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Our global reputation for teaching and research helps us to attract the international research community's sharpest minds, which in turn means world-class teaching for our students.

We were ranked among the world’s top 20 universities in several arts and humanities subjects in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017.

As the University’s largest college, we host more than 23,600 students and 3,500 staff. We offer more than 350 undergraduate programmes across a broad range of subject areas from our 11 academic schools. We offer subjects from established and emerging fields in the arts, humanities and social sciences, including creative practices and professionally orientated areas. This diversity creates a vibrant atmosphere in which students from around the world can develop new skills, deepen their knowledge, and network with like-minded individuals in preparation for whatever challenging and interesting careers lie ahead.

If you have any queries about the programmes listed in this section, please contact the Admissions Office, or go online for further details.

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Accounting

Why choose Accounting at the University of Edinburgh?
All of our MA accounting-related programmes are accredited by the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland (ICAS), the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW), the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA), the Chartered Institute of Public Finance & Accountancy (CIPFA), the Association of International Accountants (AIA) and the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA).

Our exchange programme offers you exciting opportunities to study abroad in Year 3 at one of our partner universities in Asia, Australia, Canada, New Zealand or the USA.

Major accounting firms, as well as other large companies, regularly present talks to and conduct recruitment activities with our students.

Introducing Accounting
Accountants play a crucial role in business. Their ability to measure financial information and use this to make projections affects economic decision-making at all levels. Accountancy is one of the fastest-growing areas of business activity. Financial accountants report on the performance of an organisation, while management accountants provide financial information to help with planning and strategy.

Our teaching is therefore based on the most recent research findings and literature. This helps to ensure that our graduates are attractive to prospective employers. Our programmes will provide an excellent foundation for those hoping to gain a professional accountancy qualification and can also prepare you for careers in finance and other sectors.

Accreditation
If you wish to progress to a career as a fully qualified accountant, the accreditation of our programmes (see page 10) provides a high level of exemption from the professional examination requirements. Our accreditation from the Institute of Chartered Accountants of Scotland offers the maximum exemption available to accounting graduates.

Study abroad
The University’s Business School exchange programme offers exciting opportunities to study abroad in Year 3 at one of our partner universities in Asia, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, or the USA. You may also study abroad through the University’s international exchange programme. To participate in an exchange programme, you will require a strong academic performance in Year 1.

Additional costs
If studying abroad in Year 3, your costs will vary by country. In Year 4 you will undertake a dissertation and, depending on the field of study you choose, there may be costs associated with undertaking surveys and conducting interviews.

Career opportunities
Accountancy graduates can train to become a qualified accountant through a traineeship with an accountancy or commercial firm. Alternatively you can choose a career in taxation, finance or banking. Some of our graduates decide to follow a different direction and pursue employment in management positions in the public and private sectors.

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MA (Hons)
Accounting & Business NN14
Accounting & Finance NN43

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants
Typical offer range:
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A Levels AAB to ABB.
IB 40 points (grades 766 at HL) to 34 points (grades 655 at HL).
Access threshold:
SQA Highers ABBB.
A Levels ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

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“With an international community like this one you never know who you will meet and from where in the world they come.”
Bakani Dube
2nd year MA (Hons) Accounting & Finance
Arabic & Persian

Why choose Arabic & Persian at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 6th in the UK for Middle Eastern studies in the Complete University Guide 2018. We are also 14th in the world for arts and humanities in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2018 by Subject.

We have a long and well-established reputation for teaching about Islam and about the history, culture, languages and literatures of the Middle East. Arabic, for example, has been taught here since the middle of the 18th century.

The University offers 16 languages for study at degree level and more than 140 joint language programmes. This creates a diverse and uniquely exciting and stimulating environment for language study.

Introducing Arabic & Persian

For several decades the Middle East has been at the forefront of world events. Our Arabic and Persian programmes provide a unique opportunity to learn the region’s languages and develop a better understanding of the region’s politics, culture, religion, history, literature and law.

You will have the opportunity to study a full range of material from pre-Islamic poetry and Islamic philosophy to modern literature and cinema.

Study abroad

Arabic students can choose between at least two countries in the Arabic-speaking world for their study abroad. Persian students will usually study abroad in a Persian-speaking country.

Additional costs

You will spend either a semester or a year (depending on your programme) at a university or institute in an Arabic- or Persian-speaking country as part of your programme. Costs vary according to the location.

Career opportunities

The Middle East is one of the UK’s major trading partners so there is a high demand for graduates who speak Arabic or Persian. Our programmes will also prepare you for careers in the diplomatic service, elsewhere in the civil service or in non-government organisations. Graduates also enter teaching or the media or begin postgraduate study.

Programmes

MA (Hons)

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Advice for applicants

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A Levels ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).
Access threshold:
SQA Highers ABBB.
A Levels ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).
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Year by year...

Year 1
You will study elementary language, learning basic grammar and developing your vocabulary. You will also take courses in Islamic history, modern Middle Eastern history and courses from other academic areas.

Year 2
You will continue with your language study and take courses in the religion of Islam, Islamic and Middle Eastern cultures and courses from other academic areas.

Year 3
You will spend your third year in an Arabic- or Persian-speaking country, improving your language skills and undertaking independent study.

Year 4
You will continue to develop your language and translation skills and will write your honours dissertation. You will also choose from a range of option courses dealing with different aspects of Islam and the Middle East.

“In language tutorials, the groups are small and you get lots of personal attention. I appreciate the very high teaching standards offered and the enthusiasm and welcoming attitude of staff.”

Archie Vickers
2nd year MA (Hons) Arabic & Persian
Introducing Archaeology

Archaeology investigates the human past using material remains such as artefacts and excavated sites to reconstruct the economic, social and cultural life of early societies. At Edinburgh we have a rich tradition of archaeological teaching and research, specialising in European prehistory, the early civilisations of the Mediterranean and the Near East and Egypt.

Why choose Archaeology at the University of Edinburgh?

We’re ranked in the UK’s top 10 universities for archaeology in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017. Our programmes offer many opportunities for practical archaeological experience during vacations or as part of your final year dissertation. Students often get involved in staff projects, ranging from Scotland to Egypt. There are also opportunities to take part in external excavation and archaeological survey work in the UK and Europe.

You will study in a city full of resources and professional expertise, with key national archaeological institutions such as National Museums Scotland and Historic Environment Scotland. Edinburgh is home to many national commercial archaeology companies and important archaeological sites which date back to the Mesolithic period, providing opportunities for fieldwork and work experience.

You will be introduced to standard innovative archaeological techniques and the practice and theory of archaeology. This will take in the study of science-based archaeology, including the study of animal and human bones and digital applications. You can choose to specialise by geographical area or period and to become involved in practical research or applied archaeology, for example through fieldwork.

Joint honours

Archaeology can also be studied as part of a joint honours programme with history, architectural history, Celtic, geography, Scottish ethnology or social anthropology.

Study abroad

There are opportunities to study abroad in Year 3, either by applying for the School’s Erasmus exchange agreements or for one of the University’s many international exchanges beyond Europe. These cover practically every continent on the globe, from North and South America to Australasia and all of Asia. These are unique opportunities to immerse yourself in different university systems and cultures. There will normally be opportunities to complete archaeological fieldwork or other practical assignments in locations outside the UK.

Additional costs

In Year 1 you are expected to participate in an archaeological fieldwork project. Normally, the minimum requirement is three weeks of field experience. Archaeological projects often charge a participation fee. We are able to make a contribution towards your mandatory fieldwork in Year 1, and also to fieldwork and practical work in later years if it contributes to your programme, but the overall cost to you will depend on the type of work chosen and where it takes place (many of our projects are conducted abroad). In later years, you may opt to undertake additional practical archaeological work in the vacations following Years 2 and 3. If you study abroad in Year 3, your costs will vary by country.

Career opportunities

With an archaeology qualification from the University of Edinburgh, you will gain practical, social, intellectual and theoretical skills. You will become familiar with a range of disciplines, enabling you to demonstrate intellectual flexibility and the ability to quickly adapt to new situations. You’ll learn to think logically through developing sound research and analytical skills and you’ll be able to compile and critically evaluate evidence in order to formulate and present an argument coherently.

Through fieldwork, you’ll develop a range of practical archaeological skills that will enable you to appreciate more fully our human environment and its role in the contemporary world. Many archaeology graduates find employment as professional archaeologists working for government agencies, universities, museums and heritage organisations or applied archaeological companies/consultancies in the UK or elsewhere. Our graduates are well-rounded people with a range of transferable skills. These will give you the opportunity to pursue a broad range of careers, for example, in business, management, teaching, journalism, the police, or the civil service.

Programmes

MA (Hons)

Ancient Mediterranean Civilisations VV41

Archaeology & Ancient History VV1A

Archaeology & Social Anthropology VL46

You will study Archaeology 1A, 1B, 2A, and 2B. You will choose either ancient history or classical art/archaeology as your primary subjects. You may also choose one from a wide range of options. At the end of Year 1, you will normally be required to undertake three weeks of fieldwork.

Year 2

You will study Archaeology 2A: Scotland Before History and 2B: History from the earliest evidence of human occupation to the early 1st millennium AD. You will also study Archaeology 2A: Archaeology in Action and 2B: The Human Skeleton in Archaeology and Forensic Science. You will choose two courses from a wide range of options. At the end of Year 2, you will normally be required to undertake three weeks of fieldwork.

Year 3

You will study Archaeology 3A: Ancient Civilisations in the Eastern Mediterranean and the Ancient Near East, and 3B: The Mediterranean and the Near East in later Antiquity. You will choose two courses from a wide range of options. At the end of Year 3, you will normally be required to undertake three weeks of fieldwork.

Year 4

You will select four archaeology option courses and write your honours dissertation.

Archaeology & Ancient History

Year 1

You will study Archaeology 1A and 1B, which offer a broad introduction to our human past and cover the key techniques archaeologists use. You will choose two courses from a wide range of options. At the end of Year 1, you will normally be required to undertake three weeks of fieldwork.

Year 2

You will study Archaeology 2A: Scotland Before History and 2B: History from the earliest evidence of human occupation to the early 1st millennium AD. You will also study Archaeology 2A: Archaeology in Action and 2B: The Human Skeleton in Archaeology and Forensic Science. You will choose two courses from a wide range of options. At the end of Year 2, you will normally be required to undertake three weeks of fieldwork.

Year 3

You will study Archaeology 3A: Ancient Civilisations in the Eastern Mediterranean and the Ancient Near East, and 3B: The Mediterranean and the Near East in later Antiquity. You will choose two courses from a wide range of options. At the end of Year 3, you will normally be required to undertake three weeks of fieldwork.

Year 4

You will select two archaeology courses and write your honours dissertation.

Archaeology & Ancient History

Year 1

You will study archaeological themes of your choice in either archaeology or ancient history courses from a wide range of options. At the end of Year 1, you will normally be required to undertake three weeks of fieldwork.

Year 2

You will study archaeology in the Ancient Near East and Egypt, and the Mediterranean and the Ancient Near East. You will choose two courses from a wide range of options. At the end of Year 2, you will normally be required to undertake three weeks of fieldwork.

Year 3

You will study archaeology in the Ancient Near East and Egypt, and the Mediterranean and the Ancient Near East. You will choose two courses from a wide range of options. At the end of Year 3, you will normally be required to undertake three weeks of fieldwork.

Year 4

You will select two archaeology courses and write your honours dissertation.
Architecture and Architectural History & Heritage

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A Levels AAAAA to ABBB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Access threshold:
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A Levels ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

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Programmes
MA (Hons) Architectural History & Heritage VV31
Architectural History & Archaeology VV64
BA – 3 years /MA (Hons) Architecture K101

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Architecture
Architectural History & Heritage

Why choose Architecture or Architectural History & Heritage at the University of Edinburgh?

Our architecture programmes are prescribed by the Architects Registration Board (ARB) and have full Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) validation.

You will have opportunities to gain hands-on experience through embedded periods of integrated practice.

As a place of outstanding architectural interest and a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site, Edinburgh offers you the perfect setting in which to study the built environment.

Introducing Architecture and Architectural History & Heritage

Architect's scope is more than technical, environmental or historic expertise. Studying and practising architecture has the potential to shape culture, aspiration and community, to deepen our experience of the modern world and to imagine our futures.

Programmes
MA (Hons) Architectural History & Heritage VV31
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BA – 3 years /MA (Hons) Architecture K101

Placement MA (Hons) Architecture includes a credited integrated practice work period in semester two of Year 3. For Architectural History & Heritage, placements are a core component of the programme in Years 3 and 4.

Study abroad
There are options for working and studying abroad in the honour years of our MA (Hons) programmes. The integrated practice working period in Architecture allows for work abroad. We also offer international exchanges with Erasmus partner institutions in Year 3 and an Architectural History & Heritage exchange with the University of Virginia.

Additional costs
Architecture students will need to purchase specialist equipment, such as a drawing board and laptop as well as pay for drawing and model-making materials and printing costs. Self-funded field trips and study visits are undertaken as part of the programme. If accepted for entry, you will be sent a letter outlining specific estimated costs for the forthcoming academic year.

Career opportunities
Architecture students gain excellent skills in design, spatial awareness, problem-solving and project-based production, which combine into a strong and adaptable skill set. The BA and MA (Hons) Architecture programmes both offer routes into the architecture profession and our graduates typically continue their studies to qualify as architects working in a wide range of established and emerging contexts, including private practice, local and national government, or large commercial organisations both here in the UK and overseas. Architectural history and heritage graduates can have careers in conservation, land management, heritage or historical consultancy.

Accreditation
All architecture students are admitted to the MA (Hons) Architecture programme. At the end of Year 2 you will have a choice of pathways enabling accelerated progress or the development of broader academic interests – either our three-year BA or our four-year MA (Hons), including a variant of the MA (Hons) with an exchange year abroad. Both programmes have ARB Part1 prescription and full Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) validation.

Joint honours
Architecture can also be studied as part of a joint honours programme with structural engineering. Architectural history can also be studied as part of a joint honours programme with history of art, social history or archaeology.

In Architecture you will learn from leading architectural practitioners and researchers through architectural design exploration and proposition. Thematic approaches to briefs and sites are informed by theoretical and practical knowledge.

Our Architectural History & Heritage programme offers an unrivalled breadth of study in the context of urbanism and the cultural history of cities. You will learn about different architectures of the past, the relationship of buildings and urban environments to the societies that produce them, and techniques for recording and preserving historic structures and urban fabric.

In my opinion it is the city that makes the University really stand out and there is no way of experiencing it without visiting it and getting involved. Aitalina Semenova

2nd year MA (Hons) Architecture

In Architecture, you will study design and its cultural, theoretical and technical contexts. The MA (Hons) includes an integrated practice working period where you will study via distance learning as you gain professional experience. You will also be able to take a range of studio options within the design courses. In Architectural History & Heritage you will study Texts & Theories in Western Architecture and specialist options in the history of architecture since the medieval period. You will undertake a specialist building archaeology course and a placement providing first-hand experience of conservation in practice.

In Year 2 Architecture works toward integrating your developing design skills in more complex urban contexts with more ambitious building programme briefs. The year includes a field trip to a European city where design projects are situated. You will also take an option course that allows you to broaden your learning in subjects across the University. Option courses may follow a structured programme pathway in architectural histories or digital culture. At the end of Year 2, you can select whether you wish to take the third year BA or four-year MA (Hons).

In Architectural History & Heritage you will study the architectural and cultural phenomenon. You will learn about techniques and practices concerning heritage management and conservation and take option courses from across the College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences.

You will have opportunities to gain hands-on experience through embedded periods of integrated practice. As a place of outstanding architectural interest and a designated UNESCO World Heritage Site, Edinburgh offers you the perfect setting in which to study the built environment.

In Architecture you will learn from leading architectural practitioners and researchers through architectural design exploration and proposition. Thematic approaches to briefs and sites are informed by theoretical and practical knowledge.

Our Architectural History & Heritage programme offers an unrivalled breadth of study in the context of urbanism and the cultural history of cities. You will learn about different architectures of the past, the relationship of buildings and urban environments to the societies that produce them, and techniques for recording and preserving historic structures and urban fabric.
Why choose Art at the University of Edinburgh?

Our staff include a mix of practicing artists, visual-culture theorists and curators, who publish and exhibit nationally and internationally.

In Years 1 and 2, you can select option courses from across Edinburgh College of Art and the wider University. Edinburgh is home to a vibrant and diverse contemporary art scene with an excellent mixture of world-class venues showcasing the best in contemporary art.

Introducing Art

Our undergraduate programmes provide a scholarly framework for students who wish to develop their art practice. We provide a broad-based environment, with enough rigour and focus to enable you to engage with the challenges of study in intermedia, painting, photography and sculpture, within the context of contemporary art practice.

Our students demonstrate imaginative responses to the world through curiosity and exploration and we prepare them to do this with an educational experience that offers depth, breadth and ambition. Our students are equipped with the talent, knowledge and expertise to lead, rather than simply respond to, innovation in art practice.

All programmes

We are at the forefront of introducing option courses that provide a breadth and depth of subject choice, so you can recognise your desire to immerse yourself in your discipline but believe your learning is enhanced if you are exposed to a wider range of methods and knowledge beyond the confines of the studio. In Years 1 and 2 your choice of option courses will allow you to construct a suite of courses that reflect your interests and enhance your main study.

In addition, a visual culture strand provides a multidisciplinary context for study across all our programmes except Fine Art. You will engage in a critical and creative dialogue with the work of your peers and gain an understanding of the nature of today’s diverse visual cultures.

Intermedia Art

Intermedia Art operates in a fine art context and is the area of artistic practice between different media. During the late 20th century visual art developments introduced new processes and situations, which expanded notions of artistic practice. You can work across a number of overlapping areas including sound, object-making, installation, performance, publications and video.

Painting

This programme focuses on developing confident, enquiring, resilient students. You will be able to research and articulate your practice, and question your position, and that of painting, within the wider context of contemporary visual culture. We put emphasis on drawing and research through visual thinking. Work can also be realised through practices such as printmaking, artists’ books, installation, digital media and photography. In the studio you will identify, reflect on and develop your personal, visual vocabulary through the languages of painting.

Photography

This programme prepares you for your career by encouraging you to develop a personal and contextualised vision of the world, and by developing your knowledge of equipment and technical facilities. You will develop a broad visual vocabulary and explore a range of fine art practices, using traditional photographic equipment and processes as well as the latest computer technology. We promote high levels of creative thinking allied to advanced technical skills, and underpin by wide ranging research and academic rigour. Historical and contemporary contexts are vital to the production of your work, which will reflect photography’s pivotal contribution to today’s visual culture.

Sculpture

Our sculpture programme supports the development of material and critical awareness through approaches pertinent to the expanded field. Our purpose-built studios are both technical staff and equipment in workshops and foundry provide excellent support for working in wood, metal, mould-making, casting and carving. We also have facilities for working with sound, digital imaging and video editing. We believe there is real value in working as part of a community with a dynamic, creative shared energy and our programme thrives on generating this atmosphere.

Programmes

BA (Hons) Art

W110 Intermedia Art

W900 Painting

W120 Photography

W140 Sculpture

MA (Hons) – 5 years

Fine Art

W150

Please select UCAS code W110 to apply for entry to Year 1 in the School of Art, a general year in which you will experience options including painting, photography, sculpture and intermedia art. At the end of Year 1 you will transfer to one of our specialist programmes in Intermedia Art, Painting, Photography or Sculpture.

You may also be interested in

Design

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History of Art

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Business

Why choose Business at the University of Edinburgh?
In addition to being part of a world renowned university, the University of Edinburgh Business School also holds accreditations from three of the most influential business accreditation bodies: AMBA, AACSB and EQUIS. Across a range of courses, including bespoke student consultancy projects, you will have exciting opportunities to work closely with business, developing professional experience before you graduate.

We have an extensive network of corporate, public sector, political, and third sector partners who work actively with us on course design and delivery, career development planning, and bespoke engagement events, such as our very popular #makeyourmark social impact hackathon. They also support and facilitate sponsored dissertations, co-host public lectures, and offer internship and shadowing opportunities.

Introducing Business
The main focus of our business programmes is on the management of organisations. They examine the theories and methods behind management and explore the relationships between people, organisations and their environment with an international perspective.

You will study organisational policies, strategic planning, HR management, finance, marketing, business analysis and decision analytics, and technology.

You have the opportunity to take a broad approach or to focus on more specialist areas. Subject pathways allow you to combine business management with a wide range of specialisms, including accounting, finance, marketing, HR management, decision analytics, enterprise and innovation, and strategic economics. You can study international business with or without a language. The structure of our programmes means that during the early years of study there is often the flexibility to change from one subject pathway to another.

MA (Hons)

Business & Economics NL11

Business & Geography NL17

Business & Law NL11

Business Management N100

Business with Decision Analytics NN12

Business with Enterprise & Innovation NN12

Business with Human Resource Management NN16

Business with Marketing NN15

Business with Strategic Economics NN11

Finance & Business NN10

International Business N120

International Business with Arabic N176

International Business with Chinese N117

International Business with French N111

International Business with German N112

International Business with Italian N113

International Business with Japanese N112

International Business with Russian N117

International Business with Spanish N114

You may also be interested in

Accounting Page 10

Economics Page 32

Joint honours
Business can also be studied as part of a joint honours programme with accounting, computer science, law, mathematics, psychology, or a European language.

Study abroad
Our exchange programme offers students on all our business programmes exciting opportunities to study abroad in Year 3 at one of our partner universities in Asia, Australia, Canada, New Zealand, the USA or across Europe. Exchange opportunities with European business schools are through the Erasmus programme. You may also study abroad through the University’s international exchange programme. If you are on an MA International Business programme you will spend Year 3 on a Business School exchange. To take part in an exchange programme you will need a strong academic performance in Year 1.

Additional costs
If studying abroad in Year 3, your costs will vary by country. In Year 4 you will undertake a dissertation and, depending on the field of study you choose, there may be costs associated with undertaking surveys and conducting interviews.

Career opportunities
A key aim of our programmes is to combine academic knowledge with transferable skills in order to enhance your employability. Business graduates are highly valued by employers across the world. You will have a choice of careers open to you, including management, consulting, finance, marketing and human resources.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/12

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Celtic

Why choose Celtic at the University of Edinburgh?

Edinburgh is a leading centre for the study of minority languages, language policy and language maintenance in the Celtic context.

Edinburgh provides an outstanding learning environment for those interested in Celtic and Gaelic and the University offers great experience in language teaching. We have previously won the Best Department category in the Edinburgh University Students’ Association Teaching Awards.

Our facilities include unrivalled library resources for students of Celtic and Gaelic, and innovative courses, as well as sound, video, film and photographic resources, from the School of Scottish Studies’ archives, offering unique opportunities for the study of traditional Gaelic literary and cultural heritage. You can also access important collections in the National Library of Scotland, National Museum of Scotland and National Archives of Scotland, which are all located close to the University.

Introducing Celtic

The study of Celtic offers you the opportunity to learn about extraordinarily rich cultures, languages and literatures from the Middle Ages to the present day. We work with the medieval literary tradition in Gaelic and Welsh, the most extensive in the whole of Europe, with the rich oral tradition recorded from the 18th century to the present day, and with poetry from the 18th-century golden age of Gaelic literature.

We explore 19th- and 20th-century linguistic and sociolinguistic research in the Celtic languages. Scottish Gaelic is at the heart of the study of Celtic at the University of Edinburgh, and at honours level, it is also possible to study modern Irish and the medieval Celtic languages. At all levels, we offer courses in language, literature, history, and culture, enabling you to build your programme by developing your own interests in particular areas, periods, and disciplines of Celtic studies.

If you are already qualified in Scottish Gaelic, you will study Gaelic 1B, focusing on Scottish Gaelic language and literature. If you are a beginner you will study Gaelic 1A, concentrating on language learning. Introduction to Gaelic Language & Culture includes basic language learning opportunities. Gaelic Civilization 1A and 1B provide overviews of the social and cultural history of the Celtic peoples from late antiquity to the present day, including language, literature, religion and art.

You may also be interested in

Primary Education with Gaelic

You may also be interested in

Programmes

MA (Hons) Celtic
- Celtic & Archaeology Q54
- Celtic & English Language Q53
- Celtic & Literature Q45
- Celtic & French Q51
- Celtic & German Q52
- Celtic & Linguistics Q15
- Celtic & Scandinavian Studies Q56
- Celtic & Scottish History Q52
- Celtic & Scottish Literature Q50

Study abroad

There are opportunities for you to study abroad through Erasmus and the University’s international exchange programme.

Additional costs

There may be additional costs if you choose to follow a programme with a study abroad element. Please check individual programme descriptions online for details.

Career opportunities

Our Celtic graduates have always been very successful in gaining academic, educational, administrative, political and journalistic employment, as well as gaining work in the cultural sector.

Thanks to the Gaelic Language (Scotland) Act 2005, the creation of BBC Alba, the Gaelic digital television service, and the ongoing expansion of Gaelic-medium education, along with other developments, there has been increased demand for highly educated Gaelic speakers and cultural leaders, particularly within the education sector, Gaelic related research, and media and broadcasting.

You may also be interested in

Celtic & Linguistics
- Celtic & German
- Celtic & English Literature
- Celtic & Archaeology
- MA (Hons) Celtic & Scandinavian

Why are you interested in Celtic?

I am not only learning what my courses are teaching me directly, like new languages, cultures and literature, but being taught to be inquisitive and ask questions about everything.

Mika Cook

4th year MA (Hons) Celtic & Scandinavian

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/31

For applications for 2019 entry

I want to go abroad.

You should consider applying for the following programmes:

Celtic
- MA (Hons) Celtic & Archaeology
- MA (Hons) Celtic & English Language
- MA (Hons) Celtic & Literature
- MA (Hons) Celtic & French
- MA (Hons) Celtic & German
- MA (Hons) Celtic & Linguistics
- MA (Hons) Celtic & Scandinavian Studies
- MA (Hons) Celtic & Scottish History
- MA (Hons) Celtic & Scottish Literature

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Primary Education with Gaelic

Programmes

MA (Hons) Celtic
- Celtic & Archaeology Q54
- Celtic & English Language Q53
- Celtic & Literature Q45
- Celtic & French Q51
- Celtic & German Q52
- Celtic & Linguistics Q15
- Celtic & Scandinavian Studies Q56
- Celtic & Scottish History Q52
- Celtic & Scottish Literature Q50
Why choose Chinese at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 14th in the world for arts and humanities in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2018 by Subject.

The University offers 16 languages for study at degree level and more than 140 joint language programmes. This creates a diverse and uniquely exciting and stimulating environment for language study.

You will have access to study opportunities in China and in Taiwan.

Introducing Chinese

A knowledge of Chinese language and culture is increasingly important as China becomes a bigger global player, economically and politically. China currently has the largest population in the world and the world’s second-largest economy.

Studying Chinese will provide you with an insight into the development of China’s rich history, culture and literature. You will learn Mandarin Chinese and learn to read and write Classical and Modern Standard Chinese.

You will spend Year 3 in China or Taiwan where you will develop your language skills and experience the countries’ rich culture. There are also opportunities for home stays with local families during your year abroad.

Please note that our Chinese programmes involve beginners’ language study and are not suitable for native or near-native speakers.

Additional costs

You will spend September to July of Year 3 at a university in Taiwan or China. This is a compulsory part of your programme. Costs will vary according to the location. Some scholarship money may be available from external sources, on a competitive basis, for students studying in China.

Joint honours

In addition to the programmes listed here, Chinese can also be studied as part of a joint honours programme with either history of art or international business.

Career opportunities

Chinese graduates are in demand in the media, commerce and the civil service, and many are recruited by companies based in east Asia.

You may also be interested in

International Business with Chinese

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Why choose Classics at the University of Edinburgh?

Classics achieved high student satisfaction levels in the National Student Survey (NSS) 2017, with 94 per cent of students saying they were satisfied overall, rising to 100 per cent for the MA (Hons) Classics programme.

Our programmes in Greek and Latin offer a rigorous and traditional linguistic training, alongside innovative topics and approaches, letting you reach very high standards, whether or not you have studied the languages before and irrespective of previous linguistic knowledge. Our courses in ancient history, classical art and archaeology, and classical literature in translation require no prior or linguistic knowledge, and cover the whole of the ancient Greek, Roman and Byzantine worlds.

Whichever programme you study, you will have opportunities to get involved in excavations run by members of staff, most recently in Italy and Macedonia.

Introducing Classics

Classics will introduce you to the history, cultures, languages and literatures of some of the world’s most important civilizations. Whether you are interested in the archaeology of the Roman empire, the art of ancient Athens, the drama of Euripides, the epics of Homer and Virgil, or the history of Greece, Rome and Byzantium, you will be able to find a programme suited to your interests and ambitions.

Classics is a wide term which refers to the study of all aspects of ancient Greek and Roman civilization. It also includes the study of those cultures that the Greeks and Romans came into contact with, of the Greek- and Latin-speaking civilizations that followed them, and of the reception of classical heritage in the modern world. You will learn from our range of expert teaching staff, who are drawn from many countries and maintain strong international links. We offer a wide choice of programmes with strengths across ancient history, Greek and Latin language and literature and classical art and archaeology. No previous knowledge is required to study ancient history, classical art and archaeology, or classical literature in translation and it is possible to learn Greek or Latin from scratch and to progress to the highest level by the end of your programme.

You will be able to choose from an exceptionally wide selection of courses in classics and related disciplines. In Years 1 and 2 you can also choose option courses from subjects as diverse as astronomy, criminology and modern languages, subject to availability and to timetabling restrictions.

By working with distant sources and inconclusive evidence, you’ll learn to think logically and to develop sound research and analytical skills. You’ll learn how to make links between what you already know and what you still need to find out. You’ll be taught how to compile and critically evaluate evidence in order to formulate and present an argument coherently.

In addition to our School resources and those of the University’s library and collections, you can apply for access to the outstanding collections of the National Library of Scotland and the National Museum of Scotland. Both are located near the University.

Study abroad

There are opportunities to study abroad for Year 3, to go on excursions to ancient sites abroad, and to join fieldwork projects overseas.

Study abroad can be applied for either through the School’s Erasmus exchange agreements with prestigious universities across Europe or through the University’s international exchanges beyond Europe. These cover practically every continent on the globe, from North and South America to Australasia. These are unique opportunities to immerse yourself in different university systems and cultures.

Additional costs

If you study abroad in Year 3, your costs will vary by country.

Joint honours

Classics can also be studied as part of a joint honours programme with Arabic, archaeology, divinity, English, European literature, French, German, history, Italian, philosophy, Russian studies, Scandinavian studies, or Spanish.

Career opportunities

You’ll gain practical, intellectual and theoretical skills that are highly valued by employers. You’ll gain rigorous mental training in a range of disciplines, enabling you to demonstrate intellectual flexibility and the ability to adapt to new situations and to learn new skills.

Classics graduates have gone on to pursue a range of career paths. Previous graduates now work in journalism, museums, teaching, academia, accountancy, finance, IT, publishing, the armed forces, the legal profession and the civil service.

Year by year…

Ancient History

Year 1

You will complete four survey courses on the history and culture of the Greek and Roman worlds from archaic Greece to the later Roman empire. You will also choose two options, usually from outside classics.

Year 2

Your curriculum includes two thematically organised courses in ancient history, two further courses which should follow on from those passed in Year 1, and a further two courses from a wide range of options.

Year 3

You will select four ancient history honours courses, and two further courses from ancient history, classical art/archaeology, classical literature in translation or beginner’s advanced language courses.

Year 4

A third of your study will consist of a dissertation on a topic of your choice. You will also choose two ancient history honours courses and two courses in any of ancient history, classical art/archaeology, classical literature in translation or beginner’s advanced language.

Classics

Year 1

You will take two courses from beginners’ or intermediate level. You will also choose two courses from a broad range of options.

Year 2

You will take two advanced courses each in Latin and Greek. Additionally, you will choose two courses from a broad range of options.

Year 3

You will take two courses in Greek and Latin language, as well as three further Greek and Latin honours courses. The remaining course may be taken from honours courses in ancient history, classical art/archaeology, classical literature in translation or beginner’s intermediate language.

Year 4

A third of your final year’s study will consist of a dissertation on a topic of your choice. You will also choose two ancient history honours courses and two courses in any of ancient history, classical art/archaeology, classical literature in translation or beginner’s intermediate language.

The close relationship among students and the interaction with our lecturers make the learning process much more enjoyable.

Angus Carey-Douglas

3rd year MA (Hons) Classics

You may also be interested in

Ancient Mediterranean Civilisations

Archaeology & Ancient History

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History & Classics

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Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/34
Cognitive Science

At a glance

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Typical offer range:
SQA Highers AABB to ABBB.
A Levels ABB.
IB 36 points (grades 655 at HL) to 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Access threshold:
SQA Highers ABBB.
A Levels ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Please note
This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The typical offer range and access threshold are explained on page 153. Full, detailed entry requirements, including the subjects you need, vary by programme. Please check the full details before you apply. www.ed.ac.uk/ug/60

Introducing Cognitive Science

Philosophers and scientists have long speculated about the nature of the human mind and the role of language in making the human mind what it is. Recent developments – in fields as diverse as robotics, brain imaging, anthropology and speech technology – bring a host of new perspectives to our quest to understand our own inner workings. Cognitive science brings together scholars from linguistics, psychology, philosophy, neuroscience and computer science.

Why choose Cognitive Science at the University of Edinburgh?

The University helped create the field of cognitive science and is still at the forefront of it. You will not only be taught by researchers who laid those foundations but by researchers who are still making key advances.

Cognitive science comprises psychology, philosophy, linguistics and informatics. Our broad-ranging research supports a wide range of advanced courses in later years, including those on consciousness, metaphysics, language acquisition, computational neuroscience, the computational mind, language pathology, and human agency and free will.

You will have access to state-of-the-art research facilities including EEG, non-invasive brain stimulation, and eye and motion tracking equipment. You will also have access to a dedicated psychology and philosophy library.

Programmes

MA (Hons) Cognitive Science (Humanities) C851

You may also be interested in

Cognitive Science BSc (Hons) Page 118
Psychology Page 72
Linguistics Page 62
Philosophy Page 68

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/60

Study abroad
If you are studying cognitive science you will be encouraged to consider universities abroad, with the help of your Personal Tutor and/or members of the cognitive science academic staff. This will help to identify a university at which you could spend Year 3. You will study a range of courses that are comparable in academic range to those we offer.

Career opportunities
Graduates with cognitive science qualifications have excellent employment prospects in fields that will shape our society – those which depend on computers, such as economics, entertainment, technology, mobile systems, manufacturing and health, to name but a few – and those thought of traditionally as more arts orientated, such as the civil service, management, finance, journalism, social work and teaching.

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Katie Staggles
2nd year MA (Hons) Cognitive Science

"I feel like the University really wants to develop students as people not just academically."

Year by year...

Year 1
You will study general cognitive science courses that give an overview of perception, memory, motor control, language and reasoning, as well as introducing experimental, neural and computational methods. These courses, along with a course on logic and a course on the structure of language, aim to introduce you to philosophical, linguistic, computational and psychological approaches to studying the nature of language and the mind.

Year 2
Your coursework will cover more specifics in the sub-disciplines of philosophy, psychology, linguistics and computer science. In topics such as human cognitive processing, formal and natural languages, mental representations, and the debate about which types of knowledge are innate and which can be learned.

Years 3 & 4
You can choose from psychology courses including psycholinguistics, memory and perception, attention, development and neuropsychology; or from linguistics courses including language evolution, language acquisition and speech processing; or from philosophy courses including ontology of mind, theories of mind, theories of truth and ethics; or from computer science courses including language processing, neural computation, robotics and vision, and machine learning.

In Year 4 you will also undertake an individual research project.
Design

Why choose Design at the University of Edinburgh?

You’ll benefit from talks and workshops from visiting professional practitioners and will take part in exhibitions, industry competitions and live projects that will help you to prepare for professional practice.

Our studio and workshop spaces range from the historic to the contemporary, with specialist spaces for making work at all scales and across all media.

Our graduates qualify ready for industry, with the confidence to establish themselves as independent designers, creatives or makers.

Introducing Design

We aim to develop cross-disciplinary methods and approaches to people and culture that equip you to design excellence into people’s lives. This is about both designing artefacts and understanding the world around us. Our design vision and ideas lie in a global framework of design and how people wish to live their lives. We encourage you to articulate innovative and sustainable creative visions and identities. Our graduates will become the designers, thinkers and makers who will positively shape the world.

Illustration

Illustration encompasses form, colour, line, composition and pictorial space. Illustrations illustrate a range of printed material, graphic and web design, advertising, packaging, periodicals, books and more. Contemporary practice includes the theatre, music, television, museum-related work and exhibitions. We teach drawing and image-making from a methodology of observation, perception and literary interpretation.

Interior design

Interior design is the study and design of interior space in a range of public and private environments. You will develop your skills through innovative projects that enable you to explore the design potential of existing buildings and bring new life to old structures.

Jewellery and silversmithing

We aim to produce designers who create fresh, exuberant works of originality and innovation. We encourage you to combine new technologies with traditional techniques in precious and semi-precious metal and gemstones. Plastics, wood, paper, stone and textiles.

Performance costume

Our unique programme teaches costume making and design. Our curriculum includes life drawing, textiles, millinery, set design, model making and puppetry. You will be encouraged to be an innovative, individual and adaptable designer and maker. Our programme is highly respected by industry and has impressive graduate employment rates.

Product design

Product design is about understanding people, questioning existing ways of doing things and seeing opportunities for innovative products that will enrich quality of life. You will explore cutting-edge research, design and practical methods used at the discipline’s forefront. You will explore making, thinking and designing through a variety of materials and technologies, informed by thought-provoking briefs.

Textiles

We offer a rich exploration of textiles in their broadest sense for a range of contexts. You will be encouraged to take an experimental approach to materials and processes to produce innovative and contemporary design work. This may include textiles for fashion, interiors or alternative contexts for designs, exploring combinations of materials, texture, colour and pattern.

Placements

Industry experience is embedded in our programmes through project work, workshops and mentor schemes. Work placements are not compulsory but may be available. Typically these are secured by students and occur outside of semester time.

Study abroad

You may apply to spend part of Year 3 at one of our partners in Australasia, Europe or North and South America.

Additional costs

Materials costs vary depending on your programme. Some programmes offer study trips and individual field-based projects. You will usually be required to cover accommodation, subsistence and travel costs. Your contribution will vary based on your chosen programme and courses, and on the nature of each trip.

Career opportunities

Our programmes have strong industrial pathways to ensure the most successful and meaningful careers for graduates. You are encouraged to participate in national and international showcase events appropriate to your programme.

Programmes

BA (Hons)

Animation W115
Film & Television P390
Graphic Design W210
Illustration W220
Interior Design W250
Jewellery & Silversmithing W721
Performance Costume W451
Product Design W240
Textiles J452

Did you know?

Our Film & TV BA has been awarded the Creative Skillset Tick, the industry kitemark of quality, following a rigorous assessment process by experts working in the creative industries.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/59

For the benefits of studying here

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“...the freedom you’ve given with projects to interpret briefs and tailor them to your own style, concept and imagination is one of the things I’ve enjoyed most.”

Callum Miller

3rd year BA (Hons) Performance Costume
Economics

Why choose Economics at the University of Edinburgh?

We’re ranked in the UK’s top 10 universities for economics in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017. Economics can be taken on its own or as part of a joint honours programme with subjects such as business, Chinese and social policy. Employers may see this as an advantage because of your double specialisation, interdisciplinary knowledge and adaptability.

You will join a vibrant learning community where active and engaged student societies like the Economics Society and the Edinburgh University Trading and Investment Club, which holds the UK’s biggest student-run investment portfolio, run events and activities throughout the year.

Introducing Economics

There has never been a more exciting time to study economics. The ongoing consequences of the last economic crisis mean that the world urgently needs new thinking and new processes to meet the challenges of a changing economic climate.

As an economics student you will explore issues of economic stability, growth and development, all vital for economic forecasting and for influencing economic performance and policy.

You will also examine the causes of economic growth and the policies that are designed to promote prosperity, increase efficiency and reduce unwanted fluctuation in fiscal activity. There is a distinguished history of economics in Scotland that includes the work of David Hume and Adam Smith. Throughout your studies, you will learn from world-leading economists before following in the footsteps of our graduates who are in demand by national and international organisations.

Joint honours

Economics can also be studied as part of a joint honours programme with a range of subjects, including business, Chinese and social policy.

Additional costs

There are required textbooks that you will use in your courses during Years 1–3.

Career opportunities

Our graduates are highly regarded by employers. The skills you learn during your programme will equip you for careers in accountancy, business, management and consultancy, or for work in aid agencies, not-for-profit organisations or government departments. Many previous graduates have entered the finance sector and some large financial firms actively recruit Edinburgh graduates.

At a glance

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Advice for applicants

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SQA Highers AAAAA to ABBB.
A Levels AAAAA to ABBB.
IB 40 points (grades 766 at HL) to 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Access threshold:
SQA Highers ABBB.
A Levels ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Please note: This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The typical offer range and access threshold are explained on page 153. Full, detailed entry requirements, including the subjects you need, vary by programme. Please check the full details before you apply.

www.ed.ac.uk/ug/17

Programmes

MA (Hons)
Economics L100
Economics & Accounting LN14
Economics & Mathematics LC11
Economics & Politics LL12
Economics & Sociology LL13
Economics & Statistics LC13
Economics with Environmental Studies LL19
Economics with Finance LN12
Economics with Management Science LN12

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“Economics has great career opportunities and is a fulfilling and rewarding subject. I like how my programme is split 50:50, which is more balanced than a major-minor course.”

Winnie Zhang
2nd year MA (Hons) Economics & Mathematics

Year by year...

Year 1
You will study our first-year economics course, which is accessible to those who have not previously studied economics, but is challenging to those who have. You will also study two courses of your choice from other academic areas of the University.

Year 2
You will study Economics 2, which builds on your knowledge from Year 1, and one other economics course. You will also choose option courses from other subject areas.

Year 3
You will start to study compulsory economics topics in more detail and will be introduced to econometrics. You will take further courses in economics or, if you are studying for a joint honours programme, you will take courses from your other subject area.

Year 4
You will be able to choose from a wide range of specialist courses, such as International Economics, Developmental Economics, Modelling the Financial Crisis and Its Aftermath, Labour Economics and The Economics of Crime. You will also complete an honours dissertation.
Education

At a glance

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Study abroad? No

Advice for applicants

Typical offer: SQA Highers ABB. A Levels AAB. IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Access threshold:
SQA Highers ABB.
A Levels AAB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Additional requirements An interview. Successful applicants will also be required to join Disclosure Scotland’s Protecting Vulnerable Groups (PVG) scheme.

Please note This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The typical offer range and access threshold are explained on page 153. Full, detailed entry requirements, including the subjects you need, vary by programme. Please check the full details before you apply www.ed.ac.uk/ug/14

Programmes

BA – 3 years Childhood Practice
MA (Hons) Community Education X320
MA (Hons) – 4 years Physical Education XC61 Primary Education with Gaelic (Fluent speaker) 3175
MA (Hons) – 5 years Primary Education with Gaelic (Leamers) 3867

Why choose Education at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked joint 5th in the UK for education in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017. Our initial teacher education programmes are accredited by the General Teaching Council for Scotland (GTCS). Our Community Education programme is accredited by the Community Learning and Development Standards Council for Scotland, and our Childhood Practice programme is accredited by the Scottish Social Services Council (SSSC).

UK and EU students studying primary education with Gaelic or physical education will be guaranteed a one-year teaching induction post in a Scottish school on the successful completion of their studies.

Introducing Education

We offer three main areas of study: teacher education, community education and childhood practice. All our students have an interest in human relationships and are encouraged to develop professional values of trust, respect, integrity and a clear commitment to social justice. On all our programmes, you’ll explore innovative ways of working with different learners to ensure you gain the knowledge, professional skills, and experience to excel in your career.

Teacher education

Our teacher education programmes provide an excellent foundation for a career in teaching and are accredited by the General Teaching Council for Scotland (GTCS). Upon graduation, UK and EU students will be guaranteed a one-year teaching induction post in a Scottish school.

Our MA (Hons) Physical Education programme is unique within the UK in preparing you to teach physical education to pupils across the 3-18 age range. Our MA (Hons) Primary Education with Gaelic programmes prepare you to teach the full range of the pre-school and primary curriculum for children through the medium of Gaelic, as well as in English.

Please note: It is important that applicants for teacher education programmes show commitment, motivation and suitability for their programme and the profession. This can be demonstrated in your personal statement by reflecting on relevant work experience and explaining your understanding of the teacher’s role. For more guidance, visit: www.ed.ac.uk/education

Graduate teacher education

We offer primary and secondary teacher education for graduates via a one-year Professional Graduate Diploma in Education (PGDE) – please apply through UCAS – and a two-year MSc Transformative Teaching & Learning. Please visit: www.ed.ac.uk/education

Community education

Our programme includes an adult education, youth work and community development. It is approved by the Community Learning and Development Standards Council for Scotland.

Childhood practice

Our programme is aimed at childcare professionals who wish to combine study with their work. It has been designed to meet the new Standard in Childhood Practice and students who successfully achieve the BA Childhood Practice will be able to apply for registration as a manager/lead practitioner with the Scottish Social Services Council (SSSC).

Year by year...

Childhood practice

Year 1 This work based programme is for students with 120 Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF) Credits at level 7/B, or equivalent, working in a relevant childcare environment. You enter directly into Year 2.

Year 2 You will study Childcare Providers, Childhood Studies Work-Based Learning: 1. Professional Development and Children in the Family, to enable you to evaluate your own role in a childcare setting.

Year 3 You will take Childhood Studies Work-Based Learning 2: Organisational Development, Children’s Education and Social Justice and Children’s Health and Wellbeing.

Year 4 You will study Integrated Working in Children’s Services and Children’s Rights and carry out a Childhood Practice Project.

Community education

Year 1 The first year provides a general theoretical introduction to professional perspectives and concerns, and underlying social scientific ideas. You are expected to undertake professionally relevant practical activity through voluntary or paid part-time work in an appropriate setting.

Year 2 You will explore theoretical perspectives and their relationship to the practice of community education. You are encouraged to develop an analysis of how community educators can locate the struggles of individuals within a wider socioeconomic context. You will also undertake an eight-week block practice placement. This could be within a range of agencies or organisations including local authorities or voluntary organisations.

Year 2 You will complete a further 11-week, full-time practice placement. You will also take courses focused on the professional, organisational and policy context of practice, and on the development and analysis of theories in use to explore problems and contradictions emerging from practice and associated theory. Finally, you will choose from courses that focus on specific aspects of your professional purpose and practice.

Year 4 You will complete a concurrent placement equivalent to 18 hours per week for 18 weeks, and combine taught courses with independent study and research, leading to a dissertation.

Year by year continued overleaf.
Physical education  
Year 1  
You will study physical education, educational studies and applied sport and exercise science. You will focus on the primary school curriculum, as the foundation for life-long engagement in physical education, and undertake a placement in a primary school.

Year 2  
You will combine ongoing study of physical education and educational studies with two other courses to broaden your knowledge and inform teaching and learning skills. Your placement will be in a secondary school.

Year 3  
You will have an extended placement in a secondary school and take courses in educational studies and physical education. These courses will provide you with a detailed understanding of educational practice. The focus of these courses will enable you to engage in educational practice, learn about social justice and consider issues related to national qualifications. Drawing on courses taken in Years 1 and 2, you will also select a disciplinary perspective to inform your professional practice.

Year 4  
You will conduct a major independent study on an area of professional interest. To support this work you will have an extended placement course, the opportunity to specialise in a disciplinary perspective, and a course focusing on the future of physical education.

Primary education with Gaelic  
Year 1  
You will undertake a year-long school placement in a Gaelic-medium primary school. You will experience a range of school stages and will work to develop the professional skills and abilities required for provisional registration with the General Teaching Council for Scotland. You will also study primary studies and educational studies (with a Gaelic medium focus) during the year, coming back in to the University on specific weeks for classes.

Year 2  
You will study primary studies, educational studies and Gaelic. You will select an option from a suite of courses within the School of Education. Primary education courses include placements in schools.

Year 3 (Fluent)  
Year 4 ( Learners)  
You will spend a year at Sabhal Mòr Ostaig on the Isle of Skye, focusing on developing your Gaelic. You will complete An Cùrsa Comais, an intensive language course designed for intermediate level learners whose aim is to become fluent in Gaelic.

Year 3 (Fluent)  
Year 4 ( Learners)  
You will undertake a year-long school placement in a Gaelic-medium primary school. You will work to develop the professional skills and abilities required for provisional registration with the General Teaching Council for Scotland. You will study primary studies and educational studies (with a Gaelic medium focus) during the year, coming back in to the University on specific weeks for classes.

Year 4 (Fluent)  
Year 5 ( Learners)  
You will conduct a major independent study on an area of professional interest. To support this work you will have an extended placement course, the opportunity to specialise in a disciplinary perspective, and a course focusing on the future of physical education.

Foghlaíon Bun-sgoile le Gàidhlig  
Bliadhna 1  
Nì thu cùrsaichean ann an eòlas foghlaim bun-sgoile, eòlas foghlaim agus ann a’ Chaidhilg. Tha cùrsaichean foghlam na bun-sgoile ag a’ ghabhail a steach greasgean grìobhachais ann an spòitean.

Bliadhna 2  
Nì thu cùrsaichean ann an eòlas foghlaim bun-sgoile, Càidhilg agus cèannachs. Tha cùrsaichean foghlam na bun-sgoile a’ ghabhail a steach greasgean grìobhachais ann an spòitean.

Bliadhna 3 (Luchd-ionsachaidh)  
Bheir thu seachad bliadhna aig Sabhal Mòr Ostaig san Eilean Sgitheanach, a’ nearachadh in sgiathan Càidhilg agad. Nì thu An Cùrsa Comais, dian-chèist a chainn a tha air a dhaithidh airson luchd-ionsachaidh aig le-eadar rhiubhannach a tha aq amas air fileanachd sa Càidhilg.

Bliadhna 4 (Luchd-ionsachaidh)  
Bliadhna 3 (Fileanta)/Bliadhna 4 (Luchd-ionsachaidh)  
Nì thu greis gèimhichadh faç bhliadhna an am bun-sgoil tro mheadhan na Càidhilg. Cheith thu eòlas air mezachadh de dh’hréin eòlas agus obairachd tu ghe na sgiathan agus comasan profi oiranta a fhogail a tha a dhìth arson a bhith air do charadh le Comhairle Choitcheann Teagaisg na h-Alba. Nì thu cùrsaichean cuidheachd ann an eòlas foghlaim na bun-sgoile agus eòlas foghlaim le fòcas air foghaim tro mheadhan na Càidhilg troin bhliadhna, a’ tghimh air as dhan eòlach aig luchd-ionsachaidh aig ìre eadar-chànanach a bhruach.

Bliadhna 5 (Luchd-ionsachaidh)  
Nì thu cùrsaichean ann an eòlas foghlaim na bun-sgoile, eòlas foghlaim p’r ghabhail a steach tràchdach agus ùil eòlas ann am Fhoghlam Roghadh Ùr a Chànanach. Taghaidh tu roghainn tho na cùrsaichean a tha ri fhaighinn ann an Spòil an Fhoghlaim. Tha cùrsaichean foghlam na bun-sgoile a’ ghabhail a steach greasgean grìobhachais ann an spòitean.
English Language

Why choose English Language at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked in the world’s top 20 universities for English language and literature in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017. We conduct world-leading research in English language and linguistics. English language offers an unusually large number of course options. As well as gaining a comprehensive grounding in linguistic concepts and ideas, you will look at the development of English from pre-history and the language of early Britain, to modern English and its status as the global language of the 21st century. There are opportunities to study how English is spoken abroad in Europe, Asia, Australia and North America.

Introducing English Language

Language is a highly structured system of communication in which complex and elusive meanings are encoded in sequences of sounds travelling through air, or of letters written on pages. The English language has a well-recorded history of more than 1,000 years and its changes can be traced through written materials ranging from medieval manuscripts to text messages, and more recently, through recordings of spoken English.

Using techniques from modern linguistics, you will analyse the structure of written and spoken English and will explore how the language has changed in the course of its history.

You can also study modern-day varieties of English and Scots and identify the similarities and differences between the features of English and other languages.

Study abroad

There are opportunities to study abroad in Europe, Asia, Australia and North America through the Erasmus scheme and the University’s international exchange programme.

Career opportunities

Popular career paths for English language graduates include journalism, publishing, PR, advertising, and, with additional training, speech and language therapy. You can also train to teach English in the UK or abroad.

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

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A Levels AAA to ABB. 
IB 40 points (grades 766 at HL) to 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Access threshold: 
SQA Highers ABBB. 
A Levels ABB. 
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Please note: This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The typical offer range and access threshold are explained on page 153. Full, detailed entry requirements, including the subjects you need, vary by programme. Please check the full details before you apply. www.ed.ac.uk/ug/43

Programmes

MA (Hons) 
English Language Q302 
English Language & Literature Q300

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“...” Bryan Tan
4th year MA (Hons) English Language & Literature

Year by year...

Year 1
You will take two semester-long introductory courses, which introduce you to the principles of theoretical linguistics. You will study how we learn language, regional and social variations generally, and of English in particular, and communication methods. If you are studying a joint honours you will also take courses from your other subject.

Year 2
You will take four further semester-long courses (two in the case of some joint honours programmes) looking at linguistic theory and research techniques, the structure of spoken and written English, and at the patterns of linguistic change as it has occurred in and beyond the UK.

Year 3
You can start to specialise and choose the topics that interest you most. Courses available at this level include Reading Old English, Dialects of Britain and Ireland, Global Englishes, English Word Formation, History of Scots and many more.

Year 4
You will continue to choose specialist modules according to your interests. You will also take a specialised research training course before starting your honours dissertation, regarded by many as the most valuable experience of their undergraduate studies.

“...”
English Literature & Scottish Literature

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Typical offer range:
SQA Highers A*AA to ABB.
A Levels A*AA to ABB.
IB 43 points (grades 776 at HL) to 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Access threshold:
SQA Highers ABB.
A Levels ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

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Programmes

MA (Hons)
English & Scottish Literature QQ32
English Literature Q306
English Literature & Classics QQ38
English Literature & History QV01
Scottish Literature Q531
Scottish Literature & Classics Q608
Scottish Literature & History QV07
Scottish Literature & Scottish History QV22

Why choose English Literature & Scottish Literature at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked in the world’s top 20 universities for English language and literature in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017.

You will be joining the oldest English literature department in the world, to study in a city that has an excellent tradition of literature.

We host several creative writing magazines and sponsor dramatic productions every year, produced and performed by English literature students.

Introducing English Literature & Scottish Literature

The study of English Literature at the University of Edinburgh includes writing from any and all of the English-speaking cultures. We offer a wide range of courses, taught by world-class experts, that have been designed and revised around the latest developments in thinking about writing and culture. These courses make it possible for you to make an original contribution to contemporary debates.

You will study literature written in English from all major periods in history, from medieval to postmodern. You will explore in depth a range of individual works and authors, and the historical contexts in which works of literature were created. You will learn to compare different writing styles and genres. You will also study the evolution of literary thinking and how literary works have been interpreted in different ways over time.

The city of Edinburgh provides an excellent setting to study literature. It was named the first UNESCO City of Literature in 2004 and hosts the annual Edinburgh International Book Festival, which attracts the biggest names in literature and publishing. Our central location puts a range of excellent facilities within easy reach, including the city’s exceptional collection of libraries. The University library is complemented by the National Library of Scotland, Edinburgh Central Library, and the Scottish Poetry Library. The city also offers the Writers’ Museum, the Scottish Storytelling Centre and several outstanding theatres. The student drama scene is particularly vibrant, with the annual Edinburgh International Festival and Festival Fringe allowing students to perform their best at the peak of their productions before a large and cosmopolitan audience.

As well our creative writing courses, our writing-in-residence offers guidance in the production of fiction and poetry. We produce several creative writing magazines and our student newspaper has developed good contacts with the Edinburgh and Glasgow media.

Joint honours

English literature and Scottish literature can both be studied as part of a joint honours programme with Celtic, French, German, history of art, Italian, philosophy, Portuguese, religious studies, Russian studies, Scandinavian studies, Scottish ethnology or Spanish. In addition, English literature can be studied with English language. However, please note that while we offer a flexible programme, because of the exceptionally high demand for a very limited number of places, there is no guarantee that students who are admitted to a joint honours programme can later transfer to our single honours English Literature or Scottish literature MA (Hons) programmes.

Study abroad

There are opportunities to spend Year 3 studying abroad, either at a range of universities in Europe through the Erasmus scheme (including Copenhagen, Amsterdam, Berlin, Vienna and Barcelona), or in a number of universities worldwide through the University’s international exchange programme (these include Pennsylvania, California, Toronto, Hong Kong and Melbourne).

Career opportunities

There are a variety of careers open to English and Scottish literature graduates. You can choose to work in publishing, teaching, arts administration, or the creative industries or embark on a media-related career such as PR, journalism or advertising. Graduates have also gone on to work in the finance or business sectors. Some students pursue postgraduate study.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/32

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“Such is the wealth of resources available in Edinburgh. There is history all around and literature is woven into the core of the city. This is incredibly useful for contextualising a lot of the material and keeps alive the passion I have for my subjects.”

Amber Isaacs
3rd year MA (Hons) English Literature & History

Year by year...

Year 1
You will study English Literature 1 or Scottish Literature 1. These courses will introduce you to some of the major stylistic aspects of literary writing and you will study modern literary and critical theory. In English Literature, you will investigate the historical development of English literature from the medieval period to the 17th century. In Scottish Literature, you will examine the relationship between Scottish national identity and literature from the medieval period to the present day.

Year 2
You will take English Literature 2 or Scottish Literature 2. Both courses examine the changes in literature between 1750 and 1890 and the cultural and historical contexts in which the literature of this period was produced.

Year 3
You can start to specialise and choose courses according to your area of interest and will take compulsory courses in critical practice.

Year 4
You can choose further specialist courses and will write an independent dissertation.
Why choose French at the University of Edinburgh?
We are ranked 4th in the UK and 21st in the world for modern languages in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017.

As a large and popular subject area, French at the University of Edinburgh offers you a wide range of courses covering French and Francophone culture from the Middle Ages to the 21st century. We offer specialist options in literature, film, politics and the history of ideas. You will benefit from our close links with the Institut Français d’Écosse and have access to a lively French cultural scene, including an active French theatre society and French film screenings and festivals.

Introducing French
Studying French at the University of Edinburgh provides you with an excellent understanding of the language, literature and culture of the Francophone world and enables you to communicate effortlessly in the language.

You will be offered a vast range of option courses as you progress through your programme (from Year 2 onwards). We offer up to 20 options in Year 4, including courses such as Literature and Film: the Challenge of Adaptation, Francophone Postcolonial Thought, Freud in France, Contemporary French Crime Fiction, The Monster in French Literature, The Modern City: Paris and Exploring Belgian Identities.

Our high-quality resources and expert teaching staff offer you a very supportive learning environment. In addition to our extensive web resources, you will have access to the National Library of Scotland’s French collections, one of the best in the UK, and our own Main Library’s extensive collection of books, journals and electronic resources.

You will be able to join the French theatre group or the debating group and to take part in the French Film Club. We have close links with the French Institute in Edinburgh. We organise joint events throughout the year, such as the Journée de la Francophonie and our Francophone Film Festival.

Programmes
MA (Hons) French
- French & Business RN11
- French & Classics Q8R1
- French & English Language Q8R3
- French & English Literature RI13
- French & German RR12
- French & History RV11
- French & History of Art RV13
- French & Italian RR11
- French & Linguistics QT11
- French & Philosophy RV15
- French & Politics RL12
- French & Portuguese RR15
- French & Russian Studies RR17
- French & Scandinavian Studies RR16
- French & Scottish Literature RQ15
- French & Social Policy RL14
- French & Spanish RR14

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at
www.ed.ac.uk/ug/44

Study abroad
You will spend Year 3 abroad, either studying (normally through an Erasmus exchange in France, Belgium, or Switzerland), or in any French speaking country as a teaching assistant or on a work placement. The University has exchange places in 30 different institutions in France, Belgium, and Switzerland, ranging from prestigious universities including the Sorbonne in Paris, to specialised Grandes Ecoles. They include Politics Institutes (IEP), business schools, and, in Paris, ISI (specialising in translation and interpreting) and the Ecole du Louvre. You will therefore be able to match your other subject during the year abroad if studying for joint honours.

Additional costs
You will spend Year 3 of your programme abroad. The normal residence requirement for a European language is 30 weeks in the relevant country or countries. Some students of French may apply for posts as English-language assistants in schools, for which a salary is paid.

Costs vary according to destinations: capital cities are more expensive than provincial towns. For EU countries and Switzerland, a number of Erasmus/Socrates placements are available, which include a small grant from European Union funds.

Students studying more than one language must complete a minimum period of eight weeks in each country. Some limited government funding may be available from the University to assist with the cost of study abroad during the summer vacation.

Career opportunities
The employment statistics for French graduates from the University of Edinburgh are impressive. Our graduates are well placed to enter employment where linguistic skills are of special value, for instance in education, translating and interpreting, and international business. Within the EU there is a high demand for graduates with a knowledge of the language and culture of one or more countries. Our graduates can be found in every kind of career, especially those that place a premium on thinking that is both disciplined and imaginative, from physical theatre to the top of the civil service.

Anna Simonson
2nd year MA (Hons) French & Spanish

“The thing I like most is the opportunity to study a wide range of courses. This has allowed me to explore things I would otherwise have limited knowledge of, including politics and comparative literature.”

A Level French
- A Levels AAA to ABBB
- B Levels 655 at HL

Access threshold:
A Level French
- 13 points (grades 655 at HL)

Please note:
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German

Why choose German at the University of Edinburgh?
We are ranked 4th in the UK and 21st in the world for modern languages in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017. The University offers 16 languages for study at degree level and more than 140 joint language programmes. This creates a diverse and uniquely exciting and stimulating environment for language study.
We have close links with the German Consulate in Edinburgh and the Goethe-Institut in Glasgow. You are encouraged to participate in Edinburgh’s extensive German cultural life. Opportunities include performing German theatre, joining the German Society and participating in German film evenings.

Introducing German
The study of German at Edinburgh covers not only the language, but also a broad range of literary and cultural topics. These include film, theatre, translation, politics and gender, Germany and Islam, East German studies, Brecht, the Third Reich and the Holocaust, German Romanticism, Goethe and Schiller, and medieval studies. The oral language practicals cover a wide range of stimulating up-to-date cultural and political topics.
You will be taught by world-leading specialists in all these areas. You will benefit from access to extensive and constantly updated study resources, including audio-visual and web-based resources and rich library holdings.

Programmes
MA (Hons)
- German R220
- German & Business R221
- German & Classics R222
- German & English Language R322
- German & English Literature R223
- German & History R223
- German & History of Art R223
- German & Italian R223
- German & Linguistics R223
- German & Philosophy R225
- German & Politics R222
- German & Portuguese R225
- German & Russian Studies R227
- German & Scandinavian Studies R226
- German & Scottish Literature R225
- German & Social Policy R224
- German & Spanish R224

Study abroad
Year 1 will be your year abroad. You will spend time studying, teaching or working in a German-speaking country. The University currently has Erasmus exchange programmes with universities in Berlin, Augsburg, Heidelberg, Tübingen, Freiburg, Leipzig, Mainz and Vienna.
If you are studying more than one language you will divide your time abroad between two countries.

Additional costs
The normal residence requirement for European languages is 30 weeks in the relevant country or countries. Some students of German may apply for posts as English-language assistants in schools, for which a salary is paid.
Costs vary according to destinations: capital cities are more expensive than provincial towns. For EU countries, a number of Erasmus places are available, which include a small grant from European Union funds.
Students studying more than one language have to complete a minimum period of eight weeks in each country and a total of 30 weeks abroad. Some limited government funding may be available from the University to assist with the cost of study abroad during the summer vacation.

Career opportunities
German is the language with the highest number of native speakers in the European Union and is an official language in seven European countries and provinces. German plays an important role as a foreign language in many other countries, particularly in central and eastern Europe. German speakers are highly sought after by British employers. Seven out of 10 businesses in the UK value foreign language skills in employees, and 49 per cent of the UK’s trade is conducted in German as useful for their business, placing it ahead of Spanish and Mandarin.
As part of your project work, in your first year of studying German you will be allocated a German native speaker as an interview partner. You will have the opportunity to find out about the value of foreign languages in the workplace and gain some insights into possible career options. As a follow up, a Careers Service workshop helps you to analyse and develop the graduate skills you have acquired.

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IB 40 points (grades 655 at HL) to 34 points (grades 655 at HL).
Access threshold:
SQA Highers ABBB.
A Levels ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).
Please note This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The typical offer range and access threshold are explained on page 153. Full, detailed entry requirements, including the subjects you need, vary by programme. Please check the full details before you apply: www.ed.ac.uk/ug/45

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The University of Edinburgh Undergraduate Prospectus 2019 entry
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IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).
Access threshold:
SQA Highers ABBB.
A Levels ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).
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Programmes
MA (Hons) Health, Science & Society 2045

Why choose Health, Science & Society at the University of Edinburgh?
This innovative programme looks at the complexity of human experience in the area of health, illness and the social arrangements for care, and brings together disciplines including sociology, psychology, geography, counselling, ethics and nursing studies.

You will have the opportunity to undertake an innovative option course in community engagement, opening up a pathway to new abilities, work experience and community-based learning.

Looking at healthcare on a broader international scale is possible in Year 3, when you will have the opportunity to study abroad through the University’s international exchange programme.

Introducing Health, Science & Society
We live in a global age of increasing life expectancy but chronic health conditions are rising and infectious disease is showing no signs of disappearing. This programme will help you to understand the social dimensions of health and illness, preparing you to contribute to improving the lives of people on this planet.

Drawing upon a range of disciplinary perspectives, you will address three broad themes: societies and communities; individuals, personhood and experience; and healthcare, social care and professional development. You will explore this important field of human experience across diverse social contexts, applied to real-world settings.

You will examine how social, political and economic organisation contribute to health and illness and to the distribution of these across societies, communities and social groups. You will also look at culture and language and how these influence the ways in which people experience health and illness.

Integral to your learning will be the concept of care and its delivery and the development of critical understandings of the contributions that individuals, communities and policy-makers all make to health outcomes.

Study abroad
In Year 3 you may have the option to study abroad through our international exchange programme.

Additional costs
You may incur local public transport costs on the optional community engagement course.

Career opportunities
Graduates may pursue careers in community services, the voluntary sector, health services management, policy and research, health journalism, health education, patient advocacy, health promotion, liaison roles in health and social care, and project management/co-ordination. The programme provides a foundation for further professional career development or further study.

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“My programme is preparing me for my future career by addressing various issues from many different perspectives, which is necessary in our globalised world, as well as presenting me with opportunities to volunteer and go abroad.”
Manisha Thill
3rd year MA (Hons) Health, Science & Society

Year by year...
Year 1
You will explore the social causes of health and illness and their impact on different communities and social groups, drawing upon examples from around the world. This leads on to the study of individual and cultural understandings of health and illness and associated beliefs and behaviours, alongside the related concepts of deviance and stigma. You will also select four courses from a wide range of options.

Year 2
You will study current key health issues of local and global importance, using research materials so that you gain an understanding of how knowledge is produced and used in real life situations. You’ll also be introduced to the complexity of language use in interaction, and the role of language in communicating about health in society and in healthcare settings, focusing on the production of meanings, identities and social relationships. Again, a wide range of option courses is available, from which you’ll choose four.

Year 3
You will learn research skills; explore compassion, empathy and ethics as critical to care; examine care alongside consideration of the concept of the person, spirituality, individuality and dignity; and study mental health problems and the therapeutic alliance. You’ll also choose three option courses from a wide range.

Year 4
In your final year you will examine critical challenges in interdisciplinary teamwork, effective health and social care partnerships, leadership and change management, and public health initiatives and community collaborations for enhancing health. You’ll also undertake an individual research project supported by a member of teaching staff. Again, the year will be completed with two option courses.

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Why choose History at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 23rd in the world for history in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017. We cover every period of history from the early Middle Ages to the late 20th century, and the major geographical regions of the world – Europe, Britain and Ireland, North America, Latin America, Asia and Africa. Beyond the University and its own libraries, there are further resources available to you in Edinburgh for historical research, including the National Library of Scotland, National Museum of Scotland and National Records of Scotland.

Introducing History

History enables us to understand how the world has developed and become what it is today. Studying events and issues from the past also affects the way we see the present and future. At Edinburgh our courses cover a wide range of different periods, from early medieval history to the contemporary world. You will have the opportunity to choose from a broad range of historical themes, including political history, cultural history, economic and social history, gender history, intellectual history and environmental history. Whichever path you choose, you'll be able to deepen your understanding of subject areas that you have studied previously and will have the opportunity to explore something completely new.

Joint honours

History can be studied as part of a joint honours programme with Arabic, archaeology, Chinese, classics, economics, English or Scottish literature, French, German, Italian, law, politics, Portuguese, Russian studies, Scandinavian studies or Spanish. Scottish history can be studied as part of a joint honours programme with Celtic, Scottish ethnology or Scottish literature.

Study abroad

There are opportunities to study abroad in Year 3, either by applying for the School’s Erasmus exchange agreements, or for of the University’s many international exchanges beyond Europe. These cover practically every continent on the globe, from North and South America to Australasia and Asia. These are unique opportunities to immerse yourself in different university systems and cultures.

Additional costs

Your choice of dissertation topic may require fieldwork. Some additional costs may be associated with this fieldwork such as transport, accommodation and photocopying. The overall cost to you will depend on the topic you choose and where your fieldwork takes place. If you study abroad in Year 3, your costs will vary by country.

Career opportunities

You will gain key transferable skills that employers are looking for. In particular you will learn to develop intellectually rigorous arguments, based on sound independent research and analysis. You will also learn to compile and critically evaluate large amounts of complex and conflicting evidence, and to formulate and present your views coherently and cogently, both orally and in writing. The research and analytical skills you will develop can be used in any research-based career. They can also be applied to careers including journalism, museum and heritage work, public relations, the diplomatic service or teaching.

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History of Art

Why choose History of Art at the University of Edinburgh?
You will work alongside leading academics, many of whom are involved in curating or displaying their work at major international art exhibitions.

Our range of teaching specialisms is one of the broadest in the UK and covers everything from Celtic and early Islamic art, to contemporary art and the current global art market. We also have specialisms in medieval and Renaissance, early modern, and both 19th and 20th century art. We also teach about Chinese, Japanese and Indian art.

In Year 3, you will have the opportunity to apply for work experience in one of the city’s collections, and gain behind-the-scenes access to Edinburgh’s renowned art galleries and museums.

Introducing History of Art
History of art will introduce you to art from different periods and world cultures. You will learn how, and for whom, works of art were made, as well as situating artworks within visual and material culture more broadly.

You will explore the meanings of works of art and visual culture and the ways they continue to be interpreted. In Year 3 you will have the opportunity to specialise in particular aspects of the field, and develop independent research projects and a dissertation.

Our aim is to produce graduates who have an informed and nuanced understanding of artistic practice and visual and material culture at different historical periods, who additionally possess an extensive and well-rounded knowledge and understanding of art history and its methods of study.

Many of our academic staff curate, or exhibit in, major international art exhibitions. You will also have access to Edinburgh’s renowned art galleries and museums.

Study abroad
There are opportunities to study abroad in Europe and North America, via Erasmus and other international exchange schemes. Further information is available online.

Placements
In Year 3, if you do not go abroad, you will have the option of a work placement, which involves a supervised position in one of Edinburgh’s many museums, galleries, special collections or heritage management institutions.

Entry to the work placement is competitive, based on your CV and an interview with the host institution.

Joint honours
History of art can also be studied as part of a joint honours programme with Arabic, French, German, history, Italian, music, Russian studies or Spanish.

Additional costs
You will bear the costs of printing your work, for example, the final year dissertation, which must be submitted on paper. In addition, there may be small costs associated with travel to visit exhibitions, but these are usually limited to £10–£20 per visit.

Career opportunities
Studying history of art at the University of Edinburgh prepares you for a range of careers in the art world such as curators in galleries and museums, art journalism, publishing, art dealing, tourism, graphics, advertising, heritage management and auctioneering.

Some graduates use their skills and experience for careers in management or teaching, after additional training, while some choose to go on to further study.

"My programme is equipping me with broad knowledge of my fields of study but also instilling the specific critical attitude necessary to follow a path into gallery curation, journalism or academia."
Tabby Carless-Frost
2nd year MA(Hons) History of Art & English Literature

Programmes
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History of Art V350
History of Art & Architectural History V360
History of Art & Chinese Studies V712
History of Art & English Literature VQ33
History of Art & History of Music V833
History of Art & Scottish Literature VQ35

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You may also be interested in
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You will study History of Art 1, covering the period from the fall of the Roman Empire until the end of the Counter-Reformation. This will include non-western material. You will also choose two option courses from other subject areas. If you study history of art with another subject, you will study compulsory courses from that subject and may be able to choose one option course from another subject area.

You will study History of Art 2, which begins with the 18th century and continues to the present day. As in Year 1, you will be able to choose two option courses from related fields such as architectural history and classical art, or, alternatively, from unrelated subjects available across the University. If you are studying history of Art with another subject you may take compulsory courses from that subject and may be able to choose one option.

You will start to specialise and can either focus solely on history of art or choose courses from other academic areas. If you are studying history of art with another subject you will take specialist courses from that subject. All students will complete either a placement within a gallery or cultural institution, or an independent project that focuses on skills relevant to careers in history of art. Projects in the past have included writing exhibition reviews and cataloguing works of art. Study abroad is possible in Year 3.

You will select courses that build on your subject choices in Year 3. Again, you can choose solely history of art courses or additionally choose one or two courses from other academic areas. You will also write a dissertation.
Islamic Studies & Middle Eastern Studies

Why choose Islamic Studies & Middle Eastern Studies at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 6th in the UK for Middle Eastern studies in the Complete University Guide 2018. We are also 14th in the world for arts and humanities in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2018 by Subject. The University offers 16 languages for study at degree level and more than 140 joint language programmes. This creates a diverse and uniquely exciting and stimulating environment for language study.

Our teaching staff are also highly active researchers, passing on to you the same passion and world-class expertise that gained excellent results in the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014. Our Arabic and Persian research was part of the Area Studies submission in which 73 per cent of our publications rated either world-leading or internationally excellent on the overall quality profile.

Introducing Islamic Studies & Middle Eastern Studies

Exploring past and present, through the study of language, literature, culture and history, both Islamic studies and Middle Eastern studies provide a comprehensive training in history, with an emphasis on critical and analytical skills. Our programmes in this area involve discussion of key issues, practice in applying concepts, both in discussion and in writing, analysis and interpretation of material, and feedback sessions on coursework.

Programmes

MA (Hons) Islamic Studies V622
Middle Eastern Studies T600

Study abroad

In Year 3 you will normally have the option of an Erasmus+ exchange at one of two English-language universities, Boğaziçi or Bilgi, in Istanbul (although please note that this will depend on advice taken from the Foreign and Commonwealth Office).

Additional costs

Students who study abroad will incur additional costs. An Erasmus grant is available for participating students, to assist with the extra costs of studying and living abroad.

Career opportunities

Graduates enter employment in many different fields, including the civil service, industry, commerce, non-governmental organisations and education.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/52

Advice for applicants

Typical offer range:
SQA Highers AAAA to ABBB.
A Levels ABB.
IB 40 points (grades 766 at HL) to 34 points (grades 655 at HL).
Access threshold:
SQA Highers ABBB.
A Levels ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).
Please note This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The typical offer range and access threshold are explained on page 153. Full, detailed entry requirements, including the subjects you need, vary by programme. Please check the full details before you apply. www.ed.ac.uk/ug/52

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Study abroad? Yes

Year by year...

Year 1
You will take classes and receive instruction in a Middle Eastern language – either Arabic, Persian or Turkish. Depending on your programme, you will also take courses in Islamic history, the religion of Islam, modern Middle Eastern history and/or Islamic and Middle Eastern cultures, as well as courses from other subject areas.

Year 2
On MA (Hons) Islamic Studies you will take Introduction to Islam, Islamic and Middle Eastern Cultures and option courses of your choice. On MA (Hons) Middle Eastern Studies you will take Modern Middle Eastern History and option courses of your choice. You may continue with your language studies, taking either Arabic 2, Persian 2 or Turkish 2 as appropriate.

Year 3
You will continue to study a range of courses on subjects relating to Islam or the Middle East, including history, politics, religion or cultural studies. Opportunities to study abroad may also be available.

Year 4
You will continue with your honours courses from a wide range of relevant options from across the University. You will also complete a dissertation on a subject of your choice and under the supervision of an academic adviser.
Italian

Why choose Italian at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 4th in the UK and 21st in the world for modern languages in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017.

The University offers 16 languages for study at degree level and more than 140 joint language programmes. This creates a diverse and uniquely exciting and stimulating environment for language study.

We offer a rich and diverse learning experience. Our small class sizes, friendly staff and vibrant Italian Society make it easy to get to know your tutors and fellow students, creating a supportive learning environment.

Introducing Italian

Established in 1919, Italian at the University of Edinburgh offers you a solid foundation in both the language and the culture of Italy. The University hosts the largest population of Italian students in Scotland and one of the largest in the UK.

You will benefit from involvement in the activities of the research clusters run by the department and from our close links with the Italian Cultural Institute in Edinburgh. You will also benefit from our links with the National Library of Scotland, which hosts a large collection of Italian manuscripts and books.

Study abroad

You will spend Year 3 in Italy. We currently have exchange places in a variety of different institutions including University of Venice (Ca’ Foscari), University of Rome (Sapienza and Roma Tre), University of Bologna, University of Milan, University of Florence and University of Siena.

Students studying more than one language must complete a minimum of eight weeks in each country.

Additional costs

The normal residence requirement for European languages at Edinburgh is 30 weeks in the relevant country or countries. Some students of Italian may apply for posts as English-language assistants in schools, for which a salary is paid. Costs vary according to destinations: capital cities are more expensive than provincial towns.

Advice for applicants

Typical offer range:

SQA Highers ABBB.

A Levels ABB.

Access threshold:

SQA Highers AB8B. A Levels ABB. IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Please note: This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The typical offer range and access threshold are explained on page 153. Full, detailed entry requirements, including the subjects you need, vary by programme. Please check the full details before you apply:

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MA (Hons)

Italian R310

Italian & Business RN31

Italian & Classics QR83

Italian & English Language QR33

Italian & English Literature RQH3

Italian & History RV31

Italian & History of Art RV33

Italian & Linguistics RQ31

Italian & Philosophy RV35

Italian & Politics LR23

Italian & Portuguese RR35

Italian & Russian Studies RR17

Italian & Scandinavian Studies RR36

Italian & Scottish Literature RQ39

Italian & Social Policy RL34

Italian & Spanish RR34

Career opportunities

As a graduate of Italian, your employment prospects will be very good. You will have a remarkable range of career options available to you. Previous graduates have gone into careers as varied as publishing, banking, journalism, IT and teaching. Some are working for international aid organisations or within the European Commission, the diplomatic service and the United Nations. There are also opportunities to continue studying in the UK, Italy or the US.

There’s a distinct community feel which is cultivated with great care. I always felt that my teachers were looking out for me and we were interested in my progress.”

Maddie Robinson

MA (Hons) Italian & History of Art graduate

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Italian & English Literature

RQH3

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Italian & Philosophy

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Italian & Russian Studies

RR17

Italian & Scandinavian Studies

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Italian & Scottish Literature

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Italian & Social Policy

RL34

Italian & Spanish

RR34

Business RN31
Japanese

Why choose Japanese at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 14th in the world for arts and humanities in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2018 by Subject.

You will receive extensive methods training that will help bridge the gap between school and university learning.

You will benefit from a year of intensive Japanese language study, delivered at one of our partner institutions in Japan.

Introducing Japanese

Over the past 150 years Japan has experienced change at breakneck pace, but has nevertheless retained its fascinating cultural heritage. At Edinburgh you will receive the linguistic and academic training necessary to engage critically with this dynamic and vibrant society, as well as the skills and confidence needed to succeed in our increasingly globalised world. Intensive language training, including a year at one of our many partner institutions in Japan, will form the cornerstone of your programme. However, you will also work with international experts to explore a variety of topics including Japanese history, politics, international relations, economics, religion, art, cinema, literature and philosophy.

Please note that our Japanese programmes involve beginners’ language study and are not suitable for native or near-native speakers.

Joint honours

Japanese can be studied as a joint honours programme with linguistics or as part of our International Business with Japanese programme. Applicants for International Business with Japanese should note it does not normally involve formal study of Japanese in Years 3 or 4, although most students do spend their third year in Japan studying business courses delivered in English.

Study abroad

You will study abroad in Year 3. You will spend Year 3 in Japan as a compulsory part of your programme. Costs will vary depending on the location. Some scholarship money may be available, from external sources, on a competitive basis.

Career opportunities

Graduates of Japanese can use their language skills to work as translators, interpreters or as teachers, following further study. Many graduates of Japanese also choose to work in areas such as finance and investment, law, or go into publishing or management consultancy.

Please note that our Japanese programmes involve beginners’ language study and are not suitable for native or near-native speakers.

Additional costs

You will spend Year 3 in Japan as a compulsory part of your programme. Costs will vary depending on the location. Some scholarship money may be available, from external sources, on a competitive basis.

Career opportunities

Graduates of Japanese can use their language skills to work as translators, interpreters or as teachers, following further study. Many graduates of Japanese also choose to work in areas such as finance and investment, law, or go into publishing or management consultancy.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/38

Year by year...

Year 1

You will study Japanese Language 1, an introduction to Japanese language, and Modern East Asian History A. You will also take one of our Asian studies research methods course.

Year 2

You will continue your Japanese language study in Japanese Language 2, and deepen your understanding of Japanese society and culture through Researching Japan: Skills, Methods and Critiques.

We also offer the following option courses for Year 1 and Year 2 students: Politics and Economy of Japan, Pre-Modern East Asia, and Thinking Through Japan.

Year 3

You will spend your third year in Japan, where you will develop your language skills and start work on your dissertation.

Year 4

You will continue to study Japanese language and choose from a range of option courses in Japanese history, politics, religion, culture, film and literature. You will also complete your dissertation.

“There is a large body of people here who are willing to widen their horizons – it allows for a very intellectually engaging experience.”

Josh Croall
2nd year MA (Honours) Japanese

Programmes

MA (Hons)

Japanese T210
Japanese & Linguistics TQ21

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Advice for applicants

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A Levels ABB.
IB 38 points (grades 666 at HL) to 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Access threshold:

SQA Highers 4BB.
A Levels 3ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Please note This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The typical offer range and access threshold are explained on page 153. Full, detailed entry requirements, including the subjects you need, vary by programme. Please check the full details before you apply: www.ed.ac.uk/ug/38

Programmes

MA (Hons)

Japanese T210
Japanese & Linguistics TQ21

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Landscape Architecture

Why choose Landscape Architecture at the University of Edinburgh?

Our landscape architecture programme has full accreditation from the Landscape Institute (LI), the chartered body for the landscape profession in the UK. You will develop professional experience through an integrated practice working period which combines online learning with career experience, helping to prepare you for your landscape architecture career.

You will have access to significant designed landscapes of all types within close reach of Edinburgh. These range from the garden to the region, such as Ian Hamilton Finlay’s Little Sparta, to historic landscape sites and exemplars of contemporary designed landscapes in urban and rural contexts.

Introducing Landscape Architecture

Landscape architecture is a creative discipline that focuses on intervention in the landscape through imaginative design, strategic thinking and scientific precision. It analyses, represents, reclaims, reinvents and constructs landscapes as places with meaning. It is positioned at the interface between art and design, and the physical, natural and social sciences.

Our programme is committed to educating designers who are creative, inventive, intelligent, rigorous and ethical in their practice as both students and professionals. Our staff are also designers, makers and theorists who engage with both local and global professionals. Our staff are also designers, makers and theorists who engage with both local and global professionals.

It is positioned at the interface between art and design, and the physical, natural and social sciences.

Our programme is structured in three interconnected strands: design, theory and techniques. We have a unique relationship with the Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh, where you will learn about plants and horticulture from world-leading researchers and scientists. You will also have the opportunity to take up practical placement opportunities worldwide. We currently offer exchange opportunities with renowned landscape architecture institutions in mainland Europe and Australia.

Study abroad

You can study abroad by taking advantage of exchange opportunities in Year 3. We have exchange partners in Australia and throughout Europe under the Erasmus programme. In semester 2 of Year 3, you’ll have the opportunity to take up practical working opportunities in the UK or overseas.

Placements

Semester 2 of Year 3 is a credited practice working period. This means that you can work in practice from January until September taking advantage of working opportunities worldwide. You will study Semester 2 courses by distance learning.

Additional costs

You will need to purchase specialist equipment such as a laptop and pay for your drawing and model-making materials. You will also have to pay printing costs. Self-funded fieldwork and study tours are undertaken as part of the programme.

Accreditation

Our MA Landscape Architecture is a four-year honours programme that is accredited by the Landscape Institute.

We are in the process of developing a three-year BA programme which will enable accelerated progress or development, and may be selected by students towards the end of Year 2. Please check online for the most up-to-date information.

Career opportunities

Our graduates are highly in demand. A landscape architecture qualification from the University of Edinburgh can lead to employment worldwide. Almost all of our landscape architecture graduates quickly gain employment, predominantly in private practice but also in local government and with public bodies such as Scottish Natural Heritage or the Countryside Agency.

In semester 2 you will undertake a practice working period usually in a landscape architecture practice with two associated distance-learning courses.

Year by year...

Year 1

Design work focuses on the principles of landscape architecture including spatial concepts, exploration, function, planning and representation. You will also study techniques of drawing, IT, art practices and theories of physical geography, architectural and landscape history and landscape construction.

Year 2

Design work becomes more focused and complex. You will take courses which focus on landscape planning and the study of urban landscapes with a particular emphasis on urban design and urban regeneration. Studio work is supported by contemporary landscape theory, applied landscape theory and technical courses covering aspects of detailed design.

Year 3

Design work focuses on complex landscape systems, with exploration of related landscape research topics. In semester 1, you will also take an option from a suite of landscape architecture courses or from the wider University. In semester 2 you will undertake a practice working period usually in a landscape architecture practice with two associated distance-learning courses.

Year 4

Design courses advance depth of exploration and resolved proposition, with focus on increasingly self-directed work. You will also complete a self-directed dissertation, via a design or research route and will compile a carefully curated academic portfolio.

You may also be interested in

Architecture, Architectural History & Heritage

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Law

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Why choose Law at the University of Edinburgh?
We are ranked 24th in the world for law in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017. Edinburgh Law School has been educating and training some of the world’s finest legal minds for more than 300 years.

Studying in Scotland’s capital, you will be at the heart of Edinburgh’s legal centre, with the highest courts in Scotland a five-minute walk away. You will also benefit from access to some of the best academic law materials in Europe in our law library.

You will join a supportive law community and be assigned to a LawPALS group – our peer assisted learning scheme, which is designed to help you adapt to the study of law.

Introducing Law
Our Law School has a strong international reputation for research and our teaching staff offer expertise across a wide range of legal fields. There is a vibrant law student community which organises many social, careers and other law-related events.

Accurate problem solving and understanding of the structures of our society, which result from the study of law, are highly valued skills. As a law student, you will learn about the formal structures of our society and the role of law in shaping society.

Accreditation
Our LLB programmes are accredited by the Law Society of Scotland. You will be required to study certain courses to graduate with a full qualifying degree.

Scots law
At Edinburgh you will study Scots law. Students interested in practising law in England or Wales may not benefit from studying law in Scotland as there are significant differences between Scots and English law.

International students
Please check the Law Society of Scotland’s visa advice online if you intend to progress to a Diploma in Professional Legal Practice to qualify as a solicitor in Scotland. The current salary threshold for a Scottish law firm to sponsor a tier 2 visa exceeds a first year trainee’s recommended salary.

Study abroad
We have a wide range of international links and many opportunities for study abroad in Year 3. We run exchange schemes with partner universities in Europe, the Far East, and North and South America. Some of our programmes require a degree of language ability as you will be taught in the language of the host country. This includes France, Germany, Spain and Chile. However, we also operate several exchanges in Europe (including Austria, Finland, Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Belgium and the Netherlands), North America (the USA and Canada), Australasia and the Far East (Singapore and Hong Kong), where your study abroad will be taught in English.

Joint honours
Law is offered with a range of other subjects. If you intend to proceed to qualification as a lawyer in Scotland, please contact the School to check if your chosen joint honours programme allows you to cover all required fields for progression.

Career opportunities
After graduating, you can progress to the legal profession in Scotland by completing the Diploma in Professional Legal Practice, followed by a traineeship with a legal firm, to qualify as a solicitor. You can then opt to go to the Bar, to qualify as an advocate. There are also opportunities for Scottish-qualified lawyers to practise in other jurisdictions, including other member states of the European Union.

Graduates who do not choose a legal career often use their skills and experience for employment in finance, management or journalism or with international organisations such as the European Union and the United Nations.

Programmes
LLB – 2 years
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Law & Business M111
Law & Celtic M111
Law & Economics M111
Law & French M111
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Why choose Linguistics at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked in the world’s top 5 universities for linguistics in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017. We conduct world-leading research in linguistics and English language.

You will be exposed to different, sometimes competing, theories of language structure. Our researchers work on a wide range of languages and we have ongoing linguistic fieldwork projects on Brazilian Portuguese, Celtic, Faroese and Shilluk (a Sudanese language).

You will have access to our state-of-the-art cognitive neuroscience research laboratory, which includes world-class eye tracking facilities to help discover the mechanisms of language processing in the brain, and our perception laboratory, for perceptual and psycholinguistic experiments, as well as experimental booths equipped with the latest language research software. You will also be able to use and study in the psychology library.

Introducing Linguistics

Linguistics examines how language works, describing how sounds, words, sentences and conversations combine to express and create meaning. It also studies the uses of language in everyday life, the ways in which it varies across society and evolves over time, and how it is mastered by children. Linguistics can also be studied as part of a joint honours programme with a range of other subjects.

Career opportunities

Linguistics graduates work in a wide range of fields such as journalism, international relations, translation, marketing and social research. Recent graduates have taken up funded places on MSc programmes or have found employment in speech technology research. A linguistics qualification is also a good foundation for careers in professions such as speech and language therapy, adult literacy, or for teaching English as a foreign language.

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A Levels ABB.
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Access threshold:
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Programmes

MA (Hons)
Linguistics Q100
Linguistics & English Language Q031
Linguistics & Social Anthropology Q116

You may also be interested in

English Language Page 38
Psychology Page 72
Cognitive Science (Humanities) Page 28
Informatics (MInf) Page 118
Why choose Music at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked in the UK’s top 10 universities for music in the Complete University Guide 2018.

Our staff are world leaders in a wide range of musical areas including musicology, musical acoustics and music technology, composition, improvisation, music psychology, and community music.

The University is home to more than 25 musical societies and we host a packed schedule of concerts throughout the year ranging from classical and jazz to contemporary and electronic.

Introducing Music

Music is a rich and vibrant subject, which spans the arts, humanities and sciences. It includes specific areas such as performance, composition, acoustics, audio technology, music theory, and analysis. It also provides the opportunity to engage with much broader issues in history, anthropology, sociology, cultural studies, philosophy, cognitive sciences and psychology.

This disciplinary breadth is at the heart of our undergraduate programmes. Our BMus is a flexible programme, which will provide you with the opportunity to develop critical and technical skills from a variety of perspectives. You will study a diverse range of musical genres and styles and will explore the sociopolitical and cultural contexts in which music is produced and received. If you wish, you can specialise in composition and/or performance and you can take subjects outside of music in each of your four years of study.

Our BSc (Hons) Acoustics & Music Technology explores intersections between music technology, physics, and engineering. You will receive a rigorous grounding in fundamental scientific skills, be introduced to the core elements of music technology, sound recording and programming, and can follow pathways in physical acoustics or computer music systems.

The University’s Reid School of Music is an exciting place to study, with numerous opportunities to make music and perform in university ensembles, which include orchestras, choirs, a big band, wind band, composers’ orchestra and opera group. We host a lively concert calendar and our central Edinburgh location enables you to immerse yourself in the city’s rich cultural scene.

Placements

Our BMus Music in the Community course involves weekly placements across Edinburgh. Our BSc (Hons) Acoustics & Music Technology includes the opportunity to take industry placements in Year 3.

Additional costs

On performance courses you should expect to pay for instrument consumables and maintenance. Other costs include stationery and support for technology such as memory sticks/cards.

Year by year...

BMus (Hons) Music

Year 1

You will take Popular Music History, which explores musical texts and contexts since 1800, Thinking about Music, which in which you will engage with a broad musical repertoire and major debates in the study of music, and Creative Musicianship, which provides an opportunity to develop your creative and practical musicianship skills. If you do not have an A in Music at Advanced Higher or A Level, you will also take Fundamentals of Music Theory. You can take Psychology of Music and Musical Acoustics options and up to 60 credits from subjects outside of music. If you are Grade 8 ABRSM standard, or equivalent, on your main instrument you can take Performance 1 and will receive a bursary for tuition on up to two instruments.

Year 2

You will take Music and ideas from the Middle Ages to Venetian Classicism, and Music and ideas from Romanticism to the Present Day, music history courses which will introduce you to the aesthetic, social, political and cultural contexts of Western classical music. You will also take Applied Acoustics and Sound Recording, building your musicianship through an integrated study of musical analysis and computational techniques, or by developing skills in microphone techniques, room acoustics, field recording and production. You are also expected to complete a project in Computer Music Theory, and you may also take options from a wide range of subjects outside of music.

Year 3

During Years 3 and 4, you will be able to choose options from a wide range of courses in acoustics, composition, film music, music analysis, music history, music in the community, music and philosophy, music psychology, music technology, performance, popular music studies, sound design, and Scottish traditional music. In Year 3, you will take the compulsory course Research Methods in Music and can select up to 40 credits from subjects outside of music.

Year 4

You will select courses that build on your choices in Year 3, and can choose up to 40 credits from subjects outside of music. You will also embark on an independent project, for example a creative practice music project, dissertation, edition, portfolio of compositions, or recital.

BSc (Hons) Acoustics & Music Technology

Year 1

You will study acoustics, physics, mathematics, and music technology. Musical Acoustics explores musical instruments and architectural acoustics. Physics 1A presents the basic pillars of physics and will develop your general problem solving that form the heart of our undergraduate programmes. You will study advanced acoustics and computational techniques, or by developing skills in microphone techniques, room acoustics, field recording and production. You may also take options from a wide range of subjects outside of music.

Year 3

During Years 3 and 4, you will be able to choose options to cover such areas as performance, composition, film music, music analysis, music history, music in the community, music and philosophy, music psychology, music technology, performance, popular music studies, sound design, and Scottish traditional music. In Year 3, you will take the compulsory course Research Methods in Music and can select up to 40 credits from subjects outside of music.

Year 4

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Joint honours

Music can be studied as part of a joint honours with mathematics (see page 128). The history of music can be studied with history of art (see page 50).

Career opportunities

Our BMus programme provides the breadth and depth needed to pursue a variety of careers in music, the creative arts, education and the media. Our graduates go on to successful careers in a diverse range of areas including performance, teaching, academia, arts management, curation, community music, music therapy, print media, film, radio, television, animation and the games industry.

Our BSc (Hons) Acoustics & Music Technology programme provides you with the skills and expertise to pursue a career in acoustics, audio and music-technology industries. In addition, the advanced skills in software engineering, physics, mathematics and general problem solving that form the core of the programme are recognised by a wide range of employers. Graduates with such experience are sought after in a range of sectors, including audio and software engineering, the wider music industry, manufacturing, energy, finance and the space industries. The programme is also an excellent preparation for a further advanced postgraduate study in a wide range of related areas.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/5/
Nursing Studies

Why choose Nursing Studies at the University of Edinburgh?
We are ranked in the UK’s top 5 universities for nursing in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017. We offer you the opportunity to customise your learning by choosing from a university-wide range of options in Year 1, then choosing honours options in Years 3 and 4 to develop your specialist interests within nursing. You will be taught in a small cohort of around 40 students enabling you to receive close support. There are also opportunities to study abroad through our links with universities in mainland Europe, China and Australia.

Introducing Nursing Studies
We have been providing nursing education for 60 years. Our Bachelor of Nursing (BN) honours programme prepares you for a rewarding and varied career in healthcare. On graduation you will be eligible for registration with the Nursing and Midwifery Council as an Adult Nurse. We offer clinically-based knowledge and practical skills, balanced with theoretical and research-based knowledge, ensuring our graduates are highly effective practitioners by the end of our four-year programme. Nursing students require a strong interest in human relationships, well-developed social and communication skills, and a high degree of empathy. Through academic study and clinical practice, our programme will help you to build on these skills and attributes as well as develop the leadership and analytical skills required to provide excellent nursing care.

You will not only learn about clinical and professional issues in nursing, but also about diverse social and cultural influences on health, about research methods, and about psychological perspectives on the experience of illness and care. The opportunity to take two courses from the wider University in Year 1 allows you to broaden your understanding of the world and study a diverse range of topics. Additionally, the honours options in Years 3 and 4 offer you the opportunity to deepen your understanding in specialist areas of your choosing. At the end of Year 3 you will undertake an elective placement, offering you the opportunity to experience healthcare in a different culture, or to gain clinical experience in a specialist area of interest in the UK.

Please note
Our programme is currently being reviewed and revised in order to meet the new Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) Standards for Education and prepare nurses to work in the changing context of healthcare. The year by year description below is for guidance only; course names and content will be updated. However the four pillars of life sciences, social and psychological perspectives on health and social care, research and professionalism which underpin the curriculum will remain.

Accreditation
This programme is validated by the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC). Achievement of the required clinical and academic outcomes leads to eligibility for registration with the NMC as an Adult Nurse.

Study abroad
There are opportunities to complete placements abroad in Year 3. There is also an opportunity for two students to experience a semester-long exchange with an Australian university.

Placements
Clinical practice placements are provided by NHS Lothian and NHS Borders. You should expect to be placed across these two health boards during your programme. You will work with a trained mentor on placement.

Additional costs
Expenses for travel to and from clinical placements can be reclaimed if you are eligible for Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS) funding. For those students who are not eligible for SAAS funding, these costs must be borne personally.

In Year 3 there is an opportunity to undertake a single semester exchange with La Trobe University, Australia, for which you will be liable for visa, immunisation, travel and living costs.

You will also undertake an elective clinical placement, either abroad or elsewhere in the UK. All visa, immunisation, travel and living costs associated with this placement will be borne by you.

Students from the rest of the UK and overseas, whose fees are not paid by the Scottish Government, will be liable for the cost of the following mandatory items: uniforms, occupational health appointments, and the membership fee for the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (PVG) scheme.

Career opportunities
Career prospects are excellent for nursing studies graduates from the University of Edinburgh. Our graduates have gone into careers in a range of clinical settings in both community and hospital contexts, specialising, for example, in intensive care, oncology, theatres and accident and emergency, as well as in voluntary sector organisations. You may choose to undertake further study for masters or PhD and go on to develop your career in higher education, research, management or policy development.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/13

Programmes
BN (Hons) Nursing Studies 8700

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Access threshold:
SQA Highers ABB.
A Levels 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Additional requirements:
An interview. Successful applicants will also be required to join Disclosure Scotland’s Protecting Vulnerable Groups (PVG) scheme.

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You have seen a vast array of support services available to students. These include lecturers, Personal Tutors, and other staff who provide on-programme support, but are also available on a more personal level.”

Ethan Stoker
1st year BN (Hons) Nursing Studies

Year by year...
Year 1
The first two years provide an introduction to nursing care and therapy, and to the sociological and psychological aspects of healthcare. You will study the compulsory courses Life Sciences (anatomy- and physiology-based), Healthy Communities (investigating the impact of society on health), Professionalism and Evidence and Research. You will also choose two option courses from subjects across the University. You will gain clinical experience in Year 1 through community and medical ward placements.

Year 2
As well as progressing your study of life sciences in Nursing Care and Decision Making, Healthy Communities, Professionalism and Evidence and Research, you will also study Mental Health and Wellbeing. Your placements build on the Year 1 experience with a further community placement, mental health placement and surgical or outpatient experience.

Year 3
You will continue to deepen your study of Professionalism and Evidence and Research, as well as studying Management of Transitions, which focuses on care of the older person and Cultural Diversity and Care: Immersion Experience which includes the elective placement. You will also choose two honours option courses. Clinical experience includes care of the older person and a clinical experience linked to one of your honours options.

You will also organise your elective placement either in the UK or abroad.

Year 4
You will choose a further two honours options, study Professionalism 4 and complete your dissertation. Your clinical practice will include an honours linked placement and a 12-week placement consolidating your clinical competence.
Why choose Philosophy at the University of Edinburgh?

Following the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014 we were ranked seventh in the UK for philosophy in the Times Higher Education ranking by subject.

You will have a choice of more than 40 option courses in Years 3 and 4 in all the main branches of philosophy. Our world-leading academics are especially strong in the philosophy of mind and cognition, ethics, epistemology, the philosophy of language, the philosophy of science and the history of philosophy.

Staff and students work with the University’s Philosophy Society, which regularly hosts lectures, seminars, study support sessions, quizzes, film showings and guest speakers – giving you fun, stimulating and valuable opportunities to engage in debate and discussion.

Introducing Philosophy

As the historical home of David Hume and Adam Smith, the city of Edinburgh is a fitting place to study philosophy. The University too, has a strong historical connection to the subject, counting Adam Ferguson and Sir William Hamilton among its former students.

Studying philosophy allows you to think about some of the great philosophical questions in a clear, disciplined and systematic manner. It introduces you to the thinking of some of the great philosophers of the past and present, and illuminates the connections between diverse areas of human experience. It also makes you more aware of the assumptions that form the basis of your beliefs.

Career opportunities

The philosophy courses you study throughout your programme provide you with the analytical and critical-thinking skills that are highly valued in the workplace. Previous graduates have gone on to work in education, commerce, journalism, finance, law and computing. Some graduates also choose to continue with their studies and pursue a research or academic career.

Joint honours

Philosophy can also be studied as part of a joint honours programme with French, German, Italian, Russian studies, Scandinavian studies, Spanish or theology.

Study abroad

There are opportunities to study abroad through the Erasmus programme or the University’s international exchange programme.

Joint honours

You may also be interested in

Classics Page 26
Theology & Religious Studies Page 96
Politics & International Relations

Why choose Politics & International Relations at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked in the UK’s top 10 universities for politics and international studies in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017.

Home to the Scottish Parliament, the city of Edinburgh offers you the perfect location in which to study politics – and we offer you a dynamic environment, regularly hosting leading international academics, politicians and diplomats.

Our alumni include government ministers, members of parliament, policy analysts, broadcasters, business leaders, and teachers, as well as an increasing number of social entrepreneurs.

Introducing Politics & International Relations

Studying politics, you will explore the origins and present-day contexts of domestic and international conflicts about power and resources. You will also study the morality of political action, the limits of freedom and justice, and the processes of governance at various levels.

International relations is a subfield within political science that looks at the origins and evolution of the state system and the changing nature of state power. It examines the driving forces behind international cooperation and conflict, and explores security and prosperity in the international system.

Our politics programmes focus on politics, political theory, public policy and international relations in Europe, Russia, Africa and the US.

Our international relations programmes cover specific topics and regions within world politics, such as human rights and foreign policy, the Middle East and Africa.

Politics/International Relations with Quantitative Methods (QM)

If you choose to study politics or international relations with quantitative methods, these programmes can prepare you for a variety of exciting and well-remunerated careers. You will be offered a work placement with a top local employer so you can practise your skills. QM can include anything from designing surveys or experiments to using quantitative evidence from surveys, digital media, archives and open data. The current shortage of social scientists with these data analysis skills means graduates from these programmes will have a CV that stands out.

Joint honours

You can also choose to study politics as part of a joint honours programme with one of the following subjects: Arabic, economics, economic and social history, French, geography, German, history, Italian, law, Persian, philosophy, Portuguese, Russian studies, Scandinavian studies, social anthropology, social policy, sociology or Spanish.

Study abroad

There are opportunities to study abroad in Year 3 through the Erasmus programme or the University’s international exchange programme.

Additional costs

In Year 4, if you are a politics student taking Parliamentary Studies you will be offered a trip to Westminster. You will be responsible for meeting your own travel costs.

Career opportunities

In recent years, graduates have entered careers in the civil service, foreign affairs or political and parliamentary research. The programmes will also equip you with some of the transferrable skills required for employment in finance and consultancy, the voluntary sector, journalism or teaching. Some graduates choose to go on to further training in accountancy or law or take postgraduate programmes with a view to pursuing an academic career.

If you are interested in studying quantitative methods, you may also be interested in:

Government, Policy & Society/Social Policy with Quantitative Methods

Sociology with Quantitative Methods

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/18

Politics & International Relations

Year by year...

International Relations

Year 1

You will take Introduction to Politics & International Relations and Political THINKERS, an introductory political theory course. International Relations students additionally take an international law course taught by the School of Law. Depending on your programme, you will also take up to four option courses of your choice.

Year 2

You will study International Cooperation in Europe and Beyond, which examines how states cooperate in international organisations such as the European Union, the World Trade Organisation and the United Nations. You will also take courses that introduce you to key methods in political science: Comparative Politics in a Globalised World and Introduction to Data Analysis. Depending on your programme, you will also take up to three further option courses.

Year 3

You will take courses on Theories of International Relations, Global Justice and Citizenship and Research Design. In addition, you will take either International Political Economy and/ or Global Security. You will also take honours courses on a wide range of subjects such as US foreign policy, human rights, gender, African politics, the Middle East and many more.

Year 4

You will choose four courses from a wide range of politics and international relations options, and complete an honours dissertation on a topic of your choice.

Politics

Year 3

You will take courses such as Global Justice and Citizenship, Approaches to Politics and International Relations and Research Design. You will also take honours courses on a wide range of subjects such as political parties, gender, migration, human rights, and political theory, as well as politics courses covering Britain, the US, Africa, the Middle East and many more.

Year 4

You will choose four courses from the wide range available, and complete an honours dissertation on a topic of your choice.

“‘The continuously changing dynamics of international relations in the world today make it an increasingly crucial field to be immersed in.’

Mei Futonaka

2nd year MA (Hons) International Relations
Psychology

Why choose Psychology at the University of Edinburgh?

We consistently rank as one of the top 50 universities in the world for psychology (QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017 and Complete University Guide 2018).

We offer you a wide choice of courses in Years 1 and 2 from across the humanities and the sciences. This means you can decide on a humanities- or science-focused pathway as you progress through your first two years of study, rather than before you apply.

You will have access to state-of-the-art facilities including laboratories for cognitive neuroscience, developmental science, human movement, individual differences and general experimental psychology. You will also have the support of a large panel of volunteer research participants and partnerships with local nurseries. Our teaching facilities include a private psychology library, computer suites, and well-equipped teaching rooms.

Introducing Psychology

Psychology is the scientific study of the mind, brain and behaviour. It focuses on building and testing theories to help explain how people interact with each other and the world around them.

Psychologists are interested in the way biological and social factors influence how we behave, and how interests and abilities differ from person to person. They also study how we perceive, think and learn about the world around us. They examine how we communicate verbally and non-verbally, and how and why our mental abilities change across our lives.

Psychology is an experimental and observational science, in which evidence from research studies is used to develop and evaluate theories. Our programme has a strong emphasis on developing skills in research methods and statistical analysis, to support our research-led teaching.

Programmes

BSc (Hons) Psychology C800
MA (Hons) Psychology & Business CN81
Psychology & Economics C281
Psychology & Linguistics C801

Career opportunities

Our graduates develop high-level research, statistical, IT and report-writing skills, valued by employers in various sectors. Many psychology graduates have gone on to work in healthcare and social services, charitable organisations, human resources, management, business and finance, consulting, and media and advertising.

Some students continue their studies to enter a research or teaching career, or to train as a professional psychologist in a specific field (such as clinical, educational, forensic, health, or organisational psychology).

Accreditation

The four-year BSc Psychology (C800) programme is accredited by the British Psychology Society, as are most of our psychology joint honours. Please contact us for further information regarding joint programmes.

Study abroad

In Year 3, there are opportunities to study at a foreign university. You can devise your study abroad with our Year Abroad advisers and with advice from your Personal Tutor and Edinburgh Global, the University’s international office.

Joint honours

Psychology can also be studied as part of a joint honours programme with business, economics, linguistics, philosophy, or sociology. It can also be studied as part of our cognitive science (humanities) programme (see page 28).

You may also be interested in

Cognitive Science (Humanities) Page 28
Linguistics Page 62
Philosophy & Psychology Page 68
Sociology & Psychology Page 88

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You will practise and develop your professional and study skills, such as literature searching, report writing and ethical awareness. You will also complete a year-long, intensive grounding in research methods and statistics to prepare you for Year 3.

Year 1

Through lectures and tutorials, you will complete a general introduction to psychology, covering cognitive neuroscience, developmental psychology, the psychology of memory and perception, individual differences, language and thinking, and social psychology. You will also be trained in basic concepts in research methods and statistics, and you will have a practical introduction to laboratory-based psychology research.

Year 2

You will continue to study core areas of psychology, along with clinical psychology. You will practise and develop your research methods and statistics to prepare you for Year 3.

Year 3

You will take an advanced tutorial course to help you critically analyse psychology research papers. To support your research work, you will complete further specialist courses in research methods and statistics, and practise qualitative and quantitative research methods. You will also complete a practical introduction to laboratory-based psychology research.

Year 4

Alongside a small-group tutorial course and a major, original research dissertation, you will undertake further advanced psychology courses. These courses are research-led and will allow you to learn about cutting edge topics across the range of psychology sub-disciplines.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/10

“Psychology is all about understanding people. As well as developing logical and methodological skills, studying psychology helps you learn what can drive, inspire and motivate people.”

Stephen Jones Psychology graduate
Russian Studies

Why choose Russian Studies at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 4th in the UK and 21st in the world for modern languages in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017. The University offers 16 languages for study at degree level and more than 140 joint language programmes. This creates a diverse and uniquely exciting and stimulating environment for language study.

You will benefit from facilities including the unique Princess Dashkova Russian Centre, which offers numerous academic and cultural activities to advance knowledge in the field of Russian language and Russian studies. The University’s Main Library holds a Russian collection of excellent Russian language resources, including items on literature, culture, history and politics, and databases of periodicals and newspapers. You will be able to use the immense collection of Russian resources at the National Library of Scotland and will have access to Russian television and films.

Introducing Russian Studies

Studying Russian at Edinburgh will give you a rich and thorough command and appreciation of Russian language, literature and culture. In addition to acquiring very good language skills, you will study Russian literature, film and media, social and cultural contexts of Russian language use, and the country’s cultural and political history.

Study abroad

There are opportunities to work and study abroad between Years 1 and 2. Residence abroad is mandatory in Year 3. If you are studying more than one language you will divide your time abroad between two countries. Previous placements in Russia have included Moscow, St Petersburg, Kazan, Petrozavodsk and Riga.

The normal residence requirement for European languages at Edinburgh is 30 weeks in the relevant country or countries. If you are studying more than one language you must complete a minimum of eight weeks in a country relevant to each part of your programme.

Additional costs

Placements in Russia involve tuition fees charged by Russian universities but reimbursement of these fees for our students is provided by the University. Living costs vary according to your destination. Capital cities are more expensive than provincial towns.

Career opportunities

The opportunities for Russian-speaking graduates, in the UK as well as in Russia and beyond, are many, varied and steadily expanding.

A qualification in Russian studies from Edinburgh will give you the intellectual strength and flexibility that so many employers prize in high-level humanities graduates.

Russian is also becoming an increasingly important language for international business, journalism, cultural exchanges, defence, academia, publishing, translation and law.

Programmes

MA (Hons)

Russian Studies RY700
Russian Studies & Business RY71
Russian Studies & Classics RQ78
Russian Studies & English Language QR37
Russian Studies & English Literature QR73
Russian Studies & History RV71
Russian Studies & History of Art RV73
Russian Studies & Linguistics RQ71
Russian Studies & Philosophy RV75
Russian Studies & Politics LR72
Russian Studies & Scandinavian Studies RR76
Russian Studies & Scottish Literature RG79
Russian Studies & Social Policy RL74
Russian Studies & Spanish RR74

Year by year...

Year 1

If you have no previous knowledge of Russian you will take Russian Studies 1A, an intensive beginners Russian course. If you have studied the language before, you will take Russian Studies 1B which provides an advanced Russian language component. Both of these courses include a unit on Russian culture. After completing Year 1 you have the opportunity to take a summer language course in St Petersburg, Moscow or Riga.

Year 2

You will continue to study Russian language, and will also take a course on 19th- and 20th-century Russian literature. You will have the opportunity to take additional courses on European cinema, literature, theatre, languages and medieval culture.

Year 3

You will spend Year 3 in a Russian-speaking country studying at a university or on a work experience placement. Among our current placements are universities in St Petersburg, Moscow, Petrozavodsk, Kazan and Uiden, and Denz Russian Language Schools in St Petersburg, Moscow or Riga.

Year 4

In your final year you will take Russian language classes – Prase and Mingling in Style, developing your active Russian language skills, Translation and Text Analysis, developing your reception skills, and Oral. You will also take one or more option courses, specialising in Russian literature, Russian language and society, Russian politics, and Russian architecture. Depending upon your programme, you may also have the opportunity to write a long essay in Russian or to complete a dissertation in Russian, developing your independent research and Russian writing skills.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/48

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Introducing Russian Studies

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Study abroad

There are opportunities to work and study abroad between Years 1 and 2. Residence abroad is mandatory in Year 3. If you are studying more than one language you will divide your time abroad between two countries. Previous placements in Russia have included Moscow, St Petersburg, Kazan, Petrozavodsk and Riga.

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Russian is also becoming an increasingly important language for international business, journalism, cultural exchanges, defence, academia, publishing, translation and law.

Programmes

MA (Hons)

Russian Studies RY700
Russian Studies & Business RY71
Russian Studies & Classics RQ78
Russian Studies & English Language QR37
Russian Studies & English Literature QR73
Russian Studies & History RV71
Russian Studies & History of Art RV73
Russian Studies & Linguistics RQ71
Russian Studies & Philosophy RV75
Russian Studies & Politics LR72
Russian Studies & Scandinavian Studies RR76
Russian Studies & Scottish Literature RG79
Russian Studies & Social Policy RL74
Russian Studies & Spanish RR74

Year by year...

Year 1

If you have no previous knowledge of Russian you will take Russian Studies 1A, an intensive beginners Russian course. If you have studied the language before, you will take Russian Studies 1B which provides an advanced Russian language component. Both of these courses include a unit on Russian culture. After completing Year 1 you have the opportunity to take a summer language course in St Petersburg, Moscow or Riga.

Year 2

You will continue to study Russian language, and will also take a course on 19th- and 20th-century Russian literature. You will have the opportunity to take additional courses on European cinema, literature, theatre, languages and medieval culture.

Year 3

You will spend Year 3 in a Russian-speaking country studying at a university or on a work experience placement. Among our current placements are universities in St Petersburg, Moscow, Petrozavodsk, Kazan and Uiden, and Denz Russian Language Schools in St Petersburg, Moscow or Riga.

Year 4

In your final year you will take Russian language classes – Prase and Mingling in Style, developing your active Russian language skills, Translation and Text Analysis, developing your reception skills, and Oral. You will also take one or more option courses, specialising in Russian literature, Russian language and society, Russian politics, and Russian architecture. Depending upon your programme, you may also have the opportunity to write a long essay in Russian or to complete a dissertation in Russian, developing your independent research and Russian writing skills.

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Scandinavian Studies & History RV61
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Scandinavian Studies & Philosophy RV65
Scandinavian Studies & Politics RL62
Scandinavian Studies & Scottish Literature RQ69
Scandinavian Studies & Social Policy RL64
Scandinavian Studies & Spanish RR66

Why choose Scandinavian Studies at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 4th in the UK and 21st in the world for modern languages in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017.

Edinburgh is the only university in Scotland, and one of only two in the UK, that offers undergraduate honours programmes in Scandinavian languages and culture.

Our teaching staff are highly active researchers, passing on to you the same passion and world-class expertise that gained us excellent results in the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014, when 70 per cent of our European languages and cultures research was rated world-leading or internationally excellent, in a joint submission with Celtic and Scottish Studies.

Introducing Scandinavian Studies

At Edinburgh, you will specialise in the modern language of either Denmark, Norway or Sweden, within the context of Scandinavian culture, past and present. Over the course of your programme you will also gain an understanding of the other two languages.

You do not need a previous knowledge of any of the languages as all classes are taught from beginners’ level. Our inductive approach to language learning and our relatively small class sizes provide a very supportive learning environment.

Year by year...

Year 1
You will choose one of the three intensive beginners’ language courses Danish 1, Norwegian 1 or Swedish 1. These courses also provide an introduction to the culture and literature of the country in question.

Students in Years 1 and 2 are also encouraged to take one or both of the following free-standing but complementary courses: Scandinavian Civilization At Vikings, Sagas and the Road to Enlightenment; Scandinavian Civilization B: From National Romanticism to the Nordic Model. Between them, these courses provide an overview of important trends in the history, society, culture and politics of the Scandinavian and wider Nordic world from the earliest times to the present day.

Year 2
You will continue with Danish Language 2, Norwegian Language 2 or Swedish Language 2, which build on and develop your linguistic knowledge from Year 1. You will also take one or both of:

• Scandinavian Literature 2, which focuses on Danish, Norwegian and Swedish literature from 1835 to the present day, and covers a wide variety of literary forms, ranging from the fairytale to crime writing, from drawing-room drama to new urban narratives.

• Scandinavian Languages 2, which investigates the similarities and differences between the Scandinavian languages past and present and discusses the perspectives and problems of inter-Scandinavian communication and the challenges involved in translating from Scandinavian into English.

Year 3
You will spend Year 3 abroad, studying or working in Denmark, Norway or Sweden. We have Erasmus exchange programmes with the universities of Bergen, Copenhagen, Oslo and Uppsala.

At the University of Edinburgh, all students on programmes in modern European languages are required to spend at least 30 weeks of Year 3 in the country or countries where their chosen language(s) are spoken.

Students studying more than one language must complete a minimum of eight weeks in each country.

Additional costs
The costs of studying abroad vary according to the destination: capital cities are more expensive than provincial towns. A number of Erasmus Socrates places are available, which include a small grant from European Union funds. Some limited government funding may also be available from the University to assist with the cost of study abroad during the summer vacation.

Career opportunities

As there are relatively few graduates specialising in Scandinavian languages, you have excellent opportunities in areas such as translation, journalism, tourism, the cultural sector, the European Union, international relations, industry, marketing and research. However, our graduates are to be found in every kind of career, especially those that place a premium on thinking that is both disciplined and imaginative.

Gabriela Lis
2nd year MA (Hons) Scandinavian Studies & Politics

“I am pushing myself to my limits each and every day. I have not had a day in Edinburgh yet, after which I haven’t felt like I have learned something new and fascinating.”

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Scottish Ethnology

Why choose Scottish Ethnology at the University of Edinburgh?

Undertaking a programme in Scottish ethnology at the University of Edinburgh offers an opportunity to study the rich and diverse culture and tradition of Scotland, past and present, within a department previously voted Best Subject Area at the Edinburgh University Students’ Association Teaching Awards.

Dedicated staff will encourage you to explore a wide range of topics within an environment that boasts some of the best resources in the world for study in this field. You will graduate with a deep understanding of how culture works, and with the skills to succeed in a wide range of professions.

Introducing Scottish Ethnology

Ethnology is the discipline which studies the culture and traditions of developed societies, and is sometimes described as being at the intersection where history and anthropology meet. While commonly offered in universities across Europe, this is the UK’s only full undergraduate programme of its kind.

Focusing on Scotland, but introducing comparative material from elsewhere, you will study the varying ways in which a modern European nation expresses itself culturally, through such forms as its customs, beliefs, social organisation, language, music and song. How do these help to create and shape identity in the modern world? How do we use and make sense of the past from within our present, and how can this understanding help us to shape our future?

Working with a range of rich materials, from traditional archives to modern media and digital data, you will develop the practical and intellectual tools to help navigate and indeed influence contemporary culture and society in an increasingly globalised world.

Additional costs

Your dissertation may involve some fieldwork, depending on your topic of study, and this may incur travel costs. However, if you prefer, you can select an archive-based project that is unlikely to have any additional costs.

Study abroad

There are opportunities to study abroad through Erasmus+ or the University’s international exchange programme.

Career opportunities

Our graduates are highly valued as they bring to the workplace a wide range of key skills in research, analysis, communication and presentation, as well as a strong understanding of culture and society. These are highly positive skills to possess in this rapidly changing world, and your qualification will serve you very well wherever the future takes you. Your enhanced ability to think for yourself, to distil complex issues down to their central points, and to understand the reasons for societal change, will arm you very well for a career in many different sectors and professions.

Recent graduates have developed successful careers in areas such as teaching, museums and heritage, arts and cultural management, tourism, broadcasting, the media and policy development.

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MA (Hons)

Scottish Ethnology V910
Scottish Ethnology & Archaeology VV94
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Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/50

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Scottish Studies

Why choose Scottish Studies at the University of Edinburgh?

This programme explores contemporary Scotland and its culture, tradition and representation. The highly flexible approach allows you to study a wide range of disciplines such as literature, history, art, music, politics, sociology and language.

Being based in the Scottish capital city you will have direct access to the key political, cultural and historical institutions and resources required for the detailed study of contemporary Scotland.

Introducing Scottish Studies

Scotland is a vibrant, modern European nation, with a rich, varied and fascinating heritage. How can we best study such a nation, and how can we make sense of its past and its present, and help to shape its future?

This programme is interdisciplinary, drawing on arts, humanities and social science approaches to the study of the nation from a variety of perspectives.

Based within the School of Literatures, Languages & Cultures, and therefore emphasising these topics of study, you are encouraged to engage with a range of subjects across the University that share a common interest in the study of Scotland. You may draw on courses from Celtic, history, politics, sociology and archaeology, and combine these with ethnology, heritage, the creative arts and cultural expression.

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You will study Scottish cultural history and tradition and discover how literature, music and visual arts helped to shape Scottish identity. The complex relationship between culture and politics is considered, and parallels with other countries are made throughout the programme to place Scotland in its wider international context.

You will continue to study Scottish heritage, traditions and representation. The complex relationship between culture and politics is considered, and parallels with other countries are made throughout the programme to place Scotland in its wider international context.

Our internationally renowned archives are available for study and research. You can also access important collections in the National Library of Scotland, National Museum of Scotland and National Archives of Scotland. These traditional sources, brought together with modern multimedia and digital data, offer an unparalleled collection of materials with which to work, and upon which you can build a portfolio of interests and research topics, culminating in your own choice of dissertation in your honours years.

Study abroad

There are opportunities to study abroad through Erasmus+ or the University’s international exchange programme.

Career opportunities

Upon graduation you will have the ability to engage with the workings of a modern nation, and will demonstrate a clear understanding of the complex set of strands which have come together over time to create it. As such, our graduates are highly valued as they bring to the workplace a wide range of key skills in research, analysis, communication and presentation, as well as a strong understanding of culture and society. These are highly positive skills to possess in a rapidly changing world and your qualification will serve you very well wherever the future takes you.

Your enhanced ability to think for yourself, to distil complex issues down to their central points, and to understand the reasons for societal change, will arm you for a career in many different sectors and professions. This will include areas such as teaching, museums and heritage, arts and cultural management, the tourism industry, broadcasting, the media, and policy development.

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Year by year...

Year 1
You will be introduced to Scottish cultural history, tradition, heritage, politics and cultural expression. You will choose a range of courses that relate to historical or contemporary Scotland. You can also choose courses from other academic areas.

Year 2
You will continue to study Scottish culture. Courses cover topics such as Scottish film, photography and television, intellectual history and philosophy. You can continue to choose courses from other academic areas.

Year 3
You will start to develop your research skills and study your chosen subjects in more detail. Subjects offered at honours level include history, literature, ethnology, Celtic, sociology, politics, art history and architectural history.

Year 4
You will continue to study the subjects that interest you and will complete your honours dissertation. You will also take part in a series of seminars on a range of themes you have covered in the Scottish Studies programme.

“I like the interdisciplinary nature of the programme and it caters for a lot of my interests. I find it interesting, challenging and rewarding.”

Euan Lownie
2nd year MA (Hons) Scottish Studies
Social Anthropology

Why choose Social Anthropology at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked in the top 10 universities in Europe for anthropology in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017.

You will bring theory to life by carrying out your own research and fieldwork, in the UK or overseas, spending up to four months on an individual research project that will form the basis of your dissertation in Year 4.

You will be able to choose from a wide range of courses covering regional specialisations from Africa to Latin America, and thematic specialisations such as happiness, urban anthropology, the invention of history, or anthropology of food.

Introducing Social Anthropology

Social anthropology is the study of human conduct and thought. Societies around the world vary enormously socially, culturally and politically. The study of these variations, and the common humanity that underlies them, is at the heart of social anthropology.

There are close links between social anthropology and sociology, human geography, development studies, history, archaeology and philosophy.

You will take a broad range of courses in Years 1 and 2, and will then have the opportunity to specialise in Years 3 and 4. You will spend up to four months on an individual research project that will form the basis of your dissertation. Fieldwork for your project can be done both within and outside the UK.

Joint honours

Social anthropology can be studied as part of a joint honours programme with Arabic, archaeology, geography, law, linguistics, Persian, politics, social history, social policy or sociology.

Career opportunities

Previous graduates have chosen careers in social development, healthcare, journalism and film. Others have gained employment as museum curators, or with international organisations such as Oxfam. A growing number choose to continue with postgraduate study in anthropology, leading to careers as anthropological researchers with universities, public bodies such as the NHS, or private sector companies.

Additional costs

Fieldwork may be required, depending on your choice of dissertation topic. There may be some additional costs associated with this fieldwork.

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“Studying social anthropology has made me a lot more open-minded and aware of different perspectives. Being understanding of others’ views will be a valuable trait for any future career, especially in a diverse society like the UK.”

Ema Kosová
1st year MA (Hons) Social Anthropology
Social Policy

Why choose Social Policy at the University of Edinburgh?
We are ranked in the top 5 universities in Europe for social policy in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017. You will be able to combine social policy in a joint honours programme. Options include quantitative methods, for which the Innovative Q-Step programme includes a paid internship between Years 3 and 4.

We have close relationships with the Scottish and UK governments, as well as European and global institutions – all of which provide opportunities to be immersed in a diverse range of contemporary policy developments.

Introducing Social Policy
Social policy is the study of societies and the way they change through policy making. Generally studied as a joint honours programme, for example with sociology, politics, economics or another subject, social policy looks at the ways in which public policies, social institutions and market forces affect how contemporary societies operate and are affected by debates about inequality and social justice.

Social policy is relevant to many areas of everyday life, including housing, employment, income, health and education. Our programmes will appeal to students who are interested in current political and social issues that appear in the news as well as long-term changes in how societies work - whether at local, national, European or global levels.

Joint honours
Social policy can also be studied as part of a joint honours programme with sociology, law, economics, social and economic history, French, German, geography, Italian, Russian studies, Scandinavian studies, social anthropology or Spanish.

Career opportunities
Most of our graduates move into careers in policy or research within government, voluntary organisations, pressure groups or commercial organisations. These programmes also equip you with skills and knowledge that could be applied to careers in teaching or to the management and delivery of services, whether public or commercial. Some graduates have gone on to study for professional qualifications in housing management, social work or human resource management.

Programmes

MA (Hons) Government, Policy & Society L230
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Social Policy & Law LM41
Social Policy & Politics LL42
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Year by year...

Year 1
You will take Social Policy & Society, which revolves around three main themes: social needs, social problems and social rights, and how different debates about welfare have been influenced by these themes.
You will study Politics of the Welfare State, which examines social policy as a political issue in the UK. It introduces you to the politics of the area that constitutes one of the largest sets of government expenditure. You will be confronted with debates about the different ways of delivering welfare and the interplay between the state and the private sector.
You can choose option courses from other academic areas and will also take the course Fundamentals of Social Policy, which provides the key subject specific learning skills you’ll use in your further years of study.

Year 2
You will take European Social Policy, which compares different approaches to social policy in various European countries. You will also take Evidence, Policy & Policy as well as further Fundamentals courses, which will equip you with analytical skills needed to engage with controversial policy issues in public debate. You will also study other compulsory courses appropriate to your programme and will select one option course.

Year 3
You can study option courses that cover areas such as children’s rights, labour market policies, family policy, social inequalities, criminal justice, health policy and education policy. You will also take at least one course on research methods.

Year 4
You will continue to take social policy courses and will complete an individual research project. This may involve collecting and analysing data and information from sources such as the European Commission, UK Government, Scottish Government, local authorities and voluntary organisations.

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Kevin Forrest
2nd year MA (Hons) Government, Policy & Society

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Why choose Social Work at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked first in the UK for social work in *The Times* and *The Sunday Times Good University Guide* 2018. You will undertake full-time practice placements with local agencies and organisations during Years 3 and 4. Our programme is fully accredited by the Scottish Social Services Council (SSSC).

Introducing Social Work

The study of social work allows you to develop the knowledge, skills and experience needed to work with vulnerable people who are encountering difficulties in their personal or family lives or whose actions have led to the involvement of statutory services.

Social workers undertake sophisticated assessments in relation to issues of care and control in order to protect the individual and safeguard society. Social workers often work with other services including health, education, housing and the police. They have a strong interest in human relationships and a commitment to social justice, alongside well-developed social, empathetic and communication skills. The work of a social worker is challenging, demanding and rewarding. A high level of personal resilience is required in order to manage the various challenges of this career.

Social workers represent society’s response to challenges such as families under stress, offending, long-term illness, mental illness and other serious problems. Good social work combines an interest in people with a rigorous intellectual attitude and the constant search for better methods of helping, supported by research and development.

It is a profession suited to creative, practical and resourceful individuals who enjoy working with people. You will combine ingenuity and optimism with honesty and realism, in the face of the demanding situations experienced by some service users. You should have a stable, well-rounded personality and you must be able to see beyond consensus journalism and the immediate issues as they are presented by service users and policy makers.

You will also require well-developed social and communication skills and a high degree of empathy.

The University started providing training for social workers in 1918 and we are well recognised as a leading institution in social work training. We have previously played a major role advising on the future shape of social work services in Scotland, and contributed to reports that led to the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968, which remains a core legislative basis for Scottish social work today.

We seek to meet the demands of a changing profession and contribute to understanding of, and improvements in, public policy and professional practice.

Entry to our social work programme is conditional on continued registration with the professional body, the Scottish Social Services Council, and up-to-date membership of the Protection of Vulnerable Groups scheme.

In Years 1 and 2 you will study the history and development of social work, key milestones in its development and the policy and legal frameworks of practice. You will also begin to develop your people skills. In Years 3 and 4 you will then focus on the content and complexity of social work practice and will undertake two assessed practice placements, each based in different settings.

Additional costs

All successful applicants must join Disclosure Scotland’s Protecting Vulnerable Groups (PVG) scheme, which will currently cost you £18.45.

Placements

Practice placements are full time and are organised by the University. Placements are generally with agencies in Edinburgh, the Lothians, the Scottish Borders and Fife.

Accreditation

Our BSc (Hons) Social Work is accredited by the Scottish Social Services Council: [www.sssc.uk.com](http://www.sssc.uk.com)

Career opportunities

Social work graduates are eligible to work in statutory or voluntary settings within adult services, children and families, or criminal justice sectors. They might work in a range of locations such as community-based agencies, prisons or hospitals. Career pathways exist from early practitioner stage through to senior management.

The strong communication and interpersonal skills that you will develop during your programme prepare you for a range of other careers involving working with people. Some social work graduates also choose to continue with their studies or enter research.

Shauna O’Neill
3rd year BSc (Hons) Social Work

“The most rewarding thing about studying social work is the idea that you can make a huge difference to families’ and individuals’ lives.”

Social Work

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Why choose Sociology at the University of Edinburgh?

We are consistently ranked among the top 20 universities in the world for sociology. For example, we were 19th in the world, and 5th in Europe, in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017.

Our commitment to teaching and student support is demonstrated in the recognition we achieved at the Edinburgh University Students’ Association Teaching Awards 2016/17.

One of the great strengths of studying sociology with us is the breadth and diversity of topics covered and the range of joint programmes we offer.

Introducing Sociology

Sociology examines how individual choices are affected by wider social forces and how they can be understood by placing them in their social context. At Edinburgh, we study the relationship between individuals and groups, issues of belonging and identity, the social causes of cooperation and conflict, and the way societies and social institutions are formed and change over time.

Our programme also equips you to compare different national contexts and understand contemporary social issues from a global perspective.

Joint honours

Sociology can be studied as a joint honours programme with politics, psychology, social anthropology, economics, social policy, law or geography.

Study abroad

In Year 3 you may choose to study abroad through the University’s Erasmus exchange programme or through the School’s Erasmus exchange programme. This programme is run with universities in Bremen and Copenhagen.

Career opportunities

Graduates go on to a wide variety of careers in the private sector, voluntary sector, local or central government, the media or journalism, or use their practical and research skills to work in social or market research. Many graduates go on to postgraduate study and an academic career or teaching.
Spanish, Portuguese & Latin American Studies

Why choose Spanish, Portuguese & Latin American Studies at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 4th in the UK and 21st in the world for modern languages in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017. The University is home to the Centre for Contemporary Latin American Studies and the Portuguese Language Centre supported by the Camões Institute in Portugal. We also have strong links with the Spanish Consulate in Edinburgh and the Etxepare Basque Institute.

Spanish, Portuguese and Latin American studies at the University are, thanks to our diverse staff expertise and Edinburgh’s rich international offerings, your gateway to an extraordinary range of cultures. Our interests range from medieval to contemporary culture, and from poetry to popular film, from Europe, to Latin America, and Africa, from the unique language of Basque to the world languages of Spanish and Portuguese.

Introducing Spanish, Portuguese & Latin American Studies

The 20 countries where Spanish is an official language, and the nine where Portuguese is spoken, have fascinatingly rich and varied cultures. Our programmes, and the work of our enthusiastic expert staff, reflect this diversity, through courses ranging from medieval poetry to Latin American contemporary film. We also offer courses in Catalan and Basque language, in addition to Spanish.

International culture flourishes at the University of Edinburgh, with a thriving Centre for Contemporary Latin American Studies, an annual Spanish film festival, and an annual Portuguese translation workshop, supported by the Instituto Camões Portuguese Language Centre. Our dedicated staff will ensure a supportive learning environment for your studies.

Spanish

Studying Spanish at Edinburgh encompasses the study not only of the language but also of Hispanic culture and history. Our resources and our expertise will give you privileged access to all major areas of Hispanic language and culture, from Catalonia to Argentina and from Latin American indigenous film-making to Castilian ballads.

Portuguese

Portuguese is one of the world’s most important languages, spoken in Europe, South America, and Africa. Study at the University of Edinburgh encompasses learning about the fascinating literatures and cultures where Portuguese is spoken, as well as the language.

Study abroad

In Year 3 you will spend time in Spain, Portugal or Latin America. The normal residence requirement for this is 30 weeks in the relevant country or countries. Students studying more than one language must complete a minimum period of eight weeks in each country. The University currently has exchanges with universities in Almería, Barcelona (Autónoma), Córdoba, Extremadura, Madrid (Complutense and Autónoma), Salamanca, Seville, Granada, Alcalá de Henares, Málaga, Valladolid, Buenos Aires (San Andrés), Chile (Pontificia Universidad Católica), México (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México), Puebla (Universidad de las Américas), São Paulo (USP), Rio de Janeiro (Pontificia Universidade Católica), Coimbra, and Lisbon.

Additional costs

You will be required to purchase the primary texts for your programme. You will undertake a year abroad in Year 3. Associated travel and maintenance costs must be budgeted for and will vary according to destination. You may apply for salaried teaching posts as British Council English Language Assistants. University places without extra cost to you are available on Erasmus exchange programmes in Spain and Portugal and with our partner institutions in Argentina, Brazil, Chile, and Mexico. You may also organise a work placement in your destination country, on an individual basis.

Career opportunities

With a qualification in Spanish and/or Portuguese, your career options are broad and varied. Graduate employers increasingly value language skills, the intercultural and critical awareness provided by international experiences, and imaginative thinking. Possible career paths include translation, interpreting, teaching or business; international trading of products and services, sales and logistics; public sector or third sector careers such as with the Civil Service, United Nations or international charities; or using your insights into a culture or language in the creative industries, arts, tourism, travel or politics. Employers may also be looking for your graduate-level skills and abilities, such as strong communication skills and the ability to analyse and interpret other cultures, which could be applied to careers including marketing, policy work and law.

Programmes

MA (Hons)

Portuguese R501
Portuguese & Business R515
Portuguese & English Language RQ53
Portuguese & English Literature RQ53
Portuguese & History RV51
Portuguese & History of Art RV53
Portuguese & Linguistics RQ51
Portuguese & Philosophy RV55
Portuguese & Politics RL22
Portuguese & Russian Studies RR57
Portuguese & Scandinavian Studies RR56
Portuguese & Scottish Literature RQ59
Portuguese & Social Policy RL54
Spanish RA10
Spanish & Business RN41
Spanish & Classics RQ48
Spanish & English Language Q354
Spanish & English Literature Q43
Spanish & History RV41
Spanish & History of Art RV43
Spanish & Linguistics RQ41
Spanish & Philosophy RV45
Spanish & Politics RL42
Spanish & Portuguese RR45
Spanish & Scottish Literature RQ49
Spanish & Social Policy RL44

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Study abroad? Yes

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/46

The importance of Latin America is undoubtedly going to rise. Countries like Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Mexico and Argentina have such huge geopolitical importance it is hard to ignore their role in the future global economy.

Albie Mills

2nd year MA (Hons) Spanish & Portuguese

Year by year...

Year 1

If you are studying Spanish, you will take either Spanish 1A or 1B depending on your language skills. You will also study a selection of literary texts and films.

If you are studying Portuguese, you will take Portuguese 1 which caters for both beginners and more advanced students. You will be introduced to Portuguese-speaking culture through a selection of short stories and films from Mozambique, Angola, Brazil and Portugal. It is possible to take both Spanish and Portuguese (in all four years).

Year 2

In Spanish, you will continue to develop your spoken and written language skills and continue to study Spanish and Latin American cultures. If you wish to study Catalan, you can start to learn about the language, history and culture of Catalonia. Basque language for beginners is also available.

If you are studying Portuguese, you will continue to develop your language skills, and you will study the cultures and the societies of the Portuguese-speaking world, through literature, film, music and the arts.

Year 3

You will study or work in Spain, Portugal or Latin America.

Year 4

You will study advanced language courses and choose from a range of specialist courses on Spanish, Latin American and Portuguese history, literature and culture.
Why choose Sport at the University of Edinburgh?
We are ranked 13th in the world for sports-related subjects in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017.

Our BSc (Hons) Applied Sport Science is endorsed by the British Association of Sport and Exercise Sciences (BASES). This recognises our teaching of core and interdisciplinary areas of sport science, and that students gain research experience in and outside the sport science laboratory.

Our BSc (Hons) Sport & Recreation Management provides excellent placement opportunities with major sports organisations and is highly regarded by the industry.

Introducing Sport
We offer two separate sport-related programmes – BSc (Hons) Applied Sport Science and BSc (Hons) Sport & Recreation Management.

Applied sport science involves the application of scientific principles to the promotion, maintenance and enhancement of sport- and exercise-related behaviours. Our programme is centred on four key disciplines: physiology, biomechanics, psychology, and skill acquisition.

Sport and recreation management will help you develop an understanding of the principles of management, appreciate sport’s cultural and economic importance, and focus on the business of sport and the importance of community sport, elite sport, and international development through sport.

In both our programmes you will develop an understanding of the factors that influence participation and performance in sport and exercise. In addition, you will learn the values and purposes of sport, exercise and physical activity in our changing world.

You will be part of a community of researchers and academics involved in sport- and health-related research and activities, such as advising government departments, supporting governance of sport at local, national and international levels, providing analyses to media outlets, organising international conferences and engaging in international development initiatives.

Placements
Students of applied sport science do not have a compulsory placement but will have the opportunity to undertake a workplace or research attachment in collaboration with a body external to the University, such as sportscotland.

Students of sport and recreation management have a compulsory placement course in Year 2 that provides an invaluable opportunity for work-based learning, enabling you to further your understanding of sport management in practice and enhance your employability. Placements have previously been with a wide range of organisations in the UK, such as community sports clubs, health and fitness clubs, football clubs (for example Celtic and Manchester United), golf courses (for example Gleneagles), sports marketing and media companies (for example Sky Sports, IMG, the Scotman), governing bodies of sport (for example sportsScotland, Scottish Hockey, tennisScotland, basketballScotland, RFU, SRU, SFA), and local authority sports trusts, such as Edinburgh Leisure.

Additional costs
You may incur additional costs depending on the programme and courses and the type of research or placement you choose.

Study abroad
There are opportunities to study abroad during Year 3 through our international exchange programme. Depending on your programme, it is possible to study abroad in the US, Australia, New Zealand, Singapore, Malaysia or at a number of European universities.

Career opportunities
Graduates enter sport-related careers; such as working for elite sports clubs; performance sports centres; national or international sporting bodies; or the fitness industry. Graduates also enter health-related careers, for example local authority or NHS-funded exercise and health initiatives. Others work in sports marketing, tourism or events; gain graduate management and business posts or begin postgraduate study to focus their career towards teaching, physiotherapy, sports nutrition or public health, for example.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/42

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Study abroad?
Yes

Advice for applicants

Typical offer range:
A Levels ABB.

Access threshold:
A Levels ABB.

Please note
This indicates the overall standard required to consider you for entry. The typical offer range and access threshold are explained on page 153. Full, detailed entry requirements, including the subjects you need, vary by programme. Please check the full details before you apply. www.ed.ac.uk/ug/42

Programmes

BSc (Hons)
Applied Sport Science C610
Sport & Recreation Management N230

“Tutors not only give us a broad understanding of the business, management and sociological aspects of sport but also hands-on, on the job experience to put what we have learnt into practice.”

Hugh Braidwood
Joint BSc [Hons] Sport & Recreation Management
Sustainable Development

Why choose Sustainable Development at the University of Edinburgh?

This programme offers specialist courses in sustainable development that benefit from innovative teaching and a strong sense of community. Our staff and our courses have won Edinburgh University Students’ Association Teaching Awards on many occasions.

The University has an outstanding record of world-leading research and teaching in a wide range of approaches to sustainability and human development, from across the social and natural sciences.

You will be able to engage with sustainability issues from a variety of disciplinary perspectives – focusing on the social science issues that are crucial for sustainable development, and with opportunities to study science courses as well.

Introducing Sustainable Development

Sustainable development refers to the challenges of reducing global inequity and improving wellbeing, while reducing threats to the Earth’s systems from industrialised production and consumption.

Effective environmental care, in relation to climate stability, biodiversity and renewal of natural resources, requires the examination of how societies organise social, economic and political activity, how they relate to their surroundings and how they ensure the renewal of natural resources for future generations.

Our programme addresses these global issues through multidisciplinary social science teaching, focusing on the social consequences of current patterns of development and opportunities for change.

At the same time you will develop understanding of the key scientific debates and the ability to evaluate scientific knowledge and practices concerning sustainable development. There are options for students wishing to pursue scientific perspectives on sustainable development.

Additional costs

There are small costs associated with fieldwork in Year 3.

Career opportunities

Graduates of this programme will be in demand in the growth areas of environmental management; environmental education and teaching; development and environment campaigning and NGO work; national, international, and local government; environmental politics; environmental auditing; corporate social responsibility; risk management; and sustainable citizenship.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/54

Study abroad?

Yes

Advice for applicants

Typical offer range:

SQA Highers AAAA to ABBB.
A Levels 40 points (grades 766 at HL) to 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Access threshold:

SQA Highers ABBB.
A Levels 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

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Programmes

MA (Hons)
Sustainable Development HL23

Year by year...

Year 1
You will study two compulsory courses. The first will introduce the concept and principles of sustainable development, and the second will consider the way that science and technology shape the relationship between humans and the environment. You will also choose a main subject area – geography, politics, international relations, sociology or social anthropology – and take two courses from this subject.

Year 2
In semester 1, you will study issues of international development planning, policy and aid. In semester 2 you will explore key topics and theories of sustainable development from an interdisciplinary perspective. You will also continue to study courses from your main subject area, and two other sustainability-related courses from a wide choice.

Year 3
You will take two compulsory courses. The first explores and appraises a range of actual and proposed methods of responding to sustainability challenges. The second is a fieldwork-based course. You will choose honours-level options in your main subject area, and study courses from other related disciplines, as well as receiving research training.

Career opportunities

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Programmes

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Career opportunities

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Theology & Religious Studies

Why choose Theology & Religious Studies at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked in the world’s top 20 universities for theology, divinity and religious studies in the QS World University Rankings by Subject (2017). You will have study abroad opportunities during the summer and in Year 3. (See study abroad section below). You will become part of a vibrant, tight-knit community of around 500 students and staff based in New College, one of Edinburgh’s most iconic buildings.

Introducing Theology & Religious Studies

Theology is one of the oldest areas of academic study known to humanity, while religious studies has developed in the modern period. Both disciplines continue to be intellectually stimulating and relevant in helping us understand the role of religions, both ancient and modern, in the world around us.

Theology generally refers to the study of the Christian traditions from textual, historical and doctrinal perspectives. Religious studies refers to the comparative study of beliefs and practices in a variety of religious traditions and contexts and explores different theories of religion cross-culturally.

Taken together, these courses cover a wide range of religious traditions, including Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism and new religions, and the rejection of religion by atheists and humanists. Religion influences, and is influenced by, most human endeavours and we encourage you to explore the dynamics between thought and religion and other disciplines in the humanities and social sciences. On our programmes you can choose to pursue your interests in a wide variety of subjects and you can combine breadth of knowledge with in-depth expertise. You will acquire critical and analytical skills and a broad education in argument and interpretation that will develop you intellectually and make you very attractive to employers.

Study abroad

There is a range of opportunities to spend time abroad. For shorter periods, these include summer programmes and work abroad. During Year 3, you will also have the opportunity to study abroad on exchange for up to a year at a wide selection of leading global universities. These include Radboud University Nijmegen, Netherlands and Dartmouth College, United States, with which we have an ongoing relationship. Going abroad expands your horizons and is great fun, as well as bringing academic and career benefits.

Career opportunities

Our graduates pursue a wide range of careers within a variety of settings, including the creative arts, non-governmental organisations, finance, teaching, management, administration, the ministry, the armed forces, government, counselling and the voluntary sector. Many of our students go on to study for postgraduate qualifications, including masters and doctorates.

You may also be interested in

Arabic & Religious Studies

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You could also consider

Religious Studies & English/Scottish Literature

Programmes

MA (Hons)

Divinity & Classics V668
Philosophy & Theology V5V6
Religious Studies V627
Religious Studies & English Literature V663
Religious Studies & Scottish Literature V663
Theology JV66

MDiv (Hons) – 3 years

Divinity – Graduate Entry V630

BD (Hons)

Divinity V660

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at

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Study abroad?

Yes

Advice for applicants

Typical offer:

SQA Highers ABBB.

A Levels ABB

IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Access threshold:

SQA Highers ABBB.

A Levels ABB

IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

For V630:

Minimum entry requirements are an undergraduate degree.

Please note: This indicates the overall standard required to consider you for entry. The typical offer range and access threshold are explained on page 153. Full, detailed entry requirements, including the subjects you need, vary by programme. Please check the full details before you apply.

www.ed.ac.uk/ug/36

Year by year...

Divinity

Year 1 & 2

You will choose from courses in biblical studies, the history of Christianity, and theology and ethics. In Year 2 you can also choose a course in religious studies.

Year 3

In Years 3 and 4 you will choose from a range of advanced-level courses in biblical studies, the history of Christianity, and theology and ethics. You may choose to focus on one subject area in depth, or continue to study several subject areas. On the BD (V600), you may choose to graduate at the end of Year 3 with an ordinary degree. On the MDiv (V630) you will write your supervised dissertation and graduate at the end of Year 3 with an honours degree.

Year 4

You will continue to take advanced-level courses, and also write a supervised dissertation on a subject of your choice.

Philosophy & Theology

Year 1 & 2

You study courses in philosophy and choose further courses from theology and ethics, biblical studies, history of Christianity, and religious studies. You may also choose courses from other University subject areas.

Year 3

You will choose advanced-level courses in philosophy and theology and ethics.

Year 4

You will continue to choose advanced-level courses in philosophy and theology and ethics and will also write a dissertation chosen from either of the two fields, with academic supervision.

Religious Studies

Year 1

You will study two compulsory religion courses, covering a range of contemporary international traditions, and also choose from a range of additional courses on particular religious traditions including Asian religions, Christianity and Islam. You can also choose courses from ancient history, history of art, classics, music, Scottish Notary, politics, social anthropology, social policy and sociology as combined options, or courses from other University subject areas.

Year 2

You will study two compulsory religion courses and other courses following on from your first year.

Year 3

You will choose advanced courses on one or more religious traditions and will take other courses in the study of religion. Students who took combined options in Years 1 and 2 may continue with these. You have the option of graduating after Year 3 with an ordinary degree.

Year 4

You will choose further advanced courses on one or more religious traditions and complete a supervised dissertation. Students who took combined options in Years 1-3 may continue with these.

Religious Studies & English/Scottish Literature

Year 1

You will study two compulsory religion courses, covering a range of contemporary international traditions, and English Literature 1 or Scottish Literature 1. You can also choose courses from other University subject areas.

You could also consider

Religious Studies & English/Scottish Literature (continued)

Year 2

You will study two compulsory religion courses, covering a range of contemporary international traditions, and also choose from a range of additional courses on particular religious traditions including Asian religions, Christianity and Islam. You can also choose courses from ancient history, history of art, classics, music, Scottish Notary, politics, social anthropology, social policy and sociology as combined options, or courses from other University subject areas.

Year 3

You will continue to study one or more religious traditions in international and cross-cultural contexts and will take literature courses at an advanced level.

Year 4

You will choose further advanced courses and will complete a dissertation on a subject in either religious traditions or literature, with academic supervision.

Theology

Years 1 & 2

You will choose courses from biblical studies, history of Christianity, religious studies, and theology and ethics. You will also have the option to choose courses from other University subject areas.

Year 3

You will choose advanced courses from your area(s) of interest within biblical studies, the history of Christianity, religious studies and theology and ethics. You have the option of graduating after Year 3 with an ordinary degree.

Year 4

You will continue to choose advanced courses from biblical studies, history of Christianity, religious studies and theology and ethics. You will also have the option to choose courses from other University subject areas.

Religious Studies & English/Scottish Literature

Year 1

You will study two compulsory religion courses, covering a range of contemporary international traditions, and English Literature 1 or Scottish Literature 1. You can also choose courses from other University subject areas.

Why have explored anthropology, sociology, history, literature, and art. This has changed the way of approaching the study of religion and wider culture.”

Elia Heilman

3rd year MA (Hons) Religious Studies
Welcome to the College of Medicine & Veterinary Medicine

Edinburgh is one of the UK’s most prestigious centres for medical and veterinary medical teaching and research. It is also one of the most progressive, hosting state-of-the-art facilities for dynamic teaching and learning. 

Established in 1726, Edinburgh Medical School was the pre-eminent medical centre of the 18th and 19th centuries and today retains its status as a top-choice destination for students entering the medical profession. Our programmes in medicine, medical sciences, biomedical sciences and oral health sciences offer life-changing opportunities.

The Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies has been at the forefront of veterinary education since William Dick founded it in 1823. It is regarded as one of the world’s most innovative and influential centres for veterinary education and clinical care.

The reputations of both these historic institutions as internationally renowned, research-led centres of excellence make Edinburgh an inspirational place to study medicine or veterinary medicine.

If you have any queries about the programmes listed in this section, please contact the relevant Admissions Office or go online for further details.

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www.ed.ac.uk/vet

Subject areas

100 Agricultural Science
102 Biomedical Sciences
104 Medical Sciences
106 Medicine
108 Oral Health Sciences
110 Veterinary Medicine

About the College of Medicine & Veterinary Medicine

Our reputation as one of the world’s leading centres of medical and veterinary medical research was reaffirmed by the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014 results. Our three submissions to REF were the University’s largest and were also some of the largest REF submissions in the UK. This emphasises the enormous power of the University’s research in human and animal medicine and health.

Overall, 84 per cent of our research activity was rated 4*, world-leading, or 3*, internationally excellent.

Veterinary medicine is ranked first in the UK, retaining its position as the country’s top vet school, in both the Guardian University Guide 2018 and The Times 2018 veterinary subject league tables.

Medicine is ranked in the UK top 10 by both the Complete University Guide 2018 and the Guardian University Guide 2018 league tables.
Why choose Agricultural Science at the University of Edinburgh?

These programmes will help develop agricultural scientists who will find new ways to feed the world’s growing population without destroying the planet. We believe in teaching in a real-world context through our strong links with industry and farming locally, nationally and internationally. You will have the opportunity to boost your employability with a work placement of up to 12 months.

You will be part of a community of innovators and idea generators. Our Easter Bush Campus is home to three of the UK’s four agritech innovation centres, with a network of more than 100 industry partners.

Introducing Agricultural Science

These programmes aim to equip you with the attributes that will prepare you to become a future leader in agricultural science and its application to agri-food related global challenges – whether in research, policy, non-governmental organisations or the agri-food industry.

There are fewer bigger global challenges than feeding the growing human population well, while protecting the natural systems on which we depend.

With the world population expected to reach 11 billion by the end of this century and demands on systems already at an all-time high, it is essential that we find new ways to feed the growing population without destroying the planet.

Sustainable agriculture

Improving the effectiveness and sustainability of agri-food systems is vital to tackling the challenges of global population growth, rapid urbanisation, food and environmental security, and diet and health. These challenges affect affluent, middle and low income countries. Addressing them is key to moving hundreds of millions of people out of poverty, and central to many of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

Research power

At the University of Edinburgh, we already make a significant contribution to tackling these issues at national and global levels. Following the UK government’s Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014 Edinburgh was ranked first by research power (Research Fortnight REF 2014) in Agriculture, Veterinary and Food Science.

Teaching

Our programmes will introduce the key components of agricultural science in Years 1 and 2, including the relevant, underlying natural, physical and social sciences, and the associated personal skills development, needed to establish a solid foundation for progressive specialisation in subsequent years. In Years 3 and 4 there will be opportunities for you to specialise in agricultural economics, animal science, crop and soil science, global agriculture and food security. Major contributions to courses from research-active staff ensure you will be aware of, and involved in, topical research throughout your programme.

*Subject to validation

Careers

Our programmes aim to equip you for careers in:

- agri-food research, such as PhD and ultimately postdoctoral positions;
- national or international policy roles, including researchers, research project commissioners or managers, or science advisors for either government or inter-governmental departments or agencies;
- non-governmental organisations, as science advisors or research managers for agri-food (planetary health/international development) aid-related charities; or
- the agri-food industry, for example as farming or agri-food industry consultants, technical experts, researchers, research project commissioners/managers for multinational agri-food companies, or as food product supply chain managers for retailers.

Programmes

BSc (Hons)

- Agricultural Science (Agricultural Economics)* D401
- Agricultural Science (Animal Science) D402
- Agricultural Science (Crop & Soil Science)* D403
- Agricultural Science (Global Agriculture & Food Security) D404

*Subject to validation

Year by year...

Year 1

You will study Introductory Topics in Agricultural and Food Economics; Science for Agri-Food Systems: Cells to Organisms; Science for Agri-Food Systems: Interactions within Systems; and Professional Skills for Global Agri-Food Scientists 1.

Year 2

You will study Applications in Agricultural and Food Economics; Animal Systems; Crop Production Systems; and Professional Skills for Global Agri-Food Scientists 2.

Year 3

You will study Global Agri-Food Systems 1; and Professional Skills for Global Agri-Food Scientists 3. You will also study courses from your specialist area such as: Agricultural Growth and Productivity Analysis; Global Animal Health & Welfare; Global Animal Production; Innovation 1; International Development 1; Operation of Agri-Food Supply Chains; or Planetary Health & Food Futures.

Year 4

All students will study Global Agri-Food Systems 2; and Professional Skills for Global Agri-Food Scientists 4. You will also study courses from your specialist area such as: Advanced Agricultural Economic Modelling Tools; Environmental and Natural Resource Economics; Future Livestock Production; Global Animal Products; Global Crop Systems; Global Livestock Systems; Innovation 2; or International Development 2.
At a glance

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Typical offer range:
SQA Highers AAAB to ABBB.
A Levels ABB to AAB.
IB 36 points (grades 66 at HL) to 32 points (grades 65 at HL).
Access threshold:
SQA Highers ABBB.
A Levels ABB.
IB 32 points (grades 65 at HL).

Second-year entry:
SQA Advanced Highers AAB.
A Levels ABB.
IB 36 points (grades 66 at HL).

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Programmes

BSc (Hons)
Anatomy & Development C183
Biomedical Sciences C190
Infectious Diseases C590
Neuroscience B140
Pharmacology B120
Physiology B126
Reproductive Biology C142

Biomedical sciences
Understanding the functioning of the human body at cellular, molecular, and organ and system levels, in health and disease, is the ultimate aim of biomedical sciences. Biomedical scientists integrate knowledge gained by research across a range of related disciplines and apply it in the analysis of disease mechanisms. The basic research biomedical scientists carry out is fundamental for new developments and innovation in disease diagnosis, treatment and prevention. Biomedical scientists develop individual scientific, experimental and critical skills that can facilitate major contributions to improvements in human health and the treatment of illness.

Infectious diseases
Infectious disease is a major challenge to society in the developed and developing worlds. Our infectious diseases programme investigates the microorganisms that can cause disease in humans and animals and how a host responds to infection. It brings together the study of bacteriology, virology, immunology and molecular biology. You will study the interaction between microorganisms and hosts, infection processes and how microbes cause disease. This knowledge can be applied to the development of prevention and therapeutic strategies such as antibiotics, antiviral agents and vaccines.

Neuroscience
Neuroscience is the study of the nervous system, how the brain works and how cells interact to control behaviour. Research in neuroscience is aimed at better understanding the structure of the nervous system, how it works, develops and malfunctions, and how it can be manipulated. Research is aimed at developing more effective treatment of diseases such as stroke, neurodegenerative disease, mental illness, cancer, toxicity and trauma.

Pharmacology
Pharmacology is the study of how drugs produce effects on the body to treat disorders or change bodily functions. It brings together physiology, biochemistry and molecular biology. You will study the effects of drugs on molecules, cells and tissues within the body and examine the side effects of drugs and the factors that affect absorption, distribution and excretion. Research in pharmacology aims to develop a better understanding of drug action and produce new drugs to improve patient care.

Physiology
Physiology examines living animals and how they function, grow and reproduce. It studies how cells respond to changes in their environment and examines how cell functions are integrated in tissues, organs and animals. You will study how information is sent from one cell to another through chemical or electrical signals and body systems such as nutrition, movement, respiration and reproduction. The understanding of fundamental physiological principles is central to our ability to identify potential therapeutic targets for the treatment of diseases.

Introducing Biomedical Sciences
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Programs

BSc (Hons)
Anatomy & Development C183
Biomedical Sciences C190
Infectious Diseases C590
Neuroscience B140
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Physiology B126
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Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/1

Biomedical Sciences Medicine & Veterinary Medicine

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

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SQA Highers AAAB to ABBB.
A Levels ABB to AAB.
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Access threshold:
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Understanding the functioning of the human body at cellular, molecular, and organ and system levels, in health and disease, is the ultimate aim of biomedical sciences. Biomedical scientists integrate knowledge gained by research across a range of related disciplines and apply it in the analysis of disease mechanisms. The basic research biomedical scientists carry out is fundamental for new developments and innovation in disease diagnosis, treatment and prevention. Biomedical scientists develop individual scientific, experimental and critical skills that can facilitate major contributions to improvements in human health and the treatment of illness.

Infectious diseases
Infectious disease is a major challenge to society in the developed and developing worlds. Our infectious diseases programme investigates the microorganisms that can cause disease in humans and animals and how a host responds to infection. It brings together the study of bacteriology, virology, immunology and molecular biology. You will study the interaction between microorganisms and hosts, infection processes and how microbes cause disease. This knowledge can be applied to the development of prevention and therapeutic strategies such as antibiotics, antiviral agents and vaccines.

Neuroscience
Neuroscience is the study of the nervous system, how the brain works and how cells interact to control behaviour. Research in neuroscience is aimed at better understanding the structure of the nervous system, how it works, develops and malfunctions, and how it can be manipulated. Research is aimed at developing more effective treatment of diseases such as stroke, neurodegenerative disease, mental illness, cancer, toxicity and trauma.

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You will be supported by academic staff who provide an outstanding research-led, learning experience that fosters individual intellectual development.
You will have the opportunity to undertake projects with our leading medical and biomedical researchers addressing major global challenges in healthcare.

Introducing Medical Sciences
Our BSc (Hons) Medical Sciences programme provides a platform of compulsory courses which deliver the core material in biomedical sciences, medical sociology and medical ethics that underpins and directs advances in 21st-century medical practice. In addition, your option course choices offer you the flexibility to explore the broader biological, physicochemical, clinical and social sciences that underlie contemporary healthcare.

Our programme develops healthcare-related themes with a particular emphasis on current medical research and its significance for advances in medical/clinical practice. Opportunities exist for students to undertake research within groups recognised as delivering internationally excellent and, in some areas, world-leading research.

Medical sciences is founded on developing skills in academic research and scientific enquiry to encourage an awareness and understanding of the research that is needed to continue to advance clinical practice. Alongside a depth of knowledge in medical sciences, you will also develop a level of understanding and a breadth of skills that will enable you to contribute to, and guide, public debate on issues that affect healthcare for present and future generations.

Transferring to Medicine MBChB
Up to five offers for entry into Year 2 of the Edinburgh MBChB programme will normally be made to final-year BSc (Hons) Medical Sciences undergraduates. Application for these places should be made through UCAS.

Medical sciences undergraduates applying to the MBChB are required to have the appropriate academic qualifications, need to have sat the UK Clinical Aptitude Test (UKCAT) and, if shortlisted, will be interviewed along with other shortlisted graduate applicants. Offers will be made before the end of the first semester of Year 4 of the medical sciences programme.

Medical sciences students will not normally be able to transfer to the MBChB programme during their studies.

Please note: We are currently looking to change the content of BSc (Hons) Medical Sciences for students starting their studies in 2019. Our intention is to align its learning outcomes more closely to those of our MBChB medical programme. We anticipate that these changes will make it easier for graduates to progress to a medical degree. Please check online for the latest information about these changes before you apply.

Study abroad
There is currently an opportunity for up to two students to study at the Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden, in Year 3.

Career opportunities
You will be prepared for careers in a range of areas, including biomedical or clinical laboratory sciences, the pharmaceutical industry, healthcare or medical teaching, medical writing, healthcare management and clinical trials management.

The strong research element of the programme is an ideal preparation for anyone considering a career in postgraduate research.

Although this programme is not a qualification in medical practice, the skills and knowledge gained provide an excellent platform for applications to graduate medical programmes. Graduates can also enter careers in veterinary medicine, dentistry, nursing, pharmacy and physiotherapy. However, to enter these professions you will need to pursue further study and training.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/53

Programmes
BSc (Hons) Medical Sciences 8100

You may also be interested in Biomedical Sciences Page 102

Year by year...

Year 1
You will take three compulsory courses: Medical Sciences 1; Medical Biology 1; and Molecules, Cancer & Cells. You will also be expected to take at least one course in biological chemistry. You will choose other courses from a range of biomedical and non-biomedical option courses. Medical Sciences 1 defines the unique identity of the programme, introducing a breadth of disciplines that integrate to contribute to our understanding of health and disease.

Year 2
You will expand your knowledge in basic biomedical sciences and further develop an integrated approach to understanding the science that underpins medical practice. You will take three compulsory courses: Anatomy & Pathology 2; Biomedical Sciences 2; and Microorganisms, Infection & Immunity 2 alongside additional courses chosen from biomedical, biological or other disciplines across the University. Anatomy and Pathology 2 is a programme-specific course that introduces an integrated approach to the structure and function of the human body at different levels of organisation and develops key programme-specific healthcare themes.

Year 3
You will develop expert specialised knowledge in medical sciences that enables you to understand current research and to discuss critically its significance and implications. You will develop key skills in critical analysis, research and communication alongside increasing biomedical knowledge. You will study three compulsory courses: Health, Illness & Society 3; Clinical Biochemistry & Endocrinology 3; and Clinical Immunology & Haematology 34 plus three option courses. The compulsory courses explore further the links between basic research and the clinical situation. Health, Illness & Society 3 is unique to this programme. It provides an important focus on developing awareness of healthcare specific professional and ethical relationships, covering aspects of social medicine from the understanding of disease at a population level to the global allocation and use of healthcare resources.

Year 4
You will have opportunities to actively engage in research, discuss and analyse high-profile issues and reflect on and re-evaluate themes addressed in earlier years. You will study the compulsory course Medical Sciences 4 alongside two option courses that allow analysis of high profile contemporary issues in medical sciences. With individual supervisor support, you will complete a major research project that draws on the expertise of Edinburgh’s world-class biomedical scientists, in clinical or experimental settings.
Why choose Medicine at the University of Edinburgh?

We’re ranked in the UK top 10 for medicine by both the Complete University Guide 2018 and the Guardian University Guide 2018.

You will complete an academic year of full-time, research-based study in Year 3, meaning you will graduate with two qualifications: a research-based BMSci (Hons) and an MBChB.

We have a high graduate employment rate, with 99 per cent of our students progressing to employment or further training six months after graduation.

Introducing Medicine

Medicine at Edinburgh offers a modern, innovative curriculum designed to prepare you for contemporary medical practice. Our aim is for you to graduate as a competent, ethical and reflective doctor, with the care of patients your first concern. You will graduate as an excellent communicator and team player, prepared for complex and uncertain situations, equipped for ongoing personal development, and trained for high professional achievement and leadership.

The breadth and depth of medical knowledge is expanding exponentially, with advances in medical science and research rapidly translated into clinical practice. Edinburgh’s future doctors will be equipped with an understanding of the underpinning science and the clinical skills to treat patients effectively as well as the personal attributes and attitudes required by medical practice. In this way, Edinburgh will equip you to be a scholar, a practitioner and a professional.

We are the only Scottish institution to offer a six-year MBChB programme, which includes a year of full-time, research-based study in Year 3. We have a long history of medical students taking a year of intercalated, research-based study as part of their medical training and our programme embeds this research year in to the training of all our medical cohort. Most students achieve at least one academic publication and/or presentation which is beneficial to their CV and future career during the research year. You will choose from a wide range of disciplines and topics, including established areas such as neuroscience and new areas such as health science, and will later revisit and extend the research interests developed. You will graduate with both a research-based Bachelor of Medical Sciences honours degree and an MBChB primary medical qualification. You will have a deep understanding of medical research and evidence-based medicine and will have developed your analytical skills. All these will be useful in your chosen career, allowing you to understand and apply innovation in all fields of medicine from general practice to hospital-based specialties or public health. You will be especially well-equipped for a career in academic medicine, which demands ongoing practical involvement in research, as a physician scientist. Progression directly from Years 2 to 4 is possible but will only be considered in special circumstances, such as graduate entrants with prior research experience. The MBChB curriculum is designed around 12 major outcome themes – biomedical sciences; psychological aspects of medicine; social sciences and public health; evidence-based medicine and research; the consultation; presentation, diagnosis and management; clinical communication; emergency care, clinical and research-based skills; medical pharmacology and therapeutics; medical informatics; medical ethics, legal and professional responsibilities; and personal professional development. These will be achieved as you progress through courses and placements based on body systems (such as the cardiovascular system) and/or clinical disciplines (such as surgery).

You will be given a Personal Tutor who will meet you regularly during your programme to offer help and advice. In Years 4 to 6 you will meet a Clinical Tutor Associate each month, a doctor in training who offers individual tuition tailored to your educational needs.

Placements

Years 4, 5 and 6 are based on clinical placements in NHS hospitals and general practices, although exposure to these clinical environments and patient care is a feature throughout the programme.

Accreditation

The programme is accredited by the UK General Medical Council and recognised by overseas accrediting bodies in the US, Canada, Australia and elsewhere.

With Edinburgh’s reputation, global importance of health and places things in context. With Edinburgh’s reputation, I am comfortable that I will be guaranteed a job in the future.” Anniка Widler-Smith 2nd year MBChB Medicine

Study abroad

You will have an opportunity to study abroad in Year 6.

Additional costs

Our main teaching location is at Little France, linked to the Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh. This is a 20-minute bus ride from central Edinburgh and will incur travel costs. There will also be costs associated with travel to your clinical placements. An annual student Ricecard from Lothian Buses costs £525. We provide a travel subsidy for students up to £350. You may also be eligible for additional hardship funding via the University.

Career opportunities

We participate in the UK Foundation Programme Scheme, which places graduates in Foundation Doctor posts across the UK. Many graduates go on to work with distinguished national and international research groups. Further information is available online.

Year by year...

Year 1

You take courses that introduce the scientific, sociological and behavioural principles of medicine and place them in the context of patient care. You will meet with patients and their families through the Taking with Families and Health Needs of Older People course. Working in small groups, you will investigate a healthcare issue of your choice.

Year 2

You will develop your practical, research and clinical skills, including history-taking and examination. You will develop your skills in medical informatics. You will work in small groups, taking part in clinical projects and spending time in general practice.

Year 3

All students will enter an honours programme to obtain a Bachelor of Medical Sciences honours degree. Many students study a scientific discipline in depth, gaining research experience, and submit a dissertation. Recently established disciplines include health sciences and programmes in the medical humanities.

Year 4

You will study all aspects of clinical medicine and healthcare delivery at part of a team. Courses continue to cover biological and clinical sciences and you will develop your practical experience through placements in hospitals and general practice.

Year 5

You will move around a number of specialties, working on hospital wards as part of a team. In addition to further clinical placements in a range of disciplines, you will complete an individual research project in partnership with a clinical tutor.

Year 6

You will consolidate your learning from previous years, working on an apprenticeship model to prepare for employment in the postgraduate Foundation Programme. There is an emphasis on developing practical skills and knowledge of general and acute medicine, emergency medicine, surgery, anaesthetics and intensive care. You will have the opportunity to assist a trained doctor, and, under supervision, undertake some of the duties of a Foundation Year 1 doctor. You also have an elective period, which is usually undertaken overseas.
Oral Health Sciences

Why choose Oral Health Sciences at the University of Edinburgh?

You will have the opportunity to explore all aspects of dentistry through rotation and observation in other dental specialties.

You will receive closely-supported learning, particularly in the clinical setting. Our class sizes are around 10 students a year.

In Year 4 you will attend clinical placements for two days a week, working in outreach centres where you will gain valuable experience treating patients in a primary care setting.

Introducing Oral Health Sciences

The study of oral health sciences leads to a dual qualification in dental hygiene and dental therapy. Our programme combines dental science with research, exploring the prevention and treatment of oral disease in both adults and children.

Over the four-year honours programme you will study courses from four key areas: health and disease; clinical practice; personal and professional development; and preparation for practice. Our small class sizes provide a supportive learning environment and we offer a significant focus on practical skills, with clinical treatment of patients commencing in Year 1.

Your academic progress will be assessed through written examinations and assignments, either at the end of each semester or at the end of the year. Your clinical progress is continually assessed throughout the programme, with objective structured clinical examinations (OSCEs) and Direct Observation of Procedural Skills (DOPS) being an integral part of the process.

Career opportunities

Career opportunities for oral health sciences graduates in the UK exist within the NHS, private practice, in research and in academia. On graduation, you must register with the General Dental Council prior to commencing employment.

Additional costs

You will be required to provide a £10 deposit towards your sets of clinical scrubs.

Additional requirements

An interview. You are also advised to check online for important Fitness to Practise information before you apply.

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Programmes

BSc (Hons)
Oral Health Sciences A900

You will study general histology, anatomy and physiology, human disease, oral biology and immunology, among other subjects. During semester 1, you will begin to develop your clinical skills in the laboratory and you will begin treating patients in semester 2.

Year 2

You will develop your clinical skills and knowledge I need to pursue a career in dental hygiene or therapy, as well as skills that will be beneficial in everyday life.

Charlie Nicholl
second year BSc (Hons) Oral Health Sciences

College of Medical & Dental Sciences

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/51

The programme is providing me with the key clinical skills and knowledge I need to pursue a career in dental hygiene or therapy, as well as skills that will be beneficial in everyday life.

Year by year...

Year 1

You will study general histology, anatomy and physiology, human disease, oral biology and immunology, among other subjects. During semester 1, you will begin to develop your clinical skills in the laboratory and you will begin treating patients in semester 2.

Year 2

Some of the subjects you will study include general pathology, pharmacology, periodontal disease, preventive dentistry, behavioural sciences and biomaterial sciences. You will develop your skills in many aspects of clinical treatment and continue to expand these in the clinical laboratory.

Year 3

You will build on previous courses and, in addition, study oral medicine and pathology, oral surgery and special care dentistry. You will also undertake a literature review on a subject of your choice. To progress to Year 4, you must have successfully completed the first three years of the programme.

Year 4

You will develop your clinical skills and undertake a supervised research project. You will have the opportunity to work in other departments and observe clinical procedures in, for example, oral surgery, oral orthopaedics and implantology.

You will be examined theoretically in each of the three main areas of your clinical activity: periodontal therapy, restorative care and paediatric dentistry. These assessments, in addition to your research project, are undertaken for your final examination.
Veterinary Medicine

Why choose Veterinary Medicine at the University of Edinburgh?

We are consistently ranked one of the world’s top veterinary schools. We are 1st in the UK in both the Guardian University Guide 2018 and The Times 2018 veterinary subject league tables. We are 4th in the world in the Shanghai Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2017 and 8th in the world in the QS World University Ranking by Subject 2017.

We are accredited by The Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS), The American Veterinary Medical Association (AVMA), The Australasian Veterinary Boards Council (AVBC), The South African Veterinary Council (SAVC), and The European Association of Establishments for Veterinary Education (EAEVE) meaning our graduates can expect career opportunities worldwide.

On our integrated programmes you will study a wide range of animals from large and small companion animals and exotics to a variety of wildlife species.

Introducing Veterinary Medicine

Veterinary medicine at Edinburgh mixes the best traditions with award-winning, progressive teaching. Our outstanding hospitals and teaching facilities provide an excellent environment to develop your practical and clinical skills.

We offer many opportunities to take part in biological research as part of our vibrant research community. You will learn valuable communication, team-building and management skills and keep a personal and professional development portfolio throughout the BVMS programme to record elements of study in the professional and clinical skills course. In addition to clinical training, the programme provides an excellent foundation for a career in fields such as academia, research or industry.

Accreditation

The extensive accreditation of our programmes means graduates can practise veterinary medicine throughout the UK, Europe, North America and Australasia. The BVMS is the equivalent of the North American Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM), with the same standing worldwide.

Additional costs

Additional costs include compulsory specialised equipment and protective clothing [estimated at £150], and locker deposits (£15), and you will incur travel costs getting to Easter Bush campus. Using public transport from the city centre will cost around £525 a year, which we will proportionally subsidise in line with your year of study. In addition, extramural study (externships) of 38 weeks will incur additional accommodation and travel costs. Limited grant funding may be available from the University, but is unlikely to cover the full costs of extramural study. For international students, your immigration application may include a healthcare surcharge of around £150 a year.

Intercalated degrees

If you have a special interest in animal disease, you can undertake BSc (Hons) Veterinary Science after Year 2 of the five-year programme (or Year 1 of the four-year programme). You can take a year of advanced study in a subject such as biochemistry, infectious diseases, neuroscience or zoology. With permission, you may attend intercalated degree courses at other UK universities or veterinary colleges, or in other parts of the University of Edinburgh, then return to complete your BVMS. For exceptional candidates, there are also opportunities to study a one-year research MSc or intercalated three-year PhD. You can also enrol on one of our prestigious taught MSc programmes in Applied Animal Behaviour & Animal Welfare, Equine Science, Animal Bioscience or One Health after Year 3 of the BVMS (or if you already hold a BSc).

Can I work while I study?

The BVMS timetable is very demanding and rarely leaves sufficient time for paid employment in the evenings or at weekends.

Career opportunities

Our programmes are designed to train and prepare you for a career as a veterinary practitioner in general practice or in a specialised field such as small animal, farm animal, equine or exotic animal practice. They also prepare you for further training in a specialised clinical field. Opportunities exist for you to get involved in wildlife disease prevention, endangered species conservation, government service or livestock husbandry education in the developing world.

You can also pursue a research career. The School incorporates the Roslin Institute, which, with the Moredun Research Institute and Scotland’s Rural College, is a member of the Easter Bush Research Consortium – representing one of the world’s highest concentrations of animal scientists.

I know I will graduate from a vet school with a world-class reputation that has fully prepared me for life as a veterinarian.

Samantha Miles

4th-year BVMS Veterinary Medicine Graduate Entry Programme

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at: www.ed.ac.uk/ugj41
Welcome to the College of Science & Engineering

From the telephone to the television, motion pictures to radar, the bicycle to the steam engine and vaccine development to animal cloning, Scotland has always been at the forefront of science and engineering innovation.

Our College of Science & Engineering is proud to stand on the shoulders of the great thinkers behind these technological achievements and to inspire and produce the next generation of innovators. We are one of the UK’s largest science and engineering institutions with more than 3,000 staff and more than 9,500 students and we represent some of the world’s finest talents.

Current projects include nanotechnology, intelligent robotics, synthetic biology and exploring ways to harness renewable energy in response to international concern about climate change and the need to secure affordable energy supplies in the future.

Most of our programmes allow you to broaden your intellectual horizons by taking courses in Years 1 and 2 from a range of subjects across the University, such as our extensive suite of languages.

If you have any queries about the programmes listed in this section, please contact the Admissions Office, or go online for further details.

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116 Chemistry
118 Computer Science (Informatics)
120 Earth Sciences
122 Ecological & Environmental Sciences
124 Engineering
126 Geography
128 Mathematics
130 Physics & Astronomy

Illustration shows the Ashworth Building at the University’s King’s Buildings campus.
Biological Sciences

Why choose Biological Sciences at the University of Edinburgh?

We’re ranked 5th in the UK for biological sciences in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017 and 30th in the US News 2017 Best Global Universities Rankings.

Our programmes will give you a solid grounding in fundamental topics allowing you to specialise in Year 3 and complete an independent research project in Year 4. You will be taught in state-of-the-art laboratories and in interactive computing studio facilities.

Introducing Biological Sciences

Biology is the study of life and embraces many different areas of both biological and biomedical interest. Studies range from exploring molecular structures, to understanding how genes work, the development and behaviour of microorganisms, plants and animals, their evolution, and their environmental interactions and impacts. It reveals core scientific knowledge of how cells and organisms function, and results in applications that underpin up-to-the-minute technological and scientific advances.

Year by year...

Year 1

As an integral part of your studies, you will gain key skills which will enhance your long-term employability. In addition, you will learn core laboratory techniques and study modern biology subjects which span the breadth of the biological sciences, subject areas and may include biological chemistry. There will be compulsory courses dependent on your chosen programme path and you can also choose option courses, which can be from other academic areas from across the University.

Year 2

You will begin to specialise in a specific biological sciences area. There are opportunities to study within areas such as molecular and cellular biology, biochemistry, biotechnology, genetics, ecology, evolution, and animal and plant biology. You can still choose courses from other areas of the University as your option course choices. At the end of Year 2, you will progress into your chosen biological subject specialisation which will lead to your honours programme of choice.

Year 3

You will specialise in a chosen area of biology, choosing from our subject specialisations: biochemistry; biotechnology; cell biology; development, regeneration and stem cells; ecology; evolutionary biology; genetics; immunology; molecular biology; molecular genetics; plant science or zoology. These prepare you for exploring scientific literature, analysis of scientific data and research work. Courses involve training in laboratory skills, with specific courses concentrating on fieldwork. Some students can apply for 12-month placements between Years 3 and 4. Students who accept a placement will take an interruption of studies to undertake it. Placements are independent from university studies and do not contribute towards the final classification. Please also be aware that there are restrictions for some students due to visa requirements. Visa advice for international students can be provided by Edinburgh Global.

Additional costs

You may incur additional costs of up to £150 for each year of your programme purchasing books or other compulsory study material. Additional costs may also be incurred for field or residential courses. You may choose to take more than one of these courses. Most Year 4 students will attend a compulsory field or residential course. Currently, field or residential course costs vary on average from £150 to £300 per course for transport and accommodation. The costs for field courses will be due to be paid in the year the course is taken.

Study abroad

There are opportunities to study abroad on a student exchange.

Career opportunities

The analytical and scientific skills you will gain will equip you for a variety of careers. The core skills which you develop will enhance your employability.

Our graduates go on to a range of careers. These include industry-based occupations. Some choose further study before entering successful academic or other career paths.

Ellie Carr

2nd year BSc (Hons) Biological Sciences

“I knew the University had a great reputation and excellent teaching and facilities. It is internationally respected for its contribution to scientific research, and the possibility of one day playing a part in that really appealed to me.”

Programmes

BSc (Hons)

Biological Sciences C100

Biological Sciences with Management C110

Biological Sciences (Biochemistry) C700

Biological Sciences (Biotechnology) C701

Biological Sciences (Cell Biology) C130

Biological Sciences (Development, Regeneration & Stem Cells) C140

Biological Sciences (Ecology) C180

Biological Sciences (Evolutionary Biology) C182

Biological Sciences (Genetics) C400

Biological Sciences (Immunology) C500

Biological Sciences (Molecular Biology) C720

Biological Sciences (Molecular Genetics) C440

Biological Sciences (Plant Science) C200

Biological Sciences (Zoology) C300

You may also be interested in Biomedical Sciences Page 102
Chemistry

**Introducing Chemistry**

Chemistry is the study of atoms, molecules and ions – their physical and chemical properties, their composition and structure, and their role and uses in every aspect of our lives.

Our programmes retain a broad perspective, preparing you for a range of potential careers in chemistry, or science more generally. All our programmes include practical aspects to develop your analytical, problem-solving and numeracy skills. Small-group workshops, tutorials and presentations will improve your communication and presentation skills. Small-group workshops, tutorials and presentations will improve your communication and presentation skills.

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**You will have the choice between a final-year research project or a science education placement**. You will have the choice between a final-year research project or a science education placement.

**Additional costs**

You will require a white lab coat which cost £15 in 2017. In addition, you must also purchase three core textbooks in Year 1, which cost £120 in 2017. While you are on placement you may incur travel costs. However, most students who are on industrial placement will receive a salary or stipend from their host company.

**Year by year...**

**Year 1**

You will spend approximately a third of your first year in chemistry lectures, laboratory classes and small-group tutorials. For all students a mathematics course is also required. The remainder of your curriculum can be chosen from a broad range of courses from across the University.

**Year 2**

You continue with your chemistry course, which again takes up about a third of your time. Additional courses such as Environmental Chemistry, Materials Chemistry, Chemical Pharmacology or courses in physics or mathematics may be required or recommended for your specific programme but most programmes still allow considerable choice of option subjects at this stage. The range of option courses available over the first two years allows real flexibility to maintain options to transfer between different programmes within the College of Science & Engineering.

**Year 3**

You will undertake compulsory chemistry courses that provide a foundation for the remaining honour years. If you are studying the chemical physics programme you will take a combination of chemistry and physics courses.

**Placements**

A year-long placement in industry, either in the UK or overseas, or with one of our partner chemistry departments at a range of universities overseas, can be included as part of our MChem or MChemPhys programmes. These placements will form the final year of your programme and will be comprised entirely of research project work. Those students who do not undertake one of these options will complete a final year research project in Edinburgh occupying the full year.

**Career opportunities**

Our graduates are highly regarded by national and international employers. Many graduates move into careers in the oil, chemical or pharmaceutical industries, in sales and marketing or research and development roles. Many graduates choose further study, leading to an MSc, PhD or teaching qualification. Your programme also prepares you for a variety of other careers, including areas such as management, finance or IT.

**Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at**

www.ed.ac.uk/ug/3
Computer Science (Informatics)

Why choose Computer Science (Informatics) at the University of Edinburgh?

We’re ranked 14th in the world, and 4th in the UK, for computer science in The Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2018 by Subject.

Design-influenced courses are now available to all our students, thanks to a partnership with Edinburgh College of Art to create design informatics masters programmes. Our Bayes Centre for Data-Driven Innovation, Centre of Excellence in Cyber Security, and Robotics Centre, and our links to national initiatives such as the Alan Turing Institute, offer you opportunities to get involved in world-leading research that is transforming our world.

Introducing Computer Science (Informatics)

Informatics is the study of information, computation and communication in artificial systems such as computers, and in natural systems such as brains, genes and living cells. We offer programmes in computer science, artificial intelligence, software engineering, cognitive science and in informatics, which includes all of these disciplines.

At a glance

Contact Informatics Teaching Organisation
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Tel +44 (0)131 650 5974
Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Typical offer range:
SQA Highers AAA to ABB.
A Levels AAB to ABB.
IB 37 points (grades 666 at HL) to 32 points (grades 655 at HL).
Access threshold:
SQA Higher or Advanced Higher anytime.
A Levels ABB.
IB 32 points (grades 655 at HL).
Second-year entry:
SQA Advanced Highers AAA to AA.
A Levels A*AA.
IB 38 points (grades 666 at HL).

Please note This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The typical offer range and access threshold are explained on page 153. Full, detailed entry requirements, including the subjects you need, vary by programme. Please check the full details before you apply.

www.ed.ac.uk/ug/9

Programmes

BSc (Hons) Artificial Intelligence C700
Artificial Intelligence & Computer Science G647
Computer science G609
Computer Science & Management Science GN42
Computer Science & Mathematics GC14
Computer Science & Physics GF43

BEng (Hons) Computer Science C401
Software Engineering G600

MInf – 5 years Informatics C500

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at
www.ed.ac.uk/ug/9

Computer science

Computer science is concerned with understanding, designing, implementing and using computing systems, ranging in scale and complexity from the tiny components of a single processor to the globe-spanning internet. The core concepts of computing have their roots in mathematics, logic and engineering, such as what it means to compute, what can or cannot be computed, and how computers work. It also concerns the practical techniques of programming computers to solve real and difficult problems, and there are many links to other subjects, from electronics, physics, and mathematics, to biology, psychology, linguistics, and sociology. This intellectually challenging subject underpins the core techniques of the 21st century, and can be a route to many different career paths.

Informatics

Our flagship MInf programme provides an integrated approach that will take you to a masters-level qualification over five years of study. You will gain a breadth of experience across all areas of informatics as well as the opportunity for in-depth, masters-level study in your chosen area of specialisation. The first three years are similar to our BSc and BEng programmes, providing a firm foundation for advanced study in informatics. A diverse range of topics is covered including areas of computer science, artificial intelligence, and cognitive science, as well as computational links to linguistics, neuroscience, psychology and biology. The final two years of study include many specialised course options and a personal project. The final year offers access to a wide range of master's level courses given by leaders in their chosen fields.

Software engineering

The study of software engineering will teach you how to write good software and give you the engineering skills needed to meet requirements such as reliability, maintainability, usability and cost-effectiveness. Our programme is directed towards the practical application of computing sciences, as computer systems grow in size and complexity.

Career opportunities

Our graduates have excellent career prospects. The vast majority make direct vocational use of their qualification in the IT industry. Increasingly however, our graduates also find work in the trades, industries and professions that rely heavily on computing systems, including media, communications, finance, energy and medicine.

Year by year...

Year 1

You will be introduced to basic principles of programming and computation. You will learn how information can be represented and processed in computer systems, as well as fundamental techniques to manage data and solve problems using computer programs. The year also includes courses in mathematics necessary for all areas of informatics. Together these form the foundations of more in-depth study of computation in future years. You can also choose option courses from various Schools across the University.

Year 2

You will build on Year 1, covering more advanced programming and data structures, together with related mathematics. Courses offered will develop greater understanding of software development, decision making, learning from data, and the integration of computers or computer systems. Option courses are made available from various Schools across the University.

Year 3

Your studies will become more focused and you will have the option to select specialised courses according to your interests from a range of options that depend on your programme. Coursework assignments typically provide you with experience in practical work, independent problem solving and group work. Your exact curriculum depends on your selected courses.

Year 4 (& 5 for MInf)

You will choose from a large number of advanced coursework options to build a particular portfolio or expertise of your interest. This includes an individual honours project where you will learn to develop a viable project starting from a given topic. You will have a variety of choices when selecting your project and a supervisor to guide you. MInf students will also take further advanced courses.

“I was looking for a university that was ranked one of the best in my field of study and had an international-friendly environment. The University of Edinburgh accomplished all of this.”

Conrad Cardona
2nd year BSc [Hon] Computer Science & Mathematics
Earth Sciences

Why choose Earth Sciences at the University of Edinburgh?

We're ranked 5th in the UK for earth and marine sciences in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017. You will join a community of the largest group of earth scientists in Europe. This not only feeds into what we teach but also will provide you with a broad programme of study in your final year and a greater choice of topics for your independent research dissertation.

We have a large range of specialist facilities that will be relevant to your programme, including geophysics field equipment, airborne drone imaging, geochemistry laboratories, and high-performance computing.

Introducing Earth Sciences

Studying earth sciences at Edinburgh offers you an opportunity to study all aspects of the Earth, from formation, planetary accretion and the evolution of life to present-day surface and environmental processes and the impact of global climate change.

The earth sciences embrace many of the natural and physical sciences subjects, including mathematics, physics, chemistry, biology and geography, to understand the Earth and its development through time.

The five-year MEarthSci programme follows BSc Geology until the end of Year 4. In Year 5 you will develop your analytical and critical thinking skills to understand the connectivity in the Earth system.

Geophysics & Meteorology

By exploring the processes that shape the Earth, from its formation to the effects of glaciation on its surface, you will think about the Earth as a connected system. That system is one which is developed through the interaction of surface (ice, rivers, waves and wind) and deep Earth processes such as plate tectonics and volcanism.

Our five-year MEarthSci programme follows BSc (Hons) Geology & Geophysics until the end of Year 4. In Year 5 you will develop further independent thinking, as well as your analytical and critical thinking skills, to understand the connectivity in the Earth system.

Geophysics & Meteorology

Our geophysics programmes study the Earth's system, including its atmosphere, through the use of physics and mathematics. You will learn the fundamental physical principles and mathematical techniques underpinning the subject, and their application to fields as diverse as oil and gas exploration, weather forecasting, environmental monitoring and protection, and mitigation of natural hazards. You will also gain an understanding of the inner workings of our planet. The five-year MEarthPhys programme follows BSc Geophysics until the end of Year 4. In Year 5 you will focus on an independent research project.

Placements

Students on our Geophysics with Professional Placement programmes may spend up to 12 months working in industry or with another professional organisation. Placements for other programmes are in the form of short or vacation internships, which you can arrange yourself or with the help of the University's Careers Service.

Additional costs

We will subsidise at least 50 per cent of the costs of core fieldwork courses for all students. Other awards are also available for eligible students.

Career opportunities

The vast majority of our graduates move straight into degree-related employment or further study. Our graduates are highly sought after by energy (including renewables) and resource companies, environmental consultancies and the financial sector, and many also find employment in the areas of environmental planning and regulation, geoconservation, science communication and education, and engineering. We have a professional advisory board that provides support on employability skills.

Year by year…

Year 3

You will study your compulsory subject(s) and choose option courses either from related subjects (e.g. geology, geography, archaeology, astronomy, oceanography, environmental processes, meteorology and computer science) or from other Schools across the University.

If you are studying one of the geophysics programmes, you will take courses in mathematics, physics, geophysics and geology. All programmes include fieldwork trips in Edinburgh and the Lothians and most programmes also include trips to destinations further afield, which in the past have included the Lake District.

Year 2

Each programme has a prescribed set of compulsory courses dedicated to that stream. In addition, you will select option courses from across the School or the University depending upon your interests. Depending upon your programme and chosen subjects, there are various fieldwork trips around Scotland.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ugj7
Ecological & Environmental Sciences

Why choose Ecological & Environmental Sciences at the University of Edinburgh?

Edinburgh is the only place in the UK where you can study ecological and environmental sciences together in an integrated programme.

We’re ranked in the top 25 universities in the world for earth and marine sciences in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017.

You will take part in residential fieldwork trips around Scotland from Year 2 to Year 4.

Introducing Ecological & Environmental Sciences

The growing world population means we now face problems of over-exploitation of natural resources, rapid climate change and habitat degradation. Ecology is the scientific study of the interaction of organisms with each other and their physical, chemical and biological environment. Environmental sciences integrates biological, chemical and physical sciences to understand our changing environment. A combination of the two is vital to understanding and tackling these global issues. The study of ecological and environmental sciences will appeal to students with an interest in the diversity of the natural world and those concerned with environmental issues.

Curriculum choice

We offer a choice of two programmes. You can either take Ecological & Environmental Sciences or Ecological & Environmental Sciences with Management. For each, there is a broad range of topics available, with the opportunity to specialise in the area(s) of ecology and environmental sciences that interests you most in later years.

Ecological & Environmental Sciences

You will study a wide variety of courses, starting with those focused on the origins of life, the basics of ecological theory, and global environmental processes. You will examine topics such as biodiversity, conservation management and land-use change, while also gaining a broad understanding of physical, chemical and biological sciences.

Year by year...

Year 1

You will be introduced to fundamental aspects of ecology through compulsory courses Origin and Diversity of Life, Biology, Ecology and Environment, and Discipline and Community. In addition, you will be able to select courses from other academic areas, some directly related, such as geography, chemistry or geology, and some that may help to widen career opportunities, including modern languages, computing, management and business studies.

Year 2

You will have the opportunity to undertake research projects, excluding an independent research project in Year 4 and will complete field and laboratory assignments, including at least three week-long field trips in Scotland.

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*Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at [www.ed.ac.uk/ugj2](http://www.ed.ac.uk/ugj2)*
Why choose Engineering at the University of Edinburgh?

All our programmes are accredited by their relevant professional institution. All our engineering disciplines have an Industrial Advisory Board, which ensures that our programmes meet the current needs of industry.

MEng students take part in multidisciplinary group design projects developed in collaboration with industry. Recent student successes include our team winning top prize at the 2017 Timber Research and Development Association (TRADA) student design competition; and HyPED was the only UK team to participate at the Hyperloop 2017 finals.

Introducing Engineering

Engineers create innovative solutions to real-world problems. We invent products, systems and processes that are faster, smaller, cleaner, safer, stronger, more efficient, more environmentally friendly, more economically, more sustainable and more marketable.

Engineering is all around us, making up much of what we take for granted – telecommunications, transport, energy generation and distribution, buildings, bridges, water supply, materials, fuels and much more.

Our programmes cross the traditional engineering boundaries through cross-disciplinary design projects and teaching, in recognition of the multidisciplinary nature of modern engineering projects. On graduation from any of our programmes you will leave with a thorough core knowledge, together with analytical, practical, design and communication skills, enabling you to join a design, production or research team – or move rapidly into management and leadership roles.

You can keep your options open between these disciplines by applying for H100 Engineering. In Year 1 you will study a general engineering course that covers all four teaching areas. You must follow at least two of these, but can elect to study three or four if you wish. The route provides an insight into engineering as a whole, and helps you focus on areas of particular interest. On completion of the first semester, you will discuss your options with your Personal Tutor and transfer to one of the discipline programmes offered by the School of Engineering. All programmes, except Structural Engineering with Architecture, are available through this route.

Suitably qualified students may opt to apply for direct entry to Year 2, in which case flexibility is reduced, but the length of study is the same as a comparable degree in the rest of the UK. Note that H100 and Structural Engineering with Architecture are not available to students applying for direct entry to Year 2.

Accreditation

All our MEng programmes are accredited as fully satisfying the educational base for a Chartered Engineer (CEng). All our BEng programmes are accredited as partially satisfying the educational base for a Chartered Engineer (CEng). An accredited programme is needed to complete the CEng educational base.

Placements

MEng Chemical Engineering, Electronics, Electrical Engineering or Mechanical Engineering students can apply for an industrial placement. These take place in Years 4 or 5 and last at least six months. They are assessed and will contribute to your final degree.

Additional costs

You are expected to purchase your own protective clothing, with a typical cost of between £3 and £5 depending on your programme. On civil engineering, structural and fire safety engineering, and structural engineering with architecture, a compulsory surveying field trip in Year 2 costs around £190.

Scholarships

UK students on Electronics & Electrical Engineering programmes are eligible for a number of industry-funded scholarships from various sources. Please check online for details.

Career opportunities

Studying engineering at the University of Edinburgh prepares you for a career as a professional engineer in the UK or abroad and all programmes meet the requirements of the UK professional engineering bodies. Typically many of our graduates move on to work in internationally leading engineering companies, in technical, consultancy and managerial roles, including company directorships. Alternatively, many of our graduates have gone on to work in other areas, including the civil service, education, the armed forces and the financial sector.

Programmes

BEng (Hons) / MEng (Hons) – 5 years

Chemical Engineering H800/H804
Civil Engineering H220/H223
Electrical & Mechanical Engineering H900/H903
Geomatics & Earth Science H600/H601
Electronics & Computer Science H800/H804
Mechanical Engineering H300/H303
Structural & Fire Safety Engineering H621/H621
Structural Engineering with Architecture H201/H203

Our programmes span all disciplines, and in your first year you will undertake cross-disciplinary projects. You can specialise in one or more of our four disciplines:

• chemical engineering – exploring the development and operation of processes that produce the materials and products that we all depend on as safely, sustainably and economically as possible.
• civil and environmental engineering – the creative and sustainable application of physics and mathematics, using engineering and computing tools to conceive, design, build and operate the built environment.
• electronics and electrical engineering – the innovative application of analysis and design to create the technology that will be part of our future lives – everything from internet enabled streetlights to smart energy supply, and from mind-controlled virtual reality mobile gaming to intelligent self-driving vehicles.
• mechanical engineering – the analysis, design and manufacture of an enormous range of industrial products and systems – almost anything with moving parts, from washing machines to aircraft and wind turbines to hip joints.

The University of Edinburgh

Undergraduate Prospectus 2019 entry
Why choose Geography at the University of Edinburgh?

We’re ranked 14th in the world for geography in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017. Edinburgh is a perfect location to study geography, combining the physical environment of the ancient volcano Arthur’s Seat, with the human-geographer's interests of a capital city and economic hub.

Each year, you will have fieldwork opportunities not only in Scotland but further afield. Recently, our students have undertaken fieldwork in Iceland, Greece, Germany, South Africa and Wales.

Introducing Geography

Geography is the study of the way the world works. As such, it is a uniquely diverse and integrative discipline that spans the natural and social sciences.

Geography can be studied as a natural science resulting in a BSc (Hons) award, or as a social science or humanities subject for the MA (Hons) award. As a natural science, geography focuses on the environment, examining such issues as landscape formation, natural hazards and climate change, and the evolution of these processes through space and time. If you study it as a social science, geography focuses on the human-geographer's interests of a capital city and economic hub.

Programmes

BSc (Hons) Geography

MA (Hons) Geography

Programmes

You may also be interested in Earth Sciences Page 120
Mathematics

Why choose Mathematics at the University of Edinburgh?

We’re ranked in the top 10 in the UK for mathematics in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2017. Our broad-ranging research supports advanced courses including analysis, algebra and geometry, and applied topics such as statistics, operational research, finance, data science and mathematical biology.

We invest greatly in our learning community. You will be supported by MathPALs, higher-year students who will provide help and advice. Our MathsBase and Maths Hub provide common areas for socialising and study.

Introducing Mathematics

Mathematics is central to everyday life and to the way we see the world. It is an intellectual adventure in its own right but it is also used to understand the physical world – from gravitational waves to global warming – and to find solutions in business and industry.

All of our students take the same compulsory courses in their early years and it is normally possible to switch between our different programmes in Years 1 and 2. In later years you can choose from our wide range of courses in pure mathematics, applied mathematics, statistics, operational research and financial mathematics.

Programmes

BSc (Hons)
Applied Mathematics G120
Mathematics G100
Mathematics & Biology G64Z
Mathematics & Business G1N1
Mathematics & Music G613
Mathematics & Physics G136
Mathematics & Statistics G137
Mathematics with Management G1N2

MA (Hons)
Mathematics G102

MMath (5 years) G101

Broad and accelerated programmes

All of our programmes can be taken in broad form, where you will also study other subjects in Years 1 and 2. These may be in related areas such as physics or informatics, or from the wide range offered across the University. On a broad programme, the BSc and MA take four years and the MMath takes five.

For some programmes, well-prepared applicants can choose second-year entry and follow an accelerated programme which concentrates on mathematics from the outset. We support this with extra mathematics courses covering the key ideas from Year 1 of the programme.

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Additional costs

You should expect to purchase necessary textbooks for some compulsory and option components of your programme.

Study abroad

There are opportunities to study abroad through University-wide exchange programmes. Students have recently completed placements in California, Miami and Hong Kong.

Career opportunities

Our graduates have a range of careers open to them. The logical and analytical abilities, together with the presentation and practical problem-solving skills you will develop, are sought by employers. Many recent graduates have been employed by large firms in the financial sector. Others have gone into fields including software engineering, logistics, education and the civil service.

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Why choose Physics & Astronomy at the University of Edinburgh?
All our single honours programmes are accredited by the Institute of Physics.
Final-year projects are frequently hosted at our world-class research facilities. These currently include the ARCHER supercomputing service, state-of-the-art scanning confocal microscope in soft matter; and a high magnetic field laboratory that includes dilution capable of 15 mK temperatures, as well as flow and high-pressure chamber for planetary environmental simulation.
You will join a community of researchers and academics who work across major research facilities including the Centre for Science at Extreme Conditions, the UK Centre for Astrobiology, the Higgs Centre for Theoretical Physics and the new Higgs Centre for Innovation. Both Higgs centres have been named after our Emeritus Professor and Nobel Prize winner Peter Higgs.

Introducing Physics & Astronomy
Physics is the study of matter and motion, what the world is made of and how it works. Physicists study everything from the smallest particles to the structure of the universe. Our programmes are flexible, so you can tailor your study to your interests and chosen career. You will also be able to choose a range of subjects from other academic areas.

You will learn the fundamental principles of physics and start to specialise as you progress through your programme. You will also have the opportunity to study abroad on the MPhys Physics with a Year Abroad programme or our Erasmus or international exchange schemes. The core skills you learn, such as how to assemble data by experiment, study or calculation, and how to draw conclusions from your observations, will prepare you for a range of careers, or for further study and research.

Programmes
BSc (Hons)
- Astrophysics F310
- Computational Physics F343
- Mathematical Physics F326
- Physics F301
- Physics with Mathematics F304
- Theoretical Physics F302

MPhys – 5 years
- Astrophysics F361
- Computational Physics F355
- Mathematical Physics F325
- Physics F301
- Physics with Meteorology NW23
- Physics with a Year Abroad W254
- Theoretical Physics F306

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/4

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants
Typical offer range:
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A Levels AAA to AAB
IB 37 points (grades 666 at HL) to 32 points (grades 655 at HL).
Access threshold:
SQA Highers ABBB
A Levels BBB
IB 32 points (grades 666-666 at HL).
Please note This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The typical offer range and access threshold are explained on page 51. Full, detailed entry requirements, including the subjects you need, vary by programme. Please check the full details before you apply: www.ed.ac.uk/ug/4

Accreditation
All single honours programmes are accredited by the Institute of Physics.

Career opportunities
A wide range of employers recognise that physics graduates have advanced problem-solving skills and the ability to think logically and critically about complex situations. Add to this a high level of mathematical ability, computing and IT proficiency and communication skills in written, oral and online media, and graduates have opportunities in a diverse range of careers. Our recent graduates have gone on into employment with a wide variety of organisations, including Google, the European Space Agency, the BBC and IBM. Physicists are sought after by many sectors, including engineering, manufacturing, energy, finance, medicine, and the space industries. A number of our graduates undertake further study or research.

In year by year...

Year 1
- You will complete a number of introductory physics and maths courses. Physics courses present the pillars upon which subsequent material is based and develop your problem solving and study skills. Maths courses will include mathematical and problem-solving skills in the context of algebra and calculus, with increasing emphasis on practical applications. Physics courses will cover algebra, calculus, dynamics and mechanics, electromagnetism, optics and wave theory. In the first year of our MPhys Physics with a Year Abroad programme, or the Erasmus or international exchange schemes, you will have the opportunity to study abroad.
- You will also take a number of advanced courses.
- You will study thermodynamics, statistical mechanics, electromagnetism, optics and quantum mechanics. We offer a supporting mathematics course covering Fourier analysis, probability and statistics, and you will be introduced to computational physics and quantum mechanics. Physics students will have access to an experimental laboratory, and astronomers will be introduced to practical astronomy. Computational physics students take further computing courses, and theoretical and mathematical physics students take further mathematics courses.

Year 2
- You will study modern physics and physics of fields and matter. Mathematics courses will cover algebra, calculus, dynamics and vector calculus and you will be introduced to computational physics, including programming, data analysis and experimental techniques.
- In the second year of our MPhys Physics with a Year Abroad programme, you will have the opportunity to study abroad.
- Most programmes you will be able to choose one or two courses from different subject areas.

Year 3
- You will study thermodynamics, statistical mechanics, electromagnetism, optics and quantum mechanics. We offer a supporting mathematics course covering Fourier analysis, probability and statistics, and you will be introduced to computational physics and quantum mechanics. Physics students will have access to an experimental laboratory, and astronomers will be introduced to practical astronomy. Computational physics students take further computing courses, and theoretical and mathematical physics students take further mathematics courses.
- You will study modern physics and physics of fields and matter. Mathematics courses will cover algebra, calculus, dynamics and vector calculus and you will be introduced to practical physics, including programming, data analysis and experimental techniques.
- On most programmes, if you enter in Year 2, you will take additional introductory courses in classical physics and mathematics.
- You will choose one or two courses of your choice from other academic areas.

Year 4
- You will study a broad range of advanced topics in physics and mathematics. You will also take a number of advanced courses.
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Physics & Astronomy
Scotland’s inspiring capital will be the backdrop to your studies – an irresistible blend of history, natural beauty and modern city life.

Also known as ‘the Athens of the North’, Edinburgh is home to two UNESCO World Heritage Sites and was the world’s first UNESCO City of Literature.

Large enough to offer something for everyone, but small enough to feel like home, Edinburgh is a modern, sophisticated and beautiful European city with a diverse, multicultural community.

A single day could see you hillwalking in the morning, lazing on the beach in the afternoon, and enjoying the treasures of medieval lanes or Michelin-starred restaurants by night.

The friends you meet, places you discover and the lasting memories you create contribute as much to your university experience as your formal learning. Around 100,000 students call Edinburgh home, giving the city a unique buzz and ensuring you’ll be in good company.

“Edinburgh is one of Europe’s most beautiful cities, draped across a series of rocky hills overlooking the sea.”

Lonely Planet

The Edinburgh experience
Edinburgh is regularly named one of the best places to live in Europe.

“I knew I had to attend a university that was surrounded by fantastic entertainment, energetic nightlife and an unrivalled character. Edinburgh was the place for me.”

Ryan Russell
BSc (Hons) Biological Sciences
“I love living in Edinburgh. It is a beautiful city with so much going on. It’s a great place to be a student!”

Laura Falkiner-Rogers
MA (Hons) Classics

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Open Days in 2018:
Friday
8 June
Saturday
22 September
Saturday
6 October
www.ed.ac.uk/opendays
Named the UK’s second best student city, and seventh in Europe, in the QS Best Student Cities 2017.

See what student life is like in Edinburgh

www.ed.ac.uk/undergraduate/student-life
Learn from the best

Our world-class academics are leaders in their fields, conducting groundbreaking research that directly informs the teaching you receive.

We have influenced thinking for more than 400 years, from our central role in the European Enlightenment to the development of the technology in your smartphone.

Our approach to sharing knowledge and encouraging learning is recognised nationally and internationally. This ranges from the Royal Academy of Engineering adopting our Exemplars of Teaching Excellence to our pioneering development of Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs).

Our world-leading researchers contribute to teaching, sharing their discoveries with students. Nobel Prize winner Professor Peter Higgs proposed the Higgs boson while he was a lecturer here. Our scientists created Dolly the sheep, the first mammal cloned from an adult somatic cell. We pioneered the first automated, industrial assembly robot and created the first genetically engineered Hepatitis B vaccine. We're still working towards historic firsts today – new treatments for multiple sclerosis, motor neurone disease and breast cancer; and innovative work to tackle climate change.

Join us and be part of an enthusiastic community of pioneers, visionaries and scholars, studying the latest developments in your subject with the prospect of working on life-changing research yourself.

As an internationally renowned centre of academic excellence, we were ranked fourth in the UK for research power by the Times Higher Education Overall Ranking of Institutions, following the UK government's Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014.

We've forged collaborations with leading universities around the world.

My story: Tabitha James

Tabitha's choice of courses kindled her interest in history and our flexible four-year structure allowed her the freedom to change programme and pursue new career goals.

"Coming to the University has been one of the defining moments of my life. The four-year programmes allow a great deal of flexibility and I have been able to fully explore my interests in different subjects. I applied to study MA (Hons) French & Classics and took a linguistics option in Year 1, alongside other history courses, then economics in Year 2. The two pre-honours years offered me the opportunity to study courses that weren't available at school, and in particular, to explore periods of history to a greater extent. That led to my change in programme to MA (Hons) Ancient & Medieval History. Since then I have been lucky enough to receive a scholarship to travel to Israel and Jordan to visit historical sites in the Middle East – trips that I would not have been able to afford otherwise.

Edinburgh has opened up many doors to me and although it is undoubtedly a huge learning curve it is well worth the journey. Through the flexibility of the four-year system I have gained knowledge in areas that a shorter structure would not have allowed. This has given me a grounding in a variety of fields which, in turn, gives me transferable skills I can take in to my career."

Procter & Gamble

The benefits of studying at the University of Edinburgh

The four-year experience

Our versatile four-year programmes let you try a range of subjects before specialising, for a broader and more flexible education.

Benefits

- Flexibility: experience new subjects without committing long term;
- Good results: discover which subjects are best suited to you and tailor your programme accordingly;
- Personal development: an opportunity to grow intellectually;
- Breadth: wider learning is enriching, and attractive to employers.

Studying abroad (see page 143) doesn’t have to extend your programme length.

How it works

Most of our programmes in the arts, humanities, engineering, sciences or social sciences let you study a range of subjects in Years 1 and 2, before specialising in Years 3 and 4. With your Personal Tutor (see page 144), you’ll usually choose three subjects to study in Year 1 – either from related areas or to experiment with different subjects.

In Year 2, you’ll know which subjects you want to continue and which new ones you’d like to try. By Years 3 and 4, you’ll feel confident choosing which area(s) to specialise in. By the time you graduate, your breadth of knowledge will be highly prized by employers, giving you the best chance of success in your chosen career.

Duration

Scottish programmes traditionally take four years. This differs from the rest of the UK, but is a long-established European model, emulated in the US.

In many of our science and engineering subjects, well-qualified applicants may apply for direct entry to Year 2, making it possible to graduate with a BSc after three years of study.

Our Medicine MBChB is a six-year programme. Our Veterinary Medicine BVMS, and MA Fine Art take five years.

Science and engineering offer five-year, undergraduate, MChem, MChemPhys, MEarthSci, MEng, MInf, MMath and MPhys programmes, which include an additional year of in-depth study, often with a research focus.

Again, well-qualified applicants may apply for direct entry to Year 2.

Specific entry requirements for all our programmes can be found online: www.ed.ac.uk/undergraduate/degrees

Sample programme structure

MA (Hons) International Business

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Resources and facilities

You will learn in an unrivalled environment of world-class facilities and remarkable, historic buildings, all set against the backdrop of Scotland’s inspiring capital.

Learning resources

You’ll get generous, flexible access to our state-of-the-art library and IT resources and study spaces, helping you fit study in to your busy life.

- Our Main Library, in George Square, is one of the largest academic libraries in the world with more than 2,300 study spaces. Power and wifi is available at every desk. The Main Library is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Other site libraries also have extensive opening hours and award winning staff available to help.
- In total, our Main Library, site libraries and library storage facilities hold in excess of 1.8 million printed volumes, providing access to almost 700,000 electronic journal titles and 700 licensed databases.
- The DiscoverEd system helps you search and find all our library resources. Our electronic resources can be accessed on- or off-campus, 24 hours a day.
- We offer night owls and early risers 24-hour computer access at our Main Library and at several computer labs across our campuses.
- Free laptop loans are available from our libraries. There is almost 100 per cent Wi-Fi coverage in our buildings.
- Our virtual learning environment makes lecture notes, course materials, assignments, grades and feedback available online. An increasing number of lectures are now recorded and available to review in the virtual learning environment.
- We have one of the UK’s largest and most diverse teaching estates. Using the latest audio visual and IT technology, we pioneer interactive learning environments, flipped classroom and group study provision.
- You can develop study, employability and digital skills with our range of library and IT digital skills courses and free subscription to lynda.com, an online training library of video tutorials. We have a wide range of academic videos and self-help materials online and our 24/7 helpline is staffed by a team that has won national recognition.
- Our Centre for Research Collections is unique in the UK, bringing together more than 400,000 rare books, six kilometres of archives and manuscripts, and museum collections of art, historical musical instruments and other objects. Many of our collections are digitised and online.
- Our Institute for Academic Development provides study development resources and workshops and can advise you on how to become a more effective, independent learner.
- Our Centre for Open Learning and Languages for All programmes offer part-time day, evening and weekend classes in an eclectic range of subjects from archaeology to Turkish.
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The University is home to a diverse range of facilities, including:

- The £43 million ARCHER supercomputer (Advanced Research Computing High End Resource) – the UK’s primary academic research supercomputer.
- One of the UK’s 10 Welcoming Trust clinical research facilities.
- The unique FloWave Ocean Energy Research Facility, the world’s most sophisticated ocean simulator.
- Edinburgh College of Art’s concert hall, painting studios and sculpture court.
- The Institute for Astronomy at the historic Royal Observatory, Edinburgh.
- The Hospital for Small Animals at Easter Bush campus to create a European centre of excellence in animal services and food security.
- You will learn in an unrivalled environment of world-class facilities and remarkable, historic buildings, all set against the backdrop of Scotland’s inspiring capital.

Expand your horizons

We offer more than 1,200 international opportunities worldwide.

Edinburgh has been a leader in international student exchanges since its foundation. We offer outstanding opportunities, with more than 300 destinations available to you worldwide.

A ‘Go abroad’ experience offers you:

- international experience through study or work;
- new perspectives on your subject;
- insights into a foreign culture;
- an international network of friends;
- exciting travel opportunities; and
- new skills that could offer an advantage in the job market.

Where?

Last year more than 400 students studied at one of our international partner universities in countries as diverse as Australia, Canada, the USA, Mexico, Singapore and South Korea. With the support of the European Commission, through the framework of the Erasmus+ Programme, more than 500 students studied or worked in Europe. This was either with our Erasmus+ exchange partner or through the Erasmus+ Traineeship Programme. In addition, more than 300 students participated in one of our many short-term international programmes worldwide.

Our partners include world-class institutions such as the California Institute of Technology, the Universities of Pennsylvania, Melbourne and Toronto, ETH Zurich, Heidelberg University and the Universities of Copenhagen and Amsterdam.

Student exchange

An exchange is possible on most of our programmes. Destination options depend on what you’re studying and securing a place can be competitive. You will usually apply in Year 2 and study abroad during Year 3. Most students go abroad for a full year but there are some semester-only options.

Please note: Academic credit achieved on exchange may count towards your Edinburgh programme. You won’t pay tuition fees to your host university and may be eligible for a reduction or waiver of Edinburgh’s tuition fees. You’re responsible for all costs such as travel and housing. Grants and scholarships may be available, particularly on Erasmus programmes.

A world of destinations

Erasmus exchanges

- Austria
- Belgium
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Estonia
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Hungary
- Ireland
- Italy
- Lithuania
- Malta
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Spain
- Sweden
- Turkey

International exchanges

- Argentina
- Australia
- Brazil
- Canada
- Chile
- China
- Hong Kong
- India
- Thailand
- United States

It’s a cliché but I really did have the best year of my life out there. I’d sign up for another year away in a heartbeat."  
Emma Kennedy  
MA (Hons) German. Emma spent a year at the Free University of Berlin.  

Short-term options

We also offer a wide range of short-term opportunities aimed at providing as many students as possible with an international experience.

Please note: These are not credit-bearing options and credit achieved will not count towards your programme. There are a variety of funding options available. There is a huge range of flexibility and choice to fit around your programme.
We’ve invested £4 million to enhance your student experience and provide support and guidance.

We’ll work closely with you to help you:
• review your academic progress and performance regularly;
• think about your learning, how it contributes to your future development and prepares you for university study and your career;
• become a confident, active member of a community of learners;
• deal with any concerns or problems that affect your studies and refer you to other staff for help as appropriate.

Personal Tutors
You’ll be appointed a Personal Tutor, who will provide personal, one-to-one, academic guidance and support, help review your progress, and address any concerns that might affect your studies. In addition, you’ll be able to call on a Student Support Team that offers another layer of pastoral care. The team has a wealth of knowledge about the University’s services and offers a valuable source of information and guidance. We also run a system of peer support in the form of student-run helpdesks, information points, academic families, buddying and mentoring. This allows newer students to call on the help and advice of more experienced students as they progress through university life.

Edinburgh University Students’ Association
www.eusa.ed.ac.uk

Edinburgh University Students’ Association works on behalf of students to ensure you have the best possible experience during your time at Edinburgh. The Students’ Association offers a wide range of services, including health and wellbeing advice through the Advice Place.

See what our students say about the personal support they receive.
Watch our video: www.ed.ac.uk/undergraduate/tutor

“My story: Martin Lam
MA (Hons) Sociology & Psychology

Martin, like all undergraduates, has regular meetings with his Personal Tutor. “The most important part of a Personal Tutor system – just knowing that someone is there to help, or to speak to.”

“The Personal Tutor system adds a layer of pastoral care and support in general, which is really useful.

You have regular meetings with your tutor. This means that there is always someone you can go to, to discuss a personal or academic matter. For me, this is the most important part of the Personal Tutor system – just knowing that someone is there to help, or to speak to.

Everyone is different and people need different levels of support to adapt to university both socially and academically. I didn’t have too many settling-in issues as I’ve moved around a lot, but I did feel the need of academic support because university studies are very different to those at school.

I think the Personal Tutor model is a more systematic way of supporting students and a more holistic approach to learning and life at university. It’s not just for academic feedback or help. If you have a personal issue you’d like some guidance on, you can speak with your Personal Tutor.

There are a lot of layers of support at Edinburgh. Alongside your Personal Tutor, you have course lecturers and tutors.

For me, tutorials are one of the most helpful environments in which to learn. It’s a group of 10-12 students often tutored by a PhD student. They’ve recently been through what we’re all going through right now, and this gives your studies a personal touch – the tutor understands what we’re experiencing.

There’s always someone you can go to who understands how things work and how the University operates, as well as what’s expected of you as a student at every point of your studies.

One of the things I love about university is that the barrier between students and academics is lowered compared with being a pupil in school."

We awarded more than £10.5 million in 2017/18 in undergraduate financial support. Edinburgh ranks in the UK’s top 25 most cost-effective student cities.*

Tuition fees
What you pay and the assistance you may receive, depend on where you live.

Students living in Scotland – If you’re studying full time for your first degree, you’ll apply each year to the Student Awards Agency Scotland (SAAS) to have your fees paid by the Scottish Government.

Students living in England, Wales or Northern Ireland – The annual tuition fee for undergraduates from the Rest of the UK is reviewed on an annual basis. The fee for new entrants in 2018-19 was set at £9,250. Increases are subject to government guidance and regulation and will normally reflect the rate of inflation. You will receive a non-means-tested, government-funded loan to pay your fees. Loan repayments don’t start until you’re earning £21,000 (Northern Ireland) or £21,000 (England and Wales).

Students from the rest of the EU – Tuition fee charges for 2019/20-entry EU students have not been confirmed and will depend on the timing and terms of the UK’s exit from the European Union. For up-to-date information on fees for EU students: www.ed.ac.uk/fees/fees

International students – from outside the EU – Full-time undergraduates from outside the EU pay a fixed annual tuition fee giving you the reassurance of knowing exactly how much you’ll pay each year before your studies begin.

For full details on tuition fees or to check your fee status: www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding/fees

Living costs will be your main expenditure. We estimate these at approximately £7,500—£10,000 a year depending on your choice of accommodation and lifestyle.

A breakdown of estimated weekly living costs is available online. You can apply to your regional funding body (see below) for loans, bursaries or grants to assist with living costs. Part of your loan entitlement, and all non-repayable bursaries and grants, will be means-tested.

• Students from Scotland: www.saas.gov.uk
• Students from England: www.gov.uk/student-finance
• Students from Wales: www.studentfundingwales.co.uk
• Students from Northern Ireland: www.studentfinanceni.co.uk

Financial support
We offer one of the most generous financial support packages in the UK for students from the lowest household incomes. We’re committed to helping students of all ages and social backgrounds enter higher education and recruiting the best students regardless of their financial situation. Support available includes:

Access awards
University of Edinburgh Scholarships. These are awarded to students who live in England, Wales or Northern Ireland. You will automatically be considered on the basis of information you provide to your funding body.

Scotland Scholarships
These are awarded to undergraduates who receive a ‘Young Students’ Bursary or an Independent Students’ Bursary from SAAS.

Access Bursaries of at least £1,000 a year help new UK undergraduates. Financial need, personal and family circumstances are considered.

Lloyds Scholarships comprise 15 awards of up to £19,000 over four years, for new UK undergraduates from below-average-income families. They also offer paid internships and require you to undertake volunteering work.

University Scholarships award up to £1,000 a year for students of physics, engineering, informatics and mathematics. Many are sponsored by companies that also offer work placements.

The Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies provides two scholarships of £10,000 a year for overseas applicants on an eligible BVMS & Full-time programme.

DHL UK Foundation provides over £2,000 a year to students on Science, Technology, Engineering or Mathematics (STEM) programmes.

Discretionary and Childcare Funds are provided by the Scottish Government for UK students in financial difficulty or to provide childcare support to UK parents.

US and Canadian loans
We are an approved institution for US and Canadian loans. Students may be eligible to borrow funds while they study at Edinburgh.

*Natwest student living index 2017

Merit-based scholarships
Mastercard Foundation Scholars Program – A number of scholarships for applicants who are residents and citizens of a Sub-Saharan African country will be available for eligible undergraduate programmes. The scholarships cover full tuition fees and expenses for accommodation and maintenance, for African scholars with few educational opportunities.

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The benefits of studying at the University of Edinburgh

We guarantee an offer of accommodation for all eligible new undergraduates from outside Edinburgh.

Although exciting, moving away from home for the first time can be daunting so we’re committed to making that transition as easy as possible for you.

We realise you need more than just a place to live. You need an environment in which you can thrive. That’s why we guarantee accommodation for as many new undergraduates as possible. If you’re from outside Edinburgh, intending to study for the full academic year, and apply by the deadline, our guarantee applies to you. We also aim to provide accommodation for as many students as possible who are studying for just part of the year with us.

Your place in Edinburgh

The University is an integral part of the city. You’ll be learning – and living – in one of Europe’s most vibrant capitals. Our undergraduate accommodation is all within a short walk or bus ride from the city centre.

University-owned and managed accommodation typically includes:

- all heating, hot water and electricity costs;
- internet facilities in every study-bedroom, with Wi-Fi in the vast majority of study-bedrooms and common areas;
- contents insurance;
- secure bike storage; and
- laundry facilities.

You will also have access to our Residence Life team, Residents’ Assistants and Wardens who live with you in your accommodation. They offer a full range of events and activities to help you settle in to life in Edinburgh and to create a supportive and inclusive community in which to live.

Catered accommodation

Pollock Halls provides catered accommodation for around 2,000 students. You will typically live in a single study-bedroom, more than half of which have en suite facilities, with shared common rooms. The meal plan included in your rent provides breakfast and dinner every weekday, with brunch and dinner at weekends. We were the first university in Scotland to earn a Food for Life Catering Mark, for serving healthy and sustainable meals.

Self-catered accommodation

Our range of flats and houses is a convenient alternative that costs less than catered options and still delivers a sociable and supportive environment. Most residents have a single study-bedroom in a flat they typically share with four to six other students. Most flats have shared bathroom and kitchen facilities, although there are increasingly popular options available for those who would prefer en suite study-bedrooms. These include Beaverbank, Blackfriars Street, Brae House, Haddington Place, Murano, Shrubhill, and Salisbury Court, which opened in 2017.

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* Please check online for up-to-date information on available accommodation. The listed accommodation is usually available to undergraduates but the precise use of our estate is subject to change each year.

We have buildings at several sites around the city:

- 24 Central Area/George Square: Most of our schools are located in the city centre.
- 25 Edinburgh College of Art (ECA): The ECA main building is close to George Square.
- 26 New College (School of Divinity): This striking city landmark overlooks Princes Street.
- 28 The King’s Buildings: Most science and engineering subjects are taught here, a ten-minute bus ride from the city centre.
- 29 Little France/Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh/Medical School: Four miles from the city centre.
- 30 Easter Bush/ Roslin Institute/Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies: Six miles south of the Central Area.

We guarantee accommodation for as many as possible who are studying for just part of the year with us.

My story:

Yivani Ndizana

MA (Hons) Economics with Finance

Yivani was a resident at Pollock Halls where the University has catered accommodation for around 2,000 students.

I lived at Chancellor’s Court, within walking distance of all the necessary locations for me. It’s just 15 minutes from George Square, a similar distance to the University’s gym and it’s within five minutes of Nicholson Street’s local shops and facilities.

Chancellor’s Court was my first choice of residence and being here proved a great experience. There are friendly staff to help with any problems; it’s a picturesque location being so close to Holyrood Park and Arthur’s Seat, and there are great food options.

Being from South Africa, having the Residence Life team on hand made the transition to Edinburgh both easy and enjoyable. The support of these still youthful but more experienced students ensured a great sense of community and belonging.

As a direct result of all this, I am happy to call this wonderful city my new home.

See what life is like in University accommodation.

Watch our video: www.ed.ac.uk/undergraduate/accommodation

Whether a recreational gym-user or a performance athlete going for gold, our world-class sports facilities and coaches cater for you.

In 2016/17 we were ranked third in the UK for sport by British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS). We offer a wide range of world-class sport, fitness and performance facilities.

Play

Club and recreational sports
Our Sports Union is made up of more than 60 sports clubs, catering for all types of activity and ability level, from complete beginner to elite athlete. Our clubs offer weekly coaching and practice, with opportunities to compete and/or participate in sport on Wednesdays and at weekends. If more recreational sporting involvement is your preference, we run Scotland’s largest intramural sports programme, offering informal leagues, tournaments and fun events, alongside a pioneering ‘EDex’ come and try programme in an array of sports. We also deliver a raft of sports-related volunteering and skill development opportunities through our coaching and volunteering academy.

Indoor sports
Our multi-activity sports halls accommodate a variety of sports, with dedicated spaces for squash, dance, boxing, grappling, archery and shooting. We also have a 25-metre, six-lane pool and saunas.

Outdoor sports
Our sports grounds at Peffermill Playing Fields is one of Scotland’s leading outdoor sports facilities and plays host to a multitude of sports clubs and local, national and international events. We have international standard, floodlit, water-based artificial hockey pitches, 3G football/rugby facilities, 3G five-a-side pitches, artificial cricket nets, a 100-metre training track and a range of premium quality grass pitches, including a new, Scottish Football Association-approved football arena, complete with spectator stand, floodlights and training area.

Adventure sports
In addition to adrenaline sports clubs, we have a Firbush Outdoor Centre located on the stunning banks of Loch Lomond in the Highlands. It offers tailored activities and services, from windsurfing to mountain leadership training.

Our experienced instructors are fully accredited and all specialist equipment is available. We also have an indoor climbing and bouldering facility at the Pleasance Sports Complex, so there’s plenty of choice to get the pulse racing.

Promoting physical activity
We can support you to enjoy physical activity’s benefits through our Active Lives programme of one-to-one consultations and goal-setting.

Train
We offer one of the country’s best gym and fitness programmes, with flexible and affordable membership packages, a year-round programme of more than 100 weekly exercise classes; and world-class gyms, fitness challenges and sports participation events. Our 10 gyms include our spin studio, Velocity, the recently upgraded Katherine Grainger Rowing Gym and a 102-station cardiovascular gym, complete with network fitness. There is an extensive, high-quality provision for free and fixed weights, including an underground vault with top-of-the-range equipment and our unique MyGym area for body conditioning. Our expert instructors and personal trainers will guide, support and encourage you.

“The best gym we’ve ever used.”
Dr Nick Gill
Head of Strength and Conditioning, New Zealand All Blacks Rugby

“I’d encourage any student interested in sport to come to Edinburgh. The gym is amazing, probably one of the best university gyms in the world.”
Corrie Scott
MChem (Hons) Chemistry graduate and Commonwealth Games bronze medalist

“if I hadn’t gone to Edinburgh I’d never have taken up rowing. I’d never have had the life I’m currently living.”
Katherine Grainger
Olympic champion rower and Edinburgh law graduate

Perform
We have one of the UK’s most highly regarded performance programmes for talented individuals and teams. Our top-class coaches, facilities and services currently support more than 300 students. We offer exceptional sport-specific programmes in rowing, swimming, hockey, women’s fencing, archery, orienteering, rugby and women’s basketball. These are led by dedicated performance coaches, with specialist conditioning, medical and advisory back-up. This allows our teams to compete at the highest level in national leagues and in British and Scottish universities championships. A further 20 team performance sports and participants on our Individual Performance Programme also benefit from designated sports-specific support, including access to our world-class training and competition facilities. These facilities are regularly used by visiting international teams such as All Blacks Rugby, and we routinely host major events such as the BUCS Home Nations tournament in 2017.

Students on our Individual Performance Programme are offered access to the nationally renowned Fitness Assessment and Sports Injury Centre (FASIC). They benefit from dedicated specialist strength and conditioning expertise in an exclusive-use performance gym, and sports nutrition and lifestyle advice. We also offer dedicated elite sports accommodation for first-year students, promotional opportunities and branded sports clothing, as well as sports science support and flexible studying and mentoring. There is also access to funding opportunities through the Winning Students network. We now boast an elite athlete access policy to support applications to study at the University from talented sports performers.

All University of Edinburgh students are automatically made members of our Students’ Association, which works on your behalf to ensure you have the best possible experience during your time here.

The Students’ Association supports more than 290 student-led societies and volunteering groups, from the A Cappella and Business societies, to the Yoga and Zoology societies. It also offers student representation, free impartial and confidential welfare advice, peer-led learning support, as well as award winning food and drink across four venues. There are hundreds of events in Welcome Week and throughout the year, from language cafes to silent discos and food fairs.

Teviot Row House, opened in 1889, is the oldest purpose built students’ union in the world and sits in the University’s Central Area next to the unique domed student venue Potterrow.

Recent multimillion-pound developments include study, social, meeting and events spaces alongside retail, bar and catering outlets at King’s Buildings House, and a world-class centre for student activities including dance studios, a multipurpose performance space, TV and radio production studios and a café and bar at the iconic Pleasance complex.

See why we are one of the UK’s leading universities for sport.
Watch our video: www.ed.ac.uk/undergraduate/sport

Perform

Take a virtual tour:
www.ed.ac.uk/sport/virtual-tours

The University of Edinburgh
Undergraduate Prospectus 2019 entry
Helping shape your career

Six months after graduating, 94 per cent of our students are in employment or postgraduate study.

Employers are looking for more than just a qualification. They want a graduate with the skills, qualities and mindset to thrive in the working world. Studying here is an opportunity to enhance your career, develop new skills and abilities, grow in confidence, and learn about yourself. Employers from all sectors regard Edinburgh as an excellent training ground for high-flyers and value our graduates intellectual ability and high-level attributes, developed while studying here. We are well regarded by recruiters seeking talented graduates. High Fliers research ranked us the 11th most targeted university. The QS World University Rankings 2018 gave us 96.6/100 for employer reputation.

Careers Service
Our award-winning Careers Service can help you realise your career ambitions and we’re here to support you. We offer:
• an online careers portal with vacancy advertisements for work while you study and after graduation;
• networking opportunities with employers, from top multinationals to local SMEs;
• a comprehensive website with information and advice to support your development;
• personalised guidance and help on job searches, applications and interviews;
• opportunities to interact with and learn from business and industry professionals, and our worldwide alumni network;
• bespoke UK and overseas internships.

MyDevelopmentHub
Our online database helps you access and benefit from the wide range of development opportunities here at Edinburgh and build your unique set of Graduate Attributes:
www.ed.ac.uk/development-hub

The Edinburgh University Students’ Association also offers a comprehensive volunteering service:
www.eusa.ed.ac.uk/volunteering

Building your employability

We’re ranked in the top 10 in the UK and in the top 100 in the world for the employability of our graduates* – we invest in your future beyond the end of your programme.

The development and long-term success of our students is fundamental to our approach, including encouraging your efforts beyond graduation. Our graduate attributes describe the skills and mindsets that will set you apart:
www.ed.ac.uk/graduate-attributes

Employ.ed – internship opportunities
Internships can substantially increase your chance of finding employment and, we proactively source quality internship opportunities for our students and recent graduates, including:
• on-campus summer internships;
• summer placements with third sector organisations for current students;
• part-time internships for PhD students;
• opportunities with local employers in a range of sectors for final-year students and recent graduates;
• work shadowing with alumni based locally and globally; and
• international summer internships, developed with our global network of employers.

Our paid internships are supported by a comprehensive development plan to ensure you benefit from the experience:
www.ed.ac.uk/careers/internships

The Edinburgh Award
The activities you pursue alongside your studies, such as running a sports club, part-time work on campus, providing peer support or volunteering in the community, can prove rewarding in many ways, including broadening and enhancing your skills and employability.

The Edinburgh Award recognises your involvement in a wide range of co- and extra-curricular activities, and the skills and attributes you demonstrate.

You will support you to get the most out of your experiences, to:
• increase your self-awareness;
• make the most of existing strengths and develop new skills/abilities;
• make an impact whatever situation you are in; and
• confidently sell and demonstrate what you have to offer to employers.

Many employers expect something extra from today’s graduates and the Edinburgh Award helps demonstrate what it is that sets you apart:
www.ed.ac.uk/edinburgh-award

LAUNCH.ed – backing your bright ideas
We have one of the most entrepreneurial student bodies in the UK and have helped launch more than 140 start-ups in the last five years, with more than 10 per cent being social enterprises.

LAUNCH.ed, our award-winning programme for student entrepreneurs, embodies our strong enterprise culture. It brings together a range of support services including:
• one-to-one business advice meetings;
• start-up workshops and bootcamps;
• competitions and awards; and
• events and networking opportunities.

The unique LAUNCH.ed service is free, confidential and available to any Edinburgh student for the duration of their studies and for up to two years after graduation. It aims to help you distinguish yourself in a competitive job market and create real entrepreneurial opportunities:
www.launch.ed.ac.uk

* Times Higher Education Global Employability University Ranking 2017

The Edinburgh Award allowed me to discover my strengths and weaknesses, link lessons learnt and use the qualities I have honed to better myself.”
Bernadine Chua
BSc (Hons) Biomedical Sciences (Physiology) graduate

Did you know?
More than 9,000 vacancies were advertised with our Careers Service in 2015/16.

My story: Olivia Sweeney
MEng (Hons) Chemical Engineering

Our support helped Olivia to find both an internship and a career.

The Careers Service helped me in lots of ways. They supported each stage of my development, provided me with confidence when I needed it, and facilitated a change in career. By helping me understand what employers are looking for and decode job descriptions, I was able to tailor my CVs and cover letters to particular roles. A key skill they helped me develop was self-reflection – to draw from my past experiences and apply it to future roles. Through this I was able to gain two internships – the Careers Service and the resources provided were invaluable. I had a Skype practice interview while in Sweden and this gave me an insight into how I perform in a pressured interview situation. The Careers Service continued to help me refine my CV and I was able to secure a job straight after graduating.

I recommended the Careers Service to friends who also received invaluable help. I would advise students to go and try it out.

“When it came to applying for graduate jobs, the Careers Service were invaluable.”

“I’d recommend students get involved with LAUNCH.ed. They offer practical support to make your business a reality. My sound design software, Dehumaniser, is now used by industry professionals, including Hollywood film studios.”
Orfeas Boteas
MSc Sound Design graduate
Orfeas used LAUNCH.ed to support the development of his company Krotos Ltd:
www.krotoaudio.com
Applications and admissions

We aim to give you the clearest advice possible about the application process and our requirements. The information provided on the next four pages offers an overview for anyone considering applying to the University. If you decide to apply, we advise you to check the more detailed information we provide online, including specific entry requirements for individual programmes.

How to apply:
www.ed.ac.uk/undergraduate/apply

Entry requirements overview:
www.ed.ac.uk/undergraduate/entry-requirements

Check programme-specific entry requirements:
www.ed.ac.uk/undergraduate/degrees

How to apply:
All applications to the University for full-time study are made online through UCAS. This includes applications from international students outside the UK.

You can choose up to five different programmes or universities on your application. If you are applying to study medicine or veterinary medicine, up to four choices can be used for these subjects. Your fifth choice should be used for an alternative, back-up subject.

Your school or college will normally have access to UCAS Can and be able to support you through the process. If you are applying independently, UCAS can provide further advice on how to apply. See: www.ucas.com

When to apply:
Applications for entry in September 2019 can be submitted from 1 September 2018. To ensure your application is considered you should apply by the relevant deadline:

• 15 October 2018 – deadline for all applications for medicine and veterinary medicine.
• 15 January 2019 – deadline for all UK and EU applicants.
• 30 June 2019 – deadline for all other international applicants. We advise international applicants to apply by 15 January but will accept applications until 30 June.

How we process applications:
Each of our Colleges has its own admissions team. This means that while the University has an overarching admissions policy, it is the responsibility of our Colleges to decide which applicants will be made an offer of a place.

Applications received by the relevant UCAS deadline will receive full and equal consideration. We aim to inform you of our decision on your application as quickly as possible. Provided you have applied by the October or January deadline, you can expect to receive our decision by the end of March.

Applications received after the relevant deadlines will be considered on an individual basis at the discretion of the University. As demand for many of our programmes is high, we cannot guarantee that late applications will be considered.

How we select students:
At least two professional admissions staff review each application to our agreed criteria. Applicants who have met, or are predicted to meet, our entry requirements are entered into the selection process. This includes consideration of your academic qualifications, the information contained in your personal statement and reference, and any other data and information considered in our approach to contextual admissions (see page 153).

Entry requirements and offer making:
Our entry requirements are set to the academic standard we require you, either:
• to have already achieved, to be considered for an unconditional offer; or
• to be capable of achieving, to be considered for a conditional offer.

The subject pages in this prospectus give you an overview of the grade requirements that apply to all the programmes in that subject for applicants with Scottish Highers or Advanced Highers, A Levels or an International Baccalaureate.

Because it is only possible to show an overview in print, please check the specific subjects and grades required for entry to individual programmes by looking at the detailed entry requirements online before you apply.

We also welcome applications from students with some other UK qualifications as well as a wide range of qualifications from around the world. These entry requirements are available online.

Typical offer range:
Our typical entry requirements are normally expressed with an upper and lower grade level, for example AAAA to ABBB for SQA Highers, or AAA to A for A Levels. As competition for places is high and applications generally exceed the number of offers we can make, applicants who are made an offer of a place, can usually expect to be required to achieve the upper grade level. This is because offers are normally made to the highest qualified applicants. Times where this may not be the case, and you may receive an offer at the lower grade level are:
• if the number of applications to a programme is broadly similar to the number of offers we have available; or
• if you are a non-EU international applicant to a programme other than medicine.

We are committed to widening access to the University and recognise that not everyone has an equal opportunity to demonstrate their academic potential through their school or college qualifications alone. Some applicants may be eligible to receive an offer at the access threshold based on their personal and educational circumstances.

Access threshold
The access threshold is set at the level required to successfully complete the programme. Applicants who meet the access threshold entry requirement and who, because of their personal circumstances, meet the criteria – for example, living in an area of disadvantage or spending time in local authority care – will usually receive an offer at this level.

To find out if you meet the criteria to receive this type of offer, see: www.ed.ac.uk/undergraduate/contextual

Your personal statement
While your academic qualifications determine whether you enter the selection process, it is not academic qualifications alone that determine whether you will be made an offer of a place. Your academic qualifications, personal statement, reference, and any relevant contextual data, are all considered within the selection process.

When considering your personal statement, we look for evidence of motivation, commitment and readiness to study your chosen subject at higher education level. It is therefore vital that you demonstrate a strong interest in, and preparedness for, the programme you apply to.

If you are applying for a professional or vocational programme, you should demonstrate a clear understanding of the profession. This is normally supported by evidence of appropriate work experience, volunteering, or work shadowing, although we do recognise that not all students have equal access to such opportunities.

Additional requirements for specific programmes

Interviews
Applicants to programmes in teacher education (including community education), nursing, oral health sciences and veterinary medicine, as well as graduate and mature applicants to medicine, may be invited to an interview as part of the selection process. We do not interview for entry to any other programmes.

Portfolios for art or design
Applicants to art, design and fine art programmes will be asked to submit a digital mini-portfolio. Assessment of the mini-portfolio will form part of the selection process.

Admissions test for entry to medicine
If you are applying to study medicine, you must sit the UK Clinical Aptitude Test (UKCAT) in the summer before you submit your UCAS application, or apply for an exemption code from the UKCAT consortium.

Work Experience Summary (WES) for veterinary medicine
If you are applying to study veterinary medicine, you must complete a Work Experience Summary (WES). A link to the WES for you to complete and submit will be sent to you when you apply: www.ed.ac.uk/vet/studying/5-year-programme/non-academic-requirements

Fitness to practice
Applicants to some professional programmes such as medicine, veterinary medicine and education, will be required to demonstrate that they meet the fitness to practice standards of the profession they will be training to enter.
Applications and admissions (continued)

English language entry requirements
Unless a higher level is specified in the programme-specific entry requirements online, our entry requirement for all programmes includes a pass in English at the following grades (or equivalent):

- SQA National 5 grade C
- GCSE grade C or grade 4
- IELTS Standard level grade 5.

If English is not your first language we accept the following tests:

- IELTS: TOEFL-IBT
- IGCSE English, First or Second Language
- Cambridge CAE
- Cambridge CPE
- Pearson Test of English
- Trinity ISE.

We also accept some qualifications taught in English from specific countries, Please check the full details online.

Direct entry to second year
You can apply to enter the second year of many of our science, engineering and art and design programmes. For all other programmes, applications for second year entry are only considered in exceptional circumstances.

Deferred entry and gap years
Please contact the relevant college admissions team to check whether we will consider a deferred application. In some cases you may be advised to apply for immediate entry while on your year out. Applications to veterinary medicine, and from international students applying for medicine, will not be considered for deferred entry – you must apply during your year out.

Part-time study
You can study part time on the following programmes:

- BA Childhood Practice
- Bachelor of Divinity (BD)
- MA Religious Studies.

You should apply directly to the University to study part time, not via UCAS. For further advice, please contact the College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences.

International applicants
International applicants will find detailed entry requirements, including English language requirements, online. We offer students from countries whose school-leaving qualifications are at a lower level than that required for entry, the following opportunity:

- International Foundation Programme – a one-year, full-time programme in the College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences in which you develop academic skills and English language proficiency. If successful, you will be eligible for entry to many of our four-year honours programmes. Further information is available online.

Mature applicants
We welcome applications from applicants who are returning to study after a break of at least three years in their formal education. We expect adult returners to have undertaken recent academic study. Some of the qualifications we consider for entry include:

- approved access programmes such as the Scottish Wider Access Programme (SWAP);
- the University of Edinburgh Part-time Access Programme (Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences), run by our Centre for Open Learning;
- Open University credits;
- Higher National qualifications;
- foundation programmes; and
- other qualifications, such as SQA Highers or A levels.

Disabled applicants
If you have a disability, health condition, or specific learning difficulty, we encourage you to declare this on your UCAS application. Your application will go through the selection process and be assessed on the same basis as all other applications. However, making us aware of your disability allows us to begin considering your support needs at the earliest stage.

If you declare a disability and are made an offer of a place of study, you are encouraged to contact our Student Disability Service as early as possible to ensure that we can make any necessary arrangements for the start of your studies. Alternatively, applicants attending one of our post-offer visit days can arrange to speak to the Student Disability Service.

After you apply
After you apply, we will send you information about logging in to the University’s MyEd website, which we will use to communicate with you about your application and which you can use to upload any supporting documentation. It is important that you also log in to UCAS Track regularly to check the progress of your application, and to note deadlines for responding to any offers you are made. If you receive an offer from us, you may be invited to attend a post offer visit day. These typically take place between January and April. You will have the opportunity to meet academic staff from your chosen subject area, see the facilities and attend general information sessions. You may also be invited to attend one of our information events in the spring. These are held across the UK, around the world and online.

Further information
For further information, please go online:

- How to apply: www.ed.ac.uk/undergraduate/apply
- Entry requirements overview: www.ed.ac.uk/undergraduate/entry-requirements
- Check programme-specific entry requirements: www.ed.ac.uk/undergraduate/degrees

UCAS
UCAS can advise you on the process of applying and tracking your application: www.ucas.com
Alternatively, call 0371 468 0468 from the UK, or +44 330 3330 230 from outside the UK.

Terms and Conditions of Admissions
Successful study at the University stems from a partnership between the University and our students. Underpinning this partnership is a set of supportive regulations, policies and procedures that form the student contract, and include our Terms and Conditions of Admissions.

If you decide to apply to the University and are offered a place of study, please read our Terms and Conditions of Admissions online, before accepting our offer. You will find information relating to your offer, your rights as an applicant, what you can expect from the University, and what we expect of you. There are contact details within the Terms and Conditions should you have any questions.

Contacts
College admissions teams
If we are unable to help you online, our College admissions teams are happy to advise you about admission to specific programmes:

- College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences: cahss.ugadmissions@ed.ac.uk
- College of Medicine & Veterinary Medicine:
  – Medicine, Medical and Biomedical Sciences: medug@ed.ac.uk
  – Oral Health Sciences: oralug@ed.ac.uk
  – Veterinary Medicine: vetug@ed.ac.uk
  – Agricultural Science: globalagriculture@ed.ac.uk
- College of Science & Engineering: www.ed.ac.uk/science-engineering/contact

Student Recruitment & Admissions
If you have a general enquiry about applying to the University, or an enquiry about several programmes in different colleges, please contact: sra.enquiries@ed.ac.uk

Edinburgh Global
If you are an international student with specific questions about our entry requirements, tuition fees, funding or immigration, please contact: global.enquiries@ed.ac.uk

Student Disability Service
If you have a disability, health condition or specific learning difficulty and have questions about studying here, please contact: disability.service@ed.ac.uk
Find out for yourself what it’s like to live and study in Edinburgh...

We offer a range of opportunities to visit the University, before and after you apply, to help you find out more about studying and living in Edinburgh.

Open Days
Everyone is welcome at our Open Days – prospective students, their families, teachers and careers advisers. Open Days provide the opportunity to:

• attend subject-specific talks;
• speak to current students and staff;
• explore the University; and
• view our facilities.

Guided and self-guided tours
We offer guided tours for students and their families who are unable to attend an Open Day. Our Student Ambassadors will guide you around the Central Area of the University and answer general queries.

You can also visit the University at a time that suits you – we have self-guided tour materials available on our website. If you have any specific requirements, please contact Student Recruitment & Admissions: sra.enquiries@ed.ac.uk

Post-offer visits
In most subjects, if we make you an offer you will usually be invited to a post-offer visit. There you will be able to spend time at your prospective school and speak at length with students and staff.

Open Days in 2018
Friday 8 June
Saturday 22 September
Saturday 6 October

Contact us

If you have questions about entry requirements or programme information, please contact:

Student Recruitment & Admissions
The University of Edinburgh
33 Buccleuch Place, Edinburgh EH8 8JX
Tel +44 (0)131 650 4360
Email sra.enquiries@ed.ac.uk
www.ed.ac.uk/student-recruitment

Scholarships & Student Funding Services
The University of Edinburgh, Old College
South Bridge, Edinburgh EH8 9JG
www.ed.ac.uk/student-funding

International students, please contact:
Edinburgh Global
The University of Edinburgh
33 Buccleuch Place, Edinburgh EH8 8JX
Tel +44 (0)131 650 4286
www.global.ed.ac.uk

Finance
For questions about fees, funding, bursaries and scholarships, please contact:

Scholarships and financial support
Tel +44 (0)131 651 4070
Email studentfunding@ed.ac.uk

Fees and student support
Tel +44 (0)131 650 2230
Email fees@ed.ac.uk

Support
For questions about support for disabilities, please contact:

Student Disability Service
The University of Edinburgh, Third Floor
Main Library, George Square
Edinburgh EH8 9JF
Tel +44 (0)131 650 6828
Email disability.service@ed.ac.uk
www.ed.ac.uk/student-disability-service

Visitors
If you’re visiting Edinburgh and want to find out more about the University, drop in to our Visitor Centre:

Visitor Centre
The University of Edinburgh
2 Charles Street, Edinburgh EH8 9AD
Tel +44 (0)131 650 2252
Email communications.office@ed.ac.uk

If you can’t find the number you want, please call our main number or visit our website:
+44 (0)131 650 1000 www.ed.ac.uk
On 23 June 2016 the UK electorate voted in a national referendum to leave the European Union. At the time of going to print, there was no immediate, material change known that would impact on applicants for 2019 entry. However we recommend that you check online for the latest information before you apply: www.ed.ac.uk/news/eu

The University’s standard terms and conditions will form an essential part of any contract between the University of Edinburgh and any student offered a place here. Our full terms and conditions are available online: www.ed.ac.uk/student-recruitment/terms-conditions

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