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UNDERGRADUATE PROSPECTUS
Put Yourself in the Picture
It’s a pleasure to have the opportunity to write a few words to you, as you consider your choice of university. You will, I’m sure, be looking at several universities, differing in important ways – size, location, style of teaching, and so on. It’s a big decision. Of course, I hope you will decide that Abertay is the best university for you!

I thought I might introduce this Prospectus by telling you about what I feel is really special about the University – what attracted me to join as Principal, and what I hope might also appeal to you.

Firstly, we are a small university, on a compact city-centre campus. Most classes are small, and your teachers are accessible. Our award-winning Bernard King Library and the Student Centre, with its social and cultural facilities, are right next to the teaching buildings. There is a real “Abertay family” feel to the campus.

Secondly, we have a particular focus on preparing our students for the world of work, and for the life of learning that you can expect after graduating – university is just the beginning. We do this through our unique approach to studio-based learning, in which our students tackle real-world challenges alongside experienced practitioners and researchers.

This Prospectus is designed to give you a feel for life at Abertay and what we have to offer you. However, the best way to find out more about us is to talk to our students and staff. I warmly invite you to visit us at any time and see for yourself the qualities that drew me to Abertay, and which I hope will make Abertay your choice.

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Abertay at a glance

Founded in
1888
4500
number of students

Overseas
Northern
Ireland
England
Europe
Scotland

56% males
44% females

on average
one lecturer for
every 21 students

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<td>World’s first degree in computer games technology, and ethical hacking. Scotland’s first degree in computer arts.</td>
<td>£3 million invested in our IT infrastructure and services enhancing the learning environment for our students. The biggest Playstation Lab in Europe.</td>
<td>Since 1888 we have been involved in educating people with the focus on the world of work and having an impact on both the local and global economy.</td>
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<td>Our compact size means everything you need is close at hand. All the buzz of city centre living, but with Scotland’s great countryside just a short trip away.</td>
<td>Abertay was the first in Scotland to offer fast-track options across all its main subject areas, allowing a full four year honours degree to be completed in three years, giving students the opportunity to enter the jobs market faster and with less student debt.</td>
<td>At Abertay you are more likely to be taught by a world-leading researcher than at any other modern university in Scotland. With 36% of staff submitted in REF2014, a research-led culture underpins our teaching and knowledge exchange.</td>
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Welcome to Abertay

Compact and caring
Abertay is a small, successful university. Enrol with us and you’ll learn with leading academics who know you by name. At Abertay, every student matters.

Professionally relevant
We pride ourselves on our long list of accreditations from professional bodies such as Creative Skillset, the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants, the British Psychological Society and many others.

Employment prospects
Our alumni work for Apple, Google, BBC, Microsoft, Pixar, Rockstar Games, IBM, Coca Cola, Adidas, Nestle, Pay Pal, Nissan, PwC, Sky, NCR, NHS, GSK, BP, Shell, Chevron, TOTAL, SONY and many other companies. They did it, so can you!

Helping you to excel
We want you to be successful, because that makes us successful. Whatever challenges you face, whether academic or personal, our support teams are ready to help with your studies, your finances – almost anything in fact!

Industry links
Abertay’s courses are designed specifically with your career in mind. We work with industry and the professions to design the courses, and to build-in work placement opportunities, business game challenges and other interactions.

International experience
Over 80 countries are represented among our students and staff. By choosing Abertay you choose international exposure that will help you fit into the employment market of the global economy.
Don’t just take our word for it. See what our graduates have to say about the Abertay experience.

I would encourage anyone to study at Abertay because as a university I think it’s one of the best - the staff and lecturers are so helpful and you’ll make friends with a wide range of individuals and create some of the best memories of your life while you’re at it.

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Sarah Middleton  
BA (Hons) Social Sciences  
Scottish Autism

I thoroughly enjoyed the course and would definitely recommend it to anyone who asked about it. Partly for the diversity of the people that were on it but also for the speciality of the course itself - you don’t get many courses with the words ‘ethical’ or ‘hacking’ in them.

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Daniel Mosca  
BSc (Hons) Ethical Hacking  
Lockheed Martin

I would champion Abertay to anyone and I constantly tell colleagues – and anyone who will listen – that Abertay is the best university to come to study. The size of the university and classes allow for a more intimate and personal approach to teaching. It also means you have more contact time with your lecturers and a better learning environment.

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Stuart Milne  
BSc (Hons) Computer Games Technology  
Rare

It feels great to graduate from the same university my dad teaches at, my sister gained her degree and doctorate here as well so it definitely feels like upholding a family tradition! I am now living in the English Midlands working for Rare on a launch title for the Xbox One.

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Toni Gardner  
BA (Hons) Marketing and Business  
Stagecoach

The diverse modules taught throughout my degree programme really prepared me for a job in this challenging field. The university was also able to provide students with the use of commercial, industry-standard forensic tools, which gave me the invaluable experience needed for the job.

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Samantha Comer  
BSc (Hons) Digital Forensics  
Police Scotland

I enrolled at the university on a BSc (Hons) Biomedical Science (Integrated) course and after two years of study, the university gave me the chance to go on NHS laboratory placements, complete my registration portfolio and graduate as a registered Biomedical Scientist, giving me an edge in the job market.

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Mohajeet Balveer Bhukory  
BSc (Hons) Biomedical Science  
PhD Student  
Queens University Belfast
Here at Abertay we believe that the world is your oyster. Study and placements abroad are a fantastic opportunity to get that little bit extra from your degree, make your CV shine and have a great time while you do it. Not convinced? Here are a few facts to show you what a valuable adventure it could be for you.

150 links all over the world

At Abertay we offer:

- Dedicated International Office with staff happy to help you to choose the best options for you and discuss opportunities for work placements with multinational companies
- Wide range of partner universities all over the world to give you opportunities to study abroad
- All of the students who wanted to study abroad were successfully placed with partner institutions

64% Employers think international experience is important for recruitment
64% Employers say graduates with an international background are given greater professional responsibility
92% Employers look for transferable skills developed during study abroad or work abroad time

Employers

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It was great! I made lots of amazing friends from all over the world. I would recommend it to everyone! It is such an opportunity for you in terms of personal gain but also your future career.

Alex Hudekova
Studied in Italy for a year

It was a great experience. I have gained a lot of new skills and put them into practice while working for a real multinational company.

Muhammed Al-Hashamy
Worked for a multinational company in the Netherlands

Honestly, the study abroad opportunity has changed my life for the better and I have become far more adult. Everybody I have spoken to who also did the experience said the exact same thing.

Neil Mills
Studied in Finland for a year

To find out more please contact our International Office:

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You might think you already know about Scotland, its stunning countryside, its vibrant cities and its distinctive culture and cuisine, but think again.

There’s much more to discover about Scotland, especially its strong traditions of education for life and for work. Scotland’s university sector offers unparalleled quality and choice. As well as the highest rates of student satisfaction in teaching quality in all of Britain, Scotland’s universities offer their graduates the highest rate of employment or further study in the whole of the UK.

Abertay maintains these traditions with a range of degrees designed specifically to equip you for success in your chosen career, and providing flexibility and choice throughout your studies with us.

Mo Hu
BA (Hons) Human Resource Management

*When I arrived at Abertay I was very excited. I had wanted to come to the UK ever since I was a little girl. And, although I didn’t know much about the geography of the UK when I applied, I’m really glad I chose to come to Scotland and Dundee.*
“Dundee enjoys, perhaps, the finest location of any Scottish city, spreading along the northern shore of the Firth of Tay.”

Lonely Planet Guide

**UNESCO City of Design**

Dundee is the UK’s first UNESCO City of Design joining a prestigious global club including Berlin, Buenos Aires, Shenzhen and Shanghai, among others, honoured for their contributions to design worldwide.

**Well connected**

Easy to get to and get around, Dundee has great rail, road and air connections with the rest of the UK and an extensive local bus network.

**Plenty to do!**

A wealth of places to eat, an inspiring mix of shops of all sizes, rich in culture with galleries, theatres and cinemas, as well as attractions including Verdant Works, RRS Discovery, Dundee Science Centre, and the Museum of Transport.

**Ideal student destination**

Dundee’s compact size offers plenty of attractions, sports facilities, vibrant nightlife, and friendly people as well as easy access to the beach, river and surrounding countryside.

**Sunshine city**

With its stunning south-facing location on the River Tay, Dundee has more hours of sunshine than any other city in Scotland.

*average 1523 hours per year

**More for your money**

Dundee enjoys a cost of living estimated at 12% lower than the rest of the UK, making your money go that little bit further.
Abertay Student Centre is the heart of our friendly city campus, just yards from the library and main teaching buildings. The Student Centre is much more than just a building, it’s the cultural and social hub of the campus, it is a safe, stimulating environment in which to eat, relax and socialise with friends. Wi-Fi in all areas.

www.abertay.ac.uk/about/facilities/studentcentre/
studentcentre@abertay.ac.uk

New in 2014, the Common Room provides a social space with a difference. Whether you want to study, relax, game or chillout watching TV with friends, our gaming bar has it all. Sofas, gaming consoles, arcade games and a flexible study space, with drinks and snacks on hand.

Aroma is the main coffee shop where you will find a selection of paninis, salads and a sweet treat or two. Aroma has a great seating area, which looks over the library and pedestrianised area. It has a relaxed atmosphere where students and staff can have a quiet break between classes, and relax with friends.

The Campus Shop is also located on the ground floor and is always expanding its range of products so you are sure to find what you need. A wide selection of sandwiches, snacks, frozen food, drinks, newspapers and stationery is available from the shop. The Campus Shop also sells a range of Abertay branded clothing, a little something to remember your time at Abertay. You can also choose to order goods from the online shop and have them delivered as a gift.
The Sports Bar really comes to life in the evening with an atmosphere to rival any bar in Dundee. The Sports Bar has lots to offer every student, with four American pool tables, and a digital jukebox, there is plenty to keep you entertained. We also have, what we think is, the biggest screen in Dundee and three large screen TV's dotted around the bar that show sporting events. So, from football and rugby, to the UFC or the Superbowl, whatever game, match or fight you want to watch, we have it covered.

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Abertay Student Association is an independent body, which is here to make your time studying at Abertay University the best it can be. Abertay SA supports students in a number of ways, from representing you at University as well as at national and international levels. Your involvement with Abertay SA is invaluable as you are the expert in being a student at Abertay. We also support a range of events and activities such as a variety of innovative and exciting Student Societies.

Abertay Students’ Association is led by our eight member Executive Committee. The Committee consists of two full-time paid officers (Sabbaticals) - the President and Vice President - and six part-time, voluntary posts, filled by current students. As a Sabbatical your role includes a level of planning and strategic thinking about the Association’s future and working closely with the University. The part-time officer role enables you to be involved with many of our campaigns, events and projects.

To find out more visit our website: www.uadsa.com
Or find us on facebook: www.facebook.com/UADSA
Or follow us on Twitter: https://twitter.com/UADSA

The Hannah Maclure Centre (HMC) is located on the top floor (level 3) encompassing a gallery and exhibition space, 72 seat cinema and coffee bar. This chilled out space provides students with a chance to indulge in various activities which you can check out at:

www.facebook.com/hannahcentreinfo
Abertay offers comprehensive support to all its students to help you make the most of your time with us.

**Study**

We offer assistance to help you to succeed in your studies. Every course incorporates support to help you to develop how you approach different aspects of degree-level work, such as thinking critically, researching, writing, working in groups and giving presentations. This support is delivered not only by course tutors but also by the Academic Librarians, IT Trainers, Aberty Language Centre tutors and the Student Academic Support advisors.

Help is also offered on an individual basis out of class. The Academic Librarians can meet with you to help you use online research tools more effectively. The Student Academic Support advisors can meet with you to guide you through writing coursework, from understanding your tutor’s instructions through to checking your work before you submit it.

The Aberty Language Centre tutors provide language support seminars during term time for international students who want to improve their written and spoken language skills for academic purposes.

Students are entitled to receive additional support if they require help or assistance in practical or academic matters due to a disability or medical condition. Our Disabled Student Advisor, working with other dyslexia advisors/tutors, can advise on special exam and assessment arrangements, additional funding for equipment and support, and other personal support requirements. The Advisor will also liaise with the academic schools to arrange the most appropriate means of support throughout your time at University. Please indicate on your application form if you have any additional support requirements.

**Money**

For most students, managing their finances is a concern throughout their studies. Our Advisory Service can help you to plan your budget and suggest appropriate steps to help if you face financial difficulties. UK students can also access government funds for childcare costs or if they enter hardship. For more information on student finance, please refer to the further information section at the back of this prospectus.

Our Career Development Centre advertises local part-time job vacancies to help you find work while you are studying. The Centre can also provide advice and guidance with writing CVs and job applications and practicing for interviews. The Centre also organises employer visits and presentations, undertakes psychometric testing and has an information library.

**Managing study and everything else**

The Support Enquiry Zone (SEZ) provides a single ‘one stop shop’ point of initial contact for students who require information, help and advice about any aspect of university life. This can be especially useful if you are not sure where to go or who to ask when you need information or have a problem.

Based on the ground floor of the University Library building, equipped with confidential meeting rooms, our friendly and knowledgeable staff will be able to help you with many types of requests immediately. But if more specialist support is required we will put you in direct contact with a member of staff or team. As well as our weekday opening hours we are also open in the evenings and weekends, and if SEZ doesn’t know the answer, we will know someone who does!

Counselling is an opportunity to discuss and explore issues that concern you, in the company of someone (the counsellor) who offers you a particular time and space to reflect, be heard, and not judged and a place for you to be supported during times of difficulty. If you are not happy with aspects of your life, whilst at University, counselling can support the possibility of change. The counsellor’s approach is to enable and support you to find your own directions in life that suit you as a unique human being. The counselling service is confidential.

The University has an Advisory Service which provides advice and information on a variety of issues pertinent to International and EU students. Advice includes information on immigration, visas and entry clearance, as well as general welfare issues. The Advisory Service coordinates the University’s Orientation programme that includes information on living and working in Scotland, study skills, English for academic purposes and an opportunity to meet new friends. The Advisory Service also works with International students to provide a wide range of social activities ranging from trips to place of interest, film nights, and social events.

To support the orientation process there is a peer mentoring scheme (P2P) to welcome and help settle new students into University life. Coming to university can be an exciting time but can also be daunting as there are lots of new experiences to adjust to. The best people to support new students as they settle into university life are often other students who have faced similar challenges themselves. Being able to talk to an ‘experienced’ student can help make this transition much smoother.

As part of our commitment to student support and as a resource for students and staff of all faiths and none we maintain a Chaplaincy at Abertay. Most Christian denominations and many faiths including Buddhists, Hindus, Jews, Muslims and Sikhs are represented in Dundee and the Chaplaincy team seeks to maintain links between the University and local churches and faith centres. The Chaplaincy team is available for spiritual and pastoral support. Chaplaincy is also a place for meeting, friendship and a social centre where students and staff can meet informally and relax.
Information Technology
Information Services provides a wide range of technologies to support students with their learning.

We have recently invested over £3 million in our IT services and infrastructure which has enhanced the learning environment for our students.

Over 800 modern PCs are available across campus with access to all of the software you need for your course.

Our email service is delivered by Microsoft using Office 365 giving access to cloud based email, calendar and collaboration tools. Students can also install the latest version of Office on all of their devices.

We have fast wireless across campus and in all of our residences. We also have wired connections available in residences.

Print+ is our managed print service with fast multifunctional devices offering print, scan and copy functions in place across campus. You can also print securely from your personal devices over Wi-Fi and from home too.

All of your IT queries are dealt with quickly and effectively by the IS Service Desk, either on the phone or online.

A culture of continuous improvement ensures that our students have one of the best IT platforms of any UK university.

Library and Information Resources
Our multi-award winning library provides long-opening hours and a mix of learning environments including individual study spaces, 300 PCs, fully equipped group study and seminar rooms, a time out area for relaxation and full Wi-Fi coverage making it easy to use laptops, tablets or other mobile devices on any of the four floors.

As well as more traditional ways of using information (a collection of over 126,000 books) we offer an extensive range of online resources, including 32,000 electronic journal titles and 175,000 e-books which can be accessed from any location at any time.

To help you make best use of all these resources our friendly and expert staff are always available for one to one help and advice or you may prefer to come along to one of our regular drop-in sessions if you want some extra help. We also work closely with our academic colleagues to provide training to help you access, evaluate and present information as an integrated component of your course.

https://library.abertay.ac.uk/
When you come to Abertay it is time to start looking at the future. Of course you will want to have a good time - but you will also want to make the most of your time at University. To start with you will need to think about what employers are going to expect from you as a graduate. The next step is to plan how to make sure you become the kind of graduate that will be attractive to these employers. Don't be daunted - there is a lot of support available in the University to help you with this.

A degree is just a start...

There is no doubt that having a degree will open doors to the world of graduate opportunities but now employers are looking for much more than just a degree. To compete effectively you will have to develop real skills and experience during your time at University.

What kind of skills do I need?

Employers are looking for people who stand out from the crowd. They want graduates who have real life skills that can be applied to their organisations. Examples of the most popular skills on employers' shopping lists include:

- Willingness to learn
- Self motivation
- Team work
- Communication skills

Not only do you need these skills, but also and most importantly, you must be able to demonstrate that you have them.

How do you get these skills?

- Studying at Abertay
  While you are at University you will learn many essential skills – how to manage and organise information, communication skills developed through seminars, how to make presentations and feel confident about public speaking, working as part of a team on group projects. All of these skills are reflected in our University Graduate Attributes.

- Part-time work
  A part-time job also offers the chance to develop these skills and to earn some money at the same time! Think about the kinds of job activities you might be doing and try to identify the skills that will be of interest to an employer. For example - working in a call centre will develop your communication skills and your ability to work under pressure. Remember anything you do in the real world of work will be of interest to your future employer. The Career Development Centre can help you find a part-time job.

- Voluntary work
  A few hours a week volunteering for a local organisation will allow you to pick up some more skills – or plug the gap if you feel there are areas needing developing. Volunteering offers a huge range of opportunities from social care through to IT development and project management.

- Relevant work experience
  It is essential to try to gain some experience that ties in with your career plans. Some courses have integrated work placements but if this is not the case for your course then you must try to organise it yourself. There are several organisations that can help you to do this but you must make plans early as there is a lot of competition for these opportunities. The University Career Development Centre can give you all the advice and help you will need to find out information about what is available.

- Being involved
  There are so many opportunities to become involved in University life while you are at Abertay. Joining clubs and student societies gives you another dimension to your student life. Of course many of you will have long-term interests, which will also help in developing these skills.

- Principal’s Award
  The University has developed an employability award, a student development programme that recognises the skills you are developing in all aspects of your University life.
  The Award will help you demonstrate these skills to potential employers, and will give you a record of your work related learning that you can use as evidence in future applications.
  The programme is targeted mainly at 3rd year students. For more information, see the Career Development Centre website.

- HEAR (Higher Education Achievement Record)
  When you graduate from Abertay you will be issued with a HEAR. This is a detailed record of your achievements, both academic and extra-curricular undertaken while you are at University. Your HEAR will be of interest to employers who will be able to see evidence of many of these extra activities that the University will encourage you to get involved in.
Remember employers like graduates who participate!

When should I start thinking about all of this?
It is never too soon to get started. Don’t leave trying to make yourself more employable until your final year. Developing the right kind of skills for the employment area that you are aiming for can take time and careful planning. So start the ball rolling in your first or second year.

Where can I get help?
Our Career Development Centre is staffed by people who are there to help you make decisions about your future career. Take advantage of what they have to offer during your time at Abertay. Help can take the form of:
• CV and interview advice
• Identifying suitable employers
• Job hunting skills
• Access to vacancies and other work experience opportunities

And much more - look at the Career Development Centre’s website to see the range of activities on offer (www.abertay.ac.uk/careers). You can follow us on Facebook to keep up to date with what is on offer.

Many of your lecturers have extensive contacts with employers in your chosen field. Your academic tutor is on hand to talk to you about your future direction, be it employment or further study.

It's up to you!
New technology and changing work patterns in our modern world means the idea of a job for life is a thing of the past. Organisations are much more flexible and graduates therefore have to be more adaptable in managing their own careers. This means that it is increasingly your responsibility to steer your career in the right direction. The opportunities are here at Abertay for you to further develop these essential skills that employers are looking for. But, it is up to you to make the most of these opportunities!

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Coming to University often signals the beginning of a new and exciting chapter in our students’ lives. For many this includes living independently for the first time. Living in student accommodation is a great way to meet new people, make lifelong friends and have fun.

The University’s Halls of Residence offers safe, comfortable accommodation at affordable prices that are all within easy travelling distance of the University. With approx. 700 bed spaces available across 5 separate sites, from single bedsits to multi occupancy flats, there is something to suit everyone’s taste and budget. Our accommodation is self-catering and as standard students have their own secure bedroom (containing a bed, desk, desk chair, drawers and wardrobe) offering the perfect place to study or relax in the privacy of your own bedroom. In each flat you will also typically find a communal living/kitchen area and, depending on your choice of hall, either shared toilet/shower or en-suite facilities (which account for around half of the available rooms). We also offer on-site laundry facilities (independently operated) and free of charge access to the University’s internet service, with Wi-Fi.

Our webpage www.abertay.ac.uk/studentlife/accommodation/ contains the information you require to make an informed decision about which hall is best suited to you. It is designed to take you through the residence application process step by step and contains information such as costs, FAQ’s, hall specific information including location maps and photos, and most importantly information on how to apply. We also have a Facebook (AbertayUniResidences) and a Twitter page (@AbertayAccomm) that we update regularly. Of course the Residence staff are always happy to give advice or answer any questions you may have.

Allocation policy
Priority is given to first entrants and to overseas students new to Abertay University. We also reserve a number of bedspaces for students studying with the University for one semester. Please email residences@abertay.ac.uk if you would like to find out more.

The application process allows students to make the Residence Team aware of any particular requirement or request. You are also required to submit 5 accommodation preferences. Whilst we will make every effort to grant a request and match to a preference, room availability means that this cannot be guaranteed.

Married students or students with partners and families
The University has a limited number of double rooms which are ideal for couples who wish to live in University accommodation for the duration of their studies. The Residences Officers are happy to give advice on finding suitable accommodation in the private sector or in local authority housing for students planning on coming to Dundee with their families.

Students looking for private accommodation can find helpful information on our website.

How to apply for a room in a Residence
Applications can be made via the intranet which is accessible via the University’s website (www.abertay.ac.uk). The webpages contain the information you need in relation to when and how you can apply for accommodation with the University.

Living in private rented flats
Not all students want to live in a halls of residence, so to help those who would rather share a private flat with friends or be on their own, we have a short list of private landlords and letting agents in Dundee on our website as a starting point to finding private accommodation. This list is in no way exhaustive as the private housing market in Dundee is extensive.
As an international student you’ll receive a warm welcome at Abertay. With students and staff from over 80 countries, we are an international, inclusive community who know how to support its students every step of the way.

Your application

We accept a wide range of international qualifications. The full list can be found on our website.

abertay.ac.uk/international

If your qualification is not listed please contact our Student Recruitment Office for more specific information.

sro@abertay.ac.uk

Abertay staff visit countries all over the world - don’t hesitate to contact us to find out when we will be near you. Alternatively, talk to us on Live Chat to get your questions answered without leaving your home.

On arrival

Our International Student Welcome is designed to assist you with the practical aspects of settling into Abertay and life in Dundee.

During this time you will enjoy:

- Edinburgh Airport Meet and Greet
- Introduction to all support services
- Opportunity to meet other international students
- Meeting with your School

If you would like further information or have any questions, please contact the Advisory Team on:

advisory@abertay.ac.uk

Getting settled

As an Abertay student you will have access to all of the support services described in the Prospectus.

Our Student Services will help you with things like:

- Opening a UK bank account
- Finding accommodation
- Meeting new people at social events
- Exploring the beauty of Scotland’s historical and cultural sites during organised excursions

In addition to the above we offer free English language classes to ensure that you can achieve your full academic potential.
Living costs
Apart from paying your fees we recommend you allow approximately £6250 per year to pay for your accommodation, food and other living costs.

Application
For information on how to apply, please refer to page 21.

Working during your studies
You can work without obtaining permission, part-time for up to 20 hours a week during your studies. However, please note that the Immigration Authority will not recognise prospective earnings as proof that you will be able to support yourself during your studies. So you must be able to prove that you can afford to live during the course of your studies without earning income from employment, or any recourse to public funds.

Scholarships
Further information on scholarships can be found on our website.
abertay.ac.uk/international/scholarships/

European Union (EU) Students
The University welcomes applications from students from the European Union at undergraduate or postgraduate level. European students who choose to study in Scotland can apply to have tuition fees paid in the same way as our Scottish students, by the Student Award Agency for Scotland (SAAS).

ERASMUS exchanges
Through the European Union’s ERASMUS programme, the University has exchange agreements with a number of institutions across Europe. Students who are interested in coming to Abertay as part of this programme should apply through their home institution’s ERASMUS Co-ordinator on an ECTS application form.

ERASMUS MUNDUS: IDEAS scholarships
The Erasmus Mundus IDEAS project aims to create partnerships in research and education that will strengthen the ties between Europe and Asia, with a special focus on innovation and design. The project provides scholarships for students at undergraduate, master, doctorate and post-doctoral levels as well as for university staff in academic or administrative positions. The project’s scholarships are available to selected nationals in Asia who want to study or work at one of the European Partner Institutions. See abertay.ac.uk/international/erasmus-mundus/ for eligibility and further information.
All of our courses are taught and examined in English. To make the most of your study with us, you must be able to communicate fluently and accurately in spoken and written English. If your first language is not English you will be required to provide certified proof of your competence in English before starting your studies. Our minimum English level is IELTS 6.0 (no band less than 5.5) or its acceptable equivalent. Details of accepted equivalents can be found on our website.

**English Language Centre**
Here at Abertay Language Centre, we can help you to not only develop and improve your academic English but also your understanding of British university life and the academic skills required to be successful in your degree.

We are accredited by the British Council and our staff are highly qualified and experienced in teaching English for academic purposes.

We can provide both classes and individual appointments, so - if you need it - support is always available.

**Summer Pre-sessional**
This summer course is for international students who wish to improve their English and work on their study skills. This five week course starts in July. The minimum entry requirement is IELTS 5.5. Successful completion of this course will ensure that students meet the language requirement for entry onto Abertay courses.

**Certificate in English for Undergraduate/Postgraduate studies**
This year long course commences each year in September and is aimed at students who want to study in the UK but do not have the necessary English language requirements, or feel that they would like to spend some time familiarising themselves with academic practice and culture in the UK before embarking on their academic studies. The course is designed to develop the necessary academic language skills of reading, writing, speaking and listening to enable the learner to process and understand the type of language they will encounter during their studies. You need a minimum of IELTS 4.5 (with no score below 4.5) for entry in September (two semesters) and IELTS 5.0 (with no score below 4.5) or equivalent for entry in January (one semester).

**English for study**
While you are studying on your degree course, you can take free part-time support classes throughout your first year - up to four hours per week, depending on availability. These classes focus on academic reading, writing, listening and speaking. You may need to take a short English language placement test to find out which class is best for you.

To find out more about our courses or discuss which would be most suitable for you, visit our website or send us an email.

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At Abertay we aim to maximise sporting opportunities for all students. We are committed to supporting and developing sport across all levels of participation in order to enhance the student experience.

What sporting facilities do we have?
The newly refurbished University gym is situated in the Graham Building and has a wide variety of cardiovascular training machines together with free weights and resistance machines. There is also two lifting platforms for those who want to undertake Olympic lifts. Next door to the gym is a studio where a variety of exercise classes are undertaken. In addition to the facilities at the University, Dundee also has some excellent sports facilities as it is home to two professional football clubs, along with top level rugby, swimming and hockey clubs. Students can gain discounted access to many of the facilities across Dundee.

What do we offer?
A range of exercise classes are provided for students throughout the year and include circuits, indoor spin, zumba and aerobics. Another way to get involved in sport here at Abertay is through our sports clubs. There are over 20 clubs run by the Sports Union which range from traditional team sports such as football and rugby through to individual sports such as snowsports and boxing. These sports clubs are members of British Universities and Colleges Sport (BUCS) and compete weekly in BUCS leagues. In order to help improve the performance of our clubs, strength and conditioning and coaching support is provided.

In regards to high performance sport, the University is committed to helping talented athletes achieve their full potential through the Elite Athlete Development Programme. The purpose of the programme is to enable students to perform at the highest level possible by providing them with the skills and expertise necessary to successfully incorporate a heavy load of training and competition whilst undertaking their academic programme. Through the programme, athletes get access to a range of support services such as sport science, strength and conditioning, nutrition and psychology, along with some financial support.

It is hoped that through the various sports programmes outlined above we can continue to develop top class athletes alongside introducing as many students as possible to the benefits that participation in sport and adopting a healthy lifestyle can bring. If you would like more information on any of the sporting activities mentioned above please have a look around our website: http://sport.abertay.ac.uk or like us on Facebook: facebook.com/abertaysport

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Sports Development Officer
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How do I apply to an undergraduate course?
All applications should be made through UCAS (Universities and Colleges Admissions Service), the central admissions service for UK universities. You should make your application online at ucas.com.

When should I apply?
The first closing date for UCAS applications to be guaranteed consideration is 15 January 2016. Although some of our degree programmes may accept applications after this date we cannot guarantee this and advise applying by 15 January.

What is the UCAS code for Abertay?
Our UCAS code is A30 ABTAY. Individual course codes are shown in each course description in this prospectus.

How do I apply to a part-time course?
Applications for part-time courses are made direct to the University using our direct application form. The form is available to download from our website, or from the Student Recruitment Office (see contact details below).

When do courses start?
All courses commence in early September each year, unless otherwise stated in the course entry.

Do you accept late applications?
Yes, subject to course availability. However, we advise that you apply by 15 January to avoid disappointment. Course vacancies are usually publicised through UCAS Extra and UCAS Clearing. Those applying during July-September should contact the Student Recruitment Office for advice on course availability, and the correct application procedure.

What happens after I’ve submitted my application?
Your application will be scored by our admissions staff, with decisions being made from January onwards. The outcome of your application will come from either UCAS (in the case of applications through the UCAS system) or direct from the University, and the response will normally be one of the following: an unconditional offer; a conditional offer; or unsuccessful. Under certain circumstances the University may offer the opportunity to join a waiting list.

How your application will be considered
All applications – full-time, part-time, and for all subjects – are individually considered to ensure fair admissions. We are committed to making all offers in a fair and equal manner, although the grades required may vary according to the applicant and subject. Applications for admission to all courses are assessed in accordance with the principles outlined in our Equality and Diversity policy and in line with the latest professional guidance. The University encourages applicants to fully declare any disabilities or special needs at an early stage so that appropriate actions can be taken or support arrangements made before you commence study.

Will I be interviewed?
Some of our courses, such as BSc (Hons) Mental Health Nursing, do require interviews and applicants are interviewed prior to a decision being made. When interviews are required for entry, this is indicated in the individual course entries throughout the prospectus.

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Courses are listed alphabetically by title throughout the prospectus. Each course listing contains an introduction to the course, career prospects along with entry requirements and the UCAS code. We’ve also listed our courses by subject area below so that you can see related courses.

This prospectus was correct at the time of printing but please be aware that course information and entry requirements may change.

For the latest, up to date course information, please check our website abertay.ac.uk/courses/ug or contact us on: +44 (0) 1382 308080

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Looking for inspiration?

Our course finder app is currently available for iphone and android, and can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play.

search for ‘Abertay’
“Abertay has a reputation that is unparalleled around the world.”

Ed Vaizey
UK Government Culture and Creative Industries Minister, giving evidence to the UK Parliament about computer games education.
Studying on the BA (Honours) in Accounting with Finance degree will prepare you for careers in both the accounting profession and finance generally. Accounting provides a route into both accounting and business – many CEO’s are accountants. The course provides you with the skills and knowledge to deal with the major issues you are likely to encounter in your career and is highly valued by employers. It is accredited by major accountancy bodies, with significant levels of exemption awarded by the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA), the Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) and The Association of International Accountants (AIA), with further accreditation being sought.

**Key Information**

- **UCAS code**: N4N3  
- **Course length**: 4 years (full-time)  
- **Places available**: 40

**Minimum entrance requirements**

- Higher BBBB; A Level CCC; ILC (H) B2B2B2B2; International Baccalaureate 28; BTEC Extended Dip MMM
- **Essential subjects**: Literate subject (e.g. English)
- **Advanced entry**: Advanced entry to year 2/year 3 is available with appropriate qualifications (eg HNC/HND/A Level/Advanced Higher). Please refer to the course entry on our website for details of qualification and grade requirements.

**Key Features**

- Accredited by the accounting professional bodies, giving a suitable platform from which to take exams for the professional accountancy qualifications such as ACCA or CIMA
- Provides a thorough and contemporary knowledge of the accounting and financial processes of an organisation
- Equips students with knowledge of environmental challenges and trends, the opportunities and constraints these create, and how they impact on organisational decision-making and resource allocation

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**Career prospects**

Graduates with degrees in accounting and finance are in great demand. Trained to be problem solvers and decision-makers, they offer employers in both the private and public sectors a portfolio of skills and expertise that is vital to the success of any organisation operating in an increasingly competitive and accountable environment. The course offers a platform for a wide choice of career opportunities in both the public and private sectors. Recent graduates have obtained employment in professional accounting offices, with major financial institutions such as BNP Paribas and HSBC, energy companies and companies such as NCR.

Studying at Abertay with our friendly and qualified staff will give you a head start in your journey towards a career in accountancy and finance.

**What you study**

The course is structured around a series of themes encompassing the subjects of Financial Accounting, Management Accounting, Taxation, Auditing and Finance. This is underpinned by the study of foundation disciplines including Economics, Management and Law.

In years one and two you will develop a knowledge and understanding of core principles and concepts in accounting, finance, law, economics and business. In your third and fourth (Honours) years you will focus on current issues in accounting and will develop your special interests in the field of accounting and finance and will have the opportunity to study auditing. The course provides opportunities to develop your knowledge and skills to an advanced level, and gain a strategic understanding of accounting and finance.

The context in which public and private sector organisations are operating is fast changing. Organisations in both sectors are being challenged to become ever more accountable for their decisions and use of resources. The public sector is increasingly being asked to be more business-like both with respect to its operating characteristics and its source of funds. Private sector firms find themselves in increasingly international competitive markets, and often operate across national boundaries. You will develop your knowledge and understanding of such challenges and trends and how they may impact on organisations.
Biomedical Science (BMS) is a highly exciting, fast-paced discipline that will give you a deep understanding of the science behind human health and disease. A key feature of our degree is the extensive training in laboratory-based skills provided in all four years of your studies. After following a common pathway for two years, you will take either the ‘Standard’ or the ‘Applied’ programme route. The Applied route includes a placement, and is particularly relevant for those aspiring to the role of Biomedical Scientist in the NHS. Both routes are professionally accredited. Note: the degree award title for the Standard route is BSc (Hons) Biomedical Science. For the Applied route the degree award title is BSc (Hons) Applied Biomedical Science.

Career prospects
Professional accreditation allows graduates to apply for HCPC registration and means that our graduates are able to apply for employment as Biomedical Scientists / Trainee Biomedical Scientists within the NHS. Such posts are only open to those with an accredited Honours degree in Biomedical Science. Approximately 60% of our past graduates have taken the Biomedical Scientist career path where, after gaining your Specialist Skills Diploma you would be eligible for promotion to Specialist Biomedical Scientist and with further progression you could ultimately attain a specialised Consultant’s post.

The NHS needs to appoint more Biomedical Scientists due to an ageing workforce coupled with increasing demand for diagnostic tests. Nevertheless, competition for available posts is likely to be intense, particularly in light of the current financial situation affecting the NHS. However, the Abertay degree is designed to equip its graduates with the knowledge and skills to enter various alternative bioscience-based careers, including scientific work in university and commercial laboratories. Several past graduates have opted for other biology careers such as school teaching, or for further study.

What you study
You will study the human body at several levels, in the context of both normal functioning and disease. Diagnostic and treatment aspects are emphasised, particularly in the more advanced stages of the course. All relevant aspects of human biology are covered, with the main subjects being cell function & pathology, medical genetics, human physiology, medical microbiology, clinical biochemistry, haematology & serology, biology of disease, toxicology and pharmacology.

Practical training runs throughout all four years. Our focused curriculum has a strong research emphasis and will equip you with valuable skills to offer prospective employers.

For those taking the Applied route the clinical placement provides a unique training and educational experience in the setting of a modern hospital laboratory.

Key Information

| UCAS code | B901 |
| Course length | 4 years (full-time) |
| Places available | 30 |

Minimum entrance requirements


Essential subjects: Biology/Chemistry preferred as additional subject
Prefered subjects: Chemistry

For applicants with other entry qualifications or considering advanced entry please refer to our website.

Because of the nature of future employment, successful applicants will be required to satisfy a Disclosure Scotland (Enhanced) check and are expected to have been inoculated against hepatitis.

Key Features

- Taught by a combination of academic experts and clinical professionals.
- Accredited by the Institute of Biomedical Science (IBMS); the Applied degree route is also ‘Approved’ by the Health & Care Professions Council (HCPC).
- Applied route additionally provides an 18-week clinical laboratory placement in Year 3 of the programme and allows you to apply for Registration with the Health Professions Council (HCPC) as soon as you gain your BMS degree.*
- Standard route provides you with a broad education and training in bioscience relevant to medicine. (Standard route graduates who gain employment in the NHS as Trainee Biomedical Scientists may apply for HCPC Registration following 12-24 months of training.)

*Around 10-15 placements are normally expected to be available per year. Note that, where applicants for the Applied route exceed available places, entry will be competitive, based upon year 2 academic performance.

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Our Business Studies course offers you the opportunity to acquire an understanding of how complex organisations work in a world where change is the only constant. In an increasingly globalised context, businesses are looking for graduates who appreciate the challenges presented by shifting markets, ever changing business models, new social trends and emerging technologies, and who possess the analytical skills to develop business solutions. This applies no matter whether your ambition is to start your own business, or become a manager, adviser or analyst in areas such as marketing, human resources, finance, or IT. This course is designed with employability as an objective, helps prepare you for such through a combined approach to knowledge development and skills acquisition relevant to contemporary business and management needs.

**Career prospects**
The programme helps prepare graduates for employment in general and specialist management areas such as accounting, finance, HRM, marketing, operations, business development or strategy, and in the private as well as the public sector.

**What you study**
First year will provide the foundation for your future business knowledge and skills. Along-side traditional topics such as accounting and economics this foundation will help introduce you to the complex issues in business such as the nature of innovation, business ethics and decision making.

During your second year of study, you will develop a deeper understanding of these issues and be introduced to additional aspects of business in studies of processes, projects and resources management.

Year 3 starts your journey through professional competencies such as leadership and the challenges of growing a business in a globalised market. Year 4 allows you to select options that particularly interest you and will support your chosen career path. You will also have the opportunity to develop your own business research project – an excellent way to develop in-depth knowledge of businesses – and a genuine addition to your CV.

Throughout your studies you will work with Dundee Business School academics that bring their expertise in business and industry straight into the class room.

**Having studied Business Studies got me thinking more about the issues society faces today. How to find alternative solutions to them is something I want to engage in over the years to come.”**

Susanna Waerther

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**Key Information**

**UCAS code** N100  
**Course length** 4 years (full-time)  
**Places available** 100

**Minimum entrance requirements**

*Higher BBBBB; A Level CCC; ILC (H) B2B2B2B2; International Baccalaureate 2B; BTEC Extended Dip MMM*

**Essential subjects:** Literate subject (e.g. English)

**Advanced entry**
Advanced entry to year 2/year 3 is available with appropriate qualifications (e.g HNC/HND/A Level/Advanced Higher). Please refer to the course entry on our website for details of qualification and grade requirements.

**Key Features**

- Focus on the challenges faced by organisations in the contemporary business environment
- A range of options and pathways, allowing you to develop your particular areas of specialisation and interest
- Emphasis on key skills and attributes required by employers in future-facing business contexts
- International in orientation

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The 21st Century Engineer is a key player in the sustainable development of the modern world. Whether it be involvement in the design and building of wind turbines, the reuse of construction materials to develop new roads or the drive for sustainable construction and low energy buildings, it is the modern day civil engineer who plays a key role.

Today’s Civil Engineer requires the knowledge and ability to produce cost-effective solutions to expensive and diverse problems in a safe and environmentally appropriate way. To achieve this, a whole host of interesting and valuable skills are required.

Career prospects
During their degree studies, students are offered the opportunity of a work placement during the second term of their third year providing an opportunity to practise skills and test out career choices. In addition, the Civil Engineering degree also offers the option of undertaking a Sandwich degree by combining the term 2 work placement with summer work placements during years 2-3 and 3-4. Experiences gained in work placements better equip students for entering employment and may be seen by employers as an advantage.

Exciting opportunities exist for graduates from our course. There are employment prospects with professional consulting engineers, major civil engineering contractors, specialist project management organisations, local authorities, public and private utilities and transportation groups.

What you study
There are three inter-related themes within the course:
• Structural Engineering, Materials and Geotechnics
• Hydraulics and Environmental Engineering
• Supporting topics including: Land Surveying, Mathematics, Graphics & Digital Modelling, Construction Studies, Health and Safety, Project Management, Construction Contract Law and Sustainability.

You will be exposed to a variety of stimulating learning environments, such as:
• Civil Engineering Placement in Year 3
• Computer drawing and related software packages
• Analytical work on calculations relating to structures
• Laboratory experimental work on materials testing or fluid flow
• Field courses on geology or land surveying
• Design projects

Key Information

UCAS code H202
Course length 4 years (full-time)
Places available 48

Minimum entrance requirements
Higher BBB; A Level CCC; ILC (H) B2B2B2B2; International Baccalaureate 28; BTEC Extended Dip MMM

Essential subjects: Mathematics or another numerate subject
For applicants with other qualifications or considering advanced entry, please refer to the website.

Key Features
• Accredited for the Incorporated Engineer (IEng) by the Institution of Civil Engineers, the Institution of Structural Engineers, the Institution of Highways and Transportation and the Institute of Highway Incorporated Engineers
• Development of key transferable employment skills including digital modelling, problem solving, team working and management skills.
• A work placement in a Civil Engineering/Construction organisation for term 2 of year 3 which provides an opportunity to practise skills and test careers
• A Sandwich option which leads to the award of BSc (Hons) Sandwich Degree in Civil Engineering. The requirements for this being the successful completion of the term 2 year 3 work placement, combined with approved construction sector employment through both summers between years 2 and 3 and between years 3 and 4.

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Our BA (Hons) Computer Arts is an internationally-acclaimed course recognised by the interactive entertainment and broadcast sectors as one of the best digital arts degrees available. The course is accredited by Creative SkillSet, the UK Sector Skills Council for Creative Media industries which ensures our graduates have the skills and knowledge required for successful professional careers.

This course will help you become a professional computer artist able to produce 2D and 3D artwork for a range of interfaces and platforms. As a BA (Hons) Computer Arts student, you will study a range of subjects including visual literacy, animation, video and visual effects production, audio design, interactive media design and 3D production techniques for computer games and animation. Your study will take the form of project-based modules which utilise creative problem-solving exercises to build upon research, idea-generation and concept development skills. This study will lead to the creation of digital art pieces using a variety of static, interactive and dynamic media. You will work individually and in a team on sustained creative projects mentored by academic staff and industry specialists, to develop professional practice, and contextual understanding in preparation for a specialist career within the digital media sector.

**Career prospects**
You will graduate with highly-valued artistic, technical and professional expertise that is sought after by an ever-increasing range of businesses and design disciplines. You will acquire a deep knowledge of the subject area combined with problem solving and communications skills that will allow you to work effectively with content developers and clients, and continue to advance your career.

Job opportunities exist in the following sectors: computer games development and electronic entertainment; design visualisation; animation; visual effects production; interaction design; interactive audio; content creation for TV, film, advertising and marketing. Typical job titles include computer generated imagery artist, animator, modeller, compositor, effects artist, technical director, designer, user interface designer, creative director.

Our graduates have found employment as 3D modellers, animators and user interface designers within the video-games industry, interactive designers and motion graphics artists in the broadcast industries, and as CGI artists in technical architectural design visualisation.

**What you study**
In year 1, in conjunction with software skills development, you will be introduced to the fundamentals of how traditional visual art and design practice apply to digital media production. This is the year where attitudes to academic study and personal approaches to artistic research and practices are established.

Second year focuses on professional skills development, and technical and procedural practices reach an advanced level. Attitudes to how these skills can be deployed in support of creativity and innovation are established, and communication skills are advanced through group and project work.

Third year prepares you for employment by promoting specialisation in development of practice which combines theory with technical proficiency in the production of media content. You will become a confident practitioner and develop a mature visual style by sustained personal effort throughout a range of projects including the opportunity to work within interdisciplinary teams on live projects alongside mentors from computer games and digital media companies.

In the fourth (Honours) year you will undertake a significant creative research project. You will be expected to design, develop and report upon the production of a digital media artefact which demonstrates an understanding of the contextual factors that inform Computer Arts practices, by researching a particular cultural, entertainment or communications context. **The course at Abertay is accredited and the university had a good reputation for what I wanted to do. From my standpoint Dundee has a fantastic history of videogame developers, and the current sweep of digital media.”**

Paige Shepherd

**Key Features**
- Develop artistic skills through the production of visual and audio digital media content for computer games, animation, visual effects and interactive media
- Work in an interdisciplinary studio environment with industry professionals to develop a portfolio of work in preparation for a career in digital media
- Study a Creative Skillset-accredited course which is recognised as the best education and training for people who wish to pursue a career in computer games

**Key Information**
- UCAS code: GW42
- Course length: 4 years (full-time)
- Places available: 40

**Minimum entrance requirements**
- Higher AAABB; A Level BBC, ILC (H) A2A2B2B2; International Baccalaureate 30; BTEC Extended Dip DDM
- Essential subjects: Art

**Advanced entry**
Advanced entry to year 2 is available with appropriate qualifications (eg HNC/HND/A Level/Advanced Higher). Please refer to the course entry on our website for details of qualification and grade requirements.

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The course was created in response to industry requirements and is accredited by Creative Skillset.

The course will provide the skills necessary to enter the Computer Games Industry as an applications programmer. The course is academically challenging and will develop your skills in real-time interactive graphics programming using industry standard game engines and application programming interfaces. There is freedom within the course to take optional modules which allow you to tailor your study. You will leave with the confidence and skills necessary to work in one of the most demanding industries in the world, and at a distinct advantage over other computing graduates intending a career in the computer games industry.

Career prospects
As the computer games and associated industries mature, the roles of developers are becoming well-defined. There is a worldwide demand for game programmers and a requirement for first-rate computer programmers with knowledge of developing applications using middleware such as game engines. On graduating, you will possess a games-orientated programming degree which is directly relevant to the needs of industry. The course was created in response to industry requirements and is Creative Skillset accredited. The University works closely with leading game developers such as Electronic Arts, Sony Computers Entertainment Europe, Codemasters and Denki making graduates from the course highly employable within these industries.

What you study
During first year, you are introduced to the fundamentals of computer game programming, media, and architecture, and the mathematics necessary for computer games development. This is the year where academic practices and attitudes to study are established. Second year focuses on the technical skills necessary for game development. You will study console game development, graphics programming and game development using an industry standard game engine. Additional mathematics will be studied to underpin your understanding in 3D computer game development.

At the end of third year, you will be eligible to graduate with a BSc degree. This year you will develop high-level skills across theory, practice and communications by working on an interdisciplinary game development professional project. In addition you will study modules on mobile and internet game development and industry standard Application Programming Interfaces such as Microsoft DirectX, as well as having the opportunity to study various optional modules. The fourth (Honours) year gives you the opportunity to undertake a significant and sustained individual development project. In addition you will study modules on the structure of the games industry, emergent technologies and advanced game development techniques.

Key Information
UCAS code: G450
Course length: 4 years (full-time)
Places available: 70

Minimum entrance requirements
Higher AABB; A Level BBC; ILC (H) A2A2B2B2; International Baccalaureate 30; BTEC Extended Dip DDM

Essential subjects: Mathematics at Standard Grade 1 or 2/GCSE Grade B

Advanced entry
Advanced entry to year 2 is available with appropriate qualifications (eg HNC/HND/A Level/Advanced Higher). Please refer to the course entry on our website for details of qualification and grade requirements.

Key Features
• Qualifications suitable for employment in the multi-billion pound, worldwide computer games industry
• Excellent grounding in the computer science required by the computer games industry and elsewhere
• Work closely with game companies through project work
• Work closely with other media, arts and audio courses

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Such is the shortage of well-trained and highly-skilled computer games programmers that the career opportunities open to you when you graduate with our BSc (Hons) in Computer Games Technology are virtually endless. This world-leading course is academically challenging and will develop your skills in game programming, real-time interactive graphics, sound and mathematics. In addition to the specialist core studies, there is freedom within the course to take optional modules to develop interests in areas associated with computer game development. You will leave us with confidence and skills to work in one of the most demanding industries in the world, and at a distinct advantage over other computing graduates intending a career in the games industry.

Key Information

UCAS code G470
Course length 4 years (full-time)
Places available 70

Minimum entrance requirements

Higher AABB; A Level BBC; ILC (H) A2A2B2 International Baccalaureate 30; BTEC Extended Dip DDM

Essential subjects: Mathematics (min. grade B) at Scottish Higher or AS Level

Advanced entry
Advanced entry to year 2 is available with appropriate qualifications (eg HNC/HND/A Level/Advanced Higher). Please refer to the course entry on our website for details of qualification and grade requirements.

Key Features

• Highly-respected course within the computer games industry
• Delivered by one of the world-leading universities in computer games education
• Provides qualifications suitable for entry to employment in a buoyant, multi-billion pound, worldwide industry
• Work closely with computer games companies through project work

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Career prospects

On graduating, you will possess a mathematics/games-orientated computer science degree which is highly sought after by the computer games industry. The BSc (Hons) Computer Games Technology degree was created in response to the acute shortage of game programmers within the industry, and is designed to meet current industry requirements outlined by Skillset. The University works closely with leading game developers such as Sony Computers Entertainment Europe, Electronic Arts, Codemasters and Denki, making graduates from the course highly employable within these industries.

Graduates have found employment as games, graphics and network programmers in a wide variety of different areas such as creating console games for Sony PlayStation Vita, Nintendo Wii, and Microsoft XBox, to programming handheld devices such as the Nintendo handhelds and the latest smartphones. While pursuing their studies some students have taken advantage of the University’s enterprise initiatives to found their own start-up companies.

What you study

The goal of the programme is to create graduates that have the essential skills and knowledge required to develop computer games software in an industry where technology is constantly evolving.

The subject areas covered in the course focus on the essential principles of computer games programming using the latest technology available. This enables our graduates to apply these principles to create software for any platform that computer games are developed for.

Throughout the course students are constantly engaged in practical-based activities ensuring that they are able to apply what they learn within the context of computer games development.

Students participate in professional team projects with others studying different game-related subject areas such as game design and computer arts. This provides valuable experience of how game development teams operate within industry.

“I’ve really enjoyed the course not only because of all of the hands-on industry relevant experience but also because the course is filled with students who are as passionate about making games as I am.”

Erin, USA
Computing is a rapidly advancing industry that is radically changing the way we live. There is an established need for a new generation of computing professionals that can adapt to these changes and develop the software solutions of the future.

This course provides you with the knowledge and skills necessary to enter a rewarding career in the computing industry, irrespective of your prior computing and programming experience. Our Computing degree course is amongst the best programmes of its kind, and when you graduate you will be well equipped to develop the software systems that industry is looking for.

Career prospects
There is a constant demand for graduates who can show proven ability to design, build and support software systems and develop computer applications that are effective, efficient and contribute to a company’s or organisation’s success.

Graduates from this course have gone on to work for a wide range of organisations in industry, government, entertainment and educational sectors. Our graduates have found work in large multinationals like Hewlett-Packard, BT, Logica, NCR and Nokia to smaller local companies such as MTC and Brightsolid. They are employed for example as software developers, software testers, web developers, system analysts, and technical consultants. Many of our graduates have also proceeded to postgraduate study. This wide range shows the flexibility of our graduates in this ever-changing field.

What you study
All computing related programmes* share the same common first 2 years. This ensures that graduates experience a solid foundation of broad technical knowledge. At the end of year 2, students will be invited to choose to either continue on their initial degree programme or to change to any of the other programmes in this category. We feel it is very important that our students are empowered to be able to choose the degree programmes that are most appropriate for their ambitions and goals and we recognise that these may change during your studies with us.

*Computing related programmes are Computing, Computing & Networks and Ethical Hacking

All of our degree programmes allow direct entry for suitably qualified students. Students will be considered on an individual basis.

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Minimum entrance requirements

Higher ABBB; A Level BCC; ILC (H) A2B2B2B; International Baccalaureate 29; BTEC Extended Dip DMM

Essential subjects: Students studying SQA Highers or ILC (H) should have a literate subject (e.g. English or History) AND a technical subject (e.g. Computing (recommended), Maths or Physics).

Students studying A Levels should have a technical subject (e.g. Computing (recommended), Maths or Physics).

Advanced entry
Advanced entry to year 2/year 3 is available with appropriate qualifications (eg HNC/HND/A Level/Advanced Higher). Please refer to the course entry on our website for details of qualification and grade requirements.

Key Features

- Provides technical and professional skills to enter employment in the computing industry
- Focuses on software development for mobile, desktop, and internet applications
- Regularly reviewed to keep up to date with current professional technologies
- Emphasis on the practical application of knowledge and skills

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The rise of network technology and the Internet has made significant changes to Computing. More and more devices - from mobile phones to consumer devices like fridges and TVs - are network enabled and the Computing & Networks degree reflects this changing environment. This course focuses on Computer Networking and Internet Development. Industry requires well-qualified people, who understand how to design, develop and maintain secure computer networks and, importantly, who have the skills to adapt to new developments.

Career prospects
Our graduates work in a variety of organisations within Tayside and further afield. Many of them work in small or medium enterprises which are contracted to larger government organisations. Many graduates set up in business for themselves.

Key Information
UCAS code G400
Course length 2 years (full-time)
Places available 40

Minimum entrance requirements
The course starts in year three and is designed for students with an HND or DipHE in Computing or a related area, who wish to continue their studies to degree level in Computing and Networks. A bridging module is available in year three to ensure that students joining the course have the required underpinning skills.

Key Features
- Heavily focused on industry requirements.
- Develop technical skills in Computing & Networking, as well as team working, project management, communications and self-motivated learning. When you graduate you will be well equipped to develop the software and network systems which industry is looking for.
- There may be an opportunity to gain CISCO qualifications.
- The School has a strong research interest in computer and network security which is of great demand in the business sector.

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What you study
- Networks and mobile technology: how to set up and use networks connecting many different types of devices; network administration, management and security; and digital forensics.
- Web and Internet development: it is very easy to set up a simple website, but it is quite a different matter to build an enterprise-strength site that is secure and can handle large numbers of simultaneous users. You will learn the techniques that underpin the development of such sites.
- Programming: Short scripts to perform specific tasks in network administration, or to access the network functionality of one of the many networked gadgets that are available, or developing dynamic web pages that interact with databases.
- Problem solving: this important transferable skill develops as you learn to write short scripts, design software or networks, and troubleshoot when difficulties arise in any of these activities.
- Research methods: in the third year you will take part in the planning and implementation of a group project; in fourth year you will undertake a major individual project.
- Professional, legal and ethical issues: as a network professional you need to be aware of the legal constraints governing the access to networks and data.

Studying at Abertay was probably the best thing that could have happened during my education. Right now I live in New York and work for the world’s top IT companies.”
Pawel Raszewski
“Doing the Creative Sound course at Abertay I feel there is a strong sense of community, not only among the students but also between the students and the lecturers and there is a mutual respect which is uncommon in other universities.”

Fraser McKain

If you would like to develop your sound production skills to produce for radio, film or computer games, then this course could be for you. With the explosion in digital media distribution there is an increasing demand for expertise in the sonic arts, and graduates who are equipped not only with the technical savvy, but also the creative vision to use sound and music as a creative tool will be well-equipped to service that demand. You will explore the use of sound and music in a variety of media, including the use of sound effects and Foley in games, animation, films and radio as well as the use of sound and music for interactive media.

The course is intended to create audio specialists who are able to use sound creatively in a variety of media contexts with advanced problem-solving skills and critical awareness underpinned by accomplished technical abilities. Creative thinking, audio technology, animation, cinematography and narrative structure are recurrent topics throughout the course. As well as acquiring essential production skills, students will develop presentation and interpersonal skills, which are greatly appreciated by employers and a vital component of working with clients and producing to a brief.

Career prospects

With the explosion in digital broadcast there has never been more opportunities for creative producers. New television and radio stations, online advertising and computer games and interactive entertainment are all crying out for high-quality digital sound content.

On graduating, you will be well-placed to negotiate the fast-paced creative sector, with a wide range of communication and problem-solving skills to support high-level production.

Previous students have gone on to work in a variety of roles, including lead audio production in the games industry, production and engineering in the entertainment sector and a number have set up their own successful studios and sound installation companies.

The course also prepares you well for further study and a number of students have gone on to study at masters level in the UK and Europe.

What you study

This course focuses strongly on the applications of sound and music to games and electronic entertainment, interactive music and audio, web and traditional broadcast media, film, TV, and animation sectors, and as such provides opportunities for students to apply their professional-level production skills to a range of different media contexts.

In third year, students work on a variety of projects, including writing, casting and producing a radio drama; developing and implementing sound effects libraries for games; designing and implementing software synthesizers; working in production teams to deliver interactive audio content for an online marketing campaign and exploring how sound and music work alongside the moving image. Students also work as part of a larger production team with programmers and artists on a large-scale creative project working directly for an industry client.

The fourth (Honours) year gives you the opportunity to undertake a significant and sustained individual development project which focuses on a current ‘hot-topic’ in the sound sector. Working with staff and other students, you will identify and develop a particular area of study and develop this into a full-scale project supported by a dissertation.

Key Information

UCAS code

JG94

Course length

2 years (full-time)

Places available

35

Minimum entrance requirements

Successful completion of an HND in Sound Production or Music Technology with B in graded unit

Key Features

- Created in response to market needs identified by the Sector Skills Council
- Develops skills, creative industry knowledge, general business awareness and production for new media with access to industry-standard production facilities
- Work on a range of real-world projects and applications
- Full industry accreditation by JAMES (Joint Audio Media Education Services)

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The course will help you to ask questions about crime and society and about why certain crimes become prioritised over others. What do we mean by crime? How do we ‘talk’ about crime? How do we define criminal behaviour? Who are the victims of crime? And why do these things appear to change over time? Different approaches are taken to answer these questions to help shape your understanding of the relationship between crime, society, politics, the media and criminal justice policy. This will help provide a strong foundation for a range of careers, for example in policing, the prison service, social and criminal justice policy and practice, probation and through care.

### Key Information

**UCAS code**  
M930

**Course length**  
4 years (full-time)

**Places available**  
Approx. 40

### Minimum entrance requirements

- Higher ABBB
- A Level BCC
- International Baccalaureate 29
- BTEC Extended Dip DMM

**Essential subjects:** Literate subject

**Advanced entry**  
Advanced entry is available with appropriate qualifications (eg HNC/HND/A Level/Advanced Higher). Please refer to the course entry on our website for details of qualification and grade requirements.

### Key Features

- The study of crime, criminal and deviant behaviour and their regulation and control in modern societies.
- Learn sociological theories that help explain why people commit crimes and how and why people react to crime and offenders in particular ways.
- Develop skills in IT, conducting research and analysing data relevant to the problem of crime, its regulation and criminal justice policy and practice.
- Workshops on policing, prison and court visits and possible work experience placement.

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“**I would definitely encourage other prospective students to study at Abertay, as the university opens up a vast amount of opportunities and allows people to further their education.”**  

Brenda Clunie

### Career prospects

Graduates from this course can pursue a number of career routes in criminal justice professions including policing, the prison service, social work and probation, community work and teaching. Graduates may also apply for postgraduate study, most typically in social policy and social work, criminology and criminal justice policy, for which there is a demand, particularly in Scotland.

### What you study

The course will challenge and develop your understanding of crime, deviance and the criminal justice process through studying sociological and criminological explanations for crime and through exploring the ways in which crime is controlled and regulated in modern societies. Law-breaking behaviour is carried out by individuals from all walks of life and a number of law modules are also offered in the first three years of the course. The different approaches taken in answering questions about crime will help you to evaluate the strategies and interventions used to deal with it in modern societies.
The modern computing world faces ever-changing security challenges. Hacker tactics, security vulnerabilities, advancing business practices and computing technologies are all evolving rapidly. Professionals with a broad-based expertise, solid pragmatic skills and an ability to “think-outside-the-box” are best placed to solve these security challenges. Our Ethical Hacking degree aims to provide you with the knowledge and skills required to understand the mechanics behind hacking attacks and develop appropriate countermeasures. In addition to this, you will gain the necessary background knowledge and technical skills to undertake security audit testing on computer networks and systems. Modern software systems and applications are often extremely complex, so it is almost impossible to build solutions that are 100% secure at initial release. It is also far better for security loopholes to be identified and fixed by internal hackers rather than external ones. Consequently, the business world is seeing a rapid increase in the demand for ethical or white hat hackers, employed by companies to find security holes before criminal, black hat, hackers do. How do hackers break into computer systems? Can they get into your computer? Is it easy to break into a corporate network and steal their secrets? Hackers are innately curious and want to pull things apart. They experiment and research. A hacker wants to learn and investigate. The aim is for you to arrive on this programme as a student and leave as an ethical hacker. The security modules during the programme use a case-study approach that allows you to gain experience in investigating, analysing, testing, hacking and, ultimately, protecting real-life systems through the development of countermeasures. The basic aim of this course is to provide a graduate with knowledge of how illegal computer attacks can be performed and how they can be stopped.

Career prospects
Graduates from this programme will have the skills necessary to pursue a wide range of careers in areas such as penetration testing, network management, computer programmer and web developer. A major employment selling factor for our graduates is that the degree equips them with the ability to perform these and other roles with security in mind at all times.

Previous graduates have gained employment in a range of industries and organisations from multinationals and the public sector to smaller companies. Graduates from the programme currently work for NCR R&D Dundee, KPMG, NCC, Firstbase Technologies, NTA Monitor and Qinetiq. Entrepreneurship is encouraged and supported and a number of students have opted to create their own companies.

What you study
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* Computing related programmes are Computing, Computing & Networks and Ethical Hacking.

Key Information

| UCAS code | GG45 |
| Places available | 4 years (full-time) |
| Minimum entrance requirements |

- Higher ABBB; A Level BCC; ILC (H) A2B2B2B2; International Baccalaureate 29; BTEC Extended Dip DMH

- Essential subjects: Students studying SQA Highers or ILC (H) should have a literate subject (e.g. English or History) AND a technical subject (e.g. Computing (recommended), Maths or Physics).

- Students studying A Levels should have a technical subject (e.g. Computing (recommended), Maths or Physics).

- A criminal record check is required

Key Features
- Abertay has a stand-alone Ethical Hacking lab with around 50 PCs
- You will study the latest security flaws and how to counteract them
- At each stage of the course, a project gives the student a chance to develop an area of expertise

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Food! It is essential to life, our biggest industry, one of life's greatest pleasures and arguably, a principal cause of disease. The relationship between food and health, which is influenced by the quality and availability of food products and ultimately shaped by consumer choice, makes for a fascinating area of study. Food creates wealth; it is central to health and wellbeing but also raises many consumer concerns - issues of food safety, food security, food quality, diet-related disease and ethical food production. The merging of scientific, sociological and commercial perspectives provides critical understanding of influences on consumer choice and the impact of complex inter-relationships at all stages of the food supply chain.

Key Information

UCAS code See degree titles
Course length 4 years (full-time)
Places available 40

Minimum entrance requirements

Higher B8B8; A Level CCC; ILC (H) B2B2B2; International Baccalaureate 28; BTEC Extended Dip MMM

Essential subjects: None
For applicants with other entry qualifications or considering advanced entry, please refer to the website.

Key Features

- Two year common core programme allows students to transfer from one food degree to another at the end of year 2, in line with career aspirations
- Work placement in year 3 provides opportunity to practise skills and test careers
- Vocationally relevant, with emphasis throughout on development of practical skills in labs and kitchens as well as academic learning
- Programme content influenced by industry contact and close working with, FoodInnovation@Abertay
- All programmes meet General Teaching Council requirements as a pre-requisite degree for Home Economics teaching

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Career prospects

If your interests lie in food promotion and marketing, nutrition research, or home economics teaching, consumer advice or community nutrition, our degrees could be your passport to success. Your graduate CV will be enhanced by your work experience, portfolio of food photography, food writing, nutrition resources and a range of examples of your contribution to team work and oral presentations – all skills that are valued by employers in the food and health sector.

Our successful graduates have job titles including recipe development technologist, food processing technologist, hygiene officer, food stylist, nutritionist, home economics teacher, community food worker, consumer advice officer, health promotion worker.

What you study

In the first 2 years, subjects studied are varied and interdisciplinary. This broad-based approach provides the platform for work placement and specialised study at years 3 & 4, when you follow specialist modules in your chosen pathway.

You will learn how to produce safe, nutritious and appetising food, gain the skills required to design and launch new food products in the marketplace and develop a critical understanding of the factors that affect consumer choice and the relationship between diet and health.

This skill set, combined with the knowledge and ability to help people make informed choices about what they eat and drink, is key to many career opportunities in the food and health sector.
The Forensic Psychobiology course is unique in Scotland and is delivered by staff at the forefront of research in the field of Psychology and Forensic Psychology, and Contemporary Science. The Programme Leader is involved in research on the topic of investigative interviewing and works closely with local police, solicitors, sheriffs, and judges, so that research findings can be shared with practitioners. Because many staff on this course have real-life experience relating to forensic issues, they are ideally placed to instruct you in this course.

Career prospects
This course is professionally accredited by the British Psychological Society, conferring eligibility for Graduate Basis for Chartership (GBC) provided a minimum Second Class Honours is obtained. This means that graduates of the course receive the same basic training in psychology as students in the other psychology programmes offered at Abertay. Thus, at its core, Forensic Psychobiology is also a standard psychology qualification. Because the Programme also includes additional forensic and science topics the choice of careers includes research, management, training, customer relations, police work, drug rehabilitation, and assistant psychologist in mental health, as well as all of the opportunities open to psychology graduates. Some students continue their studies and apply to train as a professional Forensic Psychologist. Graduates of this course also have transferable skills, which are in high demand in the general graduate job market, such as numeracy, statistics and information technology skills, communication skills and analytical thinking. Forensic Psychobiology graduates demonstrate a comprehensive understanding of their primary fields of enquiry.

What you study
The course involves the study of psychology, forensic science, biology, sociology, and research methods. Specialist topics include: evidence-based investigative interviewing, psychopathology & crime, cognitive psychology, social influences in psychology and law, development & intelligence, the neuropsychology of mental health, and personality & social psychology. A highlight of the course involves completing a psychology research project of your own choosing that you work on independently in your final year of study. A number of modules focus wholly on forensic issues that address police interviewing, eyewitness memory, face recognition, crime scene investigation and other forensic issues. The causes of crime from a psychological perspective are examined in an introductory module and an advanced module on criminal behaviour. This course provides all of the benefits of a standard psychology degree and provides the necessary qualification from the British Psychology Society for continuing to train to become a psychologist. Because the course also contains classes on so many forensic topics you are well placed for continuing your studies on many of the post-graduate forensic psychology programs on offer throughout the UK.

Key Information
- UCAS code: B130
- Course length: 4 years (full-time)
- Places available: 25

Minimum entrance requirements
- Higher ABBB;
- A Level BCC;
- ILC (H) A2B2B2;
- International Baccalaureate 29;
- BTEC Extended Dip DMM

Essential subjects: To include Biology, Chemistry or Physics or Psychology or Mathematics

Key Features
- Combines psychology, forensic psychology, criminology, and biology
- Modules are taught by staff at the forefront of research in this exciting field
- Professionally accredited by the British Psychological Society, conferring eligibility for Graduate Basis for Chartership (GBC) provided a minimum Second Class Honours is obtained

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“…I couldn’t find a course like this anywhere else.”

Shona, Dublin

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Forensic Science is the application of scientific knowledge and techniques in support of the legal process. This exciting course includes the following three main study areas: forensic science, chemistry and biology with the addition of supporting topics such as law and statistics. The Forensic Sciences degree covers a full range of topics including: crime scene investigation, body fluid analysis, DNA profiling, trace evidence analysis (including fibres, glass and paint), fingerprinting and substances of abuse to name but a few.

Key Information
UCAS code F410
Course length 4 years (full-time)
Places available 45

Minimum entrance requirements
Higher BBBB; A Level CCC; ILC (H) B2B2B2B2; International Baccalaureate 2B; BTEC Extended Dip MMM

Essential subjects: Chemistry and Biology or Physics
For applicants with other qualifications or considering advanced entry, please refer to website.
Due to the nature of future employment, successful applicants will be expected to have been inoculated against Hepatitis.

Key Features
- Experience-led and problem-solving approach to learning with focus on contemporary forensic practice including optional scientific work placements
- Taught by forensic science practitioners who have come directly from industry and have links with a number of forensic science providers within the UK, Europe and the rest of the world
- Professionally accredited and commended by The Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences
- Graduates are eligible to apply as Associate Members of the Chartered Society of Forensic Sciences (ACFS) upon graduation

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Career prospects
Graduates can go into careers such as forensic scientists (either as part of the public or the private sector) and related areas such as scenes of crime investigation or police officer, and a number of our graduates have successfully obtained these highly competitive jobs. The course also provides you with the skills and abilities to pursue alternative interesting and fulfilling career paths. For example, the development of diagnostics in the biotechnology industries, quality assurance, problem solving in the public utilities and the development of protocols and procedures in the armed forces or government agencies. Students may wish to pursue a career in teaching and several of our graduates have trained as science teachers, or you may want to undertake higher research (at MSc/PhD level). Transferable skills can also be used in a range of other careers such as management/business, law, accountancy and disciplines unrelated to science.

What you study
In year one the basics of forensics and the science behind it (biology & chemistry) are studied, alongside laboratory techniques and skills. Year 2 builds upon the basics of the science behind forensics alongside crime scene work with the addition of law and statistics relevant to forensic science. During year 3 you are introduced to forensic science case work and research e.g. trace evidence and body fluid analysis. The Honours year (year 4) covers detailed forensic science specialities (eg DNA and substances of abuse) alongside a case exercise and forensic science project.
Abertay has an international reputation for excellence in computer games education and is recognised by the computer games industry through the SkillSet accreditation awards. The BA (Hons) Game Design and Production Management degree has been designed to address the need for individuals with practical experience of game design and development as well as an understanding of project and personnel management issues. You will be encouraged to work creatively and professionally to design and communicate concepts through prototypes, visuals, game assets, documentation and presentations. The course further encourages professional communication and management skills through multidisciplinary projects and masterclasses from visiting professionals.

Career prospects

Video games are the core part of a wider interactive entertainment marketplace consisting of Film, DVD, mobile devices and the Internet. The companies in this marketplace vary from small games studios to national and international media groups. They require talented individuals with proven skills in team management, design and production control of new media products. The games industry offers long term career potential through its continued expansion with opportunities varying from quality assurance through to production, design, and management of interactive media development. Prospects have never been better as it is a growing and exciting industry, with a global demand for skilled development staff.

What you study

In first year, you are introduced to the fundamentals of games design and interactive entertainment production. This year gives you a solid foundation in the individual elements of game design and development - covering content such as pre-visualisation, industry awareness, narrative theory and introductory computer programming. Second year focuses on professional skills and practices. Your technical, practical and communication abilities will be enhanced through project work that will require you to manage teams, develop game concepts, create 3D models and deploy them in game engines. At the end of third year, you will be eligible to graduate with a BA degree. This year prepares you for employment by developing skills that combine theory, practice and communications in relation to Game Design and Production Management. You will become a confident design practitioner and develop a strong understanding of production management issues through sustained personal effort in producing a range of production solutions. In fourth (Honours) year you will undertake a significant design and production project. You will be expected to demonstrate understanding of the contextual factors that inform design and production practices and explore the application of your skills and knowledge in the development of solutions.

Key Information

**UCAS code**  G452

**Course length**  4 years (full-time)

**Places available**  40

**Minimum entrance requirements**

Higher AABB; A Level BBC; ILC (H) A2A2B2B2; International Baccalaureate 30; BTEC Extended Dip DDM

**Essential subjects:** Literate subject (e.g. English)

**Key Features**

- Work alongside artists, programmers and audio specialists in small development teams to design and develop computer games
- Study the historical context and fundamentals of game design, interaction and narrative theory
- Develop professional skills in level design, concept development, project management and entrepreneurship.
- Through lectures and practical activities, learn how interactive entertainment products are designed, developed and marketed

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“I choose to study at Abertay mainly because of the facilities and the excellent connections the course provides within the industry. The university is great because it is not very big which means it’s easy to get about.”

Stephen Madden
We designed our LLB (Hons) degree around two central themes – a focus on employability skills ensuring we develop the potential of all our students as well as providing a rounded knowledge of the law. From your first semester to your last you make presentations, draft legal documents, and engage in negotiations and mock court cases. Secondly, we emphasise the pervasive influence of European law in our legal system – both historically and now through integration with the rest of the European Union. Our small class sizes and experienced teaching team provide a learning environment which is very highly rated by our students.

Key Information

UCAS code  M114
Course length  4 years (full-time)
Places available  36

Minimum entrance requirements

Higher  ABBB; A Level  BCC; ILC (H) A2B2B2B2; International Baccalaureate  29; BTEC Extended Dip  DMM

Essential subjects: English (or a literate subject).

Key Features

• Accredited by the Law Society of Scotland, satisfying the requirements for their foundation specification enabling you to take the next steps to becoming a Scottish solicitor
• Accredited by the Faculty of Advocates
• Innovative teaching of legal skills
• Opportunity to study abroad

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“I know that the academic and legal skills I gained at Abertay helped set me apart from other candidates at the interview stage for a post-diploma legal traineeship with a Scottish law firm, because I got the job!”

Faye Rogers

Career prospects

A law degree equips you with a wide range of employability skills. Our graduates go on to enjoy a variety of careers. After studying part-time for our degree one graduate went on to become Scottish trainee of the year and is now an associate with a large well respected firm. Another, originally from Germany, became a criminal defence solicitor, a career she always dreamt of. Others go on to use their law degrees in allied areas such as the court service, the police and the civil service or work in law centres or advice bureaux. Graduates have also secured careers in banking, in financial services and journalism. Others have chosen careers as legal academics, and some have used their legal knowledge to assist them in setting up their own businesses.

What you study

The Scottish legal system and the main building blocks of Scots law are covered at stages one and two of the degree. You will also study complementary subjects such as economics, forensic science or criminology which helps you develop a view of the contexts in which law operates. At stages 3 and 4 the degree offers specialist options in European law and areas such as Intellectual Property law, Information Technology law and Investor Protection law.

In year 3 there is also an opportunity to study at one of our partner institutions in Europe – a great experience and something that will make your CV stand out!

You will also use our mock court facility for presentations, debates, client interviews and ‘mooting’ exercises where you present legal arguments.
This exciting course is contemporary and designed to develop marketing graduates with a keen eye for innovation, creativity and identifying gaps in the market. The course offers a great opportunity to study areas of marketing specific to the marketing function in organisations, for instance sales management and communications, as well as contemporary techniques in marketing practice such as direct and database marketing, consumer profiling and electronic marketing. Direct contact with practitioners and industry is central to the course team’s philosophy.

Career prospects
Graduates who have specialised in marketing at Abertay have gone on to successful careers in all areas of marketing which include Marketing Managers, Marketing Researchers and Service providers in a variety of organisations. The blend of skills and knowledge and the practical engagement throughout the course prepares you for careers with key corporate players in the UK and abroad.

What you study
The emphasis in years one and two is on the development of knowledge and understanding of core principles and concepts of marketing, and the development of fundamental understanding of its business context and relevance. In year three, you will focus more specifically on management challenges in marketing and in other business areas, and in year four on issues directly related to aspects of the management of marketing strategy, and activity in complex organisations in the context of global competition. In year four, you will also undertake a course of study that reflects your particular interests and strengths by selecting a set of additional options drawn from the areas representing management roles and functions, including retail management, enterprise creation and International management.

You will develop your specialist knowledge and understanding of marketing in a marketing research project.

Our marketing experts bring their direct industry experience, from consultancy and research, to the classroom and are known for their innovation in teaching and learning.

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Our aim at Abertay is to develop a Centre of Excellence for Mental Health Nursing. We are the only Scottish providers of Honours level pre-registration nursing in this subject area and the only Scottish University to focus exclusively on Mental Health Nursing.

There has never been a more exciting time to study this dynamic subject at Abertay. Our ambition is to provide you with the knowledge, skills and attributes you will require to become a recovery-orientated, compassionate mental health practitioner and a future leader in the discipline of Mental Health Nursing.

The quality of teaching is one of the best I would say, the one to one interaction with tutors makes it easier to digest and understand the topics. The facilities are good at Abertay and I enjoy the provision of discussion on Blackboard which encourages students to interact and learn from each other.”

Kwame Antwi

“...provide values-based, recovery-orientated care and meet the challenges of mental health nursing in the changing context of health care in the UK. The curriculum focuses on a wide range of health environments, with an emphasis on the community. It enables you to acquire therapeutic skills in a systematic fashion. There is a strong focus on mentoring and academic support to enable you to get the best out of this learning opportunity and attain your Honours degree in Mental Health Nursing.”

Career prospects

Career opportunities for graduate Mental Health Nurses include clinical practice, teaching, research and management. These opportunities are available in a range of settings, including the NHS, the private and voluntary sectors. The University also offers opportunities for study at both masters and doctoral level.

What you study

The core areas of study that underpin years one to three of the programme are mental health nursing, evidence based practice, personal and professional development. Subject specialists in mental health nursing lead the course which also has input from experts with live experience of mental health difficulty. In year one you will be introduced to the values, principles and core knowledge that underpin the discipline. Years two and three focus on the development of subject specific skills, and a critical awareness of the context in which care takes place.

Year 4, the honours year, is available in both full and part-time mode. The focus here is on the development of an advanced understanding of key issues in recovery, the acquisition of skills in cognitive behaviour therapy, the development of leadership potential and completion of the honours project. The latter involves the selection of a topic of interest to the student and the critical review of research relating to this. It provides space for the student to explore in-depth the evidence base underpinning an area of contemporary practice.

Our course focuses on caring for individuals and families with diverse mental health needs across the lifespan. We will provide you with the knowledge and skills you will need to provide values-based, recovery-orientated care and meet the challenges of mental health nursing in the changing context of health care in the UK. The curriculum focuses on a wide range of health environments, with an emphasis on the community. It enables you to acquire therapeutic skills in a systematic fashion. There is a strong focus on mentoring and academic support to enable you to get the best out of this learning opportunity and attain your Honours degree in Mental Health Nursing.”

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Psychology is the scientific study of behaviour and mental processes (and the interrelation between the two). It is concerned with how we act and interact, both as individuals and in groups, and in exploring the thoughts and feelings that underlie our behaviour. Psychology at Abertay takes a scientific approach to understanding behaviour and thought. As a student on this course you will cover all of the major areas of psychology and supplement this with a strong specialist in the area of counselling. Counselling is concerned with the integration of psychological theory and research and therapeutic practice. Abertay has an international reputation for innovative and evidence based developments in counselling research, teaching and practice.

Career prospects
The qualifications to practice as a psychologist, counsellor, or counselling psychologist, exceed those provided by a BSc (Hons). However, the degree does provide an excellent first-stage qualification for those aiming to gain professional recognition in these respective fields. This degree provides the necessary entry requirements for Masters level training in psychology, counselling, and counselling psychology (Please note that many postgraduate courses require students to attend for interview as part of their application process). As a graduate of a programme accredited by the British Psychological Society students will have the option of continuing on to postgraduate study in a range of professional psychology training programmes (eg educational, clinical or forensic psychology). As in all psychology degrees, students acquire a variety of transferable skills. These will include advanced numeracy, decision making and reasoning skills, an ability to work independently and in a group and the ability to design solutions to problems. With these skills you will be well prepared for a variety of professions, including management positions, social services, the scientific field and most jobs that require people skills.

What you study
The course offers a comprehensive selection of topics on human behaviour. The core Psychology areas covered include:

- **Biological psychology** (how the brain works and how we treat mental disorders).
- **Cognitive psychology** (how we remember, learn, perceive and understand).
- **Developmental psychology** (how humans develop mentally, socially and physically).
- **Social psychology** (how the social context affects human behaviour and experience).
- **Personality and individual differences** (why some people are more introverted than others; how we measure intelligence).
- **Research methods** (experimental design; data collection using experiments, surveys, observation; data analysis).
- **Conceptual and historical issues in psychology**

The counselling pathway incorporates topics of study including:

- **Theory and practice of counselling skills**.
- **Approaches to making sense of the counselling process**.
- **Professional issues in the use of counselling skills**, such as issues around maintaining confidentiality boundaries and ethical practice.

In the final year students will be expected to design, carry out and write-up an honours project in the area of counselling psychology. Option choices in the final year mean that students have the opportunity to specialise in topics including cognitive behavioural therapy, clinical psychology and forensic psychology.

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Minimum entrance requirements

- **Higher ABB; A Level BBC; ILC (H) A2A2B2B2; International Baccalaureate 30; BTEC Extended Dip DDM**

Essential Subject: None

Key Features

- Professionally accredited by the British Psychological Society as conferring eligibility for Graduate Basis for Chartership (provided Second Class Honours is obtained)
- Counselling modules taught by one of the leading providers of counselling training in Scotland at a centre of excellence in terms of research and practice

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Psychology, the scientific study of mind, brain and behaviour, explores a wide range of mental processes including emotions, attitudes, cognitive changes across the lifespan, remembering and learning. The course covers normal and abnormal behaviour such as mood problems, drug use and crime, as well as mental or neurological disorders (e.g. depression, schizophrenia, autism and Parkinson’s disease) and physiological and evolutionary influences on mind and behaviour. We have three clear pathways available through option modules available in later years, to allow students to foster their interests in Biological and Evolutionary Psychology, Forensic Investigative Psychology and General Applied Psychology. You will learn how to design your own Psychology experiments and analyse a variety of data through our active staff.

You will learn how to design your own Psychology experiments and analyse a variety of data through our unique Research Methods training embedded in every year of study. We offer an applied approach to psychology aimed at providing students with a real world approach to this science that will provide them with excellent training for life beyond the university, all delivered by research-active staff.

Key Features

- Professionally accredited, conferring eligibility for Graduate Basis for Chartership and commended by the British Psychological Society for our unique approach to research methods training and support given during project work
- Opportunities to acquire transferable skills in high demand in job market
- Active engagement with psychology research through research-active staff and links with professional psychologists
- 94% of students said they were ‘very satisfied overall’ with their psychology programme at Abertay in 2014 National Student Survey

Career prospects

A British Psychological Society accredited psychology degree conferring eligibility for Graduate Basis for Chartership is essential for becoming a professional psychologist (working, for example, in clinical, counselling, educational, forensic, health, occupational and sport psychology). Occupations for which a psychology degree will provide a good basis, often following additional postgraduate training, include primary or secondary school teacher, lecturer, research assistant, social worker, personnel officer, market research executive, social researcher, psychotherapist, speech therapist, occupational therapist and drug rehabilitation worker. Psychology graduates have transferable skills which are in high demand in the general graduate job market such as numeracy, statistics and information technology skills, communication skills and analytical thinking.

What you study

The course offers a comprehensive selection of topics on human behaviour. The core areas follow the curriculum set out by the British Psychological Society. These include:

- Biological and Evolutionary psychology
- Cognitive psychology
- Developmental psychology
- Social psychology
- Personality and individual differences
- Research methods
- Conceptual and historical issues in psychology

Further specialist options are offered in third and fourth year such as education and health, forensic psychology, animal psychology, sports psychology, biological and evolutionary psychology, workplace psychology, language, face recognition, applied and clinical psychology. These allow students to follow one of three distinct pathways available (Biological and Evolutionary, Forensic and Investigative Psychology or General Applied) or to follow a more varied curriculum all resulting in a BSc Psychology degree that will confer eligibility for Graduate Chartership of the British Psychological Society (provided a second class honours degree is attained).
This course offers the opportunity to study a range of subjects including Economics, Business Management, Psychology, Sociology and Sport & Health; thereby offering a broader scope than many conventional social science programmes. You will develop your ability to think in different ways and acquire valuable intellectual skills, preparing you for working in our ever changing, knowledge based economy. It also contributes to you becoming an active and informed citizen in our increasingly complex, technologically-based society. Overall, studying at Abertay offers a stimulating cross-disciplinary higher education experience that will help you understand the nature of our globalised world.

Career prospects
This course prepares graduates for people-oriented jobs that require an understanding of how people think and act, and have levels of interaction with others. Graduates have successfully gone into diverse fields such as social work, community education, teaching, care services, the police service and public relations work.

We are proud of our Social Science graduates who leave us with the ability to ask more questions than when they began. Our aim is not simply to produce graduates who ‘know’ the world but who can interrogate ideas and generate creative and novel ways of dealing with issues and problems.

What you study
The programme offers a broad range of social science subjects which you will be introduced to in the initial years of your studies. Building on these introductory years you have the choice of specialist option modules from six social science subject areas. These are:

- Economics
- Health
- Management
- Psychology
- Sociology
- Sport and Health

Key Information

**UCAS code**  
L300

**Course length**  
2-3 years (full-time)

**Places available**  
25

**Minimum entrance requirements**

**Advanced entry**
Advanced entry to year 2/year 3 is available with appropriate qualifications (eg HNC/HND/A Level/Advanced Higher).
Please refer to the course entry on our website for details of qualification and grade requirements.

**Key Features**

- Opportunity to study human behaviour and action from different disciplinary vantage points thereby enhancing your understanding
- Wide range of subject-based option modules, allowing you to construct a degree that reflects your subject interests
- Opportunity to specialise in one of the social science subject areas to graduate with a named award of BA (Hons) Social Science with (subject)

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"Even when I had started, part of me always doubted that I would graduate, but I am glad to have been able to prove myself wrong. A large part of that is down to the lecturers and staff at Abertay who were always happy to help when possible."

Sarah Middleton
Sociology is the study of how people think, act, relate and organise themselves in society. Through each year of this degree you will progressively build an understanding of theoretical frameworks and practical social research methods which can be used to analyse the formation, operation, development and possible future of modern society. You will develop critical reasoning skills and an ability to collect, interpret and communicate social research data. The degree incorporates modules on diverse topics such as the media, work, nationhood, environment, race, ethnicity and racism, identity, social movements, gender, politics, history, sexuality and crime.

**Key Information**

- **UCAS code**: L301
- **Course length**: 4 years (full-time)
- **Places available**: 35

**Minimum entrance requirements**

- Higher ABBB; A Level BCC; ILC (H) A2B2B2B2; International Baccalaureate 29; BTEC Extended Dip DMM
- **Essential Subject**: Literate subject

**Advanced entry**

Advanced entry to year 2/year 3 is available with appropriate qualifications (eg HNC/HND/A Level/Advanced Higher). Please refer to the course entry on our website for details of qualification and grade requirements.

**Key Features**

- Flexible multi-faceted programme of study
- Offers critical understanding of the key features of fast-changing social, cultural and and political worlds
- Part-time work placement opportunities available in 4th year
- Wide range of employment and professional training prospects upon completion

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“I think all my goals have been realised. I’ve ended up where I wanted to end up, working with young people and using my knowledge, my sociology degree and my experience in voluntary positions.”

**Alan, Glasgow**

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**Career prospects**

A sociology degree provides graduates with the practical skills and necessary knowledge which many employers demand. Abertay Sociology graduates are well suited to types of employment that require a good understanding of people and society, for example, Government; Social Research; Marketing; Teaching; Social Work; Youth & Community Work; Human Resource Management; Public Relations; Journalism; Policing; Teaching (at primary, secondary and FE levels) and the Probation Service. Our degree also provides a strong foundation for further academic study at postgraduate level and the taking of professional qualifications for all the above jobs and professions.

**What you study**

“It is about more than just studying. I think that studying sociology affects you deeply; if you really engage with the things you’re learning about I don’t think you can ever see the world in the same way again. I have learned to question my own and others’ assumptions about life, about society, and I now look much more critically at the things people want me to believe.”

**Georgina, Dundee**

You will study:

- Social research methods and sociological theories
- Power, politics and resistance; social problems, discrimination, inequality and globalisation
- Some psychology modules in the first two years
- 4th year students can apply for the Community Links module which provides locally based part-time work placements in the voluntary, public and criminal justice sectors
This is an exciting time for you if you are interested in the academic study of the diverse topics associated with sport and exercise. As a growing industry, sport and exercise incorporates scientific support, coaching, service provision, and consumerism, as well as personal and community development. Our courses have been designed to reflect this diverse and changing employment market. At Abertay you can choose from a range of study programmes that address, among others, the physiology and psychology of performance, the science of training practices, the development and social impact of sport and exercise, and the evaluation and analysis of sports performance. The course provides you with topical information, an ability to translate theory to practice, and the opportunity to gain relevant employment experience within the industry, while still providing you with the flexibility to follow your own interests. In the first two years you will follow a core curriculum that provides a basis for more specialised study in the final two years. At the end of the second year of study you will choose a route leading to BSc (Hons) in one of the following specific named awards:

- Sport and Exercise Science
- Physical Activity and Health
- Sport and Exercise Coaching
- Sports Development – Strength and Conditioning

Career prospects
Graduates on this course will be well placed to work as sports development officers, high-performance coaches, scientific support specialists, outdoor instructors, fitness consultants, lifestyle managers, health promotion specialists, sports administrators, teachers, lecturers, physical activity leaders, or researchers. The broad range of studies in year one and two will give you a solid foundation providing flexibility for your future career, while the emphasis on employability will allow you to experience the industry and meet key individuals in order to make your mark before even finishing your studies.

What you study
In the early years of the course you will study the sciences that underpin sport, namely physiology, psychology and biomechanics, as well as studying social policy and sport development. Practical activities and work placements will enable you to contextualise theory to real life applications (this includes volunteering with the Active Schools programme) and work towards National Governing Body or industry qualifications. In the later years, the pattern of study will depend on the route chosen but, as an example, students following the sports coaching pathway will study motor control, skill acquisition, and teaching theory. Students studying Physical Activity and Health will examine focus on social policy and practice, as well as examining the underpinning sciences of health.

Key Information

| UCAS code | C600 |
| Course length | 4 years (full-time) |
| Places available | 69 |

Minimum entrance requirements
Higher ABBB; A Level BCC; ILC (H) A2B2B2; International Baccalaureate 29; BTEC Extended Dip DMM

Essential Subject: Biology, Chemistry, Physics or PE

Advanced entry
Advanced entry to year 2/year 3 is available with appropriate qualifications (eg HNC/HND/A Level/Advanced Higher). Please refer to the course entry on our website for details of qualification and grade requirements.

Criminal record check required √

Key Features
- Flexibility to follow personal interests by allowing you to make an informed decision at the end of the second year of study
- Extensive work-based placements that will give you the opportunity to put theory into practice and gain valuable experience
- Opportunities to gain coaching and/or industry qualifications which will further enhance your employability

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BA (Hons) Sport and Management

Whether it be high performance sport at the Olympics or World Cup or the development of sport in the community, sport, exercise and physical activity are becoming increasingly important in the modern world. This degree prepares graduates for management careers in sports. It focuses on the skills required to manage sporting facilities, including: financial, human resource, sporting expertise, marketing and service operations. The course is designed to give you an understanding of the management, social and practical skills required in the rapidly growing sports industry.

Career prospects
There is a need for highly skilled managers who understand both the sport and management skills required within sporting facilities and sports businesses. It is anticipated that a range of career possibilities will be available to you: activity co-ordinator, sports development officer, sport and leisure manager, sports business manager, lecturer or researcher, or management trainee. The transferable skills gained will also enable you to take up graduate careers in organisations such as the police force, fire service, armed forces and teaching. Employability attributes are developed through aspects of the programme such as the work placements, Personal Development Portfolios and the use of guest speakers from industry.

What you study
In the early years of the course you will study social policy, ethics and sociology of sport, as well as the context of business and management of services, people, resources and the sporting environment. Practical activities and work placements will enable you to contextualise theory to real life applications.

Work placements continue as a key feature of the course, in the later years, and you will also be expected to undertake an extended piece of individual research. In addition, you will be able to choose a number of optional modules, allowing you to follow personal interests in both management and sport based areas.

You will be encouraged to critically evaluate information and challenge ideas and concepts using scientifically-based information, as well as being encouraged to show initiative, research and construct your own knowledge, and therefore, have skills which will enable you to effect change in a working environment.

“Abertay a very approachable and stress-free place to study, and I wouldn’t hesitate to recommend it to anyone.”
Matthew Morgan

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Minimum entrance requirements

Higher ABBB; A Level BCC; ILC (H) A2B2B2B2; International Baccalaureate 29; BTEC Extended Dip DMM

Essential Subject: None

Advanced entry
Advanced entry is available with appropriate qualifications (e.g. HNC/HND/A Level/Advanced Higher). Please refer to the course entry on our website for details of qualification and grade requirements.

Criminal record check required ✓

Key Features

- Flexibility to follow personal interests
- Extensive Work-Based Learning
- Combines sport and management skills

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The BSc (Hons) Sport and Psychology degree is a unique degree, being the only one available in Scotland. It examines the sciences underpinning the study of sport: how the mind and body work together for sport performance. In this course you also examine how psychology is applied in practice in sport and exercise settings, as well as having the opportunity to consider how diet and physical activity influence health, the theories which underpin coaching as well as considering how to assess fitness and prescribe exercise/training programmes. In the final year you complete a research project based on your independently chosen topic area and work closely with a member of staff designated as your project supervisor.

Career prospects
With further study you can become an accredited Sport and Exercise Psychologist. Other potential career pathways include: sports development officer, coach, outdoor pursuits instructor, fitness consultant, lifestyle manager, sports administrator, lecturer, physical activity leader, researcher etc. By having a BPS accredited degree, you can pursue a career in any other psychology discipline, after appropriate study and training.

What you study
A number of modules focus wholly on sport psychology issues such as motivation, personality, attribution, goal-setting, visualisation, concentration, confidence, self-talk, arousal, stress and anxiety regulation, athletic injuries and rehabilitation, addictive and unhealthy behaviours, and overtraining.

The skills required in Sport and Psychology are diverse and you will be introduced to a variety of teaching methods designed to develop these skills. You will be taught in lectures, laboratory classes, and small group seminars with an emphasis on active enquiry. As you progress through the course more of your time will be devoted to independently accessing relevant information for your coursework, private and collaborative study, teamwork, activity based practicals, scholarship and reflection.

You will also be expected to undertake work placements, which will form a significant part of your learning and help reinforce the important link between theory and practice.

"Sport psychology is something that has interested me for a while and Abertay offered a very structured and interesting course."
Stuart, Northern Ireland

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Minimum entrance requirements

Higher ABBB; A Level BCC; ILC (H) A2B2B2B2; International Baccalaureate 29; BTEC Extended Dip DMM

Essential subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Physics or PE

Criminal record check required √

Key Features

- Professionally accredited as conferring eligibility for Graduate Basis for Chartership (GBC) (provided Second Class Honours is obtained)
- Interdisciplinary programme
- Potential for work experience
- Opportunities to gain coaching and/or industry qualifications

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“I was most impressed with the standard of the portfolios completed by all of the Abertay students. There were some that really stood out. Roche is delighted to be aligned with such excellence.”

Paul Smart
Business Manager for Roche Diagnostics
Bringing industry to the classroom

In the School of Arts, Media and Computer Games (AMG) we aim to educate our students to be the innovators and ground-breakers in tomorrow’s computer games and digital media industries.

We have strong links with major companies and through those links we ensure that people from industry are directly involved in delivering part of all our courses. We offer a wide range of courses, from games programming at the science and technology end, to narrative-based animation at the arts end.

Many of our courses have Skillset accreditation for the computer games and audio sectors. In addition Abertay University is recognised as the UK Centre for Excellence in Computer Games Education, a centre which operates within the School.

Our teaching spaces have been designed to be like the studio environments that modern creative companies use – in those spaces you will see games programmers working alongside animators and visual artists, and sound technologists creating content for computer games and other interactive media products. Most of our students get the opportunity to work on industry-mentored and commissioned projects.

Staff in the School are involved in collaborative research with other disciplines at Abertay University and researchers at other UK universities. Much of this work centres around applying computer game technologies to create visualisations to aid research investigations in many fields. We are creating visualisation models of the way the environment works, or to help plan health care and delivery systems. We also work closely with specialists from other fields in using computing games as an educational tool.

The School offers courses built on developing your skills and work experience, and preparing you to step straight into an exciting, rewarding career in the rapidly growing creative industries.
Dundee Business School - Building knowledge futures

We are an international Business School, and seasoned providers of business, legal, accounting, finance, management and economics education, at both undergraduate and graduate levels. With distinguished faculty from all over the world, we offer our researchers and students one of the most exciting environments in which to explore the challenges of business in the 21st century. We aim to produce graduates who will be change-makers in an international environment.

Our research and teaching include a wide range of subjects relevant to those contemporary challenges – Accounting, Economics, Enterprise Creation, Finance, Human Resource Management, Information Systems, Innovation and Knowledge Management, Project Management, Law, Marketing, and Strategic Management. Our breadth of expertise allows us to deliver innovative undergraduate and postgraduate courses, designed to give our students the expertise and key skills required by today’s employers. Our students study in a learning environment that challenges them to find their own area of expertise and to take forward the development of businesses, small and large, locally and internationally, in a highly competitive and constantly changing global marketplace.

We have strong collaborative links with industry, and are actively engaged in the world of business. Members of staff also specialise in the areas of executive training and continuing professional development, and our work in developing the human resources of organisations facing the challenges of change is highly regarded by our partners in industry, the public sector and in the professions of Law, Finance and Accounting - hardly surprising then that our graduates are much sought after by employers seeking the next generation of executives and specialist practitioners.

Postgraduate Taught Degrees (MSc) and Research Degrees (MPhil/PhD)

Postgraduate research applicants are welcome onto full-time and part-time study leading to MPhil or PhD by research. For further information on research opportunities in the Dundee Business School contact:

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Postgraduate Masters degrees can be an appropriate preliminary to such research studies and are available in a range of subjects including: International Management; International Finance and Accounting; International Human Resource Management; Oil and Gas Management; and Security and Transnational Criminal Justice.
Our mission is ‘to develop graduates who will take scientific understanding to produce technical solutions to issues in contemporary society that will form the basis for wealth generation in Scotland and beyond’. As a student in the School of Science Engineering and Technology (SET) our expectation is that you will ‘Break Barriers’ and have fun doing it. Most importantly, we will give you an education which is relevant to the future and will greatly add to your employability.

So which subject is right for you? The best advice is to follow your interests - you will get most satisfaction and reward from subjects that stimulate and excite you, so why not make these the basis of your future career? In SET we offer undergraduate courses across a wide range of cross-disciplinary subjects. If your interests lie with the application of computing technology you might consider: Ethical Hacking or Computing. Our science-based programmes include: Forensic Sciences (applying sciences in support of the law), and Biomedical Science. Our Civil Engineering course has strong links to environmental science and our Food Programmes allow you to tailor your degree towards the career you want. Our postgraduate courses concentrate on MProf Food and Drink Innovation, MSc Energy, Water and Environmental Management, MSc Ethical Hacking, and Masters by Research. If you are not sure which course might be best for you, then come to our Open Day or contact one of the staff in the School. Our courses have been designed to allow you to have fun whilst studying as well as expanding your horizons and enhancing your future employability. Whether it is taking part in ‘Scenes of Crime’ work, developing tasty new food products, understanding modern medical ethical issues, finding and preventing weaknesses in communications or control systems, or minimising energy use in a new building, the emphasis is on the development of relevant knowledge and skills combined with enjoyment in your studies.

Science is a key feature in modern day society, and understanding how science works and developing technical solutions to challenges in everyday life are key skills that we all need. How else can we decide whether to eat genetically modified food, assess how our lifestyle might be contributing to global warming, decide whether biometric ID cards are secure, or evaluate the effectiveness of that latest diet or fitness fad? More than this, a scientific or technical training paves the way for an interesting and rewarding career by developing transferable skills which assist you in evaluating evidence, generating new ideas and communicating effectively with fellow professionals.

The degree you obtain from Abertay will provide the basis for your success in industry, commerce, politics, education and a wide range of professions where a scientific training gives you that crucial edge in a competitive job market.

At postgraduate level we have an exciting range of courses supported by Abertay’s key research centres: FIA, Food Innovation@Abertay; ACE, the Abertay Centre for the Environment; SIMBIOS, our mathematics and biology centre; and the Urban Water Technology Centre. The research base that exists within these centres is substantial and proven. Abertay is considered to have the best Environmental Science research activity in Scotland and we are continually expanding and improving our research base.

According to Government figures, Abertay is Scotland’s best modern University for helping students progress in their studies and the School of Science Engineering and Technology offers you a dynamic environment in which to study. We offer you courses that are relevant to the needs of today and develop the generic skills that you will need to stay ahead tomorrow. Whatever your interests we know that SET can offer you something that will help you to achieve your life goals and confidently face the challenges you meet along the way.
The School of Social and Health Sciences provides a vibrant and dynamic learning environment. It has a strong reputation in the design and delivery of innovative courses that reflect today's employment needs. We have close links with employers in industry and the professions and our aim is to provide you with the attributes that employers value. We will introduce you to a challenging environment that facilitates the generation, development and exchange of ideas through a lively interaction between staff and students. We pride ourselves on providing a supportive learning environment and a smooth transition from school, college, or if you are returning to education from time out. If you decide to study with us, we can help you acquire the knowledge, understanding, skills and qualities that will enhance your career opportunities. If you are a mature or a part-time student, we welcome the wealth of experience you can bring to us and are happy to try to meet your needs.

We offer a broad range of courses, including Psychology; Sociology; Mental Health Nursing; Sport and Exercise Science; Social Sciences; Criminological Studies; Counselling; and Forensic Psychobiology. Our courses are designed to be at the leading edge of their subject areas. To help us achieve this, we have a strong research base, and many of our academic staff are acknowledged experts in their fields. Teaching incorporates the latest research developments, and our Honours students have opportunities to undertake projects linked to staff research interests.

How the School is organised

The School is made up of four Divisions, namely Mental Health Nursing and Counselling, Psychology, Sociology, and Sport & Exercise Sciences. One of the strengths of the School is the opportunity to cross traditional boundaries, enabling staff and students to engage in innovative, exciting areas that are relevant to society and employers.

The Division of Mental Health Nursing and Counselling offers a pre-registration Mental Health Nursing course, accredited by the Nursing and Midwifery Council. It also offers an undergraduate COSCA Certificate in Counselling course and collaborates with the Psychology Division in delivering the BPS accredited BSc (Hons) Psychology and Counselling degree. There are also postgraduate programmes in Counselling (accredited by the British Association of Counselling and Psychotherapy), and an MSc in Mental Health Nursing (Post-registration). The Division has strong links with the NHS, voluntary and private sectors, and many of its courses include significant practice components.

Courses offered by the Division of Psychology are accredited by the British Psychological Society (BPS). This means that if you study psychology and meet the requirements of the BPS, you will be eligible for entry to postgraduate training for professional practice. The Division has a strongly applied focus, offering the following programmes: BSc (Hons) Forensic Psychobiology, BSc (Hons) Sport and Psychology, and BSc (Hons) Psychology and Counselling as well as BSc (Hons) Psychology. The Division of Psychology also contributes to the Social Science degree, and offers an MSc in Psychology. Psychology at Abertay has a strong emphasis on research and was judged one of the best research departments in Scotland, and the best of the 'new' universities, at the last Research Assessment Exercise.

The Division of Sociology has well-established research interests in criminological studies, media and cultural studies, and issues pertaining to inequality and social justice. As the 'science of society' Sociology focuses on the social, cultural, political and policy issues affecting our everyday lives, our local community and the micro and macro processes of social change. The Division of Sociology offers undergraduate degrees in: Criminological Studies; Sociology; and Social Science. It also contributes to the MSc by Research at the postgraduate level.

The Sport and Exercise Sciences Division offers a range of sports related courses. The courses all begin with a common two year curriculum allowing students to make an informed choice of one of six named routes for the final two years, leading to degrees in Sport and Exercise Science, Sports Coaching, Sports Development, Strength and Conditioning, Physical Activity and Health, or Sport and Exercise. In addition the Division collaborates with other parts of the University to provide joint awards in Sport and Management, and Sport and Psychology. The programmes offered by the Division have been designed to ensure all students have the opportunity to gain valuable industry work experience at all levels of study. All of the routes are supported by relevant research and consultancy as well as links with a number of organisations in the area. The Sport and Psychology course is accredited by the British Psychological Society (BPS).

Postgraduate Research Degrees

The pervasive research ethic and culture in the School makes it an ideal place to pursue advanced study. Staff expertise exists in a range of areas within the four Divisions. The unique structure of the School facilitates interdisciplinary activity both within the School and across the University. Staff always welcome enquiries relating to research degrees (PhD, MPhil or the one year MSc by Research) and are happy to discuss and shape potential projects.

For further information on courses please visit abertay.ac.uk | Academic Departments
“We have been amazed by the enthusiasm and ingenuity of the Abertay students. The process of engaging the students with a real charity project which raises money to support Scotland’s most vulnerable children and young people has been thrilling.”

Matthew Middler
Senior Regional Fundraiser at CHILDREN 1ST
Making an offer
Throughout the course section of this prospectus information is provided on the minimum entrance requirements for each course, along with details of any essential subjects. Applicants should remember that many factors are taken into account when making offers, including references and personal statements. Therefore no applicant is guaranteed admission on the basis of achieving the minimum entrance grades alone. Actual offers may be higher or lower than the grades stated. As the prospectus is produced some time in advance of applications being made, it should be noted that the rates published may be subject to change. For the most up to date information, please refer to the course information on our website, before submitting your application.

If you receive a conditional offer of a place from us, it will usually state our requirements in grades and detail any specific subjects that you need to achieve, e.g. BBBC at Higher including Mathematics.

UCAS tariff
The UCAS tariff is a system that measures qualifications using a points based system. The University does not normally express offers to applicants with UCAS tariff points. Our offers are based on achieving certain grades and subjects depending on the qualifications you are taking.

Curriculum for Excellence
The University will welcome the first cohort of students from Scotland who have followed Curriculum for Excellence and take the new SQA qualifications in 2015. The University has published a statement on www.abertay.ac.uk/courses/ukeu/cfe/ which provides more information.

Can I be considered for advanced entry?
Advanced entry is available on the majority of our degree programmes. Suitably qualified applicants can apply to be considered for direct entry to the later years of an undergraduate degree course. So, if you have Advanced Highers, good A Levels, or a relevant Higher National Certificate then you can ask to be considered for direct entry to year 2 allowing you to complete your Honours degree within three years.

Do you consider SQA Scottish Baccalaureates for entry?
We welcome applicants offering the new SQA Scottish Baccalaureates. Although they are not generally listed as a separate entry qualification due to space limitations in this prospectus, entry to year 2 of a relevant degree programme may be possible but will be dependent upon the subjects taken and grades achieved. All applications will be treated on an individual basis.

What if I’m coming from FE College?
In most cases, a relevant Higher National Certificate (HNC) will enable you to start in year 2 of the relevant degree course. Alternatively, a relevant Higher National Diploma (HND) will usually enable you to start in year 3 of the relevant degree programme. More information on the articulation routes for a wide range of HNCs and HNDs can be found by visiting our website www.abertay.ac.uk/courses/fromcollege/

Do I need English and Mathematics?
All applicants must possess both English and Mathematics at SQA Standard Grade Credit Level at Grade 3 or better or Intermediate 2, or National 5, or GCSE level at Grade C or better.

Need more information?
If you’d like to receive advice on whether your qualifications are suitable for entry then contact the Student Recruitment Office:

Phone: +44 (0) 1382 308080
Email: sro@abertay.ac.uk

For further information on courses please visit abertay.ac.uk | Further Information
This new option means that on some of our courses you can now complete the equivalent of a full four-year honours degree within three years.

The fast-track option works by telescoping the last two years of a standard four-year programme into 15 months. All students will study at the same pace during their first two years, but will be offered the fast-track option at the beginning of their second year. If you choose to do so, then at the end of the second year you will move onto the accelerated programme.

Your studies will then continue during what would otherwise be the summer vacation between the second and third years. Similarly, when students on the conventional timetable are completing their third year studies, those on the accelerated programme will carry on through what would otherwise be the summer vacation between third and fourth year.

Instead of studying four years of two 15-week terms each, the accelerated programme comprises one year of two terms followed by two years of three terms each. In the first year, you’ll study for 30 weeks, and in the second and third years you’ll study for 45 weeks, so you’ll still get a summer break.

Although the fast-track programme will finish 11 months before the conventional programme, students on the fast-track will study exactly the same lessons, featuring the same course content and subject to the same high quality standards, as those on the conventional timetable.

The flexibility of the fast-track programme, if it suits your circumstances, could mean you getting to the jobs market a year earlier than otherwise and with lower overall living costs during your studies.

Degree programmes currently offering the fast-track option include:

- BA (Hons) Business Studies
- BA (Hons) Computer Arts
- BSc (Hons) Computer Game Applications Development
- BSc (Hons) Ethical Hacking
- BSc (Hons) Food and Consumer Science
- BA (Hons) Game Design & Production Management
- BSc (Hons) Sports Development
If you are thinking about studying with us, but are not sure whether you are qualified, want more information or just want some additional support before you start, then read on.

Access courses
If you do not have traditional qualifications (such as Scottish Highers), then a range of Access courses is available.

AHEAD is Abertay’s part-time access course, which takes place during the evening to allow you, whether or not you are working, to gain access to higher education. AHEAD is designed to allow people from diverse backgrounds to develop a range of transferable learning skills and subject knowledge, in a supportive and friendly environment. You also get the opportunity to experience teaching and learning in higher education firsthand. The aim of AHEAD is to enable you to develop the skills, confidence and qualifications necessary to progress on to a higher education course. Ongoing guidance and support is built in to help you make informed choices about future options after completing AHEAD. In addition to providing new subject knowledge and transferable learning skills, successful completion enables entry to a range of degree courses at the university.

Access courses at Further Education Colleges are also widely available. The most popular delivered by Scottish colleges are SWAP courses. These are generally full-time, one-year courses designed for people returning to study after a break, to equip you with the general skills required to make a success of your studies at university and to give you a foundation of subject knowledge. These access courses are also considered as suitable for entry to a range of our degree courses.

Making the right choice
Every year the University holds an Open Day, specifically designed for those thinking about applying to study with us. The Open Day is held in September to allow you to visit before making your UCAS application.

Everyone who applies to an undergraduate course with us is automatically invited to our Applicant Information Days. Offered by each of our Schools through the spring, these days offer you the opportunity to meet with lecturers, current students and other applicants to find out more about the course you have applied for.
**Coming from care?**

We recognise that students who have been in local authority care might face particular difficulties moving into higher education. Among the first universities in Scotland to receive theButtle UK Quality Mark, Abertay is keen to support young people leaving care. We guarantee places on our Summer School preparation course for all care leavers, can liaise with social work departments to help you secure financial support while you study and offer year-round places in university accommodation. For more information, please contact Liz MacDougall on 01382 308425 or l.macdougall@abertay.ac.uk

**Getting ready to start your studies**

We offer a range of preparation courses in the weeks before the start of the academic year.

**Summer School** is designed for new students coming into first year of their course who want to boost their confidence and be better prepared for starting university. Summer School combines practice to improve your research, study and IT skills with an introduction to topics you will cover in your first term.

Our **Bridging Programme** is especially popular with students coming from college who want additional support to make the transition between learning environments, and students joining us through UCAS Clearing who want to increase their confidence.

Both Summer School and the Bridging Programme run during the fortnight before term starts. You can select the combination of workshops that will be most useful for you and that fit with your schedule. Booking opens via the Applicant’s Portal each spring once you have received an offer of a place on a course.

You can find out more about both courses by visiting http://www.abertay.ac.uk/courses/find/ug/ and get in touch with StudentAcademicSupport@abertay.ac.uk if you have any questions.
General advice and guidance

If you would like to discuss the options available to you, or if you require more information than is included in this prospectus, our team of Student Recruitment staff are always happy to assist. You can contact the Student Recruitment team by telephone, email, or in person. We also offer a range of Skype sessions which are promoted on our website abertay.ac.uk/courses/skype/

Open days

If you are considering applying to us, then attending an organised visit such as our open day is a great way to get a feel for the University and to see what’s on offer. Our open day includes an opportunity to find out more about the course you are interested in, see our facilities and talk to staff.

The open day follows a drop in format and throughout the day there will be staff available to offer advice and information about our courses and answer any questions you may have about life as a student at Abertay University.

Open Day in 2015
23 September 2015
13.30 - 16.30
Applicant information days
Our applicant information days are tailored specifically for those who have made an application, to provide information on the courses you have chosen. You will automatically be invited to attend one of our applicant information days if you have applied through UCAS and have been made an offer. Invitations are sent out from January onwards.

If you haven’t yet applied but are interested to visit the University before the next open day, then you are also welcome to attend our applicant information day.

Individual and group visits
Wherever possible we encourage you to attend one of our organised days such as the open day or applicant information days, however if you are unable to attend then we can also arrange an individual or group visit. Visits normally include a campus tour and an opportunity to speak to the programme tutor of your chosen course.

Presentations to schools and colleges
The University’s Student Recruitment team give presentations to many schools and colleges on a number of topics related to higher education. Our staff can provide presentations on general topics such as choosing and applying to university, or a specific presentation on Abertay University. If you would like a presentation for your school or college, please contact the Student Recruitment Office to discuss your requirements.

Higher education and careers conventions
The Student Recruitment team also attend a large number of higher education fairs and careers conventions across the UK, and internationally. Staff attending such events are able to provide advice and guidance on our range of courses and facilities, and can assist you in making your choice of what to study with us.

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A range of films is available through our website, or on our dedicated youtube channel.

Want more information?
Student Recruitment Office

Get our app
If you are uncertain what you’d like to study and are looking for some inspiration, then why not download our course finder app? Currently available for iphone and Android, the app can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play by searching for ‘Abertay’.

Want to keep up to date or meet other applicants?
Abertay has a presence on Facebook and Twitter, so why not follow us?

For further information on courses please visit abertay.ac.uk | Further Information
The information provided was correct at the time of printing, however as the prospectus is printed some time in advance we recommend that you check our website for the most up to date information, or refer to the relevant funding body website.

Both fee arrangements and the types of financial support available will vary according to where you live, what you wish to study, your family circumstances, whether you have previously received funding, and whether you plan to study full or part time.

Whilst every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information on these pages, due to ongoing changes relating to student funding and the long timescales involved in prospectus production, it is important that you confirm the financial support arrangements available to you with the relevant funding body to ensure you have the most up to date information.

**TUITION FEES**

**Scottish & EU Students**
Scottish and EU undergraduate students studying full-time at a Scottish University benefit from the Scottish government’s decision that the Students Awards Agency for Scotland will pay the undergraduate tuition fees for all eligible Scottish and EU domiciled students studying at the University provided that they are not repeating a period of study, or currently hold a first degree qualification.

**English, Welsh and Northern Irish Students**
Our tuition fee for students from the rest of the UK – England, Northern Ireland & Wales is £7500 per year.

**International Students**
If you live outside of the EU you are likely to be regarded as an International student and will be asked to pay the International tuition fee rate. Please refer to our website for details of tuition fees and for information on international scholarships.

**LIVING COSTS**
Living costs are likely to include accommodation (including utilities such as electricity), food, travel, books and equipment, and personal expenditure including social or sporting activities.

The main types of financial support for living costs that may be available to UK students, depending on your personal circumstances and eligibility, are Student Loans, Young Students’ Bursary, Independent Student Bursary and Supplementary Grants.

**Scottish Students**
Students from Scotland can apply to the Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS) for a student loan, plus any available supplementary grants to cover living costs. Applicants must apply online through the SAAS website by the appropriate deadline. Scottish students who do not wish, or are not eligible, to take out a Student Loan and who do not qualify for any other supplementary grants, are still required to complete the SAAS Application Form for tuition fees.

**RUK Students - English, Welsh and Northern Irish**
**Tuition Fee Loans & Maintenance Loans**
Students from England, Wales and Northern Ireland can make an application online to Student Finance Online Services to take out the fee loan to meet the cost of the tuition fees. The fee loan is not means tested unlike the student loan which is means tested on parents/spouse household income. Students who do not wish to submit details of parental/spouse income can apply for the non-income assessed loan.

You will need to wait until early 2016 before you are able to apply for student finance for 2016/17 courses. To cover the cost of studying you can apply for:

- a Tuition Fee Loan to cover your tuition fees in full
- a Maintenance Loan for living costs like rent (full-time students only)
- a Maintenance Grant if your household income is less than £42,600 (full-time only)
- scholarships and bursaries that are available from the University
  (up to details on the University website)
- extra financial help if you have a disability or children or adults depending on you

**New full-time students**
New full-time students can apply online by following these steps:

1) set up a student finance account at Student Finance Online Services – England, Northern Ireland or Wales depending on where in the UK you are resident.
2) log into your account and complete the online application form
3) send in evidence, such as proof of your identity or household income, if you’re asked for it
4) sign and return the loan declaration you receive in the post
EU Students

Students from the EU can apply to the Student Awards Agency for Scotland to have their tuition fees paid in the same way as Scottish students. If you have lived in the UK, or have immediate family living or working in the UK, you should contact our Advisory Service to discuss your case as you may be eligible to obtain additional support.

International Students

If you live outside of the EU, then you will not be entitled to help with tuition fees or living costs and will be expected to have sufficient funding to cover your tuition fees and your living expenses. Scholarships may be available for International fee payers. Up to date details can be found on the University website.

Students studying Nursing degrees

The funding arrangements for Nursing students are different to other courses. For students undertaking a degree in Mental Health Nursing all students from the UK must apply to the Student Awards Agency for Scotland for the Nursing and Midwifery Students’ Bursary Scheme (NMSB). A non means tested bursary is available to all students from the UK. Students who are eligible under the Nursing and Midwifery Students’ Bursary Scheme (NMSB) will also have the cost of their tuition fees met.

PART-TIME STUDENTS

Students studying on a part-time basis are liable to pay tuition fees for their course.

Undergraduate part-time fee grants

A part-time fee grant is available to eligible students studying on a part time basis. Application forms are available at www.saas.gov.uk from June.

EDUCATIONAL TRUSTS AND CHARITIES

There are numerous educational trusts and charities that individuals may be eligible to apply for an award from to assist with funding your studies. The following websites provide advice, information and searchable databases:

www.scholarship-search.org.uk

DISCRETIONARY & CHILDCARE FUND (UK STUDENTS ONLY)

These funds are administered by the University and the full Student Loan entitlement must be taken before consideration is given to students applying. These non-repayable means tested awards are for help towards childcare, accommodation and financial hardship.

Want to know more?

Student Funding Advisor: Sarah Fleming
t: +44 (0) 1382 308051
e: advisory@abertay.ac.uk

Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS)
(Scotland & EU)
t: 0300 555 0505
w: saas.gov.uk

Student Finance England
t: 0845 300 50 90
w: direct.gov.uk

Student Finance NI
(Northern Ireland)
t: 0845 600 0662
w: studentfinanceni.co.uk

Student Finance Wales
t: 0845 602 8845
w: studentfinancewales.co.uk

Student Loan Company
t: 0800 405010 (freephone)
w: slc.co.uk

ILA Scotland
t: 0808 100 1090
w: ilascotland.org.uk
Our academic year consists of three semesters with vacations at Christmas and spring. Undergraduate courses consist of modules that are structured into two semesters, or three semesters for our portfolio of accelerated degrees. All courses commence in September each year.

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**Term Dates 2016/17 (Draft)**

Term 1 – 5 September to 16 December 2016  
(Christmas vacation 19 December to 6 January 2017)

Term 2 – 9 January to 5 May 2017  
(Spring vacation 27 March to 7 April 2017)

Term 3 – 8 May to 18 August 2017  
(accelerated degree students only)

Orientation and registration for new students takes place during the week beginning 29 August 2016.

At time of publication, term dates are draft and subject to change. Please refer to our website for confirmed dates during 2016.

**COURSE STRUCTURE**

Undergraduate courses and modules

Undergraduate courses typically consist of four stages, each taking one academic year of full-time study. To complete each stage you will need to achieve 120 credits at the appropriate level (see table). These credits are part of a recognised national system of credit called the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF).

At the end of each stage successful students are eligible for exit awards (see an example in the table) which means you can leave with a qualification even if you do not complete all stages of a course.

From 2016-17 entry, all our undergraduate modules will be based upon a 20 credit system and students will take six modules per year. Our modular system is designed to give you maximum flexibility during your study with us. As well as the modules that form the core of your course, most courses have optional modules that allow you to tailor your course to meet your interests and career aspirations.

**Progressing through your course**

Modules may be assessed by coursework, coursework and examinations or occasionally by examinations only. Coursework assessments are particularly important because they allow you to find out how well you are progressing and what you need to do to get better grades in future. Normally the assessment of each module is completed within a semester, and any exceptions will be clearly stated to students.

To progress to the next stage of a course you will be expected to have passed all the modules in your current stage, although it may be possible to carry a limited number of credits of module failure into the next stage. You will normally be given an opportunity to be reassessed in any attempted assessments if you don’t achieve a pass grade at the first attempt.
Flexible and Part-time Study
Our Modular Scheme opens up a wide range of opportunities for part-time learning. Many of our undergraduate courses can be studied on a part-time basis during the day by studying individual modules to suit your needs. The flexibility of the University’s modular scheme means that you can study for as few (perhaps only one) modules as you like depending on your aspirations. If you study in part-time mode it will normally take at least two years to complete each stage of your course.

Studying in this way involves attending classes during the day. Each module will take approximately 3 hours of University attendance per week (e.g. 1 hour of lecture and 2 hours of laboratory or tutorial time).

Scottish Credit & Qualifications Framework
Mainstream Scottish qualifications are part of a single unifying framework known as the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework (SCQF). In this Framework, qualifications are described in terms of their level and their credit value as defined by a number of SCQF credit points. These qualifications provide the foundations of a learning and credit transfer framework that has been implemented and embedded throughout Scotland’s education and training provision. You can find out more about the Scottish Credit & Qualifications Framework from the website scqf.org.uk.

Bologna Process
In addition to meeting the requirements of the Scottish Credit & Qualifications Framework (SCQF), all of our programmes are Bologna compliant. The Bologna Process intends to harmonise academic degree standards and quality assurance standards throughout Europe.

As a result, every student who graduates after 2005 receives a Diploma Supplement with their degree/diploma certificate as part of their Higher Education Achievement Report (HEAR). The Supplement describes the qualification in a format that is easy to understand and compare, improving international transparency and facilitating recognition of the qualification by both academics and professionals.

Higher Education Achievement Report
From July 2015, all students will graduate with an electronic Higher Education Achievement Report (HEAR) which provides a comprehensive record of students’ achievements. The HEAR incorporates information on all academic achievement plus institutionally-verifiable co-curricular achievements e.g. Sports Awards, Prizes, Volunteering, Principal’s ( Employability) Award, etc. Further information on the HEAR is available at www.abertay.ac.uk/courses/hear.
Support Enquiry Zone (SEZ)
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Accommodation Office
For enquiries regarding University accommodation:
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For enquiries relating to a submitted application for entry to a course, and UCAS procedures:
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e:  admissions@abertay.ac.uk

Accessible Formats
Information is available in other formats such as large print, Braille, audio tape, or on disk, if required. Contact the Student Recruitment Office +44 (0)1382 308080 to discuss your requirements.
By Rail, Dundee Station

We are a 10-15 minute walk from the train station. Taxis are available upon request from outside the station. For information on train operators and times visit National Rail Enquiries website www.nationalrail.co.uk.

By Bus

We are just a 10 minute short walk from the bus station. Taxis are available in Trades Lane.

By Air, Dundee Airport

Taxis are available upon request from outside the airport and take approximately 10 minutes to arrive at our location.
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“The course has been excellent. The first two years gives you the basis to work on and draws on all of the excellence at Abertay, with teaching from all of the University’s Schools in areas like IT and marketing. You then focus on your industry with really relevant and open teaching. The standard is high and support from the lecturers is always good, with a small number of students - around 30 - making the teaching really personal. The School organises fantastic vocational placements as well.”

Gregor McMaster

“I left University feeling very confident about my own abilities and I think that shone through at interviews. I definitely would not have been able to do this job without my degree at Abertay.”

Caroline Ness

“The experience, knowledge and contacts gained from Abertay has allowed me to work with teams and athletes worldwide. With the ever expanding university and sports department, it’s only going to create more opportunities for prospective students.”

Daniel Nicoll

“I’d heard about Abertay’s good reputation for sport and sports research so it was a great choice for me. Abertay also allowed me to combine my studies with my main passion in life - football!”

Samantha Milne

“There was a great mix of teaching methods and that really suited me, as I enjoy both the research and the practical side of learning. We were really encouraged to take initiative and I found that I thrived in this environment.”

Lorraine McSweeney
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