

About ENSA

ENSA is an unincorporated association of members, but is in the process of becoming a charity and company limited by guarantee. ENSA's beneficiaries are its 14000 current students at Edinburgh Napier University who are active on a programme of study.

ENSA's chief areas of activity are student representation, a client-based student advice, supporting sports clubs and students' societies, providing training and organising events. It is an accredited centre for the Duke of Edinburgh's Award. It runs freshers' welcome events but has no trading base. It has no premises of its own, and its HQ is a small office based at the University's Merchiston Campus. It has outreach offices, primarily for ENSA Advice clients, at the University's other 2 campuses, Sighthill and Craiglockhart.

Its chief funder and primary associate is Edinburgh Napier University, and 2 of its full-time elected student officers are members of the University's governing body. It has a complex relationship with the University, and has student representation on a range of university decision-making bodies and through a number of less formal relationships, some of which contribute help in kind.

Other key associates are: the National Union of Students, to which ENSA is affiliated; a city centre commercial bar and nightclub which provide a social focal point for students from different campuses and residences, and generate income for ENSA's activities without exposing it to the type of financial risk associated with providing direct trading activities. ENSA's annual turnover is around £700K - accounts for the year ended 30 June 2016 are available on napierstudents.com.