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Ian Rankin
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* Times Higher Education, Overall Ranking of Institutions
§ Times Higher Education, Global Employability University Ranking 2018
† QS Best Student Cities 2018
‡ Times Higher Education, The World’s Most International Universities 2018

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Thomas Jefferson
American Founding Father and President (speaking to his son-in-law, Thomas Mann Randolph, as he began his studies in 1786).

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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.

We believe everyone deserves an equal opportunity to study at Edinburgh. The University is committed to widening access to higher education, and admitting the very best students, who demonstrate the potential to benefit from, and contribute to, the academic experience we offer. This means that no student is admitted on the basis of grades alone. Student is admitted on the basis of experience we offer. This means that no student is admitted on the basis of grades alone.

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 Apply 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

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 you apply
Applications for entry in September 2020 can be submitted from 1 September 2019. To ensure your application is considered you should apply by the relevant deadline:

- 15 October 2019 – deadline for all applications for medicine and veterinary medicine.
- 15 January 2020 – deadline for all other UK and EU applicants.
- 30 June 2020 – deadline for all other international applicants. We advise international applicants to apply by 15 January but will accept applications until 30 June.

What you need to apply
You’ll need qualifications, a personal statement and a reference. For some specific programmes you may need to:

- come to an interview, for medicine, veterinary medicine, nursing, teacher education, or oral health sciences;
- submit a digital mini portfolio, for art, design and fine art;
- sit an admissions test, the University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT), for medicine;
- provide evidence of relevant work or voluntary experience, for professional programmes.

You will also need to provide evidence of your English language skills through qualifications.

We call these our entry requirements.

Qualifications you need
The school or college qualifications you need to apply are set at the academic standard we require you to have already achieved, or to be capable of achieving, to be considered for an offer.

The subject pages in this guide give you an overview of the grade requirements that apply to our programmes in each subject area, for applicants who have 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.

You can enter many of our programmes with Higher National Certificates (HNCs) and Higher National Diplomas (HNDs). These are qualifications usually taken in college. Direct entry into the second or even third year of some programmes is possible, depending on the HNC or HND subject and graded units.

We accept lots of different qualifications from around the world, and can’t list them all in detail in print. Please check the full details online.

Standard and minimum entry requirements
The qualifications and grades you need vary by programme and may also depend on whether you are a widening access applicant.

We consider you to be a widening access applicant if you:

- live in a target postcode area; or
- attend a target school or college; or
- attend the Scottish Wider Access Programme (SWAP); or
- are care experienced; or
- have refugee status or are an asylum seeker.

You can find out more about all of these terms, and see if we will consider you to be a widening access applicant, on our online checker: edin.ac/widening-access

If you are a widening access applicant and you meet or are predicted to meet our minimum entry requirements, you will be guaranteed an offer of a place.

All other applicants will need to meet or be predicted to meet our standard entry requirements to be considered for an offer.

Our standard entry requirements are normally expressed with an upper and lower grade level, for example AAAA to ABBB for SQA Highers, or AAA to ABB 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.
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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):
- IELTS 5.5
- TOEFL iBT 70
- IELTS 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.

Your personal statement

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.

What happens after you apply

We aim to inform you of our decision on your application as quickly as possible.

If you receive an offer from us, you may be invited to attend an Offer Holder 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 an information session.

If you are advised to defer, 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 (BDiv)
- MA Religious Studies.

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 Offer Holder Days can arrange to speak to the Student Disability Service.

Our International Foundation Programme

We offer students from countries whose school leaver qualifications are at a lower level than that required for entry, a one-year, full-time programme in the College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences. If successful, you will be eligible for entry to many of our four-year honours programmes.

Our Privacy Statement

Before you apply, you can read information online about how we will use the personal data that we receive in your application and who we will share it with.

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.

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.

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:
cahs.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/contacts

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
Welcome to the College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences

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 2018.

As the University’s largest college, we host more than 24,000 students and 3,800 staff. We offer more than 300 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.

The College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences

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www.ed.ac.uk/arts-humanities-soc-sci

Illustration shows Teviot, in the University’s Central Area. Opened in 1889, it is the oldest purpose-built student union in the world.

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Why choose Accounting at the University of Edinburgh?

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 deliver talks to, and conduct recruitment activities with, our students both on course and through wider programme-related activities.

Introducing Accounting

Contemporary global business, be it for profit or not for profit, is fraught with complexity, tensions, and socio-political, economic and cultural challenges. Our accounting-related programmes will prepare you intellectually and practically to embrace these complexities, negotiate tensions and address the wider socio-political and cultural challenges through astute, fiscally appropriate and socially responsible accounting practice.

Accountants play a crucial role in business. Their ability to measure financial information and use this to make projections affects economic and organisational decision-making at all levels within firms, organisations, and governments. 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. Studying accounting at the University of Edinburgh offers you a flexible programme of study. You are able to combine your study of accounting with business, finance, economics, or law and take a range of option courses. This offers you a broad-based programme with the flexibility to change direction and specialise through your course choices.

Our staff have a world-leading reputation as prominent researchers in the accounting discipline. Our teaching is therefore grounded in state-of-the-art contemporary research findings and literature. This helps to ensure that our graduates develop the necessary personal and professional competencies required to work across a range of roles in contemporary accounting practice, making them very attractive to prospective employers. Our programmes will provide an excellent foundation for those hoping to gain a professional accounting qualification and 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 14) 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 you 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 our study abroad programme, you will need to achieve an average mark of at least 60 per cent in Year 1 to be eligible to study abroad in Year 3.

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 accounting or commercial firm. Alternatively, you can also 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 or take up the opportunity to pursue further study at postgraduate level.

“With an international community like this one you never know who you will meet and from where in the world they come.”

Bakari Dube
3rd year MA (Hons) Accounting & Finance

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- MA (Hons) Accounting & Business (NN14)
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Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/24
Arabic & Persian

Why choose Arabic & Persian at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 4th in the UK for Middle Eastern & African Studies in the Complete University Guide 2019. Offering 16 languages and a wide range of joint programmes, we’re passionate about enabling choice and broadening minds through flexible study of languages and cultures from around the globe.

We are the only university in Scotland to offer courses in the Muslim world’s three main languages. It doesn’t matter if you’re a complete beginner, you can take Arabic and/or Persian to degree level. We also teach Turkish to intermediate level.

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

Introducing Arabic & Persian

Located at the crossroads between Europe, Africa and Asia, the Middle East has played a pivotal role on the world stage since ancient times. An understanding of the Islamic world remains relevant in the 21st century.

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

More than 600 million people worldwide are native speakers of either Arabic, Persian or Turkish. An understanding of these languages and the cultures to which they open doors, is an excellent primer for a range of careers in the media, non-governmental organisations, industry, and the diplomatic and civil services.

With increasing migration in response to changing global dynamics, there is high demand for language graduates both at home and abroad, including in translation, interpreting and education. There are also opportunities to continue studying at postgraduate level.

Contact

College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences Undergraduate Admissions Office
Email cahss.ugadmissions@ed.ac.uk
Tel +44 (0)131 650 3565
Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Standard entry requirement:
SQA Highers AAA to ABB.
A Levels ABB to ABB
IB 34 points (grades 766 at HL) to 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Minimum entry requirement:
SQA Highers ABBB by end of S6, with a minimum of BBB achieved in one year of S4-S6.
A Levels ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Please note This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The standard entry requirement range and minimum entry requirement are explained on page 9. 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/28

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Arabic & History
Arabic & Persian
Arabic & Politics
Arabic & Social Anthropology
Arabic & Spanish
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Persian & Middle Eastern Studies
Persian & Social Anthropology
Persian Studies

Our Arabic and Persian programmes provide a unique opportunity to learn the region’s languages in the context of its history, literature, culture, religion and politics, past and present. You’ll also develop the critical, analytical and comparative skills to interpret and discuss key issues and concepts.

During your programme, you will have the opportunity to study a full range of material, from pre-Islamic poetry and Islamic philosophy, to modern literature and cinema. You’ll also spend Year 3 abroad, turning classroom learning into living engagement with Middle Eastern culture.

Study with us and you’ll be part of a small, friendly community, with great links to the Alwaleed Centre, fantastic resources (including our own library), and a regular programme of workshops, film screenings and guest seminars.

You’ll be based at the heart of the University of Edinburgh in a world-leading festival city alive with culture. We have a particularly strong relationship with the Edinburgh International Film Festival (notably its film strand), are home to a thriving student Islamic Society, and have won awards for our work with local communities.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/28

"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
3rd year MA (Hons) Arabic & Persian

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.
Archaeology

At a glance

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Study abroad? Yes

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 2018.

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 fieldwork 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.

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.

You will be introduced to standard 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, 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 archaeology companies/consultancies in the UK or elsewhere. Our graduates are well-rounded people with a range of transferable skills. These skills 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.

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Classical Archaeology & Greek/Latin Page 30

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/30

The programme allows for incredible diversity in specialisations and study. I combine ethnographic studies of contemporary societies, via anthropology, with archaeological theory and its inclusive perspectives on human history.

Savannah Tudlong
3rd year MA (Hons) Archaeology & Social Anthropology

Year by year...

Archaeology

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 complementary to your studies and two 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 from the earliest evidence of human occupation to the early 1st millennium AD. You will also study Archaeology 2B: Archaeology in Action and The Human Skeleton in Archaeology and Forensic Science. You will choose two courses complementary to your studies and one from a wide range of options.

Year 3

You will study Theoretical Archaeology, which explores the history of archaeology and its development as an academic discipline. You will also study Archaeology in Practice and four additional courses from archaeology options. There will be opportunities, normally in the summer after Years 2 and 3, to complete a fieldwork project. Normally, 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.

Year 4

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

Archaeology & History

Year 1

You will study Archaeology 1A and 18, which offer a broad introduction to our human past and cover the key techniques archaeologists use. You will select two courses complementary to your studies and two 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 from the earliest evidence of human occupation to the early 1st millennium AD. You will also study Archaeology 2B: Archaeology in Action, and Ancient History 2A and 2B. You will choose either Roman Art and Archaeology or Greek Art and Archaeology and one course from a wide range of options.

Year 3

You will study Theoretical Archaeology and Archaeology in Practice as well as two ancient history courses and two further courses in either archaeology or ancient history. There will be opportunities to complete archaeological fieldwork or other practical assignments.

Year 4

You will select two archaeology courses and two ancient history and classical art/archaeology courses from a wide range of options. Your dissertation may be on a theme of your choice in either archaeology or ancient history, or on a topic bridging the disciplines.

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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

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.

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 historic built environment. It places the history of architecture, fine art, and heritage management within 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.

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 Part I 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.

Placements

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 Copenhagen, Madrid, Graz and Stuttgart during Year 3 as well as 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. No specialist equipment is required for the Architectural History & Heritage programme.

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.

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.

Aitilina Semenova
3rd year MA (Hons) Architecture

Programmes

MA (Hons) Architectural History & Archaeology/VHMA Architectural History & Heritage V5931

BA – 3 years/MA (Hons) Architecture K1001

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/16

Advice for applicants

Standard entry requirement:

SQA Highers: ABB to AAB

A Levels: AQA to AIB

IB: 34 points (grades 655 at HL)

Minimum entry requirement:

SQA Highers: ABB by end of 56, with a minimum of BBB achieved in one year of SQA Highers.

A Levels: AIB

IB: 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Please note: This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The standard entry requirement range and minimum entry requirement are explained on page 9. 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/16

Year by year...

Year 1

In Architecture, you will learn about the principles of architectural design. You will work on projects that look at architectural elements and assembly in different contexts. At the same time you will be taught the fundamentals of technology and environment, art and design practices and architectural history.

Architectural History & Heritage begins with an introductory course covering the development of the built environment from earliest times to the present. You will also take relevant options in history, archaeology, and history of art, or any other course in the College of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences that suits your programme and timetable.

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 continue to apply your knowledge of technology and environment to your design work. 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 three-year BA or four-year MA (Hons).

Architectural History & Heritage broadens out to consider the city as a social 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.

Year 3

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 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.

Year 4

In Architecture, you will study logistics, take option courses and an architectural design studio, complete a dissertation and an immersive design project, and develop, curate and present a portfolio. In Architectural History & Heritage you will choose specialist courses and complete a major research dissertation.

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Arts

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Standard entry requirement: SQA Highers ABB by end of S4, A Levels ABB, IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).
Minimum entry requirement: SQA Highers ABB by end of S4, with a minimum of BBB achieved in one year of IB A Levels ABB, IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).
Please note: This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The standard entry requirement and minimum entry requirement are explained on page 9. 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/58

Programmes

BA (Hons) Art W100
Intermedia Art W900
Painting W120
Photography W640
Sculpture W130
MA (Hons) – 5 years
Fine Art W150

Please select UCAS code W100 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 Page 34

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/58

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. We 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 underpinned 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 working studios and exhibition spaces. The technical staff and equipment in our 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.

Additional costs

Costs for materials vary depending on your programme. Some programmes offer fieldwork and you will usually be required to cover accommodation, subsistence and travel costs. Your additional costs depend on the programme and courses selected.

Study abroad

We offer Erasmus+ and international exchanges with institutions around the world. An international placement immerses you in a new culture, expands your language skills and develops a self-reliance that employers value. Exchanges usually take place in Year 3.

Career opportunities

Many graduates pursue careers as artists, or enter other art-related professions, and go on to undertake residencies and commissions in a global context. A high percentage of graduates establish themselves in workshops and studios. Many have achieved considerable success and built international reputations. Some students continue their studies at postgraduate level. Others have gone on to teach or make an impact in the wider creative industries.

Year by year...

Year 1

You will develop core intellectual, visual and practical skills necessary to study art. You will follow a programme balanced between common projects and discipline-specific approaches in intermedia, photography, painting and sculpture, allowing you to choose a specialist subject study. You will study 60 credits of compulsory courses as well as 60 credits of options from across the wider University.

Year 2

You will work within the discipline, together with an extended independent study. You will partake in a number of events, visits, workshops, exhibitions and group and individual tutorials, alongside extended independent study.

Year 3

You will focus on the development of visual ideas through appropriate materials, media and technical processes related to your chosen subject. Projects take place in workshops and studios. You will present, evaluate and discuss work through technical workshops, tutorials, group discussions, critiques, exhibitions and presentations. You will choose 40 credits of option courses from across the wider University.

Year 4

You will develop your own research interests, supported by studio staff. These will be realised through a bodey of work exhibited at your final Degree Show. You will also write a dissertation on a subject related to your practice.

Year 5 (Fine Art only)

You will write a history of art dissertation on a topic of your choice. Most of your time will be taken up with research, and production of your work in the art studios, culminating in the production and presentation of your artwork at the public Degree Show exhibitions.

“Edinburgh is a beautiful city with great facilities. I’ve also found that the tutors are incredible and very knowledgeable. The diversity of talent here is great.”

Aidan Stephen
4th year BA (Hons) Painting
Why choose Business at the University of Edinburgh?
Alongside being part of a world-renowned university, the University of Edinburgh Business School also holds accreditation 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 for-profit, public and third sector organisations, 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 and who support and facilitate sponsored dissertations, co-host public lectures, and offer internship and shadowing opportunities. Our very popular #makeyourmark two-day social enterprise challenge gives you the chance to create something that can make a positive social impact.

Introducing Business
Contemporary global business, be it for profit or not for profit, is fraught with complexity, tensions, and socio-political, economic, and cultural challenges. Our business-related programmes will prepare you intellectually and practically to embrace these complexities, negotiate tensions and address the wider socio-political and cultural challenges facing contemporary businesses, governments and not-for-profit organisations.

Programmes
MA (Hons) Business & Economics N11
Business & Geography N17
Business & Law N171
Business Accounting N100
Business with Decision Analytics N112
Business with Enterprise & Innovation N122
Business with Energy Resource Management N166
Business with Marketing N116
Business with Strategic Economics N111
Finance & Business N113
International Business N122
International Business with Arabic N116
International Business with Chinese N111
International Business with French N111
International Business with German N122
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 14
Economics Page 36

The main focus of our business programmes is on the management of organisations and their relationship, and responsibility, to employees, customers, wider stakeholders (shareholders; media; government) and society at large. They examine the theories and methods behind contemporary management practice, exploring the relationships between people, organisations and their environment from a local, national, regional and global 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.

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

Year by year...
Year 1
You will study Global Challenges for Business and The Business of Edinburgh, which introduce key concepts of management and business including strategy, finance, marketing and the management of people. You will also study an accounting course. If you are interested in continuing accounting in Year 2, you must choose Accountancy M1 and Accountancy M18. You may also choose to update to three options in other subject areas subject to availability and timetabling constraints unless you are studying international business with a language, in which case you will study your chosen language and one option course.

Year 2
You will study Business Research Methods: Introduction to Data Analysis. You will choose at least one of the business options Organisational Behaviour; Business Economics; Principles of Finance; Applications of Finance; HR Management; International Business; Marketing; Business Analytics and Information Systems; Business Simulation; Innovation and Entrepreneurship; and Organising for Social Change. Creating Value and Impact. You may also choose up to three optional subjects in subject areas of your choice.

Year 3
You will study Strategic Management and Business Research Methods II: Applications and Analysis. In addition you will choose more specialist courses in business. If you are studying an international business pathway you will spend Year 3 studying abroad at one of our partner universities. If you are studying international business with a language you will spend your year abroad at a partner university in the country of that language, with the majority of your business courses being taught in that language. If your chosen language is Arabic, Chinese, Japanese or Russian you will normally spend one semester in the country of that language developing language skills and one semester studying business courses taught in English.

Year 4
You will study further specialist courses and will complete a dissertation on a topic closely linked to your programme. MA (Hons) International Business students choose some courses in international business and strategy.

Disclaimer
While every effort has been made to ensure the information given here is accurate, we anticipate some of our programmes may be modified or changed from 2020/21. Please check online for up-to-date information.
Why choose Celtic at the University of Edinburgh?

Celtic has been taught at the University since 1882. We are a leading centre for the study of minority languages in the Celtic context. As well as being immersed in Celtic culture beyond the classroom, our teaching staff are also highly active researchers, working at the cutting edge of linguistic and sociolinguistic research in the Celtic languages.

You’ll be based at the heart of the University, in the city’s historic centre, close to our Main Library, the School of Scottish Studies Archives, and the National Library of Scotland and National Museum of Scotland, all of which have fantastic collections for students of Celtic.

There are opportunities to study abroad in Year 3 and you’ll graduate with the skills to capitalise on Celtic’s growing profile, both in Scotland and internationally.

Introducing Celtic

Celtic civilisations produced the earliest vernacular literature in Europe after Latin and Greek. Today, Celtic languages and cultures continue to flourish in writing, song, theatre, the media and more, with a broad international reach and growing numbers of new speakers and audiences.

Based in a city with a long-established Gaelic community, and with strong links to Bòirid na Càdhlaigh, Celtic at Edinburgh is at the heart of this lively contemporary scene and leads the way for future language planning and maintenance, particularly for Scottish Gaelic.

As a student here, you’ll engage with a broad range of subjects in your first two years, and specialise thereafter, developing your expertise in the periods and disciplines that interest you most. At all levels, we have an extensive range of courses to choose from, covering extraordinarily rich literary and oral traditions from the Middle Ages to the present day.

Scottish Gaelic

It doesn’t matter if you’re a complete beginner or have studied Scottish Gaelic before, you can take Celtic as a single honours programme, or jointly with one of a number of other subjects. You’ll gain an interdisciplinary insight into Celtic’s wider historical and contemporary context and, although Scottish Gaelic language, literature and culture are at the heart of our programmes, you can also study Modern Irish and the medieval Celtic languages and literatures at honours level.

In Scotland particularly, developments such as the Gaelic Language (Scotland) Act 2005, the creation of BBC Alba (the Gaelic digital television service) and the ongoing expansion of Gaelic-medium education have increased demand for highly-educated Gaelic speakers or specialists in Celtic culture.

Employment prospects are particularly high within education, journalism and the media, broadcasting (both radio and television), politics and the cultural sector, in some areas, there are more Gaelic-related jobs than there are people qualified to fill them. There are also opportunities to continue studying at postgraduate level.

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

Thanks to an ever-broadening international reach, Celtic languages, literatures and cultures have a steady stream of enthusiastic new speakers and audiences.

In Scotland, particularly, developments such as the Gaelic Language (Scotland) Act 2005, the creation of BBC Alba (the Gaelic digital television service) and the ongoing expansion of Gaelic-medium education have increased demand for highly-educated Gaelic speakers or specialists in Celtic culture.

Employment prospects are particularly high within education, journalism and the media, broadcasting (both radio and television), politics and the cultural sector, in some areas, there are more Gaelic-related jobs than there are people qualified to fill them. There are also opportunities to continue studying at postgraduate level.

Fees and financial support

For full details of fees and financial support, please visit www.ed.ac.uk/ug/31

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

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Standard entry requirement:
SQA Highers ABBB by end of S5.
A Levels ABB, IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).
Minimum entry requirement:
SQA Highers ABBB by end of S6, with a minimum of B88 achieved in one year of S4-S6.
A Levels ABB, IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Please note: This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The standard entry requirement and minimum entry requirement are explained on page 9.

Full, detailed entry requirements, including the entry requirement are explained on page 9.

You may also be interested in

Primary Education with Celtic

Programmes

MA (Hons) Celtic (Q59)
Celtic & Archaeology (Q54)
Celtic & English Language (Q53)
Celtic & English Literature (Q54)
Celtic & French (Q52)
Celtic & Linguistics (Q51)
Celtic & Scandinavian Studies (Q66)
Celtic & Scottish History (Q52)
Celtic & Scottish Language (Q590)

You may also be interested in

Primary Education with Gaelic

Year by year...

Year 1

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, Celtic 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’ll also take courses from other subject areas to broaden the scope of your study.

Year 2

Two language courses expand and develop your familiarity with Scottish Gaelic language and literature. Gaelic 2A builds on the work of Gaelic 1A, while Gaelic 2B builds on the work of Gaelic 1B. Two Celtic literature courses enable you to explore medieval, early modern and modern language in translation, covering the Irish, Welsh, and Scottish Gaelic literary traditions. These courses lead on to the medieval curriculum at honours level, while Gaelic 2A or 2B lead to both the medieval and modern curriculum. You’ll also take courses from other subject areas to broaden the scope of your study.

Year 3 & 4

You can develop your programme of study by choosing courses from both the modern and the medieval programme. Medieval courses introduce the early Irish and Welsh languages and develop your study of literature, history and culture. Modern courses open up the study of literary, cultural, and historical aspects of Gaelic Scotland and Ireland from around 1600 to the present day, including linguistics and sociolinguistics, modern Irish language and advanced Gaelic language work aimed at developing high-level oral and writing skills.

In Year 4, you will choose further specialist courses and will complete your dissertation.

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Ma tha todalasain agad ann an Ghàidhlig na h-Alba mar thor, a bhith air an tEileanan Ceilteach 1A, a tha a’ cur focal air Ghàidhlig na h-Alba agus a bhith air an tEileanan Ceilteach 2B, a tha a’ cur focal air an tEileanan Ceilteach 2B.

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Why choose Chinese at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 12th in the world for arts and humanities in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018. The University offers 16 languages, and a wide range of joint programmes. We’re passionate about enabling choice and broadening minds through flexible programmes in languages and cultures from around the globe.

We are the only university in Scotland to offer students undergraduate honours programmes in Chinese. All our programmes include a year abroad studying in either China or Taiwan.

Introducing Chinese

One of the world’s earliest civilisations, China is once again a major economic and political global power; one whose scale makes an understanding of regional and cultural differences essential.

Study Chinese at Edinburgh and you will learn Mandarin in the context of Chinese and East Asian society, literature, history, culture and philosophy, from earliest times to the present day. You’ll also learn to read and write classical and modern standard Chinese.

Programmes

You’ll engage with a broad range of subjects in Years 1 and 2 then specialise thereafter. Our programmes are designed for beginners, with regular classroom tuition from native Chinese speakers, and supported access to an extensive range of media resources.

You may also be interested in International Business with Chinese Page 24

Careers opportunities

Employers look for the breadth of training and experience demonstrated by our graduates, who are in high demand in a wide variety of sectors, including the media, commerce, industry, and the civil service.

Many graduates are currently recruited by companies based in East Asia, an increasingly powerful player in the global economy, but with Scotland’s strategy to enhance engagement with China, opportunities for employment are increasing closer to home too. These include careers in translation/interpreting and education. There are also opportunities to continue studying at postgraduate level. Year 4 in particular will focus on developing the research skills you’ll need if you choose this path.

At a glance

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Advice for applicants

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Minimum entry requirements:
- A Levels ABB
- IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL)

Please note: This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The standard entry requirement range and minimum entry requirement are explained on page 9. 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/27

You can take Chinese as a single honours programme or as part of a range of other subjects. 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.

Programmes

MA (Hons) Chinese
Chinese T100
Chinese & Economics T111
Chinese & French BR31
Chinese & German BR32
Chinese & History T111
Chinese & Linguistics T111
Chinese & Russian Studies BR37
Chinese & Spanish BR34

You may also be interested in International Business with Chinese

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Why choose Classics at the University of Edinburgh?

Classics has achieved high student satisfaction levels in the National Student Survey (NSS) over the last five years, with 100 per cent of students on the MA (Hons) Classics programme saying they were satisfied in 2017.

Our programmes in Greek and Latin offer a rigorous and traditional linguistic training alongside an innovative choice of texts and approaches. This lets you reach very high standards whether or not you have studied the languages before and irrespective of previous linguistic knowledge. 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 civilisations. 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 civilisation. It also includes the study of those cultures that the Greeks and Romans came into contact with, of the Greek- and Latin-speaking civilisations 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. You will be able to choose from a broad range 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. 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. 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's collections and those of the University's library, you can apply for access to the outstanding collections of the National Library of Scotland and the National Museum of Scotland. Both are 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.

Joint honours

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

Additional costs

If you study abroad in Year 3, your costs will vary by country. Students on programmes including Classical Archaeology will be expected to participate, for at least two weeks in the summer of Year 1, in fieldwork or museum work. The overall cost of fieldwork will depend on the type and location of work: we will contribute towards these costs.

Career opportunities

You'll acquire 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.

Programmes

MA (Hons) Ancient & Medieval History V190
Ancient History V110
Ancient History & Greek VQ17
Ancient History & Latin VQ16
Classical & Middle East Studies QT86
Classical Archaeology & Ancient History VQ14
Classical Archaeology & Greek VQ84
Classical Archaeology & Latin VQ46
Classical Studies QT89
Classics Q800
Classics & English Language QQ83
Classics & Linguistics Q801
Greek Studies QT00
Latin Studies Q800

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Archaeology & Ancient History
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English Literature & Classics
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Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at
www.ed.ac.uk/ug/34
Cognitive 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 electroencephalogram (EEG), non-invasive brain stimulation, and eye and motion tracking equipment. You will also have access to a dedicated psychology and philosophy library.

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.

The University of Edinburgh played a key role in founding this discipline, by exploiting and enriching long-standing connections between the disciplines that contribute to the study of human cognition. You will be taught by the researchers who both laid the foundations and are still making key advances in the field and the course content is regularly reviewed to ensure our students learn about current developments.

Our Cognitive Science (Humanities) programme requires you to undertake a selection of basic courses covering material in linguistics, philosophy, psychology and computer science.

At honours level, in Years 3 and 4, you will choose from a wide variety of more advanced courses in this range of disciplines, with the opportunity to specialise in one domain for your honours dissertation project.

Our goal is to help you come to a broad understanding of issues such as the relationship between language and thought, the relationship between mind and brain and the philosophical implications of our increasing ability to look inside the working brain and to model its activities in computers and robots.

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 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.

“…”

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

Kat Steggles

3rd year MA (Hons) Cognitive Science

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Cognitive Science BSc (Hons) Page 122
Psychology Page 76
Linguistics Page 66
Philosophy Page 72

You will have access to state-of-the-art research facilities including electroencephalogram (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

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

**Programmes**

**BA (Hons)**

- **Animation W615**
- **Fashion W220**
- **Film & Television P390**
- **Graphic Design W210**
- **Illustration W620**
- **Interior Design W250**
- **Jewellery & Silversmithing W721**
- **Performance Costume WA51**
- **Product Design W240**
- **Textiles 4240**

**Animation**

Our award-winning programme differs radically from most in that we teach the full spectrum of production methods. You will learn 2D and 3D techniques using cameras and CGI as well as puppet-based stop-frame. You will work individually or in a team to make films, documentaries and installations. Our students have won BAFTA, Armokey and RTS awards.

**Fashion**

We emphasise creative freedom and design innovation on our dynamic, award-winning programme. It is our ambition to create fashion innovators to promote your individual design identity while developing and nurturing your full creative potential.

**Film and television**

We encourage you to find individual approaches through directing work in documentary, drama or experimental film. We provide practical experience in directing, camera work, sound and editing to explore different forms of film as a means of creative expression. You will be guided from workshops and masterclasses from internal and visiting staff, who all work and exhibit internationally, and from sessions provided by the Scottish Documentary Institute.

**Graphic design**

Graphic design must challenge the status quo to develop powerful and novel solutions. Designers should be observant and culturally, socially and historically aware in order to show openness, understanding and receptivity. We encourage bold, lateral thinking and understanding of process, technique and business, to produce innovative, emotive, enduring and aesthetic design through intense, sustained involvement with the design process.

**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 or 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 puppets. 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 design, 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 live project briefs, 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. Please check your specific programme details online.

**Additional costs**

Materials costs vary depending on your programme. In some cases, your choice of materials will have an impact on the costs you incur. Some programmes offer study trips and individual field-based projects which may incur a cost to you. 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. We boast a vibrant alumni network and strong links with the cultural and creative sector across Scotland and beyond. The University Careers Service offers exceptional support throughout your time with us.

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**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.
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 2018. 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.

Study abroad
There are opportunities to study in Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong, USA, Canada, Argentina, Mexico and within Europe (Erasmus+).

Career opportunities
Our graduates are highly regarded by employers. The skills you develop 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 graduates have entered the finance sector and some large financial firms actively recruit Edinburgh graduates.

Advisory note: This is the third year MA (Hons) Economics programme, you will take courses from other subject areas. Also study two courses of your choice from other academic areas of the University.

Programmes

MA (Hons) Economics L100
Economics & Accounting L114
Economics & Mathematics L111
Economics & Politics L112
Economics & Sociology L113
Economics & Statistics L113
Economics with Environmental Studies L1F9
Economics with Finance L1N3
Economics with Management Science L1N2

You may also be interested in
Accounting Page 14
Economic History Page 32
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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Standard entry requirement: SQA Higher by end of S5.
A (Higher): ABB by end of S6.

Minimum entry requirement: SQA Higher by end of S5, with a minimum of BBB in one year of A Levels.

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 standard entry requirement and minimum entry requirement are explained on page 9.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/14


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 on the successful completion of their studies.

Why choose Education at the University of Edinburgh?

We’re ranked in the UK’s top 10 universities for education in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018. Our initial teacher education programmes are accredited by the General Teaching Council for Scotland (GTCS). 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 two main areas of study: teacher 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.

Programmes

BA – 3 years
Childhood Practice
MA (Hons) – 4 years
Physical Education
Primary Education
MA (Hons) – 5 years
Primary Education with Gaelic ( Learners)

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) Primary 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.

Graduate teacher education

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

Childhood practice

Our programme prepares you for a management role within the early childhood learning and care sector. It examines issues of childhood, including education studies, health education, child development, family studies and social policy. Leadership, management and professionalism also feature prominently. You will develop skills in communication and management and learn about organisational development and inter-agency working. Accredited by the Scottish Social Services Council (SSSC), graduates of the programme are eligible to register with the SSSC as a lead practitioner/manager.

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. 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.

Year by year continued overleaf.

Placements

Several of our programmes offer work-based placements.

Additional costs

All of our programmes offer field trips or work-based placements. You may incur residential costs on field trips and travel costs on placement. All successful applicants must join Disclosure Scotland’s Protecting Vulnerable Groups (PVG) scheme, which will currently cost £18-£59. For MA (Hons) Physical Education, you will require approximately £366 of clothing which you are expected to wear for practical sessions and work-based placements.

Career opportunities

You may go on to teach your chosen age group or subject, pursue leadership roles within your specialist, or go on to postgraduate study. Opportunities also exist in community learning and development in public and voluntary sectors, adult education, youth work, and childcare management.

“Throughout school I recognised the vast impact particular teachers had on pupils. This taught me the value of what a teacher can do in a child’s life.”

James Smith
2nd year MA (Hons) Physical Education

Year by year continued overleaf.
**Primary education with Gaelic**

**Year 1**
You will study primary studies, educational studies and Gaelic. Primary education courses include placements in schools.

**Year 2**
You will study primary studies, Gaelic and linguistics. Primary education courses include placements in schools.

**Year 3 (Learners)**
You will spend a year at Sabhal Mòr Ostaig on the Isle ofSkye, 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 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 4 (Fluent)/Year 5 (Learners)**
You will study primary studies, educational studies (including a dissertation) and Theory and Pedagogy of Immersion and Bilingual Education. You will select an option from a suite of courses within the School of Education. Primary education courses include placements in schools.

**Foghlam Bun-sgoile le Gàidhlig**

**Bliadhna 1**
Ni thu cùrsaichean ann an eòlas foghlam bun-sgoile, eòlas foghlaim agus Gàidhlig. Tha cùrsaichean foghlam na bun-sgoile a’ gabhail a steach greisean grilomhaicis ann an spòltean.

**Bliadhna 2**
Ni thu cùrsaichean ann an eòlas foghlam bun-sgoile, Gàidhlig agus cânanachas. Tha cùrsaichean foghlam na bun-sgoile a’ gabhail a steach greisean grilomhaicis ann an spòltean.

**Bliadhna 3 (Luchd-ionnsachaidh)**
Tigh thu seachad bliadhna aig Sabhal Mòr Ostaig san Eilean Sgitheanach, a’ nearachadh nan sgilean cànain agad. Nì thu An Cùrsa Comais, dhan-chùrsa chànan a th-aire a dhèanadh airson luchd-ionnsachaidh a’ iad eadar-mheadhanach a tha aig amsa air fìantachd sa Chàidhlig.

**Bliadhna 4 (Fileanta)/Bliadhna 4 (Luchd-ionnsachaidh)**
Ni thu greis grilomhaicis tad bliadhna ann am bun-sgoil tro mheadhan na Càidhlig. Chèib thu eòlas air meascadadh de dh’ìrean sgìre agusobraichidh tu gus na sgìre agus comas an proifeanta a thogail a th-aire a dhèanadh airson a bhith air do chòrdadh le Comhairle Chuideachain Teaglaidh na h-Alba. Nì thu cùrsaichean cuideachd ann an eòlas foghlam na bun-sgoile agus eòlas foghlaim (le fòcas air foghlam tro mheadhan na Càidhlig) tron bliadhna, a’ fichinn air ais dhan ceithir airson clasachaidh air seachdairnach sòirichid.

**Bliadhna 5 (Luchd-ionnsachaidh)**
Ni thu cùrsaichean ann an eòlas foghlam na bun-sgoile, eòlas foghlaim (le fòcas air thàchdais agus feòrin) agus Càidhlig eòlas ann am Foghlam Biodhaidh o Dhà-chòrdadh. Taighidh tu roghainn luchd-ionnsachaidh a dhà-chòrdadh, Tha cùrsaichean foghlam na bun-sgoile a’ gabhail a steach greisean grilomhaicis ann an spòltean.
Why choose English Language at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked in the world’s top 15 universities for English language and literature in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018. 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.

You will approach the study of English language through the lens of modern linguistics.

Introducing English Language

As well as being interested in the study of change in English, we have a strong tradition of investigating different varieties of the language, including Scots, distinct dialects of English, and international variations.

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 through Erasmus+ or 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.

At a glance

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Standard entry requirement:
SQA Highers ABBB by end of S6, with a minimum of BBB achieved in one year of S4-S6. 
A Levels AAA to ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Minimum entry requirement:
SQA Highers AAA to ABB.
IB 40 points (grades 766 at HL) to 34 points (grades 655 at HL).
Please note This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The standard entry requirement range and minimum entry requirement are explained on page 9. 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

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/43

Rankings by Subject 2018. We conduct world-leading research in English language and linguistics.

You may also be interested in

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Linguistics Page 66

“My programme is not only equipping me with skills that I can use for my future career, but also with the tools and attributes to look at the bigger picture.”

Bryan Tan
MA (Hons) English Language & Literature graduate

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. Advanced courses available at this level typically include Reading Old English, Dialects of Britain and Ireland, Global Englishes, English Word Formation, History of Scots, and many more, including linguistics courses.

Year 4
You will continue to choose advanced courses according to your interests.

You will also take a specialised research training course before starting your honours dissertation, regarded by many as the most formative experience of their undergraduate studies.
English Literature & Scottish Literature

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Standard entry requirement:
SQA Highers For Q038, Q032, Q038 & QV11: AAAAA to ABBB, For Q531, Q212, Q312 & Q111: ABBBB by end of S5.
A Levels A’A to ABB.
IB 43 points (grades 776 at HL) to 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Minimum entry requirement:
SQA Highers ABBB by end of S6, with a minimum of BBB achieved in one year of S4–S6.
A Levels ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Please note: This indicates the overall standard required to consider you for entry. The standard entry requirement range and minimum entry requirement are explained on page 9. 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/32

Programmes

MA (Hons)
English & Scottish Literature QQ32
English Literature Q038
English Literature & Classics QQ38
English Literature & History QV11
Scottish Literature QV22
Scottish Literature & Classics QQ38
Scottish Literature & History QV22
Scottish Literature & Scottish History QQ22

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

You may also be interested in

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Linguistics Page 66

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

We are ranked in the world’s top 15 universities for English language and literature in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018.

Based in the first UNESCO World City of Literature, we are the oldest department of English Literature in the UK and one of the longest established in the world.

With multiple student societies for literature and drama enthusiasts, our large community has lots to offer, including reading and writers’ groups, poetry slams, creative writing magazines, guest seminars and a thriving Peer-Assisted Learning Scheme (LitPALS). Our students organise their own annual literature conference, and we also have a fantastic Writer-in-Residence.

Introducing English Literature & Scottish Literature

Studying literature at the University of Edinburgh allows you to develop a deeper understanding of how literary texts work, and of the varying and vital roles they play in our lives and societies, past and present.

Our courses cover writing from a vast range of English-speaking cultures and all major periods in history, medieval to postmodern. Tracing the evolution of literary thinking, you’ll engage with a broad range of subjects in Years 1 and 2, then specialise thereafter in the periods and genres that interest you most.

You’ll be based at the heart of the University in a world-leading festival city with an unrivalled range of libraries, collections and literary venues, from the National Library of Scotland to the Scottish Poetry Library, Writers’ Museum, and Scottish Storytelling Centre. We also have strong links with the Edinburgh International Book Festival, which annually welcomes around 1,000 authors to our literary city.

Joint honours

You can take a single honours programme in either English Literature or Scottish Literature, combine both in a joint programme, or take either with one of a wide range of other subjects, including a number of modern languages.

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

The skills you’ll develop on our programmes, including the ability to think critically and work independently and to deadline, are essential in many careers. We have great links with the Careers Service and, throughout your time with us, we’ll encourage you to identify and hone your skills, including through initiatives such as Life After Lit, which allow you to draw inspiration from our graduates.

Many of our graduates have gone on to work in publishing, advertising, arts and events management, the creative industries, teaching, and the media. Some have used their transferable skills to pursue careers in finance and business, while others have moved into creative writing, which we teach as an option throughout the undergraduate years, supported by our Writer-in-Residence.

There are also opportunities to continue studying at postgraduate level, with the honours years in particular developing the research skills you’ll need if you choose this path.

“...I’ve always appreciated the power of literature, the way that it can inspire and shape the world around it, whilst painting a different picture of the world...”

Chloe-Anne Banks

3rd year MA (Hons) English Literature & History

Year by year...

Year 1
You will study English Literature 1, investigating the historical development of English literature from the medieval period to the 17th century, or Scottish Literature 1, examining the relationship between Scottish national identity and literature from the medieval period to the present day. You will also study modern literary and critical theory, and choose courses from other subject areas.

Year 2
You will take English Literature 2 or Scottish literature 2. Both courses examine the changes in literature between 1750 and 1950 and the cultural and historical contexts in which the literature of this period was produced. You’ll also take courses from other subject areas to broaden the scope of your study.

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 write an independent dissertation.
French & Francophone Studies

Why choose French & Francophone Studies at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 4th in the UK and 19th in the world for modern languages in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018.

We are unique in Scotland in offering single and joint honours modern languages programmes which take four years to complete, including a year abroad. If you’re studying two languages, you’ll divide your time abroad between countries relevant to each language, further broadening your skills and experience.

Our festival city is bursting with cinemas, theatres, libraries and galleries, with plenty of French-focused activities, societies and clubs run by cultural institutions and the Students’ Association. Edinburgh’s French film scene is particularly strong, with an annual French Film Festival and plenty to see throughout the year.

Introducing French & Francophone Studies

French is one of the most widely spoken languages in the world. At Edinburgh, you’ll learn about French and Francophone literature, cinema, art, and political and philosophical ideas, all of which have played a key role in shaping our modern civilisation, as well as mastering the language itself.

Join us and you’ll be part of the largest subject area in a School passionate about languages, literatures and cultures. You’ll benefit from great resources and friendly staff who are experts in their fields. We are home to the Centre de Recherches Francophones Belge and have excellent links with the Institut Français d’Ecosse.

You can take French as a single honours programme or jointly with one of a wide range of other subjects. You’ll engage with a broad range of subjects in Years 1 and 2, and specialise thereafter, with a vast range of option courses to choose from at honours level.

You’ll be based at the heart of the University, in the city’s historic centre, close to the Main University Library and the National Library of Scotland, both of which have excellent French collections.

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.

These include Politics Institutes (IEP), business schools, and, in Paris, ISIT (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, 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

Studying a language to degree level, especially when you spend a year abroad as part of your studies, gives you a set of skills and life experiences highly prized by employers. The employment statistics for French graduates from the University of Edinburgh are impressive, and you will have a remarkable range of career options available to you.

You’ll be fluent in a major language of international communication, the sixth most widely spoken in the world. You will be well placed to seek opportunities in the 29 countries where French is an official language, and the many multinational companies and institutions for which it is a working language, including the European Commission.

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.

Naturally, many of our former students are working in professions where linguistic skills are of special value, including education, translating and interpreting, and international business.

There are also opportunities to continue studying, with Year 4 in particular developing the research skills you’ll need if you choose this path.

Anna Simonson
3rd year MA (Honours) French & Spanish

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

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Standard entry requirement:

SQA Highers AAA to ABB.
SQA Highers ABB by end of S6, with a minimum of 54-56.
IB 34 points (grade 655 at HL).

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Programmes

French & Business
French & Classics
French & English Language
French & English Literature
French & History
French & History of Art
French & Italian
French & Linguistics
French & Philosophy
French & Politics
French & Portuguese
French & Russian Studies
French & Scandinavian Studies
French & Social Policy
French & Spanish

You have limited knowledge of French and wish to study French after National 5 (SQA) or GCSE level, you will take French 18, which, as well as developing your written and spoken linguistic skills, engages intensively with modern French literature. You will be introduced to the extraordinary richness and variety of one of the world’s great civilisations. You will study texts (novels, essays, and political and historical documents) and films which focus on social and political events from the Second World War to the 21st century: resistance and collaboration, the Fifth Republic, May 1968, feminism, colonisation and decolonisation.

You’ll also take courses from other subject areas to broaden the scope of your study.

You will spend Year 3 (or part of it if you are also taking another language) studying or working in a French-speaking country.

You’ll refine your skills with specialist language tuition in translation, writing skills and oral communication. You’ll also take option courses taught by research-active experts. There’s a wide range to choose from, including French political thought to medieval or 19th-century theatre, French verse, the French New Wave, and France’s relations with its former colonies. You’ll engage with research, writing either a dissertation (approximately 6,000 words), or long essay (approximately 3,000 words) in your target language. This is your chance to focus on a subject that’s of particular interest to you, it must involve independent research, but you’ll be supported by one or more members of our academic staff.

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.

Anna Simonson
3rd year MA (Honours) French & Spanish

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Why choose German at the University of Edinburgh?
We are ranked 4th in the UK and 19th in the world for languages in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018.
We are unique in Scotland in offering single and joint honours modern languages programmes which take four years to complete, including a year abroad. If you’re studying two languages, you’ll divide your time abroad between countries relevant to each language, further broadening your skills and experience.
We are consistently rated highly by our students and there’s lots going on, from a regular seminar series featuring visiting speakers to our annual German Play and student-run German Society, which organises language cafes, movie nights, pub quizzes and more.

Introducing German
For centuries, German-speaking cultures have had a profound international influence. Study German with us and you’ll learn the language while studying literature, film and theatre, all within the context of historical and political developments. Our expertise stretches from medieval to contemporary times.
German is one of the larger subject areas in a School passionate about languages, literatures, and cultures, so you’ll benefit from a wide range of courses, great resources and friendly staff, several of whom are native German speakers. You’ll be based at the heart of the University in a world-leading festival city with fantastic cinemas, theatres, galleries, libraries and collections, including outstanding German-language holdings in the National Library of Scotland.

We welcome both beginners and students with previous knowledge of the language, you’ll engage with a broad range of subjects in your first two years, and specialise thereafter, progressing in all aspects of the German language, from talking about culture, current affairs and literature in German, to essay writing, creative writing and translation.
We contribute actively to the local cultural scene, and you will be able to attend film screenings, performances and talks organised by members of staff for the wider public. We also have very close links with local schools, the German Consulate, and the Scottish branch of the Goethe-Institut.

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

Minimum entry requirement:
SQA Highers ABB by end of 56, with a minimum of BBB achieved in one year of 4-56.
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Programmes
MA (Hons)
German R220
German & Business R221
German & Classics R282
German & English Language R32
German & English Literature R283
German & History R281
German & History of Art R283
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German & Portuguese R285
German & Russian Studies R287
German & Scandinavian Studies R286
German & Social Policy R24
German & Spanish R24

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/45

Study abroad
Year 3 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
You will Spend Year 3 of your programme abroad. 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.

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Career opportunities
More people speak German as their native language than any other in Europe. An official language of seven European countries and provinces, German also plays an important role in communications in many other countries, particularly in central and eastern Europe. It is the third most popular foreign language taught worldwide. German speakers are highly sought after by British employers, particularly those with links to the German economy, the third largest in the world. Seven out of 10 businesses in the UK value foreign language skills in their employees and 49 per cent of them rate German as useful for their business, ahead of Spanish and Mandarin (CBI/Pearson, 2017).

In a Year 1 project, you will interview a German native speaker working in Edinburgh or Glasgow, giving you the opportunity to practise professional communication, find out about the value of languages in the workplace and gain some insights into possible career options. Our graduates have gone on to careers in journalism, translation, marketing, the finance industry, publishing, and the cultural and heritage sectors. There are also opportunities to continue studying at postgraduate level, with Year 4 in particular developing the research skills you’ll need if you choose this path.

Year by year...

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Year 2
In the German 2 language course, you will develop your oral language skills further, and practise creative writing, translation and grammar. You will also continue to study literature and culture. We are developing a suite of options, likely to include: Disability in German Romanticism; Identity, Politics and Society on the German Screen; Culture, Modernity and the City in the Weimar Republic; Reading Literary Antisemitism; the Contemporary Short Story in German; Migration and Integration in German-Language Discourses. You will take two of these options. You’ll also take courses from other subject areas to broaden the scope of your study.

Year 3
You will spend Year 3 (or part of it, if you are also taking another language) working or studying in a German-speaking country. You will take German language classes in essays and précis writing, spoken German and German-to-English translation of literary and journalistic texts. You will also choose from a wide range of specialist courses on German literature, film, theatre and society, and complete your dissertation.

"For my year abroad, I spent my first semester in Vienna, Austria and my second in Florence, Italy. I boosted my language skills and made even more international friends!"
Nataliya Nosenko
4th year MA (Hons) German & Italian

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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 innovative option courses in community engagement, opening up a pathway to new abilities, work experience and community-based learning.

Looking at healthcare on a broad 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 on a range of disciplinary perspectives, you will address three broad themes: societies and communities; individuals, personality 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/coordination. The programme provides a foundation for further professional career development or further study.
Why choose History at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 17th in the world for history in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018.

We cover every period of history from the early Middle Ages to the present day, 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 history, global history, social history, gender history, intellectual history and environmental history. Whichever path you choose, you’ll 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, 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.

Stay 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 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 photography. 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.

Previous graduates have gone on to pursue a wide variety of careers, in the media, politics, civil service, heritage, law, business and finance, to name just a few.

Year by year...

Year 1

History courses you take in Year 1 are broad survey courses that will emphasise processes and patterns within wide chronological and geographical frameworks, from the early Middle Ages to the present day, and are designed to prepare you for more specialised study in Years 3 and 4. The courses on offer are diverse and vary each year but previously courses have covered subjects as diverse as the French Revolution, the Third Reich, gender in the Middle Ages, the American Civil War, and Chinese economic history.

Year 3

You will study additional skills courses that reflect on history as a discipline and introduce you to the practice of historical research. You will also choose from a range of specialist courses, allowing you to focus on a specific aspect of history or to continue with a broad curriculum. The courses on offer are diverse and vary each year but previously courses have covered subjects as diverse as the French Revolution, the Third Reich, gender in the Middle Ages, the American Civil War, and Chinese economic history.

Year 4

You will study further specialist courses. One or more of these, depending on your programme, will be a longer special subject studied across the years. Courses available can change each year but previously have included the Italian Renaissance, the Vietnam War, the Scottish Enlightenment, and Gandhi. You will also engage in independent research to produce a dissertation on a topic substantially of your own devising.
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 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 global art market. We also have specialisms in medieval and Renaissance, early modern, and both 19th and 20th century art and architecture. We teach Chinese, Japanese and Indian art and have broad and up-to-date coverage of contemporary art theories and politics.

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 study abroad. Then, in your final years, 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 possesses 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 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 around £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 curatorships in galleries and museums, art journalism, publishing, art dealing, tourism, graphics, advertising, heritage management and auctioneering.

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

You may also be interested in

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Programmes

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Middle Eastern Studies V600

Why choose Islamic Studies & Middle Eastern Studies at the University of Edinburgh?
We are ranked 4th in the UK for Middle Eastern & African Studies in the Complete University Guide 2019. We are passionate about enabling choice and broadening minds through flexible, four-year study of languages and cultures from around the globe.

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

You’ll join a small, friendly community with great links to the Alwaleed Centre, fantastic resources (including our own library), and regular programmes of workshops, film screenings and guest seminars.

Introducing Islamic Studies & Middle Eastern Studies
Located at the crossroads between Europe, Africa and Asia, the Middle East has played a pivotal role on the world stage from ancient times. An understanding of the Islamic world remains highly relevant in the 21st century.

Our programmes explore past and present, taking either an area studies (Middle Eastern Studies) or religious studies (Islamic Studies) approach, with the added option to learn elementary Arabic, Persian or Turkish.

Our emphasis is on developing your critical and analytical skills, so you’ll focus on discussing key issues, practice applying concepts – both in discussion and in writing, and learn to analyse and interpret source material. You’ll engage with a range of subjects in Years 1 and 2, and specialise thereafter, choosing from a range of honours option courses spanning history, politics, religion, literature and culture.

Study abroad
In Year 3 you will normally have the option of an Erasmus+ exchange at one of two English-language universities, Bogazici 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
Graduating with an understanding of the Islamic world is an excellent primer for a range of careers in the media, non-government organisations, industry, and the diplomatic and civil services. With increasing migration in response to changing global dynamics, there is high demand for such graduates both at home and abroad. There are also opportunities to continue studying at postgraduate level, with Year 4 in particular developing the research skills you’ll need if you choose this path.

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

You may also be interested in
Arabic & Persian
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“Edinburgh is home to many Middle Eastern communities and this diversity really helps create a more immersive study experience.”
Neil Robertson
3rd year MA (Hons) Middle Eastern Studies

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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 across the University. You will also complete a dissertation on a subject of your choice and under the supervision of an academic advisor.
Italian

Why choose Italian at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 4th in the UK and 19th in the world for modern languages in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018. Offering 16 languages and a wide range of joint programmes, we’re passionate about enabling choice and broadening minds through flexible, four-year study of languages and cultures from around the globe.

We are unique in Scotland in offering single and joint honours modern languages programmes which take four years to complete, including a year abroad. If you’re studying two languages, you’ll divide your time abroad between countries relevant to each language, further broadening your skills and experience.

From our own Italian Society to the Italian Cultural Institute, you’ll find many places to indulge your interest in one of the world’s great cultures, while enjoying the cinemas, theatres, libraries and galleries of one of its favourite festival cities.

Introducing Italian

Available in a fantastic range of study combinations, Italian has been taught here since 1919, though it’s been part of our tradition as far back as the 18th century. The city of Edinburgh itself is twinned with Florence.

We welcome both beginners and students with previous knowledge of the language. You’ll study the language and culture of Italy, including history, literature and cinema, engaging with a broad range of subjects in Years 1 and 2, and specialising thereafter.

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Additional costs

You will spend Year 3 of your programme abroad. The normal residence requirement for European languages at Edinburgh is 30 weeks in the relevant country or countries.

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

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Advanced Highers: AAA to ABBB.
A Levels AAA to ABB.
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Programmes

MA (Hons)
Italian R310
Italian & Classics QR31
Italian & English Language QR33
Italian & English Literature RG33
Italian & History RV31
Italian & History of Art RV33
Italian & Linguistics RQ31
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Introducing Japanese

Over the past 150 years, Japan has experienced change at breakneck pace, but has nevertheless retained its fascinating cultural heritage. Study with us and you’ll develop the linguistic and analytical skills to engage critically, and in a truly interdisciplinary way, with this dynamic society – as well as understanding its place in East Asia, now one of the world’s most important and influential regions.

We offer a comprehensive and rigorous Japanese language programme, coupled with diverse Japanese studies options taught by international experts. You will receive extensive methods training that will help bridge the gap between school and university learning, and spend a year at one of our many partner institutions in Japan.

You’ll be introduced to kana writing (the Japanese phonetic writing), kanji and translation, and choose from courses on Japanese and East Asian society, history, philosophy, and culture (including literature, art and film), from the earliest times to the present day.

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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. We have exchange agreements with many of Japan’s top-ranking universities.

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

With more than 128 million native speakers, Japanese is one of the world’s most commonly used languages. A cultural treasure-trove, the country is also a major global power. The skills you’ll develop on our programmes, from speaking to translating the language, analysing key sources and understanding cultural nuances living abroad, will give you the edge in a range of careers, both in Japan and closer to home, where links with East Asia are growing.

Our graduates are now working as translators, interpreters and teachers, in areas such as finance, investment and law, and in sectors as diverse as publishing and management consultancy. There are also opportunities to continue studying at postgraduate level, with Year 4 in particular developing the research skills you’ll need if you choose this path.
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 explore landscape and environmental topics with contemporary relevance to both urban and rural contexts. You will learn skills that prepare you to face some of the most meaningful challenges currently happening in our cities and wider territories. These include resilience to climate change, regeneration of polluted and contaminated areas, or adaptation to the increase of human populations.

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, reclains, reinvets 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 landscapes in their ongoing research and practice.

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.

Advice for applicants

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Additional costs

You will need to purchase specialist equipment such as a laptop and pay for your drawing and model-making 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.

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 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.

Accreditation

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

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, predominately in private practice but also in local government and with public bodies such as Scottish Natural Heritage or the Countryside Agency.
Why choose Law at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 25th in the world for law in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018. 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 recently refurbished 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 sponsor a tier 2 visa exceeds a first year trainee’s recommended salary.

Study abroad

We have a wide range of international 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.

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Law by year...

Law (Ordinary & Honours)

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Programmes

LLB – 2 years

Law (Graduate Entry) M115

LLB – 4 years

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Law & Accountancy M116

Law & Arabic M117

Law & Business M111

Law & Celtic M115

Law & Economics M112

Law & French M111

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Law & Spanish M114

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Law (Graduate Entry)

Graduate Entry LLB.

You choose further courses to expand your specialist knowledge, and normally write a dissertation. This will help you develop your legal research and writing skills. This is the final year of the LLB (Honours) programme. If you are planning to enter the Scottish legal profession, you will need to complete the Diploma in Professional Legal Practice after you graduate. You can apply for the diploma during the final year of the LLB programme.

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Julita Burgess

LLB Law (Graduate Entry) graduate
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 2018. We conduct world-leading research in linguistics and English language.

We support a range of theoretical approaches and 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, our perception laboratory, for perceptual and psycholinguistic experiments, and a suite of recording studios. 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 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.

You may also be interested in

English Language
Psychology
Cognitive Science (Humanities)
Informatics (MInf)
Music

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 2019. Our staff are world leaders in a wide range of musical areas including musicology, acoustics and music technology, composition, improvisation, music psychology, and community music. The University hosts more than 25 musical societies and a packed schedule of concerts during 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 programmes.

Career opportunities
Our BMus programme provides you with the breadth and depth needed to pursue a variety of careers in music, the creative arts, education, or the media. The University’s Reyd 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. Our lively concert calendar and central Edinburgh location let you immerse yourself in the city’s rich cultural scene.

Our flexible BMus programme provides you with the opportunity to develop critical and technical skills from a variety of perspectives. You will study a range of musical genres and styles and explore the sociopolitical, historical, and cultural contexts in which music is produced and received. You have the opportunity to specialise in composition and/or performance, and take courses from outside of music in each year. Our BSc programme explores the intersections between music technology, physics, engineering, and computer science. You will receive a rigorous grounding in fundamental scientific skills, and study music technology, sound recording, and computer programming in a range of musical contexts. In Years 3 and 4, you can choose a strongly scientific pathway in physical acoustics, a multidisciplinary pathway in computer music systems, or your own combination of the two.

Programmes

BMus (Hons) Music W330
BSc (Hons) Acoustics & Music Technology W380

Our BMus programme involves weekly placements across Edinburgh. Our BSc 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.

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

You may also be interested in History of Art & History of Music Page 54
Mathematics & Music Page 132
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 Q5 World University Rankings by Subject 2018. We offer you the opportunity to customise your learning by choosing from a university-wide range of options. We have been providing nursing education for more than 100 years and are partners in the Edinburgh University Health and Community Research Institute (EUHCRI), which is ranked in the top 15 universities globally.

Introducing Nursing Studies
We have been providing nursing education for more than 60 years. Our Bachelor of Nursing (BN) with 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 (NMC) 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.

Please note
Our programme is currently being reviewed and revised in order to meet the new Nursing and Midwifery Council 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 a practice placement abroad in Year 3. There is also another opportunity for two students to experience a semester-long exchange with an Australian university in Year 3. All costs of study abroad must be met by the student.

Nursing and Midwifery Council
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Additional costs
Expenses for travel to and from clinical placements can be claimed if you are a Scottish student and eligible for Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS) funding. Other students must meet these costs 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, the EU and overseas will also be liable for the cost of the following mandatory items: uniforms, occupational health, assessments and the membership fee for the Protection of Vulnerable Groups (PVG) scheme, which will currently cost you £18 £50.

Career opportunities
Career opportunities are excellent for nursing students 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, theatre 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

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. In 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.

You may also be interested in Health, Science & Society Page 50

Ethan Stoker
2nd year BN(Hons) Nursing Studies

Year by year...

Year 1
Years 1 and 2 provide an introduction to nursing care and theory, and to the sociological and psychological aspects of healthcare. You will also choose two option courses from subjects across the University. You will gain clinical experience 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 further 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.

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Why choose Philosophy at the University of Edinburgh?

Following the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014 we were ranked seventh in the UK for philosophy by overall GPA (Times Higher Education, Overall Ranking).

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 has long been, and remains, 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.

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.

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 combine their studies and pursue a research or academic career.

You may also be interested in

Classics Page 30
Theology & Religious Studies Page 100

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at
www.ed.ac.uk/ug/35
Politics & International Relations

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Standard entry requirement:
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A Levels A*AA to ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 776 at HL) to 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Minimum entry requirement:
SQA Highers ABBB by end of S6. BBB must be achieved in one set of exams by end of S5.
A Levels ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Please note This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The standard entry requirement range and minimum entry requirement are explained on page 9. 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/18

Programmes

MA (Hons)
International Relations L250
International Relations & International Law L340
International Relations with Quantitative Methods 2W3A
Politics 1L5
Politics, Philosophy & Economics L251
Politics with Quantitative Methods BM9D

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 2018.

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, Philosophy & Economics

This new programme examines different interdisciplinary perspectives on many of the pressing issues of the modern world. It will equip you with the key skills to engage with the political, philosophical and economic debates of the day.

You will acquire the necessary frameworks for thinking about political and philosophical issues, combined with the quantitative skills for answering political and economic questions.

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, French, geography, German, history, Italian, law, philosophy, 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 International Studies you will have an opportunity to visit the UK Parliament in Westminster and the Scottish Parliament at Holyrood. You will be responsible for your own travel costs but a small number of travel bursaries may be available.

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 transferable 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.

Politics

You will take a course on research design and choose five honours courses from a wide range of subjects such as British politics, populism, 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.

International Relations

You will take a course on research design and choose five honours courses from a wide range of subjects such as international political economy, global security, US foreign policy, human rights, gender, African politics, the Middle East and many more.

Year 3

You will take a course on research design and choose five honours courses from a wide range of subjects such as international political economy, global security, US foreign policy, human rights, gender, African politics, the Middle East and many more.

Year 2

Compulsory politics and international relations courses look at how and why states interact at international level, including cooperation through 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. If you choose to study politics, you will also take up to three further option courses.

Year 1

You will take the Introduction to Politics & International Relations and Political Theory course, an introductory political theory course. International Relations students also 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.

Politics

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Year 4

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Psychology

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

Standard entry requirement:
SQA Highers ABBB by end of S6, with a minimum of BBB achieved in one year 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, personal, and social factors influence how we think, feel, and behave. 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.

Why choose Psychology at the University of Edinburgh?

We consistently rank as one of the top 30 universities in the world for psychology (QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018 and Complete University Guide 2019).

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.

Programmes

BSc (Hons)
Psychology C802
MA (Hons)
Psychology & Business CN81
Psychology & Economics C281
Psychology & Linguistics CQ61

You may also be interested in

Cognitive Science (Humanities)
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Linguistics
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Philosophy & Psychology
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Sociology & Psychology
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Accreditation

The four-year BSc Psychology (C802) 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 university abroad. You can devise your study abroad with our Year Abroad advisers and with advice from your Personal Tutor and Edinburgh Global.

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 32).

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).

Year by year...

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 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 3
To support your research work, you will complete further specialist courses in research methods and statistics, and practice qualitative as well as quantitative research methods. You will choose advanced courses in psychology, expanding upon andcombining the core areas required for British Psychological Society accreditation, and complete research work in small groups.

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.

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

Stephen Jones
Psychology graduate

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Standard entry requirement:
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AAA to ABB
IB 34 points (grades 766 at HL) to 38 points (grades 655 at HL).
Minimum entry requirement:
SQA Highers ABB by end of S6, with a minimum of BBB achieved in one year of S4-5.
A Levels AAB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

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Programmes

MA (Hons)
Russian Studies RT00
Russian Studies & Classics RQ78
Russian Studies & English Language QK37
Russian Studies & English Literature RQ73
Russian Studies & History RJ71
Russian Studies & History of Art RJ73
Russian Studies & Linguistics RQ71
Russian Studies & Philosophy RK75
Russian Studies & Politics RQ72
Russian Studies & Scandinavian Studies RR76
Russian Studies & Social Policy RL74
Russian Studies & Spanish RR74

Why choose Russian Studies at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 4th in the UK and 19th in the world for modern languages in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018.

We are unique in Scotland in offering both single and joint honours language programmes which all take four years to complete, including a year abroad. If you’re studying two languages, you’ll divide your time abroad between countries relevant to each language, further building your skills and experience.

We’re the oldest Russian teaching organisation in Scotland. From our annual Russian play to a range of student societies for Russian speakers and cultural enthusiasts, our close-knit community has lots going on. The Princess Dashkova Russian Centre runs a fantastic series of public events, including lectures and film screenings, and we have good links with the Scotland-Russia Forum.

Introducing Russian Studies

Spoken by millions of people in Europe, Central Asia and beyond, Russian is the language of some of the most iconic literary and cultural works in history. Study with us and you’ll learn the language while exploring its social, cultural and political contexts, including through literature and film.

We welcome both beginners and students with previous knowledge of the language. You’ll engage with a broad range of subjects in Years 1 and 2 then specialise thereafter, choosing options ranging from The Great Russian Novel, to The Post-Soviet Word, and Image and Memory. You’ll take advanced language classes, including spoken Russian and translation.

You’ll be based at the heart of the University in a world-leading festival city bustling with cinemas, theatres, galleries, libraries and collections. These include outstanding Russian-language holdings in the University’s Main Library and the National Library of Scotland.

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

You will spend Year 3 of your programme abroad. 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

After a period of political, social and economic transformation, Russia is playing an increasingly important role in global politics and, as the world’s largest country, has its fifth most widely spoken language.

Opportunities for Russian-speaking graduates, both at home and abroad, are many, varied and steadily expanding. They include business, journalism, culture, defence, publishing, translation and law. Our graduates will have the intellectual strength and flexibility that so many employers prize in high-level humanities graduates.

Your year abroad will be of particular benefit in developing the key skills you’ll need to thrive after graduation.

Having developed enhanced research skills during your time with us, especially in Year 4, you may also choose to continue studying at postgraduate level.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at
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“Edinburgh stood out to me for its friendly and intimate community in Russian studies. I also found the idea of a broader approach interesting and have taken an option in Persian.”

Thomas Nameley
3rd year MA (Hons) Russian Studies & English literature

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. You’ll also take courses from other subject areas to broaden the scope of your study.

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, Russian literature, theatre, languages and medieval culture. You’ll also take courses from other subject areas to broaden the scope of your study.

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 Ulan-sutu, and an exchange with a Russian Language Schools in St Petersburg, Moscow or Riga.

Year 4
In your final year you will take Russian language classes – Prose and Poetry 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, or 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.
Scandinavian Studies

Why choose Scandinavian Studies at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 4th in the UK and 19th in the world for modern languages in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018. Offering 16 languages and a wide range of joint programmes, we’re passionate about enabling choice and broadening minds through flexible, four-year study of languages and cultures from around the globe.

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

We are also unique in Scotland in offering both single and joint honours language programmes which all take four years to complete, including a year abroad.

Introducing Scandinavian Studies

Scandinavian languages and cultures are rapidly expanding in popularity, with television, film and literature, in particular, attracting global critical acclaim.

Study with us and you’ll learn modern Danish, Swedish or Norwegian in the context of Scandinavian culture, past and present, engaging with a broad range of subjects in Years 1 and 2, then specialising thereafter.

You do not need a previous knowledge of any of the languages, as all classes are taught from beginners’ level. Our staff, most of whom are native speakers, are experienced in the accelerated teaching of language skills to ensure that you make good progress.

You’ll be based at the heart of the University in a world-leading festival city with excellent cultural and research links to the Nordic nations, a thriving Scandinavian scene, and fantastic libraries, language learning facilities, and collections. There’s lots going on in Scandinavian studies, and in the wider area of European languages and cultures, from a creative writing magazine to film screenings and student-led plays.

Programmes

MA (Hons) Scandinavian Studies (Danish, Norwegian, Swedish) R600
Scandinavian Studies & Classics QR89
Scandinavian Studies & English Language QR38
Scandinavian Studies & English Literature QR06
Scandinavian Studies & History RV61
Scandinavian Studies & Linguistics RQ61
Scandinavian Studies & Philosophy RV65
Scandinavian Studies & Politics RL62
Scandinavian Studies & Social Policy RL64
Scandinavian Studies & Spanish RR94

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A Levels AA to ABB.
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Minimum entry requirement:
SQA Highers ABB by end of S6, with a minimum of BBB achieved in one year of S4-6.
A Levels ABB.
IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Please note
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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 A: Vikings, Sagas and the Road to Enlightenment; Scandinavian Civilization & 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. You’ll also take courses from other subject areas to broaden the scope of your study.

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. You’ll also take courses from other subject areas to broaden the scope of your study.

Year 3
You will spend Year 3 abroad, studying or working in Denmark, Norway or Sweden. You’ll spend Year 3 of your programme abroad. The costs of studying abroad vary according to the destination: capital cities are more expensive than provincial towns. A number of Erasmus+ 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 from UK universities specialising in the Scandinavian languages, there are excellent opportunities for those who do learn Danish, Norwegian or Swedish. This is particularly true since speakers of one language are widely understood in all Scandinavian countries.

Our graduates are to be found in every kind of career, especially those that place a premium on well-honed communication skills and thinking that is both disciplined and imaginative, or where the skills and experiences you will develop during your Year Abroad are highly valued. There are excellent opportunities in areas such as translation, journalism, tourism, the cultural sector, international relations, industry and marketing, including within the institutions of the European Union (both Swedish and Danish are official working languages of the EU).

There are also opportunities to continue studying at postgraduate level, with Year 4 in particular developing the research skills you’ll need if you choose this path.

Study abroad

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

You will spend Year 3 of your programme abroad. The costs of studying abroad vary according to the destination: capital cities are more expensive than provincial towns. A number of Erasmus+ 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.

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“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.”

Gabriela Liphardt
3rd year MA (Hons) Scandinavian Studies & Politics
Scottish Ethnology

Why choose Scottish Ethnology at the University of Edinburgh?

We are the only institution in the world to offer undergraduate Scottish Ethnology programmes. You’ll be taught by experts who are immersed in Scottish culture beyond the classroom, meeting active tradition-bearers, visiting museums, and taking part in events involving present day customs in various parts of Scotland.

You’ll have access to an unrivalled range of resources in the School of Scottish Studies Archives. These resources offer tremendous opportunities for studying Scotland’s cultural heritage. The collections include some 33,000 audio recordings, a photographic archive containing thousands of images from the 1930s onwards, films and videos, and a manuscript archive. We also have strong links with Bòd na Gàidhlig, the National Library of Scotland and the National Museum of Scotland.

Introducing Scottish Ethnology

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? The study of ethnology is common to universities across Europe but our undergraduate Scottish Ethnology programmes are unique. They provide a fascinating insight into the traditional and popular culture of Scotland, while giving you a set of skills that you can apply to any culture.

Our programmes draw on Scotland’s diversity (urban and rural, Lowland and Highland, Scots and Gaelic), but also introduce comparative materials from elsewhere. We put folklore and folklife in a Scottish and international context, examining the various ways in which a modern European nation expresses itself through its customs, beliefs, social organisation, language, music and song.

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 in the workplace for the skills they have gained in research, analysis, communication and presentation, as well as a strong understanding of culture and society.

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 give you the edge in careers across different sectors.

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.

There are also opportunities to continue studying at postgraduate level, with Year 4 in particular developing the research skills you’ll need if you choose this path.

Programmes

MA (Hons)
Scottish Ethnology V910
Scottish Ethnology & Archaeology VV94
Scottish Ethnology & Celtic VQ95
Scottish Ethnology & English Language VQ83
Scottish Ethnology & English Literature VQ83
Scottish Ethnology & Scandinavian Studies V986
Scottish Ethnology & Scottish History VV92

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Minimum entry requirement:
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“...the programme is providing me with transferable skills which speak to me on a personal level. Every opportunity to explore ideas further is satisfying, as it gives further depth to a vast pool of knowledge that I would never have tapped into otherwise.”

Rosanna Tye
4th year MA (Honours) Scottish Ethnology

Statue of Greyfriars Bobby, Edinburgh

Your career

Year by year...

Year 1
You will study Scottish cultural history, heritage, cultural expression and representation. Courses also look at literature, music and visual arts and how these are linked to Scottish identity. You’ll also take courses from other subject areas to broaden the scope of your study.

Year 2
You will study oral and visual representations of Scotland through music, song, art, photography and film and you will receive practical training in ethnographic fieldwork techniques and ethics. You’ll also take courses from other subject areas to broaden the scope of your study.

Year 3
You will choose from a range of specialist options such as Ethnological Fieldwork Methods, Traditional Narrative, Cultural Revivalism, Traditional Song, Scotland and Heritage, and Traditional Drama.

Year 4
You will undertake a dissertation and choose from options such as Custom, Belief and Community, Scottish Emigrant Traditions, The Supernatural World, Material Culture in Scotland, and Traditional Music.
Scottish Studies

Why choose Scottish Studies at the University of Edinburgh?

The capital city of Scotland, a UNESCO World Heritage Site and the seat of the Scottish Parliament, is the ideal place to study the nation from a variety of perspectives in a highly flexible programme.

You'll engage with a wide range of disciplines across the University, drawing on its links with Scotland's key political, cultural and historical institutions.

You'll graduate with a wide range of key skills in research, analysis, communication and presentation, as well as a strong understanding of culture and society.

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?

Our MA (Hons) Scottish Studies programme is interdisciplinary, drawing on arts, humanities and social science approaches to the study of the nation from a variety of perspectives. Based within Celtic and Scottish Studies in the School of Literatures, Languages & Cultures, you'll be encouraged to engage with a range of subject areas across the University that share a common interest in the study of Scotland, for example by drawing on courses from Celtic, history, politics, sociology and archaeology, and combining these with a focus on ethnology, heritage, the creative arts and cultural expression.

You will study Scottish cultural history and tradition and discover how literature, music and visual arts have helped to shape Scottish identity. You'll also consider the complex relationship between culture and politics, and draw parallels with other countries to place Scotland in its wider international context.

You'll have access to an unrivalled range of resources in the School of Scottish Studies Archives. These resources offer tremendous opportunities for studying Scotland's cultural heritage. The collections include some 33,000 audio recordings, a photographic archive containing thousands of images from the 1930s onwards, films and videos, and a manuscript archive.

We have strong links with Bòrd na Gàidhlig, the National Library of Scotland, National Museum of Scotland, and National Archives of Scotland, and a great relationship with student societies interested in Scotland and Scottish culture.

Study abroad

There are opportunities to study abroad in Year 3 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 close 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.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/55

Relaxing in the Meadows

“...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

3rd year MA (Hons) Scottish Studies

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, embark on your dissertation 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.
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 2018.

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, medical 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, development, geography, law, linguistics, Persian, politics, social policy or sociology.

Additional costs

Fieldwork may be required, depending on your choice of dissertation topic. There may be some additional costs associated with this fieldwork. You can apply for funding to assist with this.

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.
Social Policy

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Standard entry requirement:
SQA Highers: AAA to AABBB.
A Levels: ABB.
IB: 40 points (grades 766 at HL) to 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Minimum entry requirement:
SQA Highers: ABBB by end of 5th, with a minimum of BBB achieved in one year of 54-56.
A Levels: ABB.
IB: 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Please note This indicates the overall standard required to consider you for entry. The standard entry requirement range and minimum entry requirement are explained on page 9. 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/22

Programmes

MA (Hons) Government, Policy & Society L330
Government, Policy & Society with Quantitative Methods L331
Social Policy & Economics L141
Social Policy & Law L143
Social Policy & Politics L142
Social Policy & Sociology L143
Social Policy with Quantitative Methods 414H

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/22

Why choose Social Policy at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked in the top 10 universities in Europe for social policy in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018.

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 longer-term changes in how societies work - whether at local, national, European or global levels.

Social policy programmes

You will develop an in-depth understanding of current societal issues by looking at how social policies are constructed and contested. You will consider the history, aims and effectiveness of different government policies and you will compare different models of welfare provision around the world, looking at the impact of trends such as population ageing, globalisation and immigration.

Social policy is ideally suited to students who are interested in contemporary social and political issues and who enjoy thinking critically about the structures, institutions and problems that shape our lives. It offers ideal training for a career in government, charities, think tanks and pressure groups, among others.

Government, Policy & Society

This programme teaches you about the economic, political and societial dimensions of important policy areas such as labour markets, health and welfare. You will also learn how politicians make decisions and what influences their decision-making. This programme allows you to engage with the most pressing issues currently facing our societies and prepares you for key roles in government, the third sector and beyond.

You will continue to take social policy courses, which will equip you with analytical skills you’ll use in your further years of study.

Joint honours

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

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.

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

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Government, Policy & Society/
Social Policy with Quantitative Methods (QM)

Studying these programmes could 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 includes 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.

“Edinburgh is home to Scotland’s devolved parliament, countless influential think tanks, and third sector organisations. This allows students to witness agenda setting, policy formulation, implementation and evaluation first-hand.”
Kevin Forrest
3rd year MA [Hons] Government, Policy & Society

By 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 Making 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 family policy, labour market policies, 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.
Social Work

Why choose Social Work at the University of Edinburgh?

We were 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, along with 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 provider of social work training for social workers in 1918 and we are well recognised as a leading provider of 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 context and complexity of social work practice and will undertake two assessed practice placements, each based in different settings.

Social services are provided to children, adults and 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.

Programmes

BSc (Hons)
Social Work L500

Accreditation
Our BSc [Hons] Social Work is accredited by the Scottish Social Services Council: 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. While many of our graduates stay working in Scotland, your professional qualification will allow you to work elsewhere in the UK and in many countries internationally.

Graduates 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, including in major organisations in the third sector, and international aid and humanitarian organisations.

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 graduates also choose to continue with their studies or go on into research.

Year by year...

Year 1
You will study the roots of social work and the milestones in the field’s development. You will also study social policy and will be able to choose a range of option courses.

Year 2
You will study the policy and legal frameworks of social work and the course Working and Relating: Developing Your People Skills, plus two option courses of your choice. You will be required to undertake either paid or voluntary relevant work experience as part of the Working and Relating: Developing Your People Skills course. This experience also acts to inform discussions regarding your progression into honours years, which is based on academic achievement, professional registration and confirmation of your continued interest in social work.

Year 3
You will study the courses: Social Work in Communities; Social Work with Individuals and Families; Working with Self and Others: Skills, Theories and Methods; Understanding Care and Control; and Professional Practice in Social Work 1 (including a 70-day placement). A 10-day observational placement takes place towards the end of semester 1.

Year 4
You will study: Working with Risk, Trust and Complexity, and Professional Practice in Social Work 2 (including a 95-day placement). You will also undertake an 8,000-word dissertation.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/20

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

Shauna O’Neill
4th-year BSc [Hons] Social Work

Social Work...
Why choose Sociology at the University of Edinburgh?

We’re ranked in the world’s top 25 universities for sociology, and 8th in Europe, in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018.

Our commitment to teaching and student support is demonstrated in the winners and nominations we have achieved over the years at the Edinburgh University Students’ Association Teaching Awards.

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 international 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.

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

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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 19th in the world for modern languages in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018.

We are unique in Scotland in offering both single and joint honours language programmes, which all take four years to complete, including a year abroad. If you're studying two languages, you'll divide your time abroad between countries relevant to each language, further building your skills and experience.

International culture flourishes here, with a thriving Centre for Contemporary Latin American Studies, numerous Hispanic student societies, a creative writing magazine for European languages, and an annual, student-led Spanish play. Our in-house Centro de Língua Portuguesa is sponsored by the Instituto Camões, and we have very close links with local schools, the Spanish Consulate in Edinburgh and the Exteque Basque Institute.

Introducing Spanish, Portuguese & Latin American Studies
The twenty countries where Spanish is an official language, and the nine where Portuguese is spoken, have fascinatingly rich and varied cultures. Studying one or both languages with us is your gateway to an extraordinary range of literature, film and theatre from around the world, explored in its historical context, from medieval to contemporary times.

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 Spanish language and Hispanic culture, from Catalonia to Argentina and from Latin American indigenous film-making to linguistics.

Portuguese
Portuguese is one of the world's most important languages, spoken in Europe, South America, and Africa. Your studies will encompass learning about the culture of the Portuguese-speaking world, in particular, Brazil, Lusophone Africa and Portugal.

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 (Autònoma), Córdoba, Extremadura, Madrid (Complutense and Autònoma), Salamanca, Seville, Granada, Alcañiz de Huesca, Málaga, Valladolid, Buenos Aires (San Andrés), Chile (Pontificia Universidad Católica), México (Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México), Puebla (Universidad de las Américas), São Paulo (UEFP), Rio de Janeiro (Pontificia Universidad Católica), Coimbra, and Lisbon.

Additional costs
You will be required to purchase the primary texts for your studies. During your year abroad in Year 3, associated travel and maintenance costs must be budgeted for. These 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. It is possible to take both Spanish and Portuguese (in all four years). You also take courses from other subject areas to broaden the scope of your study.

Career opportunities
The Spanish and Portuguese languages are both among the ten most widely spoken in the world and are your gateway to a great many countries and cultures, extending beyond Europe to Latin America and parts of Africa.

Some of our graduates choose career paths in translation, interpreting, teaching or business, both at home and abroad. Others go on to work within the public or third sector, including for international charities or institutions of the European Union (both Spanish and Portuguese are official working languages of the EU), or move into the creative industries, tourism and travel. Employers increasingly value the excellent communication skills that come with language learning, the intercultural and critical awareness provided by international experiences, and imaginative thinking. Careers where these skills are particularly useful include marketing, politics and policy work, and law. There are also opportunities to continue studying at postgraduate level.

Programmes
MA (Hons)
Portuguese R500
Portuguese & English Language RQ53
Portuguese & English Literature RQ43
Portuguese & Linguistics RQ51
Portuguese & Philosophy RV55
Portuguese & Scottish Literature RQ59
Spanish R410
Spanish & Business RN41
Spanish & Classics RQ49
Spanish & English Literature RQ43
Spanish & History RY41
Spanish & History of Art RQ41
Spanish & Linguistics RQ41
Spanish & Philosophy RV45
Spanish & Politics RQ42
Spanish & Portuguese R445

You can take a single honours programme in either Spanish or Portuguese, combine both languages in a joint programme, or study either with one of a wide range of other subjects.

It doesn't matter if you're a complete beginner, you can study either language to degree level with us.

Our staff, many of whom are native speakers, are experienced in the accelerated teaching of language skills. We also offer courses in Catalan and Basque.

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 take a selection of literary texts and film.

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). You also take courses from other subject areas to broaden the scope of your study.

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. All students also take courses from other subject areas. This will broaden the scope of your study.

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-speaking history, literature and culture. You will also complete your dissertation or long essay.

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

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

Alba Méndez
3rd year MA (Hons) Spanish & Portuguese
Why choose Sport at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked in the world’s top 20 universities for sports-related subjects in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018.

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 – Applied Sport Science and Sport & Recreation Management. You will benefit from our excellent facilities and state-of-the-art research equipment, joining a dedicated, close-knit community of researchers and academics.

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.

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.

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.

You will develop an understanding of the influence of social, political, economic and historical factors shaping the provision of sport and the business of sport.

You will have opportunities to conduct research with public, private and voluntary sports providers. Our students have analysed both state and non-state actors’ involvement in delivering sport at local, national and international level. Sociological and historical perspectives of researching and understanding the sports and recreation landscape have been adopted in past student research projects.

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, IMC, the Scotman), governing bodies of sport (for example sportscotland, Scottish Hockey, Joggscotland, basketball Scotland, RFU, SRU, SFA), and local authority trusts, such as Edinburgh Leisure.

Additional costs

You may incur additional costs depending on the programme, the course, type of dissertation 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.

Programmes

BSc (Hons)

Applied Sport Science C510

Sport & Recreation Management N230

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

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Standard entry requirement:

SQA Highers AAAA to ABBB

A Levels ABB

IB 39 points (grades 666 at HL) to 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

Minimum entry requirement:

SQA Highers ABBB by end of S6, with a minimum of BBB achieved in one year of S4-S6.

A Levels ABB

IB 34 points (grades 655 at HL).

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Year by year...

Year 1

Applied Sport Science

You will study the key disciplines of sport and exercise science and select from a broad range of option courses available from across the university.

Sport & Recreation Management

You will study the key disciplines of sport and exercise science and select from a broad range of option courses available from across the university.

Year 2

As Year 1 but with the addition of research methods and information skills training.

Year 3

The key sport and exercise science disciplines continue plus research methods training and research project work. You will start to specialise with performance sport or physical activity for health options, such as Applied Sport Science; Sports Nutrition; Physical Activity, Exercise, Fitness & Health; Psychology of Physical Activity; and Workplace Attachment.

Year 4

You will study two of the four key sport science disciplines and two options. Options include Sport & Exercise Medicine; Exercise Prescription for Rehabilitation; and Research Attachment. You will also complete an honours dissertation in sport or physical activity for health.

Year 3

Sport & Recreation Management

You will study Sport Management, which covers principles of management, governance of sport, human resources, organisational behaviour and team management. Trends in sport participation and provision, policies and practices of sport in the public, commercial and voluntary sectors are evaluated through case studies. In Sport and Society you will study contemporary social and cultural issues in sport, including key ideas in the sociology of sport and the history and development of sport. Courses offered elsewhere in the University are available as options.

Year 4

You will take Operations Management and Marketing, Sponsorship and Event Management. You will undertake a six-week, research-based placement within a sports organisation. You will develop skills in presentations, report writing, and use of case study approaches, and develop an understanding of how management works in the real world of sport. Options are again available from across the University.

“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

4th year 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 analyses that are crucial for sustainable development. There are also opportunities (but no obligation) to study science courses if you wish.

Introducing Sustainable Development

Sustainable development refers to the challenges of reducing global inequality and improving wellbeing, while reducing threats to 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 research, management, education, development, campaigning and non-governmental organisation work, national, international, and local government, environmental auditing, corporate social responsibility and risk management. This programme will also provide you with the skills needed for careers in any fields which take social science graduates.
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 2018. 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. You will have study abroad opportunities during the summer and in Year 3 (see study abroad section below).

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 are 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, our courses offer a wide range of religious traditions, including Christianity, Judaism, Islam, Buddhism, Hinduism, African indigenous religions 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 theology and religious studies 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 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.

Programmes

MA (Hons) Divinity & Classics VQ68 Philosophy & Theology VQ56 Religious Studies VQ22 Religious Studies & English Literature VQ63 Religious Studies & Scottish Literature VQ63 Theology VQ65 MDiv (Hons) – 3 years Divinity – Graduate Entry V630 BD (Hons) Divinity V600

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at 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 may 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 after 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 may continue to take advanced level courses, and also write a supervised dissertation on a subject of your choice.

Philosophy & Theology

Year 1 & 2

You will study courses in philosophy and choose further courses from theology and ethics, biblical studies, history of Christianity, and religious studies. You can 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 religious studies courses, covering a range of religious traditions and approaches, 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 history, politics, social anthropology, social policy and sociology as combined options, or courses from other University subject areas.

Year 2

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

Year 2

You will choose further advanced courses in philosophy and theology, and will complete a dissertation on a subject of your choice.

“...I fell in love with the programme, which is progressive, inclusive and wide ranging. I think four-year programmes are brilliant, truly allowing for breadth and depth within a subject.”

Ellie Ashton

1st year MA (Hons) Religious Studies

Religious Studies & English/Scottish Literature (continued)

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

Year 1 & 2

You will choose courses from biblical studies, the 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, the history of Christianity, religious studies and theology and ethics. You will also write a supervised dissertation on a subject of your choice.
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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Undergraduate medicine admissions:
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Tel +44 (0)131 242 6407
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www.ed.ac.uk/medicine-vet-medicine

Undergraduate veterinary admissions:
Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies
Easter Bush Veterinary Campus
Roslin EH25 9RG, UK
Tel +44 (0)131 650 6178
Email vetug@ed.ac.uk
www.ed.ac.uk/vet

Undergraduate agriculture admissions:
Easter Bush Campus
Midlothian EH25 9RG, UK
Tel +44 (0)131 651 7305
Email globalagriculture@ed.ac.uk
www.ed.ac.uk/global-agriculture-food-security

Illustration shows the Roslin Institute at the University’s Easter Bush campus.

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 2019 and The Times 2018 veterinary subject league tables.

Medicine is ranked in the UK top 10 by both the Complete University Guide 2019 and the Guardian University Guide 2019 league tables.
Agriculture Science

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.

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 agri-tech innovation centres, with a network of more than 100 industry partners.

Introducing Agricultural Science

There is a shortage of highly skilled leaders in sustainable farming practices. 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.

Did you know?

We’ve invested £35 million in our Global Academy of Agriculture & Food Security to enhance our education, training, research, innovation and consultancy.

Teaching

We offer four programmes: Agricultural Economics; Animal Science; Crop & Soil Science; and Global Agriculture & Food Security. These programmes introduce key components of agricultural science to all students in Years 1 and 2 and providing a solid foundation for progression onto your specialism pathway for Years 3 and 4. You must select a pathway on application, however transfers between specialisms can be made up until the end of Year 2. Major contributions to courses from research-active staff ensure you will be aware of, and involved in, topical research throughout your programme.

Placements

In Year 3 you will undertake a core work placement in an area relevant to agri-food systems. There is scope to undertake additional work placements outside your studies and our staff will help you explore opportunities that match your interests and career aspirations. Work placements can incur additional costs.

Study abroad

You may take your work placement and your dissertation project either internationally or in the UK. You are expected to meet any associated costs, which will vary according to your preferred location.

Additional costs

You will require compulsory protective clothing (at £50), locker deposits (£15) and will incur travel costs getting to Easter Bush campus. Using public transport from the city centre will cost around £500 a year, which we will proportionally subsidise in line with your year of study. Some Year 3 work placements and your final project may incur further accommodation and travel costs. For international students, please note your immigration application may include a healthcare surcharge of around £300 a year.

Scholarships

A range of scholarship opportunities is available to both UK and international students. Please check online for further information.

Career opportunities

Graduates will be in high demand from groups aiming to drive change and organisations leading the sustainable food debate. 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 advisers for either government or inter-governmental departments or agencies;
• non-governmental organisations, as science advisers or research managers for agri-food (planetary health / international development) aid-related charities;
• 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 Economics D401
Agricultural Science (Animal Science) D402
Agricultural Science (Crop & Soil Science) D403
Agricultural Science (Global Agriculture & Food Security) D404

For more information about the University of Edinburgh Undergraduate Guide 2020 entry, please visit www.ed.ac.uk/ug/64
At a glance

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Study abroad Yes

Advice for applicants

Standard entry requirement:
SQA Highers AAB to ABBB.
A Levels AAB to ABB.
IB 36 points (grades 66 at HL) to 32 points (grades 65 at HL).

Minimum entry requirement:
SQA Highers ABBB.
A Levels ABB.
IB 32 points (grades 65 at HL).

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

Please note This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The standard in requirement range and minimum entry requirement are explained on page 9. Full, detailed entry requirements, including specific subjects you need, vary by programme. Please check the full details before you apply: www.ed.ac.uk/ug/1

Programmes

BSc (Hons)
Anatomy & Development C183
Biomedical Sciences C190
Infectious Diseases C590
Neuroscience L140
Pharmacology R210
Reproductive Biology C142

You may also be interested in

Biological Sciences Page 118
Why choose Medical Sciences at the University of Edinburgh?

You will join a multidisciplinary programme that provides the knowledge, skills and personal and professional development appropriate for graduate entry to medicine, medical research or a career in one of the many healthcare or healthcare-related professions.

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 core material in biomedical sciences, medical sociology and anthropology 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.

Programmes

BSc (Hons) Medical Sciences B100

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 University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT) 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 normally be able to transfer to the MBChB programme during their studies.

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 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

At a glance

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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants

Standard entry requirement:
SQA Highers AAAAB.
A Levels 32 points (grades 65 at HL).
Minimum entry requirement:
SQA Highers ABBB.
A Levels 36 points (grades 65 at HL).
Second-year entry:
SQA Advanced Highers AAA.
A Levels AAB.
IB 36 points (grades 66 at HL).
IB A Levels points (grades 65 at HL).
IB A Levels ABB.

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Programmes

BSc (Hons) Medical Sciences B100

You may also be interested in Biomedical Sciences

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Medical Sciences

The University of Edinburgh Undergraduate Guide 2020 entry

“Subjects are so varied and tailored to my interests that I have no hesitation getting as involved as I can in my work. There is a great working ethos in the University, which is a great drive to do and be your best.”

Bethany Shell
3rd year BSc [Hons] Medical Sciences
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**Study abroad?**

- EdinburghMBChB
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**Advice for applicants**

**Standard entry requirement:**

- SQA Advanced Highers* BB.
- SQA Highers AA/AAB/AABB.
- A Levels AAA.
- IB 37 points (grades 766 at HL).

**Minimum entry requirement:**

- SQA Advanced Highers* CC.
- SQA Highers AA/AABB.
- A Levels AAB.
- IB 36 points (grades 666 at HL).

**Graduate requirements:**

A 2:1 honours degree plus BIBB by end of S5 or BBB at A Level in upper sixth.

**Additional requirements:**

- A University Clinical Aptitude Test (UCAT).

The selection process will involve an interview for shortlisted candidates. You are also advised to check online for important Fitness to Practise and Health clearance check information before you apply.

**Please note**

- This indicates the overall standard required to consider you for entry.
- The standard entry requirement and minimum entry requirements are explained on page 9.
- 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/40

*SQA Advanced Highers are not a requirement for consideration but are recommended in order to be competitive.

**Programmes**

**MBChB (6 years)**

Medicine A100

**Why choose Medicine at the University of Edinburgh?**

We’re ranked in the UK top 10 for medicine by both the Complete University Guide 2019 and the Guardian University Guide 2019.

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 BMedSci (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 and to meet the standards of good medical practice as laid out by the General Medical Council (GMC).

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 as part of their medical training and our programme embeds this research year into the training of all of our medical cohort. Many students will either present or publish their research findings, which is beneficial to their future career and our graduates typically perform well in entrance exams for the Royal Colleges of Physicians and Surgeons. You will choose from a range of more than 20 third year honours programmes that cover biomedical and clinical science as well as the medical humanities. These include diverse disciplines such as neuroscience, immunology, global health, anthropology and sociology of medicine and health sciences, which has surgical, medical and primary care streams.

At the end of the programme 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 lead innovation in all fields of medicine from general practice to hospital-based specialties or public health. Progression directly from Years 2 to 4 is possible but will only be considered in special circumstances, such as graduates embarking on prior research experience.

The MBChB curriculum content is designed to meet the GMC’s outcomes for graduates. These will be achieved as you progress through your courses and attachments, based on the human experience, activity and behaviour, from biomedical sciences to clinical practice within GP practices and hospital attachments in Edinburgh and across south east Scotland. By the end of the programme, you will be well equipped for a career in academic medicine, general practice or hospital medicine.

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 be assigned a Clinical Tutor Associate each month, a doctor in training who will offer you individual tuition tailored to your educational needs.

**Place**

Exposure to the clinical environment and patient care is a feature throughout the programme and our graduates typically perform well in entrance exams for the Royal Colleges of Physicians and Surgeons. You will choose from a range of more than 20 third year honours programmes that cover biomedical and clinical science as well as the medical humanities. These include diverse disciplines such as neuroscience, immunology, global health, anthropology and sociology of medicine and health sciences, which has surgical, medical and primary care streams.

**Place**

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 be assigned a Clinical Tutor Associate each month, a doctor in training who will offer you individual tuition tailored to your educational needs.

**Accreditation**

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

**Medical Licensing Assessment**

The GMC will introduce a Medical Licensing Assessment (MLA) in 2022. To obtain registration with a licence to practise medicine in the UK you will need to pass both parts of the MLA, which is usually undertaken overseas.

**Career opportunities**

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

Further information is available online.

**Year by year…**

**Year 1**

You will choose courses that introduce the scientific, sociological and behavioural principles of medicine and place them in the context of patient care. Areas covered will include anatomy, surgery, infection, safe prescribing, knowledge of clinical practice and research and evidence-based medicine.

**Year 2**

You will develop your practical, research and clinical skills, including history-taking and examination. You will develop your skills in homeostasis in the body, health promotion, global health and nutrition, statistical reasoning and medical informatics. You will work in small groups, taking part in clinical projects and spending time in general practice.

**Year 3**

All students enter an honours programme to obtain a Bachelor of Medical Sciences 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 as 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 trainee 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.

**Student abroad**

You will have the opportunity to study abroad for a maximum of 6 weeks in Year 6.

**Additional costs**

You will incur travel costs, both to our main teaching location a 20-minute bus ride from central Edinburgh and to your clinical placements. An annual student ticket from Lothian Buses costs £525.

We provide a travel subsidy of more than £900 per student over the course of the programme. Other financial support is available. You are also expected to purchase a stethoscope in Year 4 of the programme. Scrubs will be provided.

**Further information**

Further information is available online.
Oral Health Sciences

Introduction

Why choose Oral Health Sciences at the University of Edinburgh?

You will have the opportunity to explore aspects of oral health sciences through increased clinical time and the completion of a dissertation in Year 4. 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 oral health sciences programme leads to a dual qualification in dental hygiene and dental therapy. It combines dental science with research, exploring the prevention and treatment of oral disease in both adults and children. Dental hygiene therapists are an integral part of the dental team and belong to the group of Dental Care Professionals.

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, simulated clinical cases 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.

Placements/Observations

You will be given the opportunity of working and observing in a number of different areas of dentistry. These include oral surgery, dental laboratory, general anaesthesia sessions and areas within the oral health improvement teams. In Year 4 you will attend dental outreach centres in the public dental service.

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.
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 2019 and The Times 2018 veterinary subject league tables. We are 5th in the world in the Shanghai Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2018 and 8th in the world in the QS World University Ranking by Subject 2018.

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 (EAEEV) 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 modern advances. Our outstanding facilities are world class.

The School incorporates the Roslin Institute, one of the best in the world for research and development.

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 BVM&S 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 BVM&S is the equivalent of the North American Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM), with the same standing worldwide.

At a glance

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Study abroad? No
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Contact Admissions

Advice for applicants

Standard entry requirement:
For D100:
Q&A Advanced Highers BB, Q&A Highers AAAAB,
A Levels AAA, IB 38 points (grades 666 at HL).
Minimum entry requirement: Please see detailed information at:
www.ed.ac.uk/vet/admissions
For D102:
A 2:1 BSc (Hons) degree or equivalent in a biological or animal science related subject.

Additional requirements:
A Work Experience Summary (WES) and Practise information before you apply.

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 £560 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 £3000 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 BVM&S. For exceptional candidates, there are also opportunities to study a one-year research MSc or intercalated three-year PhDs. 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 BVM&S (or if you already hold a BSc).

Can I work while I study?

The BVM&S 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.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at
www.ed.ac.uk/ugj/41

Lewis Steer
4th year BVM&S Veterinary Medicine

Year by year...

5-year programme (September start)
Year 1: The Animal Body 1 & 2; Professional & Clinical Skills; Animal Life & Food Safety 1.
Year 2: The Animal Body 3 & 4; Professional & Clinical Skills 2; Animal Life & Food Safety 2; Student research component (Foundation Skills).
Year 3: Professional & Clinical Skills 3; Clinical Foundation Course; Veterinary Pathology; Integrated Clinical Course: Cat and Dog.
Year 4: Integrated Clinical Courses in Farm Animal, Equine and Exotics; Veterinary Public Health, Professional & Clinical Skills 4.
Year 5: Final year rotations (selected and core); Student research component.

4-year Graduate Entry Programme (GEP) (August start)
Year 1: Professional & Clinical Skills (GEP), The Animal Body (GEP), Animal Life & Food Safety (GEP).
Year 2: Professional & Clinical Skills 3; Clinical Foundation Course; Veterinary Pathology; Integrated Clinical Course: Cat and Dog.
Year 3: Integrated Clinical Courses in Farm Animal, Equine and Exotics; Veterinary Public Health, Professional & Clinical Skills 4.
Year 4: Final year rotations (selected and core); Student research component.

“I knew the programme was one of the best in the world and would set me up for a successful career. The facilities are world class.”

Lewis Steer
4th year BVM&S Veterinary Medicine
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 3,400 staff and more than 10,000 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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122 Computer Science (Informatics)
124 Earth Sciences
126 Ecological & Environmental Sciences
128 Engineering
130 Geography
132 Mathematics
134 Physics & Astronomy

Illustration shows the Sanderson Building at the University’s King’s Buildings campus.
Why choose Biological Sciences at the University of Edinburgh?

We are ranked 5th in the UK and in the world's top 25 universities for biological sciences in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018.

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.

Please apply for only one of the programmes in this group. You should also choose a subject specialisation on your application so we can appoint you to a Personal Tutor within the field where your interests currently lie. If you have no subject specialisation preference at this stage, choose Biological Sciences (C100). If you are interested in Biological Sciences with Management (C1N1) please put this choice on your application to ensure you are enrolled on the relevant compulsory business courses. Regardless of application choice, you will have the flexibility to change programmes within Biological Sciences provided the required courses have been passed.

Placements

Work experience opportunities are possible during holiday periods. You will be able to arrange these yourself or with the help of the University’s Careers Service. Some students can apply for a placement of up to 12 months between Years 3 and 4. Students who accept a year-long placement will take an extra term of studies for Year 4. Year-long placements are independent from your University studies and do not contribute towards your final classification. Please also be aware that there are restrictions for some students due to visa requirements. Advice for international students can be provided by our Student Immigration Service.

Study abroad

There are opportunities to study abroad on a student exchange.

Additional costs

You may incur additional costs of up to £150 for each year of your programme for purchasing books or other compulsory study material. Additional costs will be incurred for field or residential courses. You may choose to take more than one of these courses. All 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.

Career opportunities

The analytical and scientific skills you will gain will equip you for a variety of careers. The core skills which you will 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 career paths.

You may also be interested in

Biomedical Sciences

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Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at

www.ed.ac.uk/ug/63

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“Getting taught by lecturers who were carrying out their own research and would allow you to work alongside them was a dream come true to me.”

Brenda Mionki
1st year BSc (Hons) Biological Sciences (Biochemistry)
Why choose Chemistry at the University of Edinburgh?

All our chemistry programmes are accredited by the Royal Society of Chemistry, and our chemical physics programmes are accredited by both the Royal Society of Chemistry and the Institute of Physics. You will have the opportunity to take an academic year-long research placement at a university in Asia, Europe or the US or a year-long industrial research placement, if you are studying an MChem or MChemPhys. You will have the opportunity to combine chemistry with other wide range of other disciplines in Years 1 and 2.

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, making you attractive to employers in many areas of industry and commerce.

The School of Chemistry has an enthusiastic and committed staff team that provides a supportive learning environment and a flexible approach to study.

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.

Study abroad

Overseas study in Europe, North America or Asia can be included as part of our MChem or MChemPhys programmes. This would form the final year of your programme and includes significant research project work.

Opportunities for study abroad currently include most European countries, the US and several countries in Asia. Students hoping to study in Europe may need to select an appropriate language course as an option in Year 1 or 2, for which a secondary/senior school level language qualification is desirable.

Additional costs

You will require a white lab coat which cost £15 in 2018. In addition, you must also purchase three core textbooks in Year 1, which cost £125 in 2018. 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.

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.

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Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at
www.ed.ac.uk/ug/3
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. We offer a wide range of courses that allow you to learn about topics such as robotics, language processing, computer security, interface design, operating systems, or computer models of the brain.

Our strong links with industry can help you find exciting internships, and our ties to University and national research centres offer opportunities to get involved in 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, and cognitive science, and in informatics, which includes all of these disciplines.

Studying at the University of Edinburgh’s School of Informatics will provide you with a good foundation in computer science and will offer a new perspective on ways that computational thinking can be applied to different settings.

You will develop a solid scientific understanding, and the practical skills required to analyse, design, implement and maintain computer-based systems in any setting. Our MInf programme allows you to study up to masters level as an undergraduate. You will take advanced courses, study subjects in depth and choose from a broad range of topics.

Artificial Intelligence

Artificial Intelligence (AI) is the attempt to build artificial systems that have intelligent behaviour. There are two main directions of research. One is to understand natural intelligence by the use of computer models. The other provides techniques and technology for building systems capable of intelligent decisions and actions. Thus AI is both a science and an engineering discipline. Applications of AI range from ‘smart’ controllers for household devices to computers that can converse in English, play games, conduct intelligent web searches or act as the brain of a robot.

Cognitive science

Cognitive science is the study of the mind and how it works to solve everyday tasks such as visual processing, reasoning, memory, problem-solving, language and communication. This programme focuses on both behavioural and computational aspects of cognitive science, giving you the opportunity to learn a range of skills and to explore different ways of studying the mind, from experiments with human participants to building computer simulations.

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.
Earth Sciences

Why choose Earth Sciences at the University of Edinburgh?

We’re ranked in the UK’s top 25 universities for Earth and marine sciences in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018. You will join a community of the largest group of Earth scientists in Europe. This not only feeds into what we teach but will also 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 the life to present-day surface and environmental processes and the impact of global climate change.

The five-year MEarthSci programme follows BSc Geology until the end of Year 4. In Year 5 you will develop your analytical skills and a higher level of understanding of the Earth system.

Geology & Physical Geography

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 & Physical Geography 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. You will use a wide range of facilities in the lab and in the field, such as gravity meters, magnetometers, seismic/electromagnetic prospecting equipment and various meteorological sensors. 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 take the form of short or vacation internships, which you can arrange yourself or with the help of the University’s Careers Service.

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, geocorrection, science communication and education, and engineering. We also have a professional advisory board that provides support on employability skills.

Programmes

BSc (Hons) Geology


Additional costs

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Environmental Geoscience

Can man coexist with nature? This question is at the heart of our BSc (Hons) Environmental Geoscience programme. You will explore the Earth’s environments and the processes that maintain and modify its surface, including man’s impact on atmospheric, terrestrial and marine geological cycles.

Geology

Understanding the formation and evolution of Planet Earth, how it has changed over billions of years and predicting what it will be like in the future is at the core of our geology programmes. You will develop and apply key scientific and transferrable skills to answer fundamental questions in earth science.

Programme entry requirements

SQA Highers AAAAA to ABBB by end of S5. A Levels AAA to ABB. IB 37 to 32 points (grades 555 at HL). Minimum entry requirement: SQA Highers ABBB by end of S6, with a minimum of BBB achieved in one year of S4-S6. A Levels ABB. IB 32 points (grades 555 at HL).

Second-year entry:

SQA Advanced Highers AAAA to ABB. A Levels A’W to A.

Please note

This indicates the overall standard required to consider you for entry. The standard entry requirement range and minimum entry requirement are explained on page 9, 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/7.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/7

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Kyle Laing

BSc (Hons) Geology & Physical Geography graduate.

Year by year...

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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.

Year 3

Your studies will focus on your chosen branch of Earth sciences with specified courses. You will also carry out independent fieldwork projects and have the opportunity to take part in field trips, including residential courses that have previously taken place in north-west Scotland and Spain. For students studying environmental geoscience, there has typically been a two-week residential field trip to Iaraca focusing on terrestrial and marine processes of environmental/ecological importance.

Year 4

You will continue with your specialised studies through compulsory and option Earth sciences courses. Fieldwork possibilities may include residential trips to Cyprus, Germany or France, or within the UK, depending upon your programme. In addition, you will complete your honours dissertation work with individual supervision. On programmes with a professional placement, you will spend Year 4 working in industry or with a professional organisation.

Year 5 (MEarthSci/MEarthPhys only)

You will complete high-level courses and a dissertation in a subject area of your choice. The MEarthSci programme incorporates an additional element of student-led fieldwork, which currently takes place in Iceland. All of our integrated master’s programmes provide you with the opportunity to advance your research skills and gain a deeper understanding of your subject.

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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 world’s top 25 universities for Earth and marine sciences in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018. 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 or 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.

Through field studies and taught courses you will discover and test methods used in ecological and environmental analysis. Later in the programme you will explore topics such as water resource management, land use, environmental pollution and environmental modelling. You will be taught by staff involved in high-level research in these subject areas.

You will have the opportunity to undertake research projects, including an independent research project in Year 4 and complete field and laboratory assignments, including at least three week-long field trips in Scotland.

Ecological & Environmental Sciences with Management

You can combine your study of ecological and environmental sciences with the study of management. In addition to the above, you will study management courses from the Business School and the School of Economics, as well as from Schools across the College of Science & Engineering. This programme is particularly relevant to those seeking careers in policymaking, consultancy or in the management of natural resources.

Year by year...

Year 1

You will be introduced to fundamental aspects of ecology through compulsory courses on the diversity of life and Biology, Ecology and Environment, introducing the organisation of ecological communities and the influence of the environment on living organisms. You will also take a mathematical course. 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 start your second year with a nine-day field course (Field Ecology), which runs immediately after the end of the second semester of Year 1. During the year you will also study the compulsory courses Principles of Ecology, Soil, Water and Atmospheric Processes, and Ecological & Environmental Analysis. You can choose other courses, as in Year 1, from throughout the options offered at Edinburgh. In the past, students have chosen courses such as Animal Biology, The Green Planet, Oceanography and Environmental Chemistry.

Year 3

You will start the year with a week-long summer field course, which is currently held in the Scottish Highlands. You will continue with compulsory ecology courses, including Ecological Measurement and Population and Community Ecology. You will also choose at least one of the courses Natural Resource Management or Environmental Pollution. In addition, you will select two courses from other programmes. In the past, students have studied courses such as Animal Diversity & Evolution, Behavioural Ecology, Evolution & Ecology of Plants, Geochmestry, and Quaternary Environmental Change. Alternatively, there are opportunities to spend Year 3 abroad through one of the University’s exchange programmes.

Year 4

You will continue to study compulsory ecology courses, including a week-long summer residential field trip, currently held in the Scottish region of Argyll, and choose from a wide selection of option courses, learning at the cutting edge of various ecological and environmental disciplines. You will study Professional Skills in Ecological and Environmental Sciences and Critical Thinking in Ecological and Environmental Sciences. You will also complete a specialised honours dissertation, with individual supervision. Most students do outdoor field data collection as part of their project and many travel abroad.

Additional costs

Due to the support of our generous alumni community, all travel and accommodation costs associated with compulsory field trips will be waived from 2019. All our programmes involve a significant element of field study and we are pleased to be able to support our students as they learn practical and highly prized skills.

Career opportunities

Our programmes are particularly relevant if you are interested in working for an ecological consultancy or conservation organisation but also prepare you for careers in the forestry and water industries. Graduates have also gone on to work for government agencies, providing policy advice, or have entered teaching, finance or management. Many use the University’s research contacts to gain experience in their area of interest before starting work or continuing with their studies.

You may also be interested in Biological Sciences

Programmes

BSc (Hons) Ecological & Environmental Sciences CF17 Ecological & Environmental Sciences with Management CN12

You can also consider BSc (Hons) Environmental Science CN12, BSc (Hons) Geology CG32, BSc (Hons) Chemistry CH32, BSc (Hons) Oceanography CO42 and BSc (Hons) Geographical Science CG21.

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Study abroad Yes

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/2

At a glance

The programme provides fieldwork, with projects in nearby Braidburn Valley Park. We independently designed and completed our own projects. This provided valuable experience designing projects and collecting data.

Rhiana Shearer
In her Year BSc [Hons] Ecological & Environmental Sciences
Why choose Engineering at the University of Edinburgh?

All our programmes are accredited by their relevant professional institution. Our engineering disciplines have an Industrial Advisory Board, which ensures that our programmes meet the current needs of industry.

Engineering is a vibrant and diverse subject. Whether tackling the global challenge of climate change or developing new medical devices, we will equip you with the skills to help solve society’s most pressing problems.

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.

Specially 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 be eligible for a Chartered Engineer (CEng) [see “Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/11”].

Our programmes are internationally recognised and enable you to achieve professional recognition as a Chartered Engineer (CEng) through the Royal Academy of Engineering.

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 & Fire Safety Engineering, and Structural Engineering with Architecture, a compulsory surveying field trip in Year 2 costs around £250.

Scholarships

UK students on our electronics and electrical engineering programmes are eligible for a number of industrially 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.

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 – from skyscrapers and bridges to transport links and safe drinking water: explore, design, construct and operate the built environment that surrounds us.

• 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.

Programmes

BEng (Hons) / MEng (Hons) – 5 years

Chemical Engineering HB00/H804
Civil Engineering HD33/HD34
Electrical & Mechanical Engineering HX36/HX66
Electronics & Computer Science GH00/GCHK
Electronics & Electrical Engineering HX60/H601
Engineering H100 (for either BEng or MEng)
Mechanical Engineering HX35/H303
Structural & Fire Safety Engineering HX21/HX1F
Structural Engineering with Architecture HX21/HX2X.

For the benefits of studying here
Geography

Why choose Geography at the University of Edinburgh?

We're ranked in the world's top 15 universities for geography in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018.

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 or humanities subject you will learn about the relationships between people and their social, cultural, political and economic worlds.

In both cases, the relationship between the human and physical environments is recognised to be important, and both BSc and MA students may choose human geography or physical geography options or a combination of both.

Study abroad

You will have the opportunity to study the European exchange programme Erasmus+ in Year 3 or to study in Canada, the US, Australia or New Zealand.

Additional costs

Due to the support of our generous alumni community, all travel and accommodation costs associated with compulsory field trips will be waived from 2018. All our programmes involve a significant element of field study and we are pleased to be able to support our students as they learn practical and highly prized skills.

Career opportunities

Studying geography at Edinburgh prepares you for a range of careers, including scientific and humanities research, planning, surveying, environmental consultancy, conservation, energy, teaching, non-governmental organisation work and geospatial data analysis.

A significant number of graduates also move on to careers such as finance, marketing and law, or go on to further postgraduate study and research.

Programmes

BSc (Hons) Geography F800

MA (Hons) Geography L700

Geography & Archaeology LV74

Geography & Economics LL71

Geography & Politics LL72

Geography & Social Anthropology LL76

Geography & Social Policy LV74

Geography & Sociology LL73

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/8

Year by year...

Year 1

Your programme begins with a broad grounding across geographical topics focusing on global economic, social and environmental problems and change. On MA (Hons) Geography (L700) and BSc (Hons) Geography (F800) you will participate in a field trip to the Scottish Highlands, training you in geographical methods and offering opportunities to begin getting to know geography staff and students.

You can also choose courses from other academic areas. On the BSc you will target courses that expand your scientific grounding while on the MA you will often focus on humanities. The range of courses offered gives you a chance to try something new.

Year 2

You will study at least two, but up to four, of Economic & Political Geography, Global Change, Social & Cultural Geography, and Geomorphology. On the BSc you will also take part in two UK-based field trips. As in Year 1 you will have flexibility in your option choices.

Year 3

You will focus on the aspects of geography that interest you the most. Field trips are an important component of your learning in Year 3, with Greece, South Africa and Wales among recent destinations. You will also choose option courses from either, or both, of human and physical geography. Courses in geographical research skills and research design lead you through the process of planning independent research for your dissertation in Year 4 and teach important transferable skills.

Year 4

A large focus will be on your dissertation, an independent, original piece of geographical research in your chosen specialist field. You will also take additional geography courses, including options in physical or human geography that can include fieldwork. Fieldwork opportunities, subject to demand, include Iceland, the Western Isles of Scotland, Germany, and the Scottish Highlands. A final compulsory course will summarise the breadth and value of geographical research as well as its practical applications to your future career.
Mathematics

Why choose Mathematics at the University of Edinburgh?
We’re ranked in the UK’s top 10 universities for maths in the Complete University Guide 2019 by Subject, and the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2018.

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 MathsHub 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 climate change – 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. The majority of our content is taught through lectures and small group teaching sessions, called workshops. We actively encourage collaborative working on our programmes.

Mathematics programmes
• BSc (Hons) Mathematics allows you to tailor your studies to fit your interests. You can also specialise in applied mathematics or statistics.
  • For the MA, you will also study arts subjects in Years 1 and 2.
  • We offer joint honours options that allow you to study mathematics with biology, physics, computer science, music, business, management, economics, or philosophy.
  • The MMath adds an extra year of masters-level study to the end of the programme. This is designed for those who want to study in more depth, or who intend to use advanced mathematics in their careers or research.

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 a 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.

Accreditation
Our BSc (Hons) Mathematics & Statistics programme is accredited by the Royal Statistical Society.

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 Erasmus+ or University-wide exchange programmes. Our students have recently completed placements in California, Sydney and Vancouver.

Scholarships
Scholarships are available to full-time undergraduates studying at the School of Mathematics. Scholarships are offered to students of outstanding ability for the duration of their studies, subject to satisfactory academic progress each year. Please check the School of Mathematics’ website for further information.

Careers 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. Graduates also go on to further study, pursuing MSc and PhD programmes in mathematics or related subjects.

Our alumni engage with students by participating in our annual Careers Showcase, which highlights the opportunities taken up by Edinburgh mathematics graduates.

Programmes
BSc (Hons)
• Applied Mathematics G120
• Mathematics G100
• Mathematics & Biology B642
• Mathematics & Business G311
• Mathematics & Music G613
• Mathematics & Physics G131
• Mathematics & Statistics G313
• Mathematics with Management G1N2

MA (Hons)
• Mathematics G102
• MMath (5 years)
• Applied Mathematics G321
• Mathematics G101

You may also be interested in
Economics & Mathematics Pages 36

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/6
Physics & Astronomy

Why choose Physics & Astronomy at the University of Edinburgh?
We’re ranked 4th in the UK in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2019 for Subject for physical sciences (which includes physics and astronomy).

Final-year projects are frequently hosted at our world-class research facilities. These currently include the ARCHER supercomputing service: a 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.

All our single honours programmes are accredited by the Institute of Physics.

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.

Astrophysics
Astrophysics introduces you to the basics of physics and demonstrates how this knowledge can be applied to the physics of astronomy. Recent astronomical discoveries have made it an increasingly popular area of study. We have close links with the Royal Observatory, Edinburgh, one of the UK’s major centres of astronomical research.

Computational physics
This physics-based programme is for students interested in computing, modelling and simulation. You will study programming, algorithms and problem-solving methodologies.

Accreditation
All our programmes are accredited by the Institute of Physics.

Further information and programme-specific entry requirements at www.ed.ac.uk/ug/4

Programmes
BSc (Hons)
Astrophysics F510
Computational Physics F342
Mathematical Physics F326
Physics F300
Physics with Meteorology* F304
Theoretical Physics F302

MPhys – 5 years
Astrophysics F361
Computational Physics F355
Mathematical Physics F325
Physics F301
Physics with Meteorology* W23
Physics with a Year Abroad W254
Theoretical Physics F306

*This programme is currently under review. Please check online for the latest information about this programme before you apply.

At a glance
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Study abroad? Yes

Advice for applicants
Standard entry requirement:
SQA Highers AAAA to AAAAA.
A Levels AAA to ABB.
IB 37 points (grades 666 at HL) to 32 points (grades 655 at HL).

Minimum entry requirement:
SQA Highers ABBB by end of S6, with a minimum of BBB achieved in one year of SQA Highers.
A Levels ABB.
IB 32 points (grades 655 at HL).

Second-year entry:
SQA Advanced Highers AAA.
A Levels A*AA.
IB 38 points (grades 766-666 at HL).

Please note This indicates the overall standards required to consider you for entry. The standard entry requirement range and minimum entry requirement are explained on page 9. 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

Year by year…

Year 1
You will complete a number of introductory physics and maths courses. Maths 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 physical applications. On some programmes you will take further compulsory courses relating to your field of study, such as further mathematics courses if you are studying mathematical physics. On most programmes you will be able to choose one or two courses from other academic areas.

Theoretical physics
This programme gives a good general overview of the physics courses covering Fourier analysis, probability and statistics, a computing course on numerical algorithms, and an introduction to research methods. Physics students will have access to an experimental laboratory and astrophysics students will be introduced to practical astronomy. Computational physics students will take a computing course, and theoretical and mathematical physics students take further mathematics courses.

Year 2
You 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. Mathematical physics students will be offered specialist mathematics courses. On most programmes you are able to choose one or two courses from other academic 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, a computing course on numerical algorithms, and an introduction to research methods. Physics students will have access to an experimental laboratory and astrophysics students will be introduced to practical astronomy. Computational physics students take a computing course, and theoretical and mathematical physics students take further mathematics courses.

Year 4
Two final compulsory courses cover relativity, nuclear and particle physics and condensed matter physics. Astrophysics students will take compulsory courses in astrophysics and cosmology. In addition, you will have a choice of a number of optional courses covering topics ranging from atmospheric dynamics to macromolecular physics to general relativity. You will also take part in project work.

Year 5 (MPhys only)
A substantial amount of the year is based on project work, which you will typically complete in one of our research groups. You will also take a number of advanced courses.

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“I know I can achieve anything I put my mind to, especially with the support of tutors and teaching staff. Being at Edinburgh helps me feel that there are no limits to what I can do.”

Ozioma Kamalu
4th year BSc (Hons) Astrophysics
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 a vibrant and thriving city; a place of fascinating historical significance and a bustling political and cultural hub. Not only do I love the city, but the University’s reputation, nationally and globally, precedes it.”

Jack Liddall
MA (Hons) History & Politics
“I am often surprised by the beauty of this city – I love its architecture, landmarks and beautiful skies! It feels like a real privilege to live here.”

Eleanor Williams
MA (Hons) Psychology

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21 September
Saturday
5 October
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Named the UK’s second best student city, and seventh in Europe, in the QS Best Student Cities 2018.

See what student life is like in Edinburgh
www.ed.ac.uk/undergraduate/student-life
The benefits of studying at the University of Edinburgh

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 neuron disease and breast cancer; and innovative work to tackle climate change.

My story:
Tabitha James
MA (Hons) Ancient & Medieval History

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 transferrable skills I can take into my career.

“Edinburgh is one of the top campuses that we target for recruitment. If you are looking for a university that will give you the skills and experiences to have a successful career, then Edinburgh is a good place to start.”

Procter & Gamble

The four-year experience

Our 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 148) 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 149), 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 we offer five-year, undergraduate, MChem, MChemPhys, MPhysSci, 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 wi-fi 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 more than 2 million printed volumes, and provide access to almost 700,000 electronic journal titles, 100,000 e-journals, 700 licensed databases and more than 66,000 streaming videos.
• 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.
• Free laptop loans are available from our libraries. There is almost 100 per cent wi-fi coverage in our buildings.
• The Learn virtual learning environment (VLE) makes lecture notes, course materials, assignments, grades and feedback available online. An increasing number of lectures are recorded and available to review.
• MyEd provides quick and easy online access to resources and services, such as email, timetables, the Learn VLE, your course results, library resources, links to news and more.
• We have one of the UK’s largest and most diverse teaching environments. Using the latest IT and audio visual technology, we pioneer interactive learning, flipped classroom and group study provision.
• Our Main Library offers night owls and early risers 24-hour computing.
• You can develop study, employability and digital skills with our range of library and classroom-based courses and workshops and access to a comprehensive collection of professional online 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 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.

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 Wellcome 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 the Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies, which was established in 1823.
• A £32 million development at our Easter Bush campus to create a European centre of excellence in animal services and food security.

The benefits of studying at the University of Edinburgh

www.ed.ac.uk/undergraduate/facilities
We offer more than 1,400 international opportunities worldwide.

Edinburgh has been a leader in international student exchanges since its foundation. We offer outstanding opportunities, with more than 360 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.

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 Support

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 a further 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 new 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 your behalf to ensure students have the best possible experience at University. Their Advice Place offers free, impartial and confidential academic and welfare advice and their Peer Learning & Support programmes connect you with more experienced student mentors in your subject area.

My story: Emily Lynch

MA (Hons) History of Art

Emily’s support network at the University includes her friends, the Student Disability Service and her Personal Tutor.

I chose Edinburgh because I wanted to study in an environment completely different to what I was used to. Having grown up in London, I wanted to experience somewhere less overwhelming and less anonymous. Edinburgh has this incredible lively, friendly vibe, that I am yet to find elsewhere, while being a smaller city where everything is within walking distance. There are moments when you are home sick or it’s pouring with rain and you’re a bit grumpy, but I still get moments of disbelief that I am yet to find elsewhere. I am completely different to what I wanted to study in an environment and got an insight into their culture and beliefs.

I go straight to my Personal Tutor or the disability service if it’s a problem academically, that way I get the best possible advice and quick solutions! My personal tutor is like my university mum. She is always on hand if I have any problems, whether academic or social. Having someone that knew my course at what it required but also got to know me personally was so important when it came to settling in and understanding how university works. Having a great relationship with your Personal Tutor makes you feel a lot less overwhelmed.

**“Having a great relationship with your Personal Tutor makes you feel a lot less overwhelmed.”**

A world of destinations

Erasmus+ exchanges

Austria | Belgium | Czech Republic | Denmark | Estonia | Finland | France | Germany | Greece | Hungary | Iceland | Ireland | Italy | Lithuania | Malta | Netherlands | Norway | Poland | Portugal | Romania | Spain | Sweden | Turkey

International exchanges

Argentina | Australia | Brazil | China | Hong Kong | India | Japan | Malaysia | Mexico | New Zealand | Russia | Singapore | South Korea | Switzerland | Thailand | United States

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 an 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.

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: There are non-credit bearing options; 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.

Where?

Last year more than 410 students studied at one of our international partner universities in countries as diverse as Australia, Canada, the US, Mexico, Singapore and South Korea. With the support of the European Commission, through the framework of the Erasmus+ Programme, more than 600 students studied or worked in Europe. This was either with our Erasmus+ exchange partners or through the Erasmus+ Traineeship Programme. In addition, more than 350 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.

Please note: We will keep updated information for Erasmus+ applicants, about the impact of the UK’s decision to leave the EU on our participation in the programme, available online: www.ed.ac.uk/erasmus EU

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.
The benefits of studying at the University of Edinburgh

We awarded more than £10 million in 2017/18 in undergraduate financial support. Edinburgh ranks in the UK’s top 35 most cost-effective student cities.*

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 for this award.

Scotland Scholarships
These are awarded to undergraduates who receive a Young Students’ Bursary or an Independent Students’ Bursary from SAAS. The scholarship awards up to £3,000 a year and is paid in addition to your SAAS bursary. You will automatically be considered for this award.

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.

Merit-based scholarships
University Scholarships award up to £1,000 a year for students of physics, engineering, mathematics and mathematics. Many are sponsored by companies that also offer work placements.

The Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies provides two scholarships of £5,000 a year for overseas applicants on an eligible BVMS full-time programme.

DHL UK Foundation provides 15 awards of £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 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.

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 2019/20 was set at £9,250. Increases are subject to government guidance and regulation and will normally reflect the impact 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 £18,330 (Northern Ireland) or £25,000 (England and Wales).

Students from the rest of the EU – Tuition fee charges for 2020/21 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/news/eu

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 £8,500–£11,000 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.studentfinancewales.co.uk
• Students from Northern Ireland: www.studentfinanceni.co.uk

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My story:
Anais Banag
LLB (Hons) Law
Before joining the University, Anais used widening participation events to learn what life would be like here.

“I was given the opportunity to visit the University and talk to students. I was able to learn about the University’s Equal Access Programme for Schools. This piqued my interest in the University and helped me set a goal in mind. I began to attend events organised by Pathways and the University’s widening participation team. I was able to interact with students, learn about the University and facilities, and visit the law library. These events allowed me to form a better picture of what life would be like at the University. The staff and students were friendly. They made me feel welcome but also realistic and honest. By the time it came to choosing universities, my heart was already set on Edinburgh. I had developed relationships with students and staff members by attending the regular events. The University was familiar to me and I felt welcomed by the student body.”

Anais’ tips for getting on at university:

• Socialise as much as you can. You will meet all kinds of wonderful people. Many will be different and this will broaden your viewpoints and cultural knowledge.

• At the same time, do not crumble under pressure. Remember who you are.

• University work should not come secondary to socialising. Find the right balance.

• Find the right work schedule for you. For example, I work best at night. Find what works best for you.

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“I attended lots of Open Days and chose the University of Edinburgh due to the friendliness of the staff and students I met and because of the flexibility offered by the programme structure. Receiving a scholarship has been of great benefit as it covers my travel costs so I can live at home and really focus on my studies.”

Blair Fleming
MA (Hons) International Business

*Student living index 2018

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A home away from home

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, Braid House, Haddington Place, Murano, Shrubhill, and Salisbury Court.

Our accommodation*

01 Beaverbank
02 Blackfriars Street
03 Braid House
04 Bridge House
05 College Wynd
06 Darnoch Court
07 East Newington Place
08 Fraser Court
09 Haddington Place
10 Hermit’s Court
11 Kincaid’s Court
12 Murano
13 New Arthur Place
14 Pollock Halls (catered)
15 Riego Street
16 Robertson’s Close
17 Salisbury Court
18 Sciennes
19 Shrubhill
20 South Clerk Street
21 Warrender Park Crescent
22 Warrender Park Road

* 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:

23 Central Area/George Square: Most of our schools are located in the city centre.
24 Edinburgh College of Art (ECA): The ECA main building is close to George Square.
25 New College (School of Divinity): This striking city landmark overlooks Princes Street.
26 Holyrood (Moray House School of Education & Sport): Close to the Royal Mile and the Scottish Parliament.
27 The King’s Buildings: Most science and engineering subjects are taught here, a ten-minute bus ride from the city centre.
28 Edinburgh Bioquarter/Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh/Medical School: Four miles from the city centre.
29 Easter Bush/Roslin Institute/ Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies: Six miles south of the Central Area.

See what life is like in University accommodation.

Watch our video:

www.ed.ac.uk/undergraduate/accommodation

www.ed.ac.uk/maps

My story: Elizabeth Lund

MA (Hons) Scandinavian Studies & History

American student Elizabeth chose to live somewhere she could escape to switch off from university life.

I live in Shrubhill accommodation on Leith Walk. It has a double bed and an en-suite, which I totally recommend if it’s within your means. A lot of people question why I got accommodation further away but for me it’s better to compartmentalise where I live and where I study. It’s easier for my brain to shut off at night!

I was worried about being homesick but finding friends and ways to occupy your time really helps you focus on the life you’re living now instead of the one you had. It can be hard to fit in at first but people here are so friendly. They are literally from all over the world – I’ve met someone from all six inhabited continents at Edinburgh – and from all walks of life. You learn a lot outside the classroom about where people are from and their home cultures.

I can’t even begin to describe how it feels to wake up in such a beautiful city and surrounded by people from so many different cultures.
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Promoting physical activity
Our Active Lives programme helps you get, and keep, active by offering one-to-one support, beginners’ groups and advice for a healthy active life that suits your interests.

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.

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 10 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 Euro Hockey tournament in 2018.

Students and members of the public can access the nationally renowned Fitness Assessment and Sports Injury Centre (FASC). There you will 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.

Take a virtual tour:
www.ed.ac.uk/sport/virtual-tours

See why we are one of the UK’s leading universities for sport.
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“I chose Edinburgh because of the great balance I was afforded here with regard to my sporting and academic life.”
Che Richards
LLB (Hons) Law and French
2017 BUCS indoor long jump champion

“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

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, practice and trips, with opportunities to compete and/or participate in sport on most days of the week. If more recreational sporting involvement is your preference, we run Scotland’s largest intemural 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 ground 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 Scottish Football Association-approved football arena, complete with spectator stand, floodlights and training area.

Adventure sports
In addition to adrenaline sports clubs, we have Firbush Outdoor Centre located on the stunning banks of Loch Tay 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.

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Edinburgh University Students’ Association

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. Their facilities include a world-class centre for student activities at the iconic Pleasance complex, which includes dance studios, a multipurpose performance space, TV and radio production studios and a café and bar.

The Students’ Association is led by five elected students (sabbatical officers) and maintains a Student Council, which will work on your behalf and represent across the University, students’, LGBT+, and women’s officers. Students’ Association venues deliver award-winning food and drink and hundreds of events throughout the year; from language cafés to silent discos and from ceilidhs to food fairs.

Teviot Row House, opened in 1889, is the oldest purpose-built students’ union in the world. It sits in the Central Area, next to the unique, domed, Potterrow venue. On the King’s Buildings campus, King’s Buildings House offers shops, study and meeting space, a café and a gym.

For information on the advice and support services offered by our Students’ Association, please see page 149.

Helping shape your career

Six months after graduating, 95 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 13th most targeted university in the UK for 2017/18. The QS World University Rankings 2019 gave us 94/100 for employer reputation.

Careers Service

Our award-winning Careers Service can help you develop your potential and realise your career ambitions. We offer:

- an online careers portal advertising part-time jobs, internships and graduate roles;
- networking opportunities with employers, from top multinationals to local SMEs;
- a comprehensive website with information and advice;
- personalised guidance and help with job searches, applications and interviews;
- access to our worldwide alumni network, both on campus and via Platform One; and
- tailored internships through our Employ.ed programme.

Did you know?

More than 9,900 vacancies were advertised with our Careers Service in 2017/18.

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 first with IAESTE [the International Association for the Exchange of Students for Technical Experience], in Pakistan and the second with the Saltire Scholarship programme [in Scotland].

This self-belief also gave me the confidence to pursue my masters with institutions that I was interested in, meaning I could spend my time in Gothenburg working on biofuel development. When it came to applying for graduate jobs, 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.”
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

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/my-development-hub

The Edinburgh University Students’ Association also offers many opportunities to volunteer: www.eusa.ed.ac.uk/volunteering

Employ.ed – internship and work experience opportunities
Work experience can substantially increase your chance of finding employment and we proactively source quality internship opportunities, exclusively for University of Edinburgh students and recent graduates, such as:

• on-campus summer internships;
• part-time internships for PhD students;
• opportunities with local employers in a range of sectors for students and recent graduates; and
• work shadowing with alumni based locally and globally.

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.

We 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

Edinburgh Innovations – backing your bright ideas
At Edinburgh you will join one of the most entrepreneurial student bodies in the UK. We have a strong enterprise culture to support your ambitions.

Edinburgh Innovations, the University’s commercialisation service, provides comprehensive support for student entrepreneurs.

Over the past two years Edinburgh Innovations has helped students create more than 70 startups, with nearly one in five being social enterprises.

Through our full range of support we have built an enviable record of success for our student entrepreneurs. Services include:
• one-to-one business advice meetings;
• start-up workshops and bootcamps;
• competitions and awards; and
• events and networking opportunities.

This unique offering is free, confidential and available to any Edinburgh student for the duration of their studies and for up to two years after graduation. We aim to help you distinguish yourself in a competitive job market and create real entrepreneurial opportunities: www.edinburgh-innovations.ed.ac.uk

“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

“I’d recommend students get involved with Edinburgh Innovations. 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 Edinburgh Innovations to support the development of his company Krotos Ltd: www.krotosaudio.com

* Times Higher Education, Global Employability University Ranking 2018
Visit us

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. These are student-led tours. 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

Offer Holder Days
In most subjects, if we make you an offer you will usually be invited to an Offer Holder Day. There you will be able to spend time at your prospective school and speak at length with our students and staff.

Open Days in 2019
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Saturday 21 September
Saturday 5 October

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