



# SCOTTISH FA ELITE COACHES DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

**COURSE PROGRAMME**

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## COURSE OVERVIEW

The Scottish FA are delighted to introduce this brand new coaching award which will be for a small, hand-picked group who have aspirations to work at the elite level of the game. The course is designed to be highly technical in nature and will delve in depth into a number of key topics.

Whilst the course is not UEFA accredited, it is designed to compliment the existing coach education provision and provides an enhanced opportunity for young aspiring coaches who want to accelerate their development. Please note, candidates will achieve all required CPD hours via completion of the course.

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## FUNDING & ATTENDANCE

The course, which will be fully funded for the selected applicants, will feature 12 gatherings, once per month for two consecutive days. Full attendance outside of exceptional circumstances is mandatory and candidates are expected to complete coursework to a high standard between each gathering.

Candidates who do not feel they have the time to invest in this process or are not prepared to commit to ongoing coursework are advised not to apply.

In return for Scottish FA funding on this award, it is our intention that intellectual property developed through the course can be shared to develop insights and CPD for our game.



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## MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS & INTERVIEW PROCESS

Places will be selected on the basis of the coach's demonstrated commitment, potential and ambition rather than qualifications or CV, but coaches should possess two of the following as a minimum requirement:

- Demonstrable Experience in the Game
- Degree in Sport-related subject
- UEFA B Licence
- UEFA B Youth Licence
- Advanced Children's Licence

For interview, coaches will be expected to prepare a presentation on their way of working via Zoom (circa 90 minutes), with suggested topics to include tactical ideas, approach to training methodology, use of multidisciplinary processes, and approach to managing players and staff.

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## COURSE TOPICS

- Detailed Team Tactical Analysis
- Detailed Individual Player/Positional Analysis
- Coaching Methodology – Research & Application of Different Methods
- Live coaching recording & feedback on coaching behaviours
- Reflection & Review Process
- Communication & Presentation Skills
- Dealing with the Media
- Pre, Mid, Post Game Communication & Intervention
- Physical Performance & Periodization in Elite Football
- Application of Performance Psychology in Elite Football
- Set Pieces
- Data & Analysing Performance
- Innovation
- Individual Project (Research area of choice of each candidate)



# APPLICATIONS PROCESS

To apply prospective coaches should complete the application form in the link.

**Close for application: 23rd August 5pm**

<https://forms.office.com/e/RWBd4tE7qT>

Venue: Hampden Park, Glasgow



To enable candidates to plan their diaries, we can announce the dates of the first three gatherings below:

## 1st GATHERING

23rd / 24th  
September

## 2nd GATHERING

28th / 29th  
October

## 3rd GATHERING

25th / 26th  
November

We will pay accommodation, breakfast and lunch provided, dinner will be at candidates discretion.

## SOCIAL MEDIA

We would be extremely grateful if you could share your experiences with us through social media. Here are some useful people to tag and follow:



#ScottishFAEliteCoachesDevelopmentAward

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Greig Paterson @grpat | Ritchie Wilson @ritchiewils | Martyn Buckie @MartynBuckie

## FACEBOOK

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