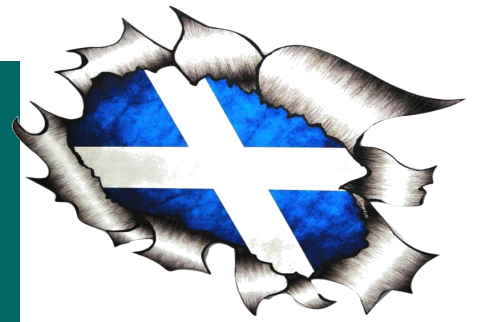


SCOTTISH STUDIES



COURSE DESCRIPTION

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. Learners will have a choice of Units, from a range of subject areas, which they can study in a Scottish context.

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

- develop and apply skills, knowledge and understanding in chosen subject areas
- make interdisciplinary connections by studying these subject areas in a Scottish context
- develop an in-depth 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
- research an aspect of Scottish Studies that is of particular interest to them
- develop the skills of planning, researching, selecting and analysing information, and skills of evaluation
- demonstrate, under non-directive supervision, their ability to work independently

This Award would be relevant to a wide range of learners who have an interest in finding out about Scotland, its people and its linguistic, social, cultural, scientific and/or natural heritage. Young people and adult learners studying in Scotland — in secondary schools, further education institutions or community learning and development settings — may find the Award of particular interest. It will provide opportunities for these 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.

AREAS OF STUDY/COURSE STRUCTURE

The awards in Scottish Studies at SCQF level 5 consists of 4 mandatory units:

- History Unit – Scottish Wars of Independence & the Reformation
- Modern Studies Unit – Inequalities in Scotland
- Media Studies Unit – Angles Share
- Scotland in Focus – Independent research unit

RECOMMENDED ENTRY

There are no set pre-entry requirements for this award.

ASSESSMENT

There is no final exam for this course. Assessment will be based on a range of practical activities and unit assessments.

PROGRESSION

This Award or its Units may provide progression to:

- ◆ the National Certificate in Celtic Studies at SCQF level 6
- ◆ a variety of Courses, Awards or Units at SCQF level 6, depending on the specific subject areas studied as part of this Award
- ◆ other Awards, Courses or Units at SCQF level 5

FUTURE CAREERS

It may also 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.