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UCAS KEY DATES – 2022 Entry

| | Date | Action |
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|  | 30 June 2022 | Applications after this date automatically enter Clearing Students can monitor all progress by logging into their UCAS Hub |
|  | 28 September 2022 by 6pm | Final date for applications to 2022 courses |
|  | 18 October 2022 | Final date for adding Clearing choices. |

20 October UCAS 2022 Entry closes

UCAS KEY DATES – 2023 Entry

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|  | 17 May 2022 | UCAS Undergraduate application open for 2023 entry. Students can monitor all progress by logging into their UCAS Hub |
|  | 15 July 2022 | UCAS Conservatoire Apply open for 2023 entry. Conservatoires can start making decisions on applications right away. |
|  | 6 September 2022 | Completed applications can be submitted to UCAS. Universities & colleges can start making decisions right away. |
|  | 3 October 2022 | Final date for music applications. Dance, drama or musical theatre courses may have different deadlines – check conservatoires' websites for details. Contact them if deadline passed. |
|  | 15 October 2022 By 6pm | Final date for applications for Oxford, Cambridge and most medicine, dentistry & veterinary medicine/science. Reference need to have been completed. |
|  | 25 January 2023 By 6pm | Applications for the majority of courses should be sent to UCAS by this date. (Including most Conservatoires) Reference need to have been completed. |
|  | 23 February 2023 | Extra 2023 Opens. If you have used all 5 choices on your original application and do not have an offer, you can add another choice. |
|  | 30 June 2023 | Applications after this date automatically enter Clearing Students can monitor all progress by logging into their UCAS Hub |
|  | 21 September 2023 by 6pm | Final date for applications to 2023 courses |
|  | 17 October 2023 | Final date for adding Clearing choices. |

Find out more about your options at: [UCAS.com](#) or see [Application deadlines](#)

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Exploring Higher Education 2022

| UCAS Exhibitions | Date | Further information – for more details see ucas.com Exhibitions |
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| Borders | Thursday 1 September | Borders Event Centre, Kelso - 9.30am-3pm |
| Forth Valley | Friday 2 September | Forth Valley College, Falkirk - 9.30am-3pm |
| Edinburgh | Tuesday 6 September | Royal Highland Centre, Edinburgh - 9.30am-3pm |
| Fife | Wednesday 7 September | Roths Halls, Glenrothes - 10am-3pm |
| Dumfries & Galloway | Thursday 8 September | Easterbrook Hall, Dumfries - 9.30am-3pm |
| Glasgow | Tuesday 13 September | SEC Glasgow - 9.30am-3pm |
| Lanarkshire | Wednesday 14 Sept | UWS Lanarkshire Campus, Stephenson Place - 9.30am-3pm |
| Ayrshire | Thursday 15 September | UWS Ayr Campus, Ayr - 9.30am-3pm |
| Moray | Tuesday 20 September | Moray College UHI, Elgin - 9.15am-3.15pm |
| Highlands | Wednesday 21 September | Inverness College UHI - 9.30am-3pm |
| Aberdeen | Tuesday 27 September | RGU Sports Hall, Aberdeen - 9.30am-3pm |
| Tayside | Wednesday 28 September | Perth College UHI - 9.30am-3pm |

| University Open Days | Type | Date, event title and time if available |
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| University of Strathclyde | Live | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursday 9 June – Undergraduate Open Day, 4-6pm |
| | Online | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tuesday 21 June – Discovery University: Applying through UCAS and Personal Statements, 6-7pm Thursday 23 June – Virtual Visit, 6-7pm Wednesday 6 July – Virtual Visit, 2-3pm Tuesday 19 July – Virtual Visit, 6-7pm |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bookable 1hr Campus Tours, Virtual tour and chat with students Follow the University of Strathclyde - Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn; Twitter; YouTube |
| University of the Highlands & Island (UHI) | Live | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thursday 9 June – Open Evening UHI West Highland, Fort William, 3 - 6.30pm Friday 10 June – Outdoor Adventure Open Day UHI West Highland, 10am – 3.30pm Saturday 11 June – Open Day UHI Orkney, 12 – 4pm Tuesday 14 June – Open Day UHI Moray, 3.30 – 6.30pm Wednesday 15 June – Open Day UHI Perth, 2 – 6pm |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 15 June – Open Day UHI North Highland, Thurso, 2 – 6pm • Saturday 18 June – Open Day UHI West Highland, Portree, 11.30am – 3pm • Monday 20 June - Open Day UHI North Highland, Dornoch, 10am – 2pm • Tuesday 21 June - Open Day UHI North Highland, Alness, 10am – 2pm • Tuesday 9 August - Open Evening UHI Inverness, 4 – 6.30pm • Wednesday 10 August – Open Day UHI Moray, 10am – 3pm • Saturday 1 October – Open Day UHI Moray, 10am – 2pm • Saturday 12 November – Open Day UHI Moray, 10am – 2pm • Tuesday 22 November – Open Day UHI Moray, 3.30 – 6.30pm • Friday 22 November – School of Adventure Studies Open Day UHI West Highland, Fort William, 11am - 3pm |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow UHI - Facebook; Flickr; Instagram; LinkedIn; Twitter; YouTube |
| <u>Dundee Open Days</u> | Live | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday 10 June - Medicine Open Day Session One, 8.30am - 2pm • Friday 10 June - Medicine Open Day Session Two, 11.30am - 5pm • Monday 13 June - Summer Taster Session 1: Science & Engineering, Life Sciences, Nursing, 10am - 2.15pm • Wednesday 15 June - Summer Taster Session 2: Humanities & Social Sciences, 10am - 2.15pm • Friday 17 June - Summer Taster Session 3: Art, Architecture, Planning, Business & Education, 10am - 2.15pm • Tuesday 21 June - Dentistry Open Day, 9am-2pm, • Monday 29 August - Open Day 2022 (August), Dundee Campus, 9am-4pm • Saturday 24 September - Open Day 2022 (September), Dundee Campus, 9am - 4pm |
| | Online | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday 14 June - Student Life online event, 4.15 - 4.45pm • Thursday 30 June - Graduate Apprenticeships at the University of Dundee webinar, 1pm - 2.15pm • Wednesday 9 November - Online Postgraduate Open Day, 2-7pm |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campus tours (1hr) – Monday or Wednesday at 11.30am or 2.30pm or University of Dundee Virtual Tour • Open Day Subject Talks - from 2021 online events • Follow the University of Dundee - Facebook, Twitter, Instagram & YouTube |
| <u>Heriot-Watt University</u> | Live | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday 10 June - Edinburgh Campus Undergraduate Open Day, 10am – 4pm • Saturday 24 September - Edinburgh Campus Undergraduate Open Day • Friday 7 October - Borders Campus Undergraduate Open Day • Saturday 29 October - Edinburgh Campus Undergraduate Open Day • Friday 4 November - Borders Campus Undergraduate Open Day |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual Tour, you can register interest in Postgraduate Campus Tours • Follow Heriot-Watt University - Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn; Twitter; YouTube |
| <u>Aberdeen University Open Days</u> | Live | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday 11 June - Medicine Open Day • Tuesday 30 August - Open Day (August) 2022 • Saturday 1 October - Open Day (October) 2022 |

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| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual Campus Tours or create a personalised virtual experience • Follow the University of Aberdeen - Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn; Pinterest; Twitter |
| Glasgow Caledonian University Open Days | Live | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 15 June – Postgraduate open Evening, 4.30 – 7pm • Friday 16 September – Undergraduate open Day, 10am – 2pm • Saturday 8 October - Undergraduate open Day, 10am – 2pm |
| | Online | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday 12 June - Virtual Campus Tour, 3 – 5pm |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Campus tours live, virtual and 360 and Ask a Student UniBuddy chat • Stay Connected: Facebook; Instagram; Twitter; YouTube |
| SRUC | Live | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Monday 13 & Tuesday 14 June - Aberdeen Campus Open Day, 11-noon or 3:30-4:30pm, Craibstone Estate • Friday 17 June - Elmwood Campus, informal afternoon visit, 1pm live, Elmwood, Fife • Sunday 24 July - Elmwood Golf Open Day, 10–12 or 1–3pm Elmwood Golf Course • Sunday 24 July - Elmwood Conservation & Countryside Management Taster Day, 9:30–12 or 1–3:30pm • Wednesday 10 August - Edinburgh Campus Open Day (all subjects HN and degree) 2-4pm, King's Buildings |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow SRUC - Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, LinkedIn & YouTube |
| University of the West of Scotland (UWS) | Online | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 15 June – Webinar, School and College Student Recruitment teams explain what to expect next in the UCAS application process. Via Zoom or the UWS Facebook page |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow UWS - Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn; Twitter; YouTube |
| Robert Gordon University (RGU) | Live | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 15 June - Campus Open Day, 12- 4pm • Saturday 15 October - Campus Open Day, 10am - 2pm • Saturday 19 November - Campus Open Day, 10am - 2pm • Teachers & Advisers attending can register to visit the new dedicated Hub for teachers and advisers |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual Tour and staff / student chat option • Follow Robert Gordon University - Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn; Twitter; YouTube |
| St Andrews University | ? | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autumn visiting dates will be released mid-summer – may be live, virtual or blended |
| | Online | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 15 June 2022 - Gateway to Medicine Information Session, 6 – 7pm |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Study at St Andrew's Undergraduate online Q&A June/July and Masters Programme online events • Bookable Talk & Tour or online information sessions • Follow the University of St Andrews - Facebook; Instagram; Twitter; YouTube |
| University of Glasgow (UoG) | Live | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday 17 June - Gilmorehill Campus Open Day • Thursday 23 June – Dumfries Campus Open Day, School of Interdisciplinary Studies courses only |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recorded campus tours and Q&A or Uni Buddy chat options and Blogs • Follow the University of Glasgow - Facebook; Instagram; Twitter; YouTube |

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| <u>Royal Conservatoire of Scotland (RCS)</u> | Live | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Friday 17 June – School of Music Open Day (sign up closed Friday 10 June at 5pm) • School of Dance, Drama and Performance to be announced |
| | Online | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tuesday 28 June - RSC Admissions Virtual Tour with Q&A, 10am webinar • Monday 20 June - Discovery Session MA Psychology in the Arts (music) runs twice at 10.30am and 6pm (zoom) |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual Tours and Focus West Widening Access to Creative Arts • Follow the RCS - Facebook, Flickr; Instagram, Twitter; YouTube |
| <u>Queen Margaret University Edinburgh (QMU)</u> | Live | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday 24 September – Undergraduate Open Day, 11am – 4pm • Saturday 29 October - Undergraduate Open Day, 11am – 4pm |
| | Online | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 13 July – Live Q&A session on Instagram |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Live & Virtual Campus Tours and Experience QMU subject hubs • Follow the University of - Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn; Twitter; YouTube |
| <u>Abertay University</u> | Live | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Autumn 2022 – register to get dates and details sent to you |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • View the Online Open Day 2021 to explore different subject area or UniBuddy chat • Follow the University of - Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, Twitter; Vimeo; YouTube |
| <u>Edinburgh Napier University</u> | Live | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 17 September - Undergraduate Open Day |
| | Online | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 29 October - Undergraduate Open Day |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Live Campus Tours or Virtual Tour and Student Chat • Follow the Edinburgh Napier University - Facebook, Flickr; Instagram, LinkedIn, Twitter; YouTube |
| <u>University of Stirling</u> | Live | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Saturday 17 September - On Campus Undergraduate Open Day, 8.30am – 4pm • Saturday 22 October - On Campus Undergraduate Open Day, 8.30am – 4pm |
| | Online | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 5 October – Virtual Undergraduate Open day, 2 - 4pm |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual Tour • Follow the University of Stirling - Facebook; Instagram; LinkedIn, Twitter; YouTube |
| <u>Glasgow School of Art (GSA)</u> | Live | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No upcoming dates listed |
| | Online | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Virtual 'Face2Face' events (1-30 June) and 'Get ready for GSA' (15 June – 7 Sept) |
| | Ongoing | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GSA Virtual Tour on Vimeo • Follow the Glasgow School of Art - Facebook; Flickr; GSA Hub; LinkedIn; Twitter; Vimeo; YouTube |

NOTE: All dates and links are accurate at time of release, 8 June 2022. However, event dates may be subject to changes or additions, checked all details on the university websites and follow social media links to remain current.

UNIVERSITY ADMISSION & ENTRY CRITERIA 2022-2023

Each university sets its own entry criteria often reflecting levels of difficulty within a course OR competition for places.

While it is essential to research and compare individual course entry criteria, it is helpful to be aware of some common entry policies and practice across Scotland.

NATIONAL 5 Qualifications

Most universities **DO NOT** need a set number of N5 qualifications (exception, Royal Conservatoire Ballet)

Many universities do not ask for any specific N5's, but where they do it is **most often English and/or maths at C or above.**

Most universities accept N5 **Applications of Mathematics** (previously Lifeskills Maths) at grade C or above **BUT NOT ALL**
If it is not accepted this is usually highlighted in course entry criteria.

HIGHERS Standard Entry and Minimum Entry

Most Scottish Universities ask for **between 3 to 5 Highers** as their 'Standard' or 'Typical' entry requirement

Some universities **also have lower 'Minimum' entry** requirements, often asking for fewer Highers or lower grades. This is linked to 'Contextual' or 'Adjusted' entry criteria.

Universities may list 'Standard' and 'Minimum' entry **requirements at first or second sitting**

'FIRST SITTING' mimum number of higher needed by end of S5

'First Sitting' usually means Highers achieved by the end of S5 (including any gained in S4).

'Second sitting' means Higher achieved by the end of S6.

Universities that list 1st / 2nd sitting usually **increase the number or level of Higher needed** for entry at 'Second sitting' i.e. the end of S6

Uni's with listed increased 2nd sitting requirements:
Heriot-Watt Uni (for a few courses);
Aberdeen Uni;
Edinburgh Uni;
Glasgow Uni;
St Andrew's Uni;
Stirling Uni;
Strathclyde Uni.

ADVANCED HIGHERS

Not essential for first year entry to most courses (except medicine / veterinary) **some uni's require or strongly recommend gaining AdvH's** for some courses:

Aberdeen Uni;
Edinburgh Uni;
Glasgow Uni;
Strathclyde Uni.

Almost all universities in Scotland have options for **Advanced Entry to year 2* with AdvH's** (or other relevant qualifications)
Exceptions include:
Royal Conservatoire;
Glasgow Caledonian;
Glasgow School of Art: (these have college / HNC / HND routes to Advanced Entry).
*Those applying to Advanced Entry but not accepted are usually offered 1st year entry if they meet entry criteria.

DOUBLE COUNTING

Most universities **DO NOT Double Count** Highers & Advanced Highers in the same subjects would be treated as one qualification.

An advanced Higher at C or above would be an upgrade to a previous Higher at B or below, **most universities count the 'better' qualification.**

Exceptions:
If you are eligible for contextual / adjusted entry many uni's will double count.
Glasgow Uni and Glasgow Caledonian Uni will double count for some subjects.

CONTEXTUAL or ADJUSTED ENTRY

Those who meet **widening access 'Contextual' criteria** may be eligible for Adjusted entry where Uni's accept 'minimum' qualifications.

Uni's will (usually) still require qualification in subjects listed as 'Essential'

Applicants will be notified of any Adjusted Entry offer via UCAS

Main criteria are:

- Been in care or are a carer
- In a Uni prep programme for example: SHEP; REACH; LEAPS, etc.
- 1st in your family to go to uni
- Coming from a school or area where few people enter uni
- Have recognised refugee or asylum status

Check individual uni details online

RESITS

Most universities accept resits though they often ask for higher grades. Exceptions include: Medicine courses; Glasgow Uni; St Andrew's Uni.

PATHWAYS BETWEEN COLLEGE & UNIVERISTY 2022-23

What is Articulation?

There are now a number of different routes between college and university. Some colleges & unis have 'articulation agreements'. 'Articulation' lets you progress from an HNC or HND straight into the second- or third year of a related degree.

In 2021, 28% of all first-degree entrants came from college. Over 58% of these students went straight into year 2 (with HNC) or year 3 (with HND). This is known as Articulation with Advanced Standing (AS).

FINDING ARTICULATION PATHWAYS

There are some tools available to help you explore articulation pathways

www.pathways.ac.uk/

Explore pathways between college courses and university degrees at:

Abertay University;
Edinburgh University;
Edinburgh Napier University;
Heriot-Watt University;
Kingston University (delivered at Edinburgh College);
Queen Margaret University Edinburgh;
Robert Gordon University Aberdeen;
Scotland's Rural College (SRUC);
St Andrew's University;
Stirling University;
Open University

www.focuspoint.org.uk/s4-6/applying-to-college/progression-routes/

Explore pathways between college courses and university degrees at:

Glasgow Caledonian University (also see [GCU College Connect](#));
Glasgow School of Art (one course);
University of Glasgow;
University of Strathclyde (also see [Formal Articulation Routes](#));
University of the West of Scotland (UWS);
Edinburgh Napier University;
Stirling University

UNIVERSITIES NOT COVERED ABOVE

| University of the Highlands & Islands (UHI) | Dundee University | Aberdeen University | Royal Conservatoire of Scotland (RSC) | University of Glasgow |
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| UHI has clear progression & Articulation Pathways & formal agreements with 8 colleges. | Has agreed Articulation route for Life Science , Humanities and Environmental Science . | Aberdeen Uni has a very good Adv Entry web area with an HNC/HND Pathways Brochure. | Student do enter from college but rarely with Advanced Standing. RCS offer Transitions support. | GoU have introduced a widening participation Articulation Programme (specific requirements) |

Use [My WoW College to University](#) and individual college and uni websites and social media to find out more about pathways.