Gateway to Arts
2018 Entry
What is the Gateway to Arts programme?

The Gateway to Arts programme is an alternative entry route to the University of St Andrews offered in the Faculty of Arts. It is a tailored programme with additional support, aimed at Scottish students who may not have been able to obtain the grades usually required by the University to study their chosen subject.

More information about this programme can be found online: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/go/gateway-arts

How does the Gateway to Arts work?

Applicants will be considered for a place on the Gateway to Arts programme if they have not obtained the required grades to study their chosen subject at St Andrews but we see that they have the potential to do well. Applicants will be interviewed and successful candidates will be offered a place on our MA General (Arts) degree.

Provided students on the Gateway meet the academic requirements in their second year (just like every student), they will be transferred from the MA General (Arts) degree onto their chosen named Honours degree route. Gateway students will be treated as any other first year student, they will attend the same classes and have a traditional first year experience, with the addition of extra support built into the programme.

Additional support

Gateway students will have a dedicated point of contact within our Admissions team. This contact will provide the advice and support needed for a smooth transition to university, and ensure that students always know where to go when they need advice, whether it be for academic or personal reasons.

Students are allocated an Adviser of Studies who will ensure that they select the correct modules, and that they have as many course options available to them as possible.

They will also be given additional subject tutoring from senior students to support their academic studies as part of the package of support offered by the University.

Scholarships

Gateway students are encouraged to apply to our range of scholarships offered by the University. Students will also be eligible for their tuition fees to be paid by SAAS. www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/ug/fees-and-funding/scholarships
Typical structure of the Gateway to Arts programme

Gateway to Arts degree students can study a wide range of subjects available in the Faculty of Arts. Due to our flexible degree structure, all students study up to three subjects in their first and second years. The diagram below shows an example of our degree structure. More information on individual subjects is available online: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/subjects

First year

- Subject 1
- Subject 2
- Subject 3

Second year

- Subject 1
- Subject 2
- Subject 3

Progression onto a named Honours degree:

Third year

- Single Honours: Subject 1
- Joint Honours: Subject 1, Subject 2

Fourth year

- Subject 1
- Subject 1
- Subject 2

Breadth and flexibility in the first two years

Depth and specialism in the final two years
Curriculum Development
As a research intensive institution, the University ensures that its teaching references the research interests of its staff, which may change from time to time. As a result, programmes are regularly reviewed with the aim of enhancing students’ learning experience. Our approach to course revision is described at: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/media/teaching-and-learning/policies/course-revision-protocol.pdf

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