Reach… Your potential
Widening Access to ‘high demand’ subjects
What is Reach?

Reach Scotland is a national project aiming to increase the diversity of pupils applying to high demand subjects at competitive universities.

For Fife, Reach is run by the University of St Andrews and covers pupils in S4-S6 who are interested in studying one or more of the following subjects:

- Economics & Finance
- Management
- Medicine
- Psychology & Neuroscience

We also work with other institutions to offer support for pupils interested in studying dentistry, law or veterinary medicine.

How can Reach help me?

The aim of Reach is to support you through school, applying to university and transitioning into student life whilst giving you an insight into what you can do with these subjects beyond university. It is centred around delivering advice, experience and guidance to help you reach your potential and go on to study high demand subjects at a university level.

The amazing thing about the Reach project is that there is always someone there to support and encourage you throughout the application. Not only that, the workshops run by Reach are a great way to find out more about university life, meet like-minded people and learn skills and techniques to help you through the university application process.

Angela – Medical Student
Am I eligible?

To be eligible to become a member of the Reach programme you should meet some of the following criteria:

- You attend a school that does not send many pupils on to university.
- You receive an Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA).
- You will be in the first generation of your family to study at university.
- You have spent time in care.
- You come from an area that does not send many pupils to university.
- You attend a Fife state secondary school.
- You are a young carer.

To find out if you are eligible email: reach@st-andrews.ac.uk
Once on this programme, you will have access to a variety of St Andrews-based Reach activities, including:

- Student Shadowing Day
- Subject specific taster sessions
- A variety of workshops using University facilities
- UKCAT and Interview preparation days
- E-mentoring

In addition there will be a programme of Reach activities and events within schools and the community, for example:

- After school workshops
- After school tutoring sessions
- Opportunities to gain work experience
- UCAS application advice
- Personal Statement advice
- Information sessions for parents

How do I sign up to activities?

In the weeks prior to events we will email you with an invitation to attend. This will provide information about the event and a timetable for the day. You only need to attend events which are relevant to you. You can attend as many or as few as you like. Be sure to check your email regularly as well as your junk and spam folders in case our emails end up there!

Information about upcoming events can be found online: [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/access/school-college-projects/secondary-schools/reach](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/access/school-college-projects/secondary-schools/reach)

St Andrews Access Network (StAN)

As a member of our Reach programme you will have access to StAN, our secure online forum. There is also the opportunity to be paired up with a current student on StAN who will be able to give you advice and guidance throughout your journey to university. StAN is also a place where useful resources relevant to your interests can be accessed.
How can I register?

Please fill out the attached form and either:
1) Scan it and email it to reach@st-andrews.ac.uk
2) Post it to:

**Reach Officer**
Admissions
University of St Andrews
St Katharine’s West,
16 The Scores
St Andrews, Fife,
Scotland, KY16 9AX

When joining Reach, please be aware that photographs may be taken at Reach events and that as a Reach member you consent to these being used in Reach publicity. If you do not wish to be photographed, you must inform us as soon as you reasonably can after being accepted on to the programme.

Please also be aware that by joining Reach you consent to your progress being tracked should you apply to university. This ‘tracking’ will not affect any application you make to any university and the information will be used for statistical purposes only. These statistics can then be used to judge the success of the project and identify areas for expansion or improvement. No information that identifies an individual or their university choices will be published publicly or made available to a third party.

If you would like more information regarding the Reach Project, please get in contact by emailing reach@st-andrews.ac.uk or calling 01334 462346.

Why not join our Facebook group
www.facebook.com/groups/reachstandrews
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- Are you in receipt of EMA: Yes/No
- Are you in receipt of free school meals: Yes/No
- Are you in the first generation of your family to go to university: Yes/No
- Are you a young carer: Yes/No
- Are you in care/ have spent time in care: Yes/No

What subjects have you previously studied and what grades have you achieved?

What subjects are you currently studying and what grades are you predicted to achieve?
Enrolment form continued

- Economics & Finance
- Management
- Medicine
- Psychology & Neuroscience
- Dentistry (activities mainly based in Dundee)
- Law (activities mainly based in Dundee)
- Veterinary Medicine (activities mainly based in Edinburgh)

If you have any questions please email reach@st-andrews.ac.uk or call us on 01334 462346.

Pupil declaration:

Signature:  
Date: 

Parent /guardian declaration:

Signature:  
Date: 

Teacher/School reference:

Data Protection – Consent to share UCAS Data (“tracking”)
The Reach Project provides educational opportunities for able young people from non-privileged backgrounds. To support this aim the Reach Project wishes to identify the extent to which those students who attended their activities and sessions subsequently applied to higher education and the universities that they have applied to. This information can then be used to help judge the success of the project and suggest areas where improvements could be made.

The Reach Project will only be advised of those pupils who have made an application through the UCAS scheme. The data will be used for statistical purposes only. No information about individual university or course choices will be published publicly. No information that identifies an individual, or their university choices, will be made available to a third party. This will not affect any application you make to a university through the UCAS scheme.

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