



Evidence for Enhancement: Improving the Student Experience

The Scottish HE Data Landscape

An overview of: Unistats

Type and scope of the data

Unistats is an online course search site that contains official data for undergraduate courses offered at UK universities and colleges. Summary data at course level wherever possible, otherwise aggregated by subject and across two years - including student satisfaction (from the National Student Survey), graduate employment (from the Destination of Leavers of Higher Education survey (DLHE)), accreditation by professional bodies, student retention and degree results (HESA PIs), average entry tariff of previous cohorts. Primarily aimed at prospective students (and their parents) who wish to compare different courses/institutions before applying.

Time period of data renewal

Data is fully updated annually in September, with further ad hoc updates throughout the year when institutions update their curriculum (add/remove courses).

Questions that the data can help to explore or answer

Helpful for market analysis (for example, which institutions are offering courses in subject X, what courses are offered at institution Y). The only source of course-level data for the National Student Survey and DLHE (though data is often aggregated, see caveats below).

Important caveats, exclusions etc.

Small populations on courses means that data is often aggregated over two years and/or into broader subjects.

Publications/analyses which use the data

N/A

Where to find the data and any further published analysis

Unistats website: <https://unistats.ac.uk>