

GLASGOW KELVIN COLLEGE

Learning and Teaching Committee - 07 May 2025

College Leaver Destinations 2022-23

Report by Quality Enhancement and Development Manager

1. Introduction

During March and April 2024, the College conducted the annual College Leavers' Destination as required by the Scottish Funding Council's (SFC). The purpose of the survey is to identify the next destination for successful full-time college leavers who completed a college course during session 2022-23. Glasgow Kelvin College had 1466 successful full-time leavers in June 2023. The College achieved an 86.8% return which has since been ratified by the SFC. The SFC summary report for the sector can be accessed via this link [SFC College Leaver Destinations 2022-23](#).

2. Body of the report and impact on the College

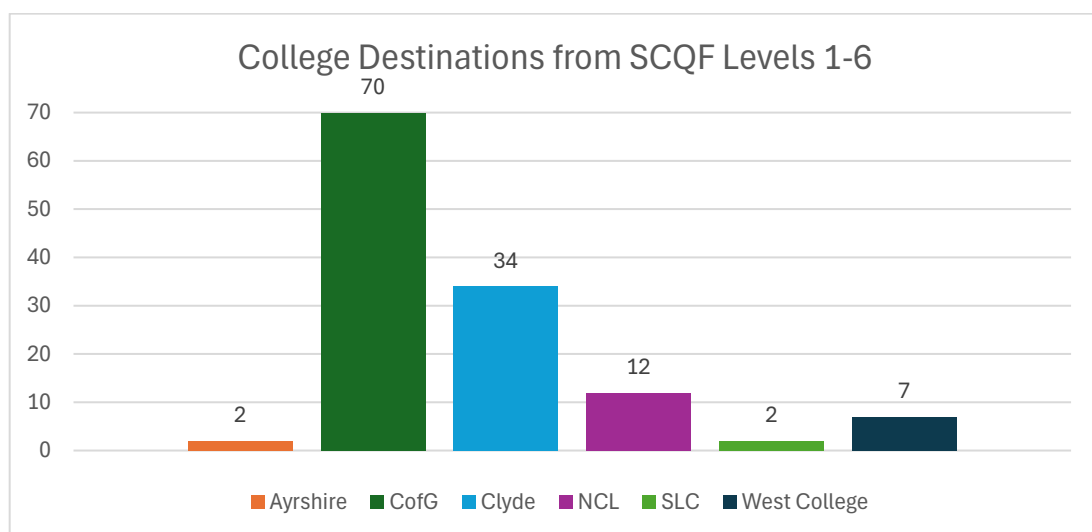
The data collection includes all FE (SCQF Levels 1-6) full-time successful leavers as well as HE (SCQF Levels 7+) full-time successful leavers. The data collected by the survey includes the following:

- Primary Classification (e.g. study, work, etc)
- Employment details (where applicable)
- Further Study details (where applicable)

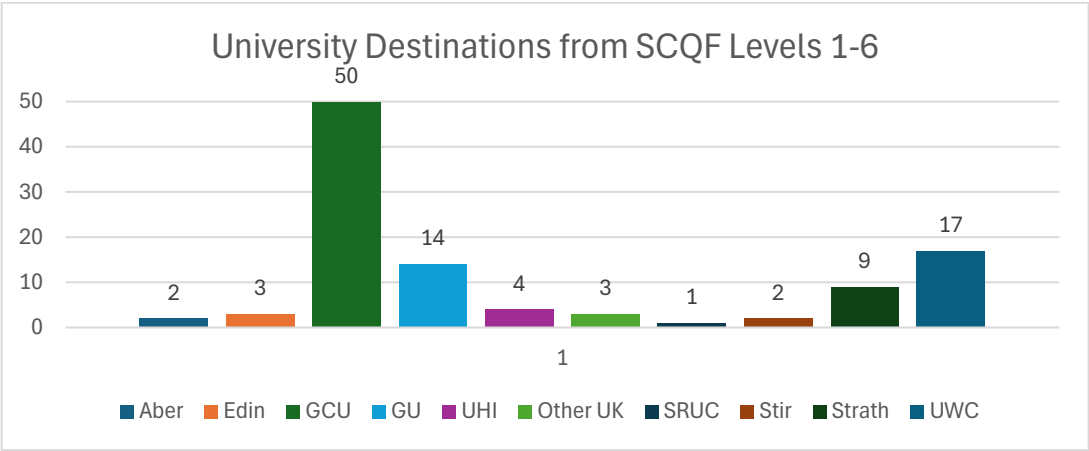
The responses collected by the survey are summarised in the tables in Appendix 1.

2. 1 College and University Destinations of Successful Leavers

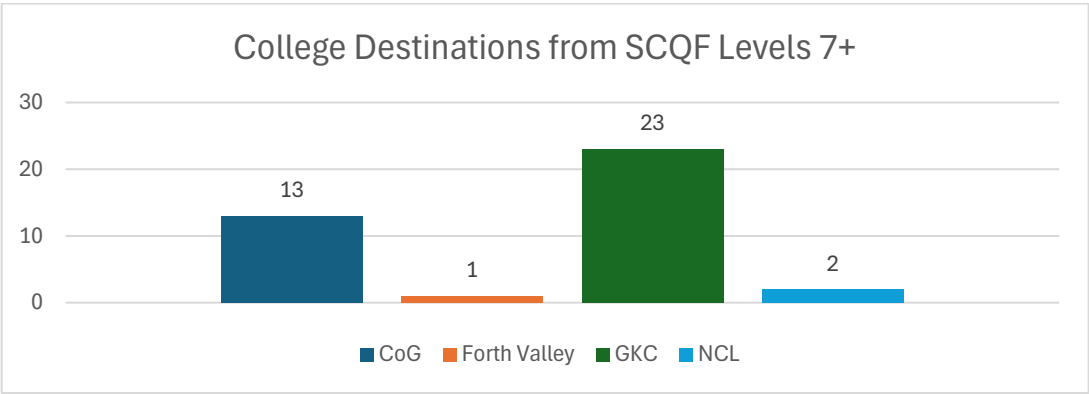
The following charts show the college and university destinations for those who progressed onto further full-time study from Glasgow Kelvin College.



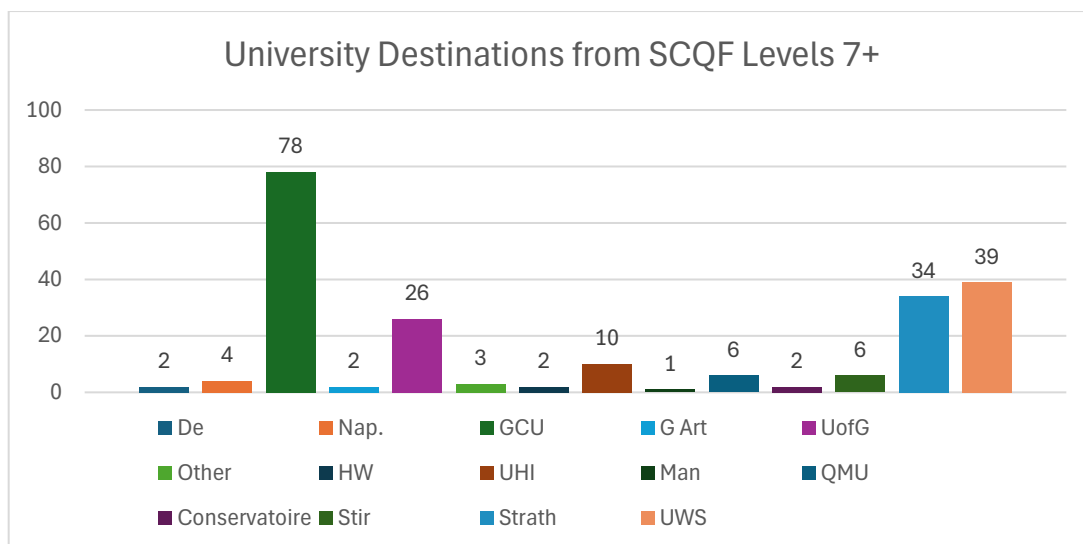
Not included in the above graph are the 577 successful FE leavers who started on another programme at GKC. This represents 82% of the successful FE leavers who progressed onto another course in the college sector.



105 FE students from the College went on to study at university in 2023-24. Almost all of them were on access programmes at the College during 2022-23.



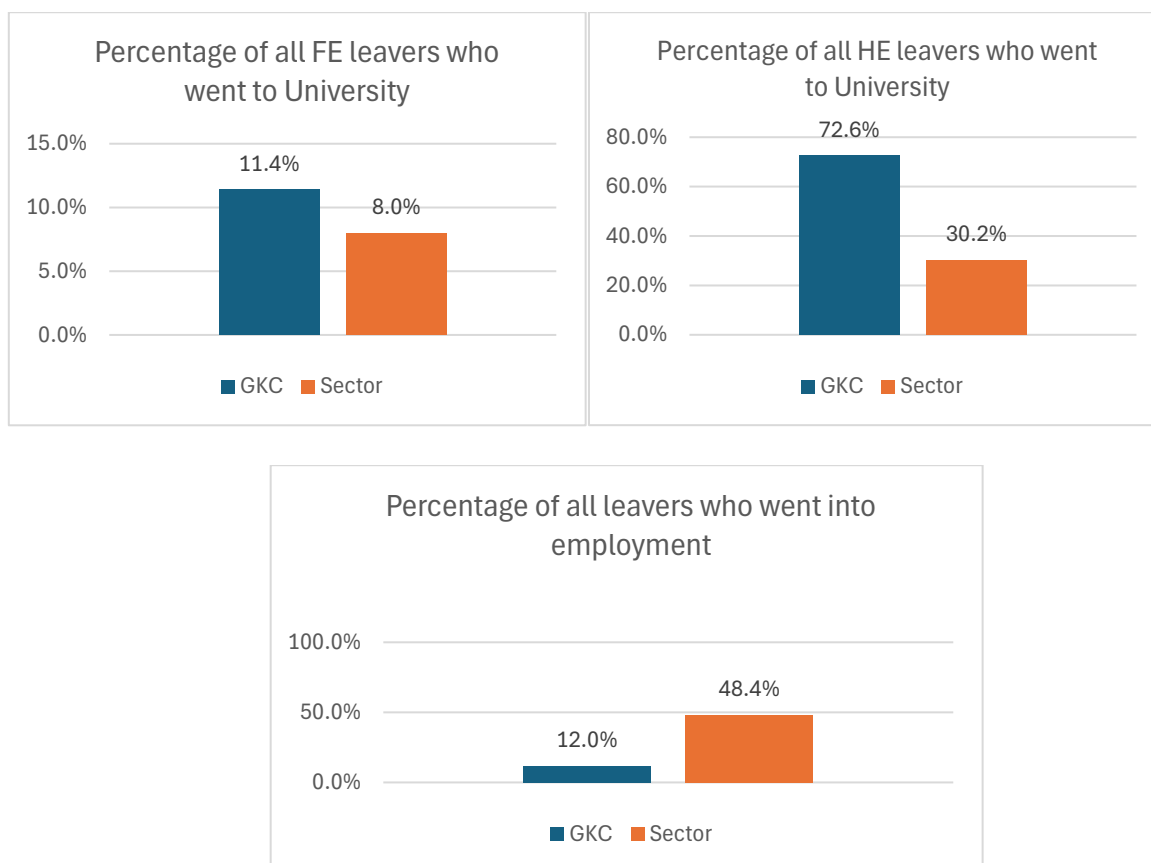
A relatively small number of students from HE programmes at the College remained in the college sector. The majority of those who progressed internally came from care programmes and progressed onto the Level 8 HE Diploma in Education and Social Services. Most of the others in this category sought Level 8 opportunities at nearby colleges.



A majority of HE leavers from a variety of programmes went on to study at university in the following year.

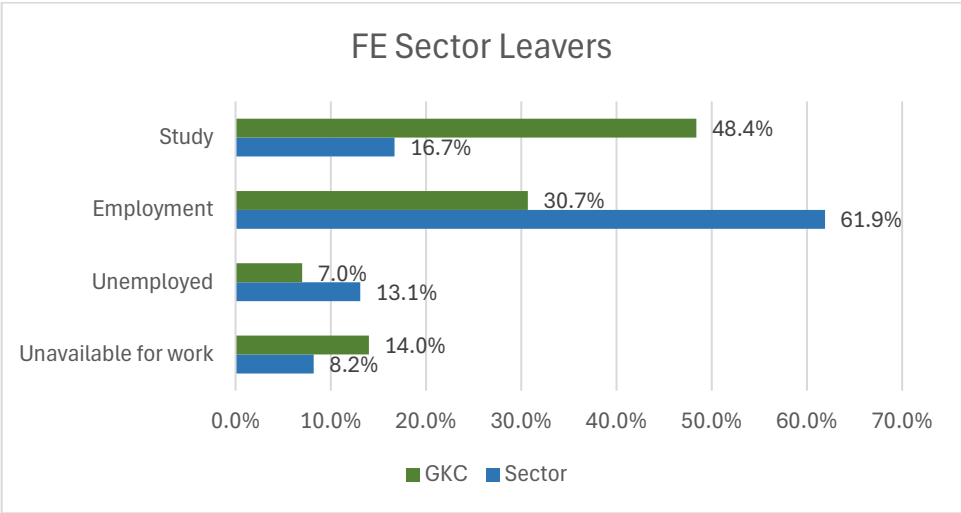
2.2 National Comparisons

The College's profile varies significantly from the national averages as can be seen by the charts below.

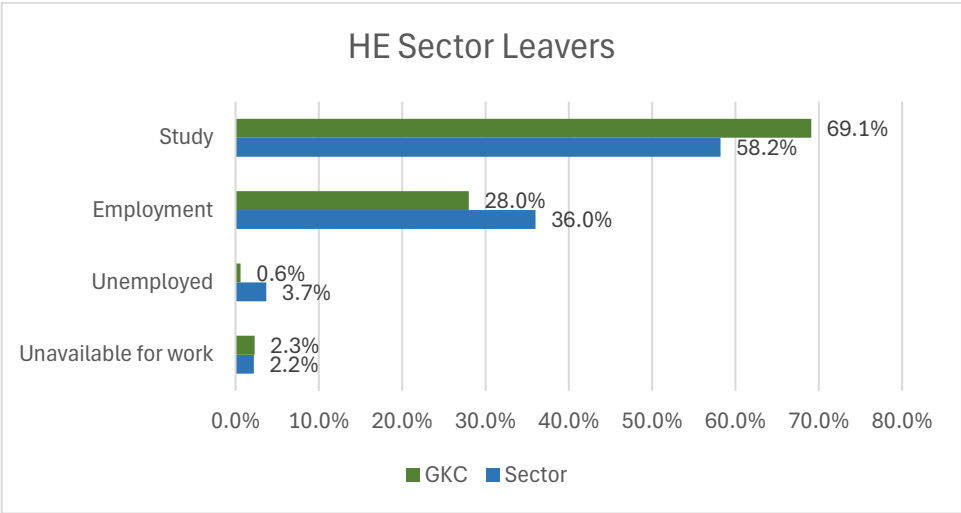


In addition, the SFC analyses “Sector Leavers” separately. These are the College Leavers who left the college sector to go into work, training or to an HEI, i.e. they do not include those who remained at Glasgow Kelvin College, or those who moved to another college in the sector.

The following charts show a comparison of the sector leavers from Glasgow Kelvin College against the national position.



As a percentage, significantly more FE Sector leavers from Glasgow Kelvin College go on to study at university, and fewer go directly into employment.



The HE sector leaver profiles show a similar picture, although the variances between the College and the Sector are less.

3. Resource Implications

There are no significant resource issues attached to the contents of this report.

4. Impact on Students

The figures produced in this report highlight the important role that the College plays in providing access to educational opportunities at all levels.

5. Risk and Assurance

There are no significant risk issues attached to the contents of this report.

6. Equality

There are no significant equality issues attached to the contents of this report.

7. Data Protection

There are no significant data protection issues attached to the contents of this report.

8. Environmental and Sustainability

There are no significant environmental or sustainability issues attached to the contents of this report.

9. Recommendations

The Academic Board is recommended to approve the contents of this report

10. Further Information

Members can obtain additional information on the contents of this report from John Gallagher, Quality Enhancement Manager (jgallagher@glasgowkelvin.ac.uk) or Robin Ashton, Vice Principal Curriculum and Quality Enhancement (rashton@glasgowkelvin.ac.uk)

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Appendix 1

Summary Data

All Successful College Leavers	
Studying FT	1063
Studying PT	6
Working FT	123
Working PT	30
Not employed/unable/not looking	8
Time out to Travel	6
Temp Looking after Family	20
Unemployed	17
	1273

Successful FE College Leavers (SCQF 1-6)	
Studying FT	809
Studying PT	6
Working FT	53
Working PT	13
Not employed/unable/not looking	7
Time out to Travel	4
Temp Looking after Family	16
Unemployed	15
	923

Successful HE College Leavers (SCQF 7+)	
Studying FT	254
Studying PT	0
Working FT	70
Working PT	17
Not employed/unable/not looking	1
Time out to Travel	2
Temp Looking after Family	4
Unemployed	2
	350