



Learning pathways

Alford Academy Senior Phase



Senior Phase – Learning Pathways

N4 → N5 → Higher → Advanced Higher

...all learners are on the right route to the right job,
through the right course via the right information.

THE SCOTTISH CREDIT AND QUALIFICATIONS FRAMEWORK

This Framework diagram has been produced to show the mainstream Scottish qualifications already credit rated by SQA and HEIs. However, there are a diverse number of learning programmes on the Framework, which, due to the limitations of this format, cannot be represented here. For more information, please visit the SCQF website at www.scqf.org.uk to view the interactive version of the Framework or search the Database.



SCQF Levels	SQA Qualifications		Qualifications of Higher Education Institutions	SVQs/MAs
12			Doctoral Degree	Professional Apprenticeship
11			Masters Degree, Integrated Masters Degree, Post Graduate Diploma, Post Graduate Certificate	Professional Apprenticeship SVQ 5
10			Honours Degree, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate	Professional Apprenticeship
9		Professional Development Award	Bachelors / Ordinary Degree, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate	Technical Apprenticeship SVQ 4
8		Higher National Diploma	Diploma Of Higher Education	Technical Apprenticeship SVQ 4
7	Advanced Higher, Awards, Scottish Baccalaureate	Higher National Certificate	Certificate Of Higher Education	Modern Apprenticeship SVQ 3
6	Higher, Awards, Skills for Work Higher			Modern Apprenticeship Foundation Apprenticeship SVQ 3
5	National 5, Awards, Skills for Work National 5			Modern Apprenticeship SVQ 2
4	National 4, Awards, Skills for Work National 4	National Certificate	National Progression Award	SVQ 1
3	National 3, Awards, Skills for Work National 3			
2	National 2, Awards			
1	National 1, Awards			

Learning Pathways



- College Course Opportunity
- Skills for Work courses (SfW)
- Nescol - Hair and beauty / Construction / Hospitality / Sports & Recreation
- SRUC

Skills for work

Skills for Work courses help develop:

- an understanding of the workplace
- skills and knowledge in a broad vocational area
- Core Skills: Communication, Numeracy, Information Technology, Problem Solving, Working with Others

Courses in construction, hospitality, engineering, travel and tourism and more.

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MORE CHOICES
MORE OPPORTUNITIES**

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Career Education Opportunities

“As they move into the senior phase, young people of all abilities should have the opportunity to follow industry relevant vocational pathways alongside academic studies.”

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School College Links Courses

Study at School and College at the same time

Develop your maturity and confidence – preparing yourself for the world of work

Show a commitment to your chosen career path in your CV and Personal Statement

Develop skills and knowledge for your future working life

School College Links Courses

College staff will report on your attendance, behaviour and progress to school

A written progress report for you and your parents will be prepared twice a year

Courses are certificated and support progression to further study, modern apprenticeships, training or employment.

Courses support you in developing key skills identified by employers as essential for entering the workplace

Employability Skills

Self-management

Interpersonal Skills

Problem Solving and Decision Making

Leadership

Communication and Literacy

Organisation and Planning

Professional Attributes and Commercial
Awareness

Personal Development

Citizenship

Digital Literacy

Subject Areas include:

Digital Media

Civil
Engineering

Construction

Automotive

Early
Education and
Childcare

Health Sector

Computing

Sport

Hospitality

Travel and
Tourism

Marketing and
Events

Psychology

Engineering

Accountancy

Laboratory
Science

Beauty
Therapy

Maritime

Qualifications include:

SQA N5's and Highers

Skills for Work at N4 and N5

City and Guilds Awards

National Progression Awards

Foundation Apprenticeships

Professional Development Awards

College Certificates

How to Apply:



Discuss with your parents and Guidance Teacher



Prepare a short personal statement explaining why you want to do the course you have chosen and how it will help your career pathway



Have your details to hand, including emergency contact details and SQA Number



Top Tip – Prepare your personal statement on a Word Document or an email – to make it easy to copy and paste into your application!

Food for thought



College Pathway

N5's → NC → HNC / HND → BSc / BSc (Hons)

2 Highers → HNC / HND → BSc / BSc (Hons)

“2 + 2” model – 2 years at college + 2 years at University –
Bachelor degree

SRUC opportunities

Agriculture

Animal and Biological Sciences

Animal Care

Business Management

Countryside and Conservation

Engineering

Environmental Management
and Renewables

Forestry and Arboriculture

Garden Design

Golf Management and
Greenkeeping

Horse Care and Forgework

Horticulture and Plantmanship

Hospitality

Landscaping

Sports and Professional Golf

Veterinary Nursing

Advanced Higher and online courses	Art & Design Business Management Biology	Chemistry Computer Science English Geography	History Mathematics Modern Studies French	Music Physics Spanish YASS (Open University S6 only)
Higher courses	Administration and IT Art & Design Biology Business Management Chemistry	Computing Science Design and Manufacture Drama English French Geography	Graphic Communication History Mathematics Modern Studies Music Engineering Science	Music Technology Physical Education Physics RMPS Spanish
Foundation Apprenticeships (Two afternoons)	Accountancy Business Children and Young People	Civil Engineering Creative and Digital Media Engineering Electrical	Engineering Mechanical Food and Drink Operations IT Hardware and System Support	Scientific Technologies Social Care and Healthcare Software development
North East Scotland College Courses	Lv1 Beauty Therapy (City & Guilds) Lv1 Hairdressing (City & Guilds) L4 Intro to Vehicle Technology (City & Guilds)	N5 Skills for Work Health Sector N5 Skills for Work Engineering N5 Skills for Work Hospitality N5 Early Education & Childcare	L4 Construction Crafts L6 NPA Exercise & Fitness Leadership L6 NPA Technical Theatre L6 NPA Events	
SRUC Courses (Wednesdays)	L5 NPA Agriculture (1 year course for S4-6 pupils)	L6 NC Agriculture (2 year course for S5-6 pupils)		
National 3/4/5, Level 4, NPA courses	Administration Art & Design Biology Business Management Chemistry Computing Science Design and Manufacture Drama Practical Cookery	English Engineering Science French Geography Graphic Communication History Mathematics Modern Studies	Music Music Technology Physical Education Physics Practical Woodworking RMPS Spanish N4 Science	N5 Hospitality Skills for Work (<i>Delivered at Aboyne – Tuesday</i>) L5 Travel and Tourism Skills for Work PE L6 NPA Sports Development N5 NPA Cyber Security Referee Course Gaelic (e-learning course)
Horizons Programme	6 th Course Choice (please specify) _____	Personalised Horizons experience to be planned in discussion with PTG and DHT(Curriculum).		

Foundation Apprenticeships SCQF 6

- Foundation Apprenticeships in S5 SCQF 6 – no exam, recognised as a higher at university



Foundation Apprenticeships – FA's

1. Business skills
2. Civil Engineering
3. Financial Service
4. Social Services and Healthcare
5. Social Services Children and Young People
6. IT: Software development
7. IT: Hardware/system Development
8. Creative and Digital Media
9. Scientific Technologies (lab skills)
10. Engineering
11. Accounting
12. Food and Drink Operations

FOUNDATION APPRENTICESHIP TO DEGREE OPPORTUNITY

How to read this table:

- ✓ The university offers a degree in this subject area
- ★ The university offers enhanced recognition if applying for a degree in the same subject area (e.g. FA Accountancy into Degree Accountancy)
- The university doesn't offer a degree in this subject area, FA recognised as a Higher towards other subjects (e.g. FA Accountancy into Degree Engineering)
- ✗ The university does not recognise FA frameworks in this subject area (FA in this subject area is not recognised as a Higher towards same/other subjects)

Please check with universities for specific details

University	Recognition	Accountancy	Business Skills	Civil Engineering	Creative & Digital Media	Engineering	Financial Services	Food & Drink Technologies	ICT Hardware	ICT Software	Scientific Technologies	Children & Young People	Healthcare
Abertay University	1 Higher A, ★ 2 Highers B	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★
Edinburgh Napier University	1 Higher A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Glasgow Caledonian University	1 Higher A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Glasgow School of Art	1 Higher A	●	●	✓	✓	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Heriot Watt University	1 Higher A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	●	✓	✓	●	✓	✓
Open University	Open Recognition	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Queen Margaret University Edinburgh	1 Higher A	✓	✓	●	✓	●	✓	●	●	✓	✓	✓	✓
Robert Gordon University	1 Higher B, ★ 2 Highers B	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	●	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★
Royal Conservatoire of Scotland	1 Higher A	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
Scotland's Rural College	1 Higher A	✓	✓	●	●	●	✓	●	●	✓	●	●	●
University of Aberdeen ³	1 Higher B	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	●	✓	✓	●	●	●	●
University of Dundee ¹	1 Higher A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	●	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
University of Edinburgh	1 Higher B	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
University of Glasgow ²	1 Higher A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	●	✓	✓	●	●	●	●
University of St Andrews ³	1 Higher A	✓	✓	●	✓	●	✓	✓	✓	✓	●	●	●
University of Stirling	1 Higher B	✓	✓	●	✓	●	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
University of Strathclyde ⁴	1 Higher B	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	●	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
University of Highlands and Islands ⁵	1 Higher A, ★ 2 Highers	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★	✓★
University of the West of Scotland	1 Higher A	✓	✓	✓	●	✓	●	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

¹ Excludes Medicine and Dentistry ² Excludes Law, Medicine, Dentistry, Vet Medicine ³ Excludes Medicine ⁴ Excludes Law. If applying for Engineering, only FA in Civil or Engineering will be recognised ⁵ Enhanced recognition varies per framework, equivalent to 2 Highers for most frameworks