

# College / Apprenticeship Applications

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# Learning Intention

- In today's lesson:
  - I am learning about college and apprenticeship applications.
  - I am learning about my college/apprenticeship programme.
  - I am developing my knowledge of college courses.
- Success Criteria:
  - I will be successful when I understand what is expected of me and begin my college course research.

# College Applications

- This session focuses on you preparing to apply to college.
- In the next 2 weeks, you will write a personal statement.



# College applications are coming!

- Colleges will open for August course applications mid Jan.
- City of Glasgow College normally opens first.
- Be prepared for courses opening so you can apply as soon as they open.

# First come, first served!

- Many college courses open and close within days!
- Selection often done by who applied first.
- Make sure you are one of these people.

# College Options

- Apply to all colleges to give yourself options.
  - City of Glasgow College  
<https://www.cityofglasgowcollege.ac.uk/user/login?destination=/applications/overview>
  - Glasgow Clyde College
    - Anniesland, Cardonald, Langside  
<https://www.glasgowclyde.ac.uk/>
  - West College Scotland
    - Clydebank, Paisley  
<https://www.westcollegescotland.ac.uk/>
  - Glasgow Kelvin College
    - Springburn, Easterhouse  
<https://www.glasgowkelvin.ac.uk/>



# College Applications

- Need a college account to apply.
- You make an account by registering with an email address.
- Can be hard in school to make college account if you cannot access your email on your phone.
- Make sure you have a functioning, sensible email address which you can access

# College Personal Statements

- Around 300 words
- Things to cover in your personal statement:
  - Why you are interested in the subject
  - Skills, qualities and experience you have that are relevant to the course
  - Volunteering / hobbies that are relevant
- Use the personal statement worksheet to help you when you have decided what you are applying to.  
<https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/activity/creating-personal-statement-university-or-college>
- <https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/tutorial-writing-personal-statement-ucas-or-college-application>



# College view on applications

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BP4cDsH3PJA&feature=youtu.be>

# Career Webinars

- <https://www.myworldofwork.co.uk/careerjam-webinars>
- Applying for college
- Interview hints and tips

# Apprenticeships

- College may not be your first choice as you may prefer to get an apprenticeship.
- Apprenticeships are very competitive.
- You should have a college back up in case you don't secure an apprenticeship during the summer.
- **All pupils** should apply to college to give yourself options.
- If you don't take up the college place, that is fine!
- <https://www.apprenticeships.scot/>
- [www.glasgowguarantee.org](http://www.glasgowguarantee.org)

# Beginning college course research

- It is useful to know what college course level you will be applying to.
- It is a common mistake to forget about your S6 subjects and apply for the wrong course!
- Remember to think about all of your qualifications; remember to include S6 subjects.

# College course levels

College Course Level	School Grades Required
Introduction / Access / NPA	Sometimes no grades required
NC / NQ / NPA	A range of national 4 or national 5's are required
HNC	1 + Highers are required
HND	2 + Highers are required

- This is a rough guide and you should check with each college/course.
- This is the minimum entry requirement.