

Cross-Party Group Annual Return

Name of Cross-Party Group

Cross-Party Group on Colleges and Universities

Date Group Established

23 September 2021

Date of Most Recent Annual General Meeting (AGM)

28 September 2022

Date Annual Return Submitted

Date of Preceding AGM [this date is required to aid clerks in verifying that the most recent AGM has taken place within 11 to 13 months of the previous AGM]

26 September 2021

Group Meetings and Activities

Please provide details of each meeting of the Group including the date of the meeting, a brief description of the main subjects discussed and the MSP and non-MSP attendance figures.

Details of any other activities, such as visits undertaken by the Group or papers/report published by the Group should also be provided.

23 September 2021

The Role of colleges and universities in Scotland's recovery from the pandemic

MSP membership: 5

Non-MSP membership: 27

3 February 2022

Student mental health

MSP membership: 4

Non-MSP membership: 29

26 April 2022

Discussion on Scotland's relations with China through education

MSP membership: 1

Non-MSP membership: 28

16 June 2022

Enhancing and maintaining academic enhancement

MSP membership: 3

Non-MSP membership: 22

MSP Members of The Group

Please provide names and party designation of all MSP members of the Group.

Liz Smith MSP

Kaukab Stewart MSP

Beatrice Wishart MSP

Clare Adamson MSP

Maggie Chapman MSP

Michael Marra MSP

Non-MSP Members of The Group

For organisational members please provide only the name of the organisation, it is not necessary to provide the name(s) of individuals who may represent the organisation at meetings of the Group.

Individuals	Professor Matthew MacIver Mr Terry Brotherstone Ms Carolynne Hunter
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Organisations	Abertay University
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Architecture & Design Scotland
City of Glasgow College
Dundee & Angus college
Educational Institute Of Scotland (EIS)
Edinburgh Napier University
Edinburgh University Students' Association (EUSA)
Glasgow Caledonian University
Glasgow Clyde College
Heriot-Watt University
Higher Education Academy in Scotland
LEAD Scotland
North East Scotland College
NUS Scotland
Open University in Scotland
Pagoda PR
Perth College UHI
Queen Margaret University, Edinburgh
Robert Gordon University
Royal Conservatoire of Scotland
Scotland China Education Network (SCEN)
Scottish Development International
Scottish Enterprise
Scottish Funding Council
Skills Development Scotland (SDS)

	sparqs – student partnerships in quality Scotland Thorntons Law LLP UCU Scotland Unite the Union University of Aberdeen University of Dundee University of Edinburgh University of Glasgow University of the Highlands & Islands University of St Andrews University of Stirling University of Strathclyde University of the West of Scotland West College Scotland
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Group Office Bearers

Please provide names for all office bearers. The minimum requirement is that two of the office bearers are MSPs and one of these is Convener – beyond this it is a matter for the Group to decide upon the office bearers it wishes to have. It is permissible to have more than one individual elected to each office, for example, co-conveners or multiple deputy conveners.

Convener	Liz Smith MSP
Deputy Convener	Michael Marra MSP
Secretary	Universities Scotland and Colleges Scotland

Treasurer	N/A
<p>If the Group is not disclosing any financial information please tick the box to confirm that the Group has considered the support received, but concluded it totalled under the threshold for disclosure (£500).</p>	
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