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Senior Phase Prospectus 2026/2027

Study at college whilst at school

“I had never done anything of that level before and discovering that I was able to meet the deadlines and expectations of the client, with the help and support from my lecturer, was a fantastic way to grow my confidence and allowed me to meet new people in a comfortable and welcoming environment while furthering my interest and knowledge of the Digital Media subject area.

Sophie Thornton, Foundation Apprenticeship in Creative and Digital Media Graduate

Delivered at either our Moray Street campus, Linkwood Technology Centre campus or online, our senior phase programme gives you a chance to experience student life and discover exciting new subjects before you leave school.

You can study one day per week on campus while continuing with your normal school classes the rest of the time.

We work closely with secondary schools to deliver a range of qualifications giving you greater choice in a variety of subject areas. Our aim is to give you access to a work-relevant educational experience so you can make informed and ambitious choices about future pathways into education or employment.



How it works

Senior pupils can pick a college subject alongside their school studies. These courses count as one of your school column choices in S4, S5, and S6 and can be added into your existing school timetable.

- + Choose to study a Skills for Work, National Progression Award, National 5 or Higher qualification in a wide range of subjects, or get a head start in higher education by studying HN or degree modules.
- + A Foundation Apprenticeship at SCQF Level 6 will give you skills and knowledge through work-based learning, as well as traditional study.

The senior phase courses normally run on a Wednesday from 9.30am to 2.15pm and aim to get you back to school for your last period. Some of our Foundation Apprenticeship and SCQF Level 5 and 7 courses day and times may vary.

**Senior Phase
Course**



College/University



Employment

**Foundation
Apprenticeship**

**Modern
Apprenticeship**

Foundation Apprenticeships

Foundation Apprenticeships (FA) aim to give young people experience of the world of work and gain industry knowledge while still at school.

There are various subjects to choose from and all are designed in partnership with employers. They are mainly delivered over 1 year depending on the specific framework.

Our Courses

British Sign Language

British Sign Language (SCQF Level 4)

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course will give you good all-round knowledge, skills and understanding of the history and use of British Sign Language (BSL).

Business, Administration and Accounting

Foundation Apprenticeship: Business Skills (SCQF Level 6)

Available to: S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 4pm

This course will help you discover what a career in business would be like, by learning about a variety of business activities including marketing, procurement, supply chain management and enterprise.

PDA Business and Finance (SCQF Level 7)

Available to: S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 1pm

This course will enable you to build the skills and knowledge needed within the Business and Finance industry.



Computing and Digital Media

NPA in Digital Media (SCQF Level 5)

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course allows you to focus on the knowledge and skills required for capturing and editing sound, image, and video.

NPA in ESports(SCQF Level 5)

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course allows you to focus on the knowledge and skills required for capturing and editing sound, image, and video.

Construction

Foundation Apprenticeship: Construction Skills (SCQF Level 4)

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course will help you develop knowledge and understanding of a range of construction disciplines as well as technical and transferable skills to support your employment prospects.

Counselling

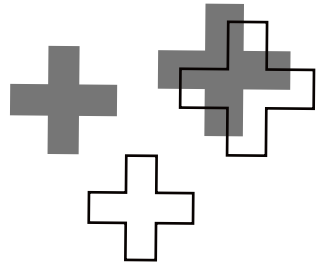
Mental Health Essentials (SCQF Level 5)

Available to: S5

Duration: 1 Year

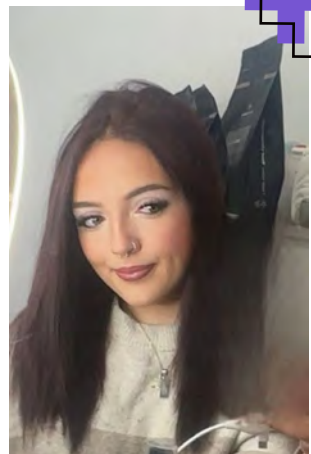
Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course allows you to gain an understanding of different aspects of mental health and develop your knowledge of the connectivity of the body and mind.



Mental Health is something I have always wanted to learn about. This course has built my confidence talking to people and presenting and has taught me new skills. In the future I want to get my nursing degree and become a mental health nurse.

Ava Brandon, Mental Health Essentials
(SCQF Level 5)





Creative Industries

NPA Dance (SCQF Level 5)

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course allows you to explore choreography and gain an appreciation of dance skills and techniques.

NPA Creative and Digital Media (SCQF Level 6)

Available to: S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course will allow you to understand the role of marketing, advertising, or information gathering within a creative context.

NPA Acting and Performance (SCQF Level 6)

Available to: S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course will give you an engaging and practical introduction to the world of theatre and performance.

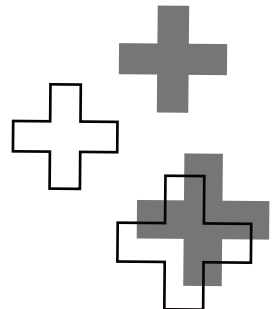
Foundation Apprenticeship: Creative and Digital Media (SCQF Level 6)

Available to: S5

Duration: 2 Years

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course will allow you to gain a real understanding of how the creative industries work while working with practicing industry professionals and artists.



Education and Childcare

Skills for Work: Early Education and Childcare (SCQF Level 4 and 5)

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course introduces you to the knowledge and experience of the skills required to work in the Childcare industry.



Engineering

Foundation Apprenticeship:

Automotive (SCQF Level 4)

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course is designed to provide you with the basic practical, theory and key skills in motor vehicle.

Practical Engineering (SCQF Level 5)

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course is designed to provide an introduction to basic Electrical, Electronic and Mechanical engineering disciplines to those who have no prior knowledge of the subject

PDA Engineering (SCQF Level 7)

Available to: S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9am - 1pm

This course has been designed to develop the practical skills needed to work within the Engineering industry.

English for Speakers of Other Languages(ESOL)

National 5 ESOL

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 1.45pm - 4.30pm

This course allows you to build and develop your reading, writing, listening and speaking skills to a high level.

Higher ESOL

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course develops your understanding and analysis of complex texts on a wide variety of topics and expanding your vocabulary range to an advanced level.



Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy

Beauty Therapy (SCQF Level 4)

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course will enable you to develop industry related practical and vocational skills as you learn how to behave and work safely and professionally in the salon.

Introduction to Hairdressing Industry (SCQF Level 4)

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course provides an introduction to hairdressing, focusing on employability skills and approaches that will help to prepare you for the workplace.

Health and Social Care

NPA Social Services and Healthcare (SCQF Level 6)

Available to: S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course develops knowledge and understanding of the health and social care sector.

Health and Social Care (SCQF Level 7)

Available to: S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course provides an opportunity for you to engage in a range of activities designed to develop broad based skills in health and social care.

Hospitality

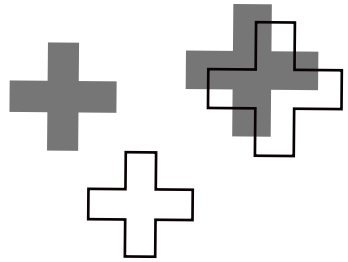
NPA Bakery (SCQF Level 4)

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course has been designed to equip you with the skills, experience and knowledge required for employment within the bakery industry.



Science and the Environment

National 5 Biology

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Online with evening drop-in sessions

This course will develop your skills, knowledge and understanding of biology relevant to life sciences within our society.

National 5 Chemistry

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Online with evening drop-in sessions

This course will allow you to develop an understanding of basic chemistry through experimental and investigative approaches.

National 5 Environmental Science

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Online with evening drop-in sessions

This course will allow you to develop an understanding of the impact environmental science makes on our lives, the lives of others, on the environment, and on society.

Higher Human Biology

Available to: S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Online with evening drop-in sessions

This course enables you to develop and apply knowledge and understanding of human biology.

Higher Biology

Available to: S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Online with evening drop-in sessions

This course provides a comprehensive understanding of biology, covering topics from DNA and the genome to metabolism, survival, and biodiversity.

Higher Chemistry

Available to: S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Online with evening drop-in sessions

This course will allow you to develop knowledge and understanding of chemical concepts.

Higher Environmental Science

Available to: S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Online with evening drop-in sessions

This course will allow to examine the complex interactions between humans and the environment, covering ecosystems, Earth's resources, and sustainability.

Social Sciences

National 5 Psychology

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course will allow you to develop your knowledge and understanding of human behaviour.

PDA Psychology (SCQF Level 7)

Available to: S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course explores the historical development of psychology since the 19th Century, the four major schools of thought that have influenced development, and the psychologists who have shaped the discipline.

Higher Sociology

Available to: S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course will help you gain an understanding of human social behaviour. You will gain the ability to analyse and evaluate sociological arguments, evidence and research methods in a critical way.

PDA Sociology (SCQF Level 7)

Available to: S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course will help you consider society, from its origin to its development, and how it's explained by competing perspectives.

NPA Criminology (SCQF Level 6)

Available to: S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course will allow you to examine different aspects of Criminology including Nature and Extent of Crime, Crime Control Strategies, Forensic Criminology.

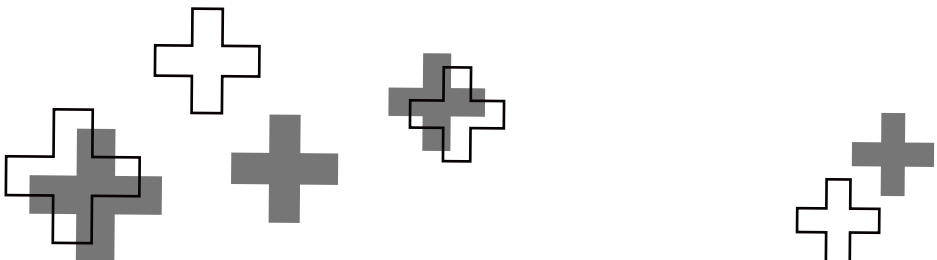
PDA Politics (SCQF Level 7)

Available to: S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course will help you develop your critical thinking and explore key political concepts to help you formulate an increased understanding of modern political systems.





or the Magic Kingdom) during which time a friendly disembodied voice introduces one briefly to the pleasures of the world one is about to enter and the methods of transport available between its various locations. As the minimal doors towards its destination one is told how to disembark, once the automatic doors open and how to move from the station to the entrance gates, and reminded to take one's possessions with one and to take care of oneself, and children in one's care, on disembarking. Once again these instructions are reinforced, in a variety of ways, as one moves towards the gates.

It will be apparent from the above that Disney Productions is able to handle large crowds of visitors in a most orderly fashion. Potential trouble is anticipated and prevented. Opportunities for disorder are minimized by constant instruction, by physical barriers which severely limit the choice of action available and by the surveillance of omnipresent

employees who detect and rectify the slightest deviation.
The vehicles that carry people between locations are an important component of the

Sport and Fitness

Health, Physical Activity and Wellbeing (SCQF Level 5)

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course is designed to provide a strong foundation in health, physical activity and wellbeing, combining practical exercise skills with key knowledge of the body, nutrition, and lifestyle.

Developing Leadership in Recreational Sports Activities (SCQF Level 5)

Available to: S4, S5, S6

Duration: 1 Year

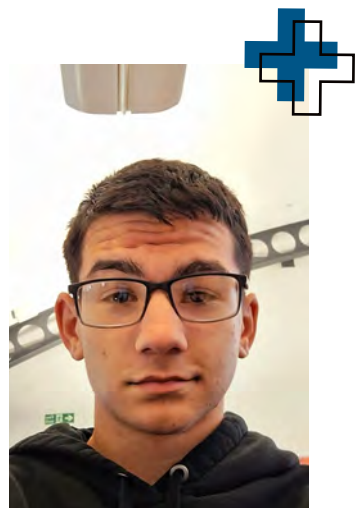
Day/Time: Wednesday 9.30am - 2.15pm

This course allows you to learn how to lead on organising and officiating in sports events, through practical industry experience and CPD workshops.



I was the only one from my school who did the course, and I enjoyed it more because I got to interact with new people. Stephen Gertsen, who is the lecturer of the course was extremely supportive of all of us and was always helpful and wanted to see us succeed.

Ryan Morrison, Developing Leadership in Recreational Sports Activities

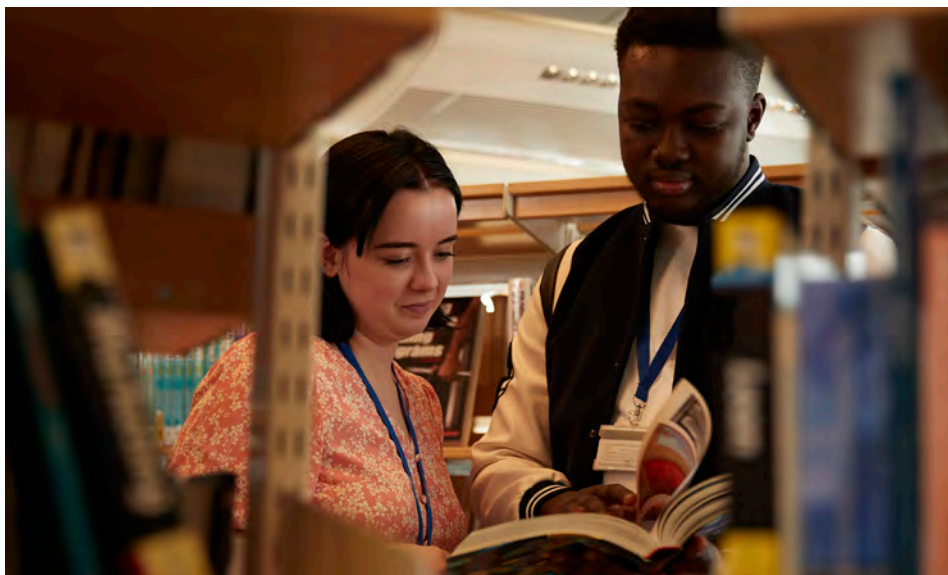
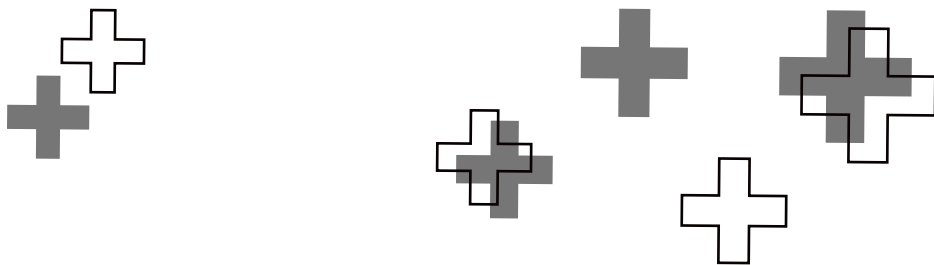


Advanced Studies

You can choose from a range of Degree Modules available across the UHI partnership that you can study online in your own time, anywhere.

The full list of modules is available at

www.moray.uhi.ac.uk/for-schools/advanced-studies



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