POSTGRADUATE CAMPAIGN GUIDELINES

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WELCOME TO OUR POSTGRADUATE CAMPAIGN GUIDELINES

They are intended to help you make efficient and creative choices when producing campaign materials.

Please take some time to read through them and see how all the elements come together.

Logos, graphic assets and templates are available via the Graphics and Print Team.



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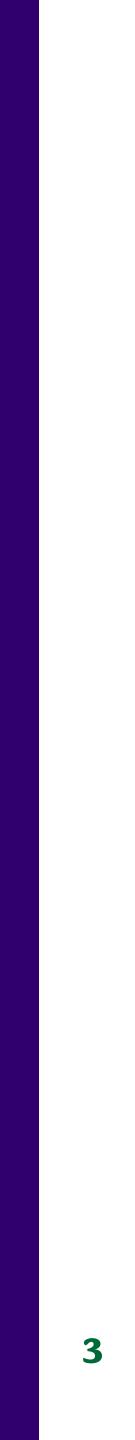
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MOTIVATIONS

When creating campaign messaging it is important to understand the key motivations for why a prospective student may want to apply for postgraduate study.

Our messaging is driven by four key motivations:

- \cdot to change
- \cdot to improve
- \cdot to specialise
- · to make a difference

For a career change

To make a difference in a chosen field

WHY DOES SOMEONE CHOOSE TO DO A POSTGRADUATE DEGREE?

To *improve* their career prospects

To *specialise* in a subject, improving skills and knowledge



KEY CAMPAIGN MESSAGE

The 'Be Stirling' campaign message has been created as an extension of our core brand message 'Be the difference'.

'Be Stirling' keeps our location at the forefront of campaign messaging, whilst presenting an emotive challenge for prospective students to realise their potential at our University.

'Be Stirling' can be used either as the primary message or, if this is not the case, it should be stacked above the 'Be the difference' sign off as shown on p21 of these guidelines.

When using 'Be Stirling' as the primary message, please use FS Maja Italic to ensure the University name stays true to the brand.

'Be' can also be used as a prefix to more targeted messaging relevant to a particular motivation.



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COPY COMPOSITION

The copy used in our communications should be constructed as per this generic example:

Qualifying copy Be a game-changer at Scotland's University for Sporting Excellence.

Key message Be game-changing

Supporting copy If you're looking to boost your prospects, change career or make a difference in your chosen field, a postgraduate degree could help you reach your goals.

Call to action stir.ac.uk/be-stirling

Sign off Be Stirling. Be the difference.









PRIMARY **COLOUR PALETTE**

Heritage Green and Heritage Purple should be the two dominant colours used on any Postgraduate campaign materials.

Energy Green, Heritage Teal, Energy Sky and Tertiary Grey can be used to support them.

As well as using these colours to create bold, vibrant designs, please ensure you use lots of white space to create strong compositions and some breathing space in large printed documents such as prospectuses.

To adhere to accessibility guidance online, please ensure that sufficient contrast levels exist between colour usage. For example, white text on an Energy Green background – and vice versa – must not be used.

For digital applications, please refer to the colour adjusted values in our Digital Guidelines document available at stir.ac.uk/brandbank

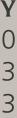
HERITAGE GREEN

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HERITAGE PURPLE PANTONE 2685 C98 M100 Y23 K16 R49 G0 B111

| HERITAGE TEAL | ENERGY GREEN |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| PANTONE 323 | PANTONE 368 |
| C100 M33 Y51 K31 | C60 M0 Y100 K0 |
| R0 G94 B99 | R118 G189 B34 |
| TERTIARY GREY | ENERGY SKY |
| PANTONE 400 | PANTONE 2915 |
| C26 M22 Y27 K3 | C62 M13 Y1 K0 |
| R197 G191 B183 | R95 G180 B229 |







SUPPORTING COLOUR PALETTE

You can use our supporting colour palette when creating weightier pieces such as prospectuses and booklets. Their use can be helpful for pacing and creating section markers internally.

Please do not use supporting colours on document covers, advertising, recruitment materials or emails so as not to dilute the campaign identity.

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ENERGY PALETTE

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| RGY GREEN | ENERGY YELLOW | ENERGY ORANGE | ENERGY BLUE |
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| NTONE 558 | PANTONE 7406 | PANTONE 158 | PANTONE 660 |
| V13 Y37 K1 | C6 M22 Y100 K0 | C0 M63 Y91 K0 | C77 M46 Y0 K0 |
| G190 B172 | R244 G196 B0 | R238 G118 B36 | R61 G125 B202 |
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THE 'BE' DEVICE

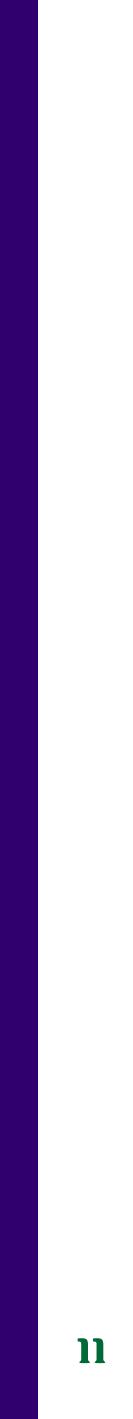
'BE' is the heart of the Postgraduate recruitment campaign.

Inspired by the University 'Be the difference' strapline, it gives us great flexibility and longevity in communicating the multitude of messages we need to convey to prospective and current audiences.

It is drawn in a paintbrush style to create energy and creativity which is also reflected in our other graphic elements on the following pages.







ALTERNATIVE 'BE' MESSAGING

Alternative messaging can be used in conjunction with 'BE' to tell different stories and communicate with varying audiences.

When using the messaging in this way, please use Avallon for the wording, however is some cases where spacing is tight or legibility may be an issue due to size, it is possible to use FS Maja Italic (see pages 36-37 as an example).













THE 'SHIELD' DEVICE

The 'shield' device has been drawn from our crest.

It's primary use is as a frame for key messaging (see next page), however it can also be used as part of an infographic (see page 24).

It can be used in any of the colours from the primary campaign colour palette outlined on page 10 or in white.

Please retain the proportions and the relationship between the two parts to maintain the integrity of the shield shape.







COMBINING THE 'BE' AND 'SHIELD' DEVICES

When using the 'Be Stirling' message (Fig.a), please use the supplied graphic assets from Graphics and Print. This is to ensure consistent application of this key campaign element.

When placing headline copy into the shield device, you can adjust the sizing and placement of the wording to suit the length of the word(s) you are using.

If ascenders within the messaging text are overlapping 'BE', please use different colours to ensure legibility. (Fig. b)

Please ensure that the messaging is always centrally aligned with the shield. (Fig. c)







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USING THE SHIELD TO CREATE SHAPE

It is possible to 'zoom into' the bottom half of the shield device to create dynamic shapes which you can use to create visual interest in your design.

This provides a bold design element to use in conjunction with imagery or when photography is not available.

The shield can be applied in any of the primary colour palette or white.





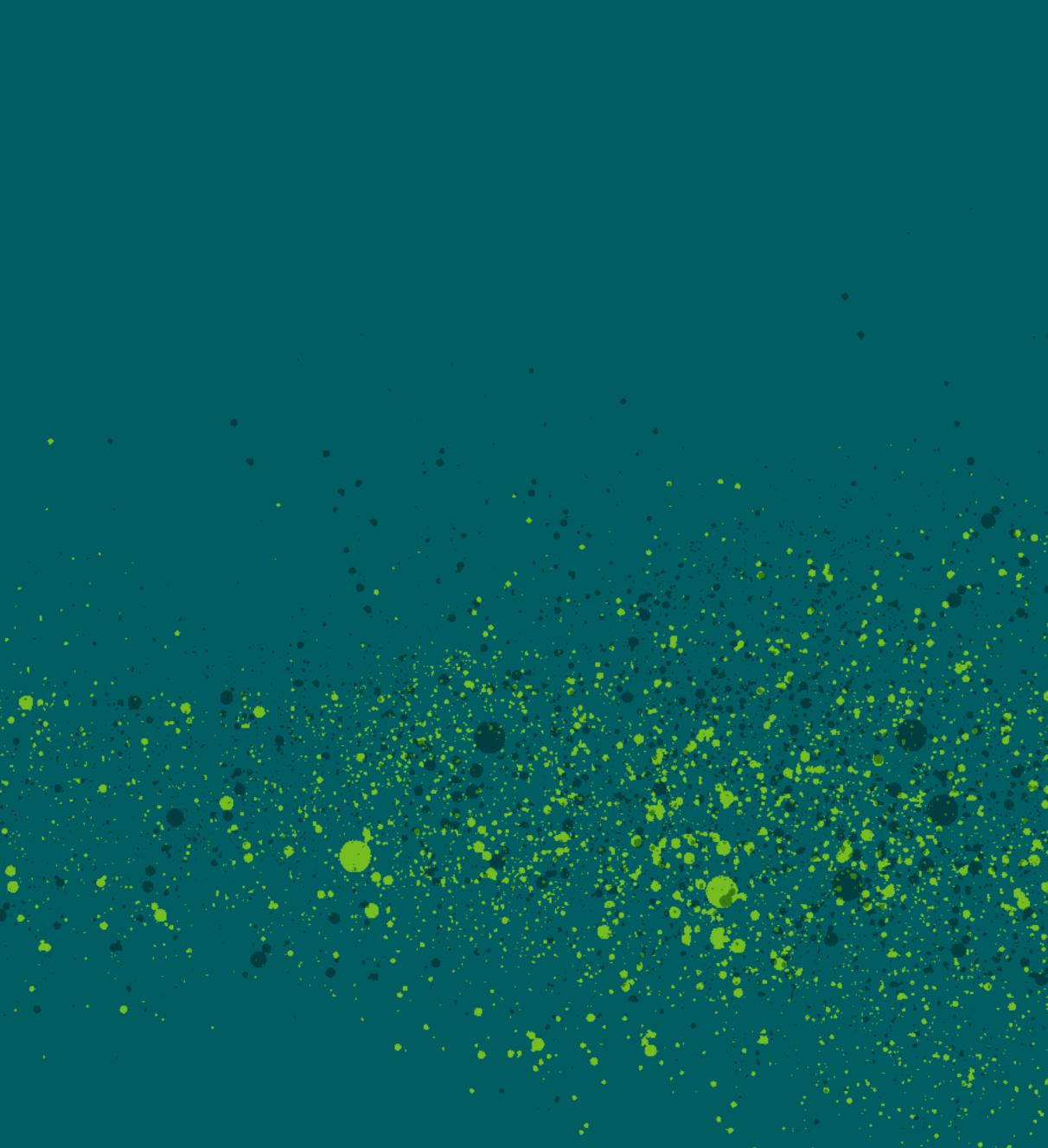


THE 'TEXTURE' DEVICE

To support the shield device, we also have a texture element which can be added as a layer to your design to add colour.

Please be sparing in your use of this texture; it should not dominate a graphic or sit over faces or text. Subtlety can be gained by taking down the opacity depending on the contrast against the image it is placed over.

This texture is available as a .BMP file so it can be applied in any colour from the primary colour palette (defined on page 10).







COMBINING **THE VISUAL ELEMENTS**

By layering the visual elements we can build an energetic and unique visual which can be applied across all media.

Opposite and on the following two pages are some best-practice examples, but please use your judgement to work with the space on the image and the dimensions your design is constrained by.

It is not necessary to use all the elements in all circumstances; for example, when creating small digital ads where space is very limited you can be more selective in your choices.

For examples of the elements used in various media, please refer to the Design Templates section of this document, starting on page 24.





COMBINING THE VISUAL ELEMENTS

The visual elements can be used without an image.



Boost your knowledge with researchled teaching at a top 5 UK university for institute and course quality.



COMBINING THE VISUAL ELEMENTS

A simplified visual, using the minimum elements.



Raise your game with sports facilities rated No.1 in Scotland and No.2 in the UK



TYPOGRAPHY

Please only use the campaign typefaces defined opposite.

Avallon is available to purchase from www.setsailstudios.com FS Maja is available to purchase from www.fontsmith.com Frutiger is available to purchase from www.linotype.com

Where access to FS Maja or Frutiger is not possible, please use Calibri which is available as a system font on all computers.

The web-accessible equivalent for Frutiger is Open Sans which is available to download from **fonts.google.com**

Please see page 34 for a best practice example of typeface hierarchy.

A note for University staff

Every Directorate and Faculty, and other regular brand users, will be provided with FS Maja by the Marketing team. Licences for Fruitger are held by the University's Graphics and Print team. Avallon lowercase should be used for master campaign messaging.

USE FS MAJA REGULAR UPPERCASE FOR HEADLINES.

FS Maja sentence case should be used for sub-headings and supporting copy.

Frutiger should be used for body copy and small type. It can be used in a variety of **weights**.



'BE THE DIFFERENCE' STRAPLINE

The 'Be the difference' strapline is a core element of the University brand and its presence across all our communications is essential to creating continuity of message.

Therefore please ensure it is applied to all Postgraduate campaign materials where physically possible.

As a rule of thumb, the strapline should be present wherever the University logo appears, so for example on the cover of printed documents, recruitment fair materials such as banners and table talkers, as well as both online and offline advertising. There may be some circumstances on small digital ads where there is no room, so the strapline may be omitted.

Please see page 23 for guidance on design application.





'BE THE DIFFERENCE' STRAPLINE

Please see opposite for which version of the strapline to use depending on content. For design template application, please refer to page 23 to ensure the strapline is positioned and sized correctly in relation to the University logo.

On a light background For use when secondary messaging is the hero e.g '*Be Welcome*'.

For use when '*Be Stirling*' is the hero messaging. (On a light background)

On a dark background For use when secondary messaging is the hero e.g 'Be Welcome'.

For use when '*Be Stirling*' is the hero messaging. (On a light background) With box (preferred usage)

Without box (alternative)

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'BE THE DIFFERENCE' STRAPLINE EXAMPLES

Figure a demonstrates how 'Be Stirling' is incorporated into the strapline when alternative hero messaging is used.

Figure b shows how the simplified version of the strapline is used when 'Be Stirling' is the hero message.

Fig. a



Fig. b





INFOGRAPHIC STYLE

Infographics are a great way of conveying our impressive facts and figures succinctly, and so we can use them to support longer forms of copy within printed documents such as prospectuses and course leaflets as well as digital applications.

For short statistics, use the roundel and for longer quotes you can use the crest or a box to contain information.

So they are consistent with the rest of the Postgraduate campaign design elements, please ensure you use FS Maja for the stats/quotes themselves and Frutiger for references to sources.

Shapes should always be outlined with the brand brush stroke to create a subtle rough edge. This brush stroke is available as an .AI file from Graphics and Print.



96% **OF OUR POSTGRADUATE** LEAVERS ARE IN EMPLOYMENT **OR FURTHER STUDY WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF GRADUATING**

Destinations of Leavers in Higher Education Survey 2015/16

QS EXCELLENCE AWARD

FOR TEACHING

QS World University Rankings 2018









PORTRAITS

Portraits of students should feel natural and unposed to allow their personalities to come to life and demonstrate their place within the University.

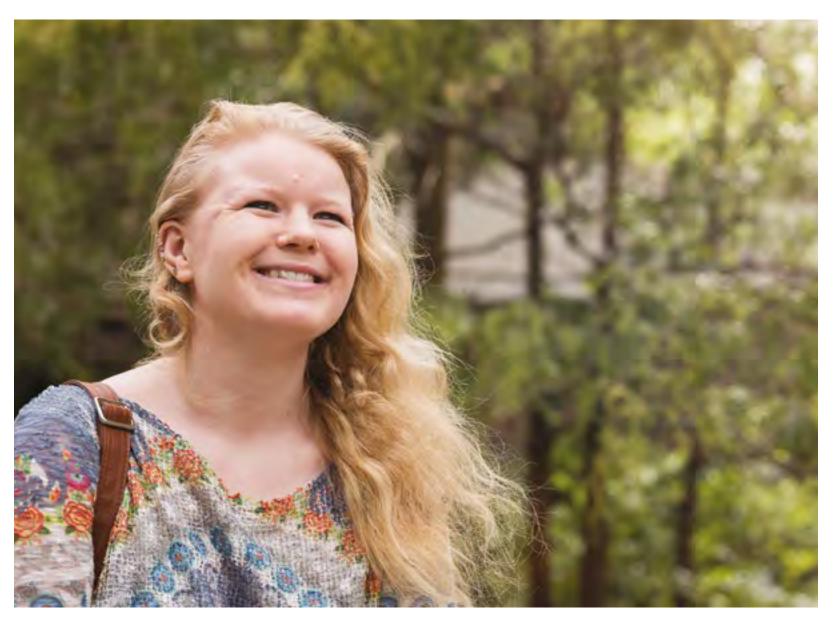
To create this feeling, avoid 'to camera' shots and instead capture the subject relaxed and in conversation so the image feels honest and engaging.

For portraits of staff and alumni, we can shoot them looking to camera so they have more of a sense of gravitas.

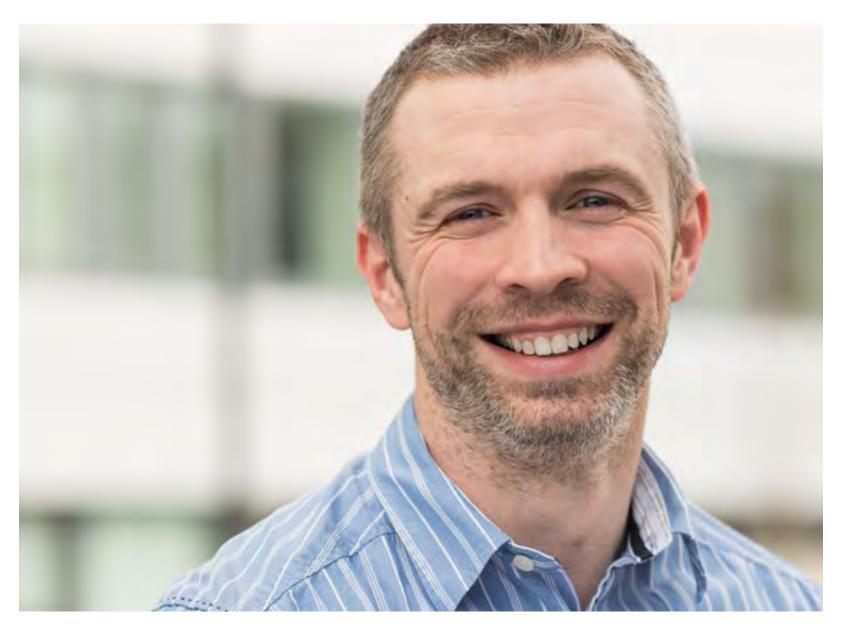
Where possible, try to capture a sense of the outdoors in the image. Even if your shot is indoors, a suggestion of trees or a flash of green will reinforce the campus setting and reference green from the brand colour palette.

In all cases, portraits should be taken with a shallow depth of field so that the focus is on the individual.











CAMPUS

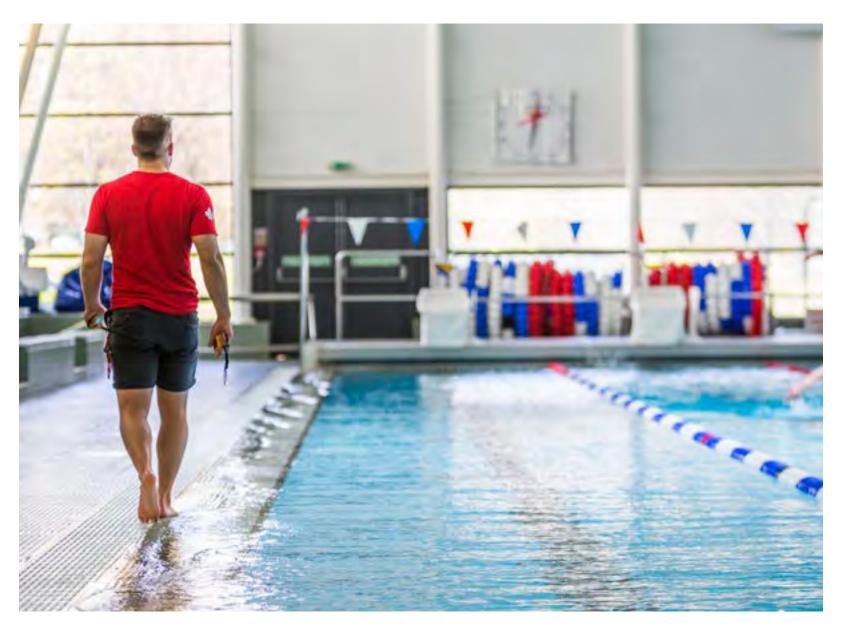
Our impressive campus and natural surroundings are one of our biggest selling points, so it is important that they are well represented in our communications.

As much as possible, try to include greenery in the form of trees, the hills and grass, as well as the lake to keep the outdoors present.











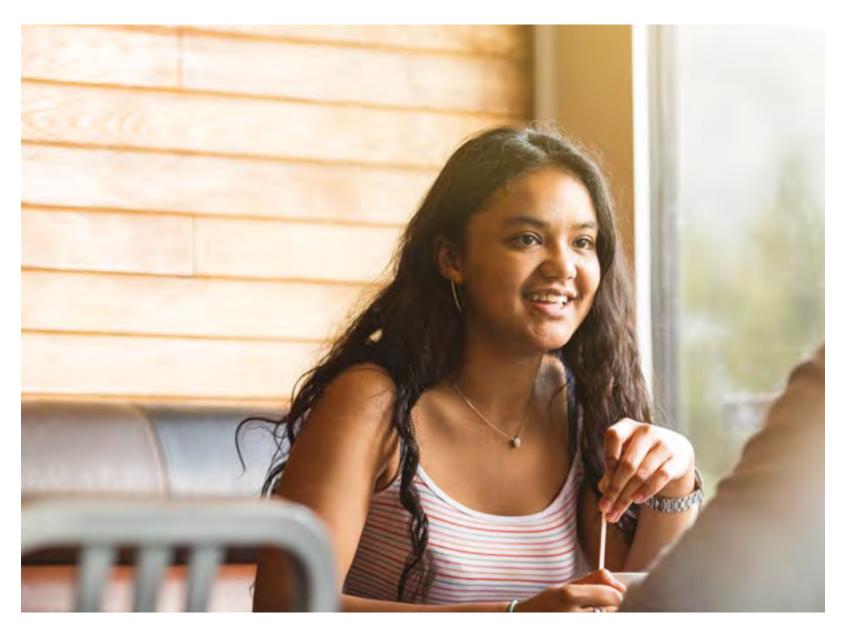
LIFE AT STIRLING

A big part of life at the University exists 'beyond the books'.

Our photo library includes a breadth of images from sporting activities to the student union and are an excellent showcase of the University facilities and campus.











RESEARCH IMPACT

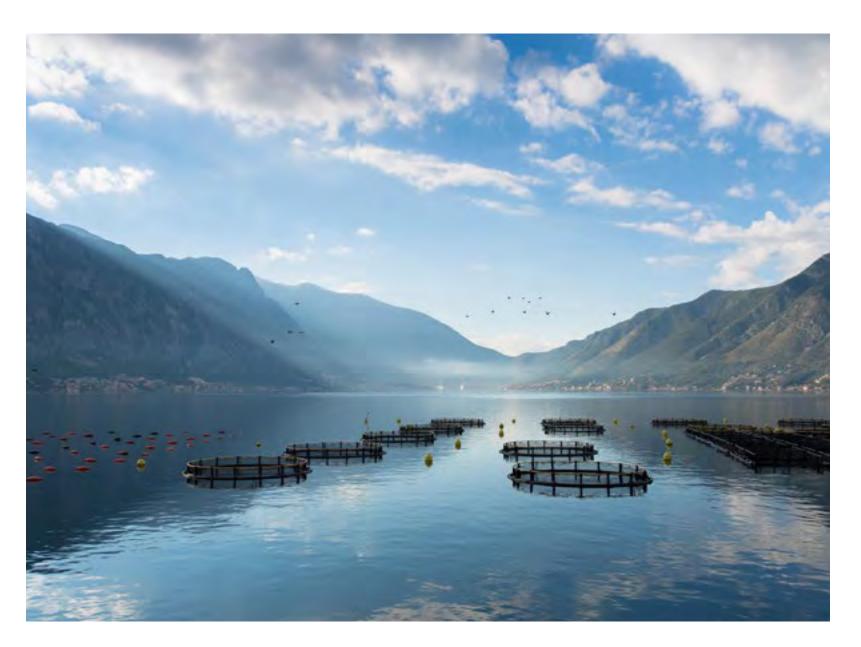
When promoting our University's achievements, contextual photography may be used. Ideally this should be commissioned by the University using an approved photographer. In some instances stock photography may be used, however this MUST be approved for both accuracy of content and cost.

Please contact marketingteam@stir.ac.uk for usage guidance and approval.











FURTHER AFIELD

Our location within Scotland is a big part of the University's identity and a key selling point for our audience, therefore we can use images from stock sites to demonstrate life beyond the campus through our place in Scotland and the opportunities this affords to our students.

As part of Brand Scotland's #ScotlandIsNow campaign, all University of Stirling staff have free download access to a collection of Scottish-themed images and videos. Register for access via: Scotland.org/toolkit

When using stock photography, please ensure it feels part of the same suite of images as our own photos. This can be achieved by adjusting saturation and contrast levels and choosing scenarios with a natural, aspirational feeling rather than something which feels posed.

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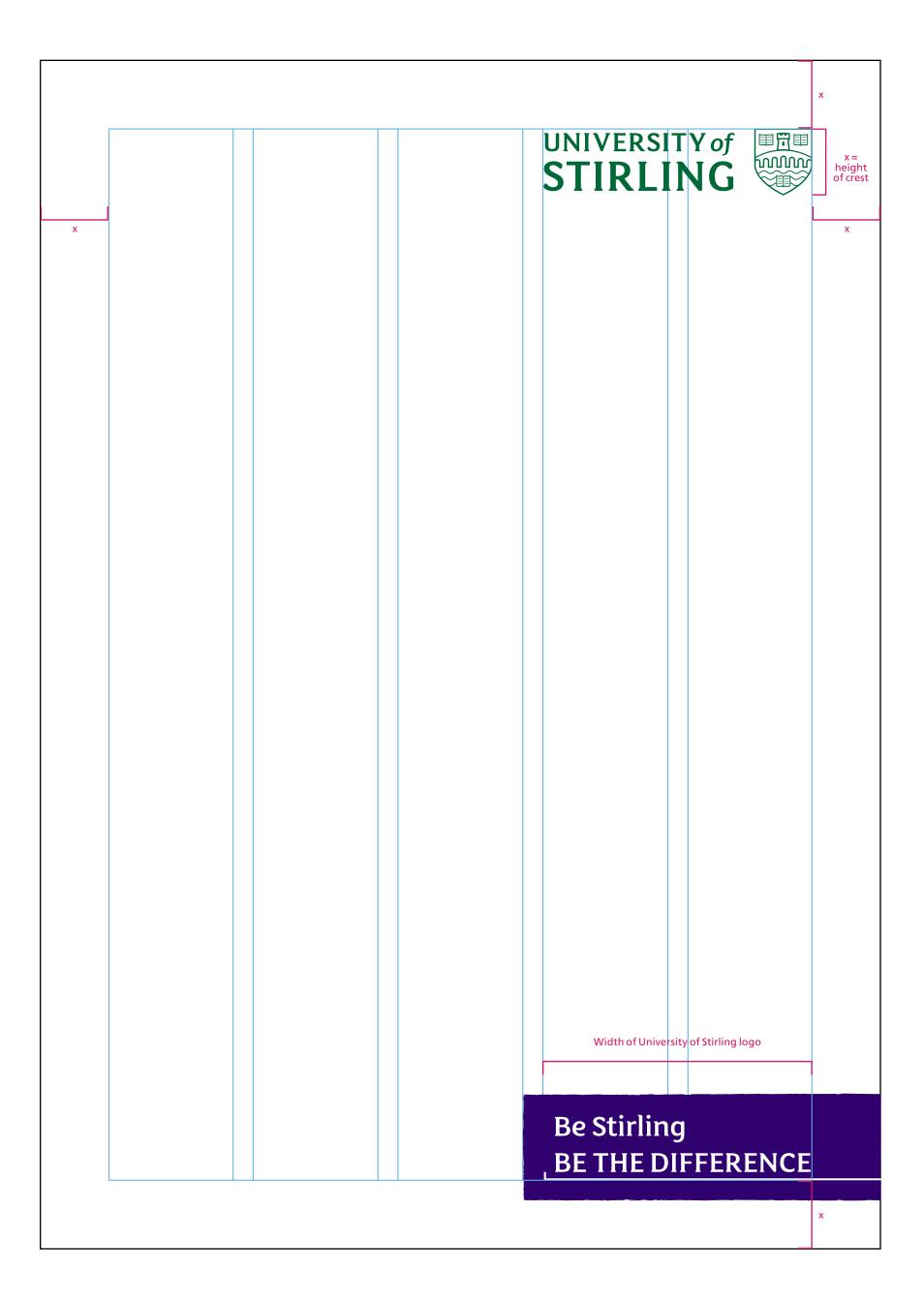
GRID LAYOUTS

When creating printed documents and advertising, please use this template grid to ensure your use of logo and strapline application are consistent.

Please note in particular the clearance zone around the University logo and the size of the strapline in relation to it.

See the table below for document setup dimensions which should provide an easy starting point for your design.

| Trim | Margin | Gutter | Columns | Logo width |
|------|--------|--------|---------|------------|
| A5 | 12mm | 5mm | 5 | 47.5mm |
| A4 | 17mm | 5mm | 5 | 67mm |
| A3 | 24mm | 7mm | 5 | 95mm |
| A2 | 34mm | 10mm | 5 | 134mm |





PRINTED DOCUMENTS

When producing lengthy documents such as prospectuses, please use the full colour palette to create interest and pace.

Be sure to make full use of graphic devices to make your design energetic and unique to the campaign.





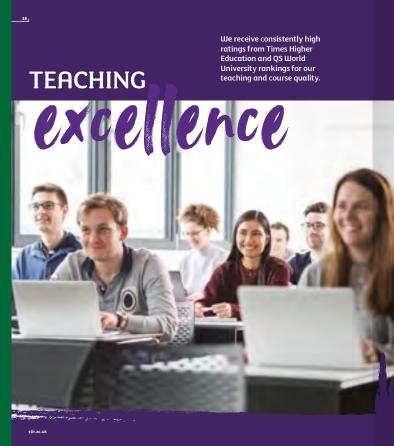
PRINTED DOCUMENTS (CONTINUED)











| | WORK PLACEMENTS |
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| in the second se | Students on specific courses may be eligible to undertake a work placement as part of their postgraduate studies. This involves a period of supervised work at an external organisation, enabling students to gain relevant experience within an industry whilis putting their theory-based learning into practice. |
| | Work placements are a great opportunity for students to meet influential people |

HISTORY AND POLITICS

History and Politics at Stirling is at the cutting edge of interdisciplinary research within the faculty and at the University. Since the University's foundation,



STIRLING IS HOME TO THE SCOTTISH POLITICAL ARCHIVE



1 University Compare 2018 2 QS World University Rankings 2018





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DIGITAL ADS – PAID MEDIA

The preferred file format is animated GIF, as the use of slides allows maximum space for visuals, messaging and a call to action.

Where one static image is required (JPG or PNG files), text and use of visual elements may need to be reduced or a block colour background used to maximise space.

It is not essential to include the strapline in digital ads, please use the limited space to focus on your key message and call to action.





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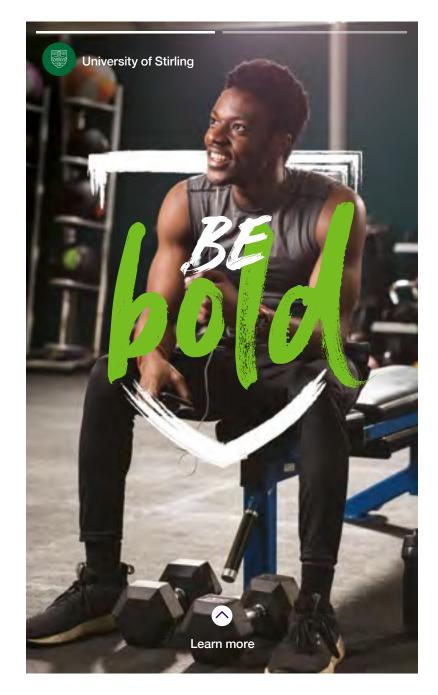
DIGITAL ADS -**SOCIAL MEDIA**

In social media posts, please place your focus on creating a strong visual and message along with the University logo and strapline.

Supporting text can be placed within the post itself.



Facebook post



Instagram story



Gain peak performance with sports facilities rated No.1 in Scotland and No.2 in the UK





LIGHTWEIGHT **MOTION ADS – SOCIAL MEDIA**

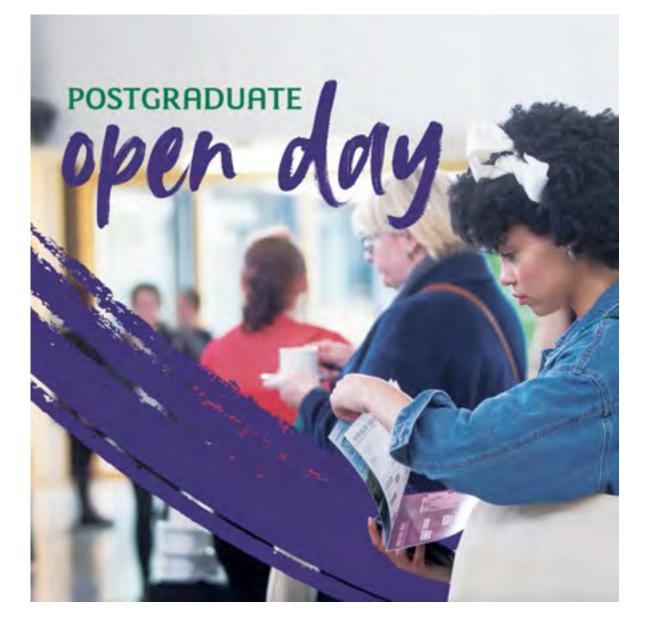
Lightweight motion adverts can also be created for social media posts. As with the previous digital adverts, please place your focus on creating a strong visual and message alongside the University branding.



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COURSE LEAFLETS

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Templates are available via Graphics and Print for use with and without photography. Please use only these approved templates as this will ensure consistency across the many course leaflets we produce.



PULL UP BANNERS

Pull up banners are an important asset at recruitment fairs where space is limited and there are potentially many other Universities competing for attention.

Therefore please place the University logo at the top of the banner, followed by your key message to ensure they can be seen above busy crowds of people.

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MASTERS COURSES

Accounting, Finance, **Banking and Economics** Aquaculture **Big Data and Data Science Business and Management Communications and Culture** Computing and Artificial Intelligence Digital Media and Marketing Education **Environmental Sciences** Health Sciences **History and Politics** Law and Philosophy Literature and Languages Psychology Social Sciences Sport Translation and Interpreting

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RECRUITMENT MATERIALS

Alongside pull up banners we can use other large format assets such as twist stands, material backdrops and table runners.

In general, for recruitment materials, please always establish how each item will be used. Whether that be sitting alongside other materials; how they all work together or individually; their placement within a working space; ensuring the brand can always be seen and positioned accordingly.







96% of our postgraduate leavers are in employment or further study within six months of graduating

ONE-YEAR MASTERS COURSES

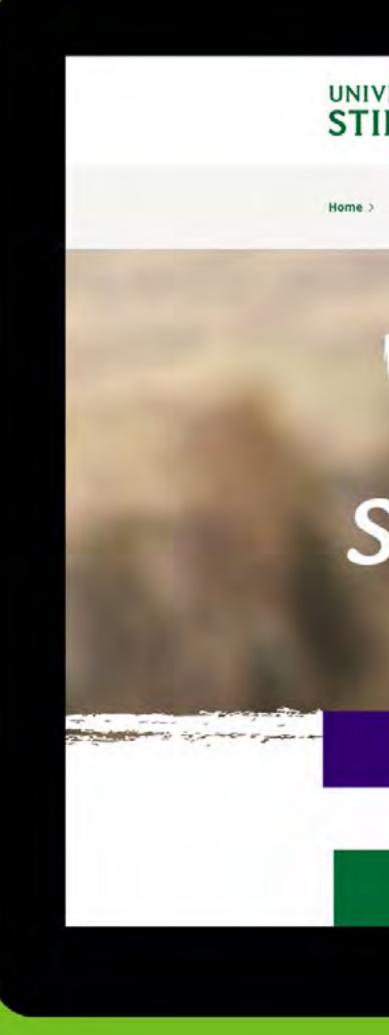
- Accounting, Finance, Banking and Economics
- Aquaculture
- Big Data and Data Science
- Business and Management
- Communications and Culture
- Computing and
 Artificial Intelligence
- Digital Media and Marketing
- Education
- Environmental Sciences
- Health Sciences
- History and Politics
- Law and Philosophy
- Literature and Languages
- Psychology
 Social Sciences
- Sport
- Translation and Interpreting





WEBSITE HEADERS

When designing website headers, choose images which have space to one side so there is a clear area for messaging. This will ensure legibility and impact.



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Home > Study + Postgraduate + PG Campaign UK

STIRLING

Register for updates >

Undergraduate >

Postgraduate taught >

Postgraduate research >



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EMAIL LAYOUTS

These examples of email marketing show how you can bring the campaign identity through in your design.

Email image headers should always contain key messaging, along with any graphics.

You can use the brush stroke to top and bottom your image header to add an additional campaign element.

Always apply the strapline to the bottom of the email, aligned with the University logo at the top.

Text should all be in Arial Regular or Arial Bold.





Webinars off the perfect opportunity for you to find out more about Postgraduate Aquaculture courses at the University of Stirling, plus it's a great chance to ask the Programme Director any questions. Register now.

If you can't make it, or have any questions about studying at the University of Stirling, you can email us and we'll get back to you.



Postgraduate Aquaculture courses at the University of Stirling Wednesday 20th March, 2.00pm



All University of Stirling webinars **Contact us**

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Questions about studying at University of Stirling? **Get in touch.**

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It's a great time to apply, Jodie!

You've made a brilliant choice by considering a Masters degree at the University of Stirling. Now it's time to take the next step.

Applications are open for courses beginning in September. The process is simple and won't take long to complete. So, what are you waiting for?



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Questions about studying at Stirling? Get in touch.

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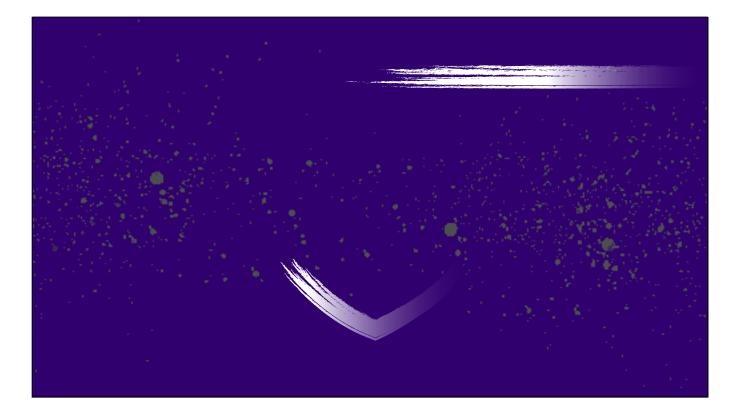
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VIDEO START/ END FRAMES

An example of a video start/end frame sequence is shown below. Existing frames are available, please contact marketingteam@stir.ac.uk for access.







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VIDEO START/ END FRAMES (CONTINUED)

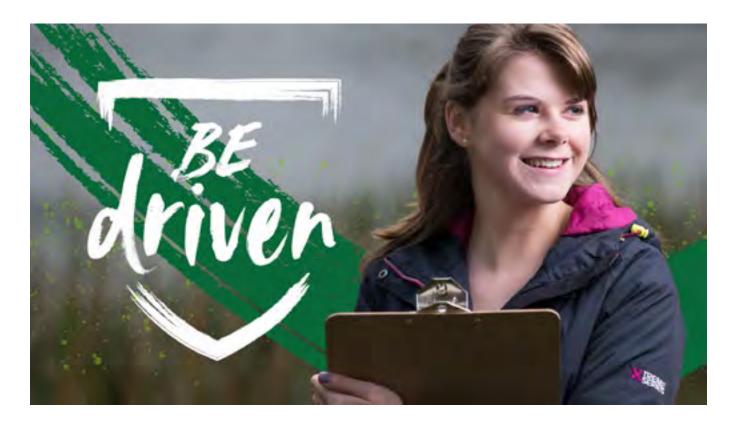














POWERPOINT TEMPLATES

PowerPoint templates have been designed to reflect the campaign identity. A range of templates are available, please contact **marketingteam@stir.ac.uk** for access.

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SUBHEADING OR SUBTITLE HERE

TITLE HERE

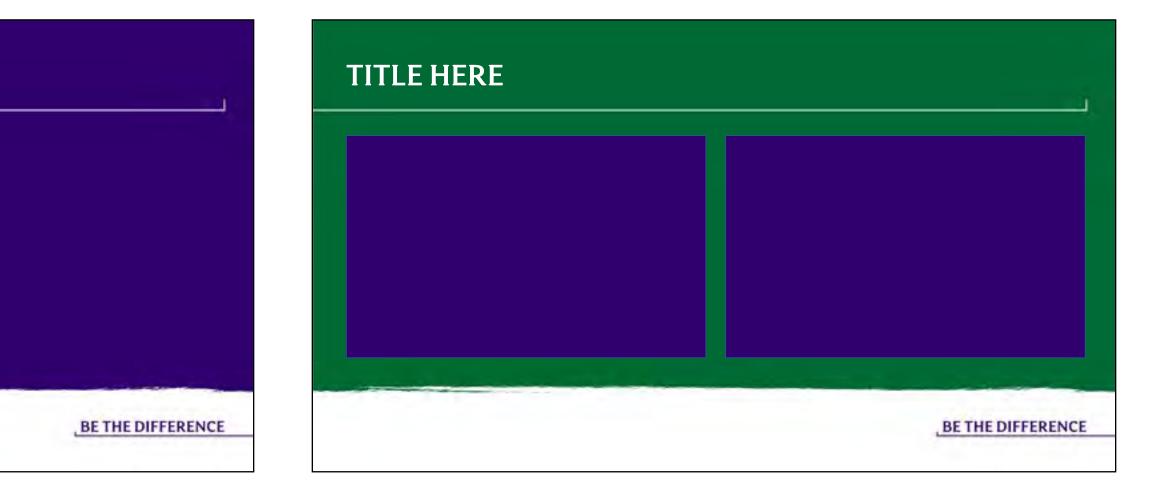
- Bullet here in FS Maja



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