the world of work, and students taking the degree at our Stirling campus will be eligible for associate membership of the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development (CIPD) upon successful completion of the course.

Students completing single honours and combined HRM degrees are well qualified for specialist careers both in HRM and general management. focusing on the understanding employment in the widest sense, this course also enables graduates to take up roles in trade unions, employment-related charities, government departments, non-governmental organisations and employment research bodies.

Our graduates have found employment as:
- Account Managers
- Business Owners
- Chief Executive Officers
- Human Resource Consultants
- Human Resource Directors
- Human Resource Managers
- Recruitment Managers

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
SQA Higher: ABB
GCE A-levels: B
IB Diploma: 32

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 120-121.

Spend a semester in Spain, Latin America, France, Switzerland, Canada or Morocco

INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT STUDIES WITH EUROPEAN LANGUAGES AND SOCIETY

BA (Hons)

Gradsutues with business and marketing skills, combined with a strong knowledge of European languages and society, are highly sought after in the global market. Choosing this course could be your first step to an international career.

During this course, you will combine aspects of international business and marketing with the study of either French or Spanish – as well as the economic, political, social and cultural environment in which international business is conducted.

You will spend Semester 6 studying in either Spain or Latin America, or at one of our French language partners across France, Switzerland, Canada or Morocco. Eligible students taking two languages can take a year out at the end of Year 2 to work as language assistants in France (or another Francophone location), Spain or Latin America. You will then spend Semester 6 in the country of your second language, so you’ll spend two lengthy periods in French and Spanish-speaking countries.

COURSE CONTENT
This course involves the study of three subject areas throughout. Students always take a language (French or Spanish) and Management (specialising in Business or Marketing as the course progresses). The third subject area can be either Accountancy, Economics, Law, Politics or a second language. The three subject areas chosen in Year 1 are retained throughout the course.

Students take core modules in their three subject areas in Semesters 1-4. In Semesters 5-8, students take specialist option modules in Business or Marketing, as well as options in their third subject area, and continue with high-level written and spoken language work including translation. Semester 6 is an integral Study Abroad semester.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Our graduates have a strong command of one or more languages, and have studied management subjects within a global context. They are ideally equipped for careers in international business or marketing. Recent graduates have progressed to positions in advertising, marketing, banking and management – securing positions with leading manufacturers and retailers, financial institutions and communications companies.

Our graduates have found employment as:
- Business Consultants
- Company Secretaries
- Data Analysts
- Investment Directors
- Project Services Managers
- Teachers
- Translation Managers
- Editors
- Export Managers
- Proofreaders
- Business Analysts
- Project Managers

STIRLING MANAGEMENT SCHOOL

UCAS CODE: N600

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS
YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Higher: ABB
GCE A-levels: B
IB Diploma: 32
BTEC (Level 3): DDM

YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Adv. Higher: ABB
GCE A-levels: A
IB Diploma: 35

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 120-121.

Spend a semester in Spain, Latin America, France, Switzerland, Canada or Morocco

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YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Higher: ABB
GCE A-levels: B
IB Diploma: 32
BTEC (Level 3): DDM

YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Adv. Higher: ABB
GCE A-levels: A
IB Diploma: 35

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 120-121.

Spend a semester in Spain, Latin America, France, Switzerland, Canada or Morocco

stir.ac.uk/4f

stir.ac.uk/5c
The University of Stirling has been a leading player in journalism research and teaching for more than 30 years. The prestigious Guardian league table for 2019 places Journalism Studies at Stirling 1st in Scotland and top 5 in the UK. Jon Snow, the successful and widely respected broadcaster and journalist, described us as “a breed apart”, and many students have gone on to careers in press, broadcasting and online communications.

This course covers theoretical and practical aspects of Journalism Studies, and offers students an in-depth, critical understanding of journalism practice. With our modular approach, you will be able to tailor your degree to play to your strengths. Working individually and in groups, you will develop skills in news and features writing, sub-editing and design, digital journalism and news management. Assessment is through a combination of coursework, practical work and examinations, and you will be taught by academics who are experts in their field – many of whom have extensive experience in the news industry.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

We have extensive links with the media industry, and many of our graduates have pursued successful careers in print, broadcast or online journalism and general management. This course is also strengthened by regular input from our industry advisory board of professionals, who ensure our programme meets the needs of the media sector.

The BA (Hons) Journalism Studies degree also offers a foundation for vocational postgraduate study in journalism and related fields, such as public relations and media management.

Our graduates have found employment as:

- Broadcast Journalists
- Editorial Assistants
- Magazine Features Editors
- Magazine/Newspaper Journalists
- Press Sub-editors
- Publishing Copy Editors and Proofreaders
- Web Content Managers
- Writers

At Stirling, we offer two BA (Hons) Law courses: one in Business Law and the other in Law. Both will be set against a wider social or business context.

While this course gives you a thorough understanding of how law and regulation shape and influence business, you will also learn how law interacts with society. You will have the opportunity to take advantage of our unique system, which allows you to take two other options in Years 1 and 2. Single Honours students will then specialise in Law or Business Law, while those on combined degrees develop both Law and their second chosen specialist.

Examples of the other options available in Years 1 and 2 include: Languages; Economics; Criminology; Psychology; and Politics.

COURSE COMBINATIONS

This course can be combined with:

- English Studies (QF53); Film and Media (PP55); French (PP15); History (VP15); Law (PP51); Politics (PL52); Spanish (PP54); or Sports Studies (PC56).

COURSE CONTENT

In Semesters 1-2, you will take modules that introduce you to the study and context of journalism in the 21st century. In Introduction to Journalism Studies in Semester 1, you will explore key concepts and debates in the media and journalism – while in Ethical Issues in Journalism in Semester 2 you will consider the ethical dimensions of the news industry and its products. You will also choose two other modules of your preference from a range of subjects.

In Semesters 3-4, core modules Writing for Journalists I and II will introduce you to the techniques and resources used by professional journalists to identify, verify and interpret information in the digital era, and help you develop the skills needed to write journalistic content. Also in Semester 4, an optional module in Photожournalism teaches you how to produce professional visual material for news stories.

Semesters 5-8 will offer a choice of advanced Journalism Studies modules, including: Contemporary Journalism Practice; Advanced Reporting; Law and Government for Journalists; Digital Journalism; Magazine Journalism; and Journalism and Society. You can also choose from a selection of Film and Media modules including: Public Relations; Advertising; or Gender and Representation. You may also take a work experience module in which you gain first-hand exposure to the modern media workplace.
TO TOP 20  
IN THE UK FOR LAW  
National Student Survey 2018

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES  
Our Management graduates are in demand for a wide range of roles, including general management, project management, risk analysis and business analysis roles – from management, project management, risk analysis and business analysis roles – to strategic roles in top 20 organisations. Our graduates have found employment as:

• Business Consultants
• Company Secretaries
• Data Analysts
• Investment Directors
• Project Services Managers
• Retail Managers
• Team Leaders
• Warehouse Managers

This course is not available as a combined degree.

100% OF MANAGEMENT STUDENTS SAY OUR STAFF ARE GOOD AT EXPLAINING THINGS  
National Student Survey 2018

The University of Stirling Management School is ranked among the top 25 in the UK for Business and Management (Research Excellence Framework 2014).

The course will equip you with a broad understanding of complex competitive environments and analytical decision-making skills, which are critical to becoming an effective manager in modern, data-rich businesses.

You will learn about the internal functions and structures of organisations, and develop the analytical skills needed to solve problems and evaluate alternative plans using a variety of management software solutions.

You will also develop personal skills in critical thinking, teamwork and leadership, and have the communication skills to confidently translate ideas into action.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES  
Our Management graduates include IBM, Organisations that have recently recruited our Management graduates include IBM, Enterprise Cars, Hilton Hotels, British Airways and Marks and Spencer.

Our graduates have found employment in:

• Warehouse Managers
• Retail Managers
• Project Services Managers
• Data Analysts
• Team Leaders
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FACULTY OF NATURAL SCIENCES
BSc (Hons)
see page 120.
Widening access students may be
see pages 120-121.
General entry requirements apply –
Access courses:
Advanced entry: Please consult
Minimum entry: Bs in graded unit.
Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry: 8s in graded unit.
Advanced entry: Please consult
General entry requirements apply –
see pages 120-121.
Widening access students may be
eligible for an adjusted offer entry –
see page 120.

STUDY AT THE LEADING INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE IN ITS FIELD, AND THE LARGEST OF ITS KIND IN THE WORLD

STIRLING MANAGEMENT SCHOOL
BA (Hons)
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2ND IN SCOTLAND FOR MARKETING AND TOP 10 IN THE UK
The Complete University Guide 2019

Marketing students acquire a comprehensive range of analytical, problem-solving and professional skills that are increasingly valued in industry, commerce, government and non-profit organisations. As your acquired skills have applications in most walks of life, a Marketing degree can become your entry to a specialised marketing career or to a more general management career in a wide range of sectors.
Our graduates have found employment as:
• Brand Communications Managers
• Business Owners
• Commercial Managers
• Marketing Managers
• Product Managers
• Project Managers
• Public Relations Managers
The combined Sports Studies and Marketing course may also be studied at the Singapore Institute of Management (SIM), Singapore.

COURSE CONTENT
Every business has end users or customers and every successful business correctly identifies its customers and strives to deliver what they want in order to keep them. If you combine logical analysis with creative intuition, then Marketing may be the right degree for you. Marketing is at the centre of what businesses do. It helps organisations work out how they can identify and satisfy customer needs using strategic thinking, business acumen and carefully designed communications. The teaching options available on this course reflect the specialist expertise of staff, who have an active interest in particular topic areas, such as social marketing and consumers, and culture and creativity. This contributes to the current international perspective of the course.

COURSE COMBINATIONS
This course can be combined with: Accountancy (NN45); Business Studies (NN45); Economics (NL51); Film and Media (PN35); French (N5R1); Human Resource Management (NN65); Law (MN15); Marketing and Sociology (HL35); Psychology (CN85); Spanish (N584); or Sports Studies (HC64).

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Our students are sought after in relevant areas of employment in both public and private sectors, such as environmental protection, environmental impact assessment, environmental and conservation fields, pollution control, water companies, tourism, fisheries management, government regulatory departments and the fast-growing aquaculture sector.
In addition, there is a wide range of more general graduate employment, such as with biotechnological companies, bioinformatics, health sciences sales, the food industry, and marketing, science journalism and teaching.
A second degree (MSc or PhD) will often be required for career advancement to more senior research posts, and many of our graduates go on to pursue further study.
Our graduates have found employment as:
• Environmental Engineers
• Marine Biology Technicians
• Marine Biotechnologists/Ecologists
• Marine Ecology Consultants and Researchers
• Marine Policy Experts
• Oil Spill Response Specialists
• Reef Restoration Project Managers

This course is not available as a combined degree.

STIRLING MANAGEMENT SCHOOL
MSc (Hons)
see page 120.
Widening access students may be
eligible for an adjusted offer entry –
see page 120.

STIRLING MANAGEMENT SCHOOL
BA (Hons)
see page 120.
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eligible for an adjusted offer entry –
see page 120.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS
YEAR 1 ENTRY –
FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Highers: AABB – by the end of S5
AABB – by the end of S5
GCE A-levels: BBB
IB Diploma: 32
BTEC (Level 3): DDM
OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND: Minimum entry: 8s in graded unit.
Advanced entry: Please consult
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• Business Owners
• Commercial Managers
• Marketing Managers
• Product Managers
• Project Managers
• Public Relations Managers

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Our students are sought after in relevant areas of employment in both public and private sectors, such as environmental protection, environmental impact assessment, environmental and conservation fields, pollution control, water companies, tourism, fisheries management, government regulatory departments and the fast-growing aquaculture sector.
In addition, there is a wide range of more general graduate employment, such as with biotechnological companies, bioinformatics, health sciences sales, the food industry, and marketing, science journalism and teaching.
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• Reef Restoration Project Managers

This course is not available as a combined degree.
Do you enjoy numbers? Do you see patterns in everyday situations? Do you enjoy music, poetry or art? Mathematical training develops specific skills but also analytical expertise, which are valued across all professions. There is also a particular demand for graduates who not only have quantitative skills, but also know how to use them.

Our course delivers that sought-after combination – through our teaching style, and our focus on real-world applications of both mathematical and statistical techniques. For example, you will use the mathematics computing laboratories as an integral part of your learning process, making your study as much experimental as theoretical.

Our Maths teachers provide a stimulating and supportive learning environment, and we have a strong and active research group. Its primary focus is the application of mathematics to biology, economics and life sciences, and we offer combined Honours degrees in the relevant disciplines.

The BSc Mathematics covers the same areas of mathematics as the BSc Applied Mathematics, but specialises in more areas of pure mathematics in Years 3 and 4.

In Semesters 1-3, you will take Mathematics plus two other subjects. Material covered at secondary level is reviewed and applied before being developed further, ensuring a smooth transition from a school teaching approach to a university one.

You will take core modules in: Calculus of One and Several Variables, Vectors, Matrices, Complex Numbers and their Application in Geometry and Systems Theory, Statistics and Probability; and Analysis. You can also opt to take an additional mathematics module in Discrete Structures.

In Semesters 4-8, the Mathematics Honours course covers a broad range of skills. Advanced modules cover the following key areas: advanced real and complex analysis, functional analysis, mathematical techniques for solving a wide range of problems and the theory underlying these mathematical techniques; and model building. This will include projects that allow further development of skills in areas of mathematics.

There is a growing need for graduates with mathematical skills in business, research and the sciences. In business, research and the sciences, there is a growing need for graduates with mathematical skills in business, research and the sciences. The teaching in class is informed by our internationally recognised research, undertaken by academics who are experts in the field of mathematics and statistics.

The BSc Applied Mathematics covers the same areas of mathematics as the BSc Mathematics but specialises in more areas of applied mathematics in Years 3 and 4.

There is a growing need for graduates with mathematical skills in business, research and the sciences. The BSc Applied Mathematics covers the same areas of mathematics as the BSc Mathematics but specialises in more areas of applied mathematics in Years 3 and 4.

Our graduates have found employment as:

- Actuarial Analysts
- Chartered Accountants
- Data Analysts
- Data Scientists
- Investment Analysts
- Research Scientists
- Secondary School Teachers
- Statisticians
- Systems Developers

This course can be combined with:
- Accountancy (GN14); Biology (GC11); Computing Science (G4G1); Economics (GL11); Environmental Science (PG11); Finance (GN13); French (GR11); Professional Education (GX11); Professional Education/Computing Science (GX91); or Psychology (CG81).

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By studying BSc/BSc (Hons) Nursing (Mental Health) at the University of Stirling, you can make a difference to people’s lives. The BSc is a three-year course, and the BSc (Hons) is a four-year option. Mental health nursing is a rewarding profession that allows you to establish strong therapeutic relationships with clients and provide holistic, compassionate care that respects the intrinsic value of people and their individuality.

As a mental health nurse, your practice will focus on establishing relationships with service users and carers, to help bring about an understanding of how they might cope with alterations in their mental health and wellbeing, thus maximising their potential for recovery.

Our Mental Health Nursing course will prepare you to meet the needs of a modern profession and provide the best possible patient care. You will leave us as a confident and capable practitioner, fully equipped to register with the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) and join a healthcare team upon graduation.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
This course is the beginning of a career that involves ongoing professional development. Career options may include working in acute units, in the community or in specialist areas such as forensic psychiatry, alcohol or substance misuse or psychological therapy.

One of our graduates focuses initially on practice to consolidate their learning, while others progress to postgraduate studies. Some examples of the roles our graduates hold within the health and social care sector include:

- Advanced Nurse Practitioners
- Clinical Researchers
- Community Mental Health Nurses
- Nurse Educators
- Practitioner roles in a range of third-sector and voluntary agency organisations
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BA (Hons)

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Studying this subject will increase your awareness of the different political systems, ideologies and policies that impact people's lives at regional, national and global level.

Our Politics division is highly regarded, and our students benefit from a strong, research-led approach to teaching.

In addition to being able to participate in a range of University-wide Study Abroad options, our exchange programme with the Politics department at the University of Gothenburg offers you the opportunity to study in Sweden in Semester 6, subject to passing an interview and meeting the grade requirements.

COURSE CONTENT

In Semesters 1-3, you will take Politics, plus two other subjects.

Semesters 1-3 cover the study of three core modules: The Politics of the British Isles; Political Concepts and Ideas; and Introduction to International Politics.

Semester 4 modules include: Great Political Thinkers; and Comparative Politics.

In Semesters 5-8, you can choose from a wide range of module options, such as: Human Rights in International Politics; Global Political Economy; and Direct Democracy and Referendums. In addition, Single Honours Politics students complete the Semester 6 module, Research Methods, and a final-year Politics dissertation.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Degree courses in Politics encourage you to develop intellectual, communication and analytical skills, which are invaluable to many employers. These include the ability to critically evaluate data and information; work independently; develop effective time-management skills; organise and solve problems; and communicate clearly, both in writing and speech.

Our graduates have developed these transferable skills, which is why they become successful in commerce and industry, as well as the civil service, journalism, law, teaching and both research and representative politics.

Our graduates have found employment as:

- Diplomatic Service Officers
- Government Social Research Officers
- Members of Parliament
- Political Assistants
- Political Journalists
- Public Affairs Consultants
- Public Relations Account Executives

COURSE COMBINATIONS

This course can be combined with:

- Business Studies (L212); Criminology (M192); Economics (L112); English Studies (L032); Environmental Science (L302); Film and Media (L322); French (L121); History (L212); History/Professional Education (L231); Journalism Studies (L532); Law (L112); Philosophy (L123); Philosophy and Economics (L510); Psychology (L528); Social Policy (L124); or Sociology (L123).

POLITICS (INTERNATIONAL)
BA (Hons)

If you are contemplating a future in the world of politics, you will need to understand issues of power, alliances, conflict and peace, the workings of influential organisations and the processes surrounding international decision-making.

Don't worry if this sounds daunting, we will help you to build a confident and well-rounded knowledge of all of the above and much more. Our Politics division is highly regarded, and our students benefit from a strong, research-led approach to teaching.

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In Semesters 5-8, you will study at least five International Politics modules, including Global Development; Human Rights in International Politics; and Global Political Economy. In addition, you must complete the Semester 6 module, Research Methods, and a final year International Politics dissertation.

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The study of International Politics equips you with intellectual and analytical skills that are attractive to many employers. These include: the ability to critically evaluate data and information; work independently; develop effective time-management skills; organise and solve problems; and communicate clearly, both verbally and in writing.

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COURSE COMBINATIONS

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POLITICS, PHILOSOPHY AND ECONOMICS: PPE
BA (Hons)

Whether you are aiming for a political, business, civil service, voluntary sector or journalistic career, background knowledge in the humanities and social sciences will be of great value. This course is ideal for an intellectually curious student who seeks to understand and solve the complex problems facing modern societies and economies.

COURSE CONTENT
You will study nine modules in Semesters 1-3, including: Politics of the British State; Introductory Macroeconomics; and Philosophy – What is it all about?

Semesters 4-8 will cover core modules in Politics – Great Political Thinkers; Philosophy – Moral Theory; and Economics – Intermediate Macroeconomics.

You will also take modules in each of the three disciplines (PPE) in Semester 5 and, in Semester 6, you can either continue to study in each of the three subjects or choose from only two of them. Semesters 7-8 offer further specialisation – see entries on Economics, Philosophy and Politics respectively. In your final year, you will bring together the different skills you have acquired in a dissertation that covers at least two of the subject areas.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Having completed your PPE degree, you will graduate with an in-depth knowledge of political institutions and the policymaking process, the big ideas that have shaped Western societies and how the economy works. You will be skilled in argument evaluation, while enjoying the ability to effectively express your own viewpoints. You will also have developed valuable insight into the cultural, intellectual and moral pressures on decision-makers. This broad-ranging ability and understanding will therefore make sure that you are well-equipped to succeed in the graduate job market, whether you choose to work in the public sector, private companies, voluntary organisations, the financial sector or the media.

Our graduates have found employment as:
- Accountants
- Chief Executives
- Diplomatic Service Officers
- Directors
- Economists
- Government Social Research Officers
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- Senior Analysts

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PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANCY
BA (Hons)

Accounting and Finance in Stirling is ranked 3rd in Scotland (The Guardian University Guide 2019) and receives consistently high ratings in the National Student Survey (NSS).

The BA Professional Accountancy is a three-year Honours degree designed for students holding advanced qualifications who wish to pursue a career in accountancy. The degree provides significant exemption from the professional examinations of ACCA, CIMA and CIPFA.

By studying towards this degree, you will learn that accountancy involves the preparation and interpretation of financial information to enable investors, lenders, management, employees, government and others to make financial decisions.

COURSE CONTENT
In the first year of the course, you will study a series of core modules to give you a grounding for subsequent stages of more advanced studies. These core modules will be in Financial Accounting, Management Accounting, Finance, Economics, and Business Law.

In subsequent years, you develop a more critical and analytical approach to your studies. You will take modules in Advanced Financial Accounting, Accounting Information and Employment, and Applied Management Accounting, together with modules in Personal Financial Planning, Quantitative Methods, International Finance, and Financial Analysis, plus modules in Auditing and Taxation. Higher-level skills of critical evaluation, analysis and synthesis are extended in issues in Accountancy and Critical Analysis of Accountancy and Finance. There will be numerous opportunities to develop your work-related skills at every stage of your studies.

The BA (Hons) degree in Professional Accountancy is a three-year Honours degree. Please note that it is NOT accredited by ICAS (Institute of Chartered Accountants in Scotland). Students wishing to obtain an ICAS accredited degree should register for the BAcc (Hons) Accountancy or the BAcc (Hons) Accountancy and Finance degree.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Accountancy offers a wide choice of careers with organisations in every field, from healthcare and sport to charities and local and national governments. Careers include financial and management accounting, auditing, taxation, consultancy and financial services.

Our graduates have found employment as:
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- Auditors
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- Management Accountants
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In our last accreditation review, the British Psychological Society described us as ‘leading’ at the forefront of the student-led teaching experience in Psychology across the UK, and commended our staff, who ‘clearly care about the wellbeing and development of their students, and provide a nurturing learning environment’.

We also received the inaugural Award for Innovation in Psychology Programmes in 2014 from the British Psychological Society for our innovative, student-led teaching initiatives and commitment to integrating employability.

Our course will give you the opportunity to be involved in designing and conducting a number of experiments, individually or in groups, researching:

- Human brain imaging (fMRI and DTI)
- Health research (including GSR and heart-rate monitoring)
- Face research (including eye-tracking)
- Vision research (including VR and stereoscopic display)
- Developmental research (including our Kindergarten)

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

The breadth of Psychology provides an excellent foundation for a wide range of careers. Studying Psychology develops skills that are highly valued by employers, such as interpersonal and communication skills, numeracy and computer literacy, presentation skills, time management and critical thinking.

Our graduates have found employment as:

- Clinical Psychologists
- Counsellors
- Educational and Forensic Psychologists
- Further Education Teachers
- Health Psychologists
- Human Resource Officers
- Occupational Psychologists
- Play Therapists
- Primary Care Mental Health Workers
- Psychological Wellbeing Practitioners
- Sport and Exercise Psychologists

**COURSE CONTENT**

Semesters 1-2 will include an introduction to Psychology as the scientific study of mind and behaviour, including Developmental Psychology, Brain and Behaviour, Language and Thinking, Animal Behaviour, and Cognitive Psychology, plus two other subjects.

In Semesters 3-4, the taught modules are designed to emphasise the links between different parts of the subject. Our module on The Social Mind explores the psychology of human and non-human communication, and Brain and Behaviour – Clinical Perspectives explores abnormal psychology from the perspectives of Neuroscience and Clinical Psychology.

In Semesters 5-6, you will take modules covering some of the core areas of psychology: social psychology; developmental psychology; evolutionary psychology; clinical and health psychology, individual differences (including personality); and cognitive psychology and neuroscience.

In your final year, as well as completing a research project, you will choose from a variety of electives that interest you and will build your employability skills. It also includes an opportunity to take part in a placement with a local employer.
RETAIL MARKETING
BA (Hons)

Retailing is a large and diverse industry that contributes significantly to the overall economy, as well as something that we as consumers experience regularly as part of our everyday lives. Understandably, the retail industry attracts a lot of attention from governments, the media and consumer groups.

The sector is a major employer with over 2.9 million people currently working in retailing, equating to 11 percent of the total workforce. The retail sector is constantly met with new challenges: the growth of the internet, new forms of technology and consumer demand. As a result, retailers need managers with the necessary skills to tackle and meet these challenges.

The wide-ranging experience of Stirling’s Institute for Retail Studies (IRS) academics and their links with the retail industry ensure that the retail marketing degree is practical and up to date with trends in the retail industry.

This degree course provides a solid foundation in the general principles of industry, management, marketing, human resources and organisations. Students will also develop extensive knowledge and skills in consumer behaviour, marketing, international business, logistics and related subjects.

COURSE CONTENT
Semesters 1 and 2 are designed to provide a background in business-related modules, and include: The Global Business Environment – An Introduction; and The Management Challenge – An Introduction.

Semesters 3-4 will further your understanding of retail marketing and you will also choose three elective modules.

In Semesters 5-8, core modules in retailing and marketing are studied alongside a selection of elective modules. These core modules include: Understanding Consumers; Retail Operations; and Understanding Supply Chains.

You will also undertake a dissertation, as well as a Marketing and Retail Consultancy Project designed to engage you with current ‘live’ business practices.

Recommended elective modules include: Buying and Visual Merchandising; Multi-Channel Retail Marketing; and Branding and Communications. You will have numerous opportunities to develop appropriate work-related skills at every stage of your studies.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
You will acquire a comprehensive range of analytical, problem-solving and professional skills. These are valued not only in the retail industry, but increasingly in other areas of commerce, education, government and non-profit-making organisations.

This degree can prove key in pursuing a career in retail marketing and related areas.

In Semesters 1-2, students take Scottish History, plus two other subjects. Semesters 4-6 will cover at least five Scottish History modules, including: Scotland in the Age of Wallace and Bruce; The Birth of Modern Europe, 1500-1700 (with Scotland at the centre); and 19th-Century Scotland.

In Semester 4, all Honours Scottish History students take the module Back to the Future: Putting History and Heritage into Work, an employability module aimed at exploring a wide range of career options through guest speakers and workshops.

TOP 5 IN SCOTLAND FOR HISTORY
The Guardian University Guide 2019

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For instance, one of our core modules, ‘Reputations in History’, offers a riveting insight into famous Scottish and international male and female historical characters from a thousand years of history, including William Wallace and Nelson Mandela.

At advanced level, in your final year, you have a choice of special subjects for a year-long intensive study module (which runs alongside the dissertation) that must be taken by all Scottish History Honours degree students.

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Do you want a career that is stimulating, rewarding and makes a positive contribution to society? If so, a career in Social Work could be for you.

At the University of Stirling, social work education is committed to progressive social change through teaching, research and an active involvement with practice. We believe in a social work profession defined not only by its function but also by its values and integrity. We promote an understanding of social work, which is informed by social justice and human rights – a profession that acknowledges the links between “public issues” and “private troubles” and seeks to address both. We also value practice that has prevention at its heart and recognises the importance of collective approaches, actively engaging with and learning from service users.

You will be taught by a team of qualified social workers including world leaders in their research field, and academics who maintain close connections with practice. You will enjoy the benefits of smaller class sizes (23-55) with creative teaching and assessment, as well as detailed feedback on your progress and you will be supported and assessed by practice educators who are either fully accredited or undertaking their training.

Our degree course combines the professional qualification you need to practise social work with a strong grounding in relevant academic knowledge, skills, law and policy – one of which incorporates community-based practice. You will also undertake modules in sociology and social policy in order to enhance your understanding of the wider context for social work, and two other modules of your choice. Teaching from Semester 4 rewards involves an in-depth level of student participation. You are encouraged to engage with theory and research through the use of case studies and role plays, discussions and project group work. You will continue to have a personal tutor who offers advice, helps you plan your studies during University-based semesters and visits you on placement, strengthening the links between theory and practice.

You will have two professional practice learning opportunities in Semester 5 (75 days) and in the summer period between Semesters 6 and 7 (95 days). These take place in a variety of settings where you will undertake direct work with people who use services. During practice learning placements, you will receive supervision from qualified social workers and other professionals and you have your practice assessed by a qualified practice educator.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

This degree will equip you for social work jobs throughout the UK; in a variety of settings, including local authorities, criminal justice, hospitals and non-governmental organisations. You may also find specialist posts in the third sector around mental health, fostering and residential childcare. The nature of the work is extremely varied and you can move between different work settings throughout your career.

Our graduates have found employment as:
- Advocacy Workers
- Community Care Workers
- Community Development Officers
- Family Support Workers
- Probation Officers
- Social Workers

**SOCIAL WORK COURSE COMBINATIONS**

Sociology can be combined with:
- Criminology (LM39); Film and Media (LP33); History (LV31); History and Professional Education (VX01); Marketing (LN35); Politics (L232); Psychology (CL43); Religion (LV36); Spanish (LR34); or Sports Studies (CL63).

**SOCIAL POLICY COURSE COMBINATIONS**

Social Policy can be combined with:
- Politics (L24).

**MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS**

**YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS**

**SQA Highers:**
- ABB – by the end of 55
- AAB – by the end of 56

**GCE A-levels:**
- BBB

**IB Diploma:**
- 32

**BTEC Level 3:**
- DDM

**OTHER QUALIFICATIONS**

Scottish HNC/HND:
- Minimum entry: 6s in graded unit.

Access courses:
- See page 116.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Voluntary, paid or personal experience of social work or related activity is essential. Students have to be registered with the Scottish Social Services Council by the start of the second semester in Year 1. Continued registration on the social work student register is a requirement throughout the course and is the student’s responsibility to fulfil.

Mathematics Standard grade (3), National 5 (C), Intermediate 2 (C), GCSE (C/4) or equivalent required.

General entry requirements apply – see pages 120-121.

Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 120.
FACULTY OF NATURAL SCIENCES
BSc (Hons)

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Advanced entry: Please consult the website for details.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
programming languages.

To include Computing and relevant fields in which computer systems are extensively used.
Recent destinations for our graduates include: Agilent (Hewlett Packard Ltd), British Telecom, Google, HSBC, Logica, Microsoft and Scottish Power.

For many of our Spanish degrees, there is a compulsory period of Study Abroad for a semester in a Spanish-speaking country.

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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Our graduates have found employment as:
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• Patient Examiners
• Sales Executives
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• Teachers of English as a Foreign Language
• Tour Managers
• Translators

In Semesters 5-8, you will continue the study of language in written and spoken form, and choose from a variety of optional modules. Choices include: Andean Culture; History and Politics in Argentine Culture; National Identities in the Raipac Country and Catalonia; and Sexuality and Gender in Latin American Film.

Graduates have secured jobs in the UK and abroad, in teaching, both in Spanish and English.

This course offers Spanish for all – from complete beginners to advanced speakers. By the end of the course, you will be able to read, write and speak Spanish to an advanced level appropriate for the demands of today’s job market.

Students also have the chance to acquire a critical awareness of the societies and cultures of Spain and Latin American countries, and critical skills that aid in the study of other subjects, as well as the development of careers.

You will be taught by experts in the language, culture, history, politics and anthropology of these exciting and diverse nations.

This course is not available as a combined degree.

You will have knowledge of Software Engineering as a coherent discipline, together with a wide range of analytical skills. Our industrial placements will ease your transition into the job market. You will be well equipped to enter the software industry itself, or any of the fields in which computer systems are extensively used. Recent destinations for our graduates include: Agilent (Hewlett Packard Ltd), British Telecom, Google, HSBC, Logica, Microsoft and Scottish Power.

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SPORT AND EXERCISE SCIENCE
BSc (Hons)

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS
YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Higher: AAAB – by the end of S5 AAAAA – by the end of S6
GCE A-levels: BBB
IB Diploma: 32
BTEC (Level 3): DDS

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry: Bs in graded unit and including a science-related subject.
Advanced Entry: Please consult website for details.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 120-121.
Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 120.

COURSE CONTENT
Teaching is delivered in eight semesters, with an extensive research project conducted in the final year.

In Year 1, you will gain a strong grounding in biological science and an introduction to the study of sport and exercise, with further outline modules in Cell Biology, Physiology and Sports Studies. Both field and laboratory skills will also be introduced.

Year 2 considers issues and concepts of sports studies. You will also further develop your knowledge and skills in biological science, and sport and exercise sciences. You will study subjects such as Human Anatomy and Physiology, Genetics and Evolution, and Statistical Techniques.

Further advanced-level modules are delivered in Year 3, studying areas such as Physiology of Sport and Exercise, which considers adaptations to exercise training and the challenges of environmental extremes. Animal Cell Biology looks at the basic components of animal cells, their functions and how these functions are regulated in health and disease.

Understanding exercise and diet in developing a healthy lifestyle is also explored during Year 3, with a particular emphasis on medical issues that affect physical activity. Applied Exercise Physiology is studied in the laboratory, and Psychology of Exercise, Physical Activity and Health considers the factors that influence a person’s decision to exercise.

Semester 7 covers Advanced Methods in Human Physiology Research, and also helps you to discover the techniques and methodological assumptions underpinning sport and exercise science research – before you undertake a dissertation in the final semester.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Careers in the sport sector account for around three percent of all jobs in Scotland. Our graduates progress to postgraduate study and research, as well as pursuing careers in the sport, leisure and health sectors, such as:

• Coaching
• Health and fitness monitoring
• Physical activity promotion
• Physiotherapy, dietetics and other allied health professions
• Sports science support of athletes
• Teaching

This course is not available as a combined degree.

SPORT BUSINESS MANAGEMENT
BA (Hons)

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS
YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Higher: AAAB – by the end of S5 AAAAA – by the end of S6
GCE A-levels: BBB
IB Diploma: 32
BTEC (Level 3): DDS

YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Adv. Higher: BBB
GCE A-levels: BBB
IB Diploma: 32

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND:
Year 1 minimum entry: Bs in graded units
Advanced Entry: Advanced entry is possible with an HNC/D in Business or a Sport related subject. Please consult our Advanced Entry pages for more information.

Access courses: Access courses and other UK/EU international qualifications are also accepted. See page 116.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 120-121.
Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 120.

The Sport Business Management course is designed to meet the modern sport industry’s requirement for technically competent, customer-oriented, innovative and commercially minded practitioners who have the flexibility and capability to apply their knowledge across domestic and international sports markets.

This involves integrating core business management skills with an understanding of strategies, policies and practices in sport business – including knowledge of key contemporary issues such as marketing and branding, sponsorship and finance, sport event management, globalisation, regulation, corporate social responsibility and sport’s role in consumer culture.

By taking part in this course, you will experience an industry-focused curriculum delivered with the support of ‘real-life’ contexts and realistic sport-based working environments; an integrated learning experience facilitated through staff teams employing a variety of delivery modes; opportunities to enhance and develop a range of relevant personal skills, including problem-solving, decision-making and reflection; and a consultancy project where you will work with a sport business company to help solve a real-world business challenge.

COURSE CONTENT
There are three key components to the Sport Business Management course: Sport Management and Technical Expertise, Business Enterprise; and Market Awareness. Each of these components is represented throughout the course, creating a unique balance between generic business study elements and the more industry-focused Sport Management, Sport Business and Sport and Society-based modules.

Years 1-2 are designed to provide you with a broad grounding in the subjects of business, management and sports studies, with a global perspective. You will study two core modules per semester, leaving the flexibility to choose from a range of options from Stirling Management School and the wider University.

Years 3-4 provide you with theory and applications of sport business management, including: Marketing; Managing the Consumer Experience; Policy; Governance; Events Management; Project Management; and Financial Business Modelling. In the final year, there is the option to work on a sport business-focused individual project or work as a group and engage with an industry organisation on a consultancy project.

You will have numerous opportunities to develop appropriate work-related skills at every stage of your studies, including the Professional Development and Practice module in Year 4, which helps you prepare for entering the workplace.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Upon graduating, you will be able to apply sound analytical techniques and management skills specific to the challenges faced by the sport industry. There are many opportunities across a range of sport business organisations, including sport venue management, project management of sporting events, or management of a sport retail business.

This course is not available as a combined degree.
SPORTS STUDIES

BA (Hons)

Here at Scotland's University for Sporting Excellence, we provide a unique and hugely rewarding study and sporting environment.

Our Sports Studies course is flexible, with a wide variety of module options. It can form part of a Combined Honours course alongside a range of subjects, such as Journalism, Marketing and Psychology. This course is designed to enhance knowledge and understanding of sport across a range of academic disciplines. You can choose from three core subject areas: Sports Policy and Management, Physical Activity and Health; and Sport, Culture and Society.

We enjoy strong partnerships with many national governing bodies of sport, some of which are based on campus. You will benefit from seminars with industry experts and numerous opportunities to gain valuable networking and practical experience. You will also develop research and employability skills to prepare you for a variety of careers in sport.

COURSE CONTENT

You are introduced to the core Sports Studies modules in Year 1, covering aspects of sport in society, patterns of participation in sport and physical activity, the foundations of sport and exercise science; and sports business, finance and management.

Year 2 explores issues and concepts in sport, reflecting on the historical development, the foundations of physical activity and the psychology of sport – with the option to study further subjects.

In addition to two core modules in Years 3-4 (Research Methods in Sports Studies and Readings in Sports Studies), students can specialise by choosing seven modules from the following: Sports Medicine, Health and Wellbeing; Psychology of Exercise, Physical Activity and Health; The Development of Excellence in Sport; Sports Coaching and Leadership; Sports Policy; Sports Marketing; Managing the Business of Sport; Sport Governance; Doping in Sport; Sport, Culture and Nationalism; PE, School Sport and Youth Culture; and Sport, Gender, Ethnicity and Identity.

A work experience module is available in Years 3-4. You will develop an understanding of research, and complete your Honours year by undertaking an independent research project on a sport topic of your choice.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

This course is designed to enhance knowledge and understanding of sport across a range of disciplines, and prepares students for a variety of careers in sport.

Our graduates have found employment as:

• Administrators for national governing bodies and sport policy agencies, such as sportscotland
• Coaches
• Health Advisors
• Managers of sport facilities
• Personal Trainers
• Sport Development Officers

The combined Sports Studies and Marketing course may also be studied at the Singapore Institute of Management (SIM), Singapore.

SUSTAINABLE EVENTS MANAGEMENT

BA (Hons)

Events range in scope, scale and complexity – from mega-events and international festivals to traditional gatherings and on-trend corporate events – boosting the economy, energising communities and attracting visitors. They cover a diverse array of activities, from sport, music and culture, to product launches and fundraising.

Sustainability has emerged as a key events management concept, and a successful events manager must have abilities in a wide range of subject areas. The Sustainable Events Management course crosses the boundaries between marketing, human resources, finance, planning and other business skills to develop multidisciplinary, creative leaders able to deliver the largest event down to the smallest detail.

The focus on events as a management form represents a dynamic approach relevant to event organisations that strive to produce memorable experiences and fulﬁl a range of community, business and government objectives. This course produces graduates well versed in management, with explicit business skills and knowledge and the ability to apply this to the contemporary demands of the events industry.

COURSE CONTENT

There are three key components to the Sustainable Events Management course: Events Management and Technical Expertise; Business Enterprise; and Market Awareness. Each of these components is represented throughout the course, creating a unique balance between generic business study elements and the more industry-focused events and consumer experience-based modules.

Years 1-2 are designed to provide a broad grounding in the subjects of business and management, with a global perspective. You will study one core module per semester in Years 1-2, leaving the flexibility to choose from a range of options from across the Stirling Management School and wider University.

Years 3-4 provide you with theory and applications of Sustainable Events Management, including: Venue Management; the Development of Sustainable Events; Digital and Experiential Marketing; Managing the Consumer Experience; Project Management, Communications and PR, and Financial/Business Modelling.

In the final year, there is the option to work on an events-related individual project or work as a group and engage with an industry organisation on a consultancy project.

You will have numerous opportunities to develop appropriate work-related skills at every stage of your studies, including the Professional Development and Practice module in Year 3, which helps you prepare for entering the workplace.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Upon graduation, students will be able to apply sound analytical techniques and management skills to the challenges faced by the events management industry. There are many opportunities across a range of sectors, including the management of teams and groups, events, conferences and corporate events, music festival and cultural events, sport events, community events, weddings and charity fundraising.
The TQFE course is tailored specifically for individuals who aspire to a career in the further education sector, and the University of Stirling is the only provider to offer this unique pre-service route. Delivered by staff who are both research-active and have teaching experience in the further education sector, the TQFE award offers a research-informed and practice-focused course, thus providing a high-quality learning experience with the notion of professional enquiring at its heart. Through the research and scholarship activities undertaken by staff on the course, the research knowledge base is continuously reviewed, updated and enhanced and this further informs practice.

The course was commended by the General Teaching Council Scotland (GTCS) on behalf of the Scottish Government for the quality of its teaching and learning. In addition, the course is guided and informed by a Programme Advisory Group made up of colleagues from further education colleges.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

As the recognised teaching qualification for individuals who are employed in Scottish Further Education, the TQFE provides you with a highly relevant and marketable qualification. Students achieving the BA award may progress to the MSc in Professional Education and Leadership. Our graduates have found employment as:

- Authors
- Education and Employability Advisors
- Further Education Lecturers
- Heads of Department in Further Education Institutions
- Learning Coordinators

The course is taught using a combination of lectures and seminars, both online and on campus. All the teaching materials are available online. As a pre-service student, you will undertake an unpaid college placement which involves two to three days per week of teaching practice in a college, plus additional inputs on campus. The placement, supported by tutor visits and college mentors, provides you with the opportunity to develop and enhance your teaching practice in the further education environment.

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The TQFE is a recognised teaching qualification for those who are currently employed as lecturers in further education – and other settings – and provides further opportunities for professional and academic progression. The University of Stirling is one of the three Scottish universities endorsed by the Scottish Government to offer this TQFE course.

At Stirling, we place a significant emphasis on and base much of our teaching on critical reflection of student practice. The TQFE course is delivered by staff who are both research-active and have teaching expertise in the further education sector, which ensures the practical focus is complemented by a strong research base.

MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS

University Diploma

Relevant Higher National Diploma (HND) at Level 8 on the SCQF or equivalent.

Equivalent qualifications which may be recognised include:

- A Part II, full technological certificate
- City and Guilds ‘Professional Recognition Award’ – Affiliate level
- Senior Award from the City and Guilds of London Institute

Other equivalent qualifications may be accepted where applicants provide appropriate evidence of equivalence.

Candidates for both qualifications must also have both literacy and numeracy skills that meet the demands of the course:

- A National Qualification Course award in English at Level 6 on the SCQF (or suitable evidence of being able to attain this standard) or SQAn communication level III
- A National Qualification Course award in numeracy or Mathematics at Level 4 on the SCQF (or suitable evidence of being able to attain this standard)

Candidates should have Information and Communication Technology (ICT) skills equivalent to Intermediate 2 (i.e. Level 5 on the SCQF).

Where can I gain practical and hands-on experience that allows me to qualify to teach in a further education college and best support effective learning?

This course will strengthen your knowledge of key vocational education issues and enhance your capacity to develop as a lecturer in further education. In particular, you will develop an ability to work collaboratively with a wide range of colleagues, explore issues relating to professional practice from a range of perspectives and contribute to the development of others.

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1. Attend our Open Day June, Sept or Oct
2. Choose your course
3. Complete your application by 15 Jan 2020
4. Check your inbox for our offer
5. Attend an applicant event April
6. Accept your offer
7. Make your funding arrangements
8. Apply for your accommodation from April
9. Study, study, study – Exams
10. You are Stirling!

Please see page 118 for full application details.
MAKE THIS THE DAY YOU CHANGE YOUR LIFE

“I went to the ‘College and Mature Students’ talk at the open day; everyone was so welcoming, there was plenty of information and I was completely reassured about applying to Stirling. Now here, I love how supportive all the staff are, and my lecturers are always happy to help me, no matter what the question.”

Sam Yuille (Scotland) BA (Hons) Sociology and Social Policy

REALISE YOUR POTENTIAL WITH OUR WIDENING ACCESS SUPPORT

The University of Stirling is committed to helping students from all backgrounds reach their full potential. We believe that everyone has the ability to succeed. The Widening Access Team work with a range of different students, including:

- Someone studying at a local school with a low rate of progression into higher education (below the national average)
- Someone studying at a school involved in the Schools for Higher Education Programme (SHEP) across Scotland
- Care experienced students
- Young adult carers
- College students
- Mature students
- Students from a target postcode (use our online checker – stir.ac.uk/1yp)

COMING FROM SCHOOL

If you think you might be a Widening Access student, then you should mention this to your teachers who can help you fill in your UCAS application. Our team work with pupils, schools, teachers and advisers to help you reach your full potential and get you where you want to go:

- We work closely with schools across the country providing information, advice and guidance on everything from school course choices to how to apply to university
- We particularly work with schools across the Forth Valley region to support you and your parent/guardians throughout your time at school and to make sure you know all the opportunities that are open to you
- We run a range of free workshops and advice sessions both at the university and in your school
- We work closely with teachers and other advisers to make sure they have the knowledge to support you, and deliver training and development workshops both at the university and in your school

COMING FROM COLLEGE

College students come from a range of different backgrounds and courses, and use a variety of different routes to come to university. We provide tailored support for HNC and HND students, including advice on routes and practical advice and guidance through your transition into university.

You can come into Year 1 or, for some degrees, you might be able to come into Year 2 or 3 – this is called advanced entry. This means if you’ve completed an HNC or HND at college, you could be eligible for advanced entry by simply changing the year of entry on your UCAS form. Not all of our courses have advanced entry, so always check with us before you apply. You can check for yourself on our website: stir.ac.uk/1yr

MATURE STUDENTS

We have an active mature student community, and welcome applications from mature students no matter your background. We can help you figure out the right course for you and what you need to do to get into university.

If you already have some qualifications, contact our advisers – your qualifications might be enough to get you a place on a course. If not, you might want to think about studying an access course.

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There’s a lot of support on offer and more information on our website, or get in touch if you have any questions.
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ACCESS COURSES FOR MATURE STUDENTS

Access courses are aimed at adults who have been out of formal education for some time and who have few or no relevant qualifications to get into university. These courses give you the academic qualifications needed for university, help you with advice and guidance throughout the university application process, and teach you study skills, such as essay writing, that are easily forgotten when you’ve been out of education for a while.

UNIVERSITY OF STIRLING ACCESS COURSE

Our access course has been specially designed to offer tailored support to mature students with no qualifications who want to access a degree course. We offer a part-time evening access course based on campus that’s run by our lecturers. If you complete this successfully with the required grades, you’ll be guaranteed a place on a Stirling degree course.

stir.ac.uk/1wj

SCOTTISH WIDER ACCESS PROGRAMME

We’re a member of the Scottish Wider Access Programme (SWAP), which runs dedicated access courses for mature students at local further education colleges. We warmly welcome SWAP students into all our degrees – you need to complete the course and get the required grades in your student profile. For more information, visit the SWAP website: scottishwideraccess.org

CARE EXPERIENCED AND ESTRANGED YOUNG PEOPLE / YOUNG ADULT CARERS

Dedicated support is available for care experienced or estranged young people and young adult carers at every stage of your journey. This includes advice on choosing the best route into higher education for you, applying to university and subject choice. We also support students through their transition from school/college to university, linking students with the dedicated staff that will support them through their time at Stirling.

Our team of advisers offer one-to-one, confidential pre-application and transitional support, which can include:

• Advice on choosing the right school/college courses
• Help to choose a course and/or find the right route into university
• How to complete your UCAS form
• Support at our Open Days and Applicant Days to make sure you get the most out of your visit
• Bespoke campus visits for you and a friend, support worker or parent/guardian, to find out more about our degree choices
• Tailored support throughout your first weeks at the University to help you settle in

To find out more, email us or check out our website: stir.ac.uk/s2
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“I chose Stirling because it offered progression to Politics, the degree course of my choosing. I think the teaching at Stirling is really varied, which for the most part was really refreshing, and most of all I valued the support from my tutors. I was a bit anxious at first applying for an access course, but looking back I’m so glad I went through with it.”

Ashley Cameron (Scotland)
BA (Hons) History and Politics

Ashley was awarded Student of the Year by the University for her work championing the rights of care-experienced young people in Scotland.
LET’S DO THIS

UCAS FULL-TIME UNDERGRADUATE
If you’re applying for a full-time undergraduate course, use the UCAS online application system. UCAS starts receiving applications for entry in autumn 2020 on 1 September 2019.

You can apply for up to five different courses on your application – there’s no ranking of your choices, and universities don’t see your other choices. You can track your applications online and see any offers as soon as they’re made. UK and EU applicants need to apply by 15 January 2020. All universities will consider applications received on time.

Apply as early as you can – don’t leave it until the last day! ucas.com

UCAS APPLICATION FEE
You’ll need to pay an application fee to UCAS based on the number of courses you apply for. If you only apply for one course, it costs £28. If you apply for two or more courses, there’s a one-off fee of £24.

DEFERRED ENTRY
You should make deferred applications through UCAS by the 2020 deadline for entry in September 2021.

PART-TIME UNDERGRADUATE
Applications for part-time courses should be made directly to us. Please contact Admissions to do this. admissions@stir.ac.uk +44 (0) 1786 467044

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS
International applicants have until 30 June 2020 to apply. Our overseas agents can help with your application. Visit our country-specific information pages for all the details. stir.ac.uk/2x

NORTH AMERICA COMMON APPLICATION
As well as applying through UCAS, applicants from North America can apply through the Common Application. We accept both methods, and don’t have a preferred option. Speak to your School Counsellor to decide which method would be best for you. stir.ac.uk/1f

NOT SURE WHAT YOU NEED? HERE ARE SOME QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS TO HELP YOU:

What qualifications and grades do I need?
A The qualifications and grades you need will vary by course. We select students based on ability and potential, which means that these may also depend on whether you’re a Widening Access student. If you’re not sure if you are a Widening Access student, go to page 115 for more information or look on our website: stir.ac.uk/1y

We list the entry requirements for each course on its respective page in this prospectus. This is an example of how the information is presented:

Can be studied part-time

Advanced entry

You can study abroad

UCAS Code – this is the code you use in your UCAS application

What do you need to apply for the degree I want to study?
A You’ll need qualifications, a personal statement and a reference. For some specific degrees you may also need to:

• Come to an interview for certain professional courses
• Provide evidence of relevant work or voluntary experience and a Protection of Vulnerable Groups (PVG) check for our Nursing, Teaching and Social Work courses
• Get an Occupational Health check for our Nursing courses
• Answer some scenario questions for our Social Work course

If English is not your first language, you will normally need to provide evidence of your English language skills through qualifications. You can find out more on our website. stir.ac.uk/3f

We call these our entry requirements.

Do you accept HNCs and HNDs?
A Absolutely! College students make up a significant part of our student population in all of our courses. An HNC or HND in a related subject might even get you Advanced Entry into Year 2 or Year 3 of some of our courses. Go to page 115 for more information, or look on our website. stir.ac.uk/9v

I’m a mature student, can I apply?
A We’re happy to help anyone who is interested in studying at university whatever your age and background. Those who have been out of education for three years or more use a range of different courses to come to university. Go to page 115 for more information, or look on our website. stir.ac.uk/uo

By the end of SS – These are the grades you need by the end of fifth year.
By the end of S6 – These are the accumulated grades you need from the fifth year and sixth year together.

This bit is really important! Essential subjects – it is compulsory to have one of these subjects. If it says a subject is preferred, you don’t have to have this but it helps.

Not all of our degrees have essential subjects.

This means you could start in second year rather than first year if you want to, and if you have these qualifications and grades.

We accept a lot of different qualifications, including HNC and HND from college, and access courses for mature students. There’s loads of information on our website about this stir.ac.uk/1yp

These pages tell you how we look at qualifications.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry: 8s in graded unit. Advanced entry: Please consult website for details.


ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 120-121.

Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 120.
GENERAL ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

To study at Stirling, every student needs to meet our general requirements. Each course also has specific entry requirements.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

These are the minimum requirements for entry to the University. You should also check the subject-specific pages for any other grade and subject requirements.

Applicants must have one of the following:

• A minimum of four passes at SQA Higher Grade or three A-levels or equivalent*
• An acceptable pass in entry subjects (e.g. Biology and Human Biology). If your subjects ‘overlap’ like this, ask our Admissions team for advice.
• Applicant has participated in the Scottish Wider Access Programme (SWAP)
• Applicant has participated in the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation
• Applicant is a carer
• Applicant’s home postcode is within the lowest 20% of the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation
• Applicant has completed the Forth Valley College Access Programme
• Applicant has completed the University of Stirling Access to Degree Studies Programme

For country-specific information and entry requirements may vary. For more information, please have a look at the relevant course page or contact our Admissions team.

SUBJECTS APPROVED FOR ENTRY

All graded SQA, GCE and GCSE examination subjects are acceptable for entry. Passes in two subjects with a high amount of material in common may not be counted separately (e.g. Biology and Human Biology). If your subjects ‘overlap’ like this, ask our Admissions team for advice.

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ADJUSTED OFFERS

The University will consider applicants from all the following for a minimum entry requirement:

• Applicant’s home postcode is within the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation
• Applicant’s home postcode is within the highest 20% of the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation
• Applicant is part of the Schools for Higher Education Programme (SHEP)
• Applicant has experience of being in care
• Applicant is a carer

School leavers’ qualifications from the European Union (EU), a degree from a university in the United Kingdom or the European Union (EU), a degree from the University of Stirling Access to Degree Studies Programme (SWAP)

School leavers’ qualifications from the European Union (EU), a degree from a university in the United Kingdom or the European Union (EU), a degree from any other university in the world. If you are sitting a combination of different qualifications, you will be made an offer based on these (e.g. A-level and BTEC combinations).

COLLEGE STUDENTS

We will consider applications from a range of college courses, including Access, HNC and HND. For more information, please have a look at the relevant course page or contact our Admissions team.

ENTRANCE WITH UK QUALIFICATIONS

SCOTTISH QUALIFICATIONS

We make offers based on your Higher and Advanced Higher grades. Grade C or above in an Advanced Higher counts as an upgrade to the original Higher grade achieved. If you have an Advanced Higher only (without the relevant Higher), you’ll be asked for grade B in the Advanced Higher. We accept Highees taken over two sittings, although you may be asked for a higher grade if you have repeated or upgraded examinations.

ADVANCED ENTRY

Some of our courses offer Advanced Entry routes that enable students to gain exemption from Year 1 of study and go directly into Year 2. Advanced Entry is not available on all courses, and entry requirements may vary. For more information, please have a look at the relevant course page or contact our Admissions team.

A-LEVELS/VCE

We make offers based on your A-level grades. If you are resitting or upgrading some A-levels, we may increase our normal grade requirements.

BTEC

We consider BTEC Level 3 Extended Diplomas. Successful applicants will typically require a grade of DDM in their final Diploma.

COMBINED QUALIFICATIONS

If you want to request credit for any other professional qualifications, contact our Admissions team before entry. We can’t award credit retrospectively once you’ve started your course.

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AWARD OF CREDIT FOR EXISTING QUALIFICATIONS

We award credit on admission for certain qualifications gained before coming to Stirling. That means you may be able to shorten the length of time you need to spend at University to get your degree. We’ll award credit automatically on application if your qualifications are suitable.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Any student who is offered a place will be subject to the University of Stirling’s Terms and Conditions.

stir.ac.uk/1a8
MONEY MATTERS

FEES VARY DEPENDING ON YOUR PERMANENT PLACE OF RESIDENCE AND SO DOES THE FUNDING YOU MAY BE ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE.

TUITION FEES FOR FULL-TIME BA/BSc/BAcc (HONS) COURSES (EXCLUDING NURSING)

SCOTTISH STUDENTS

You won’t have to pay tuition fees. The Scottish Government pays these on your behalf through the Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS). You must apply for this funding every year.

PART-TIME STUDENTS IN SCOTLAND

You will be required to pay tuition fees; however, fee waivers and support from SAAS may be available depending on your circumstances.

UK STUDENTS (EXCLUDING SCOTLAND)

Students from England, Northern Ireland and Wales will pay for the first three years of their undergraduate degree. Please refer to the website for specific fees information. A tuition fee loan is available to pay for these costs. Applications are made through your relevant funding body.

EU STUDENTS

The future fee status of EU students enrolling in UK universities will depend on the timing and terms of the UK’s exit from the European Union. Once published, further guidance from the Scottish and UK governments will inform fee levels for EU students enrolling in 2020/21. Information on fee levels and financial support will be published on the University website when available.

While students should be aware that this may mean a change from the current position where EU students are treated with equivalence to Scottish students, it is also important to note that any changes would also require changes to existing UK and Scottish legislation.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS (LIVING OUTSIDE THE EU)

Tuition fees for new students entering in academic year 2020-21 are available on the University website.

Please visit the course pages for further information:

stir.ac.uk/5e

TUITION FEES FOR NURSING STUDENTS

SCOTTISH NURSING STUDENTS

SAAS pays tuition fees for all Scottish students on pre-registration courses. There’s also a non-means-tested bursary – please refer to our website for details.

EU NURSING STUDENTS

Funding provision is subject to change pending the timing and terms of the UK’s anticipated exit from the European Union. Please check our online course pages for the latest information about fees.

INTERNATIONAL/UK NURSING STUDENTS (EXCLUDING SCOTLAND)

Fees will be payable for your Nursing course and will vary depending on your normal place of residence. Please check the course pages for fees.

ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF FUNDING

Different trusts and bodies provide additional funding for students. These additional sources of funding include:

Carnegie Trust

carnegie-trust.org

Association of Charitable Foundations

aef.org.uk

Stirlingshire Educational Trust

stir.ac.uk/scholarships

Student Support Services

If you run into financial problems, we can help. We offer a range of services, including trained Student Money Advisers and access to discretionary and childcare funds.

stir.ac.uk/5v

MERIT SCHOLARSHIP UK STUDENTS (EXCLUDING SCOTLAND)

All 2020 applicants from England, Northern Ireland and Wales who choose the University of Stirling on UCAS as their Firm or Insurance option and who meet the conditions of their offer will receive a £1,000 cash award for each of the three years that students are required to pay fees.

The Merit Scholarship can be combined with both the Choice and Honours Year Scholarships, resulting in more than £13,000 of support from Stirling – a help with travel and study costs. It may not be combined with the Nursing Scholarship.

For further information, visit:

stir.ac.uk/scholarships

SPORTS BURSARIES UK STUDENTS (EXCLUDING SCOTLAND)

24 Sports Bursaries are on offer to students from England, Northern Ireland and Wales, or from outside the EU. These bursaries are available for athletes who participate in curling, football, golf, swimming, tennis and triathlon. Other sporting disciplines will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

These bursaries each have a value of £2,000 per annum, and will be awarded for September 2020 entry. Bursaries are awarded based on a combination of academic merit and sporting achievement, and will be made subject to meeting the University’s academic admission standards.

Sports Bursaries are payable in addition to Choice and Honours Scholarships but may not normally be combined with any other University scholarship.

For further information, visit:

stir.ac.uk/scholarships

COST OF LIVING

The cost of living in Stirling is more than 40 percent lower than London. The breakdown below shows you the potential costs of living away from home – but remember, the amount you actually spend will depend on your lifestyle.

SCOTTISH/UK STUDENTS

As well as financial support towards your tuition fees, you can typically apply to your relevant funding body for help with living costs. This usually takes the form of student loans, grants or bursaries, and the amount awarded depends upon your personal circumstances and household income.

EU/INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Typically, you won’t be able to claim support for living costs through SAAS or other UK public funds. Contact the relevant authority in your own country to find out more.

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** Based on consumer prices including rent. Source: Nomics 2017

For further information, visit:

stir.ac.uk/scholarships
GETTING HERE

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**BY AIR TO EDINBURGH/ GLASGOW AIRPORTS:**
- **BELFAST:** 40mins
- **BIRMINGHAM:** 1hr 15mins
- **BRISTOL:** 1hr 15mins
- **CARDIFF:** 1hr 30mins
- **EXETER:** 1hr 35mins
- **LONDON:** 1hr 15mins
- **MANCHESTER:** 1hr 30mins
- **NORWICH:** 1hr 30mins

**BY TRAIN TO STIRLING:**
- **ABERDEEN:** 2hrs 20mins
- **BIRMINGHAM:** 5hrs
- **DUNDEE:** 1hr
- **EDINBURGH:** 55mins
- **GLASGOW:** 35mins
- **LEEDS:** 4hrs
- **LONDON:** 5hrs 30mins
- **MANCHESTER:** 4hrs 20mins
- **NEWCASTLE:** 2hrs 30mins
- **NORWICH:** 6hrs 30mins

**BY CAR TO STIRLING:**
- **ABERDEEN:** 2hrs 15mins
- **BIRMINGHAM:** 4hrs 30mins
- **CARDIFF:** 6hrs 30mins
- **DUNDEE:** 1hr
- **EDINBURGH:** 1hr
- **EXETER:** 7hrs
- **GLASGOW:** 45mins
- **LEEDS:** 4hrs
- **LONDON:** 7hrs
- **MANCHESTER:** 3hrs 45mins
- **NEWCASTLE:** 3hrs
- **NORWICH:** 7hrs

**BY FERRY AND CAR FROM BELFAST TO STIRLING:**
- **FERRY:** 2hrs 15mins
- **CAR:** 2hrs 30mins

**GETTING AROUND THE CITY**

It’s easy to get from Stirling to the campus – you can walk, cycle or hop on a bus.

**TRAVELLING BY CAR**

There are convenient motorway networks including the M80 from Glasgow, the M9 from Edinburgh and the A9 from Perth.

**TRAVELLING BY BUS**

There are Uni Link bus services between the University and city centre that run every 10 minutes during semester time. National bus operators also offer frequent services that run to Edinburgh, Glasgow and Aberdeen.

**JUMP ON A TRAIN**

Trains depart from Bridge of Allan or Stirling stations for destinations across the UK. On average, there’s a train to Glasgow or Edinburgh every 30 minutes – more at peak times.

**TRAVELLING FURTHER**

Scotland’s two main international airports are less than an hour away by car. You can reach either airport by public transport, too.

There’s also a direct transfer service provided by Stirling Direct, the University’s airport pick-up service.

**USEFUL WEBSITES**

edinburghairport.com
glasgowairport.com
stirlingdirect.org
thetrainline.com

**FLIGHTS TO SCOTLAND**

If you’re coming from outside the country, Edinburgh and Glasgow international airports are your go-to destinations, with a wide range of incoming flights each day from across the globe.

- **ABUJA:** 9hrs 15mins
- **BERLIN:** 1hr 30mins
- **BEIJING:** 10hrs 30mins
- **HONG KONG:** 11hrs 30mins
- **KUALA LUMPUR:** 13hrs
- **LONDON:** 1hr 15mins
- **MUSCAT:** 9hrs 35mins
- **NEW DELHI:** 9hrs
- **NEW YORK:** 7hrs 30mins
- **OSLO:** 1hr 45mins
- **PARIS:** 1hr 30mins
- **RIO DE JANEIRO:** 11hrs 30mins
- **SAN FRANCISCO:** 12hrs 10mins
- **SINGAPORE:** 13hrs 30mins
- **SYDNEY:** 24hrs 30mins
- **TAIPEI:** 13hrs
- **TOKYO:** 12hrs
- **VANCOUVER:** 10hrs 35mins
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Open Days 2019

Do you want to learn more about the University of Stirling? We’d love to show you around.

By attending one of our Open Days, you’ll be able to explore our beautiful campus, check out our diverse range of courses and get a taste of what life as a Stirling student is really like.

All prospective students, parents, guardians, teachers and careers advisors are welcome!

What Are Open Days
Open Days help guide you through the application process, enable you to explore our world-class accommodation and tell you all about our extensive support services. You’ll also be able to sit in on subject-specific presentations, meet our academic staff and enjoy useful discussions about student finance, accommodation and exciting Study Abroad opportunities.

How to make the most of the Open Day
To help you prepare for your visit, here are seven tips that will help you make the most of your day at Stirling:

1. Prepare
   Jot down five key questions that you want to ask us.

2. Go to course talks
   Attend a subject presentation and visit the academic showroom.

3. Take a tour
   Join the campus, accommodation and sports tours.

4. Think global
   Learn about Study Abroad options from a choice of more than 30 countries.

5. Clue up on clubs
   Get information on our 120+ student clubs and societies.

6. Mix ‘n’ match
   Ask about our combined degrees.

7. Ask about flexibility
   Not sure what to study? Don’t worry! You can still switch your course up until Year 2 – and we’ll tell you all about your options at Open Day.

Open Days at the University of Stirling are open to everyone, but we do ask that you register in advance. Our 2019 Open Days are scheduled to take place on:

- Saturday 8 June
- Saturday 14 September
- Saturday 26 October

You can find the full programmes online nearer the time, but you can register to attend now: stir.ac.uk/openday

If you’re planning to come to the University from overseas, you can also meet our staff at events in your country. stir.ac.uk/1ab

How do I register?

Make a date with us

Stirling seems very nice – it’s big and spacious and it’s been really easy to talk to everyone. It’s great to listen to students who have been here and find out about their experiences.”

Dawn (England)
Open Day attendee

“I’m attracted to Stirling because of the sporting facilities – it’s top in Scotland for Sport. I’m hoping to get into the Sport Studies course and play water polo. A combined degree really interests me.”

James (Northern Ireland)
Open Day attendee

Can’t attend an Open Day?
No problem. If you’re unable to make one of our Open Days or wish to visit us at another time, there are plenty of other visiting opportunities.

stir.ac.uk/1aa

Or take our virtual tour:
stir.ac.uk/virtualtour

Join our community

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