



University of Aberdeen

Graduation 2025

30 June - 4 July



Welcome

to this graduation ceremony

For more than 525 years, our graduates have provided the world with excellence and innovation. Today you, our graduands, become part of that story.

Our University was founded in 1495 to be 'open to all and dedicated to the pursuit of truth in the service of others' and this purpose has successfully guided us throughout the centuries. Our record of excellence and innovation in teaching and research, and our international outlook and dedication to ensuring our students realise their full potential, has produced countless numbers of highly skilled graduates who have gone on to make a real impact on the world.

With Aberdeen being placed 12th in The Guardian University Guide 2025, 15th in The Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2025, and consistently in the UK top 15 for overall student satisfaction in the National Student Survey 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 you can take pride in the knowledge that you have graduated from an institution acknowledged as being one of the best in the UK.

Throughout your time studying with us, I hope you have experienced a learning environment which nurtures intellectual curiosity, where all members of our wonderful community have developed and grown. You will have been taught by researchers at the forefront of their field. You sit here having achieved success in what is unquestionably a challenging curriculum, designed to bring out the best in everyone.

Today you join our worldwide alumni family and the strong sense of sense of belonging you will have felt on campus extends beyond graduation and beyond borders. With more than 150,000 alumni in 170 countries, you will always find a member of our University community nearby, and we work hard to keep you connected wherever you go in the future. Higher education transforms lives and our alumni stay connected because of the excellent and memorable education they have received here at Aberdeen; I sincerely hope this will also be true for all of you.

Today isn't only about our fantastic graduands, it's about the family, partners and friends who are here to celebrate alongside them. This is a special day for every single person here, whether you are in a gown or not.

On behalf of everyone at the University, I offer my congratulations to you all. The entire University community takes great pride in each and every one of you and wishes you every success in your future life and career.

Professor George Boyne MA, MLitt, PhD,AcSS
Principal and Vice-Chancellor





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As the very proud Chancellor of the University of Aberdeen, I am delighted to send my best wishes to all those graduating today and to take this opportunity to congratulate you on everything you have achieved.

I am sure the time you have spent here will have provided you not only with a thorough knowledge of your subject, but also with the skills that you will need as you prepare for your chosen career. I hope that it has been an enjoyable and fulfilling experience for each one of you and that you leave with a fund of memories that you will look back on fondly for many years to come.

May I also welcome your families and friends who have supported and encouraged you every step of the way. I hope that they too will enjoy this very special day.







Order of Ceremony

The Graduands' Procession

Before the ceremony formally begins, a Sacrist, bearing the gold casket containing the University's Freedom Scroll, awarded as part of the Freedom of the City of Aberdeen in 1995, leads the graduands into the ceremony. The role of the Sacrist dates back to the early days of the founding of the University in 1495.

The title "Sacrist" is a diminutive of "Sacristan" who was the officer of the church in charge of the sacristy which was the room where the sacred utensils, vestments and other movables were kept. The modern word in Scotland for the sacristy is the vestry. Next are the promoters, senior members of the academic staff who will call the individual graduands for the conferral of their degree. The audience should remain seated while the graduands enter the hall and take their seats.

Civic and Academic Processions

The audience will be asked to stand as the civic and academic processions enter. The civic procession has representatives of the civic community, which may include the Lord Provost of the City of Aberdeen, representatives of the City Council and of such other bodies as the Guildry, the Seven Incorporated Trades, the Chamber of Commerce and the Judiciary

As the academic procession enters, the audience will sing *Gaudeamus Igitur*. Music has always been an essential feature of the University's cultural life. *Gaudeamus Igitur*, a medieval student song from Germany, is sung at every Aberdeen graduation ceremony. The presiding officer is last in the procession, and is either the Chancellor, as ceremonial head of the University, the Pro-Chancellor, or the Vice-Chancellor.

The Chancellor, Her Majesty Queen Camilla, is the nominal head of the University and confers degrees on graduates.

This duty is often shared with her deputy, the Pro-Chancellor, Professor Sir Iain Torrance KCVO.

Vice-Chancellor is generally known in Scotland as the Principal, and is executive head of the University. The Chancellor and Pro-Chancellor wear gowns decorated with gold, and the Principal's gown is decorated with silver. When the Chancellor or Pro-Chancellor are present, the Principal usually wears a purple ceremonial gown.

Gaudeamus igitur

(The first and last lines of each verse are sung twice.)

Gaudeamus igitur, juvenes dum sumus.
Post jucundam juventutem,
post molestam senectutem,
nos habebit humus.
Vivat Academia, vivant Professores.
Vivat membrum quodlibet,
vivat membra quaelibet:
semper sint in flore!
Alma Mater floreat, quae nos educavit;
caros et commilitones,
dissitas in regiones
sparsos congregavit

Translation

Let us therefore rejoice, while we are young.
After the joys of youth,
after the troubles of old age,
the earth will have us.

Long live Academe, long live those who
teach. Long live each member,
long live all the members:
may they always flourish.

Let our Alma Mater flourish, which has
taught us; dear ones and comrades,
scattered in remote places,
she gathered.

The Prayer of Thanksgiving

The audience will remain standing until the processions have reached their places, and while the Chaplain to the University says the opening prayer.

Conferral of Degrees

All degrees are conferred in Latin, consistent with the traditions of a 500 year old university. Though the precise formula for each degree varies, the promoter seeks permission from the Chancellor, Pro-Chancellor or Vice-Chancellor, and from all the doctors and masters of the University, to present the various candidates for the conferral of their degree.

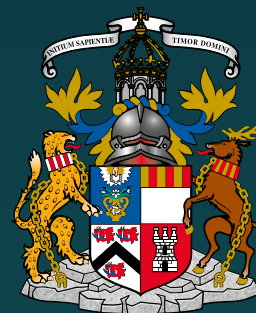
Permission is granted on behalf of the Senatus and the names of the individual graduands are called. To signify the conferral, the head of each graduand is touched with a small ornate cap and a Sacrist then places over their head the academic hood, or helps to gown a doctoral graduate. The hoods, lined in different colours to identify the various degrees, lend the ceremony its distinctive colour, and are worn with the gown only after graduating. Graduands receiving a Doctorate Award are robed in a scarlet gown whilst they are on the platform; all other graduands wear a black gown and are 'hooded' in their degree colour when they are on the platform.

Address to Graduates

After all the degrees have been conferred, the presiding officer will either deliver an address to the graduates or will call upon another senior member of the University or an honorary graduate to do so.

Benediction and Processions

The audience will remain standing while the Chaplain to the University pronounces the benediction and the academic, civic and graduate processions leave the hall. The inclusion of the new graduates in these processions symbolises their membership of the global University of Aberdeen community.



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Graduation Ceremony

Thursday 3 July 2025 at 6.30pm

Education

Higher Degrees and Awards

By Research

Doctor of Philosophy

Touria Jouilla *Education*

Terpsichori Kaltsouni *Education*

Elizabeth Ann McClure *Education*

Taught Programmes

Master of Science

Leadership in Professional Contexts

Laura Elizabeth Christina Houston *with Commendation*

Maree Innes *with Distinction*

Person-Centred Counselling

Zainab Amal Abdul Hameed

Abigail Heather Stewart Buswell *with Distinction*

Jerusha Sharon Cargay *with Distinction*

Priyanka Balwindersingh Jaswal *with Distinction*

Yashika Rajkumar Lalwani *with Commendation*

Yuliya Milne *with Distinction*

Nandheetha Padmakumar

Saranya Payyanadan

Zara Purdy *with Commendation*

Wasim Mohammed Reza

Rimsha Rezzi *with Commendation*

Aditi Srinidhi Gopal *with Distinction*

Shavika V Vijendran

Master of Education

Alyson Jacqueline Young *with Commendation*

Early Years

Laura Anne Burr *with Commendation*

Emma Anne Frew *with Commendation*

Inclusive Practice

Madeleine Grace Summers *with Commendation*

Professional Education

Steven Alexander Sangster

Postgraduate Diploma

Person-Centred Counselling

Gordon Cheyne

Gerard Anton Duffy *with Commendation*

Ethan David Harrison *with Commendation*

Sofia Jones *with Commendation*

Lorna Christina Knott

Fiona Lambert *with Distinction*

Abigail Joy Moir

Fiona Alice Summers *with Commendation*

Undergraduate Degrees and Awards

Master of Arts

Educational Studies

Noor Fatima Ali

Nadine Lara Allan

Sam Eldridge

Sarah-Katie Thomson

Milli Yule

Honours Degrees

Education

Elissa Morgan Baird *with First Class Honours*

Aniqah Begum

Iona Rosie Grant Black

Krysta Bray

Kacey Jane Brown *with First Class Honours*

Ellie Cahoon *with First Class Honours*

Jenna Campbell

Mia Andrea Clark

Katie Duff

Amy Chelsea Fairweather

Eve Farmer

Mollie Ferguson

Eilidh Lilian Forrest

Callum Garden *with First Class Honours*

Elisa Helen Gibb *with First Class Honours*

Abbie May Gordon

Freya Louise Greaves

Ava Harding *with First Class Honours*

Katie Jane Henry

Sam William Meredith Horberry

Emma Inglis

Alanoss Jo Jamieson

Tina Jangor *with First Class Honours*

Kirsten Hadden Jessiman

Emma Christine Johnston

Marta Klavina *with First Class Honours*

Laura Leebody

Sophie Louise Margaret Lennox

Jayde Low

Eve Clark MacGillivray

Jorja MacKinnon

Zara Maclean

Elizabeth Helen MacRae *with First Class Honours*

Ciara McGeoch

Sophie Jayde McKay

Chrissie Ruth McLean *with First Class Honours*

Charlotte Christine Mannings

Chloe Marr

Jeshanna Mathew *with First Class Honours*

Kirstin Jane Matthew *with First Class Honours*

Ayah Mbarki

Abby Munro

Christy Neilson Mcmillan Murray
Hazel Penelope Newman *with First Class Honours*
Cara Maggie Nicol
Abbey Diane Noble
Anna O'Neill
Amber Elizabeth Park
Freya Paterson *with First Class Honours*
Amy Lauren Petrie *with First Class Honours*
Iona Pettigrew
Ruby Pitt *with First Class Honours*
India Ann Reynolds
Michael James Roberts
Abigail Alexandria Robertson
Ellie Rebecca Rose
Mollie Ross
Catlin Scott
Fraser Lewis Sharp *with First Class Honours*
Leah Shepherd
Carla June Mary Simpson
Claire Smith
Nicole Francesca Anna Smith
Nicole Sarah Stevenson *with First Class Honours*
Emily Stirling *with First Class Honours*
Isla Stirling
Iona Stoddart *with First Class Honours*
Sarah Thain
Caitlin Anne Thomson *with First Class Honours*
Hazel Margaret Thomson
Ciara Walker
Mackenzie Walker
Nathan Lewis Wallace *with First Class Honours*
Abby Patricia White
Abbie Wiggins
Samuel Wiggins
Carly Jay Wilson
Holly Young

Bachelor of Arts

Childhood Practice

Lauren Ashley Allan
Dawn Diana Bailey
Niamh Patricia Leona Barnes
Kelly Lauren Black
Fiona Borthwick
Abbiejane Bruce
Stacey Angela Bruce
Susan Mary Cantlay
Megan Jayne Cowie
Arlene D'Arcy
Marie Anne Faherty
Rhayanon Finnie
Alana Hill
Kerry J Howitt
Patrycja Iwaszkiewicz
Alana Johnstone
Cheryl Dorothy Kilcoyne
Abbey King
Leona McCook
Allison Terri Malcolm
Megan Maver
Rebekah Elizabeth Parker
Emily Ann Philp
Theresa Robertson
Jagdeep Kaur Sandher

Lisa-Jane Scott
Sharon Seivwright
Amy Shand
Alix Kate Sharpe
Donna Louise Sim
Eleanor Smith
Rachael Emma Smith
Mhiran Victoria Souttar
Katie Sheila Stephen
Lauren-Nicole Stephen
Jennifer Walker
Ashley Ann Whyte
Victoria Jennifer Louise Williamson

Professional Graduate Diploma in Education (Primary)

Meenakshi Arunachalam
Brodie James Willoughby Atkinson
Melissa Ann Bain
Emily Hana Bains
Elizabeth Margaret Bremner
Alice Josephine Brown
Olivia Cathryn McDonald Brunton
Rachel Mary Camm
Sarah Carmichael
Amy Louise Carnan
Chloe Carolan
Morven Catto
Emma Cheung
Sophie Louise Coffey
Andrew Cross
Ross Darwin
Sally Fiona Davies
Ryan Docherty
Opie Doig
Shona Doyle
Caitlyn Jemma Duthie
Euan Robert Finch
Claire Ellen Ford
Saul Kristoffer Fraser
Alice Gabbriellini
Anna Sarah Goodyear
Calum Graham
Emma Graham
Abbie Gray
Emma Hall
Lesley Jane Hare
Lisa Henry
Emma Louise Hill
Fiona Jean Hillan
Jacob Holland
Ellie Hutchinson
Kelsay Ingram
Morgan Anne James
Kirsty Iseabail Jones
Caitlin Louise Joss
Chloe Kelly
Craig Kelly
Eireann Alice Kelly
Gráinne Mary Lacey
Rachael Lees
Kate Louise Leith
Shona Liddle
Boun Huah Lim
Nicola Lyon

Elizabeth Jane Mackay
Katherine Mackay
Niamh Mackenzie
Eilidh Cate McAdam
Lauren Alyssa McCaffery
Helen McDade
Angela Ruth McDougall
Nia Maisie McLean
Sorcha Jessica Elle McLean
Stephanie McPhail
Victoria Maton
Shannon Mbarki
Princess Marie Moffat
Adrian Mary Murdoch Moody
Erin Morrison
Mhairi Morrison
Connie Gregorius Muir
Emily Munday
Lorena Munoz
Richard Lee Murison
Charleen Murphy
Ellymay Kathleen Nilssen
Catherine O'Connor
Sydney Omand
Emillie Jane Peebles
Claudia Rosa Perez-Davis
Ciara Phelan
Zuzanna Prusik
Alexandra Radin
Ria Rahman
Nicola Ruth Elizabeth Rankin
Jodie Nicole Rhodes
Lindsay Richardson
Ashley Robertson
Megan Christina Rose
Abbey Sandbergen
Chloe Elizabeth Sandison
Aimee Smart
Emma Louise Stark
Zoe Stephenson
Michelle Stewart
Wasef Tabrah
Bethany Sharon Tipton
Emma Joanne Tullock
Annette Isabelle Ugueto
Nicole Urquhart
Kelsea Warzala
Chloe Watson
Emma Williams
Holly Joanne Williams
Leah Wilson
Mark George Wood

Professional Graduate Diploma in Education (Secondary)

Lucas Alcaraz
Lauren Allan
Jaimee Bain
Liam Jay Barr
Bryony Louisa Beck
Aimee Victoria Begg
Beth Anne Brown
Cameron Mark Burns
Orla Niamh Roders Burrows
Diarmid Campbell

Abby Carnan
Mark John Christie
Fern Couser
Robert Coventry
Paul Dargie
Bobby Douglas
Taylore Brie-Ann Dow
Finlay Dunn
Richard Mark Ford
Charis Fraser
Simon James Rowan Fullarton
Kaiya Gemmell
Ellis Charlotte Grandison
Charlotte Greig
Hannah Grace Greig
Ellie Hawkins
Kelsey Louise Herd
Aidan Hyndman
Grant Fraser Jamieson
Jordan Kielty
Andrew Terry Laird
Nathan Laird
Chloe Lawrence
Kirsty Longstaff
Lana Mackay
David Mark Francis McAuley
Molly McCallum
Fraser Hugh McCann
Naomi McGillivray
Tyla Katy Lisa McKay
Ross Ivan Alexander McKenzie
Kirsti Louise Morris
Johannah Kathleen Murray
Leah Emily Napier
Erin Nicoll
Zoe Ellis Ohren
Angus Paterson
Stevi Murray Alexander Petrie
James William John Reid
Rebecca Ritchie
Gabor Rosta
Rebecca Louise Rowe
Rachael Sellers
Katherine Sharp
Lois Elaine Smith
Martin David Smith
Ryan Anthony Smith
Claire Sooter
Abbie Nicole Starkey
Kai Stewart
Chelsea Sutherland-Thom
Leah Kenzie Swan
Heather Taylor
Aisha Taylor-Sinclair
Lauren Holly Thomson
Scott Tominey
David Walker
Laura Elizabeth Wardlaw
Robbie Kenneth Williamson
Hayley Wilson
Robbie Wilson
Elizabeth Jane Wise
Xiao Yang
Jacob Zebedee



Graduation Ceremony

Thursday 3 July 2025 at 6.30pm

Before Ceremony

A selection of organ music will be played before the ceremony, concluding with *Trumpet Voluntary* by Jeremiah Clarke (1674-1707)

Interlude

There was a lad was born in Kyle.

Robert Burns (1759-1796)

After Ceremony

Pipe Major Julie Brinklow will pipe out the procession

Grand Choeur - William R Spence (1859-1946) will be played by the organist.

Stuart Muir Director of Chapel and Ceremonial Music Organist

Connie McLean Voice



Graduation Ceremonies

Honorary Degrees

The words used by the Chancellor (or Pro/Vice-Chancellor) are:

"I make and constitute you, declare and proclaim you, Doctor and Master of Sacred Theology*, as a sign of which I place this cap upon your head, and pray to God, supreme in goodness and power, that this act may be blessed and of good augury".

*The above words are used for the Degree of DD: differing words are used for other degrees (see below).

Higher degrees

Before presenting graduands, the Promoter seeks the permission of the Chancellor (or Pro/Vice-Chancellor) to do so, saying:

"My Lord Chancellor (or Mr Pro/Vice-Chancellor), Doctors and Masters, and the whole University, I present to you this candidate (these candidates), who has (have) been approved on examination, to be promoted to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy*".

If the same Promoter goes on to promote candidates for other degrees, the promoter omits the opening words, saying "I also present to you..."

The Chancellor (or Pro/Vice-Chancellor) replies: "The Senatus assenting, let him (them) be promoted".

The Promoter then says "Let (name) come up".

To the first graduand in each degree the Chancellor (or Pro/Vice-Chancellor) says:

"By the authority which the most high and mighty Princes have in the fullest measure bestowed on this beneficent University I make you Doctor and Master of Philosophy*, as a sign of which I place this cap upon your head and pray to God, supreme in goodness and power, that this act may be blessed and of good augury".

To graduands after the first the Chancellor (or Pro/Vice-Chancellor) says: "I make you also".

*The above words are used for the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy: differing words are used for other degrees (see below). In conferring degrees of Master, the words "Doctor and" are omitted.

Undergraduate Degrees

The same words are used for the presentation of the recipients of Undergraduate as for Higher degrees except that "Master" or "Bachelor" is used in place of "Doctor" and "Master".

When both non-Honours and Honours graduands in the same degree are being presented, the Promoter, before calling the first graduand with Honours says, "Those who have earned Honours".

If both Honours and Pass degree graduands in the same degree are being presented, the Promoter, before calling the first graduand with a Pass degree says "Those who have satisfied the examiners".

The degrees of MA and BSc may, in certain circumstances, be conferred on members of the University staff, in recognition of long service and/or exceptional merit. When asking permission to present such graduands, the Promoter says

"...I present to you this man/woman who has distinguished him/herself over many years in the service of the University, to be promoted to the degree of Master of Arts [or Bachelor of Science]". The same procedure is then followed and the same formulae used as in other cases in which the degree of MA [or BSc] is conferred.

Professional Diplomas

Following the model above, the same words are used for the presentation of the recipients for a Diploma as for Degrees, except that Diploma is used in place of Doctor, Master, Bachelor.

Note: The Latin words used by Promoters may vary slightly, according to the numbers of graduands presented, and whether they are male or female.

Degrees

Below are the degrees currently awarded by the University in the form (accusative case) in which they appear in the formula of conferral: in each case, an English translation is given.

DD
Sacrosanctae Theologiae Doctorem
(Doctor of Sacred Theology)

DPT
In Theologia Practica
(Doctor in Practical Theology)

LLD
Utriusque Iuris, tam Canonici
quam Civilis, Doctorem
(Doctor of both the Laws
– Canon and Civil)

DHC
Doctorem Honoris Causa
(Doctor by Reason of Honour)

DLitt, MLitt
In Litteris Doctorem/Magistrum
(Doctor/Master in Letters)

EdD, MEd, BEd
In Arte Mentis Disciplinae Doctorem/
Magistrum Baccalaureum
(Doctor/Master/Bachelor in Art
of Mental Training)

DMus, MMus, BMus
In Musica Doctorem/Magistrum/
Baccalaureum
(Doctor/Master/Bachelor in Music)

DSc, MSc, BSc
In Scientia Doctorem/Magistrum/
Baccalaureum
(Doctor/Master/Bachelor in Science)

EngD, MEng, BEng
In Studiis Fabrilibus Doctorem/
Magistrum/Baccalaureum
(Doctor/Master/Bachelor in
Engineering Studies)

MD
In Medicina Doctorem
(Doctor in Medicine)

DCE
Doctor Communitatis Europaeae
(Doctor of the European Community)

PhD, MPhil
In Philosophia Doctorem/Magistrum
(Doctor/Master in Philosophy)

DUniv/MUniv
Universitatis Doctorem/Magistrum
(Doctor/Master of the University)

MRes
In Arte Investigationis Magistrum
(Master in the skill of research)

MBA
In Negotiis Administrandis Magistrum
(Master in Administering Businesses)

MLE
In Oeconomia Agraria Magistrum/
Baccalaureum
(Master in Agrarian Economics)

MScEcon
In Scientia Oeconomiae Magistrum
(Master in the Science of Economics)

MTh
In Sacrosancta Theologica Magistrum
(Master in Sacred Theology)

LLM, LLB
In Utroque Iure Magistrum/
Baccalaureum
(Master/Bachelor in both Laws)

MPH
In Valetudine Commune Magistrum
(Master in Common Health)

ChM
In Chirurgia Magistrum
(Master in Surgery)

MMedSci, BScMedSci
In Scientia Medica Magistrum/
Baccalaureum
(Master/Bachelor in Medical Sciences)

MA, BA
In Artibus Liberalibus Magistrum/
Baccalaureum
(Master/Bachelor in Liberal Arts)

MBus
In Negotiis Magistrum
(Master in Business)

MChem
In Scientia Chymica Magistrum
(Master in Chemical Science)

MGeol
In Scientia Geologica
(Master in Geology)

MPhys
In Scientia Physica Magistrum
(Master in Physical Science)

MSci
In Arte Scientia Magistrum
(Master in the skill of Science)

BScBioMedSci
In Scientiis ad Medicinam et Vitam
Physicam Pertinentibus Baccalaureum
(Bachelor in the Sciences pertaining
to Medicine and Natural Life)

BScEng
In Scientia Fabrilis Baccalaureum
(Bachelor in Engineering Science)

BD
In Sacrosancta Theologia
Baccalaureum
(Bachelor in Sacred Theology)

BTh
In Theologia Baccalaureum
(Bachelor in Theology)

MBChB
In Medicina et Chirurgia
Baccalaureum
(Bachelor in Medicine and Surgery)

BMedSci
In Scientia Medicinae Baccalaureum
(Bachelor in the Science of Medicine)

BDS
In Dentium Chirurgia Baccalaureum
(Bachelor in the surgery of teeth)

BDentSci
In Scientia Odontologiae
Baccalaureum
(Bachelor in the Science of Dentistry)

PGDE
Diplomae Graduae et Professionalis
in Educatione
(Professional Graduate Diploma in
Education)

DPLP
Diplomae in Regulis Consuetudinis
Professionalis de Lege
(Diploma in Professional Legal
Practice)

PgDip
Diplomae Graduae in Consilio
Privato (In Person Centred
Counselling)

Old Aberdeen Campus

Some of you will have studied in Old Aberdeen, the historic heart of our University, where our traditional buildings combine with state of the art facilities for learning, research and recreation.

Old Aberdeen is home to our revolutionary new Science Teaching Hub which has been designed to inspire collaboration between the Chemistry, Medical Sciences, Biological Sciences and Geosciences students who study there. Nearby is the state of the art Sir Duncan Rice Library which opened in 2012. Over eight floors the library houses the largest of the University's modern collections – including Arts, Humanities, Sciences and Social Sciences, and historic collections of rare books, manuscripts and archives in the Special Collections Centre.

Just across the road is the Aberdeen Sports Village, the premier sports facility in the North-East of Scotland. It is open to students, staff and the public with facilities for athletics, football, swimming, hockey, squash, martial arts and boxing.





Foresterhill Campus

Many of our graduates will have spent the majority of their time at our Foresterhill Campus, the largest healthcare campus in Europe.

The Foresterhill campus provides for the provision of high-quality health services, education and research and is owned jointly by the University and NHS Grampian.

The Institute of Medical Sciences (IMS) is a unique, cross-school institution that supports and coordinates research within the School of Medicine, Medical Sciences and Nutrition.

Foresterhill is also home to the state of the art Rowett Institute of Nutrition and Health, which aims to address the big issues of our time, including food inequalities, food security and obesity, as well as the sustainable development of Scotland's food industry.

The AFG College with the University of Aberdeen

Opened in 2017, the AFG College with the University of Aberdeen is a multi-million pound facility in Doha that is a partnership between the University and the Al-Faleh Group for Educational Services (AFG).

Since its launch, the College has attracted hundreds of students each year to study a range of University of Aberdeen programmes at both undergraduate and postgraduate level. Among its state-of-the-art facilities are a fully equipped learning resources centre, IT suites, and teaching and learning space equipped with interactive screen technology.

As part of our Aberdeen 2040 International commitments – our vision to guide the University through the coming decades – we teach and research across borders and in Qatar provide the same academic experience as that afforded our students in Scotland.

The University continues to expand its networks and partnerships, seeking new opportunities for international and intercultural exchange and to offer more transnational education, enabling learning across the globe with key partners.



Our Education

The University of Aberdeen has a distinctive, flexible curriculum that encourages students to grow as independent learners. True to our roots as an ancient Scottish university, our degree programmes combine breadth and depth and draw their strength from the quality of our research.

We believe in the interconnectedness of research and teaching as we address global challenges, ensuring that our curriculum and our student experience are among the very best in the world.

We prepare our graduates to thrive in the diverse workplaces of the future by working with external partners and alumni, providing work-based learning, making innovative use of digital technology and fostering intellectual development, creative thinking, innovation and entrepreneurship. Our students grow in confidence and understanding so that they can be change-makers across the globe.

Our Research

Throughout the centuries, researchers at the University of Aberdeen have generated new insights in medicine, science and engineering, law, social sciences, arts and humanities. Our work has earned many honours and awards and has contributed to five Nobel prizes.

Today, interdisciplinary approaches generate new methods of inquiry, knowledge and ideas to address the key issues facing society from the environment to the energy transition; health, nutrition and wellbeing; data and artificial intelligence; and social inclusion and cultural diversity.

The University is training and supporting the next generation of researchers, equipping them with the skills they need to develop their expertise and to engage with the challenges of the future.

Making an impact on the world requires putting research into action and the University has an enviable record in producing spin out companies based on cutting-edge research, including TauRx which is focused on the development of novel treatments and diagnostics for Alzheimer's Disease and other neurodegenerative diseases. Meanwhile Elasmogen Ltd is developing innovative, non-invasive medical technology with the potential to transform the treatment of inflammatory diseases and cancer.

Our Alumni family

Many of our Alumni have gone on to great success after studying with us. A member of the Aberdeen family even made it on to a banknote! Nan Shepherd, one of the first women to graduate from the University and recognised as one of the finest writers on nature and landscape, features on the Royal Bank of Scotland £5 note.

JJR Macleod led the team which discovered life-saving insulin just over a century ago and history student Kenneth Onwuka Dike came to be known as 'the father of modern African historiography'.

More recently Dame Sue Black has established a reputation as one of the world's leading forensic scientists, Joanna Gill has won awards for her composition with her music performed by prestigious ensembles at venues including the Royal Albert Hall and Hampton Court Palace, and Jon S Baird directed the 2018 hit film Stan and Ollie.

Members of our Alumni can be found across the world – in 170 countries in fact!

Stay up to date with our latest research, league table results and other successes at www.abdn.ac.uk/news

A message from our Alumni team

Congratulations

on your graduation day!

For many of us, the years we spend as students are the best years of our lives. New friendships are formed, a new independence gained, and probably quite a few life-changing experiences along the way too. Your graduation day is a special day and marks the achievement of what it has all been for, however, your university experience doesn't end here.

Now that you have graduated you join a community of over 150,000 Aberdeen graduates living in 170 countries. Our aim is to add continual value to your experience of being a graduate of the University of Aberdeen. We want to hear your success stories and are here to help you stay in touch with fellow alumni and to keep you informed about what's happening here at the University.

As an Aberdeen graduate you are part of a warm and supportive global community of successful individuals. By staying in touch with the University you can benefit from networking with your fellow alumni around the world, take inspiration from their career journeys, exchange ideas in your chosen field, catch up with old friends and receive invitations for exclusive events and opportunities for lifelong learning.

You'll find that the benefits of studying at Aberdeen extend well beyond your graduation. Wherever your life takes you, you will always be an Aberdeen graduate. We have some very active regional and interest-based alumni Chapters and Clubs around the world and we host a variety of events to help you stay connected with the University and one another.

You can stay in touch by visiting abdn.ac.uk/alumni or facebook.com/AberdeenUniversityAlumni

There are also lots of other ways you can get involved once you have graduated, like becoming an alumni volunteer or donor. Generous donations have supported student activities and developments that add extra value to student experience.

There are many exciting projects on the horizon for the University and its students. We would like to invite you to support these now or in the future and help students following in your footsteps to enjoy and take full advantage of the Aberdeen experience.


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