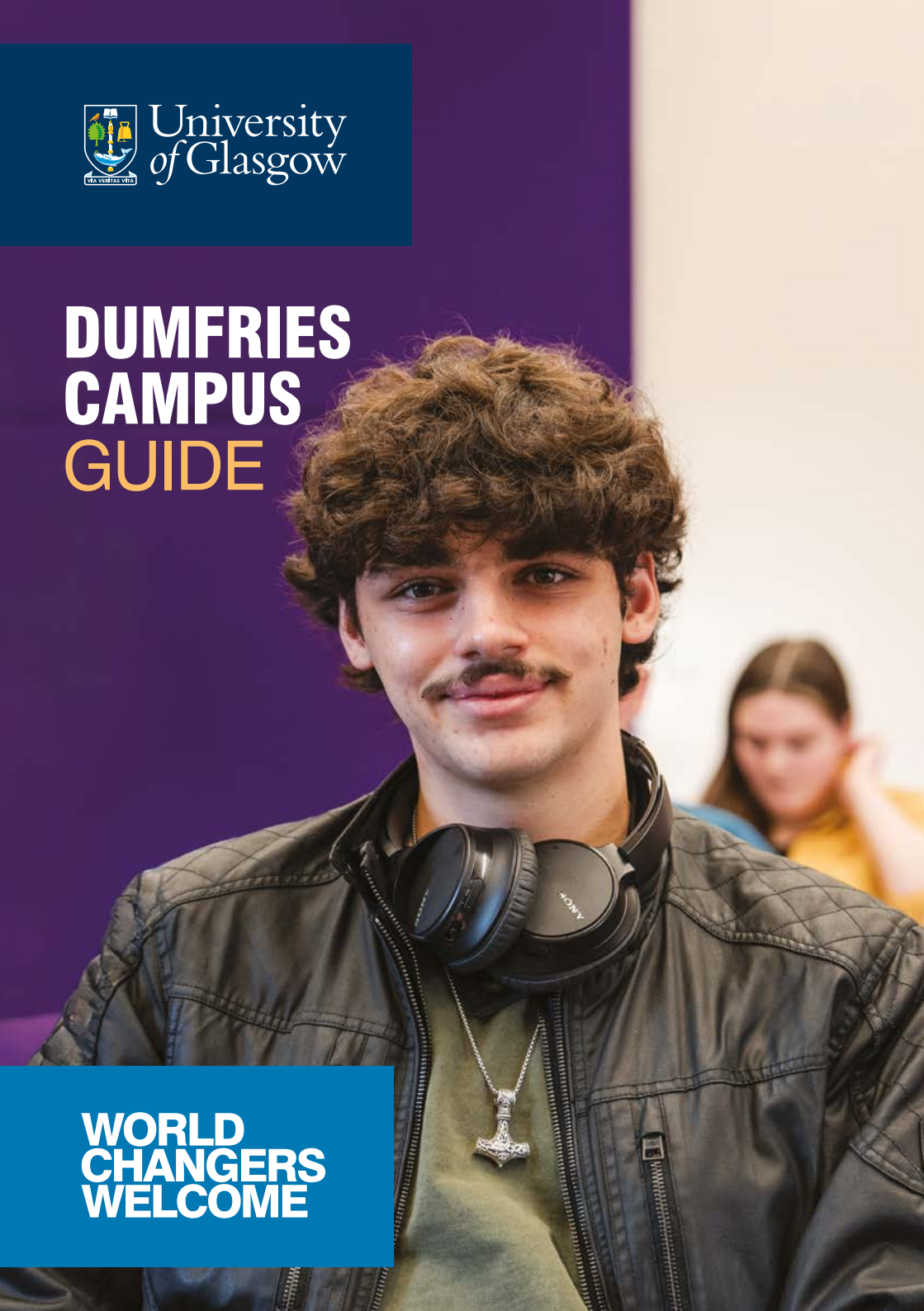




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DUMFRIES CAMPUS GUIDE

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TOP 100 UNIVERSITIES
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RESEARCH-INTENSIVE
UK UNIVERSITIES**

**WORLD TOP 20
FOR SUSTAINABILITY**

**DUMFRIES CAMPUS
IS SET WITHIN A
LIVING LABORATORY**

**STUDENTS AND
STAFF FROM MORE
THAN 40 COUNTRIES**

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OUR DUMFRIES CAMPUS



Set in the beautiful and historic university town of Dumfries in the south of Scotland, the University of Glasgow's Dumfries Campus is home to the School of Social & Environmental Sustainability.

Surrounded by a living laboratory perfect for the subject areas delivered on campus, we combine idyllic surroundings with world-class teaching and outstanding placement opportunities. This location is the perfect setting to give you an incredible university experience within a community of staff and students who join us from over 40 countries around the world.



YOUR LEARNING ENVIRONMENT



Set in an idyllic 85-acre campus, the University of Glasgow's Dumfries Campus is the perfect option if you are looking for a world top 100 university experience with a difference.

DUMFRIES CAMPUS

The School of Social & Environmental Sustainability delivers a suite of programmes focused on environmental science & sustainability, education, tourism, and sustainable development.

The United Nations Sustainable Development Goals are woven throughout programmes delivered at Dumfries Campus and you will develop skills to address these real-world issues.

Underpinned by world-class research, and delivered in a setting which provides ample opportunity to engage in practical elements of learning and teaching, the programmes offered will equip you with the skills to become a world-changing graduate of the University of Glasgow.

LIVING LABORATORY

The natural environment surrounding the Dumfries Campus creates a living laboratory for many of our learning experiences and associated placements. Students have easy access to a range of environments such as the rivers and coastline, peat bogs and moorland, together with the vast array of community organisations, the 114 primary and secondary schools throughout Dumfries and Galloway, and the extensive agricultural and forested areas of the region. These features present a vibrant and diverse 'laboratory' in which to study.

You will also have the opportunity to utilise the on-site Teaching Garden which is designed for learning, research and recreation. In addition, there are options on all undergraduate programmes for placement and field work experiences to enhance your learning.

“THE UN’S SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS ARE AT THE HEART OF LEARNING, TEACHING AND RESEARCH.”

Professor Fabrice Renaud, Head of School of Social & Environmental Sustainability

THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

Situated approximately 75 miles south of Glasgow, Dumfries Campus offers you a unique option for your university journey.

You will benefit from learning and teaching opportunities within smaller classes, as well as a campus that is surrounded by the great outdoors. You are also studying at one of three campuses of the University of Glasgow with support from the entire University community and access to facilities, clubs, and societies at other campuses.



EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS



Our programmes are professionally oriented, providing you with practical experience and a solid academic foundation. We help you develop a strong set of employability skills and support you to engage with industry throughout your studies.

PLACEMENTS AND WORK EXPERIENCE

To enhance your opportunities after graduation, work placements or work experience are offered as part of our degree programmes. In partnership with a wide range of local, national and international organisations, we can help you to source a quality work placement, and to plan and carry out projects which are supported and mentored by academic staff. These projects are designed to

deliver clear benefits to you and tangible results for the placement provider.

FIELD WORK

Field trips and guest lectures are essential parts of all our programmes. We place great value on a practical approach and on a variety of perspectives, ensuring that you gain a strong set of professionally oriented skills as well as an academic background.

STUDENT LED

We support you to select placements and research projects aligned with your career interests. This enables you to not only follow your passions but also establish valuable connections with industry partners and experts, enhancing your professional journey in the areas that matter most to you.

93% OF OUR ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE GRADUATES GO ON TO WORK AND/OR FURTHER STUDY

DiscoverUni Graduate Outcomes survey for BSc (Hons) Environmental Science & Sustainability 2022 graduates, which collects information from students 15 months after they finish their course.

GREEN JOBS

As the School of Social & Environmental Sustainability, we are committed to developing graduates for the jobs of tomorrow.

It is predicted that employment needs will grow so significantly in the coming years that by 2030 if there is no change in the current employment trends, the unmet need in green sectors will be approximately 12 million jobs including approximately 1.7 million jobs in India, 9.8 million jobs in China, 60,000 in UK and 17,000 in USA (World Economic Forum).

GRADUATE ATTRIBUTES

Everything you do during your studies contributes towards your employability. Whether you work part-time, take on volunteering opportunities or engage with internships – all of these activities can contribute towards your CV.

Hear from some of our graduates about their career pathways, and the different ways they've used their skills and knowledge after graduation to pursue their goals:



Check out our playlist about graduates' career pathways.

STUDY OR WORK ABROAD



Environmental Science & Sustainability student Cade travelled to the University of Calgary in Canada for his study abroad experience.

Choosing to study or work abroad as part of your degree is a life-changing opportunity. Whether you are joining us from across the UK or around the world, there are so many benefits to studying abroad.

You'll experience new learning and working environments, and meet people from different cultures. Courses taken overseas through our exchange programme form part of your degree without adding any extra time.

We have more than 180 partners across the world, and many teach in English.

REASONS TO GO ABROAD

- Work or study abroad as part of your degree: no need for a gap year.
- Develop a new perspective on your studies.
- Explore the world and develop a more international outlook.
- Expand your intercultural awareness and competences.
- Build an international network.
- Gain skills and experiences that will enhance your CV.

Remember, there is no additional time or tuition fees to go abroad with your degree and you get support and recognition for your time abroad through the programme.

**CHOOSE FROM
180+ DESTINATIONS
ACROSS THE GLOBE**



Read more about Cade and Fran's stories at:
glasgow.ac.uk/schools/ses/studentlife/ourstudents



Sustainable Tourism & Global Challenges graduate, Fran, in Fjallsarlón, Iceland.

GRADUATE STORY

When choosing her dissertation topic, Fran was interested in sustainable tourism and its correlation with climate change.

Alongside her studies, she undertook a Researcher-in-Residence role abroad, joining an expeditionary cruise organized by Canadian tour company, Adventure Canada, as recommended to her by her lecturer. The cruise embarked from Aberdeen, Scotland, and journeyed across the North Atlantic, including visits to the Orkney Islands and the Faroe Islands, culminating in Reykjavik, Iceland.

WELCOMING THE WORLD



We are proud to have a diverse community within our School and each year we typically welcome students from more than 40 countries to Dumfries Campus.

With a smaller population than you would find in a city-centre campus, students in Dumfries integrate into the fabric of our local community. Whether it's joining local clubs or taking up part-time work, the town of Dumfries is a welcoming environment for students from across the UK and around the world.

STUDENT STORY

Environmental Risk Management student, Sreekumar, moved to Dumfries from Kerala, India. He found the campus and community to be friendly and welcoming, with plenty of opportunities to make new friends.



Hear about Sreekumar's experience:
glasgow.ac.uk/schools/ses/studentlife/ourstudents



GLASGOW INTERNATIONAL COLLEGE

If you're an international student but not quite ready to study at the University, our partner institution, Glasgow International College, can help you to achieve the required standards for admission to the University.

If you successfully complete a foundation programme at the required level, you can progress into our degree programmes in either Environmental Science & Sustainability, or Global Sustainable Development. Visit glasgow.ac.uk/gic for more information.

SUPPORTING YOU



Even before you join us, it is important to understand the support services available to you.

WIDENING PARTICIPATION

The University is committed to encouraging and supporting students from areas and groups where there is traditionally low participation in university. We welcome applications from students enrolled on the FOCUS West/Top-Up Programme and those who have completed, or aim to complete, University of Glasgow Summer Schools. We also encourage applications from qualified young people who have been looked after by a local authority in foster or residential care.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND BURSARIES

We believe academic excellence should be supported. If you want to join us as an undergraduate, you'll be pleased to know there's a wide range of financial help available to you.

This includes bursaries and scholarships for students who:

- are under-represented
- have demonstrated excellent academic achievement
- are facing financial hardship
- are talented athletes
- have spent time in care or who will be studying without family support
- are staying in the UK on humanitarian grounds and are facing challenges in progressing to higher education

ON CAMPUS SUPPORT

We offer a range of services so you can make the most of your time while planning for your future.

The Rutherford McCowan Building is home to our Student and Academic Operations Team, where you'll find our expert team of staff ready to assist you with all aspects of university life. From completing paperwork to building your timetable, our friendly and approachable team will make sure you have everything you need throughout your university career.

It is also home to our Student Hub, bespoke space designed for students to relax, socialise, and connect. The Hub also houses our Student Engagement Coordinator and Student Support Officer, with dedicated spaces for services like our community pantry, counselling, and careers.



STUDENT SUPPORT

Student Support Officers are the first point of contact for a range of issues you might face while at University.

This could include anything from advice on finances, accommodation, study support or personal problems, to directing you to counselling services or accessing support for a disability. Through one-to-one appointments or drop-in sessions, Student Support is in place to guide you should you need any of their services.



Find out more
[glasgow.ac.uk/schools/
ses/studentsupport](https://glasgow.ac.uk/schools/ses/studentsupport)

DISCOVER DUMFRIES



Dumfries has coffee shops, bars and restaurants for you to enjoy throughout the campus and in town.

There are sports facilities, music festivals and theatre events throughout the year – so you and your friends can always create your own unique experience while studying here.



Check out our playlist from Student Content Creators about life in Dumfries.





Caerlaverock Castle

THE GREAT OUTDOORS

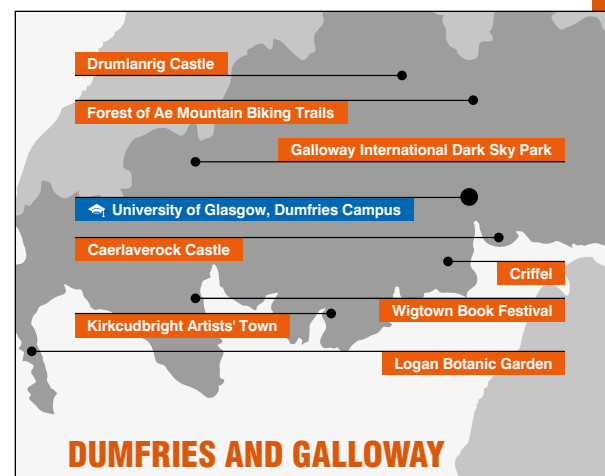
The town and wider region are home to some of the best walking trails, hill climbs and mountain bike routes in the country. Walkers, climbers, and water sports enthusiasts will enjoy discovering the area – from the Galloway Hills and the Southern Uplands to the dramatic coastline and beaches of the Solway Firth, there is something for everyone.

PART-TIME WORK

There are many options for part-time work while you study. From on-campus jobs, like Student Ambassadors, to work in bars, restaurants, supermarkets and local shops – there are opportunities for you to work locally if you are able to do so. Many of our students also like to volunteer with local charities and independent organisations.



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DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY



TRAVEL TIMES

 — Dumfries campus location

CITY NAME	By train	By bus
Glasgow	2h 00m	2h 20m
Edinburgh	2h 30m	3h
Carlisle	40m	1h 30m
Newcastle	2h 20m	4h 30m
Manchester	3h 30m	3h
London	4h–5h	9h 30m

EXPLORE FURTHER

Dumfries has great transport links to allow you to explore beyond the boundaries of the town itself. If you want to be connected to Gilmorehill and engage with our Glasgow campus, there are travel options to allow you to do so.

YOUR DUMFRIES HOME



UNIVERSITY ACCOMMODATION

There are three residences in Dumfries, all within easy reach of the campus by foot or a short bus ride, giving you the option of close to campus or town centre living:

- Dumfries Hall
- Brooke House
- Laurieknowe Hall

The residences are offered on a self-catering basis and include single bedrooms with en-suite, as well as kitchens and living rooms to gather with your flatmates for meals and to socialise. All residences offer living support, WiFi, laundry facilities, garden areas, bicycle racks and parking.

DUMFRIES HALL

Our largest accommodation with six flats, each with five individual bedrooms with en-suite, and shared living and kitchen space. It is approximately a 5-minute walk to the university campus, and a 20-minute walk to the town centre of Dumfries. There is free parking adjacent to the residence, and a bus stop close by with a regular bus service to the town centre.

BROOKE HOUSE

Consists of thirteen individual bedrooms with en-suite, as well as a shared living room, large kitchen and dining space and second smaller kitchen space. It is approximately a 20-minute walk to the university campus, and a 5-minute walk to the town centre of Dumfries. There is free parking adjacent to the residence, as well as a garage with bike storage racks, and there is a bus stop close by with a regular bus service to the university campus.

LAURIEKNOWE HALL

One of our smaller student houses with seven individual bedrooms with en-suite. There is a shared living space and kitchen, as well as a second smaller kitchen space. It is approximately a 40-minute walk to the university campus, and a 5-minute walk to the town centre of Dumfries. There is free parking at the residence and bike storage racks available, and a bus stop close by with a regular bus service to the university campus.

PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION

Reasonably priced, privately rented flats are also available in Dumfries. Further information and advice on finding appropriate accommodation can be found on our website.



glasgow.ac.uk/schools/ses/studyindumfries/accommodation



LIVING IN DUMFRIES

SHOPPING AND SERVICES

In Dumfries, students have access to a range of convenient facilities. The town centre offers a selection of shops, banks, and cafés, while larger shopping centres are just a train ride away in Glasgow, Edinburgh, or Carlisle. For groceries, Dumfries provides several options including Morrisons, Tesco, Aldi, and Lidl. There are local grocery stores, farmers markets, and butchers that also cater to a wide array of dietary needs. Dumfries also offers diverse places for worship, accommodating various faiths.

SPORTS AND LEISURE

On campus, there are various sports and leisure amenities including the gym which is free for all University of Glasgow students. Also on campus, Easterbrook Bistro, Bar and Spa provides food and drink all day, as well as a swimming pool, sauna, steam room and beauty therapies. Throughout Dumfries there are a variety of sports facilities offering swimming and gym access, including fitness classes, 24/7 gyms, sports fields, and rock climbing. The Dumfries Ice Bowl provides opportunities for ice skating, ice hockey, and curling as well.

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ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE & SUSTAINABILITY

Accredited by the Institution of Environmental Sciences (IES), this programme places field work and practical experience at its core. Situated in the 'Living Laboratory' of Dumfries and Galloway, this programme utilises our 85-acre campus and the diverse surrounding landscapes as dynamic learning environments.



STUDY
ABROAD



PROFESSIONALLY
ACCREDITED

DEGREE AND UCAS CODE

BSc (Hons) (D447) – four years

Entry requirements

SQA Higher Entry Requirements (by end of S6)

BBBB

Additional requirements:

Higher Science subject
(two Higher Sciences are recommended).

SQA Higher Adjusted Entry Requirements

No Adjusted Higher Requirements.

A-level Standard Entry Requirements

BBB – CCC

Additional requirements:

A-level Science subject.

IB Standard Entry Requirements

32 (5,5,5)

Additional requirements:

HL Science subject.

Please check entry requirements at
[glasgow.ac.uk/ug/
environmentalsciencesustainability](http://glasgow.ac.uk/ug/environmentalsciencesustainability).

Glasgow International College

For international students entry to this
programme is supported by courses from GIC.
For more information visit glasgow.ac.uk/gic.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

The Environmental Science & Sustainability programme utilises the surrounding countryside in its courses to demonstrate environmental work in practice. This is through fieldwork, field classes and visits to environmental sites and organisations. This programme also offers you exceptional placement opportunities which is fundamental to developing your skills for graduate employment.

YEAR 1

Year 1 provides a broad-based education representing a mixture of core environmental courses and electives from non-environmental programmes. This gives you the opportunity to add breadth to your degree. Core courses:

- Water, Natural Hazards & Resilience
- Earth System Science
- Energy, Waste & Pollution: Options for Sustainability
- Introduction to Global Environmental Issues.

YEAR 2

You will take the core courses:

- Research Methods for Environmental Scientists
- Terrestrial Environment: Pollutants and Processes
- Biodiversity, Ecology & Ecosystems
- Introduction to GIS.

In addition, you can choose from a range of elective courses across other disciplines.

YEAR 3

You will study:

- Applied Ecology and Conservation
- Aquatic Environment: Processes, Monitoring and Management
- Rural Tourism and Stewardship.

You will also undertake either a dissertation or placement where you will gain experience in the environmental sector.

YEAR 4

- Residential Environmental Field Course
- Environmental Policy and Management
- Water Resources Policy & Governance
- Environmental Stewardship Project (on a research topic of your choice).

FIELD WORK AND PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

The School of Social & Environmental Sustainability is uniquely located for the study of Environmental Science & Sustainability with easy access to estuarine, maritime and terrestrial environments such as the Southern Uplands, peat bogs and moorland. These features, together with the extensive agricultural and forested environment of the region, present a vibrant and diverse "laboratory" in which to study.

Examples of past and current field classes include:

- Freshwater macroinvertebrate sampling
- Water quality sampling and chemical analysis
- Analysing carbon efflux under different land management
- Soil sampling and analysis.
- Field classes to a number of energy generation sites within Dumfries & Galloway
- Managing invasive non-native species
- Phase 1 habitat surveying at Threave National Trust for Scotland nature reserve
- Assessing cockle stocks on the Solway Firth and the Outer Hebrides.

PLACEMENTS

This programme offers you an exceptional placement opportunity as part of your degree. Students have undertaken placements with the following organisations:

- Archipelagos Institute of Marine Conservation, Greece
- World Glacier Monitoring Service, Switzerland
- Royal Society for the Protection of Birds
- SAP Ecology and Environmental
- Dumfries & Galloway Council, East Ayrshire Council, Glasgow City Council
- Scottish Wildlife Trust
- Natural Power
- Australian Koala Foundation
- Jersey Zoo
- Tillhill Forestry
- Transport Scotland
- Raja Ampat Diving Project
- Five Oceans Environmental Services LLC.

OUR INTERNATIONAL LINKS

You will have the opportunity to apply to study abroad.

CAREER PROSPECTS

You will develop a range of skills in environmental management techniques, preparing you to enter the graduate job market in a wide variety of roles. The combination of a broad-based education with specialist input, supplemented with real work experience, will equip you with essential skills and qualities. Our programme is CEDHE-accredited which means our students can apply for free student membership of the IES and for a fast-track to membership once they graduate, starting you on a route towards becoming a Chartered Environmentalist or Chartered Scientist. Previous graduate career paths include:

- Ecologist with consultancy firm
- Carbon manager at international energy company
- Sustainability officer with energy supplier
- PhD research
- Fisheries scientist
- Sustainability consultant with national construction company
- Environmental consultant for international consultancy firm
- Environmental protection officer at SEPA
- Conservation manager in various destinations across the globe.

ACCREDITATION

This programme is accredited by the Community for Environmental Disciplines in Higher Education (CEDHE), the education committee of the Institution of Environmental Sciences (IES). CEDHE is the collective voice of the environmental sciences academic community and serves to enhance the quality of environmental education worldwide. A programme accredited by CEDHE is assured to meet high standards and contain a strong component of practical, field and theoretical activities, and has excellent opportunities for training, work experience and links to the professional environmental sector.

WHY CHOOSE UOFG AT DUMFRIES?

Our Dumfries Campus is located close to a range of natural resources, unique fieldwork environments and placement providers: a diverse outdoor laboratory only minutes from the classroom.



HEAR FROM OUR STUDENTS



Priya (Environmental Science & Sustainability student)

Priya took great care in considering her options before selecting the Environmental Science & Sustainability programme at the University of Glasgow and ultimately making the decision to relocate to Dumfries from India.

"I applied for this programme as I was curious to learn more about the science and conservation of environment, after becoming aware of the critical state our planet is in; I wanted to know how to be sustainable and to practice it in various fields."

Priya values the Dumfries Campus as the ideal setting for environmental studies, where being close to nature greatly enhances practical learning opportunities.

"After being accepted into a couple of universities throughout Scotland, I chose the University of Glasgow as I believe it's the leading university in this programme, and I was really interested in the focus it has on sustainability. The natural environment being far more accessible in Dumfries is definitely very helpful for our practical sessions and fieldwork, and we go out into the region and beyond often. "

Throughout her programme, Priya has engaged with a diverse range of subjects that have deepened her understanding of the natural world. The strong emphasis on hands-on experience throughout the programme has been a highlight of her studies as well, and these practical opportunities have been instrumental in equipping her with the skills needed for her future career.

"We were able to get practical experience in almost every course that we did, for example, learning how to sample a core of the peat profile, conduct various environmental surveys, foraging and many other activities that we were able to do in and around Dumfries! The skills I am learning will be so vital for my future career, and I'm so glad I am able to gain so much practical experience here."

"I CHOSE GLASGOW AS I BELIEVE IT'S THE LEADING UNIVERSITY IN THIS PROGRAMME, AND I WAS REALLY INTERESTED IN THE FOCUS IT HAS ON SUSTAINABILITY."

Outside the classroom, Priya has embraced additional opportunities to grow both personally and professionally. She is excited to begin her placement at the Nith Catchment Fishery Trust in Auldgirth, Dumfries. During this experience, Priya will contribute to a restoration programme on the River Nith aimed at enhancing the river's biodiversity.

"I'm just about to start my placement at the Nith Catchment Fishery Trust. My work there includes assisting in the development of a restoration programme on the River Nith, conducting aquatic invertebrate surveys, planting native riparian trees and, all in all, working to enhance the biodiversity of the River Nith. I'm really looking forward to the experience and can't wait to learn all I can from this placement."



Dumfries represents the best of both worlds for an environmental scientist; world class teaching and innovative research, as well as a rich and diverse setting with opportunity that's right on your doorstep to aid you in your study.

The Environmental Science & Sustainability degree makes ample use of the living laboratory that is Dumfries & Galloway, with a multitude of landscapes and habitats to explore – from the Solway Coast, to farming and forests, to the hills and mountains that surround us, students will get hands on and be able to view, research and engage with the environment up close.

EMPLOYABILITY AND PLACEMENTS

Examples of placements and employers include:

- Five Oceans Environmental Services LLC
- The Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA)
- Archipelagos Institute of Marine Conservation
- Raja Ampat Diving Project
- World Glacier Monitoring Service, Zurich, Switzerland
- Kosgoda, Sri Lanka



Read more student stories

GLOBAL SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT



This exciting degree programme explores the economic, environmental, and social challenges and opportunities arising from the need to reduce global inequalities while limiting threats to the planet's life support systems. The MA Global Sustainable Development is perfect for those who are looking to play their part in protecting the planet.



STUDY
ABROAD

DEGREE AND UCAS CODE

MA (Hons) (D400) – four years

Entry requirements

SQA Higher Entry Requirements (by end of S6)

BBBB Higher

SQA Higher Adjusted Entry Requirements

No Adjusted Higher Requirements.

A-level Standard Entry Requirements

BBB – CCC

IB Standard Entry Requirements

32 (5,5,5)

Please check entry requirements at glasgow.ac.uk/ug/global-sustainable-development.

Glasgow International College

For international students entry to this programme is supported by courses from GIC. For more information visit glasgow.ac.uk/gic.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

This degree supports you to establish a foundational understanding in theories and concepts of sustainable development and examine their application from local to global levels, in both urban and rural contexts. You will develop a knowledge of the interrelated nature of economic, environmental, and social systems when addressing global sustainable development, drawing on insights from anthropology, political economy, business studies, human geography, philosophy and environmental science.

You will be equipped with a range of professional and technical skills in sustainable development including impact assessment, environmental social and governance (ESG) frameworks, concept notes, data analysis and agile project management. The knowledge and understanding gained through lectures and seminars will be enhanced through case studies, field visits and independent project work.

YEAR 1

You will be introduced to the key concepts and theories of sustainable development. The core courses in year 1 are:

- Introduction to Sustainable Development
- Introduction to Global Environmental Issues
- People, Power & Place
- Energy, Waste & Pollution: Options for Sustainability.

YEAR 2

You will develop a deeper understanding and explore specific subject areas. Core courses in year 2 are:

- Global Perspectives on Health & Human Development
- Ethics: Environment & Development
- Political Economy of Globalisation & Development
- Politics and the Environment
- Environmental Communication & Behaviour Change.

YEAR 3

As well as the core courses in year 3, you will have the opportunity for a UK-based or international placement experience which will allow you to put the theory you have learned into action.

- Advanced Texts in Sustainable Development
- Innovation & Enterprise for Sustainability
- Research Methods for Social Science
- Dissertation or Placement in Industry.

Some examples of placement opportunities include:

- Natural capital promotion, development, investment and monitoring
- Community climate action
- Role of cultural and creative sector in sustainable development.

YEAR 4

With the field course and research project, you have the freedom to pursue a specialism or career path you are passionate about, culminating in the presentation of your insights to practitioners.

- Sustainable Development Field Course
- Migration and Development
- Water Resources: Policy and Governance
- Honours Action Research Project.

OUR INTERNATIONAL LINKS

This programme gives you the opportunity to study abroad as well as completing an international placement.

CAREER PROSPECTS

This degree will equip you with the interdisciplinary knowledge, analytical tools, research skills and professional ethos to become a subject specialist. You will be ready to address the challenges and opportunities of the sustainable development goals (SDGs) in career pathways as diverse as the development and humanitarian sectors; local and national government, and inter-governmental agencies such as the United Nations; the private sector, innovation and enterprise; risk management and consultancy; environmental, social and corporate governance (ESG); campaigning and advocacy; media and journalism; and research.

Some of these career paths include:

- Environmental consultant/specialist
- Environmental policy analyst
- Sustainability consultant
- Sustainability analyst
- Sustainability director
- Corporate social responsibility specialist.

WHY CHOOSE UOFG AT DUMFRIES?

Global Sustainable Development at the University of Glasgow gives you the unique offering of many fieldwork trips throughout the entirety of your degree. Examples of fieldwork trips may include visits to afforestation projects, energy infrastructure and brownfield redevelopment sites in rural and urban areas.

HEAR FROM OUR STUDENTS



leuan (Global Sustainable Development student)

When choosing to study Global Sustainable Development, leuan discovered that the University of Glasgow was the ideal fit. He grew up in Chiang Mai, Thailand, attending an American system international school.

As for most new university students, moving to Dumfries was the first time leuan was to be living away from home, although the smaller size of Dumfries and the campus helped with easing into university life.

"When I was considering what I wanted to study at university, I started by looking through the long lists of possibilities. In high school I loved being able to do lots of different subjects, and so I found it difficult imagining studying one thing all the time. I will say though, it doesn't hurt that this programme offers me the opportunity to draw on knowledge from a range of different disciplines all the way from ethics to economics to ecology."

As he narrowed his options, he began to ask himself what is truly important, what subjects are worth dedicating four or more years to, and what career could bring genuine fulfillment for him.

"Sustainability is important, not because there aren't thousands of other meaningful and fulfilling and essential jobs that we need people to do; but because, today, the society in which they exist is in jeopardy, and sustainability might just help reinvent it."

leuan was also drawn to Dumfries by his strong sense that the staff and school community truly understand the complexities behind Global Sustainable Development.

"I chose to study here in Dumfries because I got a strong impression that the faculty, the community here, understands the contradictions at the heart of the phrase Global Sustainable Development."



Read
leuan's story

For instance, can economic growth ever be truly sustainable? And they have a philosophy of sustainability which is willing to challenge the status quo assumptions of our present global order, which clearly need to be re-examined."

Academically, leuan has been able to experience a real mix of subjects in his programme. He has enjoyed his core courses alongside new electives like Spanish. Beyond the classroom, leuan has embraced opportunities to shape campus life.

"The other thing that has been so key to my settling in here are the chances to invest in, connect with, and in a small way help shape the Dumfries Campus community. Partially due to my experience growing up in a relatively small school and social community, I really enjoy having a sense that I know, and am known by, the community I am part of. As part of this desire to foster the relationships I have with people on campus, I've enjoyed taking on the role of class rep for my degree cohort and becoming a student ambassador to help share with others the best bits about our unique school here in Dumfries."



EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Globally, there is a rising demand in sustainability and environmental science roles. In addition, green skills are increasingly in demand within jobs that aren't traditionally thought of as green.

According to the Global Green Skills Report from LinkedIn's Economic Graph, between 2022 and 2023, the number of jobs requiring at least one green skill increased by 22.4%, however, the share of green talent in the workforce has only grown 12.3%.

With a degree in Global Sustainable Development, there are many sectors you could go into including:

- Work with Intergovernmental Organisations
- Environmental remediation and compliance
- Planning & conservation
- Environmental law
- Communications
- Education
- Finance
- Business

PRIMARY EDUCATION WITH TEACHING QUALIFICATION



This innovative four-year degree programme, approved by the General Teaching Council for Scotland, is benchmarked against the highest standards of excellence. On this programme you won't just learn how to teach; you will graduate with a comprehensive understanding of how children learn, grow and develop.



DEGREE AND UCAS CODE
MA (Hons) (X123) – four years

Entry requirements

SQA Higher Entry Requirements (by end of S6)

ABBB

Additional requirements:

Higher English at minimum Grade C and National 5 Mathematics or Application of Mathematics Grade C.
B at Advanced Higher is equivalent to A at Higher.
C at Advanced Higher is equivalent to B at Higher.
An interview is part of the selection process.

SQA Higher Adjusted Entry Requirements* (by end of S6)

MD20, MD40 and other target groups:
BBBB

Additional requirements:

Higher English at minimum Grade C and National 5 Mathematics or Application of Mathematics Grade C.
Successful completion of Top-Up or one of our Summer Schools.
An interview is part of the selection process.
*Visit glasgow.ac.uk/accessglasgow for eligibility.

A-level Standard Entry Requirements

BBB – CCC

Additional requirements:

GCSE Mathematics at grade C or 4 and English Language and Literature at grade C or 4.
An interview is part of the selection process.

IB Standard Entry Requirements

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Additional requirements:

HL English and SL Mathematics at 4.
An interview is part of the selection process.

Please check entry requirements at
glasgow.ac.uk/ug/primaryeducationtq.

INTERVIEW POLICY

As part of our selection process, you will be interviewed. Interviews normally take place between January and March, and are a great way for you to find out more about the campus and the degree programme.

Note: We welcome applications from qualified candidates from all denominations and none. Students intending to teach in a Catholic school may undertake the Certificate in Religious Education by Distance Learning (CREDL) as part of this degree programme.

DISCLOSURE SCOTLAND

If you are accepted to a teaching degree you must undertake a Criminal Convictions check under the PVG Scheme prior to enrolment. It is your responsibility to pay for the check. Details will be sent to you.

PLACEMENT ARRANGEMENTS

Please note all placements will only take place in Dumfries and Galloway local authority schools, regardless of students' home/term-time addresses.

PROGRAMME STRUCTURE

You will complete four school placements, all of which are aimed at preparing you for teaching in primary schools. Placements cover all stages of the primary school and each placement has a specific subject focus. Placements will only take place in Dumfries and Galloway local authority schools.

YEAR 1

During your first year you must complete a mix of core and elective subjects. Core courses are:

- Literacy 1
- Mathematics – Theory and Pedagogy 1
- French / Spanish for Beginners
- Professional Practice in Education 1.

You will also choose from elective courses which will give you the opportunity to add breadth to your degree in subjects relevant to the primary curriculum. There is a six-week school placement during May and June.

YEAR 2

Your core courses are:

- Child Development and Learning
- Literacy 2
- Mathematics – Theory and Pedagogy 2
- Modern Languages: Policy and Pedagogy
- Professional Practice in Education 2.

You will choose further courses from our range of elective subjects. There is a seven-week school placement during May and June.

YEAR 3

Your core courses are:

- Curriculum and Assessment
- Research Methods for Education
- STEM Across the Primary Curriculum
- Inclusion and ASN:
Concepts, Policy & Practice
- Professional Practice in Education 3.

You will continue your studies in one elective area. There is one six-week school placement in semester 2.

YEAR 4

Your core courses are:

- Sociology of Education
- Professionalism and Leadership in Education
- Honours Dissertation – Primary Education
- Professional Practice in Education 4.

You will undertake an enquiry-based dissertation which gives you the opportunity to research an area of education which interests you. There is an 11-week school placement in semester 2.

OUR INTERNATIONAL LINKS

There is an opportunity for international school placement in years 3 and 4. There is also an opportunity to apply for study abroad in year 2.

CAREER PROSPECTS

This programme is accredited by the General Teaching Council for Scotland and is an internationally recognised teaching qualification. Our graduates teach at schools in Scotland and globally, including in Ireland, Egypt, Abu Dhabi, Kuwait and Australia.

In addition to career progression in teaching such as leadership and management roles within schools, there are opportunities for specialist careers in fields allied to education as well as further study or research in education.

You may exit after year 3 with an MA in Primary Educational Studies. This is not a teaching qualification but provides a good background for other careers in education and related areas.

ACCREDITATION

This programme leads to provisional registration with the General Teaching Council for Scotland.

WHY CHOOSE UOFG AT DUMFRIES?

You will benefit from strong links with local schools, innovative teaching methods and a friendly and inclusive academic community.

HEAR FROM OUR STUDENTS



Vivien (Primary Education with Teaching Qualification student)

“ALL OF THESE COURSES OFFER REAL HANDS-ON EXPERIENCES, AND I’VE LEARNED THE MOST FROM THEM.”

Originally from the west coast of Scotland, Vivien grew up in a small seaside village before moving to Dumfries. While Dumfries shared some similarities with her hometown, adjusting to the busier environment of the town was something she had to get used to. However, she appreciated the strong sense of community she found.

“There are definitely a lot of similarities with home, and in particular the community aspect which I really appreciated. It’s been a brilliant place to make friends and get to know so many different people.”

When applying for university, Vivien initially completed a foundation apprenticeship in Social Services, Children & Young People through her high school. She decided she wanted to gain more life experience before moving away from home and went on to complete her HNC in Childhood Practice at college.

“I applied for the University of Glasgow’s Dumfries Campus and had it as my top choice on UCAS. I had a friend from college whose brother completed the education programme here, and he spoke so highly of the experience.

After my interview and campus tour, I knew for certain that this was where I wanted to be.”

Vivien has particularly enjoyed her studies in Mathematics: Theory & Pedagogy, as well as the Enhanced Mathematics route she has chosen to pursue. Maths had not always been a strength for her in primary and high school, but overcoming those struggles helped her develop a passion for the subject.

“Initially, I thought I’d hate teaching maths and that I’d be rubbish at it. But I think because I struggled and had to work hard at it, I fell in love with it. I decided to go for the Enhanced Maths route and have been so well supported by my lecturer – it gives me so many more employability options when leaving university as well.”

The Enhanced Mathematics route has given Vivien greater confidence in teaching the subject, and she hopes her approach to teaching will help children gain the understanding she didn’t always have when she was younger.

Throughout her time at university, Vivien has found the institution to be very supportive, especially in managing her disability with Student Disability Services.

“The University offers a lot of services like these and it’s amazing to feel so supported. I have an ‘invisible’ disability, so the support services mean my lecturers are aware and they are so helpful and considerate. I can get the help I need without disrupting the class – they understand me and provide the support I need.”

TAKE YOUR SKILLS FURTHER

INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Our graduates find employment and teach throughout the world. With this degree and following their successful probation placements, our students have gone on to teach internationally. From Scotland and around the UK to Qatar, Australia and Japan, our students are making a huge impact on children and young people across the globe.

ENHANCED MATHS AND LITERACY

Our degree gives you the opportunity to expand your capabilities and reach beyond the Primary years. For those who meet the required grades during their first and second year of the programme, our students have the opportunity to take an enhanced focus in either mathematics or literacy, which will allow them to teach in Broad General Education Mathematics or Literacy classes (S1-S3).

COMPREHENSIVE PLACEMENTS

Our students don’t just learn how to teach; they graduate with a comprehensive understanding of how children learn, grow and develop.

Studying within Dumfries & Galloway offers our students a truly diverse experience on placement, including experiences across different year groups, composite classes, and a range of settings in rural and town schools.



Read more
student stories

POSTGRADUATE STUDY & RESEARCH



The University of Glasgow has always been at the forefront of discovery and innovation, and our past achievements inspire our current world changers.

At the School of Social & Environmental Sustainability, we have a range of postgraduate study and research opportunities. Collaboration between academic researchers, business, the public sector and the third sector forms an important part of our orientation to research and putting knowledge into practice.

POSTGRADUATE TAUGHT DEGREES

EDUCATION

- Enhanced Practice in Education [MSc]
- Postgraduate Diploma in Education (PGDE) (Primary)
- Postgraduate Diploma in Education (PGDE) (Secondary STEM Subjects)

ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY

- Ecology & Environmental Monitoring [MSc]
- Environment, Culture & Communication [MLitt]
- Environmental Risk Management [MSc]

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

- End of Life Studies [MSc/PgDip/PgCert: Online distance learning]
- Sustainable Integrated Coastal Zone Management [MSc]

TOURISM

- Management & Sustainable Tourism [MSc]
- Sustainable Tourism & Global Challenges [MSc]
- Tourism & Heritage [MSc]

POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

We offer Postgraduate Research opportunities in the following subject areas:

- Education [PhD]
- Environmental Sustainability [PhD]
- Health and Social Policy [PhD]
- Interdisciplinary Studies [PhD/MPhil]
- Tourism Studies [PhD]



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OUR RESEARCH

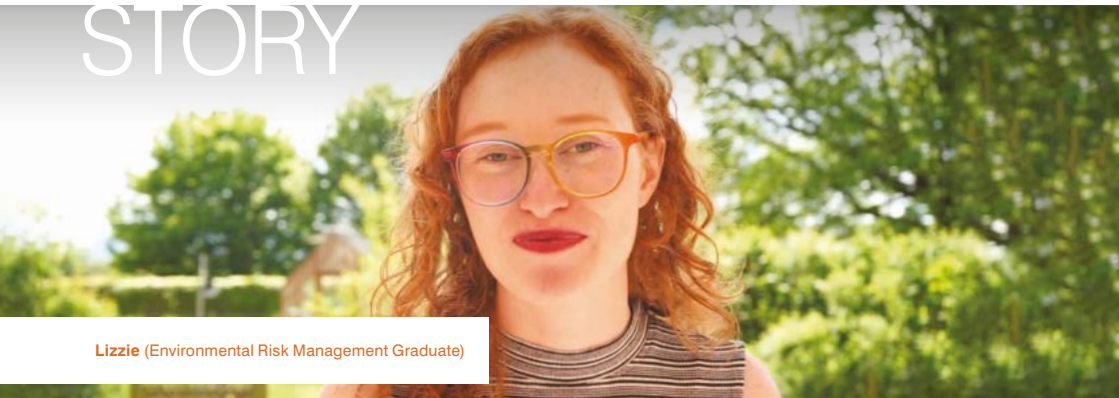
The University's annual research income totals more than £179m. The School of Social & Environmental Sustainability supports a growing community of research students whose work has impact regionally, nationally, and internationally. As well as being part of a diverse and dynamic research community in Dumfries, you will also be part of the College of Social Sciences Graduate School, drawing together internationally recognised scholars and respected practitioners.

Our team of research-led academic staff support and supervise a wide range of interdisciplinary research areas. There are also opportunities for joint supervision across Schools within the University and with partner institutions.

Research Networks based at the School of Social & Environmental Sustainability, Dumfries Campus, are:

- Education, Language, Policy and Sustainability
- Environmental Science and Sustainability
- Glasgow End of Life Studies Group
- The University of Glasgow Tourism Studies Group

STUDENT STORY



Lizzie (Environmental Risk Management Graduate)

Originally from North Carolina in the United States, Lizzie is one of the school's first graduates from the Environmental Risk Management programme. She currently works as a Communications and Engagement Specialist on Major Flooding Alleviation Projects with the Environment Agency in England.

Before pursuing her studies in Dumfries, Lizzie moved to Tallahassee to work for the Florida Government on Everglades restoration projects. She enjoyed the work and collaborated with local communities to help towards restoring the Everglades to its natural state from centuries ago. During that time, she considered pursuing a Masters degree but was determined to only study something that truly aligned with her goals. While searching for programmes she came across Environmental Risk Management at the University of Glasgow, and found it fit perfectly with what she was looking for.

"It was the only programme I found that offered the specific curriculum and knowledge I was interested in. Everything seemed to fall into place, and I was so excited to move to Scotland."

Not wanting to live in a city, Lizzie was even more thrilled to learn that she would be based at the Dumfries Campus. She settled in Annan, a town about 15 miles from Dumfries town centre. From there, she would take the train and then cycle to campus, and she found the surroundings incredibly picturesque upon arrival.

"To anyone looking to move to Scotland I would say: it's well worth it. It's one of the most stunning places I've ever lived in, and I personally feel like it's one of the most welcoming places too. Scotland as a whole but Dumfries in particular was so friendly, incredibly beautiful, and welcoming."

Now graduated, Lizzie's role with the Environment Agency combines communications and engagement with fieldwork as a Flood Duty Officer. In her communications role, she translates complex scientific reports into clear, accessible materials for the public, working with geologists, hydrologists and other experts to ensure key information is effectively conveyed.

As a Flood Duty Officer, she is on call 24/7 during assigned weeks, monitoring flood risks, issuing warnings, coordinating emergency responses, and making critical real-time decisions.

"It's really interesting being able to switch from desk work to in the field, and I really like the mix of science and social science. This programme has definitely prepared me for my current role, and I refer back to so much of what I learned everyday in this job! The programme offered me so many opportunities to grow and learn, and it's been such an enjoyable journey."

FURTHER INFORMATION



This publication is intended to help you choose your programme of study at the University of Glasgow. Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of the information contained within this publication but it is subject to change without notice. If there is any conflict or ambiguity between information contained in this publication and the student contract (see below), then the student contract will prevail.

THE STUDENT CONTRACT

By accepting an offer from the University of Glasgow, each student enters into a student contract with the University. The student contract is made up of the terms of the offer, the student terms and conditions and the University Regulations. The student terms and conditions and University Regulations can be found on the University website at glasgow.ac.uk/studentcontract.

The student contract sets out: the terms on which the University will provide the relevant programme or course; the University's Regulations with which students must comply; students' other obligations to the University, our staff, and to fellow students; how the contract may be changed or ended; what to do if there is a problem; and other important information.

CHANGES POST PUBLICATION

This guide was published circa 18 months prior to the academic year to which it relates. Any changes such as newly announced courses of study or changes to contact details will be updated on our website.

Changes may be made to entry requirements post publication of this guide. These changes will be updated on our website. You should check our website for entry requirements at point of application.

VALIDATED INSTITUTIONS

The University is proud of its association and validation relationship with two independent institutions: The Glasgow School of Art and Edinburgh Theological Seminary. If you apply for a programme at one of these institutions, you will be registered with that institution and will pursue your studies there, but your final degree will be conferred by the University of Glasgow.

Applications to one of the validated institutions should be made to the institution concerned and not to the University.

As a student of a validated institution, you are deemed to be an "associate student" of the University which entitles you to access certain University facilities. For further details of the facilities available to you please contact the institution concerned.

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