



Music, Sound Production, Performing and

Prospectus | Career Guide



**We're here to help you
get to where you want to be.
We'll inspire you, increase your
opportunities and raise
your ambitions so you're ready
to take the next step.
Start here, go anywhere**

together

we are Ayrshire College



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Why choose College?

Help with first steps towards your career

Change your career

Access further study at University

Start an apprenticeship

Help to start your own business

Study locally

Excellent facilities

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“ Sometimes the smallest step in the right direction ends up being the biggest step of your life. ”



Build your future at Ayrshire College.

Our campuses offer modern facilities with exciting learning spaces, to help you learn in a way that suits you. There are social spaces on each campus, including refectories and coffee shops, where you can relax and catch up with friends.



**Modern Learning
Resource Centres**



**Coffee Shops
and Refectories**



**Training
Restaurants**



**Training Hair and
Beauty Salons**



**Motor Vehicle
Garage**



**Gym and
Multi-Sport Pitches**



**Horticulture
Centre**



**Aeronautical and
Engineering Centre**



Science Labs



**Construction and
Trades Centre**



**Training Hospital
Ward**



Training Nursery



**Recording
Studio**



**Photography and
Broadcasting Studio**



If you're passionate about music, if you have a talent for acting, or if you have the tenacity and drive to be a successful sound engineer, can you turn that into a rewarding career? Absolutely!

Creative Industries is one of the UK's fastest growing sectors. The skills learned on our courses are hugely sought after by employers, because they combine digital and technical expertise with practical artistic skills and employability skills.

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With state-of-the-art AVID approved SSL recording studios, "Rockpool" Rehearsal Studios, dance studio and in-house upgraded theatre with new technical productions gantry, Ayrshire College provides creative students unrivalled access to industry standard facilities.

Studying music with us means you'll rehearse in our very own recording studio and have the opportunity to record and release your own material via our record label, Sun Turtle Records.

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Did you know?

You'll take part in College gigs as well as local gigs.

Studying Acting and Production Arts will give you in-depth knowledge and the chance to develop transferrable skills, make industry contacts and find industry work placements.

To work in a creative industry, you'll need to stand out from the crowd and demonstrate your passion and dedication to potential employers. This can help you obtain work experience and use it as a stepping stone to further your career.

“ The rewards of being self-employed are, you get to be your own boss. If you don't like how some things are working out, you can change it. I love the responsibility. Also you can choose your own work, when you work, and ultimately you are doing something you love.”

Krystal Johnstone,
Managing Director STR Productions



Careers

- Live Sound Engineer
- Studio Engineer
- Broadcast Sound Recordist
- Producer
- Music Remixer
- DJ
- Freelance Music Producer
- Sound Designer
- Dubbing Mixer
- Sound Editor
- Electronic Music Producer
- Guitar/Drum Technician
- Tour Manager
- Performer
- Songwriter



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There are many different ways into the industry; YouTube and blogging websites have opened up so many opportunities to be spotted. Many of our students become freelancers - if you're willing to travel and be flexible, you can find work. In some areas like Production Arts, there's a real skills shortage.



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Are you right for the job?

- Talent alone will not get you into a job
- You'll be determined to succeed
- You'll have resilience, self-discipline and stamina
- You'll love working as part of a team
- You know you can have confidence to network and market yourself
- You'll be reliable
- You're a creative thinker

Think about a career in Music, Sound Production, Acting and Production Arts if you:

- Want to do something you love
- Want to work with amazing people
- Want to be your own boss and choose the jobs you want to do
- Enjoy opportunities to express yourself creatively
- Want to help solve problems through your own creativity

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What are employers looking for?

As well as being passionate about music or performing arts, you need an understanding of the industry and how it's changing

You need to be able to manage your time and meet deadlines

You need to enjoy meeting new people and be able to interact with them professionally

Most of all we need creative people who have the confidence and enthusiasm to contribute ideas and never give up!

Be inspired...

Former Ayrshire College music student turned rapper, Jubemi Iyiku aka Bemz tells us about his time at college and what his plans are for the future. Click on the links below to hear his story and his music...



[Click here](#) to check out Bemz as he performs 'Bando 2 Studio' for BBC Music Introducing.



[Click here](#) to discover Bemz on Spotify

“ Being at college or university gives you the solid foundation that you can build on when you leave. Be true to yourself and try your best to take it all in and absorb as much knowledge as you can, as that sets you up nicely for the future. ”

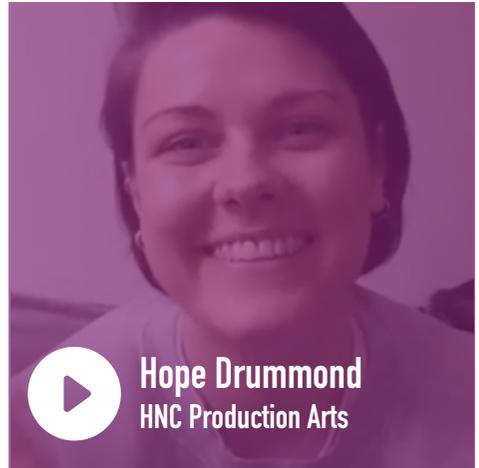
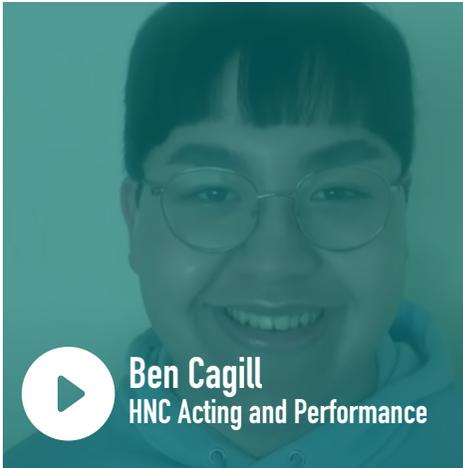
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Could you be one of our **Enterprising Students?**



The Enterprising Students Fund is a programme of support and funding of grants up to £5,000 for students of Ayrshire College who are interested in developing ideas to start up their own business.

Many creative students have been successful in their applications to the fund, with a total of £8,000 awarded to our students last year.

Click this link if you are interested in applying for the fund or would like to find out more.

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to visit our
blog



“The lecturers have been outstanding. They helped me believe in myself and built up my confidence. They have inspired and encouraged me to go further and realise my true potential.”

Bryan Shaw,
HNC Photography Alumni, 2019 received £5,000
from the Enterprising Students Fund

Start here...

Depending on your qualifications, experience and performance at an audition, we'll place you on the course that best suits your needs. We'll help you create a long term plan to help you achieve your full potential, giving you the best chance for employment or further study at university.

We have various courses that cover Music, Sound Production, Acting and Production Arts.

Click here to find out more about Music and Sound Production

Click here to find out more about Performing and Production Arts

Courses available in:

- Music
- Sound Production
- Acting and Performance
- Production Arts

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to see all
courses



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Go anywhere...

Once you successfully complete your HNC/D qualification you can choose from a range of courses at university.

Music/Sound Production Progression

University of Abertay - BA (Hons) Game Design and Production, BA (Hons) Computer Arts.

University of West of Scotland – BA Commercial Music, BA Commercial Sound Production, BSc Music Technology.

University of Highlands and Islands – BA Music, BA Music Business, BA Applied Music.

Royal Conservatoire of Scotland - BEd Music Education, BMus Music Performance.

Performing Arts Progression

University of West of Scotland – BA Performance, BA Digital Art & Design.

Napier University – BA Acting for Stage and Screen, BA Acting and English.

Queen Margaret University - BA Acting for Stage and Screen, BA Costume Design and Construction, BA Drama.

Royal Conservatoire of Scotland – BA Contemporary Performance Practice, BA Acting, BA Musical Theatre, BA Production Arts and Design.

Production Arts Progression

The Royal Conservatoire of Scotland - BA Production Arts and Design - BA Production Technology and Management.

Queen Margaret University Edinburgh - BA/BA (Hons) Costume Design and Construction.



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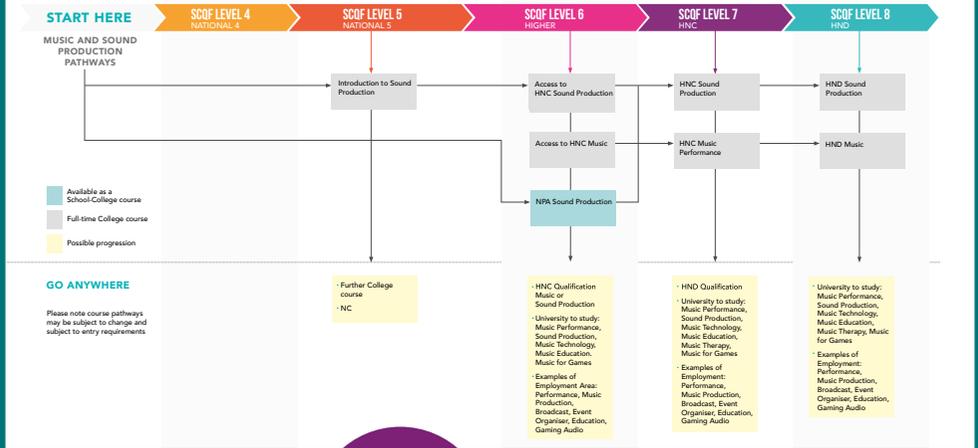
Please check with each university for their articulation requirements prior to your UCAS application. Entry is subject to availability of places and meeting entry requirements, other options may also be available.

What path will you take?

Our course pathway maps will help you understand the various routes you can take to help you achieve the qualifications you need.

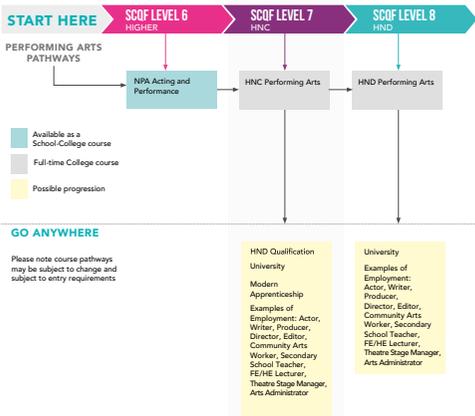
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Pathway map for Music and Sound Production



Pathway map for Performing Arts

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Still unsure?

Contact our Student Services team and speak to one of our advisors who will be happy to help you.

You can book an appointment to see the Advisor for your curriculum area either in person, over the phone or by email:

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Go for it!

You're just two steps away from starting your career in Music, Sound Production, Acting and Technical Theatre...

Step 1...

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Step 2...



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Full-time courses start in January and August. Apply as soon as you can because our courses fill up quickly!



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