

National 5 SfW Travel and Tourism (Course Code: C776 75)

SCQF Level 5 (24 Credit Points)

Why study SfW Travel and Tourism?

Travel and tourism is an important part of the Scottish and UK economy, Hospitality, leisure, travel and tourism accounts for over 209,000 jobs in Scotland, around 10% of the jobs in this sector in the UK. It includes a wide range of jobs from tour guide and travel consultant to tourist information assistant and conference managers. And, of course, there are the staff who work overseas with Scottish and UK tourists travelling abroad for holidays and business trips.

This course is designed to give you a more in-depth introductory qualification in travel and tourism which will cover the skills needed to work in the sector. You will also develop broad employability skills.

Travel and tourism offers good opportunities if you enjoy:

- meeting new people
- communicating with others
- problem-solving
- providing information and advice
- planning and organising events and activities.

Career Pathways

To see what career areas this subject could lead to and the routes to get there, download and view these career pathways:

[Hospitality, Leisure and Tourism](#)

[Transport and Distribution](#)

What do I need to get in?

Entry is at the discretion of the school or college, however you may be expected to have achieved:

- **National 4 SfW Travel and Tourism**

What will I study?

The course is made up of four compulsory units, each one taking 40 hours of study.

- Travel and Tourism: Employability
- Travel and Tourism: Customer Service
- Travel and Tourism: Scotland

- Travel and Tourism: UK and Worldwide

You will learn about:

- careers in the travel and tourism industry and the skills you would need to work in them
- job seeking skills relevant to the industry
- problem-solving and dealing with customer issues
- developing travel itineraries (planned routes or journeys)
- providing information on accommodation, activities, events and attractions
- communication skills, customer service and promoting products and services
- travel and tourism in Scotland, and meeting customer holiday needs
- travel and tourism in the UK and the rest of the world.

Where will I take the course?

- You will usually train at a local college. Training sessions will take place for a set number of hours and weeks during term time.

Work experience/placements

- You may be able to arrange a related work experience placement by speaking to your pastoral care or guidance teacher in school.
- You may be able to visit individual companies or hear about the industry from visiting speakers.

How will I be assessed?

Assessment will be based on a range of practical activities in real or simulated workplace settings. Tutors will observe and keep records of your work. Some assessment may be done online using an e-portfolio system.

Study Materials

What can I go on to next?

You may be able to progress to:

Employment /Training

- A Modern Apprenticeship leading to Travel Services Level 5 or 6 or Hospitality Level 5.

Further/Higher Education

- A one year full time NC or NQ in Travel and Tourism at a local college of further education.

Further study, training or employment in:

- Hospitality, Leisure and Tourism

- Transport and Distribution