Summer Study in Scotland
Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences
12 courses available

Summer School 2018
4 June - 10 August

THE UNIVERSITY of EDINBURGH
Welcome to Edinburgh for your summer of opportunities.

Our innovative and inspiring summer courses are the perfect way to broaden your academic and cultural horizons at the world-leading University of Edinburgh.

Our course programme will help you develop new skills and ideas, immerse yourself in your new surroundings, and expand your international perspective.

You’ll be based in the heart of Edinburgh, one of the world’s most beautiful cities and, if you choose to opt-in to our inclusive social programme, will let you discover our unique Scottish culture in the city and beyond.

You’ll enjoy the city at the height of its arts calendar, absorb new influences, and meet like-minded people from around the world.

We hope to welcome you to the University of Edinburgh Summer School in 2018.
Our alumni include:

Charles Darwin
Arthur Conan Doyle
Alexander Graham Bell
Anne Redpath
Sir Walter Scott
David Hume

1st
1st in Scotland and 4th in the UK for research power.*

6th
oldest university in the English-speaking world

* UK Government’s Research Excellence Framework 2014
There are many reasons to choose the University of Edinburgh: the quality of our academics, our stunning location and our international campus combine to make our offering truly special.

For more than 400 years the University of Edinburgh has been changing the world. Today, we continue to make our mark, with world-leading experts educating the pioneers of tomorrow.

By choosing to study at the University of Edinburgh, you’ll be investing in an education that will help you build a successful future. Through our hands-on and innovative approach, we’ll equip you with the skills, insights and perspectives to enhance your employability and career prospects.

You’ll also be living in a vibrant, historic, inspiring capital city with world-famous cultural festivals, where the mountains and beaches of Scotland are right on your doorstep. Come and join us in 2018!
Festival City
The city hosts 12 major events each year - including the Edinburgh Fringe, the world's largest arts festival, in August.

City of Literature
As well as being the home and inspiration of writers including Arthur Conan Doyle, Robert Louis Stevenson, Sir Walter Scott, and J.K. Rowling, Edinburgh was named UNESCO’s first ever City of Literature.

History and Heritage
Both our medieval Old Town and the neo-classical New Town have been designated as UNESCO World Heritage sites.

Culture
Scotland's capital is home to the Scottish Government and many of the country's national institutions and collections such as museums, art galleries and theatres.

Loved by Locals
Edinburgh is regularly voted as the best place to live in the UK by those who live here.*

Enlightening
History remembers Edinburgh as the birthplace of modern science, philosophy, and the Enlightenment. We're still the ‘Brainiest City in Europe’ with more graduates per head of population than any other European city.

* Quality of Life Index 2015
“Edinburgh is a vibrant and friendly city”
“Not only did I meet amazing people, I learned about the history of Scotland and its rich culture”

PROGRAMME DATES: 4 June - 10 August 2018

The University of Edinburgh Summer School offers courses across two, three and four week programmes aimed at current university students. Courses are available as credit and non-credit courses.

Credit courses can be taken for credit towards degrees at many other institutions.

The Summer School also offers a Pre-University course for high school students in their final two years of study.

All fee packages include tuition fees, accommodation and a social programme.
Gain a better critical understanding of film styles, genres and directorial approaches and get an exclusive insight into the Edinburgh International Film Festival.

The course offers a unique opportunity to explore selected festival films through film theory and industry events, including UK or world premieres being shown at the Edinburgh International Film Festival (EIFF).

The course includes a series of public lectures and guest talks at the EIFF and provides further theoretical insight into film studies and criticism. Daily tutorials facilitate in-depth analysis of the films shown at the festival through tutor-led class discussions.

The course allows participants the chance to analyse and discover the range and depth of the Film Festival’s film programming, whilst networking with fellow cinephiles and industry professionals.

This course examines the philosophy, ethics, social and political thought, historiography, medical science, aesthetics, literature, and religious thinking of the period of the Scottish Enlightenment. It also considers the influence of Scottish thinking on America, and the circumstances which led to the eclipse of Enlightenment thinking.

There will be a particular emphasis on the enduring relevance of the Enlightenment. Students will examine current approaches to the Scottish Enlightenment, and areas of contemporary debate among scholars. The course also aims to enhance students’ critical, discursive and analytical skills.

The course is interdisciplinary: thinkers such as David Hume and Adam Smith studied and wrote on a wide range of academic disciplines, on the basis that each discipline is apt to shed explanatory light on the others.
Edinburgh has an amazingly rich literary heritage and was the first city in the world to receive UNESCO City of Literature status.

This course examines some of Edinburgh’s most celebrated literary talents, some Edinburgh locals and other Edinburgh visitors.

Alongside works by among others Robert Burns, Robert Louis Stevenson, Ian Rankin, Muriel Spark and Irvine Welsh, the course will explore these writers’ presence in the city through manuscript collections and objects in the National Libraries and Museums of Scotland and the Edinburgh Writers’ Museum.

We will also follow their footsteps through the city and see how their presence has been marked with monuments, plaques and other forms of cultural heritage.

We will consider how these writers represent the city in their works and how it has shaped their writing.

Architecture and Urban Design
2-20 July 2018 | 3 Weeks | Non-credit
2 July - 3 Aug 2018 | 5 Weeks | Credit

This course provides an introduction to postgraduate studies in architecture through a studio-based design programme. It will use methodological prompts from Patrick Geddes and other theorists and practitioners for experimenting in contemporary architectural and urban design propositions within Edinburgh.

Students undertaking this course will gain: critical understanding of contemporary debates and scholarly traditions within the history, theory and design of buildings and cities; practice in advanced methodology in design-led research and research-led design; rigorous design and research skills and practices; in-depth knowledge of the theories of Patrick Geddes and other Urban Paradigms; and abilities to relate architectural research to interdisciplinary fields of inquiry.

Planning to enrol on a postgraduate course in Architecture? Then the 5-week, credit version (20 credits/10 ECTS/4 US at Level 11) of this course is right for you.
Learning Across the Curriculum offers aspiring educators of all kinds the tools with which they can incorporate outdoor learning into their teaching and curriculum planning.

Despite the increasing bodies of research and policy that highlight the educational, social and health benefits of outdoor learning in the development of young people, many educators are not well placed to support this form of learning.

Learning Across the Curriculum is offered as an initial step towards assisting aspirant educators to incorporate outdoor learning into their teaching and curriculum planning.

It does not aim to train students as outdoor specialists, but aims to provide them with some understanding of the benefits, processes and skills related to learning in the outdoors.

This interdisciplinary course is designed to give students the tools with which to teach and learn across the curriculum in an outdoor context.

Using examples from the world today, you will learn how apply this theory to current debates, issues, and conflicts to gain an objective and informed view.

You will examine a number of theoretical approaches drawn from different intellectual traditions in the discipline, including classical and contemporary realism, liberalism, and radical approaches to international relations, as well as contemporary debates on power and globalisation.

You will apply these theories to current policy issues such as terrorism and security, human rights, governance and global institutions, the environment and poverty and development.

You will also focus on the current role of Scotland and the UK within the context of international relations. Following the Brexit referendum decision, special focus will be given to examining how this major relationship shift will affect systems within the UK, the EU, and internationally.
It is impossible to understand Scotland without acknowledging the place and significant impact of sport on Scottish cultural heritage.

This course provides a practical insight into how sport is increasingly being used as a cost effective social tool involved in addressing many of the world's social and humanitarian issues. It is part of the social, cultural, economic and political fabric of many countries that makes it a potent force for good and bad.

Sport itself is a global phenomenon, as governments around the world commit to promoting sport by promoting the Olympic or Commonwealth Games, or other major sporting events. From the bleachers to the boardroom, to the senate or cabinet, sport increasingly matters in today's world.

The course will be taught using a combination of lectures, tutorials, and academic excursions.

Introduction to Sociology looks at what sociology can do. Sociologists find out about how people live in and think about the world, they generate or apply theories about social life, they analyse how groups portray themselves and others, and critique inequality and injustice.

You will consider how contemporary sociologists work with key concepts and thinkers in engaging with the social world in these ways and will gain an understanding of the key purposes, concepts, methods and areas of inquiry in contemporary sociology.

The course will introduce you to the principles - as well as some in-class experience - of core methods of social scientific research: survey research, qualitative interviews, ethnography and textual analysis. We will look at examples of research from a range of countries across a range of areas, including the body, young adults, gender, inequality, violence and the environment.
Social media is becoming ever more popular. Recent studies demonstrate its importance in contributing to the increased corporate transparency of international companies, accepted as one of the key factors for future economic stability.

Understanding the main functionalities of social media and how it can be used by an international company has become a necessity, not only for students of business and law but other disciplines too.

The course is divided into two interconnected sections. The first section considers social media functionalities and social media strategies for marketing and corporate dialogue. In the second part of the course, you will be introduced to the most relevant Internet standards to support data and interactions between users, both internal and external to a company or organisation.

You will have the opportunity to explore key topics, including Web 2.0, key social media platforms, corporate dialogue, strategies and metrics.

This course will let you explore the culture and society of 18th century Edinburgh and how this context led to the major developments in the Scottish Enlightenment.

David Hume and Adam Smith studied and wrote on a wide range of academic disciplines, on the basis that each discipline shed explanatory light on the others. As philosophy was the central discipline of the Scottish Enlightenment, a philosophical approach will be used to consider each of the key themes.

You will consider the enduring relevance of the Enlightenment, including current approaches to its study, and areas of contemporary debate among scholars. This approach will let you enhance your critical, discursive and analytical skills.

Explorations of Edinburgh through guided walking tours and visits to museums and galleries will let you place Enlightenment developments in context and understand the major influences of this historical period.
Covering subjects including Politics, Sociology, Social Policy, and Economics, the course will use the theme of ‘Liberty’ to explore how this topic appears in different disciplines across the area of Social Sciences.

You will have the chance to explore and stimulate your own interests in a range of topics, and to deepen your understanding of contemporary social issues. By reading the thinking across different disciplines, you will develop study skills that are both interdisciplinary and inter-textual.

Throughout the course, you will also take part in skills sessions which will help improve your approach to academic writing, research, and discussion – all key skills for your time at university.

Living and studying on our campus in the centre of the city, you will be taught by leading academics, and current students will be on hand to answer any questions you might have.

The fee for the two-week Pre-University course is £3,500. This includes a private single room with catered accommodation and a shared bathroom, the tuition fee and a social programme. Receive 5% off the tuition fee portion of your package by applying before 31 January 2018.

Are you in your final two years of high school? Experience university in Scotland’s capital city!
Our official university accommodation is located within walking distance of both our central campus area and the city centre. A range of accommodation options are available for our students.

- **Catered accommodation with private bathroom** includes breakfast and dinner each day of your stay.
- **Catered accommodation with shared bathroom** includes breakfast and dinner each day of your stay.
- **Self-catered with shared bathroom** includes access to a communal kitchen and lounge area with all standard cooking facilities incl. microwave.

All rooms have a single bed and free wi-fi.
Eligibility

Credit
You can apply for credit courses if:

• You are a current university student
• You have a current GPA of 3.0 or above (or equivalent)
• You have met our minimum English language requirements if English is not your first language

We are also able to discuss eligibility on an individual basis.

Non-Credit
To apply for a non-credit course, you will need to provide a reference to support your application, to ensure that your English level is appropriate for your chosen Summer School course.

English Requirements
If English is your second language you must provide evidence of good written and spoken English skills.

Requirements vary depending on the course and the visa that you are applying for. We accept a range of qualifications, including IELTS, TOEFL, and Pearson. We may also accept the English qualification you have taken as part of your studies at high school.

Full information about all the entry requirements and available credits can be found on the Summer School website.
How to Book

Applications for the Summer School 2018 open in September 2017. To apply for your course, please visit the Summer School website.

You must secure your place by paying the deposit. A deposit of £250 for credit courses or £125 for non-credit courses will apply. The deposit is deducted from your final fee package.

Your remaining course fees must be paid within 30 days of the course start date. Failure to pay may result in your place being cancelled.

Full terms and conditions, including information about deadlines, payment methods, cancellation terms and refunds, can be found on our website at www.summerschool.ed.ac.uk.
Fee Packages

Included in the Fee Packages:

- Tuition fee
- Included events of the social programme
- Your chosen accommodation option

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Please note: offers and discounts only apply to the tuition fee portion of the package.

Apply before 31 January 2018 and get 5% off your tuition fees.

Are you a student at one of our partner institutions? Get 10% off your tuition fee. Ask your International Office for more details.
Social Programme

The Summer School social programme lets you experience the best of Edinburgh. With our handpicked social and cultural activities, you can explore the history, traditions, and beauty of Scotland.

What’s Included
Experience a true taste of Scottish culture and learn how to dance like a local at our ceilidh (pronounced ‘kay-lee’), a traditional Scottish party. We’ll also show you the sights of beautiful Edinburgh with a magnificent walking tour.

Optional Activities
We have a range of optional activities you can book, including social events, special exhibitions, music events or cultural experiences. All optional activities can be booked before the start of your course.