

# Applying to Edinburgh College

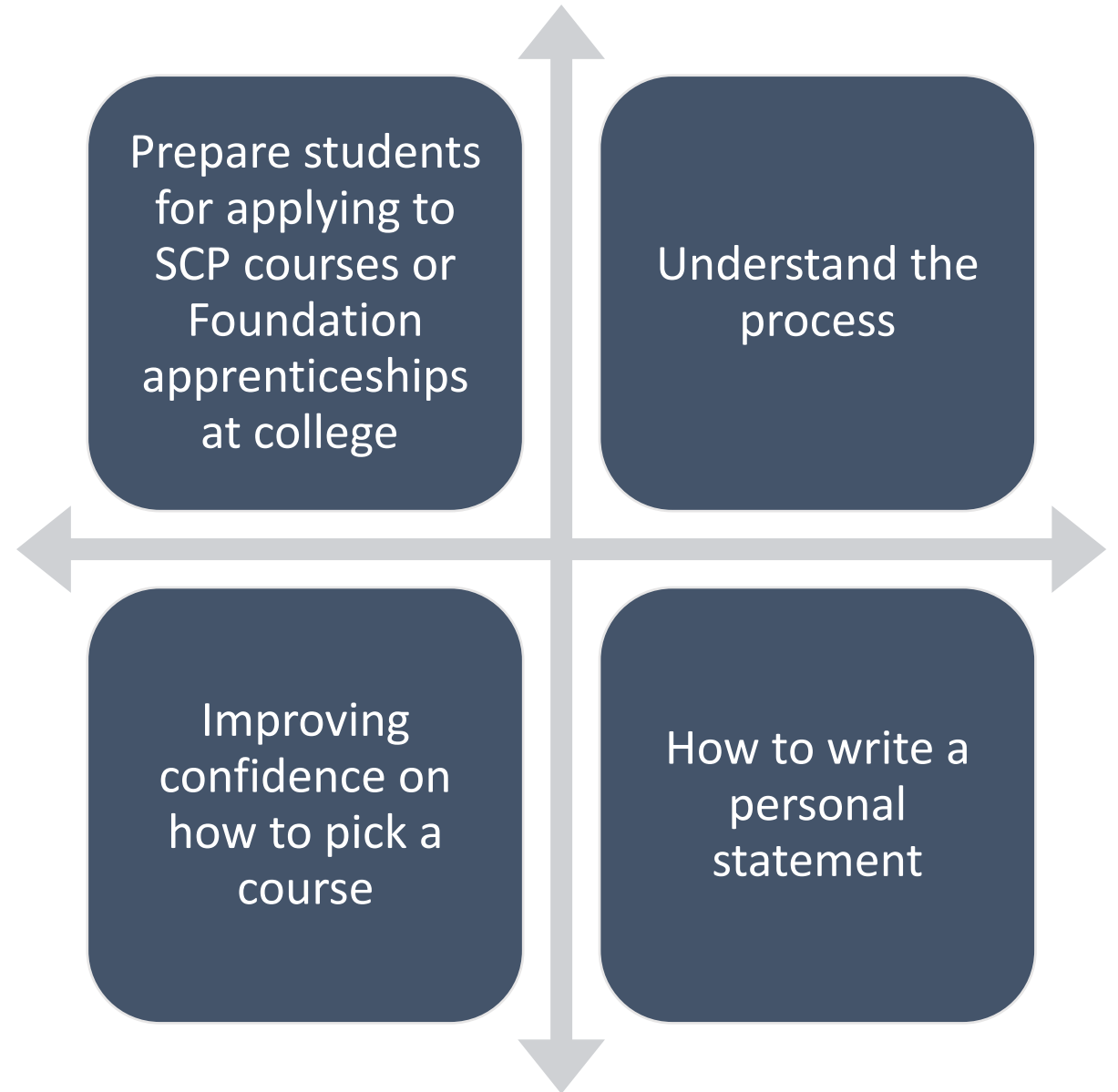
SCP and Foundation apprenticeships

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# Aim of this session:



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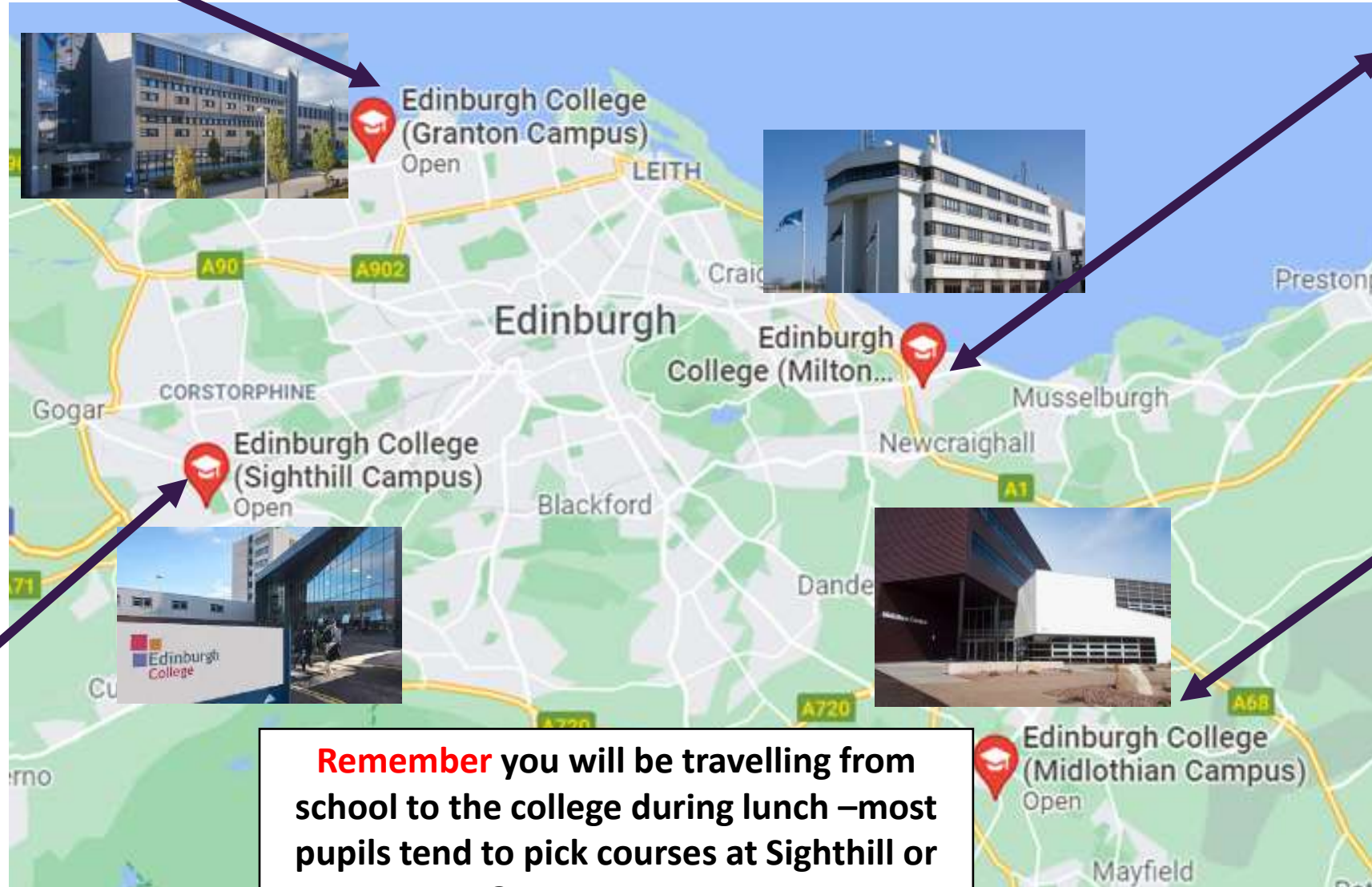
The Apprentice Restaurant,  
Art and Design studios  
Construction Centre  
Dental Nursing facilities  
Hair, Barbering, Beauty and  
Complementary Therapies  
salons  
Performing Arts Studio  
Scotland (PASS)



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## MILTON RD CAMPUS

Broadcast Media facilities  
The Club  
CRE:8  
Eh15 Restaurant  
Hair, Barbering, Beauty and  
Complementary Therapies  
salons  
Music and Sound  
Production studios  
The Club Gym and Spa



## SIGHTHILL CAMPUS

Broadcast Media and  
Photography studios  
Centre for Sport and Exercise  
Community Garden  
Science laboratories  
The Music Box



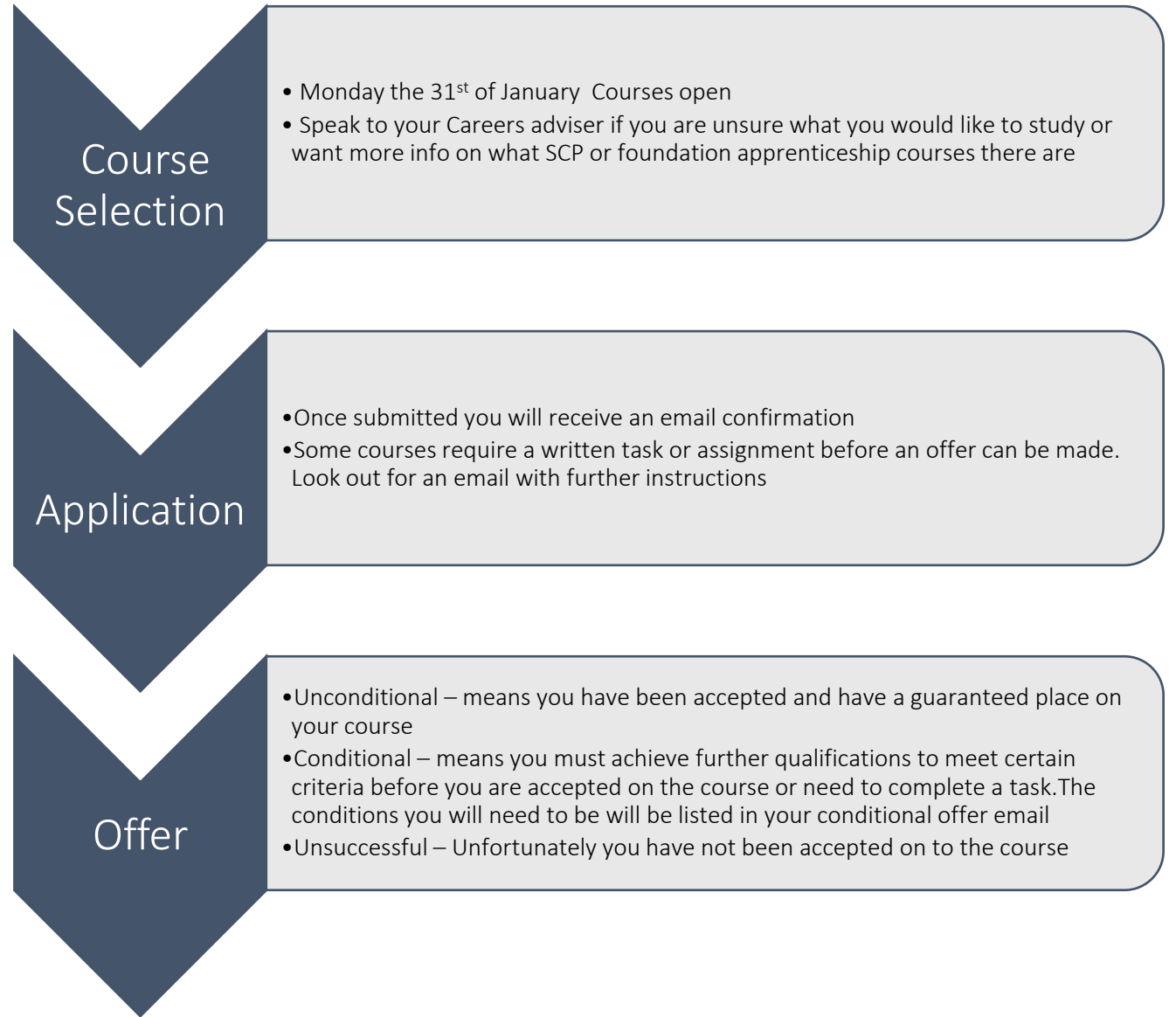
## MIDLOTHIAN CAMPUS

Automotive Engineering  
workshops  
Childhood Practice and SVQ  
Provision  
MacTaggart Scott Hydraulics,  
Pneumatics and PLC  
Laboratory  
Oil Production Platform  
Simulator  
Solar Meadow  
Specialist Instrumentation and  
Control engineering  
workshops



**Remember** you will be travelling from  
school to the college during lunch –most  
pupils tend to pick courses at Sighthill or  
Granton campus

# Application Process




# Key points

- 31<sup>st</sup> January - Application Opening Dates
- You can apply for one than one course but you will eventually have to choose as they all run at the same time
- **Note** that some courses are just open for S6 pupils and foundation apprenticeships are normally just for those going into S5
- SCP or foundation apprenticeship courses count as one of your subjects
- You will go to college two afternoon per week – normally on a Tuesday and Thursday
- Remember to check your emails and **CONFIRM** your acceptance of the course.
- Normally the Construction SCP course is the most competitive – apply for this as soon as you can
- Applications will stay open for 6 weeks

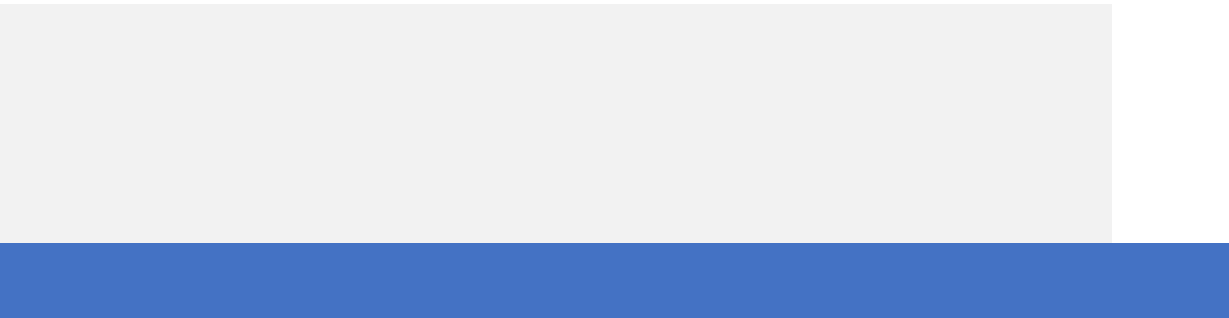
SCP/FA Application Timeline											
	31-Jan	07-Feb	14-Feb	21-Feb	28-Feb	07-Mar	14-Mar	21-Mar	28-Mar	04-Apr	11-Apr
SCP/FA courses open	w/c 31/01										
6 week application window											
Courses which have reached maximum applications close							18-Mar				
Application review and offers made								ongoing ---->			
Application tasks (course specific) allocated at point of application									28-Mar		
Deadline for submission of tasks										01-Apr	
Review of Application Tasks by curriculum									ongoing ----->		
Courses with places available remain open for application until notified.									ongoing ----->		

# What is a Foundation apprenticeship and what type of courses are offered as part of the school college partnership?




Our **Schools College Partnership (SCP)** offers a wide range of part-time college courses for S4-S6 pupils and provides greater choice in a variety of subjects which may not be available at school e.g. criminology or costume design. SCP courses count as one of your column choices which can be added into your existing timetable. Pupils study their college course on two afternoons per week.

**Foundation Apprenticeships (FAs)** are work-based qualifications for senior-phase secondary school pupils in industry sectors of key growth. It's a qualification that takes you out of the classroom and gives you a chance to try out a career while you are still at school. You can choose a Foundation Apprenticeship as one of your subjects in S5 and takes two years to complete, it's the same level of learning as a Higher (SCQF Level 6) and is accepted by college and all Scottish Universities as Higher equivalent.



# List of Foundation Apprenticeships



Accountancy  
Business Skills  
Creative and Digital Media (with or without Graphic Design)  
Engineering  
Financial Services  
IT: Software Development  
Scientific Technologies (Laboratory Skills)  
Social Services and Healthcare

The first year of a foundation apprenticeship normally involves learning the theory behind the subject and the second year involves getting to do a work placement.

## **Where can it take me?**

Doing a foundation apprenticeship can lead to direct access to a range of full time college courses

It is also useful if you plan to do a modern or graduate apprenticeship after leaving school

It can help with university applications as it counts as a higher and gives you skills and experience you can talk about in your personal statement

# How to apply

1. Follow this [link](#) to browse the courses on offer

(make sure the date is August 2022 as the college still have some courses with last year's date on the website!)

\*also note you may have to present /click from the beginning on the slide show to get the link to work

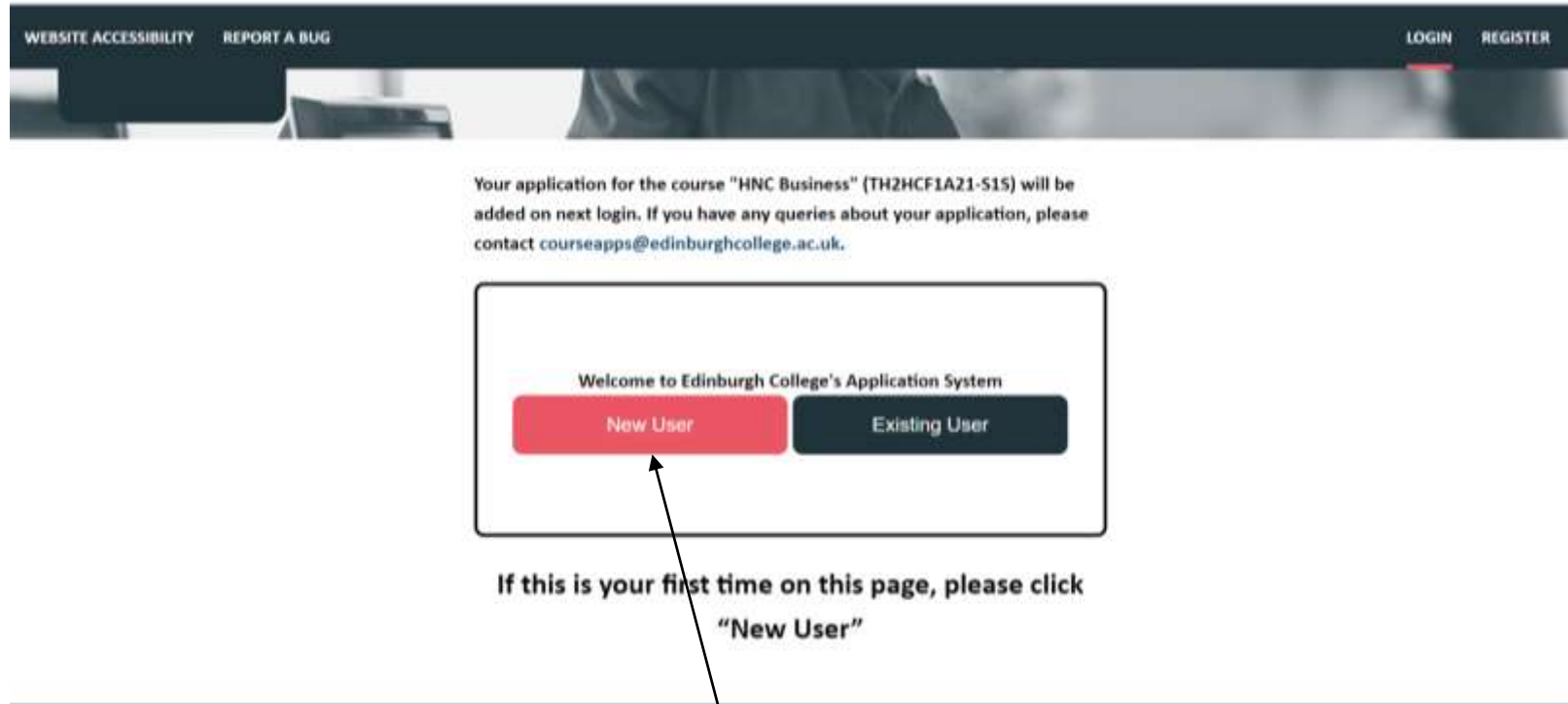


# How to apply

Click apply now button

The screenshot shows the Edinburgh College website interface. At the top left is the Edinburgh College logo. A navigation menu includes links for Courses, Info and Advice, About Us, Facilities and Services, Employers, and International. On the right of the menu are icons for Shortlist (with a notification badge) and Search. The main content area features the course title 'Access to Foundation Apprenticeship in Engineering' in large text. To the right of the title are four key details: Campus (Midlothian Campus), Study mode (Part time), Start date (Aug 2022), Qualification (SCQF Level 5), and Duration (42 weeks). Below the course title is a horizontal menu with links for Course overview, Entry requirements, Progression & career opportunities, and Study options. The 'Course overview' link is underlined. On the right side of this menu, there is a prominent blue 'Apply now' button with a right-pointing arrow, and below it, a smaller blue 'External Link' button. At the bottom of the page, the heading 'Course overview' is followed by the text: 'This course is for pupils who are in their fourth year of high school. This'.

# Application Step by Step



WEBSITE ACCESSIBILITY REPORT A BUG LOGIN REGISTER

Your application for the course "HNC Business" (TH2HCF1A21-S15) will be added on next login. If you have any queries about your application, please contact [courseapps@edinburghcollege.ac.uk](mailto:courseapps@edinburghcollege.ac.uk).

Welcome to Edinburgh College's Application System

New User Existing User

If this is your first time on this page, please click "New User"

The screenshot shows a dark navigation bar at the top with links for 'WEBSITE ACCESSIBILITY', 'REPORT A BUG', 'LOGIN', and 'REGISTER'. Below the navigation bar is a message about the application for the 'HNC Business' course. A central box contains a welcome message and two buttons: 'New User' (highlighted in red) and 'Existing User'. Below this box, a text prompt asks users to click 'New User' if it's their first time. An arrow from the text 'Click new user' at the bottom points to the 'New User' button.

Click new user

# Application Step by Step

**Register**

New Visitor ?


**First name\***  
*This is your official name and will be used on your qualification certificate*

**Surname\***  
*This is your official name and will be used on your qualification certificate*

**Have you been a UK / EU resident for the last 3 years and hold either:**

- UK/Irish nationality,
- EU Settlement Scheme ('Settled/'Pre-settled') status,
- Indefinite Leave to Remain/Settlement, or
- Refugee / Asylum-seeker status

Fill in all the registration questions and click register at the bottom of the page



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Please confirm if the email "cara.dav@outlook.com" is the email you would like to be contacted with in regards to your applications. [Confirm](#) [It is not correct \(update email/username\)](#)

## Applications

Course Title	Status	Edit	Delete
PDA Criminology (SCP)	Unsubmitted	<a href="#">Edit</a>	<a href="#">Delete</a>

[Edit Application](#)

**Click the edit button and this will take you to your application**

# Next Steps

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Use this video to help with your application!

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You can watch this [video](#) from the college

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Contact your school careers adviser if you would like your personal statement checked or need further help

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**Make sure to get your application within the next 6 weeks**

# Application Step by Step

WEBSITE ACCESSIBILITY REPORT A BUG COURSES MAILBOX TEXTS APPOINTMENTS CURRENT APPLICATION MANAGE ACCOUNT LOGOUT

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## PDA Criminology (SCP) (Flexible)

Personal Information Residency Qualifications Address Details Supporting Your Needs Care Equal Opportunities Personal Statement

Confirm And Apply

**PERSONAL INFORMATION**

First name\* ?

*This is your official name and will be used on your qualification certificate*

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**You are now ready to start your application**

**Fill out all the sections**

**In the qualifications section remember to add in the qualifications you are studying this year! You click pending for the ones you are sitting this year**

**See the following slides for advice on the personal statement**

**When you are ready click submit!**

## Personal Statement

Why this course?

Anything in particular you are excited to study (check modules)

Any key skills and strengths you have that would make you a suitable candidate

What skills do you have that relates to the course



## Career Aspirations

What are your goals

How can this course help you achieve this



## Relevant Experience

Do you have any work experience,volunteering part time jobs?

How do your school subjects relate? What skills have they given you?



## looking to the future

Where do you hope to go following this course? Don't worry if you are not sure yet –you can just talk about looking forward to learning in a new environment etc

How will this FA or SCP course be useful to you?

# Example Personal Statement

- My passion for studying history has developed from my interest in exploring how the past can allow for greater understanding of society in the present. Many of the subjects I studied in school, as well as my current college course within social science have allowed me to look at past historical events and think about how these relate to modern societal issues. I have always had an interest in my own family's past. My grandad fought in the Second World War and I found it fascinating to learn about his role and what life was like back then. This is what started my enthusiasm for studying World War Two and this interest has stayed with me throughout my life. I am passionate about Scottish history but would also value the chance to study history and explore its relation to politics and culture around the world.
- My school studies have also helped prepare me for further study. Studying Higher history, RMPS and modern studies has allowed me to develop skills in essay writing, working within a group and improved my skills in delivering presentations. Additionally, these subjects have given me skills in exploring different societal issues through research and critical analysis.
- My work experience through school allowed me to improve upon my general employability skills and has given me an insight into the world of work. I received an excellent report as the teacher felt I had good communication skills and was a good role model.
- In my spare time I enjoy continuously learning and have taken part in school trips outside of school, including with my RMPS class to a Buddhist monastery. This gave me insight into the life of a Buddhist monk and how they eat, practice their religion and live daily. I feel that I am an inquisitive person and therefore enjoy finding out about different religions and ways of living.
- My previous studies within both school and college have allowed me to explore various social subjects and led me to focus on history. I feel that studying history would allow me to challenge myself in new ways and I would value the opportunity to see where studying history could take me in the future.



# FAQS

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**When will I hear back?** Take a look at the timeline on slide 5 , applications stay open for 6 weeks , after this you may receive an offer or a task to complete straight away or again it may take a few weeks

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**Who do I contact with questions about my application:** see details below

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**General help:** Please e-mail [schools@edinburghcollege.ac.uk](mailto:schools@edinburghcollege.ac.uk) with your request.

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**Foundation Apprenticeships**      **Matt Quinn** [matthew.quinn@edinburghcollege.ac.uk](mailto:matthew.quinn@edinburghcollege.ac.uk)

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**Access & Continuing Education (ACE)** **Steven Craig** [steven.craig@edinburghcollege.ac.uk](mailto:steven.craig@edinburghcollege.ac.uk)

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**SCP Helpline number : 0131 297 8649**

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**What happens if I do not meet my conditions:** If you do not meet your conditions it may be worth calling the helpline as sometimes you can still get a place or may be offered a place on another course

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**What happens if I change my mind and don't want to go to college:** its ok to change your mind! You can just contact the college using the number or email above and let them know

# Contact Details

- Boroughmuir High School Careers Adviser:  
[Cara.davidson@sds.co.uk](mailto:Cara.davidson@sds.co.uk)