14,500 STUDENTS

120+ NATIONALITIES

Over £280 MILLION investment

Teaching GAELIC COURSES since the 18th century

Over 150 SPORTS CLUBS and societies

Our students get FREE WIFI ON CAMPUS and all around the city

95% OF GRADUATES GO ON TO WORK AND/OR FURTHER STUDY WITHIN 6 MONTHS*

*Based on HESA Ela Performance Indicator 2016/17 (published 2018) | **CEOWORLD magazine, 2016 | ***In-line with the 2014 Research Excellence Framework (REF) results
We have more than 500 years of heritage and five Nobel Prizes behind us. Our knowledge and experience drive us forward to the cutting edge of research and learning excellence delivered within outstanding modern facilities in Scotland's safest city*.

*Source: Unbroken Britain Survey, May 2018, Provident Financial
Throughout the year we host a variety of events for prospective students, parents, teachers and careers staff, including Open Days, an Offer Holder Day, and a year-round open door visiting policy. We appreciate that not everyone can make it to campus so we also offer a “chat live” facility on our website throughout the year.

Our Student Recruitment team host a series of tours and visits of our campuses throughout the year. Our guided tours begin with a short presentation about the University, then a tour of the campus with one of our current students, followed by a visit to any department(s) of interest.

Whether you choose to visit as part of a group, individually, or interact with us via our online chat facility, our doors are always open.

We will send you an invitation to our Offer Holder Day with your offer information pack. The Offer Holder Day is designed to give offer holders the chance to visit our campus and speak to academic staff in depth about their chosen subject. It’s also the perfect time to get a taste of student life on campus.

Find out more:
- abdn.ac.uk/visit
- +44 (0)1224 272090

**Offer Holder Day**

Our Offer Holder Days are specifically designed for those who already hold an offer to study at the University. The day will provide you with a range of help, information and a chance to sample student life.

For more information, visit: abdn.ac.uk/offerholderday
When you join the university, we officially admit you to a degree (such as the MA, BSc, BEng or LLB) rather than to any specific subject. This gives maximum flexibility over the choice of courses that make up your degree programme.

The compulsory courses for your intended subject will occupy only part of your timetable in first and second year, and you will be free to fill your week with courses that interest you from other subjects, or from our selection of cross-disciplinary courses. Most students study three or even four subjects in first year, narrowing down to two in second year, and continuing with both for a Joint Honours degree, or specialising in just one for Single Honours.

Perhaps you came with the intention of studying French, but thought you might sample some Anthropology in your first year; if you fall in love with this new subject it will be perfectly possible to continue with it in second year, or to change to a Joint Honours degree in French and Anthropology, or even to graduate with Single Honours in Anthropology. The subject choice that you put on your UCAS application is not binding, and you can usually change from one subject to another within the same degree as your interests develop.

Even within the third year of a Single Honours degree, you will take a few credits from another subject. We call this flexibility ‘Enhanced Study’. It provides the much needed versatility and adaptability necessary for success in the job market. Find out more:

abdn.ac.uk/study/aberdeen-degree

All the support and guidance you need

We'll not only guide you with your course choices, we'll assist you with looking after your health, your finances, your career, your personal and social life, and any other needs you have. We offer a range of support services including disability support, study support and a nursery. Find out more:

abdn.ac.uk/infohub
student.support@abdn.ac.uk
+44 (0)1224 273935
Your route to a top qualification
Aberdeen is one of the UK’s most internationally distinguished universities, with a superb reputation dating back over five centuries. But we’re also very forward thinking. We were named Scottish University of the Year by the Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2019. With all this in mind, you can be sure your degree is from a well known and reputable institution.

Your path to a really great career
Our track record speaks for itself; year after year our graduates make us proud across all degree programmes! 95%* of Aberdeen students enter into employment, research posts or further study within six months of graduating. In addition to this, our graduates earn some of the highest salaries in the UK. Find out more:

Your brilliant social life
It’s the time of your life! University means much more than just study. Being a student means making new friends from many cultures and backgrounds.

It means opportunities to get involved in new interests and new experiences that you might never have thought about before. Students describe Aberdeen as offering an unrivalled social scene!

When you arrive, we’ll help you get to know your way around and the Welcome Week programme will help you get involved and make you feel at home.

Your opportunity to develop your interests
New opportunities, new interests, new experiences, new friends. We’ve got them all in abundance at Aberdeen.

With over 120 societies, from knitting to whisky tasting, there truly is something for everyone. If you enjoy sport you couldn’t pick a better place to study. We have clubs for over 50 different sports and our indoor and outdoor sport and leisure facilities are truly first-class. Our Olympic standard Aberdeen Sports Village is your home for all things sport during your studies. Find out more:

Want to broaden your horizons?
Our numerous international connections offer opportunities for many of our students to study abroad for part of their degree. We offer exchange programmes with universities in North America, Hong Kong, Japan, Singapore, China and across Europe. Find out more:

*Based on HESA E1a Performance Indicator 2016/17 (published 2018)
Guaranteed Accommodation*
The University has over 2,000 beds within its portfolio of accommodation. All new students are guaranteed an offer of accommodation in a single occupancy bedroom within our portfolio or with one of our partner providers, provided your application reaches us by the deadline.

Our accommodation is on, or within walking distance, of King’s Campus.

Family Accommodation
We have a limited number of furnished and unfurnished properties for families. Contact the Accommodation Office for more information.
Theomas studentaccomm@abdn.ac.uk

*Terms and Conditions Apply
We offer:

- **A range of properties** in or close to the Old Aberdeen Campus and the Hillhead Student Village
- **A Central Hub** (Headspace at the Hillhead Student Village) with extensive social and study facilities
- **Wireless network throughout**
- **A frequent bus service** travelling to both the main campus and the City Centre

Ask questions and find out how and when to apply:
- [abdn.ac.uk/accommodation](http://abdn.ac.uk/accommodation)
- studentaccomm@abdn.ac.uk
- +44 (0)1224 273502
ABERDEEN
your city

Aberdeen, the Silver City on golden sands

The city that has it all
Scotland’s safest city* and the third largest city in Scotland, Aberdeen is a place with a unique combination of historic and contemporary cosmopolitan charm. Big enough for the ‘big city’ experience, student-friendly Aberdeen is still small enough to make it easy to find your way around and make friends.

From the historic 15th century University campus in Old Aberdeen, it’s just a short walk to the bustling city centre. It’s just 30 minutes from the buzz of Union Street to the tranquillity of the nearby hills and countryside in one of the most beautiful parts of Scotland.

Where else can you have lectures in the morning and ski in the afternoon, or sail, or windsurf, or climb, or canoe or...? It’s all here – and all so close at hand.

SCOTLAND’S SAFEST CITY

*Unbroken Britain Survey: Provident Financial 2018
At night Aberdeen really lights up with a nightlife second to none, with venues ranging from trendy clubs, to old-world pubs full of atmosphere, and everything in between. Our vibrant local music scene suits all tastes and includes regular major tours by well known bands, DJ's and singers.

Aberdeen also caters for all tastes in arts, culture, leisure and entertainment with our well-known theatres and performing venues, cinemas, art gallery, museums and first-class sports and leisure facilities.

Shoppers be warned! Aberdeen has four shopping malls, all the well known high street stores, quirky vintage markets and plenty of charity shops where you'll find some great bargains!

Find out more: visitabdn.com
Scholarships and Bursaries

The University of Aberdeen is committed to attracting the very best students, regardless of financial circumstances, which is why we offer a large number of scholarships. Visit abdn.ac.uk/ugfinance

Scholarships
We recognise that being a student can be costly, so we offer a wide range of scholarships which could help manage your expenses. Most scholarships are worth at least £1,000 for every year of undergraduate study for the length of your degree. Awards are mainly aimed at students who might find it difficult to enter higher education without financial support. Scholarships are also available for music and sport, and certain academic disciplines have their own scholarships available. Please note that scholarships and bursaries do not have to be repaid.

Find out more:
abdn.ac.uk/ugscholarships

Visit our funding database at:
abdn.ac.uk/funding

Tuition Fees
Scotland
Scottish-domiciled students can find out information regarding fees, and apply for financial support by contacting the Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS):
0300 555 0505
or visit the SAAS website at saas.gov.uk

England, Wales and Northern Ireland
You can find out more about tuition fee loans and other government assistance by contacting the relevant body below.

Student Finance England
0300 100 0607
gov.uk/studentfinance

Student Finance Wales
0300 200 4050
studentfinancewales.co.uk

Student Finance Northern Ireland
0300 100 0077
studentfinanceni.co.uk

Our Student Support office provides advice on money matters and personal budgeting. Find out more:
abdn.ac.uk/students/support

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MOST SCHOLARSHIPS are worth at least £1,000 for every year of UNDERGRADUATE STUDY for the length of your degree.
**NEXT STEPS**

**01**
Keep in touch
Let us know if any of your details change. Find us on social media:
- @universityofaberdeen
- @aberdeenuni
- @uniofaberdeen
- study@abdn.ac.uk

**02**
Come and visit
Offer Holder Day
Remember that family and friends are welcome too.
- abdn.ac.uk/offerholderday

Or make use of our open door policy by contacting visitus@abdn.ac.uk and give a few weeks’ notice.

**03**
Respond to offers
You need to respond to your offers by choosing a first (firm) and second (insurance) choice by the UCAS deadline. If your firm choice is an unconditional offer then the place is yours. If it is a conditional offer you must meet these conditions before the place is yours.

**04**
Apply for accommodation
If you would like to stay in University accommodation visit:
- abdn.ac.uk/accommodation

**05**
Meet the conditions of your offer
Once we have your exam results and if you have met all the conditions of your offer, Aberdeen will confirm your place. We will get in touch but you can also follow this on UCAS Track. If you don’t meet your conditions, check Clearing as we may be able to offer you a place on another programme. If you are unsure about anything just get in touch.

**06**
Get ready to arrive
We will send you a welcome pack with lots of information to help you get settled. Plan your freshers' week activities, join in on social media and meet your future friends!
Aberdeen continues to pursue best practice and high standards of service for all students. If you would like to receive this document in an alternative format, please contact the Student Recruitment and Admissions Service for more information.

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