Building Creative Learning Partnerships
Maximising Student Success

The Open University in Scotland works with a range of organisations to build innovative partnerships providing unique opportunities for learners.

SUPPORTING STUDENT TRANSITIONS

Community Organisations
Informal and formal learning opportunities – supporting positive choices about learning pathways.

Schools
Young Applicants in Schools Scheme – bridging the gap between school and university, college or the workplace.

Colleges
Campus based models of college partnership – providing flexible progression from HND to degree level study.

Employers
Work-based learning partnerships – working with Scotland’s leading employers for a developed workforce.

Trade Unions
Working with Scottish Trades Union Congress and Scottish Union Learning – enabling lifelong learning and skills development.

WIDENING PARTICIPATION

INFORMAL AND FORMAL LEARNING

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Our partnership work supports pathways into and through a range of informal and formal study by providing the right support to students, at the right time and by the right people – raising learner aspirations and maximising success.

Schools
Studying my YASS course has really given me a big boost in confidence. I already know that when I get to university I will be able to cope with the standard and pace of learning just because I am already used to it at this stage.

YOUNG APPLICANTS IN SCHOOLS SCHEME

Colleges
I adjusted more quickly than expected. I doubt I would have completed the year however, had I not been college based with the support of peers and an excellent tutor.

CAMPUS BASED PARTNERSHIP WITH FIFE COLLEGE

Trade Unions
I would never have embarked on further education without this course and now I am a third of the way to completing my degree in Business Management, which I am committed to completing over the next four years.

SCOTTISH UNION LEARNING PARTNERSHIP

Employers
Open University training has shown me that making a few simple changes in the way we communicate can make all the difference… At Asda we pride ourselves on our warm and friendly service, and now we’ll be able to offer exactly the right support when we spot someone who is struggling.

WORK-BASED LEARNING PARTNERSHIP WITH ASDA

Community Organisations
I was looking around for something else to do… and at a meeting at the carers centre they told us about the course that they were running… I just put my name down that day and that was it… two years on from that day and I’m living a different life. It’s almost unbelievable!

CARING FOR CARERS PROJECT

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