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- Founded in 1495, the 5th oldest university and first chair of medicine in the English-speaking world
- Five Nobel Prize Winners
- 75 majors spanning the Arts, Business, Social Sciences, Law, Engineering, Science and Medicine
- 14,500 students
  - > 11,500 Undergraduate
  - > 3,000 Postgraduate
- 30% international (120 nationalities)
- Staff Student Ratio 14:1 (Complete University Guide, 2017)





#### Academic Structure

#### **Arts and Social Sciences**

- Business School
- School of Divinity, History and Philosophy
- School of Education
- School of Language, Literature, Music and Visual Culture
- School of Law
- School of Social Sciences

#### Life Sciences and Medicine

- School of Biological Sciences
- School of Medicine, Medical Sciences and Nutrition
- School of Psychology

#### **Physical Sciences**

- School of Engineering
- School of Geosciences
- School of Natural and Computing Sciences





## Rankings and Reputation

- Ranked 137th in the world (top 1%), 2015-16 QS World Rankings
- Ranked 85th in Europe, Times Higher Rankings, 2016
- Ranked 55th in the world for research impact, 2015 CWTS Leiden Rankings
- Ranked 23rd in the world in the Times Higher Education World
   University Rankings of the best ancient universities (over 400 years)
- Ranked 84th in the world for Life Sciences, 2015 THE World University Rankings









# Complete University Guide Subject Ranking, 2016/17

- 2nd in the UK for Land & Property Management
- 5th in the UK for Sociology
- 7th in the UK for Civil Engineering
- 10th in the UK for Creative Writing, and General Engineering
- 12th in the UK for Law, Theology & Religious Studies
- 13th in the UK for Celtic Studies, Geology, and Medicine
- 14th in the UK for Anatomy & Physiology, Linguistics

- 15th in the UK for Anthropology
- 16th in the UK for Archaeology
- 18<sup>th</sup> in the UK for Chemical Engineering, Electric & Electronic Engineering
- 17th in the UK for Mechanical Engineering
- 18th in the UK for Accounting & Finance, and Pharmacology
- 20<sup>th</sup> in the UK for Physics & Astronomy
- 21st in the UK for Business & Management





## Ranked Top 21 in the UK



- Accounting & Finance
- Anatomy
- Anthropology
- Archaeology
- Business & Management
- Celtic Studies
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Creative Writing
- Electric & Electronic Engineering
- General Engineering
- Geology

- Mechanical Engineering
- Medicine
- Land & Property Management
- Law
- Linguistics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Pharmacology
- Physics & Astronomy
- Physiology
- Sociology
- Theology & Religious Studies





# The Guardian Subject Rakings Top 21, 2016-17

- 5<sup>th</sup> in the UK for Anthropology
- 7th in the UK for Medicine
- 8th in the UK for Engineering
- 12th in the UK Philosophy
- 13th in the UK for Law
- 13<sup>th</sup> in the UK for Sociology
- 21st in the UK for Biosciences





## Campus

- Located in the historic district of Old Aberdeen
- 20 minute walk from the centre of the city.
- Named in the "Top Ten Most Beautiful Historic Universities in the UK" by QS Top
   Universities website
- Sir Duncan Rice Library, named amongst the "20 Most Spellbinding University
  Libraries in the world" by the Independent newspaper.
- Sports Village and Aquatics Centre



















Academic Year, 2016-17

Move In Weekend 3rd and 4th September

Term Opens 5th September 2016 (Orientation)

Teaching Commences 12<sup>th</sup> September

Exams 3<sup>rd</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> December

Move In Weekend 7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> January

Term Opens 10<sup>th</sup> January (Orientation)

Teaching Commences 16<sup>th</sup> January

Spring Break 31st March – 24th April

Exams 29<sup>th</sup> April – 19<sup>th</sup> May



## Study Abroad Programme

- Semester or Full Year option
- Choice of classes from across 75 subject areas to suit your major/minor requirements,
   subject to usual pre requisites and timetable restrictions
- View the Course catalogue at www.abdn.ac.uk/registry/courses
- Normal course load is 4 classes (60 credits) per semester, 15 US credit hours approx.
- Go Abroad Tutor (Academic Advisor) provides advice on selecting classes
- Mandatory courses pre-approved before arrival, with further 2 add/drop weeks at the beginning of term







# Programme Highlights

- Irish, Scottish and Scandinavian Studies
- Independent Research Modules
- Pre-Med
- Pre-Law
- Geology/Petroleum Engineering
- Marine Biology
- Psychology and Neuroscience
- Sixth Century Courses (Interdisciplinary)





### Scottish, Irish and Scandinavian Studies

- Interdisciplinary study of the literature, history,
   languages and culture of the Celtic, Anglo-Saxon,
   and Scandinavian peoples
- Courses taught by world-leading experts from the University's Centre for Scottish and Irish Studies and the Centre for Scandinavian Studies
- Topics range from the Vikings, to contemporary
   Scottish and Irish society and culture





### Independent Research Modules in the Humanities

- Unique opportunity to undertake an independent research project in History, Philosophy, Literature, Celtic Studies, Divinity and Anthropology
- 15 credit courses (equal to semester long taught course)
- Open to students currently majoring in the subject at their home university
- Project arranged in advance with host supervisor and Academic Advisor





### **Pre-Med Options**

- Study in one of Scotland's top-ranked medical schools
- Gain valuable insight and experience, while staying on track with your Pre-Med requirements
  - > Human Anatomy A and Human Anatomy B
  - > Physiology of Human Cells and Physiology of Human Organ Systems
  - > Integrative Physiology
  - > Research Skills for Medical Sciences





#### Pre-Law

- For US Pre Law students studying majors such as Politics, Philosophy, History and Business,
- enhance your Law School application while developing your analytical and argumentation skills in a Law School setting
- Course options in Contracts, Torts, Criminal Law,
   Constitutional Law, Legal Method, Jurisdiction and
   Forensic Medicine.





# Geology & Petroleum Engineering

- Ideally geographically located for the study of geology, with world-class field sites nearby.
- Aberdeen is the Energy Capital of Europe
- Courses include Introduction to Geology for Petroleum
   Engineers, Principles of Petroleum Geology and two
   residential field trip courses Introduction to Field
   Geology and Field and Mapping Techniques





# Marine Biology

- One of the only universities in the UK carrying out world-class research on mammals, birds, fish AND invertebrates
- Filed-based teaching, with easy access to fantastic natural environments, including coastline, marine habitats, and river systems
- State of the art facilities at Oceanlab research station, our Lighthouse
   Field Station and the support we gain from the Aberdeen Biodiversity
   Centre







# Psychology and Neuroscience

- World-renowned teaching and research in Perception, Memory and Language, Biological Psychology, Social Psychology and Developmental Psychology
- Accredited by the British Psychological Society
- Innovative teaching methods including practicals, project work and computer-based exercises (e.g. in research methods and statistics)
- Assessment methods include carrying out experiments and research projects, writing scientific reports, and presenting research to fellow students and staff in seminars





## Interdisciplinary Courses (Sixth Century)

- "Sixth Century Courses" inter-disciplinary courses, unique to the University of Aberdeen
- Designed to help develop a deeper critical understanding of a student's major by setting the subject in a wider context
- Assessed by Continuous Assessment
- Topical courses, which draw heavily from the University's particular research strengths including,
   International Development, Sustainability, Human Nutrition, Science and Society and
   Medicine.

https://www.abdn.ac.uk/registry/courses/undergraduate/2015-2016/sixth\_century\_courses



- The Mind Machine
- Fearsome Engines
- The Digital Society
- Sustainability: Challenges and Opportunities
- Oceans and Society
- Global Issues, Global Religions
- Logic, Language & Information
- Africa: Sustainable Development for All?
- Humans and Other Animals
- Natural World
- Science and the Media
- Fearsome Engines

- The Digital Society
- What Gives Us Rights?
- Mankind in the Universe: the question of Objectivity?
- Science and Society
- Bioethics
- Mathematical Foundations of Everyday Life
- Northern Light and Landscape
- An Appetite for Food and Health
- Restless Vulcan
- Consciousness
- Worlds of Food: Biological, Social, Cultural
- Globalization

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## **Entry Requirements**

- GPA of 3.0/4.0
- Academic Letter of Reference
- Personal Statement

# How to Apply

- Application Form at www.abdn.ac.uk/study/international
- Closing Dates:
  - 1 July for Full Year and First (Fall) Semester applications
  - 1 November for Second (Spring) Semester applications







- Population: 220,000
- Student City 2 universities and 1 college
- Safest City in the UK
- Milder than you might think! Average January
   Temperature: 4°C/ 39°F
- Beach 15 walk from campus ☺





#### Aberdeen

- International Airport with direct flights to London,
   Amsterdam, Dublin, and Paris
- Cosmopolitan 1 in 6 born outside of the UK
- Major international centre for the energy industry, particularly oil, gas and renewables
- Known as "Castle Country", Aberdeenshire is home to over 300 castles, including Balmoral Castle, the summer residence of the British Royal Family





#### Aberdeen

- 10 Festivals (visual arts, music, literature, and tech)
- Art galleries, theatres and museums
- Aberdeen Dolphinwatch
- Cairngorms National Park just 2 hrs drive (including Ski resorts)
- Traditional Pubs, Live Music Venue and Clubs













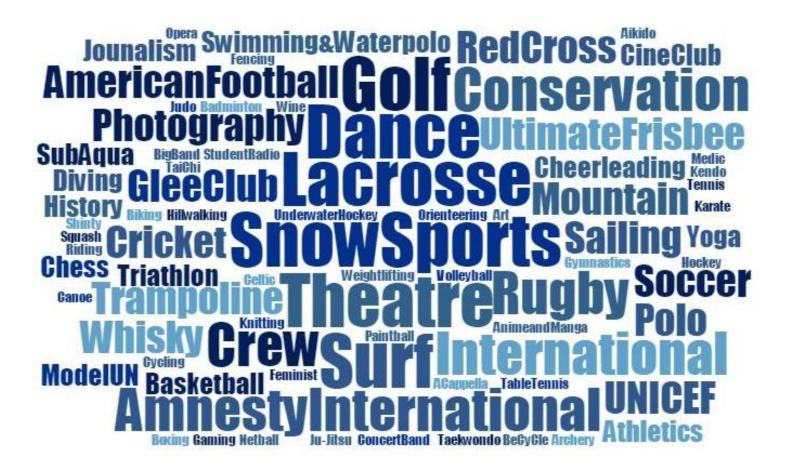




## Student Life

- 55 Student Sports Clubs
- 100 Student Societies
- Volunteering Opportunities
- Aberdeen University Students'
   Association (AUSA)
- Student Media (Aberdeen Student Radio and The Gaudie Newspaper)







#### International Student Events

- International Aberdeen Welcome (Orientation)
- Day trips to Loch Ness, Edinburgh and around Aberdeenshire
- Final Fling Ceilidh (end of term)
- International Themed Parties e.g. Robert Burns Night,
   Thanksgiving, Chinese New Year
- Language Exchanges
- Movie Nights
- 'Taste of Aberdeen' (taster sessions at local restaurants)





## Student Accommodation

- University Accommodation guaranteed
- Catered or self-catered options
- Apartment-style or Corridor style units
- All students have their own single room
- Find out more at www.abdn.ac.uk/accommodation







## On Campus Accommodation (University owned)

#### Old Aberdeen

- > Crombie and Johnston Hall (Catered, en-suite bathrooms available)
- > Elphinstone Road Flats (Graduate students /older Undergraduates only)
- > King's Hall, en suite rooms (Graduate students /older Undergraduates only)

#### Hillhead Student Village

- > Adam Smith, Fyfe and Wavell (corridor style units with shared kitchen & toilet/shower facilities)
- > Grant Court, Hector Boece, Keith House (self-catered apartments)
- > New Carnegie (self-catered apartments, with en-suite bathrooms)
- > North Court, South House (self catered apartments with shared bathroom)







# Off Campus Accommodation (Private Providers)

- Causeway View
- > All rooms en-suite, in flats of 2 4 (UG)
- Don Street
- Standard and en-suite rooms in flats of 2 4 (UG)
- King Street
- > 77 standard rooms in flats of 2 4 (PG)
- King Street Exchange
- Single study bedrooms, single beds, with en-suite bathroom and shared kitchen. (PG)

- Linksfield Road
- Standard and en-suite rooms in flats of 3 − 7 (UG)
- Spring Garden
- Accommodation for 6-7 students, with a mix of standard and en-suite rooms available (UG)
- Trinity Court
- Accommodation in 3 bedroomed flats, shared bathroom and kitchen/living room. (PG)





## Student Support

- Orientation
- Academic Adviser
- Student Learning Centre
- Careers Service
- Disability Office
- International Student Advisers
- International Centre
- Counselling Service
- Chaplaincy
- Resident Assistants (RAs)





## Student Visa

- TIER 4 Student Visa (> 6 months)
  - > Apply 3 months before your programme commences
  - > Entitlement to work (20 hrs per week during term)
  - > Access National Health Service (NHS)
- Short-term study visa (Student Visitor)
  - > Non-visa nationals
  - > Programmes up to 6 months
  - > No entitlement to work or access to NHS





### Find out more...

Website: www.abdn.ac.uk/international/

Instagram: www.instagram.com/study\_in\_aberdeen/

Blog: www.studyinaberdeen.wordpress.com/

YouTube: www.youtube.com/user/uniofaberdeen

Facebook: www.facebook.com/universityofaberdeen/

iOS App: https://itunes.apple.com/gb/app/discover-old-aberdeen/id1113609658?mt=8





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