#1 in the UK
(Guardian 2024)

Most positive students
in the UK
(NSS 2024)

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(The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2024)

4 Faculties

160+ student societies

Net zero
by 2035
Welcome and thank you for considering St Andrews as your university.

At the University of St Andrews, we believe that paths into learning and education should remain open throughout a person’s life. Our University Strategy for 2022 to 2027 makes our support for lifelong learning clear, and we offer a range of routes into the University. These routes are designed to enable a diversity of individuals to thrive here by engaging with our world-leading education programmes.

In this prospectus, you will find all of the options available and the information you require to make an informed decision about which route may be the right one for you. Options range from part-time study during the day to our specially designed evening programme, MA Combined Studies. We are also pleased to offer short courses for individuals who wish to study on a short-term or modular basis to develop new skills that are currently in demand. We have a range of new online courses and postgraduate Masters routes that give you the option to study with us from anywhere in the world, allowing you the opportunity to continue with your learning with choice and flexibility in your studies so as to complement your other life commitments.

Whether you are new to higher education or a returning student, the options in this prospectus come with the support of our Admissions team. The team will help you to establish yourself at St Andrews, so that you can make the most of the opportunities offered here. Across the University you will meet many people who have come through an alternative route into higher education, and who thus understand first-hand the unique challenges and rewards involved.

I encourage you to take up the opportunities St Andrews provides to study part time. If you have any questions about our programmes, or would like advice on the best options for you, contact our Admissions team and they will help.

Professor Dame Sally Mapstone FRSE
Principal and Vice-Chancellor, University of St Andrews
Part-time study at St Andrews
Part-time study at St Andrews offers you the opportunity to learn at one of the most extraordinary universities in the world in a way that fits around you and your commitments. We have creative and flexible part-time study options for those who cannot commit to the time and expense of a full-time course. Our part-time options allow you to balance learning with employment or other responsibilities.

Our options for part-time study will allow you to stretch the time commitment of further study over a period of time that suits you. Our flexible offerings range from gaining a full undergraduate or postgraduate degree, to studying on a short-term basis to explore new topics, without committing to a degree. With the many ways in which you can study with us part time, you will not only expand your knowledge, but you will develop many skills that can be taken into the workplace.

**Which part-time option is right for me?**

**Short courses** – For someone who wants to study for 6-8 weeks and learn about a specific topic. These courses can be suitable for people without recent qualifications, although some base knowledge might be needed for certain courses.

**MA Combined Studies evening degree** – For someone who has had a break from studying and needs to balance their studies with their other commitments. The Combined Studies flexible evening degree is available to people who do not have recent qualifications and have not studied at university before.

**Daytime study** – For someone who has not been to university before but has recent qualifications and needs the flexibility of studying part time. Teaching will be in St Andrews between Monday and Friday.

**Postgraduate study** – For someone who already has a university degree and who wants to further their education. Online postgraduate study gives you the flexibility to study at a pace that suits you.
Online short courses
Advance your career and learn at your own pace with industry-relevant online short courses from the UK’s top university. Gain the critical skills and the knowledge needed for your professional development and take the next steps in your career with confidence.

The University is one of Europe’s most research-intensive seats of learning and is a top-rated university in Europe for research, teaching quality and student satisfaction. Our online and self-paced short courses offer you a deep dive into high-demand areas.

Join the global University of St Andrews community today and embark on a journey of self-improvement and growth. You will learn with our world-leading academics, who bring a wealth of industry experience and expertise to the virtual classroom. Our short courses are self-paced, fully online, and typically take around 6-8 weeks to complete. With 50 hours of learning available, you can work on your course a little bit each day or set yourself a week of full-time study.

Delivered through our user-friendly online platform, these courses provide you with a flexible and accessible avenue to enhance your capabilities without impacting your existing commitments. You will learn through a range of multimedia content, test your skills in interactive exercises, and connect with fellow students and academics in discussion groups.

Professional development short courses
Our online short courses are designed to provide you with the skills and expertise you need to boost your CV, develop new capabilities and knowledge for the workplace. Led by our world-leading academic experts, our Professional Development programmes provide you with a dynamic learning experience that combines theoretical knowledge with hands-on projects and real-world applications. Whether you are looking to advance in your current role, transition into a new career path, or simply want to stay ahead of industry trends, our online short courses offer the perfect blend of flexibility, relevance, and practicality to support your professional growth. Once you complete your course, you will be awarded a certificate and a digital badge to show employers your new skills.

General learning short courses
Embrace the joy of learning with our inspiring short courses. From modernist art to language studies and personal development, our courses cater to a diverse range of interests and aspirations. Join us and embark on a journey of discovery as you delve into new passions, refine your talents, and connect with like-minded individuals who share your enthusiasm for lifelong learning. Our 6-8 week, fully online and self-paced short courses offer the perfect opportunity to pursue your passions at your own pace.
Our **MA Combined Studies** evening degree is designed specifically for those returning to **education** after a significant break and who may have other commitments which prevent them from undertaking a full-time course.

If you have never studied at university before, or if you’re interested in flexible evening study, the MA Combined Studies degree might be a great fit for you. You can choose to start the MA Combined Studies degree in either September or January.

The degree is divided into modules which span a 12-week semester, with each module covering a different subject area. You can choose to study one or two modules per semester, allowing you to work through the degree at a pace that suits you. Each module has a weekly class between 6.30pm and 9.30pm which you can either join online or in person. The modules are designed for evening students and are assessed by continuous assessment (essays or reports) or class tests.

There are three different levels of modules, allowing you to specialise in subjects that you are more interested in. You will begin with broad ranging level 1 and 2 modules, before progressing to level 3 towards the end of your degree.

**What are the entry qualifications?**

Rather than certified qualifications for the MA Combined Studies degree, we are looking for applicants who have a willingness and desire to learn.

Entry requirements for the MA Combined Studies can be quite flexible. We welcome applications both from those who have undertaken some form of recent study, and those who have not taken any formal qualifications since leaving school. We will consider work experience, professional qualifications and other forms of evidence of ability to study in lieu of a recent formal qualification.

We would normally expect you to have a basic level of education at school level, which should include English and Mathematics. This will be discussed at interview and does not have to be evidenced through formal qualifications.

**Support before you start**

If you would like some help getting back into study, we offer pre-sessional Study Skills workshops. These are included for MA Combined Studies students in the weeks prior to the start of the semester.

It is highly recommended that all new students attend these workshops and, for those who are returning to study after a significant break, full attendance may be a formal condition of entry. The workshops are run in collaboration with the University’s Centre for Educational Enhancement and Development (CEED) and the Lifelong Learning team. Some of the key topics that will be covered are:

- Academic reading
- Note-taking
- Essay writing
- IT skills and basics.

**How much does the degree cost?**

Your tuition fees will be calculated on a pro-rata basis dependent on your fee status and the number of credits taken. For example, in the academic year 2023-2024, a Home Fee student would pay £303 per 20 credits studied.

If your personal earned or pension income is under £25,000 and you are taking at least 30 credits each academic year, then you can apply for the
Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS) part-time fee grant. The part-time fee grant provides financial support for your tuition fees.

Students on the MA Combined Studies programme are also eligible to apply for a part-time study scholarship of up to £100 to help with the costs associated with being a student, including travel, books and childcare.

Explore undergraduate fees and funding: [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/fees-and-funding/undergraduate](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/fees-and-funding/undergraduate)

Discover SAAS part-time undergraduate funding: [www.saas.gov.uk/part-time/undergraduate-funding](http://www.saas.gov.uk/part-time/undergraduate-funding)

Please note that there is no maintenance loan available for part-time students.

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**What can I study?**

The MA Combined Studies evening degree gives you the freedom to choose from a variety of subjects and tailor the degree to fit your interests. There are three core modules in English, Information Technology and Psychology that all evening students will study, and which will equip you with the skills needed to complete your degree.

The degree offers a range of study options, including classroom-based teaching, blended digital learning and collaborative opportunities with the University of Dundee and the Open University in Scotland.

Some of the subjects you can study in the evening include:

- Art History
- Computer Science
- English
- History
- Management
- Mathematics and Statistics
- Philosophy
- Psychology
- Social Anthropology.
Daytime study

**Part-time daytime study** is designed for those who have **recent qualifications** but are not able to commit to a full-time programme. The part-time **Master of Arts (General)** and **Bachelor of Science (General)** degrees are available to students coming through alternative routes, such as **Access courses**, **HNCs**, **HNDs** or following a sustained **period of time out of education**. Subjects can be chosen from the **wide range across our faculties**, allowing the flexibility to tailor your degree **to meet your interests**.

A General degree is awarded after the equivalent of three years of full-time study (360 credits) and is not specific to any one subject. This provides a great way to study a number of different subjects without having to specialise in any particular one. It will typically take between five and eight years to complete, depending on how many modules you complete each year.

You will study a maximum of 80 credits per year, this is usually four modules per year, and you will have one or two subjects that you are considering taking forward for more specialised study in the later years of your degree.

If you are accepted to study our General degree you will have the option of progressing to a named Honours degree, on a part-time basis, on completion of the equivalent of the first two years of full-time study.
How is a General degree different from an Honours degree?
A General degree is awarded after the equivalent of three years of full-time study (360 credits) and is not specific to any one subject. An Honours degree will take the equivalent of four years to complete and will have the title of the specialist subject(s) taken in third and fourth year, for example an MA (Hons) English. As a part-time General degree student there is no difference in the classes you attend or the subjects you can choose from those of a student studying for an Honours degree.

What can I study?
As a part-time General degree student you choose from the wide range of subjects available as part of our full-time Honours degrees. Some subjects do have specific entry requirements, and this can be discussed fully at the time of application.

It is not possible to study Medicine as part of the General degree.

What are the entry requirements?
Entry to daytime study will require you to have recent qualifications similar to those expected from our full-time students.

Some of the qualifications we would consider are as follows:

- BBBB at Highers
- Higher National Certificate/Diploma in a relevant subject area
- SWAP Access Courses
- Open University Credit.

Fees and funding
Fees for the part-time General degree are charged on a modular basis, therefore the fee charged is dependent on your fee status and the number of modules being taken. Part-time Honours students will be charged as a half-time equivalent of the full-time fee.

If your personal earned or pension income is under £25,000 and you are taking at least 30 credits each academic year, then you can apply for the Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS) part-time fee grant. The part-time fee grant provides financial support for your tuition fees.

Part-time students are also eligible to apply for a part-time study scholarship of up to £100 to help with the costs associated with being a student, including travel, books and childcare.

Explore undergraduate fees and funding: [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/fees-and-funding/undergraduate](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/fees-and-funding/undergraduate)

Discover SAAS part-time undergraduate funding: [www.saas.gov.uk/part-time/undergraduate-funding](http://www.saas.gov.uk/part-time/undergraduate-funding)
Flexible online postgraduate courses
Our tailored **online programmes** are designed to allow you to **achieve your potential**, to **expand your knowledge and skills**, and to **advance your career**. Learn at a pace and in a way that suits you, wherever you are.

Our interactive online postgraduate programmes are ideal if you are looking to develop your skills and advance your career. The online postgraduate programmes are tailored towards those who are interested in further study that fits around their current lifestyle. If you want to join the St Andrews community without having to leave home, our online programmes are the right fit. One thing that our students have in common, no matter where they are or where they are from, is that they are extraordinary individuals. Our diverse student life and community reflects that.

With multiple exit routes and modules specifically designed for online learning, these programmes are tailored to students who are looking to undertake Masters-level study on a part-time basis. On our online programmes you will undertake more specialised study than that at undergraduate level, and you will quickly find yourself integrated with the academic staff, even though you are not physically in St Andrews. Learn through a mix of led and independent study, with synchronous and asynchronous teaching. You will have the opportunity, depending on your path of study, to choose from a range of optional modules to help tailor your programme to your interests.

As an online learner you will be part of our vibrant student community. You can connect online or, if you are ever in St Andrews, join us in-person. As an online student you can:

- Use online library resources, with 24/7 access to journals, e-books and electronic databases. You can chat to our library staff online (9am-5pm UK time).
- Attend a range of concerts online or improve your playing skills with one-to-one virtual lessons from the Music Centre (costs apply).
- Connect with Student Services to look after your mental health, wellbeing and more (learn more on page 26).
- Connect with our Chaplaincy through livestreamed services.

**Master of Letters (MLitt)**

Online MLitt degrees are achieved within three years of part-time study, depending on the programme. Two thirds of your degree will be taught modules and the remaining third comprises a dissertation.

**Master of Science (MSc)**

Online MSc degrees are achieved within three years of part-time study, depending on the programme. Two-thirds of your degree will be taught modules and independent research, and the remaining third comprises an extended project or dissertation.

**Postgraduate Certificate (PgCert)**

Postgraduate Certificates are achieved within a maximum of one year, depending on the programme. PgCert applicants can commit to the PgDip, MLitt or MSc routes at a later date.

**Postgraduate Diploma (PgDip)**

Postgraduate Diplomas are achieved within a maximum of two years, depending on the programme. PgDip applicants can commit to the full MLitt or MSc routes at a later date.
Further in-person study opportunities

Are you interested in studying at St Andrews for just a few weeks or a semester? We have a variety of opportunities for students of all levels to study at St Andrews.

**Summer Academic Experience Courses for 16- to 18-year-olds**
The Summer Academic Experience Courses (SAEC) offer pupils from around the world the unique opportunity to experience courses taught in the Scottish academic tradition by current academic staff. You will study an academic subject of your choice, while developing your academic research and writing skills. Students on these courses must have a good level of English.

All SAEC students can participate in several cultural excursions to places of historic importance or scientific interest, including a full day trip to the city of Edinburgh. Other excursions may include activities like castle visits, Byre Theatre evenings, quiz nights, film viewings and a ceilidh (traditional Scottish dancing) among others.

Subjects include business, medicine, history, sustainable development and more! You will be taught by world-leading academics; these courses allow you to experience the academic rigour and quintessential feel of St Andrews, and of Scotland, first-hand.

**Summer Study for undergraduate students**
St Andrews Summer Study offers international undergraduate students the opportunity to spend 3-4 weeks studying for credit at the University of St Andrews. Our courses allow you to fully experience the academic rigour and unique atmosphere of St Andrews, and Scotland, first-hand.

You will be taught by world-leading academics; learning will take place both inside and outside of the classroom as our programmes integrate fieldtrips and environmental learning into the curriculum. Choose from our residential or fieldwork courses to find the course that best fits your summer and get a taste of what the University of St Andrews has to offer.

**Academic English Qualification Courses**
Our summer Academic English Qualification courses are designed for undergraduate students at any university who use English as an additional language and are considering Master’s level study at an English-medium university in the future.

With four- and ten-week study options, these courses are ideal for you if you are looking to develop your academic English abilities ahead of further study.

**Music Centre short courses**
Our Music Centre offers a range of short courses for anyone wishing to enhance their practice no matter what their career stage. Courses take place in the picturesque historic heart of St Andrews in the award-winning Laidlaw Music Centre and include expert tuition and coaching from top professionals.

Course options range from conducting and strings to vocal pedagogy and recording and production work.

**Geology field camp for undergraduate students**
The School of Earth and Environmental Sciences runs a 5-week field geology programme for undergraduate students. The camp gives students
in-depth training capitalising on a rich geological heritage and unparalleled opportunity to experience geology in the field.

In this course you will visit and study the famous sites that led to the discovery of geological time, underpinned concepts of modern structural geology and led to understanding the rock-record of geodynamics. Upon completion, you will have mapped outstanding geology, gained self-confidence in your ability to make key observations and honed your critical thinking, all within a context of meeting new friends, experiencing new cultures and a learning environment created by friendly staff. By the end of this course you will have become a confident field geologist capable of conducting independent field work in complex geological terranes.

**Evening language programmes**

We offer evening language courses throughout the academic year for students at all levels of study. The courses run for ten weeks, with one two-hour class per week. These courses are non-credit-bearing but are excellent ways for you to learn or enhance your language skills.

You can study the following languages:

- Arabic
- Chinese
- French
- Gaelic
- German
- Italian
- Japanese
- Latin
- Spanish
- Ukrainian

Explore these programmes
Life in St Andrews

“Your university experience can extend far outside the classroom – part of what makes St Andrews so great are the hundreds of activities there are for you to get involved with.”

Shaina Sullivan, Director of Student Development and Activities, Students’ Association
St Andrews offers you an award-winning student experience that is regularly voted as amongst the very best by students in the National Student Survey. Whether you have existing activities you want to continue or are exploring entirely new interests, there is never a dull moment.

In St Andrews you will find more than you would ever expect for a town of our size. The Students’ Association is home to over 160 different clubs and societies. Saints Sport has more than 50 different sports at all levels, and the University year is packed full of events and traditions.

The Students’ Association is the beating heart of student life. Run by students, for students, there are opportunities to get involved in whatever interests you. Its main areas – representation, activities and spaces – involve all our students and ensure that you can make the most of your time at university.

**Sabbatical Officers**

There are six student-elected representatives each year. They work full time in the Students’ Association and Athletic Union to support and enhance your student experience. They are:

- Students’ Association President
- Director of Student Development and Activities
- Director of Education
- Director of Wellbeing
- Director of Events and Services
- Athletic Union President.

These Sabbatical Officers work for you so no matter what issue you may be facing, questions you want answered, or if you just want to have a chat, they will always support you and make sure your student experience is the best it can be.

**Subcommittees**

There are multiple subcommittees (or ‘super societies’) and all St Andrews students are automatically members. One of these subcommittees is dedicated to supporting students who have entered the University over the age of 21, Lifelong and Flexible Learners Forum, or ‘Lifers,’ as it is known. Lifers provides representation for students who enter university through alternative routes or after a break from education. They host regular social events for all students and encourage greater integration within university life and traditions for students who study full time, part time, or in the evening.

Whether you want to take part in a charity hitch-hike across Europe with the Charities Campaign, host your own radio show on STAR (St Andrews Radio), produce a play, musical or comedy show with the help of the Mermaids Performing Arts Fund, develop your public speaking skills with the Union Debating Society, or volunteer on various community projects with St Andrews Voluntary Service (SVS), there is always so much for you to do outside of the classroom!
Societies
The societies at the Students’ Association can be a big part of your time at St Andrews – covering almost every hobby, activity or interest you may have. There are societies linked to academic subjects that allow you to develop skills, others that celebrate the huge range of cultures and countries our students come from, some that focus on a particular cause, charity or organisation, and others that are just for fun – like the societies for baking, Dr Who, bubble tea and dog walking.

Take a look at all of the current societies: [www.yourunion.net/activities/societies](http://www.yourunion.net/activities/societies)

If you are not sure which societies you want to be a part of, there is the Freshers’ Fayre at the start of each semester where you can meet all the societies and any fellow students who share your interests. It is also really easy to start your own society.

Volunteering
There are lots of opportunities to volunteer at St Andrews. Whether your passions lie in sport, the environment, animal welfare, or just meeting new people, volunteering allows you to give back to the community whilst also learning new skills and having experience that will be valuable when you graduate.

Volunteering takes many forms and can be anything from setting up events and community relations work, to hosting debating workshops.

Getting involved can be as easy as attending the Freshers’ Fayre and seeing what interests you. In the spring, all students are eligible to be elected as a Students’ Association Officer and work to provide as many resources to students as possible.

The time you spend volunteering is also recognised by the University and is eligible to go on your Higher Education Achievement Report (HEAR) when you graduate.
Wellbeing
The University and the Students’ Association are proud to place an emphasis on wellbeing. Throughout the year the Students’ Association works hard to make itself a welcoming and fun place to be. St Andrews is proud of the peer mentoring scheme, Peer Support, and the Got Consent workshops that the University and Students’ Association run in partnership.

The Director of Wellbeing & Equality Sabbatical Officer and the Wellbeing Subcommittee organise student events, workshops and campaigns related to safety, mental health, fitness and sexual health.

Evening language courses
If you want to learn a new language or develop existing language skills, but cannot fit it into your main timetable, there is also the option to do extracurricular evening language classes. These courses offer a range of languages from beginner to advanced levels. They are not part of any degree programme and have a fee attached, but are an excellent way of improving your language skills.

Further information about evening language courses: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/subjects/non-degree-courses/evening-language-courses

Golf
St Andrews is famous for golf, and to this day is home to the body that governs the game in most of the world – the R&A. If you are a keen golfer – or want to learn whilst you are here – then there will be plenty of opportunities to play on the seven courses in and around the town, and there are discounted green fees available to students living in St Andrews.

The town
For its size – the town measures barely three miles end-to-end – there is a lot in St Andrews. The town and University are inseparable, with buildings from both sitting alongside one another. Walk down the streets and you are as likely to come across a library or lecture theatre as the town hall or a coffee shop, which gives St Andrews a great community atmosphere.

Being situated on the Fife coast also means there is stunning countryside and clean, fresh air and unspoilt beaches that allow you to sit and watch the world go by, surf, or go for a walk down the two miles of crisp sand. Walk along to the end of the stone pier and you will be met by a view you will remember for the rest of your life.
Traditions

As you might expect from a university that is over 600 years old, we have a large number of traditions relating to different societies, halls of residence and times of the year. They may seem odd at first, but combined they are highly memorable and form part of an experience you cannot get anywhere else. As with all things at university, you can choose what you want to get involved in.

**Academic families**
Most first-year students are adopted by third- or fourth-year students. Along with other adopted students, they become ‘academic families’. Families are often based within your academic classes, societies you were part of, or through sports teams. Although this is not organised by the University, academic families act as an informal support network at the start of your time in St Andrews and often develop into friendships that last throughout university and beyond.

**Raisin Weekend**
Raisin Weekend is a two-day celebration that happens part way through the first semester. During Raisin Sunday your ‘academic parents’ will host parties and then on Raisin Monday they will dress you up, give you a ‘raisin receipt’ and take you to the famous shaving foam fight. Raisin Weekend is a fun way to welcome students to the University, but you can be as involved as you want.

**The PH**
The initials PH are embedded in the pavement outside St Salvator’s Quadrangle on North Street. They are a memorial to Patrick Hamilton, a St Andrews student, who was burnt at the stake for heresy during the Reformation in 1528. Today you have to avoid stepping on the initials or, legend goes, you will fail your degree. The only way to reverse the misfortune of accidentally stepping on the PH is to take part in the May Dip.

**Red gowns**
If you attend one of our visiting days, you will see a lot of people in red gowns. These eye-catching gowns were introduced during the late seventeenth century so that owners of the local taverns could easily spot students, as they were not allowed to drink. Today the gowns are purely ceremonial and are worn at formal occasions, University ceremonies, at Chapel services on a Sunday, on Pier Walks and to welcome visitors to the University.
Whether it is reaching the pinnacle of your sporting career, staying fit and healthy throughout your studies, having fun playing the sport you love or trying a sport for the very first time, Saints Sport provides opportunities to ensure that every student makes the most of their time at St Andrews.

Over half of the student body is involved with sport in some way. Following recent investment in the University’s indoor facilities, you will benefit from some of the best and most student-accessible sports facilities in the country.

The Sports Centre now includes a 120-station gym, a dedicated Strength and Conditioning suite for performance athletes, a technical climbing wall, all-weather pitches, top quality grass pitches, a four-court indoor tennis centre, and an eight-court indoor sports arena.

Sports clubs
There are over 50 sports clubs at St Andrews, offering activities for all levels of ability or aspiration, whether that is competitive or recreational. Over 100 teams compete annually in British Universities & Colleges Sport (BUCS), Scottish Student Sport (SSS), local and national leagues and cup competitions, with many more students competing on an individual level. Most of our clubs also offer recreational activities, giving students amazing opportunities to regularly experience the beauty of the Scottish Highlands and travel further afield.

Performance sport
The University recognises a number of sports as part of the Performance Programme, each benefiting from increased support and a dedicated sport-specific Director or Head Coach. This support includes sport science interventions such as strength and conditioning and performance analysis, increased funding and greater access to training facilities.

High performance athletes
The University encourages individual sporting excellence by supporting talented athletes who are studying at St Andrews and competing at an international level. Students competing for the University’s performance golf programme may apply for the prestigious Arnold Palmer Scholarship or an R&A bursary.

Health and fitness
Saints Fitness offers a full range of services to all students including fitness consultations, personal training, and Strength and Conditioning support. Our varied exercise class programme runs all-year-round and is tailored to suit all levels and abilities. With over 40 classes per week including Yoga, Pilates, Zumba, HIIT, Spin and many more, our instructors are here to help you get the most out of your workout and improve your overall fitness.

Volunteering opportunities
There are many opportunities to volunteer within sport during your time at St Andrews. The University assists students seeking to gain coaching and officiating qualifications, and many of our activities are supported by student volunteers.

Student coaches from our sports clubs run regular taster sessions in local schools, coach at after-school clubs and take sport-specific training sessions for local clubs. Our international volunteering projects in Africa also offer students a wonderful opportunity to enhance their global awareness and develop their leadership, coaching and teaching skills.
Commuter students

As a commuter student, you have access to **support and facilities** to help you find your feet, make friends and reach your academic potential.

**Commuter Lounges**
The Commuter Common Room (79 North Street) offers a small kitchen area, sofas and general study space along with lockers, toilets and showers. This facility is open to undergraduate and postgraduate students.

The North Haugh Commuter Lounge (New Technology Centre) offers open-plan social and study space, a small kitchen, lockers and toilets. Please note that a small number of commercial tenants also use this building, and all people using the space are asked to be considerate of each other.

The Students’ Association is providing a study and social space reserved for commuter students in Beacon Bar, on the top floor of the Union building. Beacon Bar will be open for commuter students every weekday from 10am until 5pm. In order to identify yourself as a commuter, please bring your commuter card with you when using Beacon Bar.

Access to the commuter lounges is available from 7am to 11.30pm, and from 7am to 2am during revision and exams.

**Student Lockers**
Lockers are available to commuter students at the following locations:

- Commuter Common Room (79 North Street): 40 lockers
- North Haugh Commuter Lounge (Tech Centre): 48 lockers
- Postgraduate Lounge (Butts Wynd): 12 lockers

Each locker contains instructions on how to set up the digital code lock.

**Dundee Night Bus**
The Dundee night bus is available to staff and students, and stops at the Students’ Union in St Andrews, Guardbridge, Leuchars, the Old Mill and East Marketgait in Dundee.

The bus runs 7 nights a week, 10pm to 2.30am, which makes it ideal for those who wish to study in St Andrews, or attend an event.

**Commuter Card**
If you are asked to provide evidence of your commuter student status, you can collect a commuter card from the Advice and Support Centre (ASC) at 79 North Street. The ASC is open from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday. For more information, please email the ASC at theasc@st-andrews.ac.uk
Support and welfare

St Andrews **takes the welfare** of its students **seriously**, and there is **support available** to you.

The University offers a wide range of support to ensure that, on both an academic and personal level, your experience as a student is successful and fulfilling. Student Services provides:

- support for students with a disability or long-term health condition
- student life and wellbeing advice
- counselling and mental health support
- immigration advice
- advice on money and finances
- advice on academic issues.

**The ASC**
The Advice and Support Centre (ASC) is the first port of call for any student queries. Staff at the ASC are happy to answer any question, provide student status letters and transcripts, as well as book appointments with one of Student Services’ specialist advisers for further support and advice.

**Health**
There are two primary care medical practices in St Andrews with many years of experience dealing with the student community. In addition, the Student Health Hub, staffed by University employees, is co-located with the medical practices and helps students access health advice quickly. A St Andrews Student Health App is also available to help students manage their health while they are in St Andrews.

Find out more about healthcare in St Andrews: [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/support/healthcare](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/support/healthcare)

**Disabilities**
The University has students with a wide range of disabilities and learning difficulties. The University’s Disability Team includes advisers on disability and specific learning difficulties. They can be contacted at any stage of the application process for information, advice or support. Applicants are encouraged to make their needs known on their application form.

**Wellbeing, counselling and mental health**
There may be times when you want professional support to resolve difficulties you encounter. The Student Services wellbeing, counselling and mental health service helps you access the assistance you need to have a well-balanced life. The service has obtained APPTS (Accreditation Programme for Psychological Therapies Services) accreditation from the Royal College of Psychiatrists.

Learn about student support: [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/support/student](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/support/student)

The University Chaplaincy provides friendly, non-judgmental support to all students regardless of faith or philosophy of life. The Chaplaincy offers worship in the University, and a team of Honorary Chaplains from different faiths and Humanism supports a number of student-led faith societies, as well as events for international students. Any student can receive pastoral care led by the Chaplain.

Read more about the Chaplaincy: [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/support/chaplaincy](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/support/chaplaincy)

**Contact**
More information about how the University will support you can be found online or by contacting Student Services.

**theasc@st-andrews.ac.uk**

+44 (0)1334 462020

[Explore the Student Services webpages](#)
Study facilities

You will spend considerable time at university conducting your own research and reading. Our study facilities give you space to do this. In addition to the libraries, there are many dedicated rooms across academic buildings where you can find the study environment that suits you.

Libraries and study spaces
More than just a building full of books, a library is a central pillar of university life. It is a place to study and access information with staff on hand to support you in your work. Library resources are available in the town centre and on the North Haugh, where most science Schools and the School of Medicine are located. Everyone studies in different ways, which is why you can choose from a number of study environments, including cafés, silent areas, group study rooms and more informal areas.

You can access a vast array of digital resources and online journals from any of these spaces, as well as across the University and beyond. You are also entitled to borrow from the nearby libraries of the universities of Dundee and Abertay.

The Main Library:
- is located in the centre of town.
- provides access to study spaces in a range of styles to suit how you study.
- is open 18 hours a day during the semester.
- holds over one million volumes, a large e-book collection, thousands of print and electronic journals and academic databases.
- provides expert support from members of our specialist Academic Liaison Librarian Team.
- provides help and training on finding information.
- has plenty of computers for you to use.
- provides a Short Loan Collection of heavy-demand books recommended by lecturers.

See what space is available in the Main University Library: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/library

In addition to the Main Library, the St Mary’s College Library (including the historic King James Library) is believed to be the oldest university library reading room in Scotland. It is located in St Mary’s Quadrangle, with collections for Divinity and Medieval History.

North Haugh options:
- The J F Allen Library (Physics & Astronomy building) holds books and journals for some science subjects.
- The Ettie Stewart Steele Reading Room (Purdie building) holds a selection of Chemistry books for reference.
- The Library at the Gateway Building provides study spaces and a range of seating options.

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University libraries
Graduate prospects

At St Andrews you will have **access** to a whole **range of support** to **enhance** your **future prospects**. All students can benefit from our **professional development programmes**, **careers and internship advice and support**, and a **lifelong connection** with the University through our alumni network.

**Employability**
As well as a challenging academic culture, studying at St Andrews will give you a range of opportunities to develop skills that will enhance your employability. The opportunities for students to take responsibility through societies, events, volunteering and sport mean that St Andrews graduates are well-rounded and prepared for their careers.

**Academic and professional development**
All students are eligible to take part in the Professional Skills Curriculum, run by the Centre for Educational Enhancement and Development (CEED), which offers a range of workshops and resources to develop key skills that graduate employers value. Topics such as teamwork, leadership, problem solving and confidence-building are delivered via a blend of online workshops, evening lectures and practical skills sessions. This programme is endorsed by the Institute of Leadership and Management and is recognised on your Higher Education Achievement Report (HEAR) when you graduate. CEED also offers a number of other support and development opportunities for you, including programmes on academic and IT skills.

Explore opportunities with CEED: [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/ceed](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/ceed)

**Careers advice and opportunities**
The Careers Centre is available to all students and provides resources and support to enable you to decide on the career direction you want to take, gain relevant work experience and acquire the employability and career planning skills you will need to succeed on whichever career path you choose. Careers Centre offerings include:

- Careers advisers who can provide individual guidance and coaching, as well as group workshops.
- Careers fairs and other opportunities to meet top graduate employers.
- Extensive digital resources on internships, graduate job vacancies, postgraduate study information and funding advice on a global basis.
- For those looking for internship and graduate jobs internationally, there are International Opportunity Managers.
- Advice for those looking to go on to further study.

**Our alumni**
Being a student at St Andrews is not just for the length of your degree programme, it is a connection for life. Our alumni network stretches across the entire world, all connected by the common shared experience of St Andrews. As well as lifelong benefits like careers and networking support from the University, the alumni network allows you to connect with fellow alumni, keep in touch with the University and maybe one day help the next generation of students as they start their journey.

Visit our alumni webpages: [www.st-andrews.ac.uk/development/alumni](http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/development/alumni)
Read more about the Careers Centre
Part-time degree options: a quick overview

Evening study
Our MA Combined Studies degree is designed specifically for those returning to education after a significant break and who may have other commitments which prevent them from undertaking a full-time course.

Daytime study
The part-time Master of Arts (General) and Bachelor of Science (General) degrees are available to students who are unable to undertake a full-time course, but have the flexibility to study during the day. It may be possible for part-time daytime students to progress to a named Honours degree.

Online postgraduate study
Our range of postgraduate online programmes are designed for students who want to further their educations and advance their careers through tailored self-paced programmes. These programmes give students the flexibility to study on their own schedules and achieve a postgraduate qualification.

Applying for part-time study
In order to apply for part-time study, you should apply directly to the University of St Andrews through the appropriate webpage:

MA Combined Studies: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/subjects/combined-studies-ma
Part-time daytime study: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/subjects/study-options/part-time/daytime
Online postgraduate study: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/online-postgraduate-courses

Evening and Daytime degree study
Once your application has been submitted and reviewed, you will be invited to attend an informal interview with the Lifelong Learning team to discuss your application further.

Fees, funding and scholarships
Fees and scholarships vary every year. The most up-to-date information can be found online.

The fee charged to you will be pro rata of our full-time fee, depending on your fee classification. For more information regarding how we do this, please see the Fees and Funding section online.

Evening and Daytime degree study
If your personal earned or pension income is under £25,000 and you are taking at least 30 credits each academic year, then you can apply for the Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS) part-time fee grant. The part-time fee grant provides financial support for your tuition fees.

Part-time students are also eligible to apply for a part-time study scholarship of up to £100 to help with the costs associated with being a student, including travel, books and childcare.

SAAS part-time undergraduate funding: www.saas.gov.uk/part-time/undergraduate-funding

Explore our scholarships: www.st-andrews.ac.uk/study/fees-and-funding/scholarships

Fees and funding
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<td>Subjects include Art History, Computer Science, English, Geography, History, Management, Philosophy, Psychology, and Social Anthropology.</td>
<td>Choose the MA General Arts or the BSc General Science: <a href="http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/subjects/study-options/part-time/daytime">www.st-andrews.ac.uk/subjects/study-options/part-time/daytime</a></td>
<td>A broad range of subjects are on offer. Explore our online postgraduate course pages: <a href="http://www.st-andrews.ac.uk/online-postgraduate-courses">www.st-andrews.ac.uk/online-postgraduate-courses</a></td>
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<td>Monday to Thursday in the evenings.</td>
<td>Monday to Friday during the day.</td>
<td>Online study at your own pace.</td>
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<td>Each module has one three-hour evening class (6.30-9.30) per week and up to eight hours of independent study per module.</td>
<td>You will be taught via a mixture of lectures, tutorials and, for sciences only, laboratory sessions. You are also expected to study independently in your own time.</td>
<td>Learn when your schedule permits, through lecture content, online Q&amp;As, office hours and interactive course elements.</td>
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<td>No formal qualifications required: we will consider work experience, professional qualifications and other forms of evidence of ability to study instead of a recent formal qualification.</td>
<td>Entry to daytime study will require you to have recent qualifications similar to those expected from our full-time students. Some of the qualifications we would consider are as follows: • BBBB at Higher • Higher National Certificate/Diploma in a relevant subject area • SWAP Access Courses • Open University credits</td>
<td>Qualifications vary by programme; typically a 2.1 undergraduate Honours degree from the UK, or an equivalent international qualification.</td>
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<td>Rolling admissions for January or September start.</td>
<td>Applications must be received no later than 15 July in the year of entry.</td>
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<td>Graduate with MA Degree or transfer to daytime study.</td>
<td>Progress to honours degree in named subject.</td>
<td>Graduate with a PGCert, PGDip, MSc or MLitt, depending on the programme and length of study.</td>
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