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Board of Management Information Pack



OUR HISTORY



UHI Moray is based in Elgin, Moray, Scotland and was established in 1971 as Elgin Technical College, under the direct control of the local education authority. It was recognised as, and operated as, a further education college. In 1978 the college's name was changed to Moray College of Further Education.

The Further and Higher Education (Scotland) Act 1992 was passed to implement reforms discussed in the White Papers 'Access to Opportunity' and 'Higher Education – a New Framework'. Under the provisions of this legislation Moray College of Further Education, along with another 42 Scottish colleges, was transferred from local authority control on 1st April 1993. This process is commonly referred to as 'incorporation'.

At incorporation the name of the college changed to Moray College. In 1997 the college became an active partner in the University of the Highlands and Islands Project (UHIP) and increased its provision of higher education programmes. In April 2001 UHIP became a designated higher education institution known as UHI Millennium Institute (UHI) recognised for funding by the Scottish Funding Council.

In February 2011, UHI was granted full university status to become <u>The University of the Highlands</u> and Islands, with Moray College now becoming Moray College UHI (still the legal name of the college). In March 2022, the UHI partnership underwent a rebrand to where we are today, trading as 'UHI Moray'.

The University acts as the Regional Strategic Body (RSB) for the administration of funds to the college and the chair of the board will be a member of the University's Partnership Forum along with all other academic partner chairs.



STUDYING AT UHI MORAY

As both the college and university for Moray and being the third largest partner in the University of the Highlands and Islands (UHI), UHI Moray is a popular choice for students ranging from primary and secondary school pupils to more mature learners. Many study part-time and we are proud to be able to offer an extensive choice of courses on a flexible basis so that students can fit their studies around other professional and personal commitments.

UHI Moray now offers the complete range of qualifications, from SCQF levels 1 to 12, from entry level qualifications to PhD. This means that it is possible to start studying at UHI Moray at one level and then move onto another level in subsequent years. It is not unusual for students to stay with us for many years as they work their way from level to level.

Our graduation events celebrate student achievement across the whole spectrum of courses on offer here, and we recently had a student graduate with a degree (SCQF level 9) who had started on our Skills for Life provision (SCQF level 3) several years previously.

ENROLMENTS AND COURSES

During 2022/23 we enrolled 5,012 students across full time, part time and evening provision:

- Higher Education (HNC, HND degree, hons) 1091 enrolments of which 688 were full time.
- ₱ Further Education 3921 of which 709 were full time.
- **★** 16.5% of our overall FE credit activity was related to school pupils at S3 and above as part of Senior Phase School-link programmes.
- ♣ A total of 189 school pupils engaged in a Foundation Apprenticeship programme.

The opportunities provided by the unique model of flexible access to degree level study offered by the University of the Highlands and Islands continues to enable high numbers of students to engage in Higher Education in a way that responds to their needs.

Study options are provided on a full time, part time or modular basis, using a variety of delivery methods ranging from traditional delivery face-to-face in a classroom, by connecting remote learners using video conference technology, providing fully online virtual learning opportunities or via a blend of face-to-face and virtual learning.

Whatever delivery method is used, all students have access to a Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) which can be accessed remotely at a time that suits each individual student.

UHI Moray offers a broad range of courses covering many subject areas. The mix of vocational, highly practical courses and theoretical, academic study options means that there are opportunities to support all students into successful career fields of their choice.

Our HE curriculum has a particular focus on Education, Art, Integrative Health and Computing as we are the lead partner within the UHI.

Courses are offered at various levels of study from SCQF Level 1 within Skills for Life to post graduate opportunities which allow us to serve our local and regional communities, offering flexible solutions to learning needs.

BUSINESS AND COMMUNITY

We are very keen to work closely with local businesses and the community. We believe that the learning experiences we offer need to grow and develop in line with developments in the wider Moray community.

We want to ensure that we are training employees that will meet future industry needs and that we are reaching out to, and involving, community organisations in our work. As well as offering a wide range of learning opportunities (including short and evening courses), we also have a range of facilities available for hire to individuals and organisations.

Positive strategic links have been established with Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE), Moray Council, Moray Community Planning Partnership, Skills Development Scotland (SDS) and employer organisations. A member of the Board of Management sits on the Moray Community Planning Partnership.

ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL CENTRE FOR DIGITAL HEALTH

It may be one of Scotland's smallest regions, but when it comes to Life Sciences and Education, Moray punches well above its weight.

The Alexander Graham Bell Centre for Digital Health (AGB Centre), situated in Elgin, Moray's historic administrative centre, is a research, education and business hub. The Centre, located on our main campus, was designed to bring together expertise in Digital Healthcare and Life Sciences within the region and across Scotland.

The Centre is an alliance between UHI Moray, Moray's healthcare provider NHS Grampian, and Highlands and Islands Enterprise, the economic development agency for the Highlands and Islands of Scotland.

The building provides teaching facilities for our students and houses medical research and training rooms used by NHS Grampian, including the Ambulance Service. From July 2022 the building will also host a state-of-the-art, demonstration and simulation environment for the Moray Growth Deal project on Digital Health and Care Innovation.





ADDITIONAL RELEVANT INFORMATION

- **UHI Moray Website**
- **CDN College Board Member Guide 2015**
- **Code of Good Governance for Scotland's Colleges**
- Guide to Key Functions, Constitution and Proceedings of Incorporated College Boards
- **★** Meet the Board

