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UK International Student Barometer (ISB)
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OPEN DAYS 2022

17 SATURDAY 17 SEPTEMBER (ON CAMPUS)
5 WEDNESDAY 5 OCTOBER (VIRTUAL)
22 SATURDAY 22 OCTOBER (ON CAMPUS)

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CAN’T ATTEND AN OPEN DAY?

No problem. Book one of our campus tours, or take our virtual tour: stir.ac.uk/virtualtour

To chat to us or to find out about other visiting opportunities, please contact: recruitment@stir.ac.uk +44 (0)1786 467046

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With a rich history of innovation, excellence, and ambition, the University of Stirling values ability, not background, providing our students with an outstanding education that equips them with the skills, experience, and confidence required to achieve their full potential.

As a Stirling student, upon completion of one of our flexible degrees, you will leave here a highly employable graduate – with 95 percent of our undergraduate leavers in work or further study within 15 months of graduating.

Stirling is a five-star rated institution for teaching, employability, research, internationalisation and ranks among the top 20 UK universities for overall student satisfaction.

We’re continuing to improve the Stirling experience. Our beautiful 330-acre campus has recently undergone a multi-million-pound redevelopment, delivering iconic new sports facilities – befitting our long-standing designation as Scotland’s University for Sporting Excellence – as well as modern social learning and study spaces in Campus Central. These major projects complement our existing on-site facilities, which include a theatre, cinema, cafés, restaurants, a pharmacy and supermarket.

You will enjoy an immersive, global experience, with more than 120 nationalities represented on campus, and making friends couldn’t be easier through our vibrant Students’ Union, which offers over 120 clubs and societies, and a fantastic range of entertainment and support services.

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 wish you the very best of luck with your studies and look forward to welcoming you on campus soon.

PROFESSOR SIR GERRY MCCORMAC
Principal and Vice-Chancellor
LIVING THE FUTURE

Our £43 million investment gives you access to the best spaces and equipment possible, and helps you get the most out of your university experience.
THE HUB OF IT ALL, OUR NEW CAMPUS CENTRAL HAS:

Meeting spaces and student support services.
Collaborative learning and research spaces.
Bigger and better shops and cafés.
Beautiful green spaces to meet friends.
Easy access from our bus hub.

A PLACE TO COMPETE WITH THE BEST, OUR NEW SPORTS COMPLEX HAS:

Purpose-built fitness studios and a state-of-the-art gym.
Two sports halls and six indoor tennis courts.
Indoor cycling studio.
World-class high-performance fitness suite.
Enhanced changing facilities, café, and reception area.

SEE WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING ABOUT US

TOP 20 IN THE UK FOR STUDENT SATISFACTION
National Student Survey 2021

TOP 30 UNIVERSITY IN THE UK
The Guardian University Guide 2021

5 QS STARS FOR TEACHING, EMPLOYABILITY, INTERNATIONALISATION, FACILITIES.
QS Stars University Ratings 2021
1. The Pitches
Get a front row seat to the action on our grass and artificial pitches.

2. National Swimming Academy
Home to Scottish Swimming and our world-class athletes including Tokyo 2020 Olympic gold medal winners Duncan Scott MBE and Kathleen Dawson MBE.

3. National Tennis Centre
Tennis superstars Andy Murray and Gordon Reid famously honed their skills on our courts.

4. Spittal Hill Chalets
Popular student accommodation in our Scandinavian-style timber chalets.

5. INTO Building
INTO University of Stirling offers international students unique pathways to academic success.

6. Wallace Monument
Climb 246 steps to reach the top of our famous landmark, built to commemorate Scots hero, Sir William Wallace.

7. Stirling Court Hotel
The perfect place to stay, with 100 bedrooms and excellent facilities.

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

9. University of Stirling Innovation Park
Home to some cutting-edge research and development companies.

10. Colin Bell, Iris Murdoch and RG Bomont Buildings
These buildings are where the Faculty of Social Sciences is based, and include some of our leading research centres.

11. Campus Central
The heart of the University, made up of cafés, shops, pharmacy, library, Student Services Hub, Students’ Union, and the Macrobert Arts Centre.

12. Airthrey Castle
Our 18th-century castle is still in use today.

13. The Link Bridge
The scenic commute from our Accommodation Village to lectures.

14. Airthrey Park Medical Centre
Our on-campus general medical practice and dental centre.

15. Student Accommodation
More than 2,800 bedrooms across 18 residences on and off campus.

16. Airthrey Loch
Home to our water sports teams, along with our resident swans.

17. Pathfoot Building
Where the Faculty of Arts and Humanities, the Faculty of Health Sciences and Sport and the Institute of Aquaculture are based. It also hosts our unique art collection.
Where innovation meets breathtaking nature, you couldn’t ask for a better place to call home.
PLAY, STUDY AND RELAX

- Study in our beautiful 3-storey library, with a range of study spaces and great views over the campus.
- Settle into our student accommodation where there’s something perfect for everyone.
- Rub shoulders with Olympic athletes.
- Catch up with friends in the University’s new social and study spaces.

- Shop onsite at the Co-op supermarket, and pharmacy, and enjoy a selection of cafés.
- Grab a Starbucks with friends or catch a gig at the Students’ Union.
- Immerse yourself in history at our 18th-century Airthrey Castle.
- Experience theatre, dance, comedy, contemporary music, and cinema, at the University’s Macrobert Arts Centre.
Famous for being the scene of much of Scotland’s history, Stirling also has great shops, bars, restaurants, and culture.
**EAT, DRINK AND SHOP**

Find a bargain in the city’s historic Victorian arcade, bustling high street and Shopping Centre.

Visit The Book Nook, started by two Stirling University graduates who followed their dreams.

Taste a gin or whisky at one of Stirling’s many distilleries or a craft beer at the nearby microbrewery.

Grab a bite at one of Stirling’s many bistros, cafés, and coffee shops.

**SOAK UP THE CULTURE**

Enjoy live music with The Castle and the Albert Halls, and Old Town venue the Tolbooth right on your doorstep.

MacRobert Arts Centre (on campus) showcases the best in arthouse and mainstream cinema, along with a year-round live performance programme.

You’ll be spoilt for choice with 130 gigs a week in Glasgow, and the world’s biggest arts festival in Edinburgh. Both cities are easy to get to from Stirling.

**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 memories of Robert the Bruce and William Wallace linger in the Old Town, with scars from military campaigns that changed the course of Britain’s history.

**GO OUTDOORS**

Easy to get about on foot, Stirling also has bike sharing stations.

The University is a frequent film location, and nearby Doune Castle features in Outlander, Game of Thrones and The Outlaw King.

Swap the city for nature and explore Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park. In under an hour, you could be in the Scottish Highlands.

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**Stirling crowned happiest place to live in Scotland**

*Rightmove Happy Home Index 2021*
LIVE IT
LOVE IT

#SCOTLANDISNOW
Scotland is famous for its unique culture and beautiful landscape. But that just scratches the surface; it’s an incredible place to live and study in too. Here’s a few reasons why….

LEARNING AND INNOVATING

Scotland has the most world-class universities per person in the world.

Scots invented TV, telephone, penicillin, the bicycle, and animal cloning, to name a few.

You’ll be taught by experts and world-leading researchers.

Get work placements and internships with the brightest start-ups and leading organisations.

PLAYING

The home of golf, curling, and cycling.

And we love rugby, swimming, tennis, and football.

With outstanding facilities and great team spirit.

STUNNING

Our landscape is picture perfect.

There’s adventure around every corner.

Each town and city has a unique character.

Well connected to the rest of the UK and Europe.

EATING AND DRINKING

Scotland’s whisky is so good it’s exported all over the world.

Try Scotland’s own delicacies and enjoy dishes from around the world.

Six UNESCO World Heritage Sites in Scotland
We have a reputation for excellent teaching and high-quality research. Thinking and working globally is part of our daily teaching, learning and research practice, meaning your degree will be outward-looking, full of possibilities and potential.
A DIVERSE CAMPUS

With over 120 nationalities represented on campus, you can meet new people and experience diverse cultures at Stirling. Our exchange partnerships mean students can join our community as part of their studies and offer you the chance to study abroad as well.

LENGANJI NANYINZA
Zambia
BA (Hons) Business Studies

“I chose to study at Stirling for its friendly community and safe environment, whilst Edinburgh and Glasgow are not too far. I love the people, the scenery with the mountains and green hills, Hogmanay, Burns Night and discovering many hidden gems around the country.”

STAY CONNECTED

You’ll become a member of our alumni association when you graduate. Joining a network of 100,000 people in more than 170 countries, it’s an amazing resource for mentoring, career development, advice, support and events. Our alumni often come back as mentors, guest lecturers and speakers through our Alumni Ambassador Programme.

Over 120 nationalities represented on campus

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1 Research Excellence Framework 2014
STUDENT LIFE
WHAT’S ON

From world-class cities to clubs and societies

CHARLOTTA LUNDAHL
Sweden
BA (Hons) International Politics

“I’ve met people from all over the world as well as Scotland and made my best friends through the International Society. There’s lots to do and I’ve enjoyed tours around Scotland as well as fun evenings in Stirling. It’s a friendly community and natural way to meet people.”

HARRY MITCHELL
Scotland
BA (Hons) Digital Media

“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.”

ANNE STOOP
Netherlands
BA (Hons) Journalism Studies and Politics

“I have been a part of Brig since my first year, when I jumped in head first as Lifestyle Editor. The paper gave me access to priceless opportunities; from free gigs all over Glasgow, to a seat in the Warriors Press Box and friends for life. As Deputy Editor I get to see new writers grow into themselves while creating a paper worth reading. My uni experience would not have been the same without Brig. It’s truly a family away from home.”
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 HAS IT ALL

Looking for a bit of culture? Fringe Festival is the world’s largest arts festival on your doorstep. Every August it features more than 50,000 performances across 300 venues. Or, if you’re counting down the days until Christmas, you’ll find plenty of magic in Edinburgh, when the medieval Old Town is transformed into a winter wonderland.

MEET THE KELPIES

In nearby Falkirk, you can visit the largest equine sculptures in the world. Standing at 100ft tall and weighing more than 300 tonnes each, the magical Kelpies are a man-made wonder and a feat of engineering, modelled on real-life Clydesdale horses Duke and Baron.

GLASGOW – SHOP THE STYLE MILE

Glasgow is one of the best shopping destinations in the UK. Whether you’re after big-brand names, luxury outlets or independent stores, the city caters for any budget or style.
“At the Students’ Union we aim to make students’ lives better. We do this by representing your views and needs and work with the University to make a positive difference to your student experience.

The Students’ Union has something for everyone. Whether it’s getting involved in clubs and societies, working with our environmental team or enjoying a coffee in the Union, we look forward to welcoming you.”

Nela Cadinanos Gonzalez, Union President 2021/22
YOUR STUDENTS’ UNION

Your Union is at the centre of student life on campus. From societies to sports clubs and events to environmental projects, the Union is here to make your university experience a great one.

SUPPORT FOR YOU

Throughout your time at university, you’ll have the support of the Students’ Union (SU). Elected Student Officers work with Faculty Officers and Course Reps to enhance your learning experience. The Union team also help support the student voice through advocacy, student focused campaigns from housing to transport, sustainability work (we’re the first Carbon Neutral SU in the UK) and so much more.

FACILITIES FOR YOU

The Union runs the student bars and cafés, offering everything you need. Grab a bite to eat and watch live sport in Studio. The outside decking offers stunning views, while our café in Underground serves Starbucks coffee, paninis, soups and cakes. Stick around after hours for a drink in the bar and see what’s on in the 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 plenty to entertain.

+120 CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

Explore your passions and interests at Stirling. 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 a club you want to start, we can help!

HISTORY SOCIETY
A busy society with weekly meetings, guest lectures, debates, game nights, socials, and trips to historic locations.

INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY
Explore the country and make friends with students from all over the world.

MARINE CONSERVATION SOCIETY
Passionate about protecting our oceans? Conservation efforts include beach cleans and advocating for plastic reduction.

MUSICAL THEATRE
For people who love singing, dancing and musicals. Socialise with other theatre lovers and take part in performances to show off your theatrical talents.

PODCASTING SOCIETY
A dynamic society for listeners and pod makers working with other student societies to help them launch and create amazing podcasts!

STUDENT MANAGED INVESTMENT FUND
Interested in the stock market and investing or would like to learn how, then this is the place to be!

Visit stirlingstudentsunion.com/clubssocieties

And for more information on the sports union visit stirlingstudentsunion.com/sportsunion

KEEP IN TOUCH
stirlingstudentsunion.com
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We have been leaders in Scottish sport for five decades, proudly supporting athletes from around the world. Our incredible student athletes have competed at the Olympic and Commonwealth Games, World Championships and other major sporting events.

READY
SET
GO
Whether you’re looking to try a new fitness class, beat your personal best, or improve your backhand, there are plenty of opportunities to get involved, all from our outstanding, fully accessible sports facilities.

**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.

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 features:**

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 sector-leading equipment.

A world-class high-performance fitness suite.

Communal spaces, viewing deck, changing areas, café, and reception.
BE PART OF SOMETHING BRILLIANT

HEALTH, FITNESS AND WELLBEING

We have lots of classes, activities and services on offer. From high-intensity functional circuits to serene yoga classes, our health, fitness and wellbeing programme has something for everyone.

GET ACTIVE

If you want to exercise, play, or try a new sport in a friendly and relaxed environment, Get Active is the programme for you. Incorporating turn-up-and-play Just Play sessions, social sport leagues and beginner courses, it’s a fun way to keep fit and meet new people.

COACHING AND VOLUNTEERING

We also offer a choice of coaching and volunteering opportunities for students involved in club support services, community lessons, event delivery and more. Perfect experience for your CV.

CLUB SPORT

Together 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 local and national competitions. Whether you’re a beginner or experienced competitive athlete, our clubs can provide the perfect sporting environment.

Our sports include: American football, Archery, Athletics, Badminton, Baseball, Basketball, Boxing, Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, Cheerleading, Cricket, Curling, Cycling, Dance, Darts, Equestrian sports, Fencing, Football, Futsal, Gaelic football, Golf, Handball, Hockey, Judo, Kayak, Lacrosse, Mountaineering, Muay Thai boxing, Netball, Orienteering, Polo, Power lifting, Rowing, Rugby, Shinty, Snow sports, Squash, Sub-aqua, Surf, Swimming, Table tennis, Taekwondo, Tennis, Touch rugby, Trampoline and gymnastics, Triathlon, Ultimate frisbee, Underwater hockey, Volleyball, and Water polo.
Performance Sport

Our performance sport programme is world-renowned, attracting student athletes from across the globe and producing World, Paralympic and Olympic champions and medalists.

Sports Scholarships

Our sports scholarships provide student athletes with high-quality coaching and support services, including academic flexibility, facilities access, strength and conditioning, physiotherapy, and sports psychology.

Scholarships are available for athletes in the following core sports: Curling, Football, Golf, Rugby, Swimming, Tennis and Triathlon.

We also offer scholarship packages to student athletes competing at international level in any other BUCS, Commonwealth, Olympic or Paralympic sport.

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, Wales, Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland 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.

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

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.
With over 600,000 books, e-books and journals, spaces for studying and beautiful views, our library has it all.

ARCHIVES AND SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Explore our wide range of historical collections in the University archive and reading room. You’ll find original manuscripts and unusual artefacts that have helped shape world events.

★ ★ ★ ★ ★ 5 QS Stars for Facilities

NEW TECHNOLOGIES

University services, alerts and information is available from our University app. Apps Anywhere lets you use study software on your own laptop wherever you are. So, you’ll have everything you need to work easily.

Training suites.
10 group study rooms.
Study desks with PCs.
A wellbeing space to chill out and recharge.
Laptops available to borrow.
Free Microsoft Office and Eduroam Wi-Fi whilst a student with us.
Living away from home for the first time is exciting. Residences are split between our campus, Stirling and Bridge of Allan – all beautiful, safe places to live and easy to get to.
A SPACE TO SUIT EVERYONE

There is a selection of flats, chalets and townhouses to choose from. We also have some family accommodation. Residences include:

- Self-catering with a cooker, microwave, fridge, freezer, and kettle.
- En-suite or shared toilets and showers.
- Single occupancy.

Nearby on campus you’ll find:

- Card-operated laundry facilities.
- A pharmacy, medical and dental centre.
- A Co-op supermarket.
- A Sports centre.
- The Students’ Union bars and cafés.

Family and friends can stay at the Stirling Court Hotel on campus, if they fancy a visit. stirlingcourthotel.co.uk

ACCESSIBLE HOUSING

We can provide or adapt accommodation to suit you 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.

FIND OUT MORE

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) and if you meet the eligibility criteria. New students can apply for accommodation from around April.

For more information, such as up-to-date costs, payment support and booking details, visit stir.ac.uk/accommodation.
University is about finding your own way, but that doesn’t mean you have to go it alone. The Student Services Hub brings the following services together to help you resolve your queries through a single point of contact. #JustAsk

ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION

Our expert team helps students with a wide variety of needs to get the most out of their university life. They can:

- Offer assessments for all your learning and support requirements and create a tailored package to meet them.
- Be available to discuss any specific needs before you apply.
- Set up pre-entry visits for students with complex disabilities.

FAITH AND SPIRITUALITY

The Chaplaincy is open to all faiths and none, and celebrates the wealth of nationalities, cultures and beliefs here at the University of Stirling. It features:

- A quiet room for reflection and meditation.
- A sociable communal area.
- Emotional, spiritual or practical support from our chaplains.
- A dedicated prayer and washroom for Muslim students.
IMMIGRATION

Our Student Immigration Team can give you advice and information so you can secure the correct visa to cover your time at Stirling.

MONEY SUPPORT

Student Money Advisers help with budgeting, money management, and applying for additional funding and financial support.

The Income Office also has a range of flexible and secure options for fee payments.

STUDENT LEARNING SERVICES

Daily drop-in sessions, regular workshops and tutorials are organised by our Student Learning Services Team to help you boost your learning skills.

MENTAL HEALTH, WELLBEING AND COUNSELLING

Our qualified mental health, wellbeing and counselling professionals are here for you if you need them.

POINT OF CONTACT SERVICE

This service provides professional expertise, funding and support specifically for students who are carers, care experienced or estranged.

For further information on any of the services above, please contact us on ask@stir.ac.uk, +44 (0)1786 466022 or visit our website stir.ac.uk/student-life/support-wellbeing
Our Study Abroad programme offers a wide range of exciting opportunities. From a semester in Tokyo to a year in Spain or California, we have partnerships with more than 70 universities across four continents that give our students an incredible learning experience.
**HOW IT WORKS**

Most Honours degree students are eligible to study abroad in their third year.

It’s a compulsory part of your course if you study French or Spanish.

The application process starts in October in your second year.

Students are chosen based on their academic profile, the strength of their application and a short interview.

Our team will guide you through the process to help prepare for your adventure and make the most of your time overseas.

For more information, visit: [stir.ac.uk/international](http://stir.ac.uk/international)

**BENEFITS OF STUDYING ABROAD**

You’ll learn more about your subject, and will keep earning credits towards your graduation.

It counts as part of your degree, so tuition is funded in the normal way.

It doesn’t extend the length of your degree, so there’s no ‘extra’ time to fund.

There’s a range of grants and scholarships to help with living costs.

It shows future employers your ambition, maturity and independence.

You’ll experience new cultures and learn new skills.
We want to help you fulfil your ambitions once you graduate. Whether it’s getting involved in the Students’ Union, studying abroad, taking part in internships or balancing part-time work with study, everything you do at Stirling is designed to help you stand out.

**THE NEXT STEP**

**SUMAIRA UD-DIN**
England
BA (Hons) Economics

“My internship was at Creative Stirling, well known for the ‘Made in Stirling’ store which is a community gallery, workshop and shop. I enjoyed it so much that I’m rethinking my whole future career! I really like the idea of going into a creative/not for profit industry. I feel really well prepared for the workplace; I was able to brush up on my excel skills, writing and drafting blog posts for social media as well as sending professional emails!”
THE CAREERS AND EMPLOYABILITY SERVICE

TOP PERFORMANCE

We’ve been awarded 5 QS stars for employability¹, and we’re 1st in Scotland, Top 5 in the UK and Top 15 in the world for career services².

₁ QS World University Rankings 2020
₂ UK International Student Barometer (ISB) Benchmark and Global ISB Benchmark 2018

INVESTING IN YOUR FUTURE

While you’re studying for your degree, our My Stirling Award recognises your participation in extra-curricular activities such as part-time work, volunteering or University clubs and societies. These different skills and attributes 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.

WORK EXPERIENCE OPPORTUNITIES

Your time at Stirling should give you the skills and knowledge to make a difference in your chosen industry. Our strong connections with national and international organisations, small businesses and start-ups mean you’ll have the chance to shine in the workplace.

Our courses such as Nursing, Education, and Applied Biological Sciences include work placements. This is a great way to develop practical skills whilst being supported by industry professionals. Optional accredited volunteering placement modules are also available as part of some courses including Sport, Psychology, Law, and Journalism.

SUPPORTING YOUR AMBITIONS

The Stirling Internship Programme has a variety of paid internships during semester and the summer holidays.

The Careers and Employability Service Team can also support you:

• With resources.
• Through group work and on a 1-to-1 basis, both within your course and centrally.
• Through developing your skills, experience, and network.
• With preparation for interviews and your CV.
• By arranging employer networking events and opportunities.

To find out more, visit: stir.ac.uk/careers

More than 95% of all undergraduates were in employment or further study fifteen months after graduation*.

*Graduate Outcomes Survey 2020, HESA
Since studying at Stirling, our graduates have gone on to enjoy a huge range of opportunities. Check out the course page you’re interested in to find out more about the rewarding careers that may be available.

Dale’s career in journalism began when he was editor of the Students’ Union newspaper. Since graduating with a 1st, he’s gone on to pursue a successful career in bold, investigative journalism, featuring in Private Eye, The Lawyer, The Press & Journal and Gay Times.

“Stirling’s beautiful campus environment enchanted me. I was also drawn to the flexible degree structure and changed to Journalism Studies after becoming heavily involved in the student newspaper, Brig; it was a fantastic experience to have my stories published. Stirling laid all of the foundations for my journalism career.”

DALE MCEWAN
Scotland
BA (Hons) Journalism Studies 2009

Jessica joined Lime Pictures as a Costume Supervisor after graduating, where she spent eight years on the popular television series Hollyoaks. More recently she has been working independently on feature films.

“Coming from Northern Ireland, I didn’t want to go to a big city, and I really liked the campus. The course was brilliant, and the practical modules gave me insight into what working life would really be like. I’m so glad I chose Stirling; I made lifelong friends there, met my husband and it was instrumental in giving me the skills I need for my work today.”

JESSICA BURTON
Northern Ireland
BA (Hons) Film and Media Studies 2009
“Having a degree in Marine Biology has opened so many doors for me and launched me on an incredible career where I travel the world almost non-stop. I have worked on over 50 marine and coastal projects globally and I’ve also gained valuable experience working in protected areas and UNESCO marine biosphere reserves.”

NIRU NEIL DORRIAN
Scotland
BSc (Hons) Marine Biology 2006

Niru is an award-winning marine mammal biologist, currently working as a Senior Environmental Adviser within high-profile marine protected sites. He’s the co-founding Director of Whalefish, an international not-for-profit marine research and conservation organisation, and also provides student mentoring and career advice to aspiring marine science students.
At INTO University of Stirling, our focus is on the provision of preparatory courses for international students, with the following undergraduate progression options:

- International Foundation programmes
- International Diploma
- Undergraduate Degree with International Year One/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.

Our INTO Centre sits at the heart of the campus, providing everything you need, from bright and modern classrooms, to specialist tuition and friendly support teams. stir.ac.uk/into

All International Foundation, International Diploma, International Year One and International Year Two options are studied over three terms. Four term options are available for students wishing to include a term of English. All programmes have a September and January intake.

INTO University of Stirling’s International Foundation programmes are a flexible way to introduce yourself to studying in the UK. Students will study a one year course in a chosen subject area after which they will progress to Year 2 of a related undergraduate degree. Foundation subject areas include:

- International Foundation in Media, Humanities and Social Science.
- International Foundation in Science, Sport, Computing and Engineering.
“Stirling was an easy choice for me. My friendly lecturers are prominent in the industry, and their practical assessment methods made it easy to integrate into working life later.”

AAKASH RAMA
Singapore
International Year Two - BA (Hons) Film and Media

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE WITH INTERNATIONAL YEAR ONE

INTO University of Stirling’s International Year One programme allows students to study a foundation level course and a degree under one single visa. Unlike the foundation programme, students commit to their chosen major from day one and will benefit from a pre-determined study journey and the ability to plan longer term.

INTERNATIONAL DIPLOMA

The International Diploma programme offers the flexibility for those seeking advanced entry but who do not meet the academic entry requirements. Students will study a one year course after which they will progress to Year 3 of a related undergraduate degree. Diploma subject areas include:
International Diploma in Business, Finance, Marketing and Humanities.

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.

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-sessional English courses. The courses range from 3 to 12 weeks and are designed to improve your IELTS score. stir.ac.uk/pse

UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE WITH INTERNATIONAL YEAR TWO

The Undergraduate Degree with International Year Two works similarly to International Year One. Students will enter at a more advanced level and will progress to Year 3 of their chosen degree.
Are you interested in more than one of our courses? You might not have to choose between them.

Here at Stirling, we believe in choice. That’s why we offer more than 220 single and combined courses, and you may 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 many of the 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:**

- **FILM AND MEDIA STUDIES + LAW**
  - BA (Hons)

- **PSYCHOLOGY + SOCIOLOGY**
  - BA (Hons)

- **PHILOSOPHY + RELIGION + PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION**
  - BA (Hons)

- **ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE + POLITICS**
  - BSc (Hons)

- **ACCOUNTANCY + SPANISH**
  - BA (Hons)
## Course List

**A-Z**

- 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**

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The Bachelor of Accountancy (BAcc) is designed specifically for students planning a career in the accountancy profession or the wider financial sector.

Having our degree behind you will help you achieve this, as you will gain significant examination exemptions from professional bodies, enabling you to progress quickly in your chosen area of professional study. Many professional bodies recognise the BAcc as a relevant degree, including: ICAS, ACCA, CIMA and CIPFA.

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

**TOP 20 IN THE UK FOR ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE**

The Complete University Guide 2022

**COURSE CONTENT**

In Semesters 1-3, you will study a series of core modules including: Accounting; Finance; Economics; Business Management; and Business Law.

In Semesters 4-8, you will develop a critical understanding and analytical approach to subjects directly relevant to accountancy, including: Auditing; Advanced Financial Accounting; Taxation; Personal Financial Planning; and External Reporting.

You will have numerous opportunities to develop appropriate work-related skills at every stage of your studies.

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.

**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
- Management Accountants
- Principal Auditors
- Tax Accountants

We also offer a BA (Hons) Professional Accountancy; see page 83.

**COURSE COMBINATIONS**

This course can be combined with:
- Business Law (MN24);
- Business Studies (NNF4);
- Economics (LN14);
- Finance (NN43);
- Marketing (NN45);
- Mathematics (GN14);
- Spanish (NR44);
- or Sport (NC46).
If you’re planning a career in accountancy or the financial sector, studying at the University of Stirling is the perfect starting point.

Stirling holds multiple industry accreditations including 5 stars for teaching and employability in the QS University Ratings 2021.

An accounting and finance degree empowers you to prepare, present and interpret financial information for a wide range of organisations, and the skills you learn will enable investors, lenders, management and others to make key decisions based on financial facts.

This course includes a basic understanding of how to analyze financial statements, through to an in-depth knowledge of economics, taxation and reporting. In comparison to our single Bachelor of Accountancy course, Accountancy and Finance offers an added specialization geared towards entering professions in the banking and investment industries.

Our degree also allows for significant examination exemptions from professional bodies, enabling you to progress quickly in your chosen area of professional study. Many professional bodies recognise our degree, including: ICAS, ACCA, AIA, CIMA and CIPFA.

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This course is not available as a combined degree.
Faculty of Natural Sciences

ANIMAL BIOLOGY BSc (Hons)

UCAS CODE: C300

TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS

YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS

SQA Highers:
AABB – by the end of S5
AAAB – by the end of S6

GCE A-levels:
BBB

IB Diploma:
30

BTEC (Level 3):
DDM

Essential subjects:
To include one of Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics or Physics.

YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS

SQA Adv. Highers:
ABB

GCE A-levels:
ABB

IB Diploma:
35

Essential subjects:
To include Biology and one of Chemistry, Environmental Science, Geography or Physics.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry:
Bs in graded unit and the qualification should be Science related.
Advanced entry:
See website for details.

Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.

Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

Study at Scotland’s academic hub for animal conservation.

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 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.

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 Southern Europe, such as in the French Cévennes Mountains, a UNESCO World Biosphere Reserve.

Travel, accommodation and subsistence on residential field courses is not included in the course fees.

Stirling is Scotland’s hub for conservation science, with close links to many animal conservation organisations, giving our students unique access to a network of expertise and opportunity, making Stirling the ideal place to study Biology.

TOP 15 IN THE UK FOR BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Times and Sunday Times
Good University Guide 2022

COURSE CONTENT

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

Semesters 5-6 cover three core advanced modules: Animal Physiology; Behavioural Ecology; and The Animal Cell – plus three optional modules.

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 Southern Europe; Immunology and Disease; The Evolution of Sex; Conservation Biology; and Cell Birth, Life and Death.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Animal Biologists work in 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:

• Academic Scientists e.g. Conservation, Ecology, Evolution, Microbiology, Research
• Agricultural Officers
• Ecologists
• Government Statisticians
• Industry Scientists e.g. Analytical Biology
• Research Assistants
• Veterinary Nurses
• Wildlife Information Assistants

This course is not available as a combined degree.
Faculty of Natural Sciences

APPLIED BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES BSc (Hons)

UCAS CODE: 8C93
TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS
YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Highers: BBB
GCE A-levels: BB
IB Diploma: 28
BTEC (level 3): MMM
Essential subjects: To include one of Biology or Chemistry.
Preference will be given to candidates with a strong science background.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see pages 103.

Please note that this course is a fully integrated degree taught in conjunction with Forth Valley College.

Semesters 1-4 will be delivered by Forth Valley College at their Falkirk Campus.

Semesters 5-8 will be delivered by the University of Stirling at the University.

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

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 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.

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.

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TOP 15 IN THE UK FOR BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
Times and Sunday Times
Good University Guide 2022

This course is not available as a combined degree.

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. Subjects 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. Subjects taken include: Advanced Cellular and Molecular Biology; Applied Immunology; Protein Biochemistry; Microbiology; Genetic Engineering, 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:
- Big Data Analysts
- Biotechnologists
- Bioinformaticians
- Biomedical Engineers
- Environmental Scientists
- Higher Education Lecturers
- Laboratory Technicians
- Microbiologists (Medical or Environmental)
- Nanotechnologists
- Nature Conservation Officers
- Project Managers in Molecular Biology
- Pharmacologists
- Secondary School Teachers
- Statisticians
Biology is the study of life. Are you interested in the evolution of animal behaviour, the genetic engineering of crops or the hidden worlds of molecular and cell biology? At every stage of our course, conceptual underpinning and practical applications will be emphasised.

As such, our Biology degree is necessarily flexible, providing the broadest possible perspective for the first two years, then enabling you to specialise. In Years 3 and 4, you can specialise to reflect the strengths and interests you develop, whether your interests lie at the level of the biosphere, the whole organism, the cell or the biomolecule. As you develop your practical skills and stimulate your curiosity with projects, you will become involved with ongoing research, giving you the opportunity to conduct your own research and contribute to biological discoveries.

This course provides training opportunities in key skills, from science communication to coding. This tailored skill set will equip you to address global challenges of the future.

In addition to fieldwork in Scotland, we run two optional field courses in Year 4. One course is situated in Southern Europe, such as in the French Cévennes Mountains, a UNESCO World Biosphere Reserve. Travel, accommodation and subsistence on residential field courses are not included in the course fees.

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Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2022

### COURSE COMBINATIONS

This course can be combined with:
- Mathematics (CG11), Professional Education (CX11)
- Professional Education (Primary) with Specialism in Environment (XC11)
- or Psychology (CC18).
Faculty of Natural Sciences

BUSINESS COMPUTING BSc (Hons)

UCAS CODE: G510
TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS

YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Highers:
ABBB – by the end of S5
AABB – by the end of S6
GCE A-levels:
BBB
IB Diploma:
30
BTEC (Level 3):
DDM

YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Adv. Highers:
ABB
GCE A-levels:
ABB
IB Diploma:
35
Essential subjects:
To include Computing and Business Studies/Management and relevant experience of Java or other programming languages.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry: Bs in graded unit.
Advanced entry: See website for details.

Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.

Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

In this course, you will examine just how critical computers are to business. The emphasis is on organisations and how computers are used within them. In addition, you will study the core skills of designing and building software systems.

You will gain a broad base of skills by combining theory and practice – a skill set that resonates well with employers, whether in the software industry itself or in a wider and more strategic context, developing the use of IT in any business.

We help our students build a strong link with industry and, during Year 3, you will have the opportunity to take part in a three-month summer placement or a one-year placement. Students also have the opportunity to engage with an international teaching environment through our exchange programmes.

3RD IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 10 IN THE UK FOR COMPUTING SCIENCE
Guardian University Guide 2022

COURSE CONTENT

In Semesters 1-3, students from our three computing-related degrees take the same core modules in Computing Science.

Core topics include: Computational Thinking; Programming Using Java; Social and Professional Issues; Usability and Accessibility of Interfaces; and Data Structures, Objects and Algorithms.

There are also three core business modules and you will take one additional subject each semester.

Semesters 4-8 cover core computing and business modules that include: Information Systems; Database Principles; Applications; International Business and Entrepreneurship; Computer Security; and Networks, together with optional advanced modules such as Business Analytics or Artificial Intelligence.

Final-year Honours students undertake an independent project, which typically involves designing and developing a computer application within a business context.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Our graduates have knowledge of both business and computing science – a skills combination highly valued by employers. You will be ideally placed to work either in the software industry itself, or in a more strategic role developing the use of IT in business.

Employment sectors range from consulting firms to IT users such as governments, banks and insurance companies. Our industrial placements will equip you with work experience designed to help you enter the job market. Employers of graduates in business and financial services include: Prudential; Standard Life Assurance; Bank of Scotland and HSBC; as well as companies such as KANA, CGI, Microsoft and Google.

Our graduates have found employment as:
• Data Engineers
• Systems Analysts

Also taught at:
Ras Al Khaimah Campus,
United Arab Emirates

This course is not available as a combined degree.
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.

Whichever 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.

TOP 5 IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 20 IN THE UK FOR BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT STUDIES

The Complete University Guide 2022

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.

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. 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 Advisers

COURSE COMBINATIONS

This course can be combined with:

Accountancy (NNF4); Economics (LN11); English Studies (NQ13); Film and Media (NP13); Finance (NN13); French (NRF1); Human Resource Management (NN16); Law (MN11); Management (NN12); Marketing (NN25); Modern Languages (NT19); Politics (LN21); Psychology (CN81); Spanish (NRF4); or Sport (NC16).
Faculty of Natural Sciences
CELL BIOLOGY BSc (Hons)

UCAS CODE: C130
TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS
YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Highers: AABB – by the end of S5 AAAB – by the end of S6
GCE A-levels: BBB
IB Diploma: 30
BTEC (Level 3): DDM
Essential subjects: To include one of Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics or Physics.
YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Adv. Highers: ABB
GCE A-levels: ABB
IB Diploma: 35
Essential subjects: To include Biology and one of Chemistry, Environmental Science, Geography, Geology or Physics.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND: Minimum entry: Bs in graded unit.
Advanced entry: See website for details.

Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.

Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

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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 ageing
• Improve the quality and quantity of important food crops, including Scottish aquaculture
• 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.

TOP 15 IN THE UK FOR BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES
Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2022

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COURSE CONTENT
In Semesters 1-4, you will study the following core modules: Cell Biology; Physiology; Genetics and Evolution; Ecology; and Biodiversity. In addition to the core modules, you will study Laboratory Skills and Statistics. 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 and Enzymes and their Applications. 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 topics, which currently include: Molecular Techniques; Omics and Systems Biology; Phylogenetics and Biological Control Mechanisms; 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:

• Bioinformaticians
• Biomedical Engineers
• Biotechnologists
• Cellular and Molecular Biologists
• Higher Education Lecturers
• Laboratory Technicians
• Microbiologists
• Project Managers
• Scientists e.g. Analytical Biological Research, Soil, Water
• Secondary School Teachers

This course is not available as a combined degree.
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 chapters, and an active Computer Club that supports projects and activities for those interested in computer sciences, including the organisation of a Hackathon.

3RD IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 10 IN THE UK FOR COMPUTING SCIENCE
Guardian University Guide 2022

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.

Semesters 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 includes: Agilent (Hewlett Packard), British Telecom, Google, HSBC, KANA, 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 Developers
- Web Developers

Also taught at: Ras Al Khaimah Campus, United Arab Emirates

COURSE COMBINATIONS
This course can be combined with:
- French (GR41); Mathematics (G4G1); Philosophy (GV45);
- or Spanish (GR44).

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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; addictions; 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.

There is a very strong practical/applied focus at Stirling, with excellent links between our research, research centres and our teaching. Our lecturers are involved in various fields of research, for example: police practice; surveillance; children affected by parental substance use; desistance from crime; human trafficking; and corporate and white collar crime.

1ST IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 10 IN THE UK FOR CRIMINOLOGY
Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2022

COURSE COMBINATIONS
Criminology can only be studied as a combined degree and may be combined with:
Law (MM91); Philosophy (MV95); Politics (ML92); Sociology (LM39); or Social Policy (LL64).
**DATA SCIENCE BSc (Hons)**

**UCAS CODE:** G700

**TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS**

**YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS**
- SQA Highers: ABBB – by the end of S5
- AABB – by the end of S6
- GCE A-levels: BBB
- IB Diploma: 30
- BTEC (Level 3): DDM

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

**ESSENTIAL SUBJECTS:**
To include Computing and relevant experience of Java or other programming languages.

**OTHER QUALIFICATIONS**
- Scottish HNC/HND: Minimum entry: Bs in graded unit. Advanced entry: See website for details.
- Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**
- General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.
- Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

**COURSE CONTENT**

In Years 1-3 students need to complete 120 credits comprising of compulsory and optional modules, whereas in Year 4 all modules are compulsory.

- Year 1 compulsory modules include: Introduction to Computing Science; Mathematics I; Practical Statistics; Programming and User Interface Design.

- Year 2 compulsory modules include: Data Structures; Objects and Algorithms; Database Principles and Applications; Managing Information; Scripting for Data Science.

- Year 3 compulsory modules include: Introduction to Machine Learning; Code Analysis and Performance; Statistical Inference; Optimisation; NoSQL Databases; Natural Language Processing and Computer Vision; Data Strategy.

- Year 4 includes: Data Science Applications; Computing Science Project; Security; Distributed Data Science Systems.

As an Honours student you will undertake an independent project in your final year. The choice of project topic can be motivated by a particular interest you may have and will allow you to demonstrate a range of skills you have learned throughout the course.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Organisations are increasingly using and collecting larger amounts of data during their everyday operations. From predicting what people will buy to tackling environmental and organisational issues, your job is to analyse, visualise and interpret large amounts of data in innovative ways. Data Scientists work across a range of areas including finance, health, retail, food, scientific research, agriculture etc.

Graduates from a data science course find employment as:
- Data Engineers
- Data Scientists
- Data Scientists in a research field such as Genomic, Cognitive, Clinical and Healthcare
- Data Solution Architects
- Digital Analytics Engineers
- Machine Learning Data Scientists
- Machine Learning Developers
- Machine Learning Engineers
- Research and Development Data Scientists

**3RD IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 10 IN THE UK FOR COMPUTING SCIENCE**

Guardian University Guide 2022

**Demand for workers with specialist data skills like data scientists and data engineers has more than tripled over five years (+231%), according to a 2019 Royal Society Report ‘Dynamics of data science skills’. The types of skills most frequently required by British employers include scripting languages, big data, SQL databases and machine learning.**

Our BSc (Hons) Data Science will give you an in-depth awareness and appreciation of the underlying computing and mathematical principles driving data science technologies. It is a practical degree focusing on the mathematical and analytical skills needed to begin a career as a data scientist or analyst.

You will study modules chosen from across Computing Science and Mathematics and will be introduced to both data science theory and applications. You will study subjects at the core of data science including programming, machine learning and statistics. You will be introduced to database principles and applications and learn cutting edge technology such as Python and NoSQL. The course will teach you what you need to know to collect, manage and analyse big, fast-moving data for science or commerce.

**This course is not available as a combined degree.**
Faculty of Arts and Humanities

**DIGITAL MEDIA BA (Hons)**

**UCAS CODE:** W2N9

**TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS**

**YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS**

**SQA Highers:** BBB

**GCE A-levels:** BB

**IB Diploma:** 28

**BTEC (level 3):** MMM

**ESSENTIAL SUBJECTS:** To include English.

**OTHER QUALIFICATIONS**

Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

Please note that this course is a fully integrated degree taught in conjunction with Forth Valley College.

Semesters 1-4 will be delivered at Forth Valley College at their Stirling Campus.

Semesters 5-8 will be delivered by the University of Stirling at the University.

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 multiplatform 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, understand the ethical, legal and theoretical dimensions of this industry, and will meet the critical skills requirements of a multi-sector job environment.

Students will have full access to all of the University’s and College’s online and on-site facilities from Year 1 onwards.

**2ND IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 5 IN THE UK FOR COMMUNICATIONS AND MEDIA**

Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2021

**COURSE CONTENT**

The Digital Media course combines the applied technological and media-oriented skills of Forth Valley College’s course with the advanced academic training and latest digital expertise of the University.

Semesters 1-4 are based at Forth Valley College (Stirling Campus), and include modules delivered under thematic umbrellas including: An Introduction to Storytelling; Journalism for Digital Media; Creative Economy; Independent Project 1 and 2; Storytelling Theory and Production; and Applied Practice. Students will also participate in the Digital Media and Culture module at the University in Semester 4.

Semesters 5-8 are based at the University of Stirling. In Semesters 5 and 6 the core module is Digital Creativity. Optional modules include: Applied Digital Media; Production - Online Content; Introduction to Motion Graphics and Animation; Social Media Marketing; and further optional modules from the Film and Media and Journalism Studies programmes.

In Semester 7, you will choose from advanced modules including: Audio Podcasting; Production - Content Development and Research; Researching the Media and Culture; and Digital Journalism.

As part of a final-year Honours project, you will also complete a 60-credit independent study module. This will take the form of a capstone project or dissertation.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Graduates are work-ready, well-rounded, informed, highly skilled and digitally literate individuals, able to work effectively across a range of media platforms.

Our graduates find 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

This course is not available as a combined degree.
ECOLOGY AND CONSERVATION BSc (Hons)

UCAS CODE: C185
TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS
YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Highers:
AABB – by the end of S5
AAAB – by the end of S6
GCE A-levels: BBB
IB Diploma: 30
BTEC (Level 3): DDM

Essential subjects:
To include one of Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Geography, Geology, Mathematics or Physics.

YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Adv. Highers: ABB
GCE A-levels: ABB
IB Diploma: 35
Essential subjects:
To include Biology and one of Environmental Science, Geography or Geology.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry: Bs in graded unit.
Advanced entry: See website for details.

Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.

Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

The contemporary world is one of rapidly increasing human interference in natural environments, as well as competition for space and resources. A degree in Ecology and Conservation 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 of them 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.

As part of this degree, you will have the option (at no additional cost) to enroll on a course, run by external providers, dedicated to helping students find jobs in the conservation sector.

Students must pay a contribution towards the cost of travel, accommodation and subsistence for the Scottish field course in Year 2 and the optional field courses in Years 3 and 4.

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

COURSE CONTENT
Semesters 1-4 cover core modules in foundation subjects, including: Ecology; Biodiversity; Cell Biology and Physiology; Environmental Sciences; and Practical Skills.

Semesters 5-6 cover advanced modules in Environmental Policy and Management, and Population and Community Ecology, plus up to four modules from a defined list of options, including a field course to Spain.

In the summer between years 3 and 4, students on this degree can choose to enroll on a 3 week placement working with a relevant organisation and a residential ecology field course, currently based in Portugal.

Your 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. You will also take 3-5 modules from a wide range of options.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
There is high demand for well-qualified conservation graduates, and students completing an Ecology and Conservation degree at Stirling work with a range of UK employers.

We have strong links with research and conservation bodies in Scotland (e.g. Scottish Natural Heritage, Scottish Environmental Protection Agency), the wider UK and overseas (e.g. International Union for Conservation of Nature, European Environment Agency, Gabonese National Parks Service, Norwegian Institute for Nature Research), as well as with various non-government conservation organisations such as the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, British Trust for Ornithology, Bat Conservation Trust, wildlife trusts and environmental consultancies.

Other graduates may train as teachers or undertake further study.

Our graduates have found employment as:

• Ecologists
• Energy Advisers
• Environmental Education Officers
• Environmental Managers, Consultants
• Geographic Information Analysts
• Government Scientists
• Nature, Conservation Officers
• University Researchers

This course is not available as a combined degree.
An Economics degree empowers you with the analytical, communication and data skills to address and answer the most important questions in the modern world. From climate change to inequality, and from globalisation to education, Economics is the study of decision-making and incentives throughout our societies and our communities.

Here at Stirling, you will learn Economics in a revolutionary new way through our commitment to the CORE project “Economics for a changing world.” As a result, our Economics course focuses on real-world theory instead of textbook-simple theory, which is rigorously challenged with data and evidence.

Strategic thinking is one of the central pillars of the course, and you will be introduced to decision and game theory as part of this through a bespoke module.

We also have specialisms in environmental economics, behavioural economics and public policy analysis embedded throughout the course.

We foster a strong staff and student community, emphasising collaboration. We’re ranked 1st in Scotland and 3rd in the UK for overall student satisfaction for Economics, having placed top 5 in Scotland for the last three years (National Student Survey 2021).

We offer an Honours course in Economics and combined Honours courses with a range of other subjects. The interactive CORE teaching approach in Semesters 1-2 is explored in more detail in Semesters 3-4, which will also include an accessible and applied introduction to statistics for economics.

Modules in Semesters 5-8 are designed to develop your knowledge and understanding of the central methods of economic analysis and major policy issues. It includes dedicated modules in causal inference, behavioural economics and game theory.

You’ll also have the opportunity to choose from elective modules that can give you a specialist understanding of areas such as Environmental Economics, Financial Economics, Experimental Economics, and Industrial Organisation.

The degree capstone in Year 4 is the Economic Research Methods, which includes a dissertation to arm students with cutting-edge research methods, and challenges students to produce publication-quality research. The best pieces are published in our in-house journal, the Stirling Student Economic Review.

Economics graduates are the second highest earners of all graduates 10 years after graduating (Institute for Fiscal Studies Report 2020).

In addition to careers in business and government, there are a range of jobs in companies that directly use economics and seek graduates who hold a good degree in the discipline.

Our very recent graduates have found employment as:

- Analysts in finance, energy, transport and the public sector, such as Scottish Water, Aviva, Merill Lynch, and JP Morgan
- Machine-learning experts in banks such as RBS
- Project or Operations Managers in companies such as LinkedIn and Lloyds Bank plc.
- Senior Officers in national and local governments

The course can be combined with:

Accountancy (LN14);
Business Studies (LN11);
Environmental Science (FL91);
Finance (LN13); Marketing (NL51);
Mathematics (GL11); Politics (LL12);
or Politics/Philosophy (L0V0).
Our courses in Primary Education will equip you with the necessary knowledge and skills to start a career in one of the most rewarding professions.

By choosing our Primary Education degree with one of six specialisms (Modern Languages, the Environment, Inclusive Practice, Literacy, Numeracy or Early Years), you will be demonstrating to future employers that you are a capable and qualified Primary Education teacher. You will study the relevant subject specialism modules at university level, as well as modules focused on education theory and practice.

You will be taught by a combination of world-leading academics and outstanding teachers, who are seconded from schools to work at the University.

Our unique model of teaching also allows you to develop gradually as a teacher through having longer to reflect on the integration of theory and practice over four years as opposed to a traditional route of a one-year course.

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**The Complete University Guide 2022**

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

Education (Primary) can only be studied as a combined degree and may be combined with:

**Additional required subjects**

- **Environment (XC11)**
  - To include an SQA Higher (B), A-level (B) or equivalent in Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Geography, Mathematics or Physics.

- **Modern Languages (XR18)**
  - To include an SQA Higher (B), A-level (B) or equivalent in one of French or Spanish.

- **Numeracy (XG19)**
  - To include an SQA Higher (B), A-level (B) or equivalent in Mathematics

**No additional requirements**

- Early Years (XX13)
- Inclusive Practice (XX14)
- Literacy (XQ19)

**COURSE CONTENT**

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

In Semesters 3-4, you will continue to study Education alongside your subject specialism. 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. During Semester 5, you will undertake a 10 week placement (3 days in school, 2 days in university). Studying on placement will allow you to translate theory into practice.

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.

Our graduates have found employment as:

- Head Teachers
- Learning Support Teachers
- Primary School Teachers
- Senior Lecturers
- Teaching Consultants

**ACCREDITATION**

Accredited by the General Teaching Council of Scotland with seven commendations that include being student-centred and the high quality of our research-informed approaches.
Faculty of Social Sciences

EDUCATION (SECONDARY) BA/BSc (Hons)

We offer a wide range of courses to prospective secondary school teachers that enable them to gain a research-informed degree in Professional Education, studying both pedagogy with a first teaching subject or subjects (see degree combinations below).

Our distinctive courses, studied over four years rather than the traditional five, have been offered for over 40 years, and our confidence in this process is validated by the recommendations of the Donaldson Report into Teacher Education.

You will be taught by a combination of world-leading academics and outstanding teachers, who are seconded from schools to work at the University.

We also work in close partnership with the Local Authorities, schools, Education Scotland and the General Teaching Council for Scotland to ensure you are supported throughout your studies.

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

There will be a four-week placement at the end of Semester 4 and a 10 week placement (3 days in school, 2 days in university) in Semester 6. During Semesters 3-5 you will continue to take Education modules alongside your subject specialism.

Semester 7 includes a 10-12 week placement. In Semester 8, students will complete their Enquiry into Practice and undertake further study in their main teaching subject.

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.

Our graduates have found employment as:
• Authors
• Curriculum Specialists
• Educational Researchers
• Principal Teachers
• Senior Lecturers
• Training and Development Managers

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

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COMBINED DEGREE TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS
FOUR-YEAR HONOURS (EXCEPT PHYSICAL EDUCATION)
SQA Highers:
ABBB – by the end of S5
AABB – by the end of S6
GCE A-levels: BBB
IB Diploma: 30
BTEC (Level 3): DDM

FOUR-YEAR HONOURS PHYSICAL EDUCATION
SQA Highers:
AAAB – by the end of S5
AAAA – by the end of S6
GCE A-levels: BBB
IB Diploma: 30
BTEC (Level 3): DDM

Essential subjects:
All applicants must meet the requirements for English and Mathematics. See website for details. Some have additional requirements. There is a preference for a Higher or A-level in the subject(s) you wish to teach.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND: Minimum entry: Bs in graded unit and Maths/English per above.
Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.

Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

Entry to these courses is provisional until the end of Year 1, and subject to interview and criminal record PVG check.

COURSE COMBINATIONS
Education (Secondary) can only be studied as a combined degree and may be combined with:
Biology (CX11); English Studies (QX31); English Studies/Religion (QXJ1); Environmental Geography (FX81); French (RX11); French and Spanish (RXD1); History (VX11); History/Politics (LX21); History/Sociology (VXD1); Mathematics (GX11); Philosophy and Religion (VX53); Religion (VX61); or Sport (CX61).

+Physical Education is not available in combination with any other degree programme.
University of Stirling, Faculty of Arts and Humanities

ENGLISH STUDIES BA (Hons)

PT

UCAS CODE: Q300

TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS

YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Highers:
ABBB – by the end of S5
AABB – by the end of S6
GCE A-levels:
BBB
IB Diploma:
30
BTEC (Level 3):
DDM

YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Adv. Highers:
ABB
GCE A-levels:
ABB
IB Diploma:
35
Essential subjects:
To include English.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry:
Bs in graded unit.
Advanced entry:
See website for details.

Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.

Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

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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 a variety of periods and 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.

We are also proud to have the Macrobert Arts 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 contemporary authors and discuss their work.

TOP 5 IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 15 IN THE UK FOR ENGLISH

Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2022

COURSE CONTENT

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

In Semester 3, you will study Literary Revolutions.

In Semester 4, you will study a choice of core modules including: Writing and History; Writing and Theory; and Writing and Language. In Semester 5, students choose from several period-based modules, including: Renaissance Literature, 1500-1600; The Literature of the Middle Ages; British Romanticism; Victorian Literature and Culture; and Modernism and Modernity.

Semesters 6-7 cover a range of optional modules which may include: Shakespeare’s Theatre, The Fin-de-Siècle; Modern Gothic; American Literature; Victorian Popular Fiction; Tragedy; Scottish Literature; Jane Austen; Creative Writing; Documenting the Eighteenth Century; and Rotten English.

The final semester will be spent writing your dissertation, supervised by your tutor.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The ability to think and write clearly is extremely valuable in many careers and professions. Our graduates are well prepared in these transferable skills, and have an excellent success rate in finding rewarding employment in many fields like teaching, Teaching English as a Foreign Language, advertising, marketing, PR, journalism, charity or arts administration, publishing, broadcasting, heritage and creative writing.

Our graduates have found employment as:

• Copy Editors, Proofreaders
• Customer Service Managers
• English Teachers
• Event Producers
• Journalists
• Press Officers
• Professional Writers

COURSE COMBINATIONS

This course can be combined with:
Business Studies (NX13); Film and Media (QP33); French (QR31);
History (QV31); Journalism Studies (QP35); Philosophy (QV35);
Professional Education (QX31);
Psychology (QC38); Religion and Professional Education (QXJ1); or Spanish (QR34).
Studying Outdoor Education with either Environmental Geography or Environmental Science combines a solid foundation of theory with extensive hands-on practice, giving you an in-depth understanding of environmental, geographical and ecological issues.

If you have an interest in outdoor activities and are able to demonstrate your enthusiasm or participation in such activities, then one of these courses might be the right one for you.

Your teaching methods will be diverse such as lectures, tutorials, seminars and an optional work placement, but with a strong emphasis on practical in-the-field learning.

In addition you have the potential to complete your Mountain Leader Assessment taught by leading mountaineering instructors. We provide you with training in navigation, mountain hazards, and a range of outdoor leadership skills.*

*To be eligible to sit the assessment for the summer Mountain Leader Award, you must have logged a minimum of 40 Quality Days independently prior to the end of Semester 6. Consequently, this degree requires a high level of commitment to independent hill and mountain walking.

TOP 20 IN THE UK FOR GEOGRAPHY
Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2022

In addition to academic entrance requirements, applicants must be able to demonstrate their enthusiasm for and experience in outdoor activities relevant to the course.
This course offers innovative, interdisciplinary training for students who want to address the world’s most pressing environmental challenges.

The environmental systems on which our society depends are complex and fragile. To understand their interplay with human society, environmental scientists need to take an interdisciplinary approach that combines knowledge of how physical, chemical and biological processes interact over space and time to shape our natural environment.

We were one of the first universities to introduce an Environmental Science degree in the UK and our course is accredited by the Institution of Environmental Sciences (IES) and our students are entitled to free Student Membership of the Institute - a first step towards chartered status.

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 residential field courses in the UK and overseas destinations (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.

2ND IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 15 IN THE UK FOR ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

National Student Survey 2021

COURSE CONTENT

Semesters 1-4 will explore the science behind the global physical, chemical and biological processes that shape our natural environment. Training in laboratory and field skills is provided through a series of core and optional modules, including a residential field trip to Aviemore or the Lake District.

Semesters 5-8 will provide specialist training in core modules, including: Environmental Policy and Management; Geographical Information Systems; and Methods and Applications in Environmental Science. These are complemented by a range of other modules.

ADVANCED ENTRY

2nd Year entry: HNC Countryside and Environmental Management; HNC Applied Sciences (conditions apply)

3rd Year entry: HND Countryside and Environmental Management; HND Rural Resource Management; HND Environmental Management and Sustainability

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:

- Ecologists
- Energy Advisers
- Environmental Education Officers
- Environmental Managers, Consultants
- Geographic Information Analysts
- Laboratory Technicians
- Microbiologists
- Nature, Conservation Officers
- Recycling Officers
- Scientists e.g. Analytical Biological Research, Soil, Water
- Waste Management Officers

COURSE COMBINATIONS

This course can be combined with: Economics (FL91); Mathematics (F9G1); Politics (FL92); or Professional Education (Primary) with specialism in the Environment (XC11).
We are pioneers in Film and Media education and research, and have been nationally and internationally active in the field since 1978.

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.

Teaching staff include specialists in gender, broadcast production, documentary, screenwriting, 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.

You will benefit from access to the Macrobert Arts Centre, our on-campus, multiscreen cinema and theatre that 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.

3RD IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 20 IN THE UK FOR MEDIA AND FILM STUDIES

The Guardian University Guide 2022

COURSE CONTENT

In Semesters 1-4, you will learn vital skills in different aspects of film and media analysis across five core modules: An Introduction to Media Studies 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 provide choices from modules including: Scriptwriting; Terrorism in the Media; Global Film and/as Philosophy; Sport and the Media; and Feminism and Television.

Semesters 5-8 also offer regular production modules that build core skills as the degree progresses. Modules include: Editing and Workflow; and Content Development and Research.

The production strand ends in Semester 8 with Factual Production – the results of which regularly win national awards.

Some modules include regular workshops and guest lectures delivered by industry speakers, many of whom are graduates of the course.

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
Choose Finance at Stirling to discover why we’re ranked top 20 in the UK for Accounting and Finance (The Complete University Guide 2022).

Our BA (Hons) Finance is also the first undergraduate degree in Scotland to have Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Institute Affiliation Program status, in recognition of the employability skills that students develop, as well as a cutting-edge education.

This course addresses issues like: how do stock markets work? How can I make money by trading futures and options? How can companies reduce foreign exchange risk? Do shareholders benefit from corporate takeovers? Does corporate governance matter? Why do financial crises occur? What types of securities should be included in an investment portfolio?

By exploring Finance, you will gain a thorough grounding in the theoretical and analytical skills needed for a career in corporate finance, investment management or financial services.

COURSE CONTENT
In Semesters 1-3, you will study the core modules in Finance, Accounting and Economics, and will be able to select optional modules from a range of subjects.

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 judgment 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

COURSE COMBINATIONS
This course can be combined with:

- Accountancy (NN43);
- Business Studies (NN13);
- Economics (LN13); or
- Mathematics (GN13).
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 France 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 the Caribbean, the Maghreb and sub-Saharan Africa.

2ND IN SCOTLAND AND 3RD IN THE UK FOR FRENCH
National Student Survey 2021

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 semesters of study.

Students in our Advanced stream will combine written language classes, spoken language classes and the study of aspects of French and Francophone culture, politics and society from Semester 1 onwards. These modules examine the language, culture and society of 20th- and 21st-century France and the wider French-speaking world through the analysis of texts, films and online materials.

The Beginners’ and Advanced streams merge from Semester 4 onwards.

In Semesters 5-8, students will take core language modules in spoken and written French, and choose specialisms from a range of modules, including: French Detective Film and Fiction; Women Writers on Women; Children’s Literature and Cinema; French Cultures of Travel; and Black France.

In most degree combinations including French, Semester 6 is an integral and compulsory period of Study Abroad, which is spent at one of our partner institutions across France, Switzerland, Morocco or Quebec. All students of French will be required to spend some time abroad as part of their course.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Language graduates are confident communicators with an ability to adapt well to new environments. In recent years, our graduates have progressed to careers in publishing, journalism, television, advertising, translating, law, teaching in French or English as a foreign language, administration and management.

Our graduates have found employment as:
- Editors
- Export Managers
- Proofreaders
- Teachers
- Translation Managers

COURSE COMBINATIONS
This course can be combined with:
- Business Studies (NRF1);
- Computing Science (GR41);
- English Studies (QR31);
- Film and Media (RP13);
- History (RV11);
- Human Resource Management (NRP1);
- Journalism Studies (RP15);
- Law (RM11);
- Mathematics (GR11);
- Professional Education (Primary) with Modern Languages (XR18);
- Professional Education (Secondary) (RX11);
- Religion (RV16);
- Spanish (RR14); or Spanish and Professional Education (Secondary) (RXD1).
UCAS CODE: FL97

TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS

YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Highers:
AABB – by the end of S5
AAAB – by the end of S6
GCE A-levels: BBB
IB Diploma: 30
BTEC (Level 3): DDM

Essential subjects:
To include one of Biology, Chemistry, Environmental Science, Geography, Geology, Mathematics or Physics.

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

Essential subjects:
To include one of Environmental Science, Geography or Geology and one of Biology, Chemistry, Economics, Mathematics, Physics, Politics or Sociology.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry: Bs in graded unit.
Advanced entry: See website for details.

Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.

Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

This is a unique course 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 we live.

Environmental geographers have expert knowledge and skills to research, analyse and communicate how the changing environment affects our lives. They visualise geographical issues at different spatial scales, from global to 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 – set within political and economic frameworks.

TOP 20 IN THE UK FOR GEOGRAPHY

Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2022

COURSE CONTENT

Semesters 1-4 cover the following core modules: physical geography, geology, biography, people and environment, global environmental issues, and statistical techniques, plus additional modules from a wide range of options including a skills-based field course.

Semesters 5-8 offer a more specialised approach. You will study advanced modules on themes including: environmental policy and hazards; glacial-environments; earth surface processes; energy and society; remote sensing and GIS; and sustainable development. A further element of the course is a residential field class in Spain or Scotland which involves an additional cost. All our final-year students receive one-to-one training and develop independent research skills through their Honours research projects.

Students have the opportunity to undertake Study Abroad during the third year of the course; this may be for a Semester or for the full academic year (two Semesters). We have a long-standing and highly successful exchange programme in Europe and in North America.

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 data analysis, problem-solving, team working, multi-media 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:
- Environmental Impact Assessors
- Geographic Information Analysts
- Geomorphologists
- Land Managers and Consultants
- Marine Protection Managers
- Nature, Conservation Officers
- Urban Designers
- Waste Management Officers

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This course can be combined with:
Environmental Geography and Professional Education (FX81); or 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 Historic Environment Scotland, VisitScotland and Scottish Canals.

This course combines the applied tourism and business skills of Forth Valley College 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 will also 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.

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

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 may 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; Conservation Management; Back to the future: Putting History and Heritage to Work; Medieval Archaeology and Heritage; The Museum: History, Theory, Practice.

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

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Employability skills are embedded throughout the course, alongside transferable 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.

Many organisations 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.
Faculty of Arts and Humanities

**HISTORY**

**BA (Hons)**

**UCAS CODE:** V100

**TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS**

**YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS**

**SQA Highers:**
- AABB – by the end of S5
- AABBB – by the end of S6

**GCE A-levels:**
- BBB

**IB Diploma:**
- 30

**BTEC (Level 3):**
- DDM

**YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS**

**SQA Adv. Highers:**
- ABB

**GCE A-levels:**
- ABB

**IB Diploma:**
- 35

**Essential subjects:**
- To include History.

**OTHER QUALIFICATIONS**

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

**Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.**

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

**General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.**

**Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.**

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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 that employers have always recognised and valued.

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 also cover a wide range of historical periods from the late 9th-century to the 21st-century.

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.

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**TOP 5 IN SCOTLAND FOR HISTORY**

National Student Survey 2021

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**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 Semesters 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, 1968, Early Modern Scotland or Popular Politics in Britain.

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

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**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

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**COURSE COMBINATIONS**

This course can be combined with:
- English Studies (QV31)
- Film and Media (PV31)
- French (RV11)
- Journalism Studies (VP15)
- Law (MV11)
- Philosophy (VV15)
- Politics (LV21)
- Politics/Professional Education (LX21)
- Professional Education (VX11)
- Religion (VV16)
- Religion/Professional Education (VXC1)
- Sociology (LV31)
- Sociology/Professional Education (VXD1)
- Spanish (RV41).
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.

You can also choose optional modules from a range of subjects including: Business Studies; Management and Marketing. We encourage students to consider electives in Accounting, Finance and Economics alongside specialist HRM modules.

You will have numerous opportunities to develop appropriate work-related skills at every stage of your studies.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
The BA (Hons) Human Resource Management is highly relevant to the world of work, and students taking the single honours 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.*

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

*Please note only the single Honours BA (Hons) Human Resource Management route undertaken at our Stirling campus is accredited by the CIPD. Combined degrees are not accredited.

COURSE COMBINATIONS
This course can be combined with:
- Business Studies (NN16);
- French (NRP1); Law (MN16);
- Marketing (NN65); Psychology (NC68); or Spanish (NR64).

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Graduates with business and marketing skills, combined with a strong knowledge of European languages and society, are highly sought after in the global job 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 have the opportunity to spend a semester 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 have the opportunity to spend a semester in the country of your second language, so you’ll spend two lengthy periods in French and Spanish-speaking countries.

This course is not available as a combined degree.
Journalism Studies at Stirling is consistently ranked among the best in the UK, and its award-winning students help to set it apart.

Jon Snow, the widely respected Channel 4 News broadcaster and journalist, described us as ‘a breed apart’, and many students have gone on to careers in press, broadcasting and online communications. Three years running our students have been recognized in the Ian Bell Awards for Scottish Writers under 30, and in 2019, a Stirling student won first prize.

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.

**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 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 interrogate information in the digital era, and help you develop the skills needed to write journalistic content.

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 Analysing the Language of News. You can also choose from a selection of Film and Media modules including: Public Relations; Advertising; or Gender and Representation. You will have access to a range of production modules in television and radio, and you may also take a work experience module in which you gain first-hand exposure to the modern media workplace.

**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.

The BA (Hons) Journalism Studies degree also offers a foundation for vocational postgraduate study in journalism and related fields, such as international journalism, digital media and communication, 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

**2ND IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 5 IN THE UK FOR JOURNALISM, PUBLISHING AND PUBLIC RELATIONS**

The Guardian University Guide 2021

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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 specialism.

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

Law modules are based on Scots law.

COURSE CONTENT
The Business Law course caters for students considering a career in business. Semesters 1-4 of the degree introduce the building blocks of Business Law, with core modules including: Law in the 21st Century; Criminal Law; Business Law; and Law of Commerce.

In Semesters 5-8, you will choose advanced modules from specialist legal topics, including: Competition Law; Labour Law; Intellectual Property Law; Private International Law; and Sports Law.

The Law course provides a broad understanding of a wide range of areas. Semesters 1-3 introduce the subject through core modules, which include Criminal Law and Family Law.

In Semesters 4-8, you will choose from the range of specialist legal topics mentioned above for the BA (Hons) Business Law, including: Child Law; International Human Rights Law; and Environmental Law.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Recent success for our Law BA graduates includes recruitment to Ashurst LLP, Morgan Stanley, Santander UK Corporate and Commercial, Provista UK, Mono Consultants Ltd and JP Morgan Chase and Co.

Our graduates have found employment as:

• Business Development Executives
• Business Relations Managers
• Legal Counsels
• Managers
• Public Relations Account Executives

COURSE COMBINATIONS
This course can be combined with:
Accountancy (with Business Law) (MN24); Business Studies (MN11); Criminology (MM91); French (RM11); History (MV11); Human Resource Management (MN16); Politics (ML12); or Spanish (MR14).

TOP 5 IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 15 IN THE UK FOR LAW
National Student Survey 2021

Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.

Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.
The Stirling LLB provides in-depth knowledge and understanding of legal principles, theories, institutions and rules – as well as the wider social and political context in which law operates.

Available as an undergraduate degree and as a two-year accelerated graduate degree, this course will provide a well-rounded qualification that can be your first step towards becoming a Scots lawyer or entering other prestigious professions.

**ACCELERATED DEGREE**

Graduate entrants can obtain the LLB after two years of study concentrating on the core modules. For more information, please contact Admissions.

**ACCREDITED BY THE LAW SOCIETY OF SCOTLAND AND RECOGNISED BY THE FACULTY OF ADVOCATES**

**TOP 5 IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 15 IN THE UK FOR LAW**

National Student Survey 2021

This course is not available as a combined degree.
UCAS CODE: N200

TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS

YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS

SQA Highers:
AABB – by the end of S5
AABB – by the end of S6

GCE A-levels:
BBB

IB Diploma:
30

BTEC (Level 3):
DDM

YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS

SQA Adv. Highers:
ABB

GCE A-levels:
ABB

IB Diploma:
35

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry: Bs in graded unit.
Advanced entry: See website for details.

Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.

Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

The University of Stirling Management School is ranked among the top 5 in Scotland and top 20 in the UK for Business and Management Studies (The Complete University Guide 2022).

This course will equip you to manage complex challenges and create sustainable futures for businesses. You will gain a deep understanding of how business, societal and environmental forces are evolving and interact, and how to analyse the problems created by their competing demands.

By working on live business situations, computer-based simulations and entrepreneurial developments you will put learning into practice and develop solutions through the application of data analytics, and enhance your decision making skills for real-world issues.

You will learn about the functions, structures and dynamics of organisations, and develop the planning and project management capabilities to organise resources and implement changes using a variety of computer-based management tools.

You will also develop personal skills in critical thinking, team-working and leadership, and have effective communication skills to confidently translate your innovative ideas into action.

TOP 5 IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 20 IN THE UK FOR BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT STUDIES

The Complete University Guide 2022

COURSE CONTENT

Semesters 1 and 2 will provide you with a broad grounding in Business and Management including:
The Global Business Environment; and
The Management Challenge.

In Semesters 3-7, compulsory core modules provide the theory, application and key skills required of all students of management. They include: Operations Management; Leadership and Management; Responsible Business/Ethics; Project Management; and Strategic Management.

You are also encouraged to take advanced electives such as Business Analytics and Innovation Management as well as acquiring useful knowledge in Accounting and Finance for Managers; and Economics for Managers.

You will have many opportunities to develop appropriate work-related skills at every stage of your studies.

The dissertation in the final year is based on a project of your choice and is a great opportunity for you to further specialise and align your competences and experience to your career goal.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Our Management graduates are in demand for a wide range of careers, including general management, project management, risk management and business analyst roles.

Our graduates are particularly sought after by management consultancies while many others have gone into specialist analytical roles in areas of logistics, healthcare and finance.

Organisations that have recently recruited our Management graduates include:
• Bank of Scotland
• Deloitte
• Enterprise Cars
• Hilton Hotels
• IBM
• Lloyds Bank
• NHS
• Scottish and Southern Energy (SSE)
• Sopra Steria
• Tesco

Also taught at:
Ras Al Khaimah Campus,
United Arab Emirates

COURSE COMBINATIONS

This course can be combined with:
Business Studies (N100)
Are you fascinated by the oceans and the rich diversity of organisms that inhabit their depths?

Marine Biology is the study of specialised plants and animals and how they’ve adapted to the challenges of living in a marine environment. It is also concerned with the impact human activity has on the health of the oceans and their sustainable management.

Our course is truly multi-disciplinary. It draws on other biology disciplines, including ecology and the physical and environmental sciences.

You will be taught the dynamics of aquatic systems and the biology of their organisms and you will learn about the science of living and other underwater techniques through a mix of practical work, fieldwork and research projects.

The final year of study involves an independent research project and overseas projects are encouraged and have previously been located throughout Europe, North and South America, the Indian subcontinent, Asia and Oceania.

Our world-leading Institute of Aquaculture - which coordinates this course - is a leading international centre in its field, with an excellent international reputation in teaching, research, innovation and consultancy.

The Institute of Aquaculture was awarded the prestigious Queen’s Anniversary Prize in 2019.

TOP 15 IN THE UK FOR BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2022

This course is not available as a combined degree.
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 course is accredited by the Chartered Institute of Marketing, which gives students the opportunity to gain professional qualifications through the CIM Graduate Gateway, which are highly sought after by employers. Our students and graduates gain exemptions in the number of modules that are required for the CIM.

The modules available on this course reflect the specialist expertise of staff, who have an active interest in particular topic areas, such as digital marketing; marketing analytics; and consumers, culture and society.

Our students gave us a 95% overall satisfaction rate, which is top 5 in the UK, and we were 1st in Scotland for ‘Teaching on my course’; ‘Academic Support’; ‘Organisation and Management’; as well as ‘Learning Community’ in the National Student Survey 2021.

COURSE CONTENT
Semesters 1-2 will provide fundamentals of marketing and a background in business-related modules, which will be taught alongside other Management students. These modules include: The Global Business Environment - An Introduction; and The Management Challenge - An Introduction. Semesters 3-4 will further your understanding of marketing, and you will also choose four elective modules.

Semesters 5-8 modules include: Understanding Consumers; Delivering Value in the Digital Age; along with elective module options.

You will also undertake a Marketing and Retail Consultancy project designed to engage you with current ‘live’ business practices.

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

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Marketing students acquire a comprehensive range of analytical, problem-solving and professional skills that are increasingly valued in industry, commerce, education, government and non-profit organisations.

Our graduates have found employment as:
• Brand Communications Managers
• Business Owners
• Commercial Managers
• Digital Marketing Specialists
• Marketing Managers
• Product Managers
• Project Managers
• Public Relations Managers
• Search Engine Optimization Specialists

TOP 10 IN THE UK FOR MARKETING
The Complete University Guide 2019; 2020; 2021; 2022

COURSE COMBINATIONS
This course can be combined with:
Accountancy (NN45); Business Studies (NN25); Economics (NL51); Film and Media (PN35); French (N5R1); Human Resource Management (NN65); Marketing and Sociology (LN35); Psychology (CN85); or Spanish (N5R4).

Also taught at:
The Singapore Institute of Management, Singapore
Do you enjoy numbers the way others enjoy music, poetry or art? Mathematical training develops specific skills and broad 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 academics provide a stimulating and supportive learning environment, and we have a strong and active research group. Its primary interest 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.

**COURSE CONTENT**

In Semesters 1-4, 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 5-8, 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.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

There is a growing need for graduates with mathematical skills in business, research and the sciences. This course provides both the theoretical background and the quantitative skills you need to solve real-world problems.

Our graduates have found employment as:

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

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This course can be combined with:

- Accountancy (GN14)
- Biology (CG11)
- Computing Science (G4G1)
- Economics (GL11)
- Environmental Science (F9G1)
- Finance (GN13)
- French (GR11)
- Professional Education (Secondary) (GX11)
- Professional Education (Secondary)/Computing Science (GX91)
- or Psychology (CG81).
Mathematics is not just about knowledge and numbers. It’s about gaining transferable skills such as critical thinking, problem solving, analysis of data/information, experimental and project design, as well as communication and teamwork skills that will make you a desirable candidate to employers.

As part of the course you will have the opportunity to use the mathematics computing laboratories as an integral part of your learning process, making your study as much experimental as theoretical.

Our course focuses on the foundation of mathematics and statistics with a strong emphasis on real-world applications. 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.

In Semesters 1-4, 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; Linear Algebra; and Analysis. You can also opt to take additional mathematics modules in Discrete Structures and Practical Statistics.

In Semesters 5-8, the Applied Mathematics Honours course covers a broad range of skills. Advanced modules cover the following key areas: mathematical techniques for solving a wide range of problems, and the theory underlying these mathematical techniques; model building; statistical data analysis; multivariate methods and statistical inference. This will include projects that allow further development of skills in areas of applied mathematics.

In business, research and the sciences, there is a growing need for graduates with mathematical skills. This course provides both the theoretical background and the quantitative skills you need to solve real-world problems.

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 (CG11); Computing Science (G4G1); Economics (GL11);
- Environmental Science (F9G1); Finance (GN13); French (GR11);
- Professional Education (Secondary) (GX11); Professional Education (Secondary)/Computing Science (GX91); or Psychology (CG81).
COMBINED DEGREE

TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS

YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS

SQA Highers:
ABBB – by the end of S5
AABB – by the end of S6
GCE A-levels:
BBB
IB Diploma:
30
BTEC (Level 3):
DDM

Essential subjects:
To apply for a combined degree with French and Spanish, you will require one of these languages at Higher (B) or A-level (B) or equivalent.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.

Modern Languages encompasses the study of both French and Spanish. While English may be an international language, it is far from the only one. With a long-established reach across the globe, French and Spanish are languages spoken all over the world.

This is why we study Spanish and French from a global perspective at Stirling, exploring the wide-ranging cultural aspects of both languages.

In Semester 6, Honours students spend a period of residence abroad, studying at a university or business school in France, Spain, Morocco, Switzerland, Quebec or Latin America. Additionally, eligible students will have the option of spending a year abroad as a language assistant between Semesters 4-5 via a British Council-run scheme.

Students doing French and Spanish must spend time abroad for both languages.

COURSE CONTENT

We recognise that you may not have studied a language before. That is why we enable you to start your study of French or Spanish from a beginner’s level, as well as from an advanced level. During Year 2, both streams merge and students graduate at the end of their degree with advanced language skills. Modern Languages and Business (NT19) combines the study of French or Spanish with Management.

At the end of Year 2, you will continue to specialise in Business Studies, as well as continuing the study of two languages.

European Languages and Psychology (CR89) combines the study of French or Spanish with Psychology. Teaching is supported by our renowned Psychology department.

French or Spanish and Education is a combined Honours degree that allows graduates to teach at either Primary or Secondary level – see entries on Primary and Secondary Education on pages 54 and 55 respectively.

International Politics and Languages (RL92) builds on the importance of global politics.

For the majority of modern language degrees, there is a compulsory period of Study Abroad. For full details, please see specific course entry.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Language graduates are confident communicators and highly sought after by employers. The combination of subjects available with either French or Spanish, or in some cases both, allows students to go on to a wide variety of careers.

Our graduates have found employment as:
• Broadcast Journalists
• Diplomatic Service Officers
• English-as-a-Foreign-Language Teachers
• International Aid or Development Workers
• Interpreters
• Logistics and Distribution Managers
• Marketing Executives
• Patent Examiners
• Sales Executives
• School Teachers
• Tour Managers
• Translators

TOP 5 IN SCOTLAND FOR MODERN LANGUAGES AND LINGUISTICS

The Guardian University Guide 2021

COURSE COMBINATIONS

Modern Languages can only be studied as a combined degree and may be combined with:
Modern Languages and Business (NT19); European Languages and Psychology (CR89); French and Education (Secondary) (RX11); French with Spanish and Education (Secondary) (RXD1); Education (Primary) with specialism in Modern Languages (XR18); International Politics and Languages (RL92).
This course provides an innovative and contemporary nursing education that will result in either a three-year BSc or a four-year BSc (Hons) degree, and professional registration as a nurse in the adult field of practice.

Pre-registration Nursing is delivered by a group of world-leading academics with strong and established research records, expertise in nursing practice and a wealth of world-class publications. Our academic and clinical staff are committed to ensuring that our students have the highest quality student experience.

The aim of the course is to fully prepare you to work in a complex and dynamic health and social care environment – having acquired the knowledge, skills and attributes necessary to practise safely, compassionately, ethically and effectively in a range of contemporary care settings.

BSc (Hons)

BSc (Hons) Nursing students follow the same programme structure as the BSc Nursing students for the first three years of their course. After that point, Honours students carry out an additional placement module.

In their final year, Honours students complete additional modules, including a dissertation and their Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) required final placement in their 3rd year, achieving registration and their Honours degree at the end of Year 4.

TOP 5 IN SCOTLAND FOR NURSING

Complete University Guide 2022

See pages 106-107 for funding available to student nurses.

COURSE CONTENT

You will study alongside Mental Health Nursing students and Paramedic Science students in the first year of your course and then move into field specific modules in Years 2 and 3 of the course. This allows you to gain a holistic understanding of how healthcare professionals work together to bring about the best in patient-centred care.

Each year meets the NMC requirement of 50 percent theory and 50 percent practice. You will be introduced to the fundamentals of nursing, and progress towards delivering person-centred nursing care in more complex and demanding situations. Developing the leadership and management skills needed to foster quality and innovation within health and social care will also be a focus.

Through our partnerships with a diverse range of health and social care organisations, students will have the opportunity to put theory into practice. Students will work both day and night shifts across 7 days to coincide with the patterns of the practice or service area. You will also have the opportunity to apply for an international placement in Year 3 of the course.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

An Adult Nursing degree from the University of Stirling will prepare you to meet the needs of a modern profession, and to provide the best-possible patient care in a range of NHS and non NHS settings. Some of our graduates focus initially on practice to consolidate their learning, while others progress to postgraduate studies.

Some examples of the roles our graduates hold within the healthcare sector include:

- Advanced Nurse Practitioners
- Clinical Researchers
- District Nurses
- Health Visitors
- Managers of care homes
- Nurse Educators
- Occupational Health Advisers
- Senior Charge Nurses
- Staff Nurses

This course is not available as a combined degree.
This course provides an innovative and contemporary nursing education that will result in either a three-year BSc or a four-year BSc (Hons) degree, and professional registration as a nurse in the mental health field of practice.

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 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.

**BSc (Hons)**

BSc (Hons) Nursing students follow the same programme structure as the BSc Nursing for the first three years of their course. After that point, Honours students carry out an additional placement module.

In their final year, Honours students complete additional modules including a dissertation and their NMC required final placement in Year 3, achieving registration and their Honours degree at the end of Year 4.

**TOP 5 IN SCOTLAND FOR NURSING**

Complete University Guide 2022

See pages 106-107 for funding available to student nurses.
This course will prepare you for a rewarding career as a paramedic working in a continuously changing healthcare environment.

Our BSc degree is delivered by experts in health education who are recognised internationally for their research into out-of-hospital care.

The role of a contemporary paramedic is rapidly evolving within the modern health care system as they deploy their skills in an increasing range of emergency and non-emergency situations. The aim of the course is to equip you with the necessary knowledge and skills needed to enable you to apply to register as a paramedic with the Health and Care Professions Council (HCPC) following successful completion of the course.

COURSE CONTENT

Our BSc Paramedic Science degree will prepare you as a professional graduate who has the required knowledge, skills, values and attributes to work autonomously with people and address their immediate needs. These skills will include clinical decision-making, leadership, communication and relationship building skills. You’ll actively participate in a range of dynamic care settings, experiencing the roles of the paramedic and how they relate to other disciplines such as the emergency services and health and social care.

We work with the Scottish Ambulance Service and our partner NHS boards to ensure that our course offers you the best practice based education learning experiences.

See pages 106-107 for funding available to students of Paramedic Science.

You will undertake ambulance placements with the Scottish Ambulance Service along with non-ambulance placements with acute hospital providers. This will include placements to Emergency Departments, Cardiology, Maternity etc. Each placement is designed to reflect the clinical expectations for paramedic practice.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The double-crewed ambulance role continues to form the traditional foundation on which a newly qualified paramedic develops their skills and knowledge. However, further opportunities exist within a single crewed Paramedic Response Unit (PRU) where they attend the more sensitive 999 calls and support other front-line ambulance clinicians.

With further in-service education, paramedics can apply to work within the NHS Ambulance Service Special Operations Response Teams (SORT)/Hazardous Area Response Teams (HART) who specialise in:

- Mass-casualty and multi-casualty incident management
- Chemical, Biological, Radiological and Nuclear incidents
- Water rescue
- Terrorist-related incidents

Career opportunities include specialist routes such as:

- Ambulance Officers and Area Service Managers
- Ambulance Community Training and Education Officers
- Aviation and Helicopter Paramedics
- Critical Care Paramedics
- Primary Care Practitioners
- UK armed forces including the Royal Air Force, Royal Navy and British Army (Medical Emergency Response Team MERT).

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This course is not available as a combined degree.
Faculty of Arts and Humanities

PHILOSOPHY
BA (Hons)

UCAS CODE: V500

TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS

YEAR 1 ENTRY –
FOUR-YEAR HONOURS

SQA Highers:
ABBB – by the end of S5
AABB – by the end of S6

GCE A-levels:

IB Diploma:
30

BTEC (Level 3):
DDM

YEAR 2 ENTRY –
THREE-YEAR HONOURS

SQA Adv. Highers:
ABB

GCE A-levels:
ABB

IB Diploma:
35

Essential subjects:
To include Philosophy.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry:
Bs in graded unit.

Access courses and other
UK/EU and international
qualifications are
also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION

General entry
requirements apply –
see pages 101-102.

Widening access
students may be eligible
for an adjusted offer
entry – see page 103.

“I think that I am in control of what
I do, but why do I do the things I do?
I do them because of my upbringing,
my circumstances and my biological
make-up. But these are things over
which I have no control. If they
determine what I do, how can
I have any control over what I do?”

This is just one example of the kind of
questions that philosophers ask. It is
possible that you have asked a question
like this yourself at some point in your
life. Philosophy is the activity of thinking
seriously, creatively and carefully about
these, and similar, questions.

COURSE CONTENT

In Semesters 1-3, you can take three
modules in Philosophy (two of which are
compulsory) as well as modules in other
subjects. All three philosophy modules
focus on central philosophical problems and
issues: ‘Philosophy: What is it all about?’
is an introduction to central philosophical
problems concerning knowledge, mind and
body, freedom and determinism, morality
and justice.

‘Mind, Value and Reality’ is an introduction
to key metaphysical and ethical issues. What
is it to be a person? Are we responsible
for what we do? Can we be motivated by
anything other than our own self-interest?
These and other topics will be considered
and some ethical implications explored.

3RD IN SCOTLAND
AND TOP 15 IN THE UK
FOR PHILOSOPHY

Times and Sunday Times Good
University Guide 2021

From Plato to Existentialism’ is a
philosophical examination of the
relationship between the individual and
society, looking at works by Plato, Hobbes,
Mill and Sartre.

In Semesters 5-8, you will take optional
modules from a broad list, including:
Knowledge and Reality; Environmental
Ethics; Philosophy of Language;
Philosophy of Science; Political Philosophy
and Aesthetics.

In Year 4, there are opportunities for
directed independent study, including
dissertation projects and supervised study
of a particular topic, theme or book.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Philosophy is an academic discipline that is
highly valued by employers, who recognise
that philosophy graduates are strong
analytical thinkers, capable of presenting
material clearly and succinctly with
cogent argument.

Our Philosophy graduates are currently
working for a number of leading
organisations, including Scottish Enterprise,
BAE Systems, Deveaux, Australian
Government, UK Government, Justice
Publishing, Aegon, Police Scotland and
in secondary education.

Our graduates find employment as:

• Barristers
• Civil Service Fast-Streamers
• Health Service Managers
• Local Government Officers
• Marketing Executives
• Newspaper Journalists
• Paralegals
• Psychotherapists
• Recruitment Consultants
• Solicitors
• Teachers in Further Education,
Higher Education and Secondary Schools

COURSE COMBINATIONS

This course can be combined with:
Computing Science (GV45);
Criminology (MV95); English
Studies (QV35); Film and Media
(VP53); History (VV15); Politics
(LV25); Politics and Economics
(L0V0); Professional Education/
Religion (VX53); Psychology
(CV85); or Religion (VV56).
Politics permeates every aspect of people’s lives – shaping their opinions, informing their decisions, guiding their alliances and enabling their understanding of others’ beliefs and motivations at individual, organisational and cultural levels.

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 levels.

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.

2ND IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 10 IN THE UK FOR POLITICS

Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2021

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; The Politics of the Middle East; 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

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 verbally and in writing.

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 (LN21); Criminology (ML92); Economics (LL12); Environmental Science (FL92); Film and Media (PL32); History (LV21); History/ Professional Education (LX21); Journalism Studies (PL52); Law (ML12); Philosophy (LV25); Philosophy and Economics (L0V0); Psychology (LC28); Religion (LV78); Social Policy (LL24); or Sociology (LL23).
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.

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.

2ND IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 10 IN THE UK FOR POLITICS

Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2021

COURSE CONTENT

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

Semesters 1-4 will cover five core modules including: The Politics of the British Isles; Introduction to International Politics; and Comparative Politics.

In Semesters 5-8, you will study at least five International Politics modules, including: Human Rights in International Politics; and The Politics of the Middle East; The EU in Times of Crisis; Political Economy and the Global Environment; Political Islam; and Critical Approaches to European Security. In addition, you must complete the Semester 6 module, Research Methods, and a final year International Politics dissertation.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

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.

Having developed these transferable skills, Stirling Politics graduates work in commerce and industry, as well as the civil service, journalism, law, teaching and within politics in both research and representative capacities.

Our graduates have found employment as:

- Civil Service Fast-Streamers
- Government Social Research Officers
- Politicians’ Assistants
- Public Affairs Consultants
- Public Researchers

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COURSE COMBINATIONS

This course can be combined with: Modern Languages (French or Spanish) (RL92).
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.

3RD IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 15 IN THE UK FOR PHILOSOPHY

Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2021

2ND IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 10 IN THE UK FOR POLITICS

Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2021

2ND IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 5 IN THE UK FOR ECONOMICS

The Guardian University Guide 2021

COURSE CONTENT

You will study nine modules in Semesters 1-3, including: Politics of the British Isles; Introductory Microeconomics; 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.

From Semester 5 onwards you will choose one of our three PPE streams, which will enable you to progressively specialise in two of the three subject areas.

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 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 make sure that you are well-positioned 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
- Members of Parliament
- Political Assistants
- Political Journalists
- Private Bankers
- Public Affairs Consultants
- Public Relations Account Executives
- Senior Analysts
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.

### Typical Requirements

**Three-Year Honours**

- SQA Advanced Highers: ABB
- GCE A-levels: ABB
- IB Diploma: 35

**Essential subjects:** Preference given to those with Mathematics.

### Other Qualifications

- **Scottish HNC/HND:** Minimum entry: Bs in graded units.

### Additional Information

Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

### Top 20 in the UK for Accounting and Finance

The Complete University Guide 2022

### 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:

- Accountants
- Auditors
- Business Partners
- Management Accountants
- Managing Directors

This course is not available as a combined degree.
If you are interested in the mind and human behaviour, then Psychology is for you.

Our award-winning Psychology course sits at the cutting-edge of inter-disciplinary scientific research. We focus on important societal problems such as detection of criminals and improvement of health outcomes.

The course is delivered by what the British Psychological Society (BPS) commended as a proactive, approachable and engaged programme team. The BPS described Stirling as being ‘at the forefront of the student-led teaching experience in Psychology across the UK’ which helps students’ personal and professional development.

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 (EEG and fNIRS)
- Health research (including GSR and heart rate monitoring)
- Face research (including eye-tracking)
- Vision research (including VR and stereoscopic displays)
- Developmental research (including our on-site Kindergarten)

TOP 5 IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 20 IN THE UK FOR PSYCHOLOGY

Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2022

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
- Cognitive Psychology

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 and Health Psychology I 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.

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 Resources Officers
- Occupational Psychologists
- Play Therapists
- Primary Care Mental Health Workers
- Psychological Wellbeing Practitioners
- Sport and Exercise Psychologists

COURSE COMBINATIONS

This course can be combined with:

- Biology (CC18)
- Business Studies (CN81)
- English Studies (QC38)
- French or Spanish (CR89)
- Film and Media (CP83)
- Human Resource Management (NC68)
- Marketing (CN85)
- Mathematics (CG81)
- Philosophy (CV85)
- Politics (LC28)
- Sociology (CL83)
Religion at Stirling is distinguished by its critical approach. It is critical because it not only explores areas of experience generally described as ‘religion’ or ‘religious’, but also places the category of ‘religion’ itself under the microscope, to look at how it continues to function or to change in our contemporary world.

We encourage students to subject the problematic term, religion, to different forms of analysis for example, postcolonial or feminist – in a wide range of contexts, including the historical, colonial, neo-colonial, and decolonial. We engage with it in fields such as literature, the arts, philosophy, anthropology, sociology, politics and international relations.

The course content is rigorous and intellectually challenging – but it is also deeply rewarding on numerous levels.

TOP 5 IN SCOTLAND FOR THEOLOGY AND RELIGIOUS STUDIES
The Complete University Guide 2022

COURSE COMBINATIONS
Religion can only be studied as a combined degree and may be combined with:
- English Studies (QV36)
- French (RV16)
- History (VV16)
- Politics (LV78)
- Philosophy (VV56)
- Philosophy/Professional Education (VX53)
- Professional Education (VX61)
- Professional Education/English Studies (QXJ1)
- Professional Education/History (VXC1)
- Sociology (LV36)

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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. The sector is a major employer with over 3.1 million people currently working in retailing, equating to 9.3 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 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.

Our students gave us a 95% overall satisfaction rate, which is top 5 in the UK, and we were 1st in Scotland for ‘Teaching on my course’; ‘Academic Support’; ‘Organisation and Management’; as well as ‘Learning Community’ in the National Student Survey 2021.

**COURSE CONTENT**

Semesters 1 and 2 include: The Global Business Environment – An Introduction; and The Management Challenge – An Introduction.

Semesters 3-4 will further your understanding of the fundamentals of marketing and retail studies; you will also cover sustainable marketing and choose from 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 Strategy and Operations; and Delivering Value in the Digital Age.

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

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.

Our graduates have found employment as:

- Account Directors
- Brand Specialists
- Buying Executives
- Category Managers
- Marketing Managers
- Retail Sales Directors

**TOP 10 IN THE UK FOR MARKETING**


Also taught at: The Singapore Institute of Management, Singapore

This course is not available as a combined degree.
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UCAS CODE: V211
TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS
YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Highers:
AABB – by the end of S5
AAABB – by the end of S6
GCE A-levels:
BBB
IB Diploma:
30
BTEC (Level 3):
DDM

YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Adv. Highers:
ABB
GCE A-levels:
ABB
IB Diploma:
35
Essential subjects:
To include History.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry:
Bs in graded units.
Advanced entry:
See website for details.
Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.
Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

In the current political and cultural climate the study of Scottish History has never been more relevant. At Stirling, we bring it to life for you in unique ways not explored at other universities.

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.

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COURSE CONTENT
In Semesters 1-3, 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; Scotland’s ‘Highland Problem’ in the 16th-century; and 19th-century Scotland.

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Additionally, Single Honours students must take the Semester 6 module on Dissertation Preparation, which takes the fear out of doing your final-year dissertation. Students will write a supervised dissertation of between 12,000 and 14,000 words on a research topic of their choice.

In Semesters 7-8, Honours students will take a special subject from a range of options. This module involves using printed documentary collections and other challenging and fascinating source material.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
A History or Scottish History degree sets intellectual challenges and fosters 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.

Graduates in Scottish History find opportunities for a wide variety of posts within and outside of Scotland. The module Back to the Future will get students thinking about their future in work.

Typical employers include: Heritage organisations; museums; libraries; financial institutions; educators; management consultancies; publishers; retail, media and broadcasting organisations; and international development organisations. The civil service, NHS, police and armed forces all welcome the skills and knowledge gained by a degree in this subject area.

Our graduates have found employment as:
• Further and Higher Education Lecturers
• Heritage Managers
• Historic Buildings Inspectors or Conservation Officers
• Museum Education Officers
• Museum or Gallery Curators
• Museum or Gallery Exhibitions Officers
• Secondary School Teachers

This course is not available as a combined degree.
Related degrees:
BA (Hons) History
Do you want a career that is stimulating, rewarding and makes a positive contribution to society? If so, a degree 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 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.

Our degree course combines the professional qualification you need to practise social work with a strong grounding in relevant social science subjects. Successful completion of this course will mean you are eligible to be registered by the Scottish Social Services Council as a qualified social worker. Each UK country has its own registration body and this degree is accepted by all of them.

2ND IN SCOTLAND AND 3RD IN THE UK FOR SOCIAL WORK
The Complete University Guide 2022

COURSE CONTENT
In Semesters 1-3 you will take four social work related modules that introduce you to social work 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 onwards involves a high 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 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 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.

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

This course is not available as a combined degree.
Do you want to understand and learn how to analyse the way in which society works? Do you want to build and develop your ability to critically engage with the purposes, processes and outcomes of social welfare, both here and abroad?

Our course’s international and comparative approach offers topics that analyse society and welfare issues in various countries. We have particular expertise covering Scotland, the UK, the EU, Western and Central Europe, Australasia, North America and Latin America. Our course and modules include the latest developments in social research, taught by recognised experts in their chosen fields, who raise real-world issues in a critical, informed and engaging manner.

The first two years of our degree structure are flexible, allowing students to experiment with new subjects. You can apply to spend Semester 6 at another university in Europe, Australia, Canada or the USA.

3RD IN SCOTLAND FOR SOCIOLOGY
The Complete University Guide 2022

TOP 5 IN SCOTLAND FOR SOCIAL POLICY
The Complete University Guide 2022

COURSE CONTENT
In Years 1 and 2, you will take three subjects each semester.

In Years 3 and 4, you will specialise in your chosen area.

Modules include: Ageing, Society and Social Policy; Contemporary Social Issues in Practice; Cooperation and Society; Disability and Society; Drugs, Crime and Society; Gender, Work and Welfare; Health and Society; Housing Policy; Poverty, Income and Wealth; Race and Ethnicity Social Stratification; Social Network Analysis; Sociology of Childhood; Sociology of Development; Sociology of Youth; Urban Society, Work, Class and Society.

You will also have the opportunity to undertake your own research dissertation. Examples of recent dissertation topics include: Sectarianism in Scottish Society; Understanding Binge Drinking; the Criminalisation of Muslims in Britain; Body Image; Obesity; Anti-Social Behaviour Orders; Young Female Bullying and Violence; and the Impact of Adoption on Personal Identity.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
There are some careers where a sociology degree is a requirement, for example working as a sociological researcher or a lecturer or teacher of sociology. However, there are many more opportunities where the knowledge and understanding students acquire in studying sociology is highly valued; for example, social work, in local government, for the police or prison service, in the voluntary sector or in human resources.

Our graduates have found employment as:

- Community Care Workers
- Financial Crime Associates
- Housing Service Assistants
- Lecturers in Social Science
- Social Workers

SOCIOMETRY COURSE COMBINATIONS
Sociology can be combined with: Criminology (LM39); Film and Media (LP33); History (LV31); History and Professional Education (VXD1); Marketing (LN35); Politics (LL23); Psychology (CL83); Religion (LV36); or Spanish (LR34).

SOCIAL POLICY COURSE COMBINATIONS
Social Policy can be combined with: Politics (LL24).
SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT WITH CYBER SECURITY  

BSc (Hons)

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UCAS CODE: T5G6
TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS
YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Highers:
BBB
GCE A-levels:
BB
IB Diploma
28
BTEC (level 3):
MMM
Essential subjects:
To include one of Chemistry, Computing, Mathematics or Physics.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

Please note that this course is a fully integrated degree taught in conjunction with Forth Valley College.

Semesters 1-4 will be delivered by Forth Valley College at their Falkirk Campus.

Semesters 5-8 will be delivered by the University of Stirling at the University.

Our BSc (Hons) in Software Development with Cyber Security 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 software 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.

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Guardian University Guide 2022

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 1-4 are based at Forth Valley College, and cover modules in: Computer Systems Fundamentals; Professionalism and Ethics in Computing; Mathematics – Calculus and Matrices for Computing; Software Development – Programming Foundations; Software Development – OOP; Systems Development – Object Oriented Analysis and Design; and XML (taught at the University).

Semesters 5 and 6 at the University cover modules in: Software Engineering; UX Design; Concurrent and Distributed Systems; Computer Game Technologies; and Information Systems.

In Semesters 7 and 8, modules include: Artificial Intelligence; Web Services; NoSQL Databases; and Computing and the Brain.

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
Fascinated by technology and software, and keen to work with colleagues in the creative process? Teamwork is the secret of the software engineering industry, because the complex systems that software engineers design and build are often too large for a single person to develop alone.

On this course, you will learn how to reason logically, analyse problems and resolve them by building effective computer systems. You will study techniques for real-world software design and associated programming technologies, ensuring that you are well prepared for a career involving large-scale software development.

We help our students build strong links with industry through three-month summer placements and one-year placements. Placement opportunities exist with local SMEs, as well as large corporates. Students also have the opportunity to study abroad at one of our partners.

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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
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.

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

This course is not available as a combined degree.

Also taught at:
Ras Al Khaimah Campus, United Arab Emirates

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UCAS CODE: G600
TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS
YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Highers:
ABBB – by the end of S5
AABB – by the end of S6
GCE A-levels:
BBB
IB Diploma:
30
BTEC (Level 3):
DDM

YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Adv. Highers:
ABB
GCE A-levels:
ABB
IB Diploma:
35
Essential subjects:
To include Computing and relevant experience of Java or other programming languages.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry: Bs in graded unit.
Advanced entry: See website for details.

Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.

Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.
UCAS CODE: R410
TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS
YEAR 1 ENTRY –
FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Highers:
ABBB – by the end of S5
AABB – by the end of S6
GCE A-levels:
BBB
IB Diploma:
30
BTEC (Level 3):
DDM
Essential subjects:
To apply for a combined
degree with Spanish and
French, you will require
one of these languages
at Higher (B) or
A-level (B) or equivalent.

YEAR 2 ENTRY –
THREE-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Adv. Highers:
ABB
GCE A-levels:
ABB
IB Diploma:
35
Essential subjects:
To include Spanish.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry:
Bs in graded unit.
Advanced entry:
See website for details.
Access courses and other
UK/EU and international
qualifications are
also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION
General entry
requirements apply –
see pages 101-102.
Widening access
students may be eligible
for an adjusted offer
entry – see page 103.

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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 at 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.

COURSE CONTENT
In Semesters 1-4, you will take Spanish at
either beginner or advanced level, plus two
modules in other subjects, allowing you to
develop your interests and practise your
critical skills. The advanced course comprises
tuition in written and spoken Spanish, plus
an introduction to modern Spanish and
Latin American cultures. In the first two
semesters beginners focus exclusively on
developing their Spanish with a dedicated
language course.

During Semesters 3-4, beginners and
advanced language students will continue
to learn the language, while also studying
Spanish and Latin American cultures.

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: After
Empire: Colonial Legacies in the Hispanic
World; Indigenous Cultures in Latin America;
Basque and Catalan Nationalism, History
and Culture; and Queering Latin America:
Sexuality and Gender in Film. Graduates
have secured jobs in the UK and abroad,
in teaching, both in Spanish and English.

For many of our Spanish degrees, there
is a compulsory period of Study Abroad for
a semester in a Spanish-speaking country.
In your final study year, you may write a
dissertation on your chosen subject in
place of a taught module. If you take a
Single Honours degree in Spanish and
Latin American Studies, writing a dissertation
is mandatory.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Language skills are highly sought after
by employers and open up a wide range
of careers. Graduates have secured jobs
in teaching, both in Spanish and English;
translating and interpreting; finance;
the civil service; industry and commerce;
marketing, administration; charity work;
publishing; and public relations.

Our graduates have found employment as:
• Broadcast Journalists
• Diplomatic Service Officers
• International Aid, Development Workers
• Interpreters
• Logistics and Distribution Managers
• Marketing Executives
• Patent Examiners
• Sales Executives
• Secondary School Teachers
• Teachers of English as a Foreign Language
• Tour Managers
• Translators

1ST IN SCOTLAND AND
3RD IN THE UK FOR
IBERIAN LANGUAGES

Times and Sunday Times Good
University Guide 2022

COURSE COMBINATIONS
This course can be combined with:
Accountancy (NR44); Business Studies (NRF4); Computing Science
(GR44); English Studies (QR34); Film and Media (RP43); French (RR14);
French, Spanish and Professional Education (Secondary) (RXD1);
History (RV41); Human Resource Management (NR64); Journalism
Studies (PR54); Law (MR14); Marketing (N5R4); Professional Education
(Primary) with Modern Languages (XR18); or Sociology (LR34).

You may also study Spanish as a pathway on the following programmes:
Psychology with a European Language (CR89); International Management
Studies with European Languages and Society (N2R9); Modern Languages
and Business Studies (NT19); International Politics and Languages (RL92).
How do our body systems respond to acute exercise and adapt to training? What influences our participation in physical activity and the ability to benefit from it? How can physical activity affect our health and wellbeing?

Scotland’s University for Sporting Excellence brings a cross-disciplinary approach that encompasses sport, health and biological sciences. Studying biological sciences teaches you the disciplines underpinning Sport and Exercise Science, develops your knowledge of scientific methods and explains the role of exercise and training in improving health and athletic performance.

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 psychology as well as an introduction to the study of sport and exercise, with modules in Cell Biology, Physiology and Psychology.

In Year 2 you will further develop your knowledge of anatomy and physiology. You will also be introduced to the topic of biomechanics and learn essential laboratory skills for biological scientists as well as skills in data handling and analysis.

In Year 3 you will undertake specialised modules in the Physiology of Sport and Exercise; Sports Medicine; Cell Biology; and Advanced Biomechanics. These will further develop your knowledge of how exercise and the environment we exercise in can affect the body. You will also see how nutrition can affect the human body from both exercise and health perspectives. The content of these modules is underpinned by a module on applied exercise physiology in which you learn how to assess various exercise performance metrics.

The first half of Year 4 prepares you for an independent project in sport and exercise science. You will undertake modules that introduce ethics and proposal writing for scientific projects as well as refreshing your statistical knowledge from Year 2. You will also undertake a module on advanced methods in sport and exercise research as well as a Readings module where you will learn how to read scientific literature effectively and develop your critical thinking skills. In the second half of Year 4 you will undertake your independent research project which will complete your degree.

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.
UCAS CODE: N8U6

TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS

YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Highers:
AABB – by the end of S5
AAAB – by the end of S6

GCE A-levels:
BBB

IB Diploma:
30

BTEC (Level 3):
DDM

YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Adv. Highers:
ABB

GCE A-levels:
ABB

Essential subjects:
Business and Physical Education

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry:
Bs in graded unit.
Advanced entry:
See website for details.

Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.

Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

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. They will have the flexibility and capability of applying 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 governance, 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 major project where you will conduct a research investigation into an area of sport business.

SPEND A SEMESTER ABROAD IN SINGAPORE

Also taught at:
The Singapore Institute of Management, Singapore

This course is not available as a combined degree.
SPORT DEVELOPMENT AND COACHING BA (Hons)

UCAS CODE: C601
TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS
YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS
SQA Highers: ABB – by the end of S5
AAAB – by the end of S6
GCE A-levels: BBB
IB Diploma: 30
BTEC (Level 3): DDM
YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE YEAR HONOURS
SQA Adv. Highers: ABB
GCE A-levels: ABB
Essential subjects: Physical Education
YEAR 3 ENTRY – TWO YEAR HONOURS
See website for details.
OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
Scottish HNC/HND: Minimum entry: Bs in graded unit.
Advanced entry: See website for details.
Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102.
Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

Stirling is one the best places to study sport in the UK. We are Scotland’s University for Sporting Excellence and have strong partnerships with many national governing bodies of sport and other sporting organisations, some of which are based on our campus. We also work alongside community sport and active lifestyle organisations.

COURSE CONTENT
The BA (Hons) Sport Development and Coaching is a four-year course that is delivered across eight semesters.

The course will give you a multi-disciplinary social science-oriented appreciation of sport and the sport sector. You’ll gain the skills to critically reflect on the health, social, cultural, political, educational, and economic contribution of sport, sport development, and sport coaching.

Modules in the first two years provide an introduction to the importance of sport to individuals and communities, with particular focus on physical activity and health, sport psychology, sociology, and management.

In the final two years, you will deepen your understanding of sport development and coaching. You will engage in learning that develops the knowledge, skills and abilities required to undertake academic inquiry into sport. All students take Research Methods and the Advanced Studies in Sport modules to prepare them to undertake an independent major project on a topic that reflects their interests and career aspirations. You will also complete a Professional Practice in Sport module, where you will engage in a period of work-related learning and receive lectures from guest speakers from the sport industry to learn about working in the sector.

Students are encouraged to develop their knowledge, skills and experiences in sport development and coaching by engaging in voluntary and/or paid sport development and coaching opportunities beyond the course.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Careers in the sport sector account for around three percent of all jobs in Scotland. The BA (Hons) Sport Development and Coaching will prepare you for work in various sport organisations. Sport Development Officer jobs are available throughout the UK in local authorities and sports clubs employing coaches and co-ordinators.

The course also provides a suitable background for entry into our sport Masters courses including MSc Sport Management; MSc Sport Performance Coaching; and MSc Psychology of Sport.

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SPORTS UNIVERSITY OF THE YEAR 2020
Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2020

This course is not available as a combined degree.
Are you interested in learning about the psychology behind performance in sport? Our BSc (Hons) Sport Psychology will enhance your knowledge and skills to prepare you for a career in sport psychology.

We are Scotland’s University for Sporting Excellence and have strong partnerships with many national governing bodies of sport and other sporting organisations, some of which are based on our campus. This will provide you with opportunities for networking and practical experience.

**COURSE CONTENT**

The BSc (Hons) Sport Psychology is a four year course and teaching is delivered across eight semesters.

In Year 1, you’ll gain an understanding of the importance of sport to individuals and communities, with particular focus on physical activity and health, sport and exercise science, sport psychology, sociology, and management. You’ll also undertake mainstream psychology modules delivered by the Psychology Department to provide key foundations on which to build on.

Year 2 considers sport and exercise psychology and the importance it plays in the sport sector and you’ll undertake a Research Methods module delivered by the Psychology Department.

In the final two years, you’ll deepen your understanding of sport psychology and how it impacts the sports industry by completing two subject specific modules in sport and exercise psychology, as well as developing the knowledge, skills and abilities to undertake academic inquiry into sport. The Research Methods and Advanced Studies in Sport modules will help you to understand the methods used to conduct academic research and build your knowledge on some of the current applied issues in Sport. Both of these modules will help you to undertake an independent major project on a topic that reflects your interests and career aspirations. You’ll also complete a Professional Practice in Sport module, which will involve a period of work-based learning as well as guest lectures to learn about working in the sport and exercise psychology industry.

Students are encouraged to develop their knowledge, skills and experiences in sport and exercise psychology by engaging in voluntary and/or paid sport and exercise psychology opportunities beyond the course.

**CAREER OPPORTUNITIES**

Careers in the sport sector account for around three percent of all jobs in Scotland. Sport and exercise psychologists work in a variety of areas and possible careers our graduates can pursue include:

- Working with athletes and teams from amateur to elite and professional level across a range of sporting disciplines
- Working with individuals in health settings such as GP surgeries
- Research roles to undertake sport and exercise psychology research in commercial and academic settings
- Teaching roles such as lecturing
- A sport psychology degree also makes you eligible for further study and training to become a qualified sport and exercise psychologist

This course is not available as a combined degree.
TEACHING QUALIFICATION IN FURTHER EDUCATION (TQFE)  In-service BA

DIRECT APPLICATION

TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS

University Diploma
Relevant Higher National Certificate (HNC) at Level 7 on the Scottish Credit Qualification Framework (SCQF) or equivalent. This pathway is for students where an HNC is the highest qualification available in the UK in that subject area.

BA Degree
Relevant Higher National Diploma (HND) at Level 8 on the SCQF or equivalent. Several equivalent qualifications may be recognised.

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

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

To apply, visit the course page indicated below.

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This course is not available as a combined degree.

Where can I gain practical and hands-on experience that allows me to enhance my teaching experience and ensure that all learners feel valued, safe and included?

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 only three Scottish universities endorsed by the Scottish Government to offer this TQFE course.

At Stirling, we place a significant emphasis and value on the knowledge and skills that the students bring to the course 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.

COURSE CONTENT

Accredited by the General Teaching Council for Scotland, this course leads to a BA degree or a University Diploma. Taken over the course of the academic year, the TQFE comprises four modules at SCQF level 9 plus two teaching observations. Where candidates already hold the SQA PDA ‘Teaching Practice in Scotland’s Colleges’ exemption from one module is granted. The course is open to those who currently work in post-compulsory education (a further education college or similar institution).

Whilst attending teaching days, on campus, at college-based sites or online, you will experience large group lectures delivered by TQFE staff and invited guest lecturers. A wide variety of digital resources will be made available to you online, including: recordings of all lectures; e-journals; and e-books. In addition to ‘in-house’ resources, you are also provided with links to digital resources that are provided by various organisations in the FE sector.

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.

Our graduates have found employment as:

- Curriculum Leaders
- Education Consultants
- Education and Employability Advisers
- Further Education Lecturers
- Heads of Department in Further Education Institutions
- Learning Coordinators
- Post-compulsory Education Lecturers

TOP 5 IN SCOTLAND AND TOP 10 IN THE UK FOR EDUCATION

The Complete University Guide 2022
Where can I gain practical, 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.

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.

The course was commended by the General Teaching Council For Scotland 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.

COURSE CONTENT

The course is taught using a combination of lectures and workshops, offered in a variety of modes, including 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 University-based sessions. The placement, supported by University tutors and college mentors, provides you with the opportunity to develop and enhance your teaching practice in the further education environment.

Course assignments are designed in such a way that you will be encouraged to explore links between professional practice and current research ideas and concepts. In addition, two teaching observations will be carried out, in the main, by core staff on the TQFE course.

The course is taken across one academic year and comprises five modules at SCQF Level 9 worth 120 credit points.

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.

Our graduates have found employment as:

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

This course is not available as a combined degree.
10 STEPS TO UNIVERSITY OF STIRLING

Please see page 104 for full application details.

1. Attend an Open Day in Sept or Oct
2. Choose your course
3. Complete your application by Jan 2023
4. Check your inbox for our offer
5. Attend an Applicant Event in 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!
ADMISSIONS AND ACCESS

STIRLING IS OPEN
The University of Stirling is fully committed to helping all students reach their full potential, and we believe that everyone has the ability to succeed. Each student needs to meet course-specific entry requirements and to manage this, our centralised Admissions and Access Team analyse, review and process all applications to the University. They’re also available throughout your application journey if you need to update your application, have any questions or are just looking for some advice.

We accept a wide range of qualifications from around the globe and understand not all students will come to university through the same routes. The following pages provide you with more information about some of the more common routes.

**COMING FROM SCHOOL**

Scottish Highers and Advanced Highers
We generally make offers based on your Highers and occasionally Advanced Highers. Each of our course pages displays the typical requirements including the number of Highers and grades needed, along with the details of any essential subjects. We accept Highers taken over two sittings, although you may be asked for a higher grade if you repeated or upgraded examinations.

In order to be as fair and consistent as possible for those who are sitting any Advanced Highers, a grade C or above will count 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.

**Foundation Apprenticeships**
Foundation Apprenticeships are fully accepted for all our undergraduate courses, and are generally equivalent to a Higher grade A or B, depending on how relevant the Foundation Apprenticeship is to the degree applied for.

The Scottish Baccalaureate
We accept qualifications from Expressive Arts, Languages, Science or Social Sciences based on the relevance to our degree courses. The qualification consists of a group of current Higher and Advanced Higher subjects in combination with an interdisciplinary project.

A-levels
We make offers based on your predicted A-level grades. Each of our course pages displays the minimum grades required, along with the details of any essential subjects. If you are resitting or upgrading some A-levels we may increase our normal grade requirements.

BTEC
We accept BTEC qualifications whether studied at Level 3 Extended Diploma level or in conjunction with other qualifications. Successful applicants will typically require a grade of DDM in their final Diploma.

Irish Leaving Certificate (Higher Level)
We accept the Irish Leaving Certificate. For most courses, you will be required to have up to five subjects at Honour Levels at grades H2 or H3.

T-levels
We are supportive of the new T-level qualifications; students will generally be asked to obtain a Merit. Please note if the course pages state a specific subject is required at A-level/Higher please check with Admissions and Access to confirm your T-level meets this requirement in advance of submitting an application.

The Welsh Baccalaureate
We accept the Advanced Skills Challenge Certificate. If you are studying the Welsh Baccalaureate we will generally treat this the same as one A-level. For most of our courses you will be required to have the equivalent of three A-levels or two A-levels plus the Advanced Skills Challenge Certificate.

Combined Qualifications
We accept a wide range of qualifications from all over the world. If you are sitting a combination of different qualifications, you will be made an offer based on your individual circumstances (e.g. Highers and a Foundation Apprenticeship or A-level and BTEC combinations).

Variation to published grades
Grades listed on individual course pages are for guidance only. Check online for the latest minimum grades needed before you apply, and if you are resitting or upgrading some subjects you may be asked for a higher grade. 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 and Access Team for advice.

admissions@stir.ac.uk
+44 (0)1786 467044
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 (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 application 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/collegestudents

ADULT RETURNEES
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.

stir.ac.uk/maturestudents

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.

wp@stir.ac.uk
+44 (0) 1786 467046

ACCESS COURSES
Access courses are usually 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/accesscourses

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

If you are on a SWAP course and want to find out more about using this qualification to study at the University of Stirling, contact wp@stir.ac.uk or visit our website:

stir.ac.uk/maturestudents

RECOGNITION OF PRIOR LEARNING
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.

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

admissions@stir.ac.uk

GENERAL 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 or sometimes 3. 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 and Access Team.

admissions@stir.ac.uk

INTERNATIONAL
If English is not your first language, you must provide evidence of your English language skills. Specific English language requirements are listed on each individual course page on our website and we accept a number of English language qualifications. Should you not qualify, we’ve teamed up with global education leader, INTO University Partnerships, to deliver dynamic programmes to support your transition into Stirling. INTO University of Stirling’s integrated academic programmes offer progression to a wide range of undergraduate and postgraduate degrees at the University of Stirling.

For more information about English language requirements, visit:

stir.ac.uk/elr
The University of Stirling is committed to helping students from all backgrounds reach their full potential and we believe that everyone has the ability to succeed. The Widening Access Team works with a range of different students, including:

- Someone studying at a 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
- Carers
- College students
- Mature students
- Students from targeted postcodes (use our online checker: stir.ac.uk/wp)

**CARE EXPERIENCED, ESTRANGED PEOPLE AND CARERS**

Dedicated support is available for care experienced or estranged students and carer students 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 Offer Holder 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/wp
wp@stir.ac.uk

**ADJUSTED OFFERS**

As part of our commitment to making university as accessible as possible, we might make you an adjusted offer of two grades (compared to our published entry requirements) for students who meet certain criteria. The University may consider the following applicants:

- Applicant’s home postcode is within the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation lowest 20%
- Applicant has experience of being in care
- Applicant is a carer
- Applicant is estranged from family and is living without family support
- Applicant is part of the Schools for Higher Education Programme (SHEP)
- Applicant has participated in the University of Stirling Access to Degree Studies Programme
- Applicant has participated in the Scottish Wider Access Programme (SWAP)

**FOR SQA HIGHER QUALIFICATIONS, THE MINIMUM ENTRY REQUIREMENT IS ADJUSTED BY UP TO TWO GRADES.**

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If you’re applying for a full-time undergraduate course, use the UCAS online application system. UCAS starts receiving applications for entry in autumn 2023 on 1 September 2022.

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 applicants need to apply by January 2023. All universities will consider applications received on time or before this date on an equal basis.

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

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 £22. If you apply for two or more courses, there’s a one-off fee of £26.50.

You should make deferred applications through UCAS by the 2023 deadline for entry in September 2024.

Many courses offer the opportunity for you to start your course in January for Year 1 entry. Applications for January entry must be made directly to the University through Admissions and Access. January entry is not available to students from Scotland.

Applications for part-time courses should be made directly to us. Please contact Admissions to do this.

International applicants have until 30 June 2023 to apply. Our overseas agents can help with your application. Visit our country-specific information pages for all the details:

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.

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

What you need to apply for the degree you want to study

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/ler

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

The qualifications and grades you need

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 103 for more information or look on our website:

stir.ac.uk/wp

UCAS CODE: C160

TYPICAL REQUIREMENTS

YEAR 1 ENTRY – FOUR-YEAR HONOURS

SQA Highers:
- AABB – by the end of S5
- AAAB – by the end of S6

GCE A-levels:
- BBB

IB Diploma:
- 30

BTEC (Level 3):
- DDM

Essential subjects:
To include one of Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics or Physics.

YEAR 2 ENTRY – THREE-YEAR HONOURS

SQA Adv. Highers:
- ABB

GCE A-levels:
- ABB

IB Diploma:
- 35

Essential subjects:
To include Biology and one of Environmental Science, Geography or Geology.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

Scottish HNC/HND:
Minimum entry:
- Bs in graded unit and the qualification should be Science related. Access courses and other UK/EU and international qualifications are also welcomed.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

General entry requirements apply – see pages 101-102. Widening access students may be eligible for an adjusted offer entry – see page 103.

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Can be studied part-time

Advanced entry

You can study abroad

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

By the end of S5 – 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 means you could start in second year rather than first year if you want to, and if you have these qualifications and grades.

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.

‘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/wp

These pages tell you how we look at qualifications.
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 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) and students from the Republic of Ireland
Students from England, Northern Ireland, Wales and the Republic of Ireland 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.

HONOURS YEAR SCHOLARSHIP
Students from England, Northern Ireland, Wales and the Republic of Ireland who successfully progress to their fourth year will be awarded an Honours Year Scholarship, covering the full cost of the fees in their fourth and final year.

For further information, visit: stir.ac.uk/scholarships

UK Funding Bodies
Scotland: saas.gov.uk
England: gov.uk/studentfinance
Wales: studentfinancewales.co.uk
Northern Ireland: studentfinanceni.co.uk
Republic of Ireland: saas.gov.uk

EU Students
Tuition fees for new students are available on the University website. Please visit the course pages for further information: stir.ac.uk/ugcourses

International students (living outside the EU)
Tuition fees for new students are available on the University website. Please visit the course pages for further information: stir.ac.uk/ugcourses

TUITION FEES FOR NURSING STUDENTS

Scottish Nursing and Paramedic Science students
SAAS pays tuition fees for all Scottish students on pre-registration courses. There’s also a generous £10,000 non-means-tested bursary – please refer to our website for details.

EU nursing students
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 residency. Please check the course pages for fees.

ADDITIONAL SOURCES OF FUNDING

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.

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

Carnegie Trust
carnegie-trust.org

Association of Charitable Foundations
acf.org.uk

Stirlingshire Educational Trust
(local students only)
stirlingeducationaltrust.org.uk

University Scholarship Finder
This easy-to-use facility lets you search for available scholarships and bursaries.
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/moneysupport
SCHOLARSHIPS

HONOURS YEAR SCHOLARSHIP
See page 106 for details.

MERIT SCHOLARSHIP UK STUDENTS (EXCLUDING SCOTLAND)
All 2023 applicants from England, Northern Ireland, Wales and the Republic of Ireland with a minimum of AAB performance at A-level or equivalent – including DDD BTEC qualifications – 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.

For further information, visit: stir.ac.uk/scholarships

NURSING SCHOLARSHIP UK STUDENTS (EXCLUDING SCOTLAND) AND STUDENTS FROM THE REPUBLIC OF IRELAND
All 2023 applicants from England, Northern Ireland, Wales and the Republic of Ireland who meet the conditions of their offer will get a £2,000 tuition fees scholarship for each of Years 1-3 of study. It can be combined with the Honours Year Scholarship and the Access to Nursing Bursary.

This Choice Scholarship can be combined with the Honours Year and Merit Scholarships. It may not be combined with the Nursing Scholarship. For further information, visit: stir.ac.uk/scholarships

SPORTS BURSARIES UK/EU/INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS (EXCLUDING SCOTLAND)
24 Sports Bursaries are on offer to students. 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 year of study and will be awarded for September 2023 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
Stirling been named the UK’s most affordable city five years in a row by Lloyds Bank. 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.

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<td>£372 - £791</td>
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<td>Food (including toiletries)</td>
<td>£173+</td>
<td>£1,557</td>
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<tr>
<td>Leisure</td>
<td>£120</td>
<td>£1,080</td>
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<td>Clothing</td>
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<td>£270</td>
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<td>TOTAL</td>
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*Includes utilities, Wi-Fi, bedding and bed linen, insurance, housekeeping assistance and 24/7 staff assistance. Prices are subject to change.

**This does not include any travel home.

1 Lloyds Bank Affordable Cities Review 2019.
GETTING HERE

GETTING AROUND THE CITY
It’s easy to get from Stirling to the campus – you can walk, cycle or hop on a bus. And, if you’re under 22 and living in Scotland, you won’t have to pay for bus travel by accessing the Young Persons’ Free Bus Travel Scheme.

TRAVELLING BY CAR
Students in Years 2-4 can park on campus. You can either buy a parking permit or use the pay and display.

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

BY AIR TO EDINBURGH/ GLASGOW AIRPORTS
Aberdeen: 2hrs 15mins
Birmingham: 1hr 15mins
Bristol: 1hr 15mins
Cardiff: 1hr 15mins
Edinburgh: 1hr 15mins
Exeter: 1hr 30mins
London: 1hr 15mins
Manchester: 1hr 5mins
Norwich: 1hr 30mins

BY CAR TO STIRLING
Aberdeen: 2hrs 15mins
Birmingham: 4hrs 30mins
Cardiff: 6hrs 30mins
Dundee: 50mins
Edinburgh: 40mins
Glasgow: 26mins
Leeds: 3hrs 55mins
London: 5hrs 15mins
Manchester: 4hrs 5mins
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BY TRAIN TO STIRLING
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Birmingham: 4hrs 45mins
Dundee: 50mins
Edinburgh: 40mins
Glasgow: 26mins
Leeds: 3hrs 55mins
London: 5hrs 15mins
Manchester: 4hrs 5mins
Newcastle: 2hrs 20mins
Norwich: 6hrs 30mins

BY FERRY AND CAR FROM BELFAST TO STIRLING
Ferry: 2hrs 15mins
Car: 2hrs 30mins
(Cairnryan to Stirling)

BY CAR TO STIRLING
Aberdeen: 2hrs 15mins
Birmingham: 4hrs 30mins
Cardiff: 6hrs 30mins
Dundee: 50mins
Edinburgh: 1hr
Exeter: 7hrs
Glasgow: 45mins
Leeds: 4hrs
London: 7hrs
Manchester: 3hrs 45mins
Newcastle: 3hrs
Norwich: 7hrs

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London: 5hrs 15mins
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Norwich: 6hrs 30mins

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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
**Accra** 9hrs
**Amsterdam** 1hr 35mins
**Barcelona** 4hrs 40mins
**Beijing** 10hrs 30mins
**Berlin** 1hr 30mins
**Cape Town** 14hrs 15mins
**Dubai** 7hrs 15mins
**Hong Kong** 11hrs 30mins
**Houston** 13hrs 25mins

**Johannesburg** 14hrs 15mins
**Lagos** 9hrs 6mins
**London** 1hr 15mins
**Milan** 2hrs 35mins
**New Delhi** 9hrs
**New York** 7hrs 30mins
**Oslo** 1hr 45mins
**Paris** 1hr 30mins
**Rio de Janeiro** 11hrs 30mins
**San Francisco** 12hrs 10mins
**Singapore** 15hrs 30mins
**Sydney** 24hrs 30mins
**Taipei** 13hrs
**Tokyo** 12hrs
**Toronto** 10hrs 40mins
**Vancouver** 10hrs 35mins
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