University of the Highlands and Islands Oilthigh na Gàidhealtachd agus nan Eilean

Training and Education

Modern Apprenticeships (MAs) in aquaculture are designed for those working in the sector and we offer these at SVQ Levels 2, 3 and 4.



Course	Level	Suitable for individuals	Course available at
Modern Apprenticeship	Level 2	New and less experienced staff working in aquaculture	UHI Inverness
in Aquaculture	(SCQF 5)		UHI Shetland
Modern Apprenticeship	Level 3	Working in aquaculture	UHI Inverness
in Aquaculture	(SCQF 7)		UHI Shetland
Technical Apprenticeship in Aquaculture Management	Level 4 (SCQF 9)	Managers and experienced senior staff working in aquaculture	UHI Shetland

Level 2 and 3 MAs are designed by the finfish and shellfish farming industries and are aimed at those carrying out daily husbandry duties on either a freshwater or marine site. These MAs can be used as part of a progression plan within an individual's place of work and is particularly useful for those without any formal qualifications in aquaculture. The MA provides an opportunity to demonstrate skills and be recognised for these achievements. The Level 4 MA course is aimed at experienced, senior-level fish farm staff such as managers or assistant site managers. At the end of the course the student will be competent at a broad range of management activities, many of them complex and non-routine, and be able to demonstrate considerable autonomy and responsibility including the management and supervision of other employees. It runs at SCQF Level 9, so equivalent to a Higher National Diploma.







Short Courses

We offer a wide range of short courses at various campuses and online, which cover all aspects of the aquaculture workplace.

Face-to-Face Course in day(s)	NO Face-to- Face Course available	Flexible Online Course up to month to completion	NO Online Course available
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Short Course	Face-to-Face	Online
Fish Welfare		
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Fish Welfare (refresher)	1/2	
Introductory Fish Health		
Advanced Fish Health		
Sea Lice Identification and Recording	1/2	
Biosecurity in Aquaculture		
Technical Aquaculture for Fish Farmers	OC NO	
Internal Auditing Techniques for Aquaculture		
Water Quality Awareness in Recirculating Aquaculture Systems (RAS)	1/2	
Introductory Fish Farm Containment		
Fish Vaccination	ACT NO	
Confined Space Awareness Training		
Pressure Washing Safety Awareness	1/2	
Manual Handling Awareness		
First Aid Courses (Elementary, Medical First Aid, Medical Care Onboard Ship)		
Lift Truck Operations: Industrial Masted < 5 tonnes		
Lift Truck Operations: Industrial Masted < 5 tonnes (refresher)		
RYA Powerboat Level 2		
Day Skipper		
Advanced Powerboat	$\mathcal{O}\mathcal{O}^{+}$	
VHF (GMDSS SRC)		
Small Ships Navigation & Radar	00,15	
Personal Survival Techniques		
MCA Diesel Engine	$\mathcal{O}\mathcal{O}^{+}$	
Stability (Awareness*, Workboat* and Advanced*)		
Crane Safety Awareness	1/2	
Moorings Safety Awareness	1/2	
Firefighting and Prevention (various)	QC 1-3	O NO

Bespoke and Flexible Training Programs

We aim to be responsive to the needs of the aquaculture industry and we often work directly with companies to develop and deliver bespoke training programmes to meet their specific needs.

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