

# ***SCQF: Alternative Pathways, the Power is in your Hands***

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SCQF Levels	SQA Qualifications			Qualifications of Higher Education Institutions	Apprenticeships & SVQs
12				Doctoral Degree	Professional Apprenticeship
11				Masters Degree, Integrated Masters Degree, Post Graduate Diploma, Post Graduate Certificate	Graduate Apprenticeship Professional Apprenticeship SVQ
10				Honours Degree, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate	Graduate Apprenticeship Professional Apprenticeship
9			Professional Development Award	Bachelors / Ordinary Degree, Graduate Diploma, Graduate Certificate	Graduate Apprenticeship Technical Apprenticeship SVQ
8		Higher National Diploma		Diploma Of Higher Education	Higher Apprenticeship Technical Apprenticeship SVQ
7	Advanced Higher, Awards, Scottish Baccalaureate	Higher National Certificate		Certificate Of Higher Education	Modern Apprenticeship SVQ
6	Higher, Awards, Skills for Work Higher				Modern Apprenticeship Foundation Apprenticeship SVQ
5	National 5, Awards, Skills for Work National 5				Modern Apprenticeship SVQ
4	National 4, Awards, Skills for Work National 4	National Certificate	National Progression Award		SVQ
3	National 3, Awards, Skills for Work National 3				
2	National 2, Awards				
1	National 1, Awards				

# Beyond mainstream qualifications?

- Awarding bodies
- SCQF Database
- Programme Development/  
Third Party credit rating

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11	<b>Examples of CLD and non-mainstream programmes on the SCQF</b>		<b>Mind over Matter</b> <i>Decision Making Processes</i>	<b>Chartered Management Institute</b> <i>Diploma in Strategic Management and Leadership</i>	<b>Police Scotland College</b> <i>Strategic Community Safety</i>
10			<b>Mercat Tours Ltd.</b> <i>Walking Tour Guiding</i>	<b>abdi</b> <i>Professional Certificate in Evaluating Human Capital Investment</i>	<b>City of Edinburgh Council (CLD)</b> <i>Leading a Project</i>
9			<b>Mountain Training Scotland</b> <i>Winter Mountain Leader Award</i>	<b>Young Enterprise Scotland</b> <i>Can, Plan, Do: Supporting the Enterprise Journey</i>	<b>Innovate Now Ltd</b> <i>Innovate Leadership Programme</i>
8		<b>COSCA</b> <i>Certificate in Counselling Supervision Skills</i>	<b>Deafblind</b> <i>Diploma in Deafblind Studies</i>	<b>The Governance Forum</b> <i>The Governance Certificate Course</i>	<b>College Development Network</b> <i>Cooperative Learning Principles and Practice</i>
7	<b>The Boy's Brigade</b> <i>George VI Leadership Programme</i>	<b>SQA Awarding Body</b> <i>Supporting Employment Practice</i>	<b>Notre Dame Centre</b> <i>Seasons For Growth</i>	<b>Royal Conservatoire of Scotland</b> <i>Introduction to Actor Training</i>	<b>Community Development Foundation</b> <i>LEAP Training</i>
6	<b>South Ayrshire Council</b> <i>Adult Literacy &amp; Numeracy Volunteer Tutor</i>	<b>The British Computer Society</b> <i>ECDL Advanced</i>	<b>Glasgow Life</b> <i>First Steps in Adult Literacy Tutoring</i>	<b>TUC Education</b> <i>Certificate for Trade Union Learning Representatives</i>	<b>Diversity Matters</b> <i>Everyone Together</i>
5	<b>Cycling Scotland</b> <i>Cycle Training Assistant</i>	<b>Rural &amp; Urban Training Scheme</b> <i>Bikefix Leadership Award</i>	<b>The Outward Bound Trust</b> <i>Adventure &amp; Challenge Award</i>	<b>Move On</b> <i>Volunteer Peer Education Excellence Programme</i>	<b>Youth Scotland</b> <i>Youth Achievement Awards - Silver</i>
4	<b>Calman Trust</b> <i>Live, Learn and Work</i>	<b>West College Scotland</b> <i>Care Matters</i>	<b>Learning Alliance Scotland</b> <i>Effective Mentoring &amp; Peer Education</i>	<b>New College Lanarkshire</b> <i>Relationships</i>	<b>Sports Leaders UK</b> <i>Award in Sports Leadership</i>
3	<b>Shetland College, UHI</b> <i>Letters, Leaflets and Labels</i>	<b>West Lothian Council</b> <i>Everyday Art and Media Literacies</i>	<b>East Ayrshire Council</b> <i>Integrated Youth Literacies</i>	<b>Rathbone</b> <i>OneLife</i>	<b>Lead Scotland</b> <i>Community Action and Leadership</i>
2	<b>ASDAN</b> <i>Employability Qualification</i>	<b>Playback ICE</b> <i>Moving On Transition in Action</i>	<b>Dundee and Angus College</b> <i>Home Skills</i>	<b>SQA Awarding Body</b> <i>Steps to Work Award</i>	<b>East Ayrshire Council</b> <i>Basic Computing</i>
1	<b>SQA Awarding Body</b> <i>Cycling Award</i>	<b>Borders College</b> <i>Ready for Retail</i>		<b>SQA Awarding Body</b> <i>Personal Achievement Bronze, Silver and Gold</i>	<b>Hidden Gardens Trust</b> <i>Organic Gardening &amp; Growing Skills</i>

- How can we get a programme credit rated?
- How does credit rating work?
- Who can do it?
- What are the advantages?

# How does learning appear on the SCQF?

- In order to for a programme to be on the SCQF it must be credit rated by a Credit Rating Body (CRB)

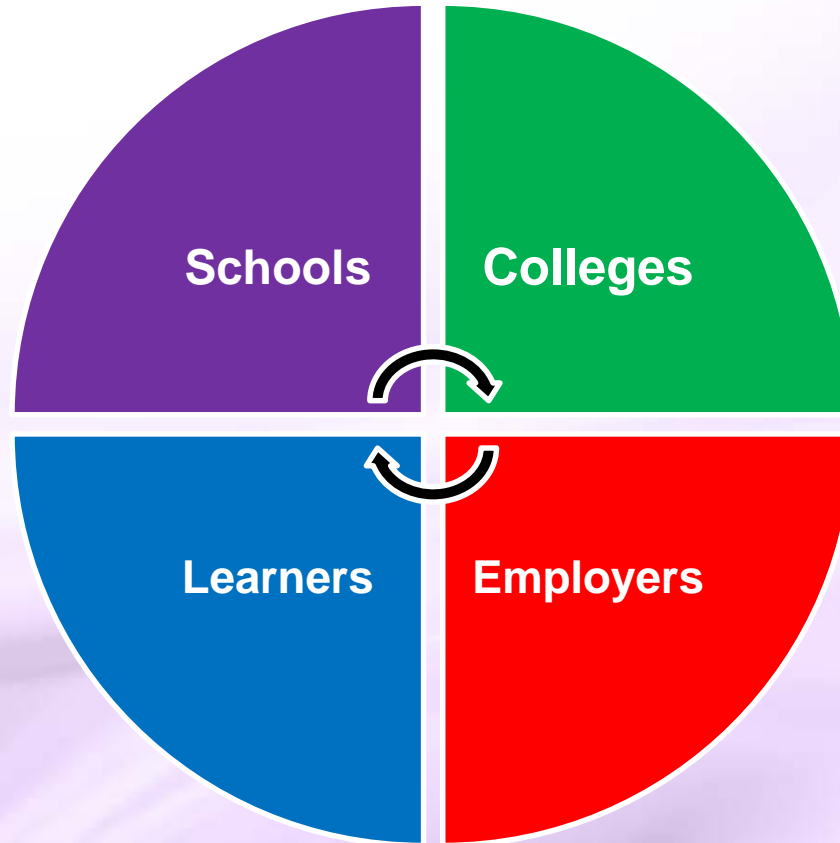
## The Credit Rating Bodies are:

- Universities
- Colleges
- SQA
- City & Guilds
- Chartered Banker Institute
- Scottish Police College
- ICAS
- Institute of Counselling
- Scottish Fire and Rescue Service College

To meet SCQF criteria a programme must:

- Learning outcomes
- An assessment plan
- Minimum of 10 Notional learning hours
- Quality Assurance plan (internal and external)

# Who can contribute to a learner pathway





# What are the advantages?

- Developing programmes to meet local/regional need
- Increases personalisation and choice for learners
- Don't like existing qualifications, develop your own
- Creates collaborative working practice

- We've never credit rated a programme before
- Takes too long
- Not on Insight

# What programmes could you potentially offer?

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# SCQF SCHOOL AMBASSADOR PROGRAMME

**scqf**  
scottish credit and  
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WHAT IS THE SCQF SCHOOL AMBASSADOR PROGRAMME?

# SCQF Partnership 2018 Conference

- **The SCQF Partnership will be hosting a Conference on Thursday 22nd of February 2018 at the Radisson Blu, Glasgow**

The conference will showcase all aspects of the Framework demonstrating its breadth and flexibility as a tool to facilitate lifelong learning in Scotland and its links with Scottish Government policy such as Developing the Young Workforce, Curriculum for Excellence and Delivering Excellence and Equity in Scottish Education.

- **Keynote address delivered by Deputy First Minister John Swinney**
- **Paul McKelvie OBE will chair the Conference**
- **Six workshops will be delivered by SCQFP partners highlighting contextualised use of the SCQF**
- **For more information and to register your interest please visit <http://scqf.org.uk/event/linking-the-learning-journey/>**