



International Guide
2026-27



More **locations,** more **adventures**

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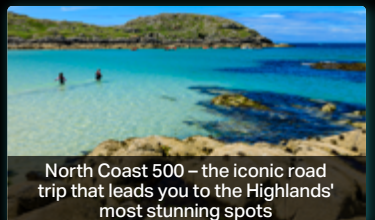
Cairngorms National Park – mountain bike, ski, and paddle



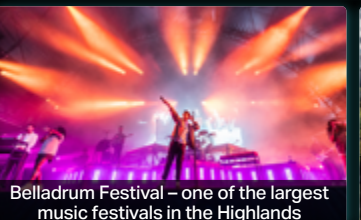
Royal Dornoch Golf Course – one of the world's best golf courses



Eilean Donan Castle – one of Scotland's most iconic historic sites



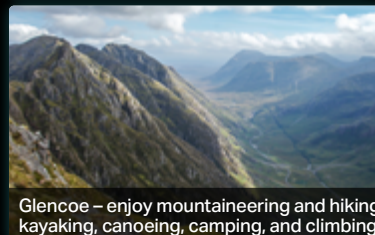
North Coast 500 – the iconic road trip that leads you to the Highlands' most stunning spots



Belladrum Festival – one of the largest music festivals in the Highlands



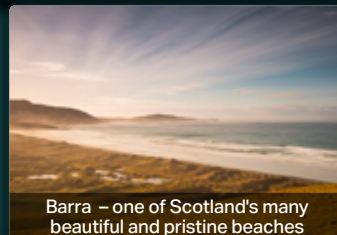
Shetland – UNESCO Global Geopark and experience the magic of Europe's largest Fire Festival, 'Up Helly Aa'



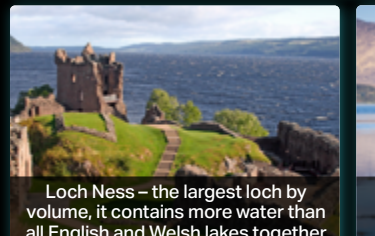
Glencoe – enjoy mountaineering and hiking, kayaking, canoeing, camping, and climbing



Isle of Skye – Fairy pools



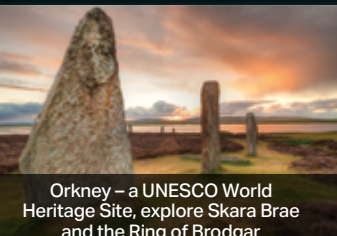
Barra – one of Scotland's many beautiful and pristine beaches



Loch Ness – the largest loch by volume, it contains more water than all English and Welsh lakes together



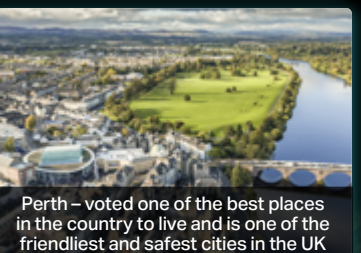
Fort William – the UK's Outdoor Capital with outdoor activities like biking, kayaking, mountaineering, and climbing



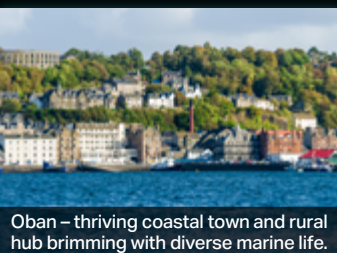
Orkney – a UNESCO World Heritage Site, explore Skara Brae and the Ring of Brodgar



Inverness – cultural capital of the Highlands, nature on it's doorstep



Perth – voted one of the best places in the country to live and is one of the friendliest and safest cities in the UK



Oban – thriving coastal town and rural hub brimming with diverse marine life.



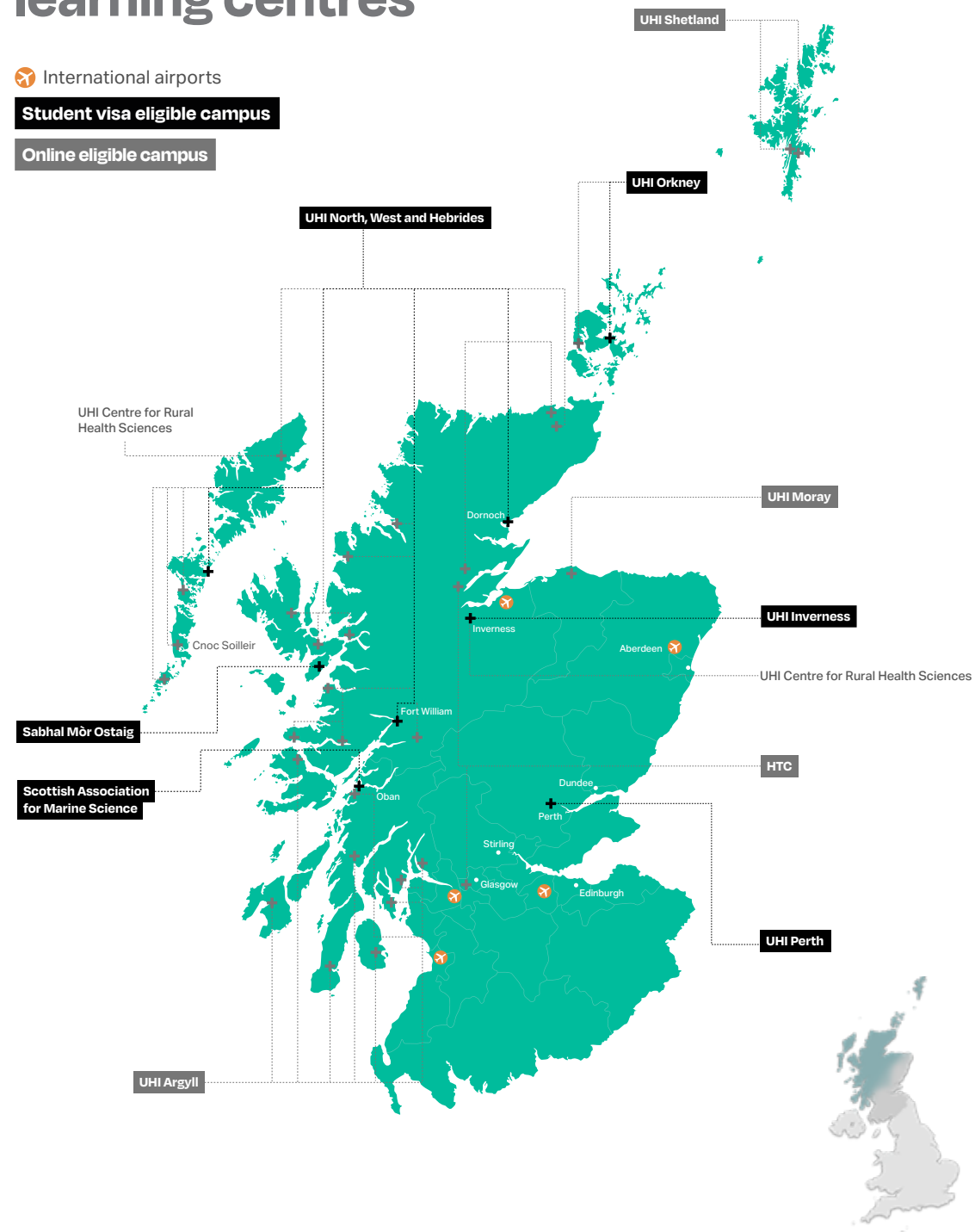
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Our campuses and learning centres

International airports

Student visa eligible campus

Online eligible campus



This map is intended for illustrative purposes, serving as a visual representation of our various locations. Please visit uhi.ac.uk/campuses for full details of all of our campuses.

If you have inquiries about maps, please contact brand@uhi.ac.uk

For full information on course content and entry requirements visit: uhi.ac.uk/international

More than a university

Where learning means more

+ Opportunities

You can learn at one of our locations across the highlands and islands of Scotland, or online from anywhere in the world.

Study specialist courses in incredible places, such as golf in Dornoch, archaeology in Orkney, adventure studies in Fort William, or forestry in Inverness!

Discover a degree with industry placements and projects such as a placement at a music festival or supporting a working actor in their practice.

4th in Scotland for undergraduate student satisfaction*

86% student satisfaction*

Over **74%** of our research is 'world leading' or 'internationally excellent'***

+ Campuses

We cover the largest geographic area of any campus-based university or college in the UK, but our campuses all have a community feel.

You will learn in small, focused classes, with internationally renowned academics. At UHI, you'll always be a name, not a number.

Join us on a campus in the mountains and forests, on a picturesque island, in a friendly, culture-packed city, or in a high-tech research park. No matter which campus you choose, you will have a unique and supportive student experience.

+ Support

At UHI, we strive to put you at the centre of what we do, providing a supportive community and a safe, friendly place to learn. Even before you apply, UHI's expert and approachable staff are on hand to help you understand the support that will be on offer. You will be surrounded by a safe environment in breathtaking locations.

Pioneering flexible learning for over 50 years, we offer a huge portfolio of online undergraduate and postgraduate degrees.

Top 10

most affordable UK universities¹

Welcoming students from over

50 countries

100% satisfaction rate*

- + BA (Hons) Audio Engineering
- + BA (Hons) Theatre Industry Practice

Best

in Scotland for postgraduate student satisfaction for the fourth year in a row²

100% satisfaction rate:

- + MLitt Viking Studies
- + MEd Tertiary and Higher Education
- + MA Contemporary Art and Archaeology

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*2025 National Student Survey

**Research Excellence Framework (REF2021)

¹ Complete University Guide 2023

² Postgraduate Taught Experience Survey 2025

More support for you

We put you at the centre of everything we do: whether you study on campus or online, you will join a supportive community in a safe and friendly place to learn. Even before you apply, UHI's expert and approachable staff are on hand to help you understand the support we can offer.

Our international team are on hand to help guide you, whether that's with finding the right programme or the application process.

Take a look at our guidance on studying in Scotland, how to apply, Scottish culture and important information like banking and healthcare:

uhi.ac.uk/study-in-scotland



+ Highlands and Islands Students' Association (HISA)



Choose from over 50 clubs and societies, including:

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| + Computing Club | + Knitting Club |
| + Dance Club | + Mountaineering Club |
| + Drama Society | + Paddleboarding Club |
| + Diving Club | + Queerness+ |
| + Esports and Gaming Society | + Shinty Club |
| + Football Club | + Snowsports Club |
| + Forestry Society | + Wild Swimming Club |
| + Living History Society | + or start your own! |

There is so much to do, from becoming a student intern to volunteering as a student voice rep or getting involved as a volunteer in your community.

Find out more



hisa.uhi.ac.uk

+ Health and wellbeing

Looking after yourself will help you achieve more at university, so you can make the most of your student experience.

In Scotland, international students are entitled to free prescriptions, free eye check-ups and free dental check-ups the same as a Scottish student.

+ Support for accessibility and inclusion

If you would get more from your studies with some additional support, we are here to help with:

- Pre-entry guidance
- Help with Disabled Students' Allowance claims
- Alternative assessment arrangements
- Organising personal support
- Communication with external agencies
- Access to specialist software and equipment

uhi.ac.uk/disabilities

+ Student accommodation

Guaranteed* accommodation for full-time first year, international and priority students.

Dedicated student accommodation with **en-suite single bedrooms** with shared kitchen and living areas, or studio apartments:

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| ■ Dornoch* | ■ Sabhal Mòr Ostaig, Isle of Skye* |
| ■ Fort William* | ■ Oban |
| ■ Inverness* | ■ Perth |

Designed around the needs of our students, rental fees include:

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| ■ Wi-Fi | ■ 24/7 on-call support and help |
| ■ electricity | ■ on-site laundry facilities* |
| ■ heating | ■ building and contents insurance |
| ■ covered cycle storage | ■ council tax and water rates |
| | * additional cost applies |

For campuses without dedicated student accommodation, we can help you find lodgings, if required.

uhi.ac.uk/accommodation



+ Support with your studies

With over 48 college campuses and learning centres, internationally renowned research institutions and specialist teaching centres dotted across Scotland, wherever you choose to study, we will be with you every step of the way. Discover:

- One-to-one support with academic work and help with essential student skills
- Virtual learning environment access for every course
- Library with over one million books and journal articles
- Laptops available to borrow or buy at discounted rates
- Free software downloads

uhi.ac.uk/support



First in Scotland

to adopt the Student Partnership Agreement, setting out how students and staff can collaborate to improve student experience.

uhi.ac.uk/student-partnership-agreement



A university shaping more futures

UHI's careers and employability service

UHI Futures is the university careers and employability service and is here to support you from student to graduate, and on to your future career.



Find out more at
uhi.ac.uk/careers

Handshake, our careers app

Trusted by over 425,000 employers and 900 universities globally, you will access:

- + Customised job openings and the ability to connect directly with global employers
- + Appointments with the UHI Futures team
- + Career development events
- + Careers and employability guides and resources
- + Personalised CV and application form support
- + Interview preparation

Handshake



Employer mentoring scheme

The UHI Employer Mentoring Programme matches you with a professional working in your sector, so you can access employability insights, advice, and support. Mentors have been from companies such as Barnardos, NatureScot, Social Enterprise Academy, and Adobe.

Career development events

Attend a wide range of events, delivered by some of the UK's top employers, and workshops led by the UHI Futures team.



What will you do?

Meet our graduates



Tom Kitchin

▪ **Catering**

Chef Tom Kitchin, along with wife Michaela, opened The Kitchin on Edinburgh's Leith waterfront in 2006, earning a Michelin Star within six months. With the restaurant consistently ranked among the UK's best, they now oversee four venues including The Scran & Scallie, The Bonnie Badger and the KORA by Tom Kitchin.



Julie Fowlis

▪ **MA Cùltar Dùthchasach agus an Àrainneachd (Material Culture and the Environment)**

Musician, presenter, composer and voice artist. Singer in Disney Pixar's 'Brave'



Francis Legge

▪ **HNC Acting and Performance**

Netflix and Food Network celebrity chef, founder of the Shortbread Society



Joy Dunlop

▪ **BA (Hons) Cànan is Cùltar na Gàidhlig (Gaelic Language and Culture)**

TV presenter, BBC Scotland



Ashish Kumawat

▪ **BEng (Hons) Aircraft Engineering**
Founder of Aviotron Aerospace, India



I undertook three summer placements...

...in the SAMS labs and once in collaboration with the Norwegian institute Akvaplan-niva during summers to gain more experience in molecular and experimental biology. I also went on a research cruise to the Icelandic Basin with SAMS and the National Oceanography Centre for three weeks and worked as an onboard chemistry assistant. The support I received during my degree was incredible. Lecturers have always gone above and beyond to help me develop my ideas and create opportunities to grow.

Nele Thomsen studied **BSc (Hons) Marine Science with Arctic Studies** at the Scottish Association for Marine Science, a partner of UHI.

Science, Nature, and the Environment

Environmental science and geography

Benefit from one of the world's best 'living laboratories' set in the spectacular natural habitat of the Scottish Highlands. Studying Geography or Environmental Science at UHI Inverness offers access to outstanding nature sites such as the newly inscribed Flow Country peatland UNESCO World Heritage Site and Cairngorms National Park.

→ BSc (Hons) Environmental Science

Study in spectacular natural habitats and develop your field skills in the Scottish Highlands and beyond. Develop core skills through course work in campus labs, and access specialist analytical equipment across the university network.

→ BSc (Hons) Geography

Explore a mix of physical, environmental and human geography. Learn about biodiversity, atmosphere, climate, ecosystems, tourism, design skills, globalisation, society, and more, along with a third-year work placement module with an external agency.

Both of these degree programmes at UHI Inverness offer:

- + Practical field and lab work comprising a large part of the course, giving students highly valuable experience to take into their careers
- + State of the art laboratory facilities across the university network
- + Field trips in the local area, plus residential field trips within Scotland
- + Opportunity to undertake an international fieldtrip in Iceland
- + Specialist subject pathway options: Environmental Biology or Environmental Biotechnology
- + UK dual citizens also have the additional option of Environmental Science with Archaeology



My favourite thing about UHI is the people!

It's a tight-knit community, and you really get to know each other while studying.

I studied an environmental science higher at UHI while in school, which made me want to do my degree here as well. I knew this was the right course for me as I could learn from fantastic lecturers in good laboratories with high-spec equipment. The practical skills taught during field trips secured me an industry placement.

Being so close to nature and being able to stay close to family are also great things about living and learning in the Highlands and Islands.

Hannah Swanson graduated from **BSc (Hons) Environmental Science** at our Inverness campus.



UNESCO site: Flow Country

Forestry

The Scottish School of Forestry is a specialist destination for forestry training, a key tool in the fight against climate breakdown. This industry offers excellent career prospects for graduates, with industries related to conservation and land management thriving locally and globally.

→ BSc (Hons) Forestry and Treescaping Management

based at the Scottish School of Forestry in Inverness, is a highly practical course that provides an excellent grounding in subjects such as forest science, establishment of woodlands, broadleaved woodlands, international trade, and much more. Enjoy fieldwork projects and study trips in the Highlands and beyond, on our innovative, work-based degree.

- + Varied programme of guest lectures, site visits and study tours throughout the year
- + Training using top of the line technology and forest machinery
- + Campus sited in a 10-hectare forest, with access to another +100 hectares of community woodland
- + Deeply embedded in the industry with richly experienced staff



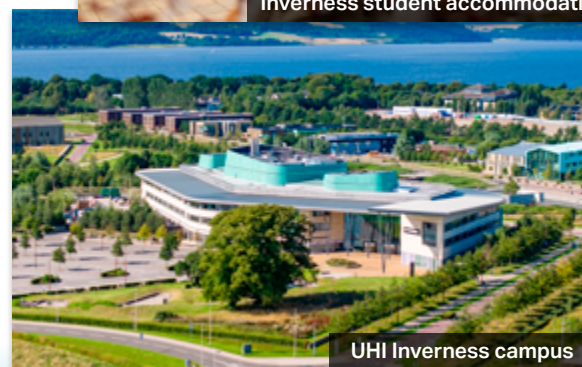
Scottish School of Forestry, Balloch at the outskirts of Inverness



Inverness student accommodation

About studying in Inverness

- + Home to our **UHI Inverness** campus, offering a range of subjects, and the specialised **Scottish School of Forestry**, the local student community in Inverness is vibrant and diverse
- + Dedicated student accommodation, which is a 5 minute walk from the main campus
- + It's the most northern city in Scotland
- + Safe and compact small city with a deep history - and all the beauty of nature right on it's doorstep
- + Well-connected with regular transport options via bus, rail and plane. You can be in Edinburgh, Glasgow or Aberdeen within 2-3 hours - and it's the same length of time to drive to the magnificent Isle of Skye



UHI Inverness campus

Marine science

Founded in 1884 by Sir John Murray, the father of oceanography, the Scottish Association for Marine Science (SAMS) is Scotland's premier independent marine research institution. The beach front campus offers an enormous wealth of marine and coastal environments right outside your door.

→ **BSc (Hons) Marine Science** students enjoy first-hand interactions with marine science experts, collecting samples and data on research vessels, in aquaria and on the seashore, and developing great laboratory skills. You can also graduate via:

- + Marine Science with Arctic Studies
- + Marine Science with Marine Biology
- + Marine Science with Oceanography and Robotics



BSc (Hons) Marine Science

SAMS gives you access to excellent marine laboratory facilities, with diverse and highly relevant modules delivered by active world-class researchers.

There are also opportunities to spend one or two semesters at the University Centre in Svalbard (UNIS) in the Arctic Circle, Coastal Carolina in the USA, or another of our partner universities.



BSc (Hons) Marine Science

About studying in Oban

- + Three miles east of the popular tourist town of Oban, within easy reach you will find Dunstaffnage peninsula, home to the Scottish Association for Marine Science (SAMS) campus
- + Dedicated student accommodation on campus
- + Oban is a small coastal university town with around 8500 people surrounded by a stunning environment and abundant wildlife
- + Due to its thriving tourist industry in the summer, its growing student population, and as a rural hub, the town provides more facilities and services than its size suggests



Oban, coastal hub close to the SAMS campus

History, Heritage, and Social Studies

Archaeology

The Highlands and Islands of Scotland is home to world-renowned sites such as Skara Brae, Maeshowe, the Camster Cairns, and Mousa Broch, some of which predate Stonehenge and are up to 5,000 years old. Explore Scotland's Viking connections, investigate the history of Britain, Europe, and the Atlantic World, and learn to question the information you're presented with, as well as the voices they do and don't represent.

→ **BSc (Hons) Archaeology** gives you a detailed understanding of the practice of archaeology through hands-on experience and placements. Develop skills in areas such as field, environmental, and digital archaeology, photogrammetry, and archaeological illustration.

→ **BSc (Hons) Archaeological Science** lets you focus on the science of archaeology combined with developing excavation skills, techniques in field-based evidence, and ethics. Cover subjects like sustainability, biomolecular archaeology, digital heritage, and wetland archaeology.



Both degree programmes at UHI Archaeology Institute offer:

- + Work placement opportunities to gain real-world experience
- + Laboratory-based study, field schools, and active engagement in research
- + Participation in world-renowned archaeological excavations, both in Orkney and internationally

UHI Orkney



I have never experienced such a welcoming learning environment.

I was taught by an enthusiastic and supportive team of specialists who make students feel valued and cared for. I undertook a student placement to study osteoarchaeology. It was an amazing opportunity for learning and networking and will open a lot of new doors for me.

My favourite things about UHI are its community and its heartfelt dedication to its students. Orkney is an enchanting, 'out of this world' place. The sea, the ancient landscape, and the people are what make this place unique. The peace and quiet are some of the best things about living on the islands.

Francesca Meneghetti studied **BA (Hons) Archaeology** at our specialist UHI Archaeology Institute in Orkney

About studying in Orkney

- + Enjoy the unique island lifestyle amongst a vibrant, friendly local community in this stunning and remote archipelago
- + An area rich and diverse in heritage sites: Neolithic, Iron Age, Pictish and Viking
- + With many miles of pristine beaches and sand dunes, rugged hills and coastal cliffs, you are surrounded by the beauty of nature
- + Wide array of local festivals throughout the year: Orkney Nature Festival, the International Island Games, Orkney Folk Festival, Orkney Storytelling Festival, and St Magnus International Festival

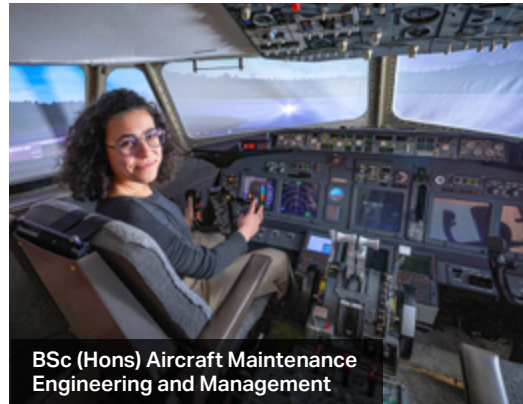


Engineering and Technology

Aircraft

Take advantage of world-class facilities, including hangar spaces for practical activities that simulate an active commercial European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA) and UK Civil Aviation Authority (UKCAA) Part 145 maintenance environment.

→ **BSc (Hons) Aircraft Maintenance Engineering and Management** at UHI Perth is the only one of its kind in Scotland, where you can graduate with a degree leading to an annual salary of about £60,000 (source: uk.talent.com), plus the opportunity to obtain an approved EASA



BSc (Hons) Aircraft Maintenance Engineering and Management

and/or UKCAA Part-66 Certificate of Recognition too. Unlike many other aircraft management courses, the third year provides an insight into the management roles within an aircraft maintenance environment and the wider knowledge and skills required by the aviation industry.

Our aircraft courses are accredited by the Royal Aeronautical Society, and meet the syllabus requirements of EASA and UKCAA. We also offer **HNC and HND Aircraft Engineering** as pathways into this degree.



I am very grateful for all the support I found at UHI. The lecturers always make the best out of every class.

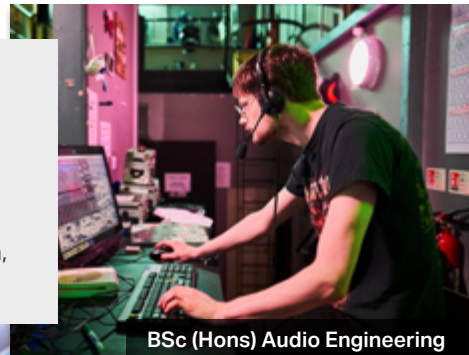
This was the right course for me because I knew I wanted to be an engineer, and I love aircraft and spacecraft. I also liked that the Perth campus was close to Edinburgh. This course has opened the door to the future I want, and given me the skills to pursue a career in engineering.

My favourite places on campus are the Aviation Hub, where I spend a lot of times due to my studies, and the climbing wall, where some of my classmates and I have been going for a while to relax.

Erica Lo Presti was awarded UHI Perth's Student of the Year and the Sidney Black Memorial Engineering Award

Audio

→ **BSc (Hons) Audio Engineering** at UHI Perth offers access to top line equipment and recording studios. Gain practical experience in recording and producing bands, broadcast content, and working in professional theatres and live venues. Collaborate with music students on live projects, and learn technical skills in game audio, immersive audio in VR and in Dolby Atmos and 5.1, music production, live and broadcast events, and sound for TV and films.



BSc (Hons) Audio Engineering

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Hospitality and Events



BA (Hons) Hospitality Management

→ **BA (Hons) Hospitality Management** has incredible opportunities to study and work with the best in Scottish hospitality, such as The Gleneagles Hotel. Work closely with local and international students to gain a globally recognised qualification with paid internships at our industry partners.

Past students from our UHI Perth training kitchen, including Andrew Fairlie at Gleneagles and Tom Kitchin in Leith, have gone on to gain Michelin stars for their restaurants.

For more specialist events, take a look at our adventure tourism, golf, or music courses (p.14-17)

About studying in Perth

- + Perth has been voted one of the best places in the country to live and is one of the friendliest and safest cities in the UK
- + UHI Perth is home to the Academy of Sport and Wellbeing, which boasts excellent gym facilities as well as a Climbing Centre
- + Perth city is home to numerous restaurants, bars, shops and an award-winning concert hall and theatre
- + It sits at the gateway to the Highlands and Islands of Scotland, containing breathtakingly stunning scenery
- + Many historic Scottish castles, museums, historical sites and battle grounds to visit
- + Well-connected via train, bus or road so you're only one hour from Edinburgh and Glasgow and within easy reach of Stirling, Dundee and the towns of neighbouring Fife, so you'll never be short of things to do



For full information on course content and entry requirements visit: uhi.ac.uk/international

Creative Industries

Art

→ **BA (Hons) Art and Contemporary Practices** at UHI Inverness allows you to work on your art skills in any medium, alongside collaborative practice, become part of the vibrant Highland art scene. Exhibition opportunities throughout the programme such as at the Royal Scottish Academy and the National Gallery. Prepare for a creative career through tailored industry experience, guest talks with international artists and gain essential skills in finance and marketing.



BA (Hons) Art and Contemporary Practices

Drama and performance

→ **BA (Hons) Drama and Production**
Follow in the footsteps of UHI Inverness graduate Nicholas Ralph, who stars as James Herriot in Channel 5's 'All Creatures Great and Small'. Designed for Scottish theatre industry needs, the programme equips you for varied career paths including: scriptwriting, costume design, acting, writing, directing, audio performance, drama for teaching, and applied drama.

→ **BA (Hons) Theatre Industry Practice**
This course at UHI Perth is tailor-made to immerse yourself in a range of theatre based disciplines, including musical theatre, acting, directing, producing, arts tutoring, stage management, and technical areas such as lighting and set design. Gain the theoretical, practical and entrepreneurial skills needed for a number of theatre careers.

I've always felt welcomed and included here.

I truly appreciate the teaching style of the lecturers at UHI; they are highly attentive and understanding towards each student. The lecturers provide support not only for academic challenges but also for personal matters, celebrating every achievement, big or small. I couldn't have asked for a better support system.

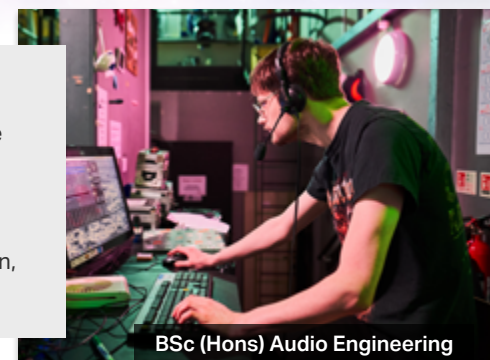
My studies have provided me with valuable knowledge not only in theatre design but also in important skills like leadership and management. This experience has been instrumental in clarifying my future goals and will undoubtedly help advance my career.

Morven Cooney is studying **BA (Hons) Theatre Industry Practice** at our Perth campus



Music and audio

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BSc (Hons) Audio Engineering



UHI was an easy choice for me...

...as I'd heard that it's one of the best places to study music. My lecturers were all extremely supportive, and my placements on the course were amazing, helping to develop my skills and opening my eyes to the opportunities in the music industry.

The campus is excellent with lots of rehearsal spaces, recording studios and a production room. I've had a great experience studying at UHI. I've made great friends, have had so much fun and feel well prepared for a career in the music industry.

Kirsty Taylor studied **BA (Hons) Popular Music** at our Perth campus

→ **BA (Hons) Music Business** at UHI Perth allows you to develop skills in music conference management, digital marketing, and event or festival management. Enjoy guest speakers from renowned companies, work alongside record labels and arts organisations - and undertake work experience at events across Scotland, the UK and Europe.



BA (Hons) Music Business



BA (Hons) Popular Music

→ **BA (Hons) Popular Music** gives you access to UHI Perth's excellent music facilities including music production workstations (Pro-Tools and Logic), band rehearsal rooms, a professional performance theatre and access to recording studios. Instrumental study and performance, solo or as part of a band, are central to the course. Network with and perform in renowned venues and festivals in Scotland.

Sports, Adventure, and Tourism

Adventure education, coaching, and tourism

Step outside of a traditional classroom setting to blend your passion for the great outdoors with your excellent people-skills and drive for adventure. Combined practical and theory study shape your activity competence while growing leadership skills. Fort William, where our School of Adventure Studies is based, has a thriving outdoor and tourism economy. The town is known as “the Outdoor Capital of the UK” for its incredible access to adventure sports and nature, and is set in a beautiful region rich in outdoor opportunities.



BA (Hons) Adventure Education and Outdoor Learning

→ **BA (Hons) Adventure Education and Outdoor Learning** allows you to work closely with adventure education providers, including the Outward Bound Trust®, to prepare to lead activities in potentially challenging and wild locations. Explore the theory of adventure with the addition of modules to develop soft skills such as folklore storytelling to create experiences that will last a lifetime.

→ **BSc (Hons) Adventure Performance and Coaching** offers the chance to combine the skills of an applied sports scientist with those of a modern adventure professional. Join this expert-led course and let us prepare you to coach and guide the next generation of adventure athletes to smash their goals. Modules on physiology, sports psychology, nutrition, adventure therapy, and many more, are the building blocks of this unique programme.

→ BA (Hons) Adventure Tourism Management

Develop expertise in outdoor skills practice, safety and leadership, tourism, research, business, and entrepreneurship to educate others while sharing your experience in the great outdoors. Central to this growing industry is a sustainability ethos and belief that human activity and tourism need not be at the detriment of our precious natural world. There are a wide range of national and international links for opportunities like work placements, projects and shared practice.



BSc (Hons) Adventure Performance and Coaching

All three degree programmes at the School of Adventure Studies offer:

- + Flexibility through the Adventure Pathway, easily transfer between these courses
- + The chance to achieve your National Governing Body (NGB) Awards such as Mountain Leader and Paddlesport Instructor awards
- + A vibrant and active community of outdoor enthusiasts to become a part of
- + Excellent links and work-placement opportunities with many adventure-based businesses and institutions in Scotland, the UK and internationally
- + Opportunity to fully plan and undertake an international group expedition or legacy project for others to enjoy for years to come



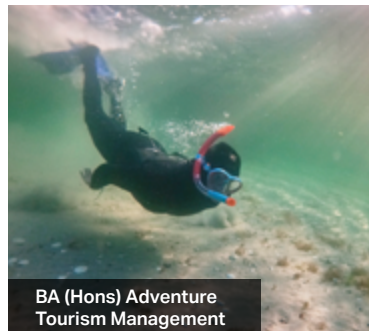
The campus is perfectly located for hill walking, paddle sports, mountain biking and snow sports...

...so it's absolutely ideal for studying adventure, with the dramatic landscapes of Fort William, Glencoe and Lochaber right on your doorstep.

Lecturers have a wide range of knowledge across the adventure sector and provided us with a specialised insight and supportive network across the modules delivered on the programme. Extra-curricular practicals enabled me to gain National Governing Body Awards while studying, meaning that when I graduate, I will have a degree as well as additional industry-recognised certifications.

I am now a Senior Instructor at a large Aerial Adventure Park and studying the adventure tourism management course with UHI has definitely supported my progression and secured promotions at my workplace.

Michael Kidd is studying **BA (Hons) Adventure Tourism Management** at our Fort William campus



BA (Hons) Adventure Tourism Management



UHI North, West and Hebrides Fort William campus

About studying in Fort William

- + Fort William is the biggest settlement between Glasgow and Inverness, known as the 'Outdoor Capital of the UK'
- + Safe rural town home to the UK's highest mountain, Ben Nevis, and world-class local trad climbing routes
- + Many student clubs covering all kinds of interests
- + Well-equipped local gyms, and hospitality spots like restaurants, cafés, a bowling alley and bars locally
- + Surrounded by dramatic mountains with wild swimming, hiking, mountain biking, water sports, paddle sports, sailing, climbing and skateboarding to be enjoyed around the area
- + Train station for journeys to Glasgow with many stops in between, such as the iconic Corroir station
- + Regular buses and coaches connect the town to Inverness, Glasgow, Edinburgh and beyond

UHI Centre for Golf

This purpose-built £2m training facility is an extension to the college's well-established Dornoch campus and features some of the most advanced golf training technology available to date.

Situated close to the world-renowned Royal Dornoch Golf Club, which supports our students' development across areas such as coaching opportunities, hosting golf events and providing placement opportunities.

Our strong industry links provide opportunities for work placements, guest lectures and study trips.

→ **BA (Hons) Golf Management** is the first honours degree of its kind in the UK – blending golf business management with golf skills for diverse options throughout a career in the industry. Skills in enterprise and marketing plus sustainable niche tourism, golf club management, events, and golf course maintenance and design.

Full-time staff are PGA professionals with deep industry knowledge. Graduates can gain PGA membership, subject to application.



State of the art training technology at the UHI Centre for Golf in Dornoch



BA (Hons) Professional Golf

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Designed to nurture sportspeople and coaches, rounding out knowledge with equipment technology and sports science. Benefit from personalised training and development, as regular golf practice is key to this course. Current golf handicap requirement is 6.4 or lower for men, and 8.4 or lower for women.



UHI North, West and Hebrides Dornoch campus

About studying in Dornoch

- + A small historic town in the north Highlands, Dornoch sits on a tranquil coast with miles of gold sand beaches that are home to diverse wildlife
- + UHI Centre for Golf secures prestigious UK and international work placements and internships for our students
- + Fantastic industry links - close relationship with the Royal Dornoch Golf Club, the PGA, equipment manufacturers as well as top clubs globally
- + State of the art, world-class indoor golf facilities including Trackman, Foresight, Zen, PuttView, SAM Puttlab and full golf workshop



Gaelic Language and Culture

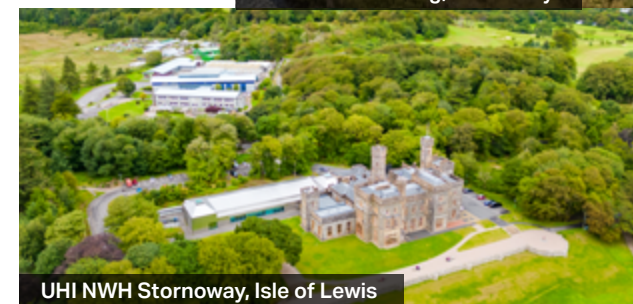
Cànan agus Cultar na Gàidhlig

Language and culture

Study at the National Centre for Gaelic Language and Culture, Sabhal Mòr Ostaig, on the Isle of Skye or in the vibrant Gaelic-speaking environment of Stornoway, exploring Gaelic society and its origins and digging deeper into its history. Learn to inspire others with your curiosity as you examine the roots and rich history of Gaelic while gaining a high level of fluency in the language.

→ **BA (Hons) Gaelic** develops your knowledge and critical awareness of Gaelic language, literature, and culture, whilst ensuring you achieve a high standard of fluency in the language. You will study the arts, contemporary and traditional literature, minority language issues and oral tradition, and explore the relationship of Gaelic to other languages, including Irish Gaelic. In your fourth year, you have the option to study for one semester at a university abroad.

Sabhal Mòr Ostaig, Isle of Skye



UHI NWH Stornoway, Isle of Lewis

Music

Immerse yourself in a vibrant musical environment as a traditional singer or instrumentalist. Benefit from strong practical elements and learn from leading musicians, with frequent opportunities to perform and record on campus and further afield.



BA (Hons) Gaelic and Traditional Music

→ **BA (Hons) Gaelic and Traditional Music** is the only Gaelic-medium degree programme that allows traditional musicians to study the music, history, and traditions of the Gàidhealtachd within the broader contexts of Gaelic and related

studies. Develop a range of practical skills for solo and group performances, make important professional contacts, experience hands-on learning in our outstanding dedicated recording studio and enjoy opportunities to take part in an exchange programme abroad in fourth year.

Development

Play a part in securing the future of the Gaelic language and culture for generations to come. Gaelic specialists are in demand throughout Scotland. Learning about minority language planning and how to apply it today can unlock a career in this thriving and varied field.

→ **BA (Hons) Gaelic with Development** aims to provide you with an education and training in Gaelic language policy and community development, equipping you with the skills needed to compete in this growing job market. You will compare Gaelic language and communities with minority languages and cultures elsewhere and enjoy a three-week work placement in year one, plus field trips and opportunities to study a semester at a university abroad.

How to apply

- + Applications for full-time degree study starting in August or September should be made on the UCAS website
- + Follow our How to Apply guide on the international student advice hub to understand the application process when applying to universities in the UK
- + We are proud to welcome and support students with a wide range of backgrounds, qualifications and life experiences - we'll do all we can to assist your application, and to support your needs once you are studying with us



Find out more at
uhi.ac.uk/international

Minimum entry requirements for international students

Undergraduate degrees

- + A-level: two A-levels at grade C or above, including any key subjects required for the course.
- + United States: for courses that require Scottish Higher grades B, B, and C, we suggest a High School Graduation Diploma with a minimum grade point average of 2.7 or above.
- + International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma: Award of Diploma with a minimum of 24 points, including any key subjects at Higher Level (HL) Grade 4 or 5, depending on the course.
- + Please see the course webpage for more information. More international qualifications are also listed on our website:
uhi.ac.uk/international-grades



English language proficiency

- + For degree study, you will need an IELTS score of 6.0, with no elements below 5.5
- + For HNC/D study, you will need an IELTS score of 5.5, with no element below 5.0
- + Equivalent tests accepted, please see our list of approved tests:
uhi.ac.uk/english-requirements



Contact us

Email: international@uhi.ac.uk

Message: uhi.ac.uk/course-enquiries

Most international students will require a **Student Route Visa** to study in Scotland.

Learn about visa requirements and how to get your CAS number: uhi.ac.uk/international



Step-by-step

September

UCAS opens

- Apply to university via the UCAS hub - search for UHI at ucas.com

January

The UCAS equal consideration deadline

- For the best chance of a place on popular courses, we recommend applying by the January deadline

Missed the deadline?

- You can still apply
- Applications for the upcoming academic year are now processed on a first-come, first-served basis

Receive your offers

There are two types of offers:

- Conditional offer (you need to wait for exam results)
- Unconditional offer (you are guaranteed a place!)

Book accommodation

- Once you have received an offer, you also will be sent details about the accommodation options for your campus

Accept your offers

- Firm choice (your first choice)
- Insurance choice (your second choice)

Pay your deposit

- Pay your tuition fee deposit and send us the documents we need, then we can issue your CAS number for your visa application

Plan your journey to the Highlands

- There are many public and private transfer options to get you from your point of arrival in the UK to your campus

Welcome to UHI!

The adventure begins! You will receive a warm welcome and we'll help you settle in to make the most out of your first couple of weeks at the University

+ Tuition fees

You will most likely be classified as INT (for on campus study in Scotland) or INTO (international online student) for fee purposes. The following fees will apply for most undergraduate courses:

Full-time Undergraduate fees 2025/26*	INT - International studying on campus**	INTO - International studying online
BA, BA (Hons)	£15,870	£7,080
BSc, BEng, BSc (Hons), BEng (Hons)	£16,950	£7,800
HNC or HND	£8,925	-

* The fees for 2026-27 have not yet been confirmed. Please see our website for details.

** Students requiring a student route visa must to study full-time to meet UKVI requirements.

For current fee information on all study levels, please visit our website: uhi.ac.uk/fees-and-funding



+ Cost of living

The cost of living in the Highlands and Islands is relatively low compared to many other places in the UK. However, it is still vital that any potential student prepares their finances before they attend university. The average student studying at UHI will spend roughly between £10,000 and £18,000 per year.

UKVI sets living costs at £1,136 for each month of your course (up to a maximum of 9 months) as financial evidence needed for student visa purposes. Individual living costs will depend on your lifestyle choices. Some UHI campuses offer free breakfast or soup at lunchtime to support students with living costs.



+ Working whilst studying

As an international student you are permitted to work, however you must ensure that the work you do does not violate the terms of your visa. Student visa holders are permitted to work a maximum of 20 hours a week during term time and full-time outside term-time and on work placements.

If you are planning on studying on a different visa (e.g. Short term Study Visa, Dependant, Skilled Worker) you may be able to work. It is important that you check the guidance for your individual pathway.

Many students choose to work in hospitality and retail as the hours flexible to fit around their studies and social life. You may also gain work related to your studies, for example; lots of Adventure Studies students get experience at the local mountain resort Nevis Range. Your Student Association, HISA, also advertises jobs and offers employment through internships that could be a boost to your resume, and help you get involved with student activities at UHI.

+ U.S. Federal Aid

UHI is a participating institution in the Federal Direct Loan Program for U.S. citizens. This means eligible students can apply for financial support from the US government for their tuition fees, and in some cases support with their living costs.

Complete your FAFSA online: studentaid.gov
Our School Code is **042307**

US Federal Aid will only fund international study on-campus, not online study

You are responsible for ensuring that your funding is in place before your course begins.

+ EU/EEA and Swiss Nationals

Students who have spent the previous three years living in the EU/EEA or Switzerland will most likely be classified as INTEU or INTEUO and receive an automatic scholarship as a discount off the tuition fees listed opposite.

Subject to reapproval for 2026/27
Students studying full-time on campus, who have spent the previous three years living in the EU/EEA or Switzerland, will get an automatic scholarship for each degree year.

- **Undergraduate:** For honours degree students, the 4th year of study will be free for those studying full-time, on continuous study, who have paid for the previous three years at the University of the Highlands and Islands.
- Scholarship amount, years 1-3:
 - £3,000 per year for BA, BA (Hons) full time.
 - £4,000 for year for BSc, BEng, BSc (Hons), BEng (Hons) full time
HN programmes not eligible.
- **Postgraduate:** For postgraduate taught students studying on campus or online, those who have spent the previous three years living in the EU/EEA or Switzerland, will get an automatic scholarship of 25% off tuition fees.

+ Canada Federal Aid

We are a designated school for Canada's federal student aid, and the majority of the Canadian provinces' student aid programmes.
Our Schools Code is **PUAX**

Live in a Canadian province that does not list UHI as a designated school? Please contact us on international@uhi.ac.uk and we will aim to provide documentation for your province's approval.



Research

Learn in unparalleled natural laboratories and get involved in our world-class research. Our wide range of practical research often collaborates with industry and informs our outstanding curriculum. Our research focuses on four key themes and a wide range of disciplines:



Find out more at
uhi.ac.uk/research

Society, identity, landscape and knowledge

- + Agronomy and Agriculture Institute
- + Community Landownership Academic Network
- + Cultural and natural landscapes/ecosystems
- + Identity and heritage - including Centre for Recreation and Tourism Research
- + Institute for Northern Studies
- + Sustainable communities
- + Pedagogy

Institute of health research and innovation

- + Centre for Rural Health Sciences
- + Division of Biomedical Sciences
- + Healthcare innovation

Marine, environmental science and engineering

- + Aquaculture Hub
- + Centre for Sustainable Seafood
- + Energy and natural resources - including Environmental Research Institute (ERI)
- + Institute for Biodiversity and Freshwater Conservation
- + People and the environment
- + Understanding and responding to environmental change
- + Water quality

Humanities and arts

- + Archaeology
- + Creative industries - including the Centre for Island Creativity
- + Gaelic language and culture
- + History
- + Language Sciences Institute
- + Literature

75%
of our research is
world leading or
internationally excellent
2021 Research Excellence Framework

UHI are the
best
in Scotland for postgraduate
student satisfaction
2025 Postgraduate Taught Experience Survey



Institute of Biodiversity and
Freshwater Conservation (IBFC)

UHI International Guide 2026-27

Discover our innovative research:



Healthy Young Minds

Society, identity, landscape and knowledge

Co-producing a nature-based intervention with rural high school students to promote their mental well-being and reduce anxiety.



Evidence of dark oxygen production at the abyssal seafloor

Marine, environmental science and engineering

Researching dark oxygen on the sea floor of the Pacific Ocean, this research challenged the scientific consensus of how oxygen is produced, and called into question how life on Earth began.



MyMelanoma

Institute of health research and innovation

The most ambitious melanoma patient study ever conducted. Researchers developed the first digital platform for people with skin cancer to provide better care and to help develop cures.



Coastal Erosion in Rapa Nui

Humanities and art

Researchers studied the impact of climate change on coastal erosion on Rapa Nui (Easter Island) and the impact on the Moai statues on the island.



We look at current real-life challenges that industry is facing...

...such as the use and handling of big data, artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning. This includes how to eliminate built in bias and prevent AI from being used harmfully. Data scientists and analysts are at the forefront of instilling ethical practices, it's an integral part of what we do.

Colin Stevenson studied MSc Applied Data Analytics online at UHI, supported by our Inverness campus.

Course listing

- On campus with Student Route Visa sponsorship
- Online study from your own country

Business and Tourism

Undergraduate

- Adventure Tourism Management BA (Hons)
- Golf Management BA (Hons)
- Hospitality Management BA (Hons)
- Music Business BA (Hons)

Postgraduate

- Business Administration – Aviation MBA
- Business Administration – Environmental MBA
- Business Administration – Executive MBA
- Business Administration – Renewable Energy MBA
- Business Administration – Resilience MBA
- Creativity, Leadership and Enterprise MA
- Global Entrepreneurship PgCert
- Health Leadership and Management PgCert
- Highland Heritage for Tourism CertHE
- Human Resource Management MSc
- Interpretation: Management and Practice MSc
- Leadership and Management MSc
- Resilience Leadership and Management PgCert
- Tourism MSc

Creative

Undergraduate

- Applied Music BA (Hons)
- Art and Contemporary Practices BA (Hons)
- Drama and Production BA (Hons)
- Creative Writing in the Highlands and Islands BA (Hons)
- Music Business BA (Hons)
- Popular Music BA (Hons)
- Theatre Industry Practice BA (Hons)

Postgraduate

- Art and Social Practice MA
- Contemporary Art and Archaeology MA
- Creativity, Leadership and Enterprise MA
- Highlands and Islands Literature MLitt
- Music MMus
- Music and the Environment MA

Culture, History and Language

Undergraduate

- An Cùrsa Adhartais CertHE
- An Cùrsa Comais CertHE
- Archaeology BA (Hons)
- Archaeological Science BSc (Hons)
- Criminology BA (Hons)
- Culture and Heritage BA (Hons)
- Gaelic (Gàidhlig) BA (Hons)
- Gaelic and Communication CertHE
- Gaelic with Development BA (Hons)
- Gaelic with Traditional Music BA (Hons)
- History BA (Hons)
- Literature BA (Hons)
- Philosophy BA (Hons)
- Politics BA (Hons)
- Social Sciences BA (Hons)
- Sociology BA (Hons)
- Theological Studies BA (Hons)

Combinations of the above available as joint degrees

Postgraduate

- Applied Social Sciences: Globalisation and Crime MSc
- Archaeological Practice MSc
- Archaeological Studies MLitt
- Coastal and Maritime Societies and Cultures MLitt
- Highlands and Islands Literature MLitt
- History MLitt
- History of the Highlands and Islands MLitt
- Interpretation: Management and Practice MSc
- Island Studies MLitt
- Material Culture and Gàidhealtachd History MSc
- Scottish Heritage MLitt
- Theology, Worldview and Culture MLitt
- Viking Studies MLitt

Education and Childcare

Undergraduate

- Child and Youth Studies BA (Hons)

Postgraduate

- Children and Young People's Participation and Leadership MA
- Digital Pedagogy MEd
- Gaelic Education MEd
- Research Methods PgCert
- Tertiary and Higher Education MEd

Engineering and Technology

Undergraduate

- Applied Software Development BSc (Hons)
- Aircraft Maintenance Engineering and Management BSc (Hons)
- Audio Engineering BSc (Hons)

Postgraduate

- Applied Data Analytics MSc
- Business Administration – Aviation MBA
- Engineering (General) MSc
- Electrical Engineering MSc
- Mechanical Engineering MSc
- Net Zero Communities MSc
- Sustainable Energy Solutions MSc

Health and Wellbeing

Undergraduate

- Integrative Healthcare BSc (Hons)

Postgraduate

- Children and Young People's Participation and Leadership MA
- Health and Wellbeing MA
- Health Leadership and Management PgCert
- Healthcare Quality Improvement PgCert
- Infection Prevention and Control MSc
- Outdoor and Adventure Therapeutic Practice PgCert

Nature and the Environment

Undergraduate

- Environmental Science BSc (Hons) with optional pathways:
 - Environmental Biology
 - Environmental Biotechnology
 - Environmental Science with Archaeology (pathway open to students who do not require Student Route Visa only)
- Forestry and Treescapes Management BSc (Hons)
- Geography BA (Hons)
- Geography BSc (Hons)
- Marine Science BSc (Hons) with optional pathways:
 - Marine Science with Arctic Studies
 - Marine Science with Marine Biology
 - Marine Science with Oceanography and Robotics
- Sustainable Development BA (Hons)

Postgraduate

- Business Administration – Environmental MBA
- Business Administration – Renewable Energy MBA
- Equine Leadership and Management PgCert
- Extreme Weather MSc
- Net Zero Communities MSc
- Sustainable Energy Solutions MSc
- Sustainable Mountain Development MSc
- Sustainability and Rural Regeneration MSc

Sports and Adventure

Undergraduate

- Adventure Education BA (Hons)
- Adventure Performance and Coaching BA (Hons)
- Adventure Tourism Management BA (Hons)
- Equine Business Management BA (Hons)
- Golf Management BA (Hons)
- Professional Golf BA (Hons)

Postgraduate

- Management in Golf PgCert
- Outdoor and Adventure Therapeutic Practice PgCert

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- + Complete University Guide 2023
- + 2025 Postgraduate Taught Experience Survey
- + uk.talent.com

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Where to go for support

Our international team are on hand to help guide you from initial enquiry, through applying, all the way to arrival here in Scotland.

We also have authorised in-country representatives across the globe who can support you, at no cost, with the application process including preparing your documentation and applying for a visa.



uhi.ac.uk/international

Helping you to fit in and make the most of your student experience is important to us. Find out more about studying in Scotland, how to apply, Scottish culture and important information about banking and healthcare.



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Top 3
most inclusive
university in Scotland
with award-winning
student support



The smaller class sizes mean lecturers get to know their students...

...never seeing us as just a number. All of my lecturers have been very supportive, and they are genuinely interested in what they teach. I am the president of the UHI Wild Swimming Club and an active member of the mountaineering, paddle sports and snow sports clubs. There is a close-knit, community feel amongst students and teaching staff.

Abby Teague is studying **BA (Hons) Adventure Education and Outdoor Learning** at our Fort William campus.



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