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What is the RGU Innovation Award?

Take part in an extra-curricular award programme

Gain micro credentials to validate learning innovation skills.

Collaborate to explore innovations of the future

The award used to be run by the Scottish Institute for Enterprise (SIE) and was known as the Scottish Innovative Student Award (SISA). SIE are no longer operating and the award has been rebranded and is being delivered by RGU. All SISA awards will count as the same level in the RGU Innovation Award.

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What are the award levels?

The RGU Innovation Award is open to any student at any stage of their studies and is split up into three certificate levels each with different competencies you can develop.

RGU INNOVATION AWARD LEVEL ONE

EXPLORING INNOVATIONS OF THE FUTURE

Take part in an accredited module where you will be taught to think about the future.

OR

Attend an open Level 1 workshop where you will consider innovations of the future

Write a short 100-word reflection on the future

RGU INNOVATION AWARD LEVEL TWO

PUTTING INNOVATION INTO ACTION

Attend a Level 2 Student Innovation Challenge with students from other courses to develop and present innovative ideas

RGU INNOVATION AWARD LEVEL THREE

LEADING INNOVATIVE IDEAS

Submit an individual Level 3 application with an innovation action plan to demonstrate how an idea can become a reality.

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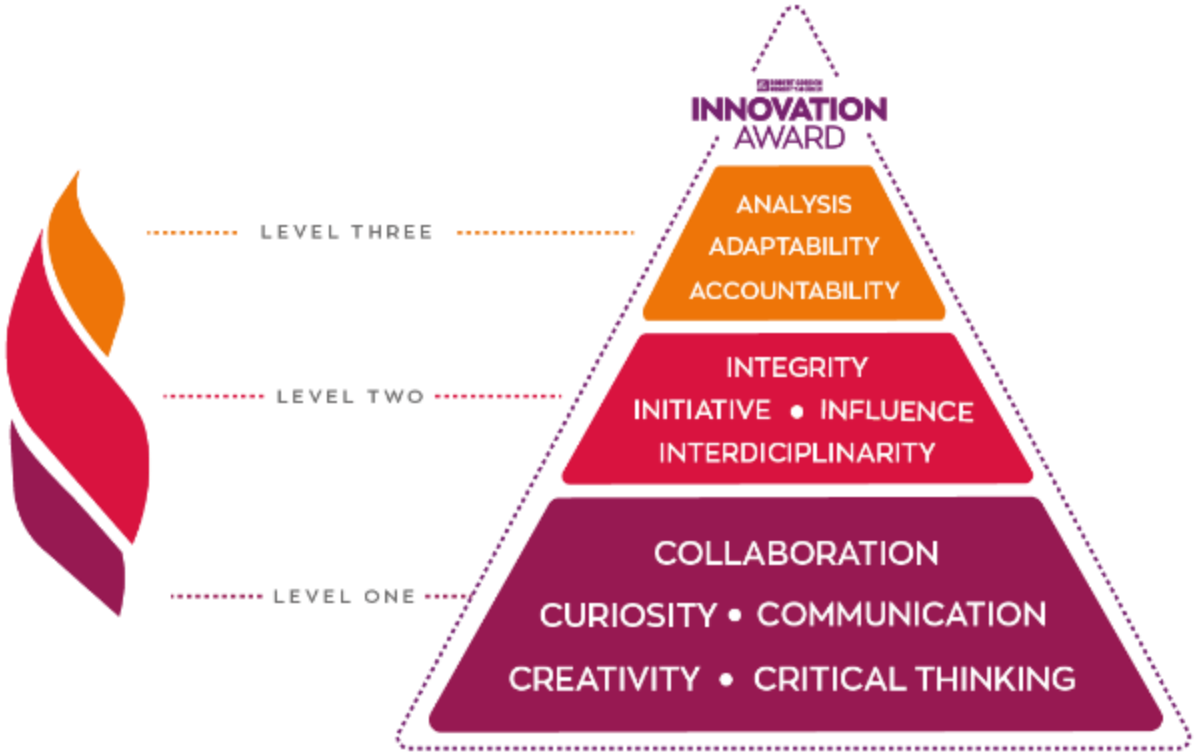
What competences will I develop?



These have been designed in alignment with models such as the RGU Employability Framework, RGU Teaching and Learning Framework, Skills Development Scotland Meta Skills and World Economic Forum Future Skills.

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What are the benefits?

Some of the benefits that some of the over 1,000 students who have taken part previously have identified are:

- **A certificate for each level**
- **An RGU Innovation Award for completing all levels added to your transcript**
- **Examples for job interviews on gaining innovation competences working with organizations such as Net Zero Technology Center and Voluntary Services Aberdeen**
- **Networking and collaborating with students from multiple courses**

"Not only did I meet some amazing people and learn things I'd otherwise have taken longer to learn, but partaking in the programme has greatly improved my career prospects."

"Achieving the award helped me understand the great importance of thinking outside the box. I was a part of a diverse team and completing the award allowed me to look at issues from other disciplines. There is a strong emphasis on multidisciplinary collaboration. It was very inspiring to see and learn about different types of problem-solving."

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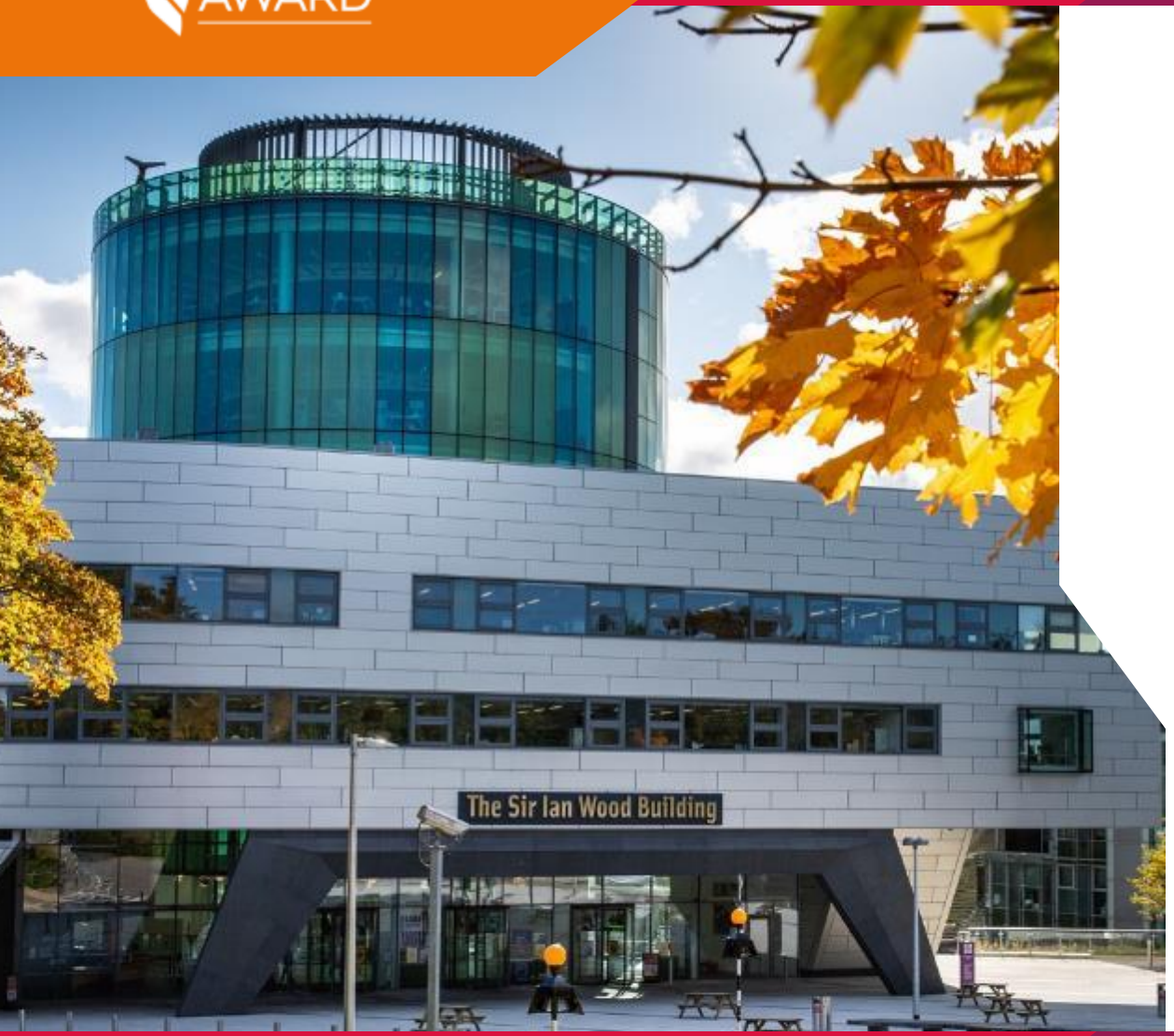

How to apply?

You can find out more, apply for a Level 1 Certificate or book onto an open Level 1 workshop, by going to:

www.rgu.ac.uk/innovation-award

The RGU Innovation Award is delivered by the Entrepreneurship and Innovation Group in partnership with academic schools and support departments including the Employability Hub. If you have any questions, get in touch with innovation@rgu.ac.uk
Thank You!