Robert Gordon University

Robert Gordon University (RGU) is 'the professional' university whose focus is the contemporary needs of students, economies and societies.

The university campus is at Garthdee on the banks of the River Dee.

Courses and students

All programmes are designed to offer a combination of academic study and practical experience, developed through close partnerships with industry and the public sector. The majority of courses allow part time study, with an increasing number also available through distance learning.

The university delivers around 200 courses taught through 8 academic schools:

- Aberdeen Business School
- Gray's School of Art
- School of Computing, Engineering and Technology
- School of Health
- School of Law and Social Sciences
- School of Pharmacy, Applied Science and Public Health
- The Scott Sutherland School of Architecture and Built Environment.

The university delivers courses to around 18,000 students from 152 countries around the world.

Facilities and services

All courses are taught at the Garthdee Campus which has a picturesque riverside setting. In recent years £120 million has been invested in the campus for new facilities and resources. This includes state-of-the- art buildings, specialised health laboratories and a purpose built law court.

RGU boasts modern world class sporting facilities, which includes a centre of excellence for the region in hockey, a 25-metre swimming pool, three gyms, a climbing wall, three exercise studios and a large sports hall.

RGU Sport aims to develop and promote sporting excellence through various scholarships, which are available to promising sports men and women. It hosts over 30 different sports clubs.

There is also modern purpose-built engineering labs and equipment; computing labs offering extensive IT support; a range of art, design and craft facilities and a range of open plan learning spaces.

Ranking

Ranked in the UK top 10 for Forensic Science and Physiotherapy, and 2nd in Scotland for the same subjects in the Complete University Guide 2027.

Ranked 2nd in Scotland for teaching quality in the Times and Sunday Times Good University Guide 2026.

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