

Why Scottish Studies?

The study of Scotland — in terms of its people, languages, society, culture, natural and built environment, and heritage — provides many opportunities for learners to develop their skills, knowledge and understanding, and to make connections across the curriculum. Scotland and its people have made, and continue to make, significant contributions in many areas of society both at home and abroad. Scottish society is diverse, encompassing people from a wide range of cultures and historical backgrounds. Through emigration and immigration, Scotland's people and culture have influenced, and in turn been influenced by, the people and cultures of many other countries. The physical environment of Scotland is also diverse and attracts visitors from around the world.

SCOTTISH STUDIES NPA LEVEL 5

Purpose and Aims of the Award

The purpose of this Award is to allow learners to broaden their knowledge of Scotland whilst developing and applying the skills, knowledge and understanding relevant to their chosen subject areas.

The main aims of the Award are to give learners the opportunity to:

- ◆ develop and apply skills, knowledge and understanding in their chosen subject areas
- ◆ make connections across these areas by studying them in a Scottish context
- ◆ develop an understanding of the contribution that Scotland and its people, past and/or present, have made and continue to make in these areas
- ◆ reflect on the place of Scotland within the wider context of the United Kingdom, Europe and/or the rest of the world
- ◆ explore an aspect of Scottish Studies that is of particular interest to them
- ◆ develop the skills of planning, researching, selecting, and using information, and skills of reflection
- ◆ develop, with minimum support, their abilities to become independent learners

Target Groups

This Award would be relevant to a wide range of learners who have an interest in finding out about Scotland. It will provide opportunities for learners to broaden their understanding and appreciation of the society in which they live. This, in turn, will provide opportunities to reflect on, and build, their own sense of identity as residents of Scotland and the wider world. They will also develop, and learn to apply, important skills, knowledge and understanding in subject areas which are of particular interest to them.

Recommended Entry

Entry is at the discretion of the centre and will build on prior certification at SCQF level 4.

Interdisciplinary Learning

This course is taught across three curricular areas: English (two periods per week), Humanities (two periods a week) and Expressive Arts (one period a week).

Progression

This Award may provide progression to a variety of Courses, Awards or Units at SCQF levels 5 and 6.

Award Structure

Units in the Award are at SCQF level 5 and learners must complete a total of four Units.

Mandatory Unit	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3
Scotland in Focus	Language and Literature	Society and Environment	Arts and Culture
Independent research project	English: Creation and Production with a Scottish Context	Historical Study: Scottish	Drama - Production Skills with a Scottish Context
(H3YP 45)	(J242 75)	(J1YD 75)	(J2CH 75)

Assessment This evidence may be paper-based or recorded (oral, visual, or electronic). Performance or product evidence will be supported by assessor observation checklists and/or oral questions and assessor records of learners' answers. Learners may also provide evidence through audio recordings, video diaries, or other electronic means. There is no external examination for this course. Career Areas Scottish Studies Award at National 5 may provide a good foundation for progression to training or employment in a variety of sectors including financial services, care, tourism, hospitality and the creative, cultural and heritage industries.



FACULTY OF ENGLISH

Staff Teachers from English,
Humanities and Expressive Arts

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Courses in Turriff Academy:

English National 3
English National 4
English National 5
English Higher
English Advanced Higher
Media Studies National 4
Scottish Studies National 5

Useful websites to help you with your choices:

www.myworldofwork.co.uk
www.skillsdevelopmentscotland.co.uk

Further advice and information on these options is available from your subject teacher, guidance teacher and careers adviser.