



Q&A Report

Q - Does Dundee & Angus College offer routes into Edinburgh University courses?

A - Great question! Dundee & Angus College has a wide range of articulation agreements with universities across Scotland. The best plan of action would be to visit Edinburgh University website to find out exact entry requirements. More info here: <https://dundeeandangus.ac.uk/advice-support/articulation-routes/>

Q - Can I get help writing my personal statement?

A - YES! LIFT OFF will be delivering our Transitions Programme which consists of 4 sessions (in-school/virtual). Session 2 (Your Personal Statement) focuses on: how to structure your personal statement; how to link your experiences, skills and knowledge to the course/career you are interested in; and how to use feedback to improve your statement. The next LIVE Workshop (at the end of September) will provide additional information on writing and editing your personal statement.

Q - Can I find out about different accommodation costs using the Find Your Campus map?

A - The short answer is Yes; you can use the map to find information about accommodation. Accommodation is one of the categories of all the institutions - simply click the links to go directly to that section on the institutions website. You will usually find out information about the costs, what it looks like, where it is located, the facilities available...and lots more. Our S6 Session 4 (Taking the Next Steps) will go into a lot more detail regarding accommodation.

Q - You said in the session that you could comment on my personal statement, how do I do this?

A - As an S6 Core Pupil you can send us 3 drafts of your personal statement to lift.off@abertay.ac.uk (please include your full name and school in the body of the email). A member of the LIFT OFF team will review and send back your statement with comments and advice. You can also request a DM chat and/or phone call to discuss our feedback regarding your personal statement - simply request this in your email.

Q - What if the articulation route I want isn't on the Pathways website, can I still articulate?

A - Yes you can! Pathways is a fantastic resource to get an idea of the different articulation routes out there, BUT it does not have all the articulation routes currently available. It is worth visiting the college's website and seeing if they have more information about articulation routes available.

Q - How can I add the LIFT OFF event to my UCAS application? It asks for a location however it took place online.

A - Due to COVID-19, a lot of courses have taken place online, therefore you can simply put 'online' when asked for the location. For example, if you participated in LOLS last year, go ahead and put 'online' for that experience/qualification. LIFT OFF are currently creating a guide on how to add LIFT OFF to your UCAS application - we will post this on the S6 Resource soon.

Q - What other things are you going to be doing when you come into schools?

A - Great question! We have had to adapt our delivery of the S6 Transitions Programme due to COVID-19 restrictions - some schools are allowing visitors; others do not have the space or facilities to allow visitors in the building - hopefully that will change soon. All S6 pupils have access to our four S6 sessions focused on applying to higher education, your personal statement and taking the next steps (offers, budgeting, accommodation, funding, support). After the October holidays we will (hopefully) be in school to offer a Personal Statement Drop-in, where you can bring a copy of your statement and a member of the LIFT OFF team will provide instant feedback.

If you have any questions, you can always contact us by emailing the team at lift.off@abertay.ac.uk

Q - Can I talk about LIFT OFF in my personal statement?

A - Absolutely! Remember you have a character limit when writing your personal statement (4000 characters). You can talk about LIFT OFF in terms of preparation for higher education, including any transferable skills developed and how these link to your course / suitability to study. There is also a question within the UCAS application which asks if you have participated in any higher education/widening participation programme, where you can list LIFT OFF.