University Early Student Enrolments AY 2021-22

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Summary: To request early information on student enrolments at Scotland’s universities in AY 2021-22 in order to monitor recruitment by level of study and domicile and to inform SFC planning

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Introduction

1. I am contacting you to request an early indication of your institution’s student enrolments in AY 2021-22. Institution representatives on SFC’s Institutional Group on Statistics were previously made aware that this request would be coming.

2. The reasons for asking for this information are to be able to advise the Scottish Government of any notable changes in enrolments by level of study or domicile and to assist SFC planning.

3. We do not intend to publish this information nor will we use it to inform or adjust allocations of funding.

4. The spreadsheet for providing the information has been sent to your institution contact for SFC returns and is also available for downloading from the SFC website.

5. This call for information now describes the information that is to be collected and the return date for the collection.

Early Student Enrolments Collection

6. The collection relates to all students who have so far commenced studies with the institution this academic session, including students who started but have already decided to leave or suspend their studies. This includes students who are studying online and not currently attending the university.

7. SFC requires the numbers of students who have commenced studies with the institution in AY 2021-22 split by
   - Domicile: Scotland; Rest of UK; EU; Other Overseas.
   - Level of Study: Research Postgraduate; Taught Postgraduate; Undergraduate.
   - Mode of Study: Full-time; Part-time.
   - Entrant Status: Entrant; Continuing Student.

8. The spreadsheet for the collection contains the definitions for these categories.

9. The spreadsheet for the collection gives institutions the opportunity to provide any caveats or contextual information that should be taken into account when looking at the figures provided.
Returning the Information and Return Date

10. Institutions should submit a completed collection by **Friday 29 October** to HEdataportal@sfc.ac.uk.

11. Any questions about the collection should also be sent to HEdataportal@sfc.ac.uk.

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