

# University of the West of Scotland

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Institutional Entry Standards & Compliance: Nepal

🎓 INTERNAL ADMISSIONS & UNIVERSITY RECRUITMENT TEAMS • JUNE 2026

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# ACADEMIC ENTRY: UNDERGRADUATE

## Required Qualifications

- ✓ **Leaving Credentials:** Secondary School Leaving Certificate (Class 12) or equivalent.
- ✓ **Accreditation status:** Must be issued by a recognized National Examination Board (NEB) or equivalent.

## Entry Parameters

- ✓ **Academic Score minimums:** Requires a minimum score of **60%** or a cumulative GPA of **2.6**.
- ✓ **Application Scope:** Admits qualified candidates directly into Year 1 of standard Bachelor's degrees.

# ACADEMIC ENTRY: POSTGRADUATE

## Standard Degree Routes

- ✓ **4-Year Bachelor's Degree:** Direct admission requires a completed 4-year degree from an accredited university.
- ✓ **Performance Threshold:** A minimum score of **55%** or equivalent is strictly required.

## 3-Year Degree Exceptions & Limits

- ✓ **Ordinary Equivalent:** Evaluated strictly as a UK Ordinary Bachelor's degree.
- ✓ **Experience Clause:** Lower marks of 53%–54% require a minimum of 5 years of relevant or 4 years of managerial experience.
- ✓ **Pathway Option:** A Pre-Master's route is mandatory if experience criteria are not fully met.

# ADVANCED STANDING: BSC NURSING

## Target Academic Credentials

Designed for applicants holding a Secondary Education Examination (SEE / Grade 10) combined with a completed 3-year Proficiency Certificate Level (PCL) in Nursing.

## Required Professional Registration

Every applicant must hold a valid, active license from the Nepal Nursing Council (NNC) at the time of application submission.

## Direct Advanced Standing Entry

Qualifying candidates are eligible for direct admission into Year 3 of the BSc Nursing Studies program (1-year Top-up degree).



# ENGLISH COMPLIANCE & RESTRICTIONS



## Waivers Banned

No English waivers are granted based on a Medium of Instruction (MOI) letter from Nepalese universities or schools.



## Physical Proof

All Nepalese passport holders must submit an approved physical English test certificate taken within the last 2 years.



## Home Exams Banned

All online, proctored, or home-based tests (e.g., IELTS Indicator, PTE Online) are entirely banned for applicants from Nepal.

# FINANCIAL RISK & CAS ISSUANCE

**75%**

**Mandatory Pre-CAS Deposit**

## **Visa Risk Management Directive**

Strict financial gatekeeping is actively enforced for the Nepal market to secure the university's low visa-refusal standing with UKVI.

A minimum deposit of **75% of the total tuition fee** must be successfully paid and cleared prior to CAS issuance. General exemptions are not permitted.

# BUSINESS & CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

## Academic & Corporate Portfolios

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- ✓ **Global accreditations:** Business programs are certified by professional associations, ensuring high-value training.
- ✓ **Modern learning:** Includes access to modern trading labs, interactive business simulators, and real-case studies.

## Creative Hub Facilities

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- ✓ **Creative spaces:** Houses dedicated television, radio, and performance spaces for student development.
- ✓ **Industry collaborations:** Partners with prominent national broadcasting and creative media companies.

# COMPUTING, ENGINEERING & SCIENCE

## Modern Academic Infrastructure

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- ✓ **Dedicated Research Labs:** Features cybersecurity suites, network engineering nodes, and manufacturing facilities.
- ✓ **Industry software links:** Incorporates industry-standard engineering suites and programming ecosystems.

## Professional Pathways

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- ✓ **Accredited courses:** Engineering and science disciplines are mapped against standard UK professional frameworks.
- ✓ **Industrial focus:** Hands-on projects structured around contemporary global technology challenges.

# SCHOOL OF HEALTH & LIFE SCIENCES

## Healthcare Training Suites

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- ✔ **State-of-the-Art Simulation:** Replicates active hospital ward environments, featuring automated clinical mannequins.
- ✔ **Bioscience Laboratories:** Equipped for cell culture analysis, chemical screening, and medical research.

## Clinical Partnerships

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- ✔ **Placement networks:** Strong operational links to Scotland's NHS and regional health trusts.
- ✔ **Professional licensing:** Aligns modules directly with nursing, midwifery, and life science councils.

# MODERN CAMPUSES IN UK



## Paisley & Lanarkshire

Paisley campus spans 20 acres in town centre. Lanarkshire features a sustainable £110m award-winning smart academic build.



## Ayr & Dumfries

Ayr Campus provides modern riverside spaces. Dumfries offers state-of-the-art facilities inside a peaceful historic estate.



## London Campus

Situated in the capital's Docklands district, offering modern, flexible learning models in a global business hub.

# STUDENT ACCOMMODATION SETUP

## On-Campus Options (Paisley & Ayr)

- ✓ **Residential Features:** Comfortable en-suite single-occupancy study bedrooms grouped in 4-to-6 person flats.
- ✓ **Shared Conveniences:** Includes fully integrated kitchens, relaxation lounges, and on-site laundry resources.

## Security & Support Systems

- ✓ **Safe Environment:** 24-hour campus security presence, keycard-access systems, and extensive CCTV protection.
- ✓ **Social Integration:** On-site resident student assistants to support transition and organize social programs.

# COMPREHENSIVE STUDENT SUPPORT



## Academic Skills Support

One-to-one tutoring, essay writing skills workshops, citation guidance, and mathematics support centers.



## International Advisers

Dedicated staff providing visa guidance, cultural orientation, student life support, and welfare advice.



## Health & Counseling

Professional counselors on campus offering confidential health support and mental well-being assistance.

# CAREERS & EMPLOYABILITY

## Strategic Employment Framework

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- ✔ **Industry Mapping:** Curriculum designed to match real, current demands of the UK and global economies.
- ✔ **The Handshake Platform:** Complete access to global job boards, recruiting fairs, and business directories.

## Post-Study Visa Assistance

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- ✔ **Work Visa Alignment:** Practical legal advice on shifting to Graduate Route (PSW) visas upon graduation.
- ✔ **Networking events:** Regular alumni meetings and workshops featuring active business leaders.

# ACTIVE EMPLOYER ENGAGEMENT

## Recruitment and Career Fairs

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- ✓ **Targeted events:** Regular recruitment events connecting companies to our students across computing, business, and health fields.
- ✓ **Mock assessments:** Interview simulations and screening exercises matching active corporate hiring practices.

## Practical Industry Links

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- ✓ **Internships and Placements:** Integration of hands-on working experience inside multiple programs.
- ✓ **Practical Masterclasses:** Regular guest lectures from industry professionals on dynamic workplace trends.

# ACADEMIC INFRASTRUCTURE SUMMARY

## **Recognized Academic Quality**

UWS is recognized for social inclusion and delivers career-focused degrees where 90% of university research is classed as world-leading or internationally recognized (REF 2021).

## **Multi-Disciplinary Choice**

Flexible undergraduate, postgraduate, and PhD programs taught across four modern campuses in Southwest Scotland and our London Campus.

## **Targeted Career Alignment**

Dedicated student services, safe campus housing, academic skills support, and proactive employer engagement programs ensure excellent graduate employability.

# INSTITUTIONAL FEES & BANDS

Tier Band & Program Type	Standard Annual Fees	Standard Minimum Deposit Required	Cas Deposit Requirement: Nepal
<b>Undergraduate Degrees</b> (Business / Humanities)	£14,500 - £16,000	Standard Regional Rate	<b>75% of Annual Fees</b>
<b>Undergraduate Science &amp; Lab Degrees</b>	£16,500 - £18,000	Standard Regional Rate	<b>75% of Annual Fees</b>
<b>Postgraduate Taught (PGT) Degrees</b>	£15,000 - £18,500	Standard Regional Rate	<b>75% of Annual Fees</b>
<b>PhD &amp; PG Research Degrees</b>	£17,000 - £19,500	Standard Regional Rate	<b>75% of Annual Fees</b>

# REFUND POLICY & GLOBAL LOGISTICS

## Fee Refunds and Exceptions

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- ✔ **Visa Refusal Exception:** Refunded in full (minus administrative fees) only if the visa refusal is not based on fraud.
- ✔ **Voluntary Withdrawal:** Restricted. Fees are generally non-refundable if a student withdraws voluntarily post-CAS.

## Global Financial Logistics

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- ✔ **Verification Timelines:** Student bank statements must be verified through institutional channels prior to CAS sign-off.
- ✔ **Document Validity:** Funds must meet the standard 28-day holding period rule without any transaction gaps.

# PRE-CAS CREDIBILITY INTERVIEWS

## Interview Structure and Focus

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- ✔ **Core Objective:** Confirms the student is a genuine applicant committed to completing their studies in the UK.
- ✔ **Core Assessment Themes:** Motivations for choosing UWS, details of the course modules, career goals, and finances.

## Assessing Candidate Performance

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- ✔ **Compliance Evaluation:** Applicants are scored on communication skills, subject knowledge, and financial clarity.
- ✔ **Standard Pass Mark:** Must pass with a minimum score of 70% to be cleared for final CAS processing.

# VISA COMPLIANCE PROTOCOLS

-  **Anti-Refusal Screening Policy**  
Rigorous pre-assessment of all educational histories to avoid academic progression refusals with UKVI.
-  **Strict Financial Document Verification**  
Enforcing verification of the 28-day holding period. Bank profiles must be audited through recognized institutional channels.
-  **Institutional Sign-Off Requirement**  
Final CAS release requires verified credibility scores, deposit clearance, and direct approval from the Compliance Director.

# NEPAL ADMISSIONS FAQs: PART 1

## Language Policy

**Q: Can students get an IELTS/PTE waiver based on an MOI letter?**

**Answer:** No. UWS strictly rejects all MOI waiver letters for Nepalese passport holders. Every applicant must submit a valid test certificate.

## Exam Formats

**Q: Will UWS accept online or home-based language tests?**

**Answer:** No, absolutely not. All online or proctored home-based English tests are entirely banned for applicants from Nepal. Only test-center exams are accepted.

## PCL Diploma (General Streams)

**Q: Can a 10+3 PCL Diploma in Business or IT get advanced standing into Year 2?**

**Answer:** No. For general streams, a 3-year PCL diploma is evaluated strictly as a UK Level 3 equivalent qualification. These applicants are eligible for direct entry into Year 1 only.

# NEPAL ADMISSIONS FAQs: PART 2

## PCL Nursing Route

**Q: Can a student with a 10+3 PCL in Nursing get advanced standing?**

**Answer:** Yes. Applicants holding a 3-year PCL in Nursing and a valid, active registration license from the Nepal Nursing Council (NNC) are eligible for direct Year 3 entry into BSc Nursing Studies.

## Work Experience

**Q: Is clinical hospital work experience mandatory for BSc Nursing Studies?**

**Answer:** It depends on the graduation timeline:

- Graduated within 5 years: Experience is not mandatory.
- Graduated over 5 years ago: Active clinical experience within the last 5 years is 100% mandatory.

## Gaps Guidelines

**Q: Are study or employment gaps accepted for Nepalese applicants?**

**Answer:** Yes, but they must be fully justified. Gaps exceeding 5 years for nursing require clinical verification. All gaps must be documented via experience letters or detailed reasoning in the Statement of Purpose (SOP).

# ADMISSIONS SUMMARY PROTOCOL



## **Academic Verifications**

Enforce the strict 60% / CGPA 2.6 undergraduate and 55% postgraduate minimums.



## **Zero-Tolerance Waivers**

Automatically filter out and reject home-based language tests and MOI requests.



## **Healthcare Checks**

Confirm valid Nepal Nursing Council (NNC) registration and apply the 5-Year Recency Rule on all PCL Nursing files.



## **Financial Pipeline**

Flag the mandatory 75% CAS deposit requirement at the earliest stage of student counseling.

# IMAGE SOURCES



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