

UNIVERSITY of  
STIRLING



*BE* STIRLING

## Undergraduate and Postgraduate Guide

BE THE DIFFERENCE



Be you.  
The potential lies within us all.  
Be ambitious. Be brave.  
Be determined. Be impactful.  
**Be Stirling.**  
**Be the difference.**

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## BE STIRLING

**At the University of Stirling, we're committed to helping you make a positive difference in the world.**

We are proud to provide our students with an outstanding education, founded on innovation and excellence. Stirling is ranked top 30 in the UK for student satisfaction<sup>1</sup> and has been awarded 5 stars in the QS University ratings 2021 for teaching, employability, research and facilities. Our focus is on helping you to be the difference in your chosen career and equipping you with lifelong employability skills to ensure you stand out from the crowd.

Our students, graduates and staff are having a positive impact internationally and we celebrate our global outlook, with more than 140 nationalities represented on our inclusive and multicultural campus.

The University's beautiful 330-acre campus offers an unrivalled living and learning environment, and is top 3 in the world and 1st in the UK for campus environment<sup>2</sup>.

We are renowned as Scotland's University for Sporting Excellence, and our high-quality sports facilities – which are ranked 1st in the UK and top 5 in the world<sup>2</sup> – are available for our students, high-performance and Olympic athletes, as well as our staff, and the wider community.



Our award-winning Students' Union plays a central role providing entertainment and welfare services to make your experience at Stirling the best it can be. Our Clubs and Societies are ranked top 10 in the UK<sup>2</sup>, and with more than 120 clubs and societies to choose from, settling into university life couldn't be simpler.

You are about to make a very exciting and important decision about where you choose to study – and we are delighted you are considering joining us at Stirling.

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

Professor Sir Gerry McCormac  
Principal and Vice-Chancellor

<sup>1</sup> National Student Survey 2022

<sup>2</sup> International Student Barometer, Wave 2, 2022



# 94%

of our leavers are in  
employment or further  
study 15 months after  
graduating<sup>1</sup>



# TOP 30 IN THE UK

For student  
satisfaction

National Student  
Survey 2022



# SCOTLAND'S UNIVERSITY FOR SPORTING EXCELLENCE

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# STUDY IN SCOTLAND

## QUALITY OF EDUCATION

Scotland is renowned for the quality and breadth of its education. This small country is home to no less than 19 higher education institutions, four of which have been educating the world for more than 400 years. We invented penicillin, the bicycle, television and the telephone, and Scottish University research is consistently judged “world-leading” or “internationally excellent” in its quality<sup>1</sup>.

Graduates from Scotland’s universities have the best record of securing professional-level jobs in the UK and they join the workforce with the highest average starting salaries<sup>2</sup>.

The academic excellence of this beautiful country is just one of the many reasons more than 65,000 students from over 180 different countries choose to study in Scotland annually<sup>3</sup>. Come and join them.

## QUALITY OF LIFE

Is it the history? The culture? The scenery and landscape? Or the people? It’s all of these!

Scotland has been voted the most beautiful country in the world<sup>4</sup>. But as well as the majestic hills, lochs, glens and castles (the University of Stirling even has its own!), there are the thriving cultural hubs of Edinburgh, Glasgow and Stirling.

1 REF 2021 2 HESA Graduate Outcomes 2019/20  
3 HESA FPE student record 2022 4 Rough Guides 2019

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# AT THE HEART OF SCOTLAND

Our stunning 330-acre campus is located in the centre of Scotland and attracts students and their families to the University from all over the world.

OVER  
30%

OF OUR  
STUDENTS ARE  
INTERNATIONAL



Edinburgh  
and Glasgow  
international  
Airports both  
less than 1hr  
away



Free

Scotland-wide bus  
travel for under 22s



1<sup>st</sup> in  
the UK

and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the World for  
Campus Environment<sup>1</sup>

## OUR CAMPUS

### Did you know?

Stirling is home to many professional sporting bodies, including:

- Scottish Swimming
- Tennis Scotland
- Triathlon Scotland
- Sportscotland Institute of Sport
- The Commonwealth Games Council for Scotland



EXPERIENCE OUR CAMPUS  
WITH OUR VIRTUAL TOUR:

[STIR.AC.UK/VIRTUALTOUR](http://STIR.AC.UK/VIRTUALTOUR)



1. AIRTHREY CASTLE

2. MEDICAL CENTRE

3. THE LINK BRIDGE

4. ACCOMMODATION VILLAGE

5. PATHFOOT

6. AIRTHREY LOCH

7. COLIN BELL, IRIS MURDOCH AND  
RG BOMONT

8. INTO

9. WALLACE MONUMENT

10. COTTRELL

11. UNIVERSITY OF STIRLING  
INNOVATION PARK

12. STIRLING COURT HOTEL AND  
CONFERENCE CENTRE

13. SPORTS CENTRE, INCLUDING  
NATIONAL SWIMMING ACADEMY  
AND NATIONAL TENNIS CENTRE

14. CAMPUS CENTRAL: UNIVERSITY  
LIBRARY, STUDENTS' UNION,  
MACROBERT ARTS CENTRE





# THIS IS STIRLING

The ancient city of Stirling combines the charm of a historic destination with the buzz of a young population.



## SOAK UP THE CULTURE

The Albert Halls were recently named one of the best music venues in the UK by Time Out magazine, while the Tolbooth venue has a famous live music and arts scene. There is a multiplex cinema, and Macrobert Arts Centre on campus showcases the best in arthouse and mainstream cinema, along with a year-round live performance programme.

## FOOD AND DRINK

As well as local pubs, cafés and restaurants in Bridge of Allan (next door to campus), there are many student friendly bars and coffee shops in Stirling city centre. Why not pour a gin from the city's distillery, or a craft beer in Allanwater Brewhouse or BrewDog?

## WALK WITH HISTORY

Stirling Castle is one of Scotland's grandest, and former home to Mary, Queen of Scots. It's also where the world's oldest football was discovered hidden behind some panelling.

Just next to the university campus is the towering monument to Scotland's hero, William Wallace.

## SHOP 'TIL YOU DROP

The city's historic Victorian arcade, bustling high street and Thistles Shopping Centre are close by, and for even greater choice, Edinburgh and Glasgow are both less than an hour away.

## GET CONNECTED

Located within easy reach of both Glasgow and Edinburgh, Stirling is perfectly placed for national/ international rail and air travel connections, as well as day trips and nights out.

With around 130 gigs a week in Glasgow, and the world's biggest arts festival taking place annually in Edinburgh, Stirling is a great base to easily visit both locations.

## OUT AND ABOUT

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

For a change of pace, Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park are on our doorstep and the Scottish Highlands, with their unrivalled walking and outdoor activities, are less than an hour away.

1 The Complete University Guide 2022  
2 Rightmove Happy Home Index, 2022

SEE MORE ON OUR SOCIAL CHANNELS





Stirling is  
one of the  
**happiest**  
places to live in  
the UK<sup>2</sup>



1st in  
the UK

and top 5 in the  
world for sport  
facilities<sup>1</sup>



## BE INVOLVED

University isn't about locking yourself in the library for days on end. At Stirling, our students love to explore and share the passions and interests that make them unique.

### YOUR STUDENTS' UNION

The award-winning Students' Union is the beating heart of the University. Its main aim is to represent the needs of the students and offer a wide range of services designed to improve your student experience.

We have more than 70 societies and 50 sports clubs, so no matter what your interest is, we are here for you.

[stirlingstudentsunion.com](http://stirlingstudentsunion.com)

### SPORT

As Scotland's University for Sporting Excellence, sport, health and wellbeing are in our DNA, and we aim to make sure every student can enjoy our world-class sports facilities – which are fully accessible. Whether you're an Olympic athlete, fitness lover, sports fanatic or completely new to physical activity, we have programmes, classes and clubs to suit you.

Our sports facilities are ranked 1st in the UK and Top 5 in the world.<sup>1</sup>

[stir.ac.uk/sport](http://stir.ac.uk/sport)

<sup>1</sup> International Student Barometer, Wave 2, 2022

# Top 10

in the UK for clubs  
and societies<sup>1</sup>



# OUR REPUTATION

At the University of Stirling, being the difference is in our DNA. That's why we're regularly recognised across the globe for excellence in teaching, research and offering a world-class student experience.



## NATIONAL STUDENT SURVEY 2022

- Top 30 in the UK for student satisfaction
- 1st in Scotland for Mathematics, History, Literature in English and Marketing
- Top 10 in the UK for Computing Science



## POSTGRADUATE TAUGHT EXPERIENCE SURVEY (PTES) 2022

- Top 30 in the UK for overall postgraduate student experience\*
- Top 30 in the UK for postgraduate student support\*
- Top 20 in the UK for postgraduate teaching\*
- Many courses higher than 90% Overall Student Satisfaction

\*Out of all participating PTES institutions



## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT BAROMETER, WAVE 2, 2022

- 1st in the UK, Top 3 in the world for campus environment
- 1st in the UK, Top 5 in the world for sport facilities
- Top 10 in the UK, Top 20 in the world for clubs and societies
- Overall 91% of international students were satisfied with their experience at Stirling
- Top 10 in the UK for good teachers and expert lecturers



## RESEARCH EXCELLENCE FRAMEWORK 2021

- More than 80% of Stirling research is world leading or internationally excellent
- 87% of the University's research has an outstanding or very considerable impact on society
- 4th in Scotland and Top 50 in the UK for research impact



## THE TIMES AND SUNDAY TIMES GOOD UNIVERSITY GUIDE 2023

- 1st in Scotland, Top 5 in the UK for Criminology
- 2nd in Scotland, Top 5 in the UK for Communication and Media
- Top 5 in the UK for Education
- Top 10 in the UK for Sports Science



## THE GUARDIAN UNIVERSITY GUIDE 2023

- 2nd in Scotland, Top 10 in the UK for Economics
- 2nd in Scotland for Journalism
- 1st in Scotland, 2nd in the UK for Marketing and Public Relations
- 1st in Scotland, Top 10 in the UK for Media and Film Studies





# BE CAREER-READY

Our graduates stand out. Stirling students leave campus equipped with life-changing skills and, depending on your course of study, we have a range of CV-building opportunities to help you make an impact on the world stage.

## INTERNSHIPS, WORK PLACEMENTS AND WORK EXPERIENCE

Undertake a work placement or paid internship, and benefit from work experience opportunities throughout the year.

**93%**  
student  
satisfaction

with the career support services<sup>1</sup>

## MENTORING

Find a mentor and share your experiences through The Stirling Network.

## GUEST LECTURES AND INDUSTRY VISITS

Hear from external experts and industry leaders through regular guest lectures, or visit workplaces and attend sector events to put your learning into practice.

## SIMULATION LEARNING

Put your knowledge to the test and practise your skills in the safety of a mock environment.

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of our leavers are  
in employment  
or further study 15 months  
after graduating<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> International Student Barometer, Wave 2, 2022  
<sup>2</sup> Graduate Outcomes Survey 2019/20



# OUR UNDERGRADUATE DEGREES

Here at Stirling, we believe in choice. That's why we offer more than 170 single and combined courses, and you may specialise in multiple subject areas as part of your own unique Combined Honours degree.



DOWNLOAD THE  
UNDERGRADUATE  
PROSPECTUS

# UNDERGRADUATE STUDY

The majority of our 170 undergraduate courses start in September each year, however some also have a January intake. Please see the individual course pages on our website for the most up-to-date information.

BAcc (Hons) Accountancy	S	BA (Hons) Journalism Studies	S
BAcc (Hons) Accountancy and Finance	S	BA (Hons) Law	S
BSc (Hons) Animal Biology	S J	LLB (Hons) Law	S
BSc (Hons) Applied Biological Sciences	FC S	BSc (Hons) Management	S J
BSc (Hons) Biology	S J	BSc (Hons) Marine Biology	S J
BSc (Hons) Business Computing	S	BA (Hons) Marketing	S J
BA (Hons) Business Studies	S J	BSc (Hons) Mathematics	S J
BA (Hons) Business Law	S	BSc (Hons) Mathematics – Applied Mathematics	S
BSc (Hons) Cell Biology	S J	BA (Hons) Modern Languages	S >
BSc (Hons) Computing Science	S J	BSc (Hons) / BSc Nursing – Adult	S
BA (Hons) Criminology and Social Policy	S J	BSc (Hons) / BSc Nursing - Mental Health	S
BA (Hons) Criminology and Sociology	S J	BSc Paramedic Science	S
BSc (Hons) Data Science	S J	BA (Hons) Philosophy	S
BA (Hons) Digital Media	FC S	BA (Hons) Politics	S
BSc (Hons) Ecology and Conservation	S	BA (Hons) Politics (International)	S
BA (Hons) Economics	S J	BA (Hons) Politics, Philosophy and Economics: PPE	S
BA (Hons) / BSc (Hons) Education (Primary)	S	BA (Hons) Professional Accountancy	S
BA (Hons) / BSc (Hons) Education (Secondary)	S	BSc Professional Practice	S J
BA (Hons) Professional Education (Secondary, Chemistry)	FC S	BA (Hons) / BSc (Hons) Psychology	S J
BA (Hons) Professional Education (Secondary, Physics)	FC S	BA (Hons) Religion	S >
BA (Hons) English Studies	S	BA (Hons) Retail Marketing	S J
BSc (Hons) Environmental Geography	S J	BA (Hons) Scottish History	S
BSc (Hons) Environmental Science	S J	BA (Hons) Social Work	S
BA (Hons) Film and Media	S	BA (Hons) Sociology and Social Policy	S J
BA (Hons) Finance	S J	BSc (Hons) Software Development with Cyber Security	FC A
BA (Hons) French	S	BSc (Hons) Software Engineering	S J
BSc (Hons) Geography – Environmental	S	BA (Hons) Spanish and Latin American Studies	S
BSc (Hons) Geography	S	BSc (Hons) Sport and Exercise Science	S
BA (Hons) Heritage and Tourism	FC S	BA (Hons) Sport Business Management	S
BA (Hons) History	S	BA (Hons) Sport Development and Coaching	S
BA (Hons) History and Heritage	S	BSc (Hons) Sport Psychology	S
BA (Hons) Human Resource Management	S J	BA Teaching Qualification for Further Education (TQFE) - In-service	A
BA (Hons) International Management Studies with European Languages and Society	S	BA Teaching Qualification for Further Education (TQFE) - Pre-service	A

## Key

- S September start
- J January start
- A August start

- > Only available in combination with other subjects
- FC In partnership with Forth Valley College

NB. Courses offered and start dates are subject to change. Please see website for the most up-to-date information.

[STIR.AC.UK/UNDERGRADUATE](http://STIR.AC.UK/UNDERGRADUATE)

# HOW TO APPLY

Applying to the University of Stirling couldn't be simpler, just follow these five easy steps.



## FLEXIBLE COMBINED DEGREES

Can't decide which course to do? Our flexible course structure means you can try out different subjects and decide which ones you'd like to combine later.

For example, you could choose:

**Politics** + **Economics**

**= BA (HONS) POLITICS AND ECONOMICS**

**Marketing** + **Psychology**

**= BA (HONS) MARKETING AND PSYCHOLOGY**

**Accountancy** + **Spanish**

**= BACC (HONS) ACCOUNTANCY AND SPANISH**

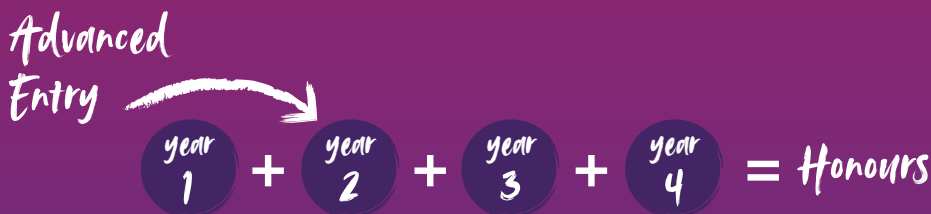


**HOW TO APPLY**

[stir.ac.uk/ughowtoapply](http://stir.ac.uk/ughowtoapply)

## COURSE LENGTH

Most undergraduate courses at the University of Stirling are four years long, resulting in an Honours degree. Some of our courses offer Advanced Entry routes that enable students to gain exemption from Year 1 or Year 2 of study.





# UNDERGRADUATE FEES AND FUNDING

**If you have the talent, ability and drive to study with us, we want you to make the most of the opportunity and we can help you with your finances.**

## TUITION FEES

Your University fees cover all your teaching, examinations, and enrolment as a student. Individual course fee information can be found on the relevant course pages.

## HONOURS YEAR SCHOLARSHIP

Students from England, Wales, Northern Ireland, Republic of Ireland and the EU who successfully progress through Years 1-3 and enter fourth year will be awarded an Honours Scholarship, covering the full cost of the fees in their fourth and final year.

## INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS

We offer a variety of funding opportunities for students from around the world. See our website for details of scholarships and funding opportunities you can apply for.

# VISA INFORMATION

## STUDENT ROUTE:

All international students intending on studying at Stirling for a period of more than six months will need to apply for a Student Route Visa.

EU, EEA and Swiss students also need to apply for this Visa. Under the Student Route, you must demonstrate that you hold an offer from an approved education institution, speak English to the accepted standard and are able to support yourself financially during your studies.

## GRADUATE ROUTE:

International students will benefit from the UK government Graduate Route. This allows those who have completed a degree at a UK Higher Education provider to stay in the UK for two years (three years for PhD graduates) and work at any skill level, and to switch into work routes if they find a suitable job.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION:**  
[GOV.UK/VISAS-IMMIGRATION](https://gov.uk/visas-immigration)

## STUDY ABROAD

From a semester in Tokyo to a year in Spain or California, we have partnerships with more than 70 universities across four continents that provide our students with a global and dynamic educational experience.



Top 20  
in the UK  
for postgraduate  
teaching.<sup>1</sup>

## OUR ACCREDITATIONS, AWARDS AND MEMBERSHIPS



# OUR POSTGRADUATE (TAUGHT) DEGREES

Choose from more than 90 postgraduate courses and study on campus, online or blended. Most of our Masters courses take one year to complete.

1 Postgraduate Taught Experience Survey 2022



CREATE YOUR  
PERSONALISED  
POSTGRADUATE  
PROSPECTUS

# POSTGRADUATE STUDY

We have a wide range of in-person, online and blended learning postgraduate courses, some with two intakes per year (or up to three for online courses). Most courses are 12 months (full time), however some data courses starting in January are different. Please check course web pages for details.

## ACCOUNTING, FINANCE, BANKING AND ECONOMICS

MSc Digital Banking and Finance	S J
MSc Finance	S
MSc Finance and Data Analytics	S
MSc Finance and Risk Management	S
MSc International Accounting and Finance	S
MSc Investment Analysis	S

## AQUACULTURE

MSc Aquatic Pathobiology	S
MSc Aquatic Veterinary Studies	S
MSc Sustainable Aquaculture	S

## BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT

MSc Behavioural Science	S
MSc Business Analytics	S J
MSc Business and Management	S J
MRes Business and Management	S
MSc Data Science for Business	S J
MSc Human Resource Management	S
MSc International Business	S J
MSc Marketing	S
MSc Marketing Analytics	S J
MSc Marketing and Brand Management	S
MBA Master of Business Administration	S J

## COMMUNICATIONS, MEDIA AND CULTURE

MSc Digital Media and Communication	S
MSc/MLitt Gender Studies (Applied)	S
MSc International Journalism	S
MSc Media Management	S
MSc Media Research	S
MSc Strategic Communication and Public Relations (Joint Degree with Universitat Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona)	S
MSc Public Relations and Strategic Communication	S

## COMPUTING, DATA SCIENCE AND MATHEMATICS

MSc Artificial Intelligence	S J
MSc Big Data	S J
MSc Financial Technology (Fintech)	S J
MSc Mathematics and Data Science	S J

## EDUCATION

MSc Management and English Language Teaching (MELT)	S
MSc Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)	S
PGCert Tertiary Education with Teaching Qualification (Further Education) In-service	A
PGDip Tertiary Education with Teaching Qualification (Further Education) Pre-service	A
MSc Education	S
PhD TESOL Research	S

## ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

MSc Environmental Management	S J
MSc Environmental Remote Sensing and Geospatial Sciences	S

## HEALTH SCIENCES

MSc Early Years Practice Health Visiting	S
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## HISTORY, HERITAGE AND POLITICS

MSc Heritage	S
MSc Historical Research	S
MRes Historical Research	S
MSc International Conflict and Cooperation	S
MPP Public Policy	S

## LAW AND PHILOSOPHY

MSc Human Rights and Diplomacy	J
LLM International Energy and Environmental Law	S
MLitt Philosophy	S

## LITERATURE AND LANGUAGES

MLitt Creative Writing	S
MSc English Language and Linguistics	S
MRes Humanities	S
MLitt Publishing Studies	S
MRes Publishing Studies	S

## PSYCHOLOGY

MSc Autism Research	S
MSc Health Psychology	S
MSc/MA Human Animal Interaction	S
MSc Psychological Therapy in Primary Care	J
MSc Psychology (Conversion Course)	S
MSc Psychological Research Methods	S

## SOCIAL SCIENCES

MSc Applied Social Research	S J
MSc Disaster Interventions and Humanitarian Aid	S
MSc Social Statistics and Social Research	S J
MSc Criminology	S
MSc Criminological Research	S
MSc Social Work Studies	J

## SPORT

MSc Psychology of Sport	S
MSc Sport Management	S J
MSc Sport Nutrition	1st

### Key

J January start	A August start
F February start	S September start
M May start	O October start
	1st Starts 1st of every month

## ONLINE AND BLENDED COURSES

### 100% ONLINE COURSES

MBA Business Scale Up (Online)	S F
MBA Sustainability Impact (Online)	S F
MSc Big Data (Online)	O F M
MSc Business Analytics (Online)	O F M
MSc Data Science for Business (Online)	O F M
MSc Dementia Studies (Online)	S J
MSc Gerontology and Global Ageing (Online)	S
MSc Substance Use (Online)	S
MRes Health Research (Online)	S
MPH Public Health (Online)	S J M
MSc Sport Performance Coaching (Online)	S
MSc Public Relations and Strategic Communication (Online)	S J
MSc Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) (Online)	S

### BLENDED-LEARNING COURSES

We have a number of courses which are mostly delivered online, but require you to attend classes on campus a couple of times throughout your studies.

MSc Advancing Practice	S J
MSc Applied Professional Studies	S J
MSc/PGDip Housing Studies (part time)	S
MSc/PGDip Housing Studies (with internship)	S
Doctor of Applied Social Research	S J
Doctor of Education (EdD)	S J
MSc Educational Leadership	A
(Specialist Qualification for Headship)	
MRes Educational Research	S
MSc Professional Education and Leadership	A

NB. Courses offered, start dates and course length are subject to change. Please see website for the most up-to-date information.

[STIR.AC.UK/ONLINE](https://stir.ac.uk/online)

# POSTGRADUATE FEES AND FUNDING

**Fees vary depending on your permanent place of residence and so does the funding you may be eligible to receive.**

## TUITION FEES

Postgraduate course tuition fees cover the cost of registration, supervision of research and study, the use of academic facilities, and all examinations. Some courses may require you to pay an additional fee for laboratory or field-based work.

Please consult individual course web pages for up-to-date fee information.

## LOANS

Student Awards Agency Scotland (SAAS) may be able to provide you with a loan of up to £11,500 to help cover tuition fees and living costs. Other similar postgraduate loans are available from other UK agencies.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

We have a wide range of scholarship and bursary opportunities for both UK and international students, depending on your course and circumstances.

[STIR.AC.UK/FEESANDFUNDING](http://STIR.AC.UK/FEESANDFUNDING)





## HOW TO APPLY

[stir.ac.uk/postgraduate](https://stir.ac.uk/postgraduate)

# HOW TO APPLY

Applications can be made via the online application form available on our course pages.

If you're an international student, you can also apply via an in-country agent. You can find a list of these for your area on our country-specific pages.  
[stir.ac.uk/international](https://stir.ac.uk/international)

## FAST-TRACK APPLICATION

If you are a current undergraduate student at the University of Stirling, you will be eligible for our fast-track application to postgraduate study. Provided you meet the minimum requirements for your chosen course, we will be able to guarantee you an offer and you may be eligible for an alumni scholarship.

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# INTO UNIVERSITY OF STIRLING

**Working with global education experts INTO, our pathway courses are designed to give you excellent preparation for your University of Stirling degree.**

Our dynamic pathway courses, integrated undergraduate and postgraduate degrees, and academic English courses can help you pursue academic success. In some circumstances, students who study with INTO before progressing to their undergraduate or postgraduate degree at Stirling can benefit from only needing to apply for one student visa.

## UNDERGRADUATE PATHWAYS

### Advanced entry into Year Two of your degree

#### International Foundation

The International Foundation prepares you for direct entry to Year Two of an undergraduate degree and helps ensure that you meet both the English language and academic entry requirements for your chosen progression degree. This course offers flexibility in choosing your degree and offers students a chance to make a more informed decision on their degree choice.

#### International Year One

Like the International Foundation, International Year One prepares you for direct entry to Year Two of an undergraduate degree. This is for students who know which degree they wish to study and offers modules tailored to what you want to study at university. This option also offers the convenience of studying both the pathway and degree under one single visa.

### Advanced entry into Year Three of your degree

#### International Diploma

Equivalent to the second year of a Scottish undergraduate degree, the International Diploma focuses on developing your academic and undergraduate research skills, as well as improving your English language ability. On completion, you'll be able to choose a degree and progress to Year Three at the University of Stirling. This course is available to students who have completed a foundation, or have A-Levels (or equivalent) which are not quite up to direct entry level.

#### International Year Two

As with the International Diploma, this course will develop your undergraduate academic skills while improving your English language ability to progress to Year Three of a University of Stirling degree. The course is for students who know which progression degree they wish to study and offers the convenience of studying both the pathway and degree under one single visa.

**FIND OUT MORE ABOUT  
OUR STUDY PATHWAYS.  
[STIR.AC.UK/INTO](http://STIR.AC.UK/INTO)**





## POSTGRADUATE PATHWAYS

### Three Term Pre-Masters

The Three Term Pre-Masters is ideal for students who have completed higher level study not equivalent to a UK degree. The course bridges the gap between three year diplomas or university systems not recognised in the UK. Successful completion will allow you to progress onto a Master's degree.

The course will focus on English language, study skills and research skills combined with subject content relevant to your chosen subject area.

Students can combine the Three Term Pre-Masters with a University of Stirling Masters degree if they know which Masters degree they wish to study (only requiring one visa for both parts of the study plan), or take the Three Term Pre-Masters as a standalone qualification and consider their Master's degree study options upon completion (requiring two separate visas).

### Two Term Pre-Masters

The Two Term Pre-Masters is a six month course covering English language and study skills. It is ideal for students who have an ordinary degree who may not meet the requirements for direct entry, or who have work experience that they wish to use in lieu of a degree but need to sharpen up their academic skills in order to thrive in their Masters degree.

### One Term Pre-Masters

The One Term Pre-Masters course is an intensive three month course covering English language and study skills. It is ideal for students who have substantial work experience relevant to the degree that they wish to study, or a 3rd class honours. The course will allow you to acquire the skills you need to thrive in your Masters degree such as academic English, essay writing, research skills and critical thinking.

## PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH

Pre-sessional English courses provide a short and intensive preparation in academic English for students who are already academically qualified and are due to start a degree at the University of Stirling. We offer options to study both online or on campus.

### 10-week Pre-sessional English course

This course can be taken either online or on campus, and is designed to improve your IELTS score by at least 1.0 in one or more subskills.

### 6-week Pre-sessional English course

This short, intensive course can be taken either online or on campus and is designed to improve your IELTS score by at least 0.5 in one or more subskills.

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**STIR.AC.UK/PSE**

# PhDs AND RESEARCH

At the University of Stirling, our research is changing lives and tackling the global issues of our time. We're leading the fight against tobacco-related harm, working to improve the lives of people with dementia and feeding communities through sustainable aquaculture research.

## SUBJECT AREAS

Accounting and Finance
Advanced Management Education
Aquaculture
Biological and Environmental Sciences
Communications, Media and Culture
Computing Science and Mathematics
Dementia and Ageing
Economics
Education
Health Sciences
History and Politics
Housing
Law and Philosophy
Literature and Languages
Management, Work and Organisation
Marketing and Retail
Psychology
Social Work
Sociology, Social Policy and Criminology
Sport

## HOW TO APPLY FOR A RESEARCH DEGREE

Follow these steps to apply for a research degree at Stirling.



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of the University's  
research has an  
outstanding or very  
considerable impact  
on society<sup>1</sup>



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT RESEARCH,  
INCLUDING FUNDING: [STIR.AC.UK/RESEARCH](https://stir.ac.uk/research)

<sup>1</sup> Research Excellence Framework 2021



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# COUNT ON OUR SUPPORT

**Our student support services are accessible to everyone and are tailored to meet the diverse requirements of our student body.**

**The Student Services Hub brings the following services together to help you resolve your queries through a single point of contact. #JustAsk**

## IMMIGRATION

Our Student Immigration Team can give you advice and information on visas, immigration and more.

## STUDENT LEARNING SERVICES

Our Student Learning Services Team organises daily drop-in sessions, regular workshops and tutorials to help you boost your learning skills.

## FAITH AND SPIRITUALITY

The Chaplaincy is open to all faiths and none, and celebrates the wealth of nationalities, cultures and beliefs here at the University of Stirling. Support includes a dedicated prayer and washroom for Muslim students.

## MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Our qualified counsellors, wellbeing and mental health professionals are here for you throughout your time at Stirling.

## MONEY SUPPORT

For help with budgeting, money management, and applying for additional funding and financial support whilst studying at Stirling.

## ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSION

Our expert team helps students with a wide variety of needs to get the most out of their university life, ranging from assessments to pre-entry visits.

**[STIR.AC.UK/STUDENTSUPPORT](https://stir.ac.uk/studentsupport)**

## LIBRARY AND IT SUPPORT

With hundreds of thousands of books and plenty of room for research and study, our spacious library offers all the tools and resources you need to succeed, together with stunning views of the loch.

Dedicated IT support is available on-site, and we have a laptop loan scheme where you can borrow a laptop for short or long periods of time.

**[STIR.AC.UK/LIBRARY](https://stir.ac.uk/library)**





1 The Complete University Guide 2022  
2 Halifax Bank Affordable Cities Review 2021

# SOMEWHERE TO CALL HOME

**We have more than 2,900 rooms on campus, in nearby Bridge of Allan and across the city of Stirling. All accommodation is self-catered with options to suit all budgets.**

## BUILT AROUND YOUR NEEDS

We have different types of accommodation to reflect the needs and budgets of our students. All accommodation options are self-catered and kitchens are equipped with a cooker, microwave, fridge, freezer and kettle. Toilets and showers are either en-suite or in shared facilities. Accommodation is single occupancy and you can choose from a range of flats, chalets and townhouses. We also have limited family accommodation.

On campus, everything is planned around you – so you'll find card-operated laundry facilities, a supermarket, pharmacy, medical and dental centre and a gym within a few minutes' walk, as well as all the facilities the University and Students' Union have to offer.

If you've got family or friends who would like to visit, we have the Stirling Court Hotel on campus, with a fantastic restaurant, bar and facilities.

**[stirlingcourthotel.co.uk](http://stirlingcourthotel.co.uk)**

## SAFETY AND SECURITY

Stirling is the safest student city in the UK<sup>1</sup>, and we go the extra mile to look out for our students both on and off campus. We provide a 24/7 security team and a range of support services, like the Safe Taxi Scheme – which helps students get home safely if they run out of money. Students under 22 also benefit from free bus travel around Scotland.

## LIVING COSTS

In addition to your tuition fees, you'll also need to consider your living costs during the course of your studies. Fortunately, Stirling is one of the most affordable cities to live in in the UK<sup>2</sup>.

	Monthly	Two Semesters (typical Undergraduate year)	Three Semesters (typical Postgraduate year)
University Accommodation Rent*	£399 - £881	£3,242 - £7159	£4,502 - £9943
Food	£180	£1,460	£2,030
Leisure	£120	£975	£1,350
Clothing	£30	£240	£340
Books	£25	£200	£280
Phone	£25	£200	£280
Travel†	£30	£240	£340
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£809-£1,291</b>	<b>£6,557-£10,474</b>	<b>£9122-£14,563</b>

\* Includes utilities, Wi-Fi, insurance, housekeeping assistance, and 24/7 staff assistance.

This might not be the same for private accommodation.

† This does not include any travel home. Scotland offers free bus travel for all under 22's.

NB. This table is for illustrative purposes only. Prices can fluctuate for many reasons

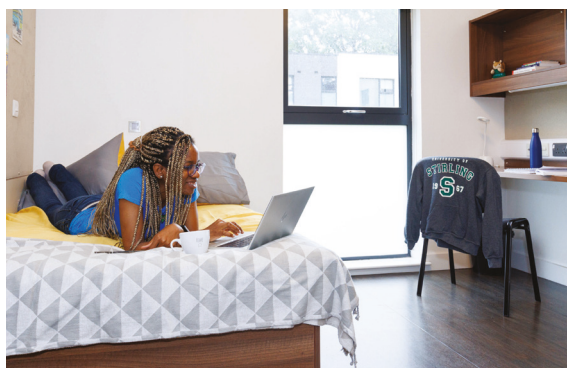


## ACCESSIBLE HOUSING

We can provide or adapt accommodation for a variety of requirements following a pre-entry visit. If you have any specific needs, please get in touch with us as soon as you can and we'll take it from there. [ask@stir.ac.uk](mailto:ask@stir.ac.uk)

## HOW TO APPLY

Students who have firmly accepted a conditional or unconditional offer can apply online via the University Applicant Portal.



[STIR.AC.UK/ACCOMMODATION](https://stir.ac.uk/accommodation)

# OPEN DAYS

Experience the University of Stirling for yourself at our virtual or on campus Open Days.

## WHAT HAPPENS AT AN OPEN DAY?

Our on campus and online Open Days are your opportunity to learn everything you need to know about the University of Stirling. You'll be able to find out information about:

- Courses
- Fees and funding
- How to apply
- Accommodation
- Sport
- Careers and employability
- Visas and immigration
- Students' Union
- Research
- ...and more

## COURSE WEBINARS

Throughout the year, we run regular course-specific webinars. Find the webinar or live chat best suited to you and register in advance to add the date to your calendar.

[stir.ac.uk/webinars](https://stir.ac.uk/webinars)

## CHAT WITH A STUDENT BUDDY

No one knows more about life at Stirling than our students. Chat to one of our friendly students online about any aspect of student life and what it's really like at Stirling.

[stir.ac.uk/chat](https://stir.ac.uk/chat)

## FOR UPCOMING OPEN DAYS, VISIT:

Undergraduate:  
[stir.ac.uk/openday](https://stir.ac.uk/openday)

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[stir.ac.uk/postgraduateopenday](https://stir.ac.uk/postgraduateopenday)



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