



City of  
Portsmouth  
College

# HEAVENS SCHOOLS

**2023/24 PROSPECTUS**

Your guide to academic, technical & vocational courses



# Welcome

## to City of Portsmouth College

**I'm delighted to have joined City of Portsmouth College as Principal & CEO at such an exciting time for us all.**

Progressing from school to college is a pivotal step in your education and we're so pleased that you're interested in joining us. City of Portsmouth College will be here to support you at every stage of that journey.

Our talented staff remain totally dedicated to ensuring all our students are given the very best opportunities to succeed and excel.

This course guide is packed full of high quality academic and technical courses, to inspire and excite.

Our offer continues to grow and develop, providing the best possible routes into higher education, employment or an apprenticeship.

Alongside the roll out of our new T Level qualifications, we're investing in the very latest and best facilities in healthcare, science, digital and engineering.

We've also opened the UK's first net zero carbon training hub dedicated to training and upgrading skills in sustainable technologies.

Whether you choose to progress onto one of our exceptional A Level or Vocational Study Programmes, with strong progression to university, or a more employment-focused route such as a T Level or apprenticeship, City of Portsmouth College offers you the best of all worlds.

But don't just take our word for it, please pop along to one of our Open Evenings or other events during the coming year (you'll find all the details on our website).

You'll be able to chat to our warm and welcoming staff, tour our campuses and get to know some of our lovely current students.

We can't wait to welcome you soon!



**Katy Quinn**  
**Principal & CEO**

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# What our students say about us

**We think our college is great, but don't just take our word for it!**

Here's what our students say about us:

**'I am enjoying my time on the course; I feel like it's a new chapter of my life and a fresh start. All the teachers and people are nice, and I get along with pretty much everyone.'**

'The course itself is great, I am learning a great deal about my subjects and have the utmost respect for lecturers and my classmates.'

'I started college with no one from school – I've made a great group of friends and I'm glad I've come here, for education and the social side.'

'I am really enjoying my apprenticeship and can't wait to be qualified.'

**'Great teachers, they always help when I need it. Course is lots of fun. When I think back to where I started and then think about where I am now, it's night and day.'**

**'The safeguarding team is the best I've ever seen. They are very supportive and so are the teachers.'**





'All the teachers are so motivated and passionate about what they're teaching which makes you engage throughout. I love learning here, I'm thoroughly enjoying this course - yes there is a lot and it's tough managing time but the support available is amazing.'

**9/10**

students would **recommend the College** to a friend

**9/10**

students feel they are **treated fairly and with respect**

**9/10**

students **feel teachers support them** to do their best

**9/10**

students agree **teaching and learning facilities are good**

**98%**

of students & apprentices know how to **keep themselves safe online**

**95%**

of students told us **they feel safe in college**

**97%**

of students feel the **Sixth Form is good**

**98%**

of apprentices **feel safe in their workplace**

# Outstanding Achievements

Whether you decide to study a vocational course, an apprenticeship or take an academic pathway, we love to celebrate your success with you. We know our students go on to amazing futures in higher education, employment or a blend of the two, completing higher level professional qualifications in the workplace.

2022 was another exceptional year with students excelling in all areas of our provision. Congratulations to the class of 22.



## Maisie Kithakye

**Religious Studies** A\*  
**Politics** A  
**Classical Civilisation** A

### Next steps:

University of Chichester,  
 philosophy and ethics

### School:

Admiral Lord Nelson School



## Jack Appleton

**Maths** A\*  
**Further maths** A\*  
**Computer Science** A

### Next steps:

University of Bristol, maths

### School:

Springfield School



## Ruby Burnell

**Geography** A  
**Economics** B  
**Politics** B

### Next steps:

Cardiff University

### School:

Priory School



## Harry Fitzgerald

**Music Technology** M

### Next steps:

BIMM Institute Brighton,  
 popular music performance -  
 vocals

### School:

Ark Charter Academy



## Olivia Milne

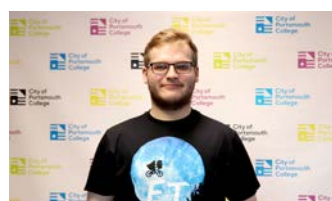
**Religious Studies** A  
**Geography** B  
**Graphic Communication** B

### Next steps:

Taking a gap year to travel  
 South and Central America

### School:

St Edmund's Catholic School



## Charlie Collis

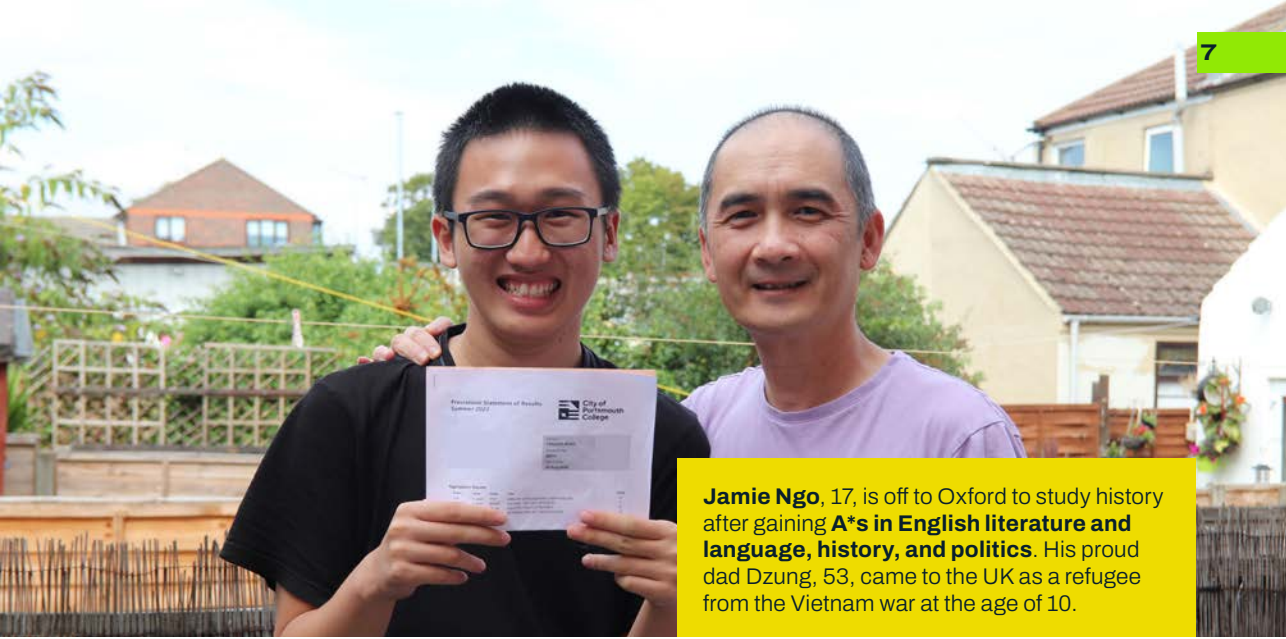
**Maths** A\*  
**Further maths** A\*  
**Physics** A\*

### Next steps:

University of Bath, maths

### School:

Springfield School



**Jamie Ngo**, 17, is off to Oxford to study history after gaining **A\*s in English literature and language, history, and politics**. His proud dad Dzung, 53, came to the UK as a refugee from the Vietnam war at the age of 10.



### Terri-Louise Huntley

**Graphic Design** A\*  
**Architecture** A  
**Geography** A

#### Next steps:

University of Portsmouth, graphic design

#### School:

Springfield School



### Antonio Yildirim

**Politics** A\*  
**Biology** A  
**Chemistry** B

#### Next steps:

Ecology and conservation at university

#### School:

Priory School



### Joel Bassil

**Maths** A\*  
**Further maths** A\*  
**Physics** A

#### Next steps:

University of Bath, maths

#### School:

Springfield School



### Lucy Grace

**Law** A  
**Geography** B  
**Religious Studies** B

#### Next steps:

University of Winchester, law

#### School:

Miltoncross Academy

# Outstanding results

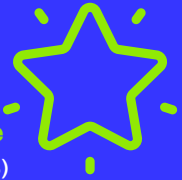
**99%**

overall **A Level**  
Pass rate



**54%**

A Level **high grade**  
achievement (A\*-B)



**90%**

**high grade**  
achievement

in our Level 3 Extended  
Certificate in Sports Coaching  
and Development (D\*-D)



**60%**

**high grade** Criminology  
achievement (D\*-D)



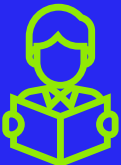
**251**

students **achieved at least**  
one or more **A\*/A grade**



**550**

students **achieved at least**  
one or more **A\*/B grade**



**51**

students progressed to  
**Russell Group universities**





# WorldSkills



**At City of Portsmouth College, we encourage you to get fully involved with competitions, both to build your confidence and to showcase your talents.**

WorldSkills competitions, also known as the 'global skills Olympics', are the gold standard of skills excellence. They inspire competitors to reach new heights and help turn your passion into a profession.

We support competitors to enter regional and national competition heats in a wide range of vocational areas, including construction, hairdressing, horticulture, health & social care, automotive, engineering and computing.

As a trusted WorldSkills event partner, we also regularly host regional competitions in hairdressing and web design.

In recent years, five outstanding students competed

in national finals, including computing students Jack Day and Kai Oliver, plus Foundation Prospects students Kevin Stubbs, Dean Roberts and Danny Walker.

In 2021, Kevin Stubbs scooped a gold medal in the Horticulture Foundation Skills finals, closely followed by teammate Dean Roberts who was awarded silver.

Jack Day triumphed in 2019 winning gold in web design. Jack was selected, alongside 2017 winner Lewis Newton, to join Squad UK in the lead up to WorldSkills Shanghai in 2022.

After 18 months training in the WorldSkills UK Talent Programme Lewis was selected to represent the UK in WorldSkills Shanghai 2022.





**Kevin Stubbs**

WorldSkills UK Gold Medallist,  
Horticulture Foundation Skills

“Winning gold felt really good and it really boosted my confidence. That’s the best thing about WorldSkills, it gives you so much confidence. I could see all the other competitors getting more confident during the day too.”

“It’s a real honour to be part of Team UK and I am so excited about putting my skills to the test in an international competition. I hope I will make everyone proud.”



**Lewis Newton**

WorldSkills UK Gold Medallist,  
Web Design



# Our E6 personal development programme

Our pioneering E6 personal development programme is a six-strand initiative made up of courses, training and experiences that focus on developing your soft skills in preparation for the world of work.

These opportunities will provide you with a pathway in readiness for securing a job, an apprenticeship or a place in higher education.

You can even gain recognition for taking part in the programme through our Gold, Silver and Bronze Principal's certification scheme, to mark your commitment and achievements.







## Enterprise

– a fun and interactive 12-week course for budding entrepreneurs run in partnership with specialist company Unloc. Working alongside expert mentors and other entrepreneurs, you will learn essential business knowledge, with the opportunity for additional mentoring through the Portsmouth Young Innovators Hub, a free co-working space for 16–25 year olds to run their own businesses.

## Employability and experience

– a range of employability workshops focusing on key topics including application writing, interview skills and creating an online professional image. We will even help to find you work experience linked to your chosen pathway to enhance your career aspirations.

## E-curriculum

– we offer a variety of online courses for a range of new skills to support you through College and beyond. You can work at your own pace, at home or in College, with access to one-to-one support. Certified courses range from money management to eating for the environment.



## Extension

– a wide range of extracurricular activities to develop new skills, make new friends and build your confidence. Programmes could include First Aid, Combined Cadet Force, the Unloc Leadership Academy, WorldSkills, Rock Choir, Dance Live and the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ).

## Exercise

– take advantage of specialist training and represent the College in AoC competitions including football, athletics, boccia, basketball or badminton. Or work on your fitness and develop your team-building skills by taking part in 'You Can' activities like 5-a-side football or personal training.

## Explore

– get involved in local and worldwide communities, make memories for life and gain valuable experiences as well as transferable skills through opportunities such as the Duke of Edinburgh Award, organised volunteering opportunities or Adventures for Students.

# Opportunities to experience

**Our students don't just learn  
– they experience!**



## Sport

Join one of our Sports Academies and play competitively in AoC sport competitions including football, athletics, boccia, basketball or badminton. Alternatively, just have fun joining in with our various 'You Can' activities, from personal training to table tennis or a 5-a-side football league. We also support you in competing at national level in your chosen field.

## Performing arts and music

Our students have performed in the Dance Live! event for schools and colleges. You too could take part in the event which showcases dance, performance, off-stage technical skills and creative design. You could learn to play an instrument and perform solo or in a band, either in College or at local venues like the Wedgewood Rooms, the Guildhall or Victorious Festival. You could even make use of our recording studio.



## Duke of Edinburgh Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards

Get involved in this challenging and prestigious award and you will find there are four fun components: an expedition, service to others, learning a new skill and physical recreation. Not only will it build your confidence and abilities, it also looks great on your CV or university application.





## Visits and travel opportunities

We offer trips, visits and conferences to enhance your enjoyment and understanding of subjects.

Examples include: local and national art galleries and museums; universities; law courts; theatre trips; BBC Question Time; outdoor adventure activities; the Houses of Parliament; professional music studios and venues; field trips; army, navy and police days and sports science laboratories.

You could also pay to join a residential trip to worldwide destinations such as Poland, Iceland, Venice, Rome, New York, Paris, South Africa or China.



## National Citizens Service

A fantastic opportunity for 16 and 17 year olds to engage in outdoor, community and volunteering activities. National Citizens Service combines an adventurous outdoor activities residential course with local community and social enterprises to raise money for good causes. Promoted by the College, the programme is run by our partners at the Pompey in the Community organisation.

## And there's more...

Through our E6 personal development programme, you can broaden your horizons and have fun by getting involved with projects like learning first aid, supporting in schools, volunteering, becoming a sports leader, setting up a small business, training as a student mentor, becoming a student ambassador or joining our student committee.

## Competitions

Alongside your course you will be encouraged and supported to take part in local and national competitions to test your skills and develop your confidence. Competitions include WorldSkills, annual hairdressing & beauty competitions, the Cambridge Chemistry Challenge, the International Biology Olympiad, the International Salon Culinaire and the Bricklayers Southern Regional Craft Competition.



# Students' Union

**City of Portsmouth College's Students' Union (CoPCSU) helps you get the most out of College life. It's run by student officers elected by you for you.**

All students studying at City of Portsmouth College are members of the Union, benefitting from access to a variety of free services including welfare advice, information, social activities and entertainment.

CoPCSU also plays a vital role in student representation and communication within the College - it gives you a voice. We're all about supporting young leaders, celebrating ideas and encouraging dialogue.

Each year, a Student Union is elected to act as a voice of the wider College community. As a team, they:

- play a vital role in representing and communicating the views of students to College management and governors
- provide advice and information to students
- organise social and fundraising activities
- raise awareness of local, regional and national issues.



**Being a course rep has helped me to be more confident. I am part of a group where my opinion matters, and our goal is to make College the best it can be for everyone."**

**Alaa Asad**  
Health & Social Care Course Rep







# Student support

**Our specialist staff will support you throughout your time at College, so that you can develop the skills and qualifications you need to move onto the next stage of your life.**

## Course advice

The admissions team are available to offer course and progression information, advice and guidance and you can talk to us in confidence.

## Learning support

We welcome applications from students with disabilities, learning difficulties, mental health conditions or medical conditions.

Our learning support team will assess your needs and explain about how they can help you get the most from your time here. The learning support team also offer:

- specialist Dyslexia support
- assistance with access arrangements
- exam support
- specialist speech & language support
- specialist behaviour support
- specialist emotional support
- literacy support
- Dyscalculia support
- help for parents/carers applying for their child/dependent's Educational Health Care Plan.

## Personal tutors

All full-time students are assigned a tutor or teacher who will support you throughout your College journey with regular catch-ups to talk about your progress. They may also offer additional sessions to support exam revision or practical workshops.

You will also have class tutorials most weeks covering subjects such as planning your career, managing money, health and fitness, personal development and study skills.

## Health & wellbeing support

We offer a range of mental health and wellbeing support. The First Aid Hub and College social areas often host drop-in sessions with external support agencies or charitable organisations such as NHS Sexual Health, the local chaplaincy and Solent Mind.



## Financial support

If you're under 19 on 31 August in the year in which you start your full-time course, you will not be charged tuition, examination or registration fees for the majority of courses.

You need to be a UK/Irish national or EU/EEA national with the UK Settled or Pre-Settled status, living in the UK or Ireland for the last three years.

If you're aged 19+ and studying at Level 3 or above, you'll be required to pay your fees (unless you are eligible for fee remission) but there are excellent flexible payment services available.

We provide College bursaries for students from low-income families, enhanced bursaries for students in

care, care leavers and others in receipt of qualifying benefits and free meals for students from families on certain state benefits.

If you're under 19 and have one or more children you could also be entitled to help with the cost of childcare through Care to Learn. Call 080 0121 8989, email [C2L@studentbursarysupport.co.uk](mailto:C2L@studentbursarysupport.co.uk) or visit [direct.gov.uk/caretolearn](http://direct.gov.uk/caretolearn)

# Student support

## Support with travel and transport

- Termly seven-day student passes are available to purchase from First Bus and Stagecoach for their public services in Portsmouth and wider Hampshire area at discounted prices.
- College services PC1 & PC2 (fees payable) cover Fareham, Cams Hill, Portchester, Paulsgrove, Cosham, Hilsea and Stamshaw (please see website for more information).
- Additional support is available for some students living further afield (10km+) including the Isle of Wight.
- Students entitled to a College bursary receive full support with their cost of travel to college. Bursary applications are means tested and have limited funds available – applications should be made as early as possible once forms are issued for the relevant year of study.
- Students with learning difficulties and disabilities under the age of 19 may get help with transport costs from their Local Education Authority (LEA)\*.

\*Contact your LEA for further information:

If you live in the Portsmouth area with a postcode of PO1-PO6 you should apply to Portsmouth City Council via 023 9284 1238 or: <https://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/services/schools-learning-and-childcare/schools/school-transport-and-travel/>

Students who reside in all other postcodes in Hampshire should apply to Hampshire County Council on 019 6284 6924 or: <https://hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schooltransport/parent-carer/eligibility>

## Careers support

Our specialist team is available to provide personalised and impartial information, advice and guidance, tailored to the needs of each student or apprentice and embedding equality & diversity to challenge stereotypical thinking and raise aspirations.

We deliver a planned programme designed to offer you the most appropriate support at various stages of your course.

### We can support you with:

- internal progression support
- UCAS university applications\*
- finding an apprenticeship
- employment options.

\* Highly experienced staff work with students on the particular challenges involved in making applications for: Oxford or Cambridge universities, medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine and other highly competitive higher education opportunities.

We hold a number of careers events throughout the year which provide excellent research and networking opportunities.

### Events include:

- careers information evening for parents
- higher education fairs
- employment and apprenticeships Fairs
- careers fairs for SEND students and parents
- regular visits to universities and employer venues (organised with curriculum staff).

The careers team is also fully engaged with other College programmes to support your skills development and progression.





# Work placements

**Our specialist staff will support you throughout your time at College, so that you can develop the skills and qualifications you need to move onto the next stage of your life.**

## Work placements on vocational programmes

Vocationally-relevant and high-quality work placements are an integral part of all our vocational study programmes, allowing you to develop many of the skills needed to thrive in the modern workplace.

Our unrivalled links with employers, both local and national, enable us to offer placements in a wide range of industries and environments. At every level, you are given the opportunity to complete a minimum of 30 hours of work experience during your course, with some Level 2/3 students undertaking 45-day industry placements.

We aim to provide all vocational study programme students with at least 30 hours of work placement and many courses exceed this during the year. Our broad range of courses means we offer work placements in almost every sector and industry, from carpentry to catering.

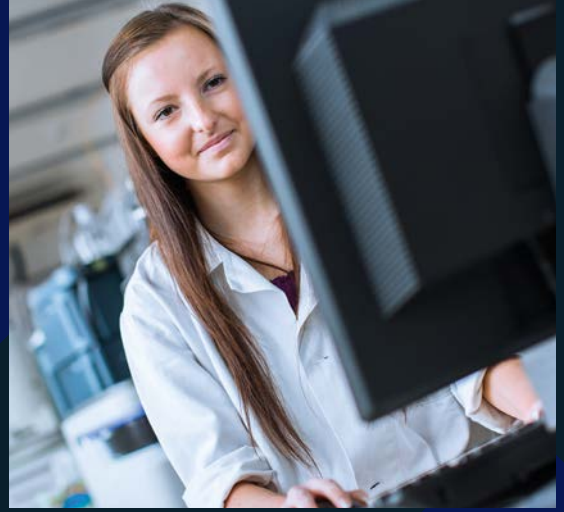
## Industry placements on T Levels

Our new and exciting range of T Levels include excellent, high-quality industry placements in a range of sectors, including healthcare, science, digital technologies and engineering.



**The thing I liked best was learning about the variety of roles and different jobs Vodafone have in their workplace. I discovered surprising jobs that not many people know about.**

**Hallie Scobie**  
Level 3 Extended Diploma in IT  
(Software Development)  
Completed the Vodafone Innovators  
Virtual Work Experience placement





# Our campuses and facilities


**At City of Portsmouth College you can make the most of great facilities and services. Our centres in and around Portsmouth make learning available to all.**







## All our campuses are modern and purpose-built with impressive facilities.

 **Tangier Campus** in Baffins is our academic centre of excellence, specialising in a wide range of A Levels and complementary vocational courses. The campus has extensive sports facilities including a gym, sports hall and playing fields.

 **Highbury Campus** in Cosham is home to many of our technical and vocational courses including T Levels, BTECs, vocational diplomas and higher education options.

 **North Harbour Campus** offers specialist training in construction crafts, net zero technologies, building services and engineering. A state-of-the-art facility, it boasts industry standard workshops and the latest work-related teaching environments.

 **Arundel Campus** is located in the heart of Portsmouth, offering English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL), Prince's Trust and flexible adult learning courses. It's also home to our specialist supported programme, Engage.

### Library services

The College library at Highbury Campus brings together a variety of resources and equipment including computers, online materials, books, magazines and newspapers to meet your learning needs.

Your studies will be further enhanced by the College's online library catalogue, which can be accessed from any College computer or from home.

### Study Centres

Our Study Centres provide great places to work on your college projects, as members of the support team are always on hand to assist with your assignments.

Locations:

Highbury Campus - in the library and on The Deck

North Harbour Campus – ground floor

Tangier Campus – ground floor

### Food and drink

Outlets at our Tangier and Highbury Campuses sell a choice of refreshments. With a wide range of reasonably-priced hot and cold food, snacks and drinks, including Fairtrade products, healthy and vegan options.

### Sports and fitness

We offer excellent leisure facilities, Tangier Campus has a well-equipped gym, sports hall and playing fields while Highbury Campus benefits from a multi-function sports hall, aerobics studio and fitness suite.

### Hair and beauty

Our Eden hair and beauty salon at Highbury Campus, run by talented students, offers a range of treatments at affordable prices for students and members of the public.

# Visit us

## Our open events give you an excellent opportunity to:

- learn more about our variety of A Levels, T Levels, vocational courses and apprenticeships
- visit the College and view the facilities
- find out about our E6 personal development and enrichment opportunities
- chat to current students and teaching staff
- meet our learning support, advice and welfare teams
- see how our unique 9.55am Sixth Form timetable benefits students
- discover our award-winning Sixth Form 'Curious & Creative' learning strategy, which uses Apple iPad technology to support learning
- find out about our 'More Able Students' programme and the opportunities available.



## Save the dates

### City of Portsmouth College Open Events

Highbury Campus, Tangier Campus & North Harbour Campus

4.30-7.30pm, Wednesday 12th October 2022

4.30-7.30pm, Thursday 13th October 2022

4.30-7.30pm, Wednesday 22nd February 2023

### Adult & Vocational Open Event

Highbury Campus & North Harbour Campus

4.30-7.30pm, Wednesday 17th May 2023

**Register online prior to the event to let us know you're coming.**



# Qualifications explained

**Whatever your level of ability or experience, we have a course for you.**

We offer university-level foundation degrees, access to higher education, CTECs, BTECs, A Levels, T Levels, apprenticeships, professional qualifications, functional skills/GCSEs, ESOL courses and NVQs.

## Foundation degrees

### Level 4 & Level 5

Ideal if you're unsure about taking a full-time degree or want to study while you work. This one-year course can usually be topped up to a full degree at university.

## Access to higher education

### Level 3

A Level 3 programme designed for students aged 19+ combining academic subjects with study skills support to prepare you for higher education.

## A Levels

### Level 3

Two-year subject-based qualifications that can lead to university, further study, training or work.

## T Levels

### Level 3

Introduced as an alternative to A Levels, T Levels are technical-based qualifications developed in collaboration with employers and businesses to meet industry needs and prepare students for work, further training or additional study.

## Vocational Certificates and Diploma inc. CTEC, BTEC and UAL

Work-related qualifications which allow you to demonstrate your knowledge and skills through practical work. Offered as an extended certificate (equivalent to one A Level after two years) a diploma (equivalent to two A Levels after two years) or an extended diploma (equivalent to three A Levels after two years).





## Apprenticeships

### Level 2 - Level 5

A real job with training leading to a recognised qualification related to the job you do. They take between one and four years to complete, depending on the level and the job sector you're in.

## NVQs

### Entry Level to Level 3

National Vocational Qualifications for those who want practical training to gain a particular skill, progress into the world of work or advance their career.

## Functional skills/GCSEs

### Level 2

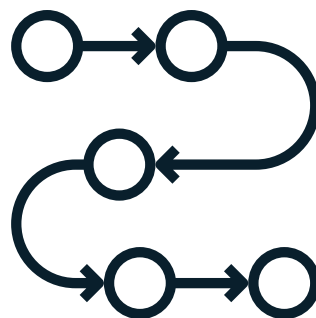
The opportunity to re-sit maths and/or English to improve your grade as part of a broader programme. A full assessment will determine the level and programme of study required.

## ESOL

### Up to Level 1

A range of courses for people looking to develop their English skills to deal more confidently with employers, colleges or universities as well as expressing their views and opinions more fluently.

# Learning routes explained



## A Levels (with supplementary vocational qualifications)



- You'll study at our dedicated sixth form centre, located at our Tangier Campus
- Choose from a wide range of A Levels and supplementary vocational qualifications
- Select two, three or four courses to form your individual study programme
- A Levels provide a route to university, higher apprenticeships or employment.

Choose from our full range of A Level courses, listed from page 230

## Technical & Vocational



- You'll study at our Highbury or North Harbour Campus
- A wide range of subjects available from Entry Level to Level 5
- Typically, you'll choose one subject in which to specialise to form your study programme
- Choose from a selection of Level 3 Extended Diplomas, which are equivalent to three A Levels and provide UCAS points to help you get into your university of choice
- Vocational qualifications provide a route to apprenticeships, higher apprenticeships, university or employment.

Choose from our full range of vocational courses, listed from page 42

## Apprenticeships



- Depending on the subject area you work in, you'll study at college and in the workplace for between one and five years
- Earn while you learn – apprenticeships are just like employment and come with a salary, holiday pay and other benefits
- With the support of a dedicated apprenticeship progress mentor, you'll learn at your own pace to gain a nationally recognised qualification and/or Apprenticeship Standard
- Apprenticeships provide a route to greater earning potential, higher apprenticeships and career progression.

Choose from our full range of apprenticeships, listed by subject area from page 42



# What is a Study Programme?

**At City of Portsmouth College, we provide more than just your chosen qualification. All students are enrolled on a specialised study programme, which is tailored to your specific educational needs.**

Your study programme is made up from these seven elements:

## Your qualification

Your study programme includes the qualification you are studying towards in your chosen subject, e.g. A Levels, T Level, Level 2 or Level 3 Certificates and Diplomas.

## Maths & English

Maths and English skills are important to employers and may also be a key requirement if you want to progress on to other courses after college or university.

Achieving grade 9–4 in both subjects at GCSE is highly recommended and often leads to higher earnings in the future. However, if you do not achieve these grades at school, you will work towards them alongside your core qualification.

Our maths and English team offer comprehensive exam and study support, giving you the very best chance to succeed.

## Work experience

Vocationally relevant and high-quality work placements are an integral part of your study programme and allow you to develop many of the skills needed to thrive in the modern workplace. Students at every level are given the opportunity to complete work experience during their course, with some Level 3 vocational students undertaking 45-day industry placements.

## Enrichment

To ensure you get the most out of your time at College, we offer a range of activities and initiatives for you to get involved in. These activities are known as 'E6 enrichment' and they provide excellent opportunities to make new friends, learn new skills, help others, improve your health and wellbeing and boost your CV/university application.





### **Progression support**

If you have any questions about your career, university application or the qualifications you need to achieve your goals, our expert careers team is here for you. We offer impartial and confidential advice about your options for university, further education, training and employment or an apprenticeship.

### **Employability skills**

Employability skills are embedded into your study programme at every level helping you prepare for your chosen career.



### **Attendance**

Attendance is very important and we expect excellent attendance from all of our students. To ensure you gain the best from your studies we expect 100% attendance at all times for all aspects of your study programme, including maths and English.

# General College entry requirements

**Entry requirements may differ slightly depending on the course or programme you select. All additional entry requirements are detailed on the course information pages under the section 'Entry requirements'.**



## Entry Level

No formal entry requirements apart from an interest and enthusiasm for the subject you wish to study.

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## Level 1

- 4 GCSEs at grade 2 or above including English
  - or an Entry Level qualification with maths and English (at least at Entry Level 3)
  - interest, skill and enthusiasm for the subject you wish to study.
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## Level 2

- 5 GCSEs at grade 3 or above including English
  - or a Level 1 qualification at merit grade or with tutor recommendation
  - Level 1 or above in English
  - some areas will also require Level 1 or above in maths
  - for some technical subjects you may need to start at Level 1 regardless of grades.
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## Level 3 A Levels and Vocational

- 5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English
  - or a Level 2 qualification at merit grade or above with tutor recommendation
  - Level 2 or above in English
  - some areas will also require Level 2 or above in maths
  - for some technical subjects you may need to start at Level 1 or 2 regardless of grades.
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## Level 4

- 3 A Levels, an Access to HE diploma or a Level 3 vocational qualification with a sufficient pass/merit profile
  - plus a Level 2 in maths and English
  - typical offer for applicants is 80-120 UCAS tariff points.
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# Traineeships

**Traineeships are a brilliant way to gain experience and confidence, helping you to take the next step into an apprenticeship, work or study.**

A Traineeship is a fully-funded education and training programme for 16-24\* year olds (\*25 year olds with an Education, Health and Care Plan) to build employability skills and gain valuable sector-based experience through a work placement.

Our course is a one year programme and is located at Highbury Campus.

## You'll study:

- communication skills in preparing for work
- applying for jobs and courses
- researching employment opportunities
- oral presentation skills
- maths and English.

You will develop skills, knowledge and attitudes that you will need to progress into positive destinations. You will also develop the skills and knowledge that

will help you to identify suitable work opportunities for the future, including timekeeping, following instructions, working independently, teamwork, problem solving and taking part in a work placement.

Although there are no formal entry requirements, you must be aged 16-25, not currently employed or in an apprenticeship and not have a Level 3 qualification.





# Become an apprentice

## What is an apprenticeship?

An apprenticeship is a real job with training which allows you to earn while you learn, plus gain a nationally recognised qualification.

Apprenticeships take between one and five years to complete and are available in 1,500 occupations across 170 industries, varying from construction through to IT and the creative and digital sectors.

## Can anyone become an apprentice?

Apprenticeships are available to UK/Irish Nationals and EU/EEA Nationals with UK Settled or Pre-Settled status, living in the UK or Ireland for the last three years. Eligibility checks may apply. There are different entry requirements depending on the sector and job.

## Key benefits of doing an apprenticeship

- you earn a wage
- you'll receive training in the skills employers want
- there are excellent progression opportunities, whether you are looking to study further or climb the ranks within the workplace
- apprentices have an increased future earning potential - you could enjoy marked salary increases when you complete your training, and those completing a higher apprenticeship could see increased earnings of an estimated £150,000 over a lifetime\*

- learning is delivered at a pace suited to you with the support of a mentor
- you'll receive employer benefits including a pension and paid holiday.

There are various levels of apprenticeships you could apply for (from Level 2-7) depending on your current skills and qualifications.

## Applying for an apprenticeship

There are three ways to get started:

1. If you already have an employer and you are ready to start an apprenticeship, contact our Employment Services team on 023 9238 3131 (option 1) or email [employmentservices@copc.ac.uk](mailto:employmentservices@copc.ac.uk)
2. If you do not have an employer, view our list of current apprenticeship vacancies and apply online at [copc.ac.uk/appvacancies](http://copc.ac.uk/appvacancies)
3. If there are no suitable vacancies currently available, you can register online, and one of our Employment Services Team will let you know when a potential match becomes available.

## Find out more

023 9238 3131 (option 1)  
[employmentservices@copc.ac.uk](mailto:employmentservices@copc.ac.uk)  
[copc.ac.uk/apprenticeships](http://copc.ac.uk/apprenticeships)



# Apprenticeships at a glance

**We offer apprenticeships in a wide range of industry sectors. Here is a selection of programmes currently on offer at City of Portsmouth College:**

## Automotive

**Level 2** Autocare Technician Apprenticeship Standard

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**Level 3** Automotive Service & Maintenance Technician Apprenticeship Standard

## Catering

**Level 2** Commis Chef Apprenticeship Standard

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**Level 2** Production Chef Apprenticeship Standard

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**Level 3** Chef de Partie Apprenticeship Standard

## Childcare & teaching

**Level 2** Early Years Practitioner Apprenticeship

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**Level 3** Early Years Educator Apprenticeship Standard

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**Level 3** Teaching Assistant Pathways Apprenticeship

## Computing & IT

**Level 3** Information Communications Technician Apprenticeship Standard

## Construction & building services

**Level 2** Bricklaying Apprenticeship Standard

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**Level 2** Property Maintenance Operative

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**Level 2** Wall & Floor Tiling Apprenticeship Standard

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**Level 2** Carpentry & Joinery Apprenticeship Standard

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**Level 2** Painting & Decorating Apprenticeship Standard

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**Level 2** Plastering Apprenticeship Standard

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**Level 3** Electrical Installation / Maintenance (Electrician) Apprenticeship Standard

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**Level 3** Regeneration, Air Conditioning and Heat Pump Engineering Technician

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**Level 3** Advanced Carpentry & Joinery Apprenticeship

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**Level 3** Advanced Apprenticeship in Plumbing and Domestic Heating

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**Level 3** Gas Engineering Operative

## Finance, business, marketing and HR

**Level 2** Accounts/Finance Assistant  
Apprenticeship Standard

**Level 3** Assistant Accountant  
Apprenticeship Standard

**Level 3** Business Administrator  
Apprenticeship Standard

**Level 3** HR Support Apprenticeship Standard

**Level 3** Payroll Administrator  
Apprenticeship Standard

**Level 3** Team Leader / Supervisor  
Apprenticeship Standard

**Level 3** Marketing Assistant  
Apprenticeship Standard

**Level 4** Associate Project Manager  
Apprenticeship Standard

**Level 4** Professional Accounting Technician  
Apprenticeship Standard

**Level 5** Consultant / Partner  
Apprenticeship Standard

**Level 5** Operations / Department Manager  
Apprenticeship

## Hairdressing

**Level 2** Hair Professional Apprenticeship

**Level 3** Advanced Creative Hair Professional  
Apprenticeship Standard

## Journalism

**Level 5** Journalist Apprenticeship Standard

## Science

**Level 3** Pharmacy Technician  
Apprenticeship Standard



“ I love the physical and mental challenges of my plumbing apprenticeship. I chose plumbing because you get to help people in need and it's a service in high demand. ”

**Iliya Nikbakht**  
**Studied:** Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeship in Plumbing & Domestic Heating  
**Employer:** Lush Mechanical

# FIND THE COURSE FOR YOU

Take your place





# Animal Care





## If you're an animal lover with a desire to make a difference, then there's no reason why you can't fulfil your dream of working with nature's wonderful creatures.

From veterinary nurse to pet behaviourist; there is a surprising amount of varied careers which allow you to spend your days working closely with all animals, great and small.

Our first-step animal care courses are ideal for those who wish to progress to higher vocational study.

Based at Highbury Campus, you will develop your skills and experience with a range of small animals, including rabbits, chinchillas and reptiles. As well as enjoying a range of practical and theory-based tasks on your course, you will also enjoy visits to zoos and wildlife centres. Throughout the year, you will also benefit from a wide range of specialist visitors, including dog handlers and falconers.

There are many career opportunities for people with qualifications in animal care or animal management. Options include: zoo keeping, veterinary nurse/assistant, kennel technician, dog groomer, pet shop/retail or equine management pathways. You could also work at animal rescue centres and animal sanctuaries or as an animal welfare assistant for a charity, such as the Blue Cross or the RSPCA.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain a valuable Functional Skills qualification if required.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Entry Level 3  
Pathway to Animal Care**

**Level 1 Pathway  
to Animal Care**

**Level 2 Certificate  
in Animal Care**

## Entry Level 3 Pathway to Animal Care

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who wish to progress to the Level 1 vocational study in animal care or equivalent.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- learning and employability
- introduction to the care of animals
- developing confidence working with animals
- checking the health of an animal
- recognising small animals
- the grooming of small animals.

### The fun stuff

You will take part in at least 30 hours of work experience within the animal care sector. You will also build a portfolio of work through activity, group, photo and video assessments. Alongside this qualification, you will be working towards specific Functional Skills or GCSE qualifications in maths and English.

### Entry requirements

There are no entry requirements for this course.

### What next?

The majority of students progress to Level 1 courses, including the Level 1 Pathway to Animal Care.

## Level 1 Pathway to Animal Care

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

Ideal if you aspire to work with animals, the course prepares you to progress to a higher qualification in animal care (or similar sector).

### What will you study?

Units include:

- caring for animals
- developing confidence working with animals
- learning and employability skills.

### The fun stuff

You will take part in at least 30 hours of work experience within the animal care sector. You will also build a portfolio of work through activity, group, photo and video assessments.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including maths and English.

### What next?

This course is the perfect stepping stone into further education and enables progression into other vocational courses, traineeships or an apprenticeship.



## Level 2 Certificate in Animal Care

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who want to work in an outdoor environment, it has been designed to provide learners with the skills and knowledge required to enable progress to further study in animal care.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- animal health and welfare
- cleaning and maintaining animal accommodation
- providing food and water to animals
- career options in horticultural, environmental and animal care
- preparing for work placement.

### The fun stuff

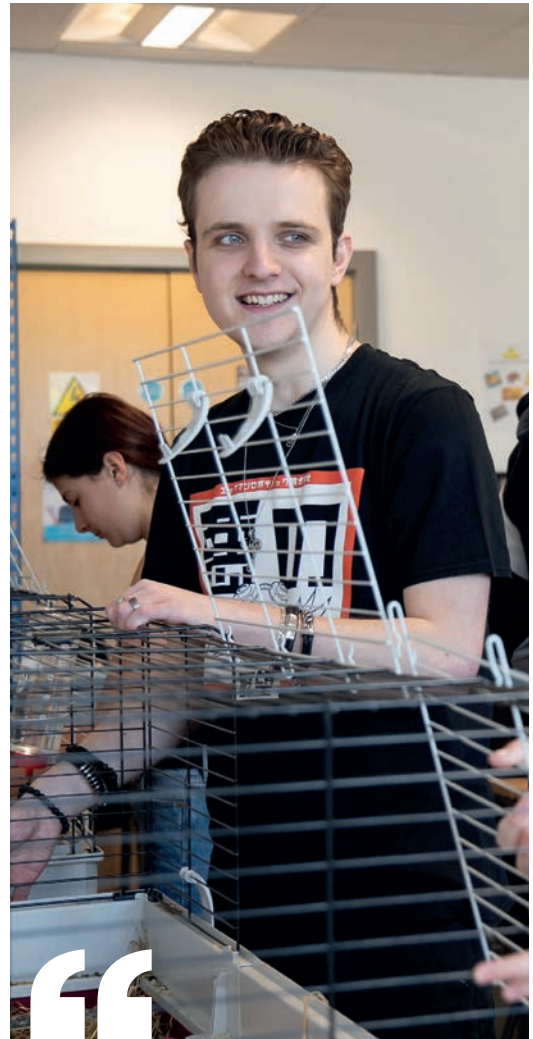
You will take part in at least 30 hours of work experience within the animal care sector.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including maths and English.

### What next?

This course is perfect for those who wish to progress to higher level vocational study in horticulture, environmental and animal care or who need to develop their employability and/or learning skills alongside their vocational skills.



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**The course is really fun because we get to learn about how to look after animals. I'd definitely recommend it if you love animals.**

**Alfie Armstrong**

**Studying:** Level 1 Pathway to Animal Care

**Future plans:** To work in a zoo or aquarium

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# Art & Design





## The creative industries are one of Britain's fastest growing sectors and, with City of Portsmouth College, you will receive the support you need in gaining the skills and experience necessary to succeed.

Our purpose-built art and design studios include specialist workshop areas for textiles, 3D design and screen printing, a photographic darkroom and access to Mac and PC suites with the Adobe Creative Suite. You will have the opportunity to work on live projects for clients as well as self-directed ones, including creating your own work for the College's annual art exhibition, which is open to the public.

Students will be taught by practising artists and designers with high levels of industry and educational experience. You may also be able to work with visiting artists and designers.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 1 Pathway to Art & Design**

**Level 2 UAL Diploma in Art & Design**

**Level 3 UAL Applied General Diploma in Art & Design**

**Level 3 UAL Applied General Extended Diploma in Art & Design**

**More courses available in this area, see page 230**



It's a relaxed course and it's a safe space to be in. All the people here are wonderful. This course is one of the most enjoyable things I've ever done.

**Amy Dawe**

**Studying:** Level 3 UAL Applied General Diploma in Art & Design

**School:** St Edmund's Roman Catholic School

**Future plans:** To become a film set designer

## Level 1

### Pathway to Art & Design

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For those aged 16-19 who have a general interest in art and design and wish to develop their maths and English levels to access higher vocationally-related courses.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- introduction to materials, processes and skills in art, design and media
- introduction to contextual research in art, design and media
- art and design project
- employability skills.

#### The fun stuff

Teaching, coaching and learning support staff will work closely with you and your parents/carers to help you achieve planned learning goals. Our staff are experienced at delivering classes to meet your needs and will work with you to build your confidence and skills.

#### Entry requirements

There are no formal entry requirements, although a keen interest in art and design combined with a desire to improve your maths and English levels is essential. Acceptance on to this course is subject to interview and initial assessment processes.

#### What next?

This course is the perfect stepping stone to further education and enables progression into further vocational courses, traineeships or an apprenticeship. In the final term you will have an opportunity to study towards a Level 2 course that will further enable your progression to a higher-level course.

## Level 2

### UAL Diploma in Art & Design

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

This course is for students who would like to develop their skills within the creative and media industries to prepare them for work or further study. Students on this programme may wish to work in set design, illustration, sculpture, media, textiles or fine art.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- materials, processes and skills
- contextual research
- drawing skills
- 2D and 3D problem-solving
- time-based creative problem-solving
- developing and producing a personal project.

#### The fun stuff

You will complete a one-week work placement within the industry. You will also have the opportunity to work on many live projects and exhibit your work. At the end of your studies, you will be invited to exhibit your final design projects at the End-of-Year Showcase.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English. All places are subject to an interview with a portfolio of your creative work.

#### What next?

On completion of this course to a merit standard, you can progress to a Level 3 course, including a Level 3 UAL Diploma in Art and Design.



## Level 3

### UAL Applied General Diploma in Art & Design

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

This practical course is for you if you want to develop your creative design skills and progress to a career in the creative industries. It has been designed to provide a strong foundation for progressing to a broad range of creative subjects at further and higher education, or creative apprenticeships.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- photography, illustration and graphic design
- painting and drawing
- 3D
- screen printing
- digital media
- diagnostic investigation.

#### The fun stuff

You will mostly be working in the art and design studios, sometimes you may be working in the photography studio or in one of our Mac suites and you may get the opportunity to work off-site on a project, with real clients. You will meet artists and visit galleries, as well as exhibiting your final design project at the End-of-Year Showcase.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and a creative subject, or a full Level 2 qualification at merit grade, with literacy and numeracy. All places are subject to an interview with a portfolio of your creative work.

#### What next?

Most students will progress to a Level 3 UAL Extended Diploma in Art and Design.

## Level 3

### UAL Applied General Extended Diploma in Art & Design

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

This course follows on from the UAL Level 3 Applied General Diploma in Art and Design, if you want to develop your creative design skills to a higher level and progress to a career in the creative industries. It provides a strong foundation for a broad range of creative subjects at further and higher education, or creative apprenticeships.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- more independent focus
- larger, more in-depth projects
- building a strong portfolio
- specialist practice within art and design.

#### The fun stuff

The Extended Diploma usually involves working on a live project for an external client. Recent projects have included taking part in the Royal Opera House Design Challenge and creating mural designs for a hotel. On this course you can write your own brief for your final project.

#### Entry requirements

Level 3 UAL Applied General Diploma in Art and Design at merit.

#### What next?

You can progress to university, then find work as a graphic designer, photographer, fashion designer, interior designer, exhibition designer, ceramicist, jewellery maker, illustrator or fine artist. Or you could choose to move on to related job areas, including animation, television, visual merchandising or web design.

# Automotive





## Do you love cars? Our automotive courses are perfect if you're interested in learning how to maintain and repair cars.

Newcomers will learn what it's like to work in the industry, while those with experience will benefit from advanced study to develop their skills. All our courses have been developed with the Institute of the Motor Industry (IMI) and EMTA Awards Limited (EAL), to help you gain the right skills and qualifications needed for employment.

You'll train in our modern garage workshops and MOT tester centre to develop your skills by working on a range of vehicles. Experienced tutors will teach you through a mix of individual assignments and group activities.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Entry Level 3 VRQ Certificate for the Introduction to the Motor Vehicle Industry & Technologies**

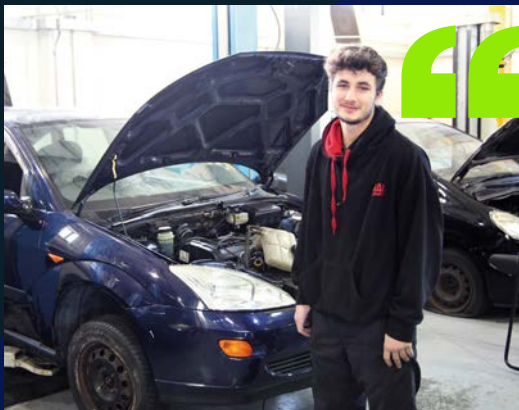
**Level 1 IMI Diploma in Transport Maintenance**

**Level 2 IMI Diploma in Maintenance & Repair Principles (Light Vehicle)**

**Level 2 Autocare Technician Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 3 IMI Diploma in Maintenance & Repair Principles (Light Vehicle)**

**Level 3 Automotive Service & Maintenance Technician Apprenticeship Standard**



Mechanics is a really good life skill. If you can fix a car you have a better understanding of how lots of things work.

Max Salgado-Nacke  
Studied: Level 3 Automotive Apprentice



## Entry Level 3

# VRQ Certificate for the Introduction to the Motor Vehicle Industry & Technologies

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who want to develop their knowledge and skills across a variety of specialist areas to prepare them for further studies or employment.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- principles of component fitting
- spark ignition engine systems
- compression ignition engine systems
- engine liquid cooling and lubrication
- steering and suspension systems
- vehicle braking systems, wheels and tyres
- vehicle driveline maintenance and electrical foundation skills.

### The fun stuff

You will be taken on a number of trips to find out about different aspects of the industry and the many roles open to you. You will also benefit from 24/7 access to our online resources LJ Create and Vehicle Visuals.

Alongside this qualification, you will be working towards specific Functional Skills or GCSE qualifications in maths and English.

### Entry requirements

There are no entry requirements for this course.

### What next?

You can progress to the Level 1 Diploma in Transport Maintenance.

## Level 1

# IMI Diploma in Transport Maintenance

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course is aimed at 16–19 year olds who have a keen interest in working in the automotive industry, as an introduction to that world.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- engine systems
- chassis systems (brakes, steering and suspension)
- transmission, lubrication and electrical systems
- health and safety.

### The fun stuff

The course is divided between theory sessions and practical sessions in a workshop. You will be working on light vehicles, learning the various systems and how to remove, assess and refit assemblies. Students also benefit from 24/7 access to our online resources LJ Create and Vehicle Visuals.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English.

### What next?

You can progress to a Level 2 Diploma in Maintenance and Repair Principles (Light Vehicle) or use this course as a foundation to an apprenticeship.



## Level 2

### IMI Diploma in Maintenance & Repair Principles (Light Vehicle)

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For students who want to develop the specialist knowledge required by the automotive sector, it has been designed to support the needs of employers within the industry.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- materials, fabrication, tools and measuring devices
- system components and operation
- system components and maintenance
- removing and replacing components.

#### The fun stuff

You will be encouraged to enter competitions to test your skills against other colleges and the military. Events could include WorldSkills or the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Automotive Challenge. Students also benefit from 24/7 access to our online resources LJ Create and Vehicle Visuals.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You can progress to a Level 3 Diploma in Maintenance and Repair Principles, or into an apprenticeship.



## Level 2

# Autocare Technician Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 30 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the apprenticeship for?

Ideal for those who have an interest in the autocare occupation but little or no formal training.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- inspecting light vehicles using prescribed methods
- maintaining a healthy and safe workplace
- using specific company IT systems, including point-of-sale systems and handheld devices
- communicating effectively with customers, suppliers and colleagues
- accessing vehicle technical data to inform inspections and make judgements on wear and serviceability.

### The fun stuff

You will carry out a range of services and repairs to cars, vans and light goods vehicles, working in an autocare centre, where you will be learning the fundamentals of specific vehicle systems including steering and suspension, braking systems, battery and charging systems, exhaust systems and air-conditioning systems. On completion, you will be eligible to apply for IMI membership as a Registered Young Professional or as an Associate Member. You will also gain entry to the IMI Professional Register.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 2 or above, or Functional Skills Level 1. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You could progress to a Level 3 automotive course/ apprenticeship or work within the industry. It is also possible to continue training via the Institute of the Motor Industry (IMI), should you want to specialise or advance your knowledge further.

## Level 3

# IMI Diploma in Maintenance & Repair Principles (Light Vehicle)

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who want to develop the specialist knowledge required by the automotive sector.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- vehicle auxiliary electrical faults
- light vehicle engine faults
- light vehicle transmission and driveline faults
- inspecting light vehicles using prescribed methods.

### The fun stuff

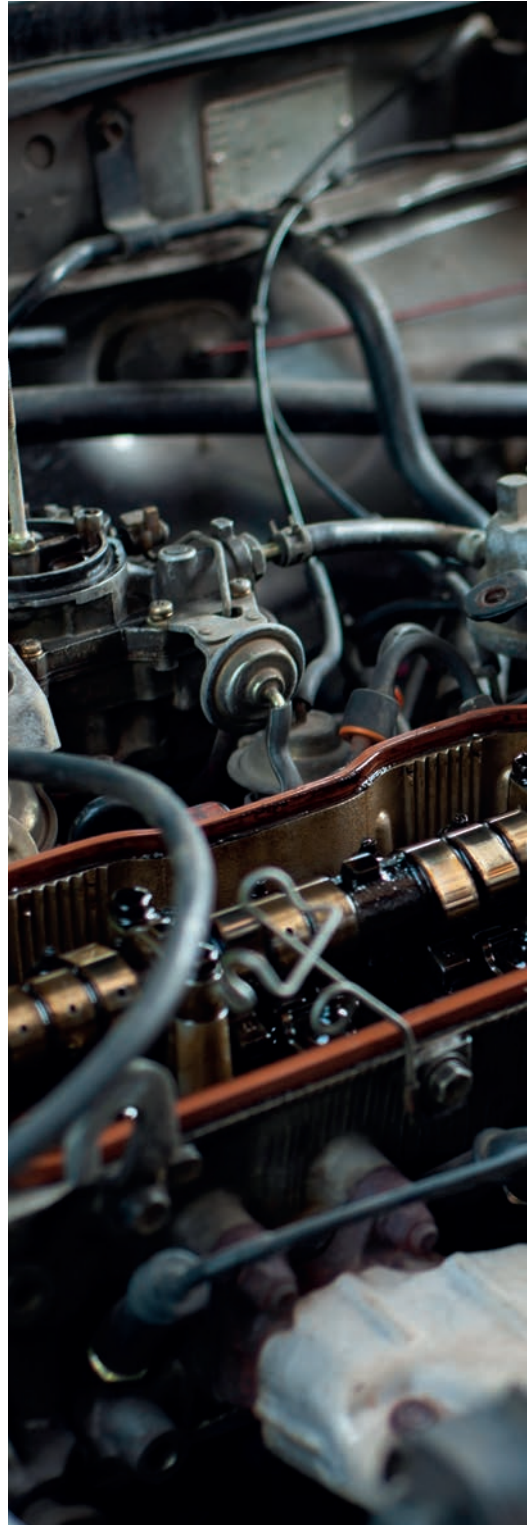
You will be taken on a number of trips to find out about different aspects of the industry and the many roles open to you. Students also benefit from 24/7 access to our online resources ATT, Electude, LJ Create and Vehicle Visuals.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and a Level 2 automotive qualification.

### What next?

You can progress straight into employment or a higher apprenticeship. Once employed, you can return to complete the part-time Level 4 Master Technicians course, MOT tester training and numerous Institute of the Motor Industry (IMI) short courses.



## Level 3

# Automotive Service & Maintenance Technician Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** Three years

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the apprenticeship for?

For those who have a basic understanding of light vehicle maintenance and repair but want to progress and expand that knowledge further.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- engine systems and component faults
- transmission and drive-line system faults
- chassis system faults
- inspecting light vehicles using prescribed methods
- diagnostics, alternative fuels and electric vehicles.

### The fun stuff

You will work either in dealerships which focus on a particular manufacturer, or in an independent garage dealing with many different makes of vehicles. You will learn advanced skills around service and maintenance of vehicles specifically around components, servicing, emissions and diagnostics, as well as how to run an efficient garage/business.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You could go into full-time employment within the industry. Past apprentices have gone on to be promoted in their company to roles with more responsibility and within a short period of time have gone on to become managers and even company directors. It is also possible to continue your training via the Institute of the Motor Industry (IMI) should you wish to specialise or advance your knowledge further.





# Bricklaying







**As a bricklayer, you will be responsible for one of the most important elements of construction within the housing industry. Responsibilities include creating new buildings and walls, measuring site work, and repairing or maintaining existing structures. Bricklaying is a financially rewarding career with a great salary that increases with experience and progression.**

Bricklaying offers a real sense of achievement. At the end of a project, you'll see the results and be able to say 'I built that'. And there is no better place to learn than at our North Harbour Campus, which is one of the largest facilities of its kind in the south east, with industry-standard workshops and realistic working environments.

During the course, you will be encouraged to use your skills to make a contribution to the local community.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

#### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 1 Diploma in Construction Skills**

**Level 1 Diploma in Brickwork**

**Level 2 Diploma in Brickwork**

**Level 2 Bricklaying Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 3 Diploma in Brickwork**

## Level 1

### Diploma in Construction Skills

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For those aged 16-19 who have a general interest in construction and wish to develop their maths and English levels to access higher vocationally-related courses. It will include a mixture of theory and practical sessions in carpentry and joinery, brickwork, plastering, painting and decorating.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- introduction to health and safety
- painting techniques and wallpapering
- constructing half brick and block walling
- preparation and render coats
- introduction to construction Industry
- fixing architraves and skirting
- tiling walls and floors with a border
- preparation and finishing.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to attend enrichment sessions and to take part in vocationally based projects. You will enjoy regular professional visits and take part in real-life work experience, giving you the extra skills and knowledge needed in your chosen field. There are also a variety of awards for good attendance and a committed attitude.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You will find this programme is the perfect stepping stone to further vocational courses and apprenticeships.

## Level 1

### Diploma in Brickwork

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For anyone looking to learn the essentials of brickwork, as a progression to a career in the trade.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- principles of building construction, information and communication
- health, safety and welfare in construction
- masonry structures up to the damp-proof course
- block laying
- bricklaying.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to work on many live projects and benefit from site visits, industry talks and demonstrations from experts. You will also be encouraged to showcase your skills at local and national competitions, including the Guild of Bricklayers Southern Regional Craft Competition, hosted at our North Harbour Campus and you will complete 30 hours of on-the-job experience.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You can progress to a Level 2 Diploma in Brickwork or to an apprenticeship.



## Level 2 Diploma in Brickwork

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who have completed the Level 1 Diploma and would like to develop their skills and knowledge further.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- health, safety and welfare in construction
- principles of building construction, information and communication
- building solid walling, isolated and attached piers
- interpreting working drawings to set out masonry structures
- constructing cavity walling forming masonry structures.

### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to work on many live projects and benefit from site visits, industry talks and demonstrations from experts. You will also be encouraged to showcase your skills at local and national competitions, including the Guild of Bricklayers Southern Regional Craft Competition, hosted at our North Harbour Campus, and you will complete 30 hours of on-the-job experience within the industry.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English. Those with prior industry experience will also be considered.

### What next?

There may be the opportunity to progress on to a Level 3 Diploma in Brickwork. You could also take up an apprenticeship or go straight into employment.



“It’s giving me the skills to go on to site, get a job and set me up for life. It is a good course and it’s like a community here.”

**Josh Reid**

**Studying:** Level 2 Diploma in Brickwork  
**School:** Cowplain School

## Level 2

# Bricklaying Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

Ideal for those who have an interest in the bricklaying occupation but no formal training.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- health, safety and welfare in construction
- the principles of high-quality customer service and communication methods
- thermal qualities, airtightness, and building ventilation
- modern methods of construction, rapid build technology, alternative block, masonry, steel, and timber-based cladding systems
- determine quality and quantities of building material including mix ratios of mortar and concrete, areas, and volumes of materials and resources.

### The fun stuff

You will lay bricks, blocks and other types of building components in mortar to construct and repair walls, foundations, partitions, arches, and other structures such as chimney stacks. You might also refurbish brickwork and masonry on restoration projects. The range of sites and projects you may work on includes large commercial developments, new builds in housing, alterations, extensions, and restorations.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 2 or above, or Functional Skills Level 1. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You can progress to a higher-level full-time course or apprenticeship within the construction industry, such as site management or surveying.

## Level 3 Diploma in Brickwork

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who have completed the Level 2 Diploma and would like to develop their skills and knowledge further.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- organising, planning and pricing construction work
- repairing and maintaining masonry structures
- radial and battered brickwork
- decorative and reinforced brickwork
- fireplaces and chimneys
- health, safety and welfare in construction.

### The fun stuff

You will complete 30 hours of on-the-job experience within the industry (please note, this only applies to our 16-18 study programme students). You will have the opportunity to work on many live projects and benefit from site visits, industry talks and demonstrations from experts. You will also be encouraged to showcase your skills at local and national competitions.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and a Level 2 Diploma in Brickwork.

### What next?

You can enter employment or progress in the workplace.



# Building Maintenance







## **This important sector is all about ensuring that buildings are always in a safe and pleasant working condition by optimising property condition, quality, temperature and environmental control.**

It could apply to housing, healthcare, social care, hospitality, education, commercial properties, leisure and retail, covering public and private sector buildings.

Property Maintenance Operatives need to maintain a high level of quality, providing maximum satisfaction to customers, clients, guests and team members.

Refrigeration, Air Conditioning and Heat Pump Engineering Technicians are responsible for heating and cooling systems in a broad range of business activities including food production, product distribution, retail storage and display, transport and office climate control, manufacturing processes, IT/datacentres and medical/healthcare services.

### **WHAT'S ON OFFER**

**Level 2 Property Maintenance Operative Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 3 Refrigeration, Air Conditioning and Heat Pump Engineering Technician Apprenticeship Standard**

## Level 2

# Property Maintenance Operative Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 13 months

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

For anyone interested in optimising property conditions and quality, ensuring that buildings are kept in a safe state of repair. They will understand the mechanism of buildings including electrical, plumbing, plant, safety systems and equipment.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- understanding basic carpentry, electrical, plumbing and decorating
- complying with organisational safety, policies and procedures, identifying and reducing hazards
- the safe use of hand tools including screwdrivers, power drills, pliers and paper strippers
- demonstrating and implementing energy, environment and sustainable practices.

### The fun stuff

You will learn a broad range of skills covering all construction trades specific to domestic and commercial properties. Working across the fabric, power and heat of buildings you will learn new techniques that are cost effective, efficient and safe to carry out. You'll also learn to provide first and immediate response to fault finding, while maximising quality and ensuring cost effectiveness.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 2 or above, or Functional Skills Level 1. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

This apprenticeship could lead to a higher level course or apprenticeship within the property industry or progression within the property maintenance industry.

## Level 3

# Refrigeration, Air Conditioning and Heat Pump Engineering Technician

**Duration:** Three years

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

For those looking to become a Refrigeration, Air Conditioning and Heat Pump (RACHP) Engineering Technician, a specialist occupation involving planning, preparing and safely carrying out work activities in process, product and space cooling.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- legislation, regulations and standards
- underpinning principles of thermodynamics, gas laws, psychrometrics, fluid flow, electricity, properties of refrigerant fluids and lubricants
- understanding relevant diagrams, calculations, tools, charts, tables and formulae and applying them as appropriate
- system fundamentals
- sustainability and system operations.

### The fun stuff

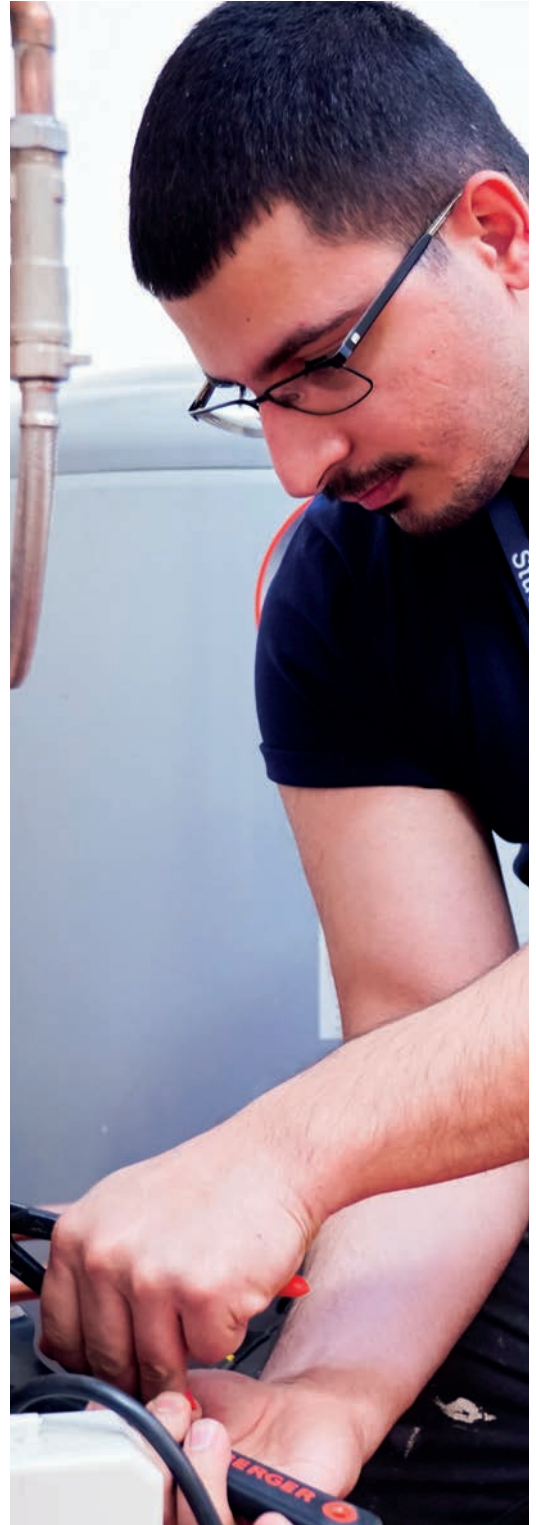
Working with our highly skilled team, you will have the opportunity to learn current and future technology and skills. You will also be able to work within our new Net Zero Training Hub, the first of its kind in the UK, dedicated to training and upgrading skills in sustainable technologies.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You will have the opportunity to learn more advanced skills or move into higher education.



# Business







## Whether you're looking to start your own business or launch a career in business, management, marketing or financial services, City of Portsmouth College can help you achieve your goal.

Choosing to study here will allow you the use of a wide range of facilities, including a Virtual Learning Environment (VLE), digitally enabled classrooms and a library.

Our lecturers have extensive commercial experience and we maintain close links with employers, universities, industry and professional bodies to ensure you have the knowledge and skill set required to succeed in this exciting and fast-paced sector.

Maths and English are embedded in all our qualifications and you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 2 Accounts/Finance Assistant Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 2 BTEC First Extended Certificate in Business**

**Level 3 National Foundation Diploma in Business**

**Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Business**

**Level 3 Assistant Accountant Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 3 Business Administrator Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 3 HR Support Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 3 Payroll Administrator Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 3 Team Leader / Supervisor Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 3 Marketing Assistant Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 4 Associate Project Manager Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 4 Professional Accounting Technician Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 5 Consultant / Partner Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 5 Operations / Department Manager Apprenticeship**

**More courses available in this area, see page 238**

## Level 2

# Accounts/Finance Assistant Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 15 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

An accounts or finance assistant is an integral part of the team responsible for maintaining an efficient and accurate finance function within a business. The accounts or finance assistant is responsible for assisting the team of accountants with junior accounting duties. These can vary massively depending on the team structure and size of business. An accounts or finance assistant's work could include basic bookkeeping activities, working with sales and purchase ledgers, running calculations to ensure that records and payments are correct, recording of cash and data entry.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- general business and ethical standards
- accounting systems and processes
- basic accounting and bookkeeping
- software.

### The fun stuff

You will learn the basic skills within the accounts or finance industry, either working for an accounting firm or within the finance department of a company within corporate businesses, sole traders, partnerships, public sector, not-for-profit organisations or educational institutions. You will have the opportunity to work with fellow professionals to learn the latest skills and standards within finance.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 2 or above, or Functional Skills Level 1. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You could progress to a Level 3 Accountancy Apprenticeship or complete further short courses with relevant awarding bodies.

## Level 2

### BTEC First Extended Certificate in Business

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For students who wish to enter the world of business services and gain a nationally recognised qualification to better your future employment opportunities.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- enterprise in the business world
- finance for business
- small business planning
- promoting a brand
- introducing project management
- principles of marketing
- working in business teams
- introducing retail business
- selling business online.

#### The fun stuff

You will complete a minimum of 30 hours work placement, usually over two weeks, within a professional setting. In addition, there are many further opportunities to gain experience at events such as Victorious Festival and the Highbury Handover at Whiteley Shopping Centre.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including maths and English.

#### What next?

You can progress to the Level 3 BTEC Foundation Diploma in Business or into an apprenticeship.

## Level 3

### National Foundation Diploma in Business

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Designed to be the first year of the Extended Diploma, this course is ideal for those who wish to develop their business, marketing or finance skills and progress to university and on to a professional career in business.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- exploring business
- developing a marketing campaign
- personal and business finance
- managing an event
- digital marketing
- employment law.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to choose additional units to develop your skills and broaden your experience. During the course, you will also complete a 45-day work placement within a professional setting and have further opportunities to gain experience at events such as Victorious Festival and the Shaping Portsmouth Conference.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths and English.

#### What next?

You can progress to the Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Business.

## Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Business

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

Following on from the Level 3 National Foundation Diploma, this course is designed to allow students to specialise in an area they most enjoy. It gives students the knowledge, understanding and skills they need to prepare for employment.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- international business
- principles of management
- business decision making
- pitching for business
- investigating corporate and social responsibility.

### The fun stuff

You will complete a 45-day work placement within a professional setting and have further opportunities to gain experience at events such as Victorious Festival and the Shaping Portsmouth Conference.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths and English.

### What next?

You could progress to a foundation degree or a degree-level course in areas such as event management, finance and banking, marketing, international business or business management. You could also move into employment or an apprenticeship.

## Level 3 Assistant Accountant Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 18 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

Designed for a mid-level role in the accountancy profession, it can lead into a variety of careers with supporting professional qualifications.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- advanced bookkeeping
- final accounts preparation
- management accounting and costing
- indirect tax
- ethics for accountants
- spreadsheets for accounting.

### The fun stuff

You will develop skills in bookkeeping, cost accounting and the preparation of reports and returns. You will learn and master financial processes, including accounting principles and concepts, advanced bookkeeping, final accounts, VAT issues, management accounting, costing techniques and ethical practices. This programme also develops software skills through using accounting software and spreadsheet training for accounting.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You can progress to a Level 4 qualification, including a Level 4 apprenticeship, or into employment or higher education.



## Level 3

# Business Administrator Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 18 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

A great way to learn about how business works and earn a wage at the same time, the skills gained are essential to the smooth running of any business and are also transferable.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- organisational purpose, activities, aims, values, vision and resources
- organisational structure and roles
- laws, regulations and internal policies
- relevant external factors
- business fundamentals – managing change, business finances and project management.

### The fun stuff

Your role may involve working independently or as part of a team and will involve developing, implementing, maintaining and improving administrative services. You will develop key skills and behaviours to support your own progression towards management responsibilities.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You can progress to a higher-level business administration course, a Team Leading/Supervisor Apprenticeship or an Associate Project Manager Apprenticeship.



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**I really enjoyed learning about sales and the strategies used. We also researched the customer experience and understanding the mind of the customer.**

**Ediana Crespo**

**Studied:** Level 2 Diploma in Business Studies

**Currently:** Sales Associate at Karl Lagerfeld

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## Level 3

# HR Support Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 18 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

Primarily for those who are new to their role in HR or are progressing on their career journey through the organisation.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- developing yourself as an effective HR practitioner
- understanding organisations and the role of HR
- recording, analysing and using HR information
- supporting good practice in managing employment relations
- resourcing talent
- delivering learning and development activities.

### The fun stuff

You will be expected to develop organisation-specific knowledge, a sound business understanding about your organisation and a good understanding of employment law and the HR policy framework of the organisation. Typically you will be taking ownership for providing advice to managers on a wide range of HR issues using company policy and current law, giving guidance that is compliant and where errors could expose the organisation to employment tribunals or legal risk.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You can apply to take the CIPD HR Consultant/ Partner Level 5 Apprenticeship.

Successful completion of this standard enables you to apply to become an Associate Member of the Chartered Institute of Personnel and Development.

## Level 3

# Payroll Administrator Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 17 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

Designed to develop or embed existing knowledge of a payroll administrator role, it is ideal for aspiring professionals taking their first step into payroll or to further advance those who already have some experience of a payroll department and who wish to expand or formalise those skills.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- legislative and contractual obligations
- internal and external reporting of payroll information
- GDPR and computer security
- employee records and ethical standards
- principles of payroll
- effective communication with employees and stakeholders
- gross/net pay, contributions, deductions, SMP, employer responsibilities
- Sage payroll
- reporting, data back-up and record management.

### The fun stuff

Incorporated into the programme is the IAB Level 3 Payroll Administration qualification, accredited by the International Association of Bookkeepers.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You can progress to a Level 4 qualification, including a Level 4 apprenticeship, or into employment or higher education, an apprenticeship or an Associate Project Manager Apprenticeship.

## Level 3

# Team Leader/Supervisor Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 15 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

Ideal for aspiring professionals taking their first step into line management or to further advance those who already have some experience of managing a team and/or project but who wish to expand or formalise those skills.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- personal development as a first line manager
- resource planning
- meeting stakeholder needs, managing and communicating information
- identifying development opportunities
- recruitment and selection process
- improving team performance.

### The fun stuff

You will have access to real work, giving you the opportunity to develop, practice and evidence knowledge and skills which meet the apprenticeship standard. Key day-to-day responsibilities are likely to include supporting, managing and developing team members, managing projects, planning and monitoring workloads and resources, delivering operational plans, resolving problems and building relationships both internally and externally.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You can progress to a Level 4 Associate Project Manager Apprenticeship or continue your education at university.



## Level 3

# Marketing Assistant Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 18 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

Aspiring marketing executives who are responsible for helping shape, support and deliver marketing plans, working in conjunction with the marketing manager who will define the overall marketing strategy.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- managing and maintaining key marketing channels, including digital, offline and social media
- planning and delivering tactical integrated marketing campaigns
- managing the production and distribution of marketing materials
- liaising and networking with a range of stakeholders including customers, colleagues, suppliers (including agencies) and partner organisations
- collecting and analysing research information to understand target audience behaviour and views across the market in general and the marketing mix
- assisting in the achievement of brand positioning to agreed guidelines
- organising and attending events such as conferences, seminars, receptions and exhibitions.

### The fun stuff

Learning the knowledge, skills and behaviours of a skilled marketing assistant within multiple industries, this apprenticeship offers a great insight into your future career and cutting edge techniques. You will look at concepts, theories, business awareness, product and marketing channels as well as effective market research.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

Potential opportunities for higher apprenticeships or courses as well as opportunities within the marketing industry.

## Level 4

# Associate Project Manager Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 15 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

For anyone who is interested in the successful management of projects.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- governance, stakeholder and communications management
- budgeting and cost control
- business case and benefits
- scope management, consolidated planning and schedule management
- risk and issue management, contract management and procurement and quality management
- resource management, context, collaboration and teamwork, leadership and communication
- results, integrity, ethics, compliance and professionalism.

### The fun stuff

Your role will be flexible and hands on so that you can develop the skills and knowledge you need to succeed in this exciting and expanding sector. As well as gaining technical abilities and practical experience, you will develop the functional and personal skills required for the job you are undertaking and for your future career. You can also become an Apprentice Member of the Association for Project Management (APM).

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You can progress to a higher level apprenticeship or course within project management. On completion, you will be eligible for progression to Associate Member, with full membership attained through further experience and professional development.

## Level 4

### Professional Accounting Technician Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 18 months  
**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Designed for those who want to gain advanced knowledge and develop skills in management and financial accounting, and the preparation of reports and returns.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- financial statements of limited companies
- management accounting: budgeting
- management accounting: decisions and controls
- accounting systems and controls.

#### The fun stuff

You will have responsibility for creating, and/ or verifying and reviewing, accurate and timely financial information within the organisation in which you are employed or on behalf of another organisation. This role may exist in an accounting practice, a professional services company, HMRC or the accounting function of a business or other organisation. We have included two free AAT Level 4 optional units, Personal Tax and Business Tax, to provide you with a basic introduction to the UK taxation system. These units are assessed individually in end-of-unit assessments and will be taught after the main programme learning has been completed.

#### Entry requirements

Maths and English GCSE grade 4 or above or Functional Skills Level 2, together with the AAT Advanced Diploma in Accounting (Level 3), or an equivalent professional accounting qualification.

#### What next?

You can work towards chartered accountancy and/ or a relevant undergraduate degree.

## Level 5

### HR Consultant/Partner Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 18 months  
**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For those who are new to the role of HR business partner/consultant or are progressing their career journey through an organisation.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- developing skills and delivering appropriate HR solutions
- focusing on the key behaviours which are essential to building effective working relationships
- HR information research, analysis and presentation of business data (internal and external)
- relationship management, policy, processes and operational structure
- influencing leaders and managers to adopt appropriate HR solutions.

#### The fun stuff

Designed to give you a good grounding across the whole range of HR disciplines, this apprenticeship offers progression for those who wish to specialise in a particular area of the HR function, including resourcing, total reward, organisation development or HR operations.

#### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

#### What next?

You can apply to take the CIPD Advanced qualifications in HRM/HRD.

## Level 5

# Operations/Department Manager Apprenticeship

**Duration:** 30 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

Suitable for anyone who is interested in pursuing a more senior management role or becoming a business owner.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- operational management approaches and models, including creating plans to deliver objectives and setting KPIs
- operational business planning techniques, including how to manage resources, development of sales and marketing plans, setting targets and monitoring performance
- setting up and managing a project using relevant tools and techniques, including risk management
- leadership styles, including how to lead multiple and remote teams and manage team leaders
- managing and developing multiple high-performing teams
- partner, stakeholder and supplier relationship management including negotiation, influencing, and effective networking
- problem solving and decision-making techniques, including data analysis
- strategic planning in line with organisational objectives.

### The fun stuff

You'll learn all about creating and delivering operational plans, managing projects, leading and managing teams, managing change, financial and resource management, talent management, coaching and mentoring.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You will be able to register with the Chartered Management Institute and/or the Institute of Leadership and Management. Those with three years' management experience can also apply for Chartered Manager status through the CMI.





# Carpentry & Joinery





## **Carpentry is one of the oldest construction trades and is in high demand. Carpenters use natural materials (wood/timber) to install wooden fixtures and fittings.**

As a carpenter you could be installing doors, floors and furniture in new builds, renovating or refitting existing structures, building sets for film and theatre companies and much more.

There are many opportunities for carpenters to work in a range of areas, including domestic residential buildings, commercial new builds or historic restorations.

Our carpentry and joinery courses are based at our North Harbour Campus, which is one of the largest facilities of its kind in the south east, with industry-standard workshops and realistic working environments. Alongside their programmes, students at City of Portsmouth College are also encouraged to use their skills to make a contribution to the local community.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

### **WHAT'S ON OFFER**

**Level 1 Diploma in Construction Skills**

**Level 1 Diploma in Carpentry & Joinery**

**Level 2 Diploma in Carpentry & Joinery**

**Level 2 Carpentry & Joinery Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 3 Diploma in Site Carpentry**

**Level 3 Advanced Carpentry & Joinery Apprenticeship**

## Level 1

### Diploma in Construction Skills

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For those aged 16-19 who have a general interest in construction and wish to develop their maths and English levels to access higher vocationally-related courses.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- introduction to health and safety
- painting techniques and wallpapering
- constructing half brick and block walling
- preparation and render coats
- introduction to construction Industry
- fixing architraves and skirting
- tiling walls and floors with a border
- preparation and finishing.

#### The fun stuff

The course will include a mixture of theory and practical sessions in carpentry and joinery, brickwork, plastering, painting and decorating.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English.

#### What next?

This course is the perfect stepping stone to further education and enables progression into further vocational courses, traineeships or an apprenticeship. In the final term, you will have an opportunity to study towards a Level 2 qualification that will further enable your progression to a higher-level programme.

## Level 1

### Diploma in Carpentry & Joinery

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For those who wish to work with wood, either as a carpenter or a joiner, as part of their future career.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- health, safety and welfare in construction
- maintaining and using carpentry and joinery hand tools
- preparing and using carpentry and joinery portable power tools
- producing woodworking joints
- principles of building construction, information and communication.

#### The fun stuff

You will complete a minimum of 30 hours of on-the-job experience within the industry and have the opportunity to work on many live projects in the community. In recent years, carpentry students helped to convert a double-decker bus into a much-needed shelter for local homeless people. You will also benefit from site visits, industry talks and demonstrations from experts.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You can progress on to a Level 2 Diploma in Carpentry and Joinery.



## Level 2

# Diploma in Carpentry & Joinery

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who have already completed a Level 1 Diploma in Carpentry and Joinery and would like to complete the full qualification by achieving Level 2.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- health, safety and welfare in construction
- principles of building construction, information and communication
- first fix flooring and roofing
- first fix frames, partitions and stairs
- second fixing operations
- carpentry maintenance
- setting up and operating a circular saw.

### The fun stuff

The opportunity to work on many live projects in the community. You will also benefit from site visits, industry talks and demonstrations from experts.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English. Those with prior industry experience will also be considered.

### What next?

You could continue your education by taking on a Level 3 Diploma in Site Carpentry, or an apprenticeship, or go straight into employment.



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**I can take my skills back to the workplace to show how I'm getting on. They're enjoying what I'm doing so it's paying off. I highly recommend my course – it's a trade for life, it's always different and it's good fun.**

**Ben Mitchell**

**Studying:** Level 2 Carpentry & Joinery Apprenticeship Standard with CCCarpentry & Building Ltd

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## Level 2

# Carpentry & Joinery Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

Designed to develop the apprentice into a carpenter and provide them with the technical knowledge and behaviours they require to be successful in this role.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- health and safety
- high-quality customer service and communication methods
- measuring, marking out, fitting, cutting, splicing, finishing, positioning, and securing
- installing door and window frames, door and hatch linings, floor joist coverings, straight partitions and straight staircases
- installing doors, ironmongery, service encasements, wall and floor units and fitments, cladding and staircase components
- erecting inclined roofs with gables, joists, roof coverings and roof components
- repairing or replacing frames, mouldings, doors, windows, door and window ironmongery, roofing components, guttering and downpipes and window components
- using, maintaining, and storing tools and equipment
- specific joints, such as mitres, butt and halving joints.

### What else?

The broad purpose is working with building materials (most often wood) to create and install building components. This typically involves shaping and cutting materials, installing finished materials like partitions, doors, staircases, window frames, mouldings, timber floor coverings and erecting structural components, such as floor joists and roofs. All work needs to be carried out safely, using the appropriate tools and to the quality specified.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship, you will need to have already achieved maths and English grade 3 or above, or Functional Skills Level 1.

### What next?

You can progress to a Level 3 Carpentry and Joinery Apprenticeship or a different construction course/apprenticeship.

## Level 3 Diploma in Site Carpentry

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

For those students who have previously achieved a Level 2 qualification in carpentry and who wish to progress on to the next level.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- first fix flooring and roofing
- second fixing operations
- first fix roofing and stairs
- second fixing double doors and mouldings
- setting up and using fixed and transportable machinery.

### The fun stuff

You will complete a minimum of 30 hours of on-the-job experience within the industry and have the opportunity to work on many live projects in the community. In recent years, carpentry students helped to convert a double-decker bus into a much-needed shelter for local homeless people. You will also benefit from site visits, industry talks and demonstrations from experts.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English, plus a Level 2 Standard/NVQ (apprentice qualified).

### What next?

You can enter employment or progress in the workplace.



## Level 3

# Advanced Carpentry & Joinery Apprenticeship

**Duration:** 18 months

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

Students progressing from a Level 2 apprenticeship, that are looking to advance their knowledge and skills to cover more complex carpentry.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- working safely and pro-actively in the application of good health and safety practice
- understanding the programme and work schedule and planning work accordingly
- developing and maintaining good working relationships with managers, supervisors and colleagues
- determining the best way of carrying out work and ensuring this is clearly communicated
- interpreting technical specifications and ensuring compliance with relevant legislation/guidance
- selecting the required quantity and quality of resources required
- being prepared to take a lead when working in a team, especially when complex or non-standard work is involved.

### The fun stuff

You will normally work on a building site, or in domestic and commercial premises, preparing and installing complex and often bespoke building components such as high quality doors, shaped linings, staircases with turns, complex wall and floor units, bespoke structural carpentry and complex roof structures. The main difference between the Level 2 and Level 3 apprenticeship is that the carpenter has responsibility for managing their own and other people's work, as well as being required to complete complex and non-standard work.

### Entry requirements

You will need to have already achieved maths and English GCSE at grade 4 or above or Functional Skills Level 2.

### What next?

You could progress to a wide range of employment opportunities, or move to full or part-time further education.

This standard meets the requirements of the Construction Skills Certification Scheme (CSCS) Advanced Skilled Worker standard and is widely recognised as a licence to operate in a skilled construction trade.





# Catering





**Graduates of our catering courses are in high demand by employers. Our courses will give you all the skills you need to open up a world of possibilities for a successful career.**

You will be taught by highly qualified staff and will gain hands-on experience. You will also have the opportunity to showcase your skills at College events and enter local and national competitions, including WorldSkills and the Wessex Salon Culinnaire.

You will learn all aspects of practical catering, from basic cookery through to menu planning, customer service and presentation skills. All our courses teach you about food production and service, the principles of healthy eating and nutrition, health and safety, and job opportunities in the sector.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

#### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 1 Diploma in Professional Cookery**

**Level 2 Diploma in Professional Cookery**

**Level 2 Commis Chef Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 2 Production Chef Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 3 Diploma in Advanced Professional Cookery**

**Level 3 Chef de Partie Apprenticeship Standard**



**I loved studying catering. The tutors were fantastic and had varied backgrounds, meaning they could teach you different skills to prepare you for the real world.**

**Alexandra Bishop**

**Studied:** Level 2 Diploma in Professional Cookery  
**Winner:** Best Student Patisserie Chef, South Coast.

**Currently:** Owner of Pastry Corner





## Level 1

### Diploma in Professional Cookery

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Designed for people who are looking to take their first steps into the world of culinary arts and who wish to develop their all-round catering skills.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- maintaining a safe, hygienic and secure working environment
- working effectively as part of a team
- maintaining food safety when storing, preparing and cooking food
- preparing and cooking vegetables
- preparing and cooking meat, poultry and fish
- preparing and finishing salad and fruit and hot and cold sandwiches
- pasta, rice, eggs, pulses, grains and how to cook and finish simple bread and dough products.

#### The fun stuff

You will complete a variety of work placements within the industry including the Brookfield Hotel 'takeover'. You will also have the opportunity to compete in local and national competitions, volunteer at events such as Victorious Festival and take part in charitable initiatives. In addition, you will be invited on trips to Billingsgate Fish Market and wholesale food providers.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You can progress to a Level 2 Diploma in Professional Cookery.

## Level 2

### Diploma in Professional Cookery

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For students to develop their professional cookery skills and associated knowledge. This course will refine skills across a broad range of commodities.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- food safety in catering
- health and safety
- healthier foods and special diets
- kitchen operations, costs and menu planning
- applying workplace skills
- stocks, soups and sauces
- fruit and vegetables
- meat, offal, poultry, fish and shellfish
- rice, pasta, grains and egg dishes
- desserts, puddings and bakery products.

#### The fun stuff

You will complete a variety of work placements within the industry including the Brookfield Hotel 'takeover'. You will also have the opportunity to compete in local and national competitions, volunteer at events such as Victorious Festival and take part in charitable initiatives. In addition, you will be invited on trips to Billingsgate Fish Market and wholesale food providers.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You can progress to the Level 3 Diploma in Advanced Professional Cookery or go straight into employment or an apprenticeship as a chef or member of the food service team in the hotel and catering industry.



## Level 2

# Commis Chef Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 16 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the apprenticeship for?

For the apprentice who is looking to develop their role to become Commis Chef. The primary objective is to learn and understand how to carry out the basic functions in every section of the kitchen.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- teamwork and communication
- business costings, healthier foods and special diets
- recognising and understanding sources and quality points of common food groups
- recognising how technology supports the development and production of dishes
- understanding how personal and team performance impact on the successful production of dishes and menu items.

### What else?

A commis chef is the most common starting position in many kitchens. You will be preparing food and carrying out basic cooking tasks under the supervision of a more senior chef. The learning journey of any chef will vary considerably from one individual to the next, however it is necessary to understand and have experience in the basics that this role provides to progress to any future senior chef role.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 2 or above, or Functional Skills Level 1. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You can progress to a Level 3 qualification including a Level 3 Chef de Partie apprenticeship, into employment or higher education.

## Level 2

# Production Chef Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 15 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the apprenticeship for?

For the apprentice looking to develop their skills to become Production Chef.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- maintaining excellent standards of personal, food and kitchen hygiene
- ensuring compliance to procedures, menu specifications and recipes
- producing food, meeting portion controls and budgetary constraints
- adapting and producing dishes to meet special dietary, religious and allergenic requirements
- following, completing and maintaining production schedules, legislative and quality standard documentation
- using specialist kitchen equipment
- communicating internally and externally with customers and colleagues
- commitment to personal development activities.

### What else?

Production chefs work as part of a team in time-bound and often challenging kitchen environments, for example, schools, hospitals, the armed forces, care homes and high street casual dining, take away services or pub kitchens. You will report to the senior production chef or appropriate line manager. In your role, you are likely to work with centrally-developed standardised recipes and menus, producing food, often in high volumes. You will apply highly methodical organisational skills, energy, accuracy, attention to detail and be mindful of the importance of sustainability and protecting the environment.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 2 or above, or Functional Skills Level 1. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You can progress to a Level 3 qualification including a Level 3 apprenticeship or into employment or higher education.

## Level 3

### Diploma in Advanced Professional Cookery

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

To develop your culinary skills and lead to a qualification that is highly sought after by the industry.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- the principles of food safety supervision for catering
- practical gastronomy
- advanced vegetable and vegetarian dishes
- advanced meat dishes
- advanced poultry and game dishes
- advanced fish and shellfish dishes
- fermented dough and batter products
- petits fours and paste products
- hot, cold and frozen desserts
- biscuits, cakes and sponges.

#### The fun stuff

During the course, you will complete a variety of work placements within the industry including the Brookfield Hotel 'takeover'. You will also have the opportunity to compete in local and national competitions, volunteer at events such as Victorious Festival and take part in charitable initiatives. In addition, you will be invited on trips to Billingsgate Fish Market and wholesale food providers.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You can progress into employment.

## Level 3

### Chef de Partie Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 18 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the apprenticeship for?

For those who have a basic understanding of the hospitality and catering industry but want to progress and expand that knowledge further.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- identifying industry and food trends, customer preferences, seasonality, provenance, and global environmental factors
- supporting the development of and contributing to reviewing and refreshing menus
- determining how technology supports the development and production of dishes
- the preparation, cooking and finishing methods used to produce advanced dishes
- knowing the food safety practices and procedures
- maintaining harmony across the team.

#### What else?

A chef de partie is responsible for running a specific section of the kitchen. This type of chef usually manages a small team of workers, ensuring that dishes go out on time and the work area remains clean and orderly. In smaller kitchens you may work independently as the only person in your section. Also known as a section chef, you will report to the senior chef or head chef and have a very important role in any kitchen.

#### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

#### What next?

You can progress to employment or higher education.

# Childcare & Early Years







## Our range of courses will help you develop your practical skills as an early years and childcare professional.

These courses are for individuals that are caring, patient and compassionate, and who want a rewarding career helping children and their families.

Our facilities are specifically designed to replicate realistic work environments, which include a simulated nursery that is also used by preschool children.

Work placements are a vital part of all courses and are tailored to meet the needs of individual students. As a result, placements require a full Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check. Staff have extensive vocational expertise and a thorough knowledge of current methods and legislation.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 1 Pathway to Childcare & Early Years**

**Level 2 Certificate in Working with Children in Early Years & Primary Settings**

**Level 2 Early Years Practitioner Apprenticeship**

**Level 2 Transition to Childcare**

**Level 3 T Level Education & Childcare**

**Level 3 Early Years Educator Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 3 Teaching Assistant Pathways Apprenticeship**



My course has allowed me to deepen my knowledge and look further into how children develop. I am able to learn something new every day.

**Rachael Milner**  
**Studying:** Level 3 Certificate in Childcare & Education  
**School:** Portchester Community School

## Level 1

### Pathway to Childcare & Early Years

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the apprenticeship for?

For those aged 16-19 who have a general interest in childcare and wish to develop their maths and English levels to access higher vocationally-related courses.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- understanding play
- supporting children's learning through sensory play activities
- human growth and development
- understanding safeguarding in early years
- practical health and safety when with young children
- physical activities for young children
- developing skills for listening to children.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to attend enrichment sessions and to take part in vocationally-based projects. You will also contribute to the planning and delivery of fundraising events. You will enjoy regular vocationally-relevant professional visits and take part in real-life work experience. There is also recognition and awards for good attendance and a committed attitude that consists of end of term trips, film nights and bowling.

#### Entry requirements

There are no formal entry requirements, although a keen interest in childcare combined with a desire to improve your maths and English levels is essential.

#### What next?

This course is the perfect stepping stone to further education and enables progression into further vocational courses, traineeships or an apprenticeship. In the final term of this course, you will have an opportunity to study towards a vocationally-relevant Level 2 course that will further enable your progression to a higher-level course.

## Level 2

# Certificate in Working with Children in Early Years & Primary Settings

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

For those aged 16-19 who have already achieved a Level 1 childcare qualification (or equivalent) and would like to work with children between birth and five years with knowledge of children up to seven years.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- the value of play to young children
- young children's development
- craft activities with young children
- accident prevention and fire safety when babysitting
- caring for young children in a babysitting environment
- rights and responsibilities in relation to parenting
- parenting and healthy lifestyles
- parenting a young baby.

### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to attend enrichment sessions and take part in vocationally based projects. You will also contribute to the planning and delivery of fundraising events. You will enjoy regular professional visits and take part in real-life work experience giving you the extra skills and knowledge in your chosen field.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including maths and English.

### What next?

On completion of this course and the accompanying GCSEs in maths and English, you will be able to progress to the Level 3 CACHE Certificate in Childcare and Education, a traineeship, apprenticeship or employment.

## Level 2

# Early Years Practitioner Apprenticeship

**Duration:** 18 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

Ideal for anyone who wants to develop a rewarding career in childcare. The apprentice will become a highly trained professional who plays a key role in ensuring that young children learn and develop well and are kept healthy and safe.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- introduction to communication, personal development and equality in children's and young people's settings
- safeguarding the welfare of children and young people
- maintaining and support relationships with children and young people
- contributing to the support of child and young person development as well as their health and safety
- creating positive environments for children and young people
- understanding partnership working in services for children and young people
- supporting children and young people's play and leisure and their creative development
- introduction to duty of care in children's and young people's settings.

### The fun stuff

This type of learning is undertaken outside the normal day-to-day working environment. It can include activities such as online learning, mentoring, role play, attending competitions and events, or revision and assignments set as homework.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 2 or above, or Functional Skills Level 1. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

Apprentices are able to progress to a Level 3 childcare apprenticeship, with access to higher education and then a degree.



## Level 2

### Transition to Childcare

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For students aged 16-19 who are not ready to start a T Level but have the potential to progress onto one, this study programme is specifically designed to develop the skills, experience, knowledge and behaviours to support progression onto a T Level.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- childcare development
- play and learning
- legislation
- the role of the childcare practitioner
- nutrition
- physical development and activity.

#### The fun stuff

This course includes time spent in the workplace, enabling you to apply your studies in a range of suitable settings, improving your knowledge and developing key employment skills.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including maths and English.

#### What next?

You can continue to a Level 3 T Level, progress into an apprenticeship or find employment in the sector.

## Level 3

### T Level Education & Childcare

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For young people looking to begin a career in education and childcare, T Levels are a high-quality, work-focused alternative to A Levels, offering new routes to employment or further learning.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- supporting education
- safeguarding, health, safety and wellbeing
- behaviour
- parents, families and carers
- child development
- equality and diversity
- special needs.

#### The fun stuff

Our T Level Education and Childcare course is designed to increase your employment and progression prospects by having extended hands-on experience in real-life work placements, in which you will be supported by an expert.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths and English.

#### What next?

You could progress to a degree, an apprenticeship, or into employment.

## Level 3

# Early Years Educator Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the apprenticeship for?

Ideal for anyone who has a genuine interest in the development of young children in their care, play and education.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- planning and supervising child-initiated and adult-led activities
- supporting children to develop numeracy and language skills
- key person responsibility to help ensure each child feels safe and secure
- shaping individual learning experiences
- meeting the care needs of the individual child such as feeding, changing nappies and administration of medicine
- working in partnership with other colleagues, parents and/or carers or other professionals to meet the individual needs of each child.

### What else?

You will become a highly trained professional who plays a key role in ensuring that young children learn and develop well and are kept healthy and safe.

You could work in a range of settings including full day care, children's centres, pre-schools, reception classes and as childminders.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

Many students go on to study higher qualifications such as degrees or gain promotion in their company to roles with more responsibility. Within a short period of time many have gone on to become managers and even company directors.

## Level 3

# Teaching Assistant Pathways Apprenticeship

**Duration:** 18 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the apprenticeship for?

This apprenticeship is suitable for anyone who has a genuine interest in the development and support of children through their key stages, working within a school setting.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- recognising different stages of child development through school
- the importance of using appropriate technology to support learning
- understanding the need to accurately observe, record and report on pupil's participation, conceptual understanding and progress
- an appropriate knowledge of the curriculum and context you are working in
- the importance of sharing relevant information in a timely manner with the designated safeguarding lead
- developing strategies to support and encourage pupils to move towards independent learning
- using school computer systems, including specialist software
- working closely with teachers to ensure your contribution aligns with the teaching.

### What else?

Teaching assistants work in primary, special and secondary education across all age ranges encompassing special educational needs and emotional vulnerabilities. Your primary role is to support the class teacher to enhance group or individual learning, ensuring pupils understand the work set, know their learning objectives and stay on task in order to make progress.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

As well as ensuring full competency as a teaching assistant, this standard provides a foundation for potential progression into a number of career paths in the educational sector including higher level teaching assistant, assistant teacher and teacher.

# Computing & IT





## Do you love animation, digital graphics, web design and programming or hardware, switches, routers and networking?

At City of Portsmouth College, you'll be able to access our cutting-edge online learning environment, Alienware computer suites and networking environment.

All our courses teach analytical reasoning and creative problem solving, an understanding of the industry and job opportunities. Our facilities include Alienware computer suites, a full software suite and a Linux development suite including Raspberry Pi. Our tutors are highly qualified and have a wealth of experience in a wide range of fields, including computer networking, software development, web design, multimedia and systems support.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 1 Pathway to Information Technology**

**Level 2 OCR Cambridge Technical Diploma in IT**

**Level 2 Transition to Digital**

**Level 3 T Level Digital Design, Production & Development**

**Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in IT (Networking & System Support)**

**Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in IT (Software Development)**

**Level 3 Information Communications Technician Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 4 Foundation Degree in Computing (In Partnership with The University Of Portsmouth)\***

\*Subject to validation

**More courses available in this area, see page 244**



I've learned a great deal about IT during my time on the apprenticeship while also gaining a great understanding of how to properly manage my time and completing my work to a standard I am proud of.

**Rhys Carter**

**Studied:** Level 3 Apprenticeship in IT (Infrastructure Technician)

**Currently:** IT Service Desk Technician at CoPC



## Level 1

### Pathway to Information Technology

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For students aged 16-19 who have an interest in computing. The course is also designed to develop students who wish to train in the computing field but do not have the required English and maths levels to access other vocationally-related courses.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- word processing
- presentation software
- IT user fundamentals
- improving productivity
- setting up an IT system and optimising system performance.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to attend enrichment sessions and take part in vocationally-based projects. You will also contribute to the planning and delivery of fundraising events, enjoy regular professional visits and take part in real-life work experience. There is recognition and awards for good attendance and a committed attitude, including end of term trips, film nights and bowling.

#### Entry requirements

There are no formal entry requirements, although a keen interest in computing combined with a desire to improve maths and English is essential.

#### What next?

This course is the perfect stepping stone to further education and enables progression into further vocational courses, traineeships or an apprenticeship. In the final term, you will have an opportunity to study towards a Level 2 qualification that will further enable your progression.

## Level 2

### OCR Cambridge Technical Diploma in IT

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Designed to teach you the latest IT skills, it includes a blend of business, technical, interpersonal and project-based knowledge and allows learners to determine which computing pathway they would wish to take in the future whether it is hardware or software.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- communication in the IT industry
- working in the IT industry
- business IT skills
- multimedia design
- computer systems
- database systems.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to go on educational and university visits, as well as hear from experts in the field. You will also complete a minimum one-week work placement in the IT industry to develop your work-related skills as part of your studies.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You can progress to a Level 3 course, specialising in either networking and system support or software development.

## Level 2

### Transition to Digital

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For students aged 16-19 who are not ready to start a T Level but have the potential to progress onto one, this study programme is specifically designed to develop the skills, experience, knowledge and behaviours to support progression onto a T Level.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- cyber security
- data systems and analysis
- cloud storage and collaboration
- computer networking
- programming
- website development.

#### The fun stuff

This course includes time spent in the workplace, enabling you to apply your studies in a range of suitable settings, improving your knowledge and developing key employment skills.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including maths and English.

#### What next?

You can continue to the Level 3 T Level, progress into an apprenticeship or find employment in the sector.

## Level 3

### T Level Digital Design, Production & Development

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For young people looking to begin a career in the digital sector, T Levels are a high-quality, work-focused alternative to A Levels, offering new routes to employment or further learning.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- data in software design
- digital environments including physical, virtual and cloud
- legal and regulatory
- privacy and confidentiality of personal data
- testing hardware, software and data
- digital tools for project management and collaboration.

#### The fun stuff

This T Level will allow you to develop your knowledge and understanding in a broad range of topics such as programming, coding, the use of data and the different platforms of delivery in the digital industry. It will include an industry placement, with a chance to apply your skills and knowledge in a real-life workplace environment.

#### Entry requirements

You will need a minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English and maths, or a Transition to Digital qualification.

#### What next?

You could progress to a degree, an apprenticeship, or into employment.

## Level 3

### BTEC Extended Diploma in IT (Networking & System Support)

**Duration:** Two years  
**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Aimed at developing knowledge and skills in networking and system support, this course is designed to provide a strong foundation for potential progression on to higher education or a higher apprenticeship.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- network management
- IT technical support
- CISCO networking
- computer systems
- database design
- information systems
- network system security
- computer game platforms and technologies.

#### The fun stuff

You will complete a 45-day work placement within the industry and have the opportunity to work on many live projects. These will include a range of CISCO certified units, maintaining and managing a live network environment and IT technical support on a range of different systems. You will also be encouraged and supported to take part in local and national competitions, including WorldSkills.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You can either progress on to higher education at the City of Portsmouth College, study a related degree at university or enter employment. Higher apprenticeships are also available.

## Level 3

### BTEC Extended Diploma in IT (Software Development)

**Duration:** Two years  
**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Designed to develop students' knowledge and skills in software development and provide a strong foundation for potential progression on to higher education or higher apprenticeship.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- software development
- web development
- multimedia design and web animation
- systems and data analysis
- object orientated programming
- multimedia design and digital graphics
- information systems
- web server scripting.

#### The fun stuff

You will complete a 45-day work placement within the industry and have the opportunity to work on many live projects. These could include designing and developing applications for mobiles, working with server databases linked to websites and designing and creating posters and interactive media. You will also be encouraged and supported to take part in local and national competitions, including WorldSkills.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You can either progress to higher education at the City of Portsmouth College, start a higher apprenticeship or enter employment.

## Level 3

### Information Communications Technician Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 18 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

To develop the apprentice into the role of infrastructure technician and provide them with the technical knowledge and understanding they require to be successful within this role.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- networking in architecture
- mobile and operating systems
- cloud services
- coding and logic
- business processes.

#### The fun stuff

Your apprenticeship will be flexible and hands on so that you can develop the skills and knowledge you need to succeed in this exciting and expanding sector. As well as gaining technical abilities and practical experience you will develop the functional and personal skills required for the job you are undertaking and for your future career.

#### Entry requirements

Maths and English GCSEs at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. You will also need to have a strong demonstrable interest in IT.

#### What next?

You can progress on to our Level 4 apprenticeships or apply for roles within the IT industry.

## Level 4

### Foundation Degree in Computing (in partnership with the University of Portsmouth)\*

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For students who want to gain a higher education level of computing skills, technical ability and an academic mindset – all within a college environment.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- programming
- web-based application development
- cyber security
- project management
- web design and development
- managing server environments
- WAN technologies.

#### The fun stuff

You will gain the skills to work within the IT industry in a variety of careers and opportunities. In your second year, you will complete an industry work placement.

#### Entry requirements

Level 3 qualification with a sufficient pass/merit profile, plus a Level 2 in maths and English.

#### What next?

A nationally-recognised qualification, the Foundation Degree is also equivalent to the first two thirds of an honours degree and could lead on to a top-up degree with the University of Portsmouth in a number of different specialisations.

\*subject to validation.

# Digital Media







## Training in digital media can be your passport to an exciting and varied career. Every year, dozens of our graduates go on to work in the media or progress to study further at top universities.

Former media students can be found everywhere in the industry, including the BBC, Global Media, ITV News, Sky, local radio and more. After you complete your programme with us, employers know you are highly trained, motivated and prepared for the workplace.

During your study, you could be producing everything from TV programmes or short films to radio programmes, stop motion animation, film trailers, music videos, websites and social media content. It is an exciting and fun programme that will develop your skills in all areas of the media.

You may also have the chance to work with local radio station Express FM. That means you can combine your study with real, valuable work experience to ensure that you have all the skills that universities and employers demand.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 2 BTEC Diploma in Creative Media Skills**

**Level 3 Diploma in Creative Media Practice**

**Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Creative Media Practice**

**More courses available in this area, see page 286**

## Level 2

### BTEC Diploma in Creative Media Skills

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For anyone who wishes to explore the dynamic digital world of creative media, your creativity and flair will be harnessed in the design and production of media products used within the industry, alongside creating a strong portfolio of photographic images.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- skills development
- creative media project
- personal development
- responding to a creative brief
- how to plan and pitch ideas
- developing a digital portfolio.

#### The fun stuff

This course will help you develop your skills in photography, graphic design, filmmaking and radio production. You will have the chance to work in our TV and radio studios and get involved with our online radio station JAMM Radio, as well as focusing on producing an online blog and digital portfolio. You will also have the opportunity to gain valuable work experience within the industry.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You can progress on to a Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Creative Media Practice or Level 3 Diploma in Art and Design.

## Level 3

### Diploma in Creative Media Practice

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For anyone who wishes to explore the dynamic digital world of creative media, your creativity and flair will be harnessed in the design and production of media products used within the industry.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- research and communication skills
- single and multicamera filming and editing\*
- documentary, advertising and music video production for interactive media
- script writing
- radio production techniques.\*

\*subject to availability

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to go on external visits to media organisations, such as the BBC and the Warner Bros Studio, to meet industry professionals. You will also work on a variety of exciting live projects and short films for external clients.

Work experience is embedded within the course but you could be presenting live shows on JAMM Radio, producing film and media content and helping with marketing events and campaigns, as well as exhibiting your end-of-year show reel at an event designed to celebrate creative work from all areas of the College.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You can progress on to the Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Creative Media Practice.

## Level 3

# BTEC Extended Diploma in Creative Media Practice

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

Following on from the Level 3 Diploma, this course develops many of the skills learned in year one as well as teaching new ones. The programme has been designed to provide a strong foundation for potential progression to university and many students go on to gain exciting careers within the media industry.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- developing an understanding of industry roles
- personal progression routes for employability, higher education and training
- advanced camera operation and video editing
- critical and reflective application to creative projects
- advancing existing skills in production management and developing a proposal in response to creative industry brief
- an optional Level 4 unit with a critical self-appraisal.

### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to go on external visits to media organisations, such as the BBC and the Warner Bros Studios, and meet industry professionals. You will lead on many live and exciting projects, producing work for external clients to build an impressive portfolio, and exhibit your end-of-year show reel at an event designed to celebrate creative work from all areas of the College.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English.

### What next?

You could progress to university or an apprenticeship. You could go on to work in television, film, advertising, radio, public relations, digital media or social media content management.



**The tutors are extremely helpful, and we have good resources. Everyone I've come across really does their best to help you achieve your best.**

**Kyana McKenzie**

**Studying:** Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Creative Media Practice  
**Future plans:** To become a journalist



# Electrical





## Electricians provide buildings with energy to light rooms, heat water and power devices. They install, inspect and test electrical equipment, making sure it is working properly and safely.

As an electrician, you could be maintaining traditional systems in homes, shops and offices. Some electricians work with renewable technology or fibre-optics. Others service motors, transformers, street lighting or traffic systems, or work on engineering projects.

Our courses cover everything you need to know about the electrical industry. Our qualifications have been developed by the top awarding bodies, including City & Guilds and EAL, the Sector Skills Council and the Industry Training Board for the construction industry.

You will learn at our North Harbour Campus, which is one of the largest facilities of its kind in the south east, with industry standard workshops and realistic working environments.

Alongside their programmes, students at City of Portsmouth College are encouraged to use their skills to make a contribution to the local community.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 1 Diploma in Construction Skills**

**Level 1 Diploma in Electrical Installation**

**Level 2 Technical Certificate in Electrical Installation**

**Level 3 Electrical Installation / Maintenance (Electrician) Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 3 Diploma in Electrical Installation**



## Level 1 Diploma in Construction Skills

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

For those aged 16-19 who have a general interest in construction and wish to develop their maths and English levels to access higher vocationally-related courses. It will include a mixture of theory and practical sessions in carpentry and joinery, brickwork, plastering, painting and decorating.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- introduction to health and safety
- painting techniques and wallpapering
- constructing half brick and block walling
- preparation and render coats
- introduction to construction Industry
- fixing architraves and skirting
- tiling walls and floors with a border
- preparation and finishing.

### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to attend enrichment sessions and to take part in vocationally based projects. You will enjoy regular professional visits and take part in real-life work experience, giving you the extra skills and knowledge needed in your chosen field. There is a variety of awards for good attendance and a committed attitude.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English.

### What next?

You can progress on to a Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Creative Media Practice or Level 3 Diploma in Art and Design.

## Level 1 Diploma in Electrical Installation

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

Designed for those wanting to learn the basic skills and knowledge involved in electrical installation, this level is ideal for those who are starting out and want a basic understanding of the electrical industry.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- structure of the construction industry
- fundamental safe working practices
- environmental and sustainability measures in domestic dwellings
- site preparation for working in the construction industry
- electrical installation wiring and terminations
- fabrication techniques for electrical installation
- electrical science and technology.

### The fun stuff

You will complete 30 hours of work experience within the industry. You will have the opportunity to take part in College-based projects and will be encouraged and supported to take part in both local and national competitions. Trips to trade shows, manufacturers and visits from industry specialists are also included in the course.

### Entry requirements

You will need four GCSEs at grade 3 or equivalent in maths, English and preferably science.

### What next?

Students can progress on to a Level 2 Diploma in Electrical Installation or into an apprenticeship.

## Level 2

# Technical Certificate in Electrical Installation

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

This qualification is for you if you wish to work as an electrician in the building services industry. It has been designed to deliver a high level of occupational skills and provide a platform from which to progress as a step towards becoming a competent electrician.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- health and safety and industry practices
- principles of electrical science
- electrical installation technologies
- installing and wiring systems and enclosures
- communication skills.

### The fun stuff

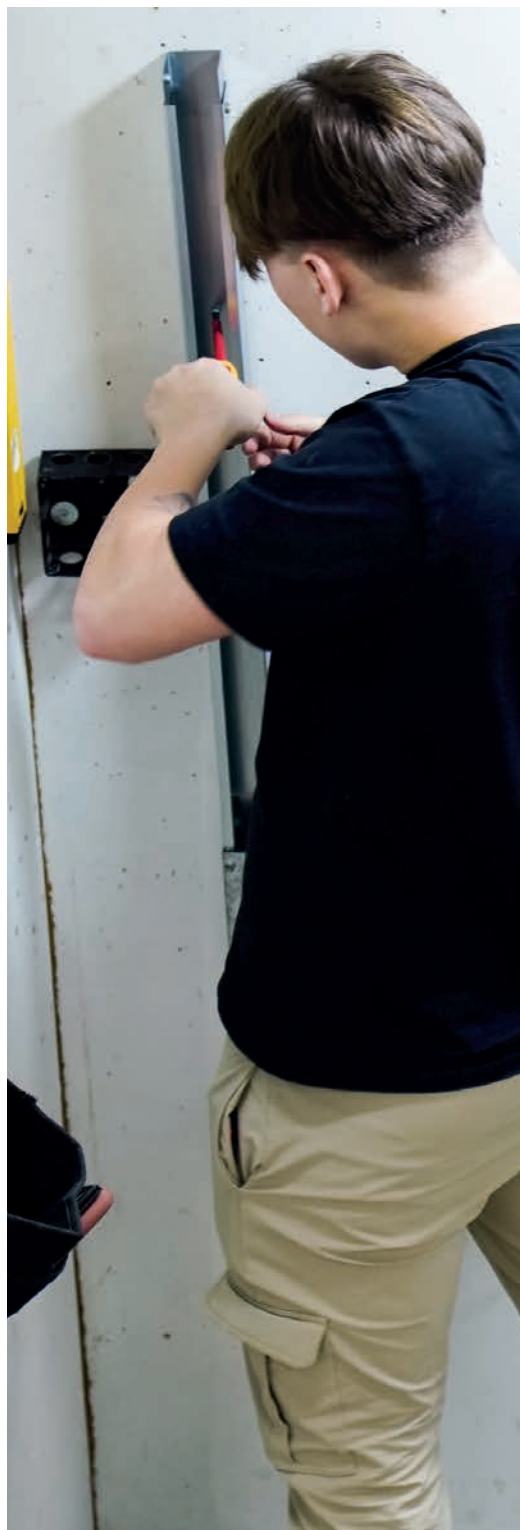
You will complete 30 hours of work experience within the industry, as well as taking part in College-based projects and being encouraged and supported to take part in both local and national competitions. Trips to trade shows, manufacturers and visits from industry specialists are also included in the course.

### Entry requirements

You will need five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including maths, English and preferably science. Those with prior industry experience will also be considered.

### What next?

You can progress to a Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Electrical Installation or into an apprenticeship.



## Level 3

# Electrical Installation/Maintenance (Electrician) Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** Four years

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

For those wishing to pursue a career as an electrician, providing you with the technical knowledge and behaviours you require to be successful in this role.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- termination and connection of conductors, cables and cords
- wiring systems and electrotechnical equipment in buildings, structures and the environment
- electrotechnical systems and equipment in buildings, structures and the environment
- electrical faults in electrotechnical systems and equipment in buildings, structures and the environment
- design, building, installation and maintenance of electrical equipment and systems.

### The fun stuff

You will learn how to install, maintain and repair electrical systems in industrial, commercial and domestic environments, working in both indoor and outdoor settings. Electrical equipment and systems may include switchboards, motors, cables, fuses, thermal relays, fault current protection switches, heating, lighting, air conditioning and metering equipment as well as fire alarm systems and renewable energy technologies.

### Entry requirements

You will need to have achieved maths and English GCSE grade 4 or above or Functional Skills Level 2.

### What next?

You will be entitled to register as an Eng Tech by the Engineering Council. You can also work towards higher apprenticeships at Levels 4 and 5.

## Level 3

# Diploma in Electrical Installation

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course is perfect if you have completed the Level 2 Diploma and wish to take the next step to becoming a qualified electrician.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- health and safety
- fundamental principles and requirements of environmental technology systems
- principles of electrical science
- fault diagnosis and rectification
- inspection, testing and commissioning
- electrical systems design
- career awareness.

### The fun stuff

You will complete 30 hours of work experience within the industry, have the opportunity to take part in College-based projects and be encouraged and supported to take part in both local and national competitions. Trips to trade shows, manufacturers and visits from industry specialists are also included in the course.

### Entry requirements

You will need five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths, English and science, plus a Level 2 electrical qualification.

### What next?

A number of short courses are available at the College to further develop your skills before progressing into employment or an apprenticeship.



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**The course covers everything you need and sets you up for your career. If I need a hand, the tutors are always there to support me.**

**Jake Budd**

**Studying:** Level 2 Technical Certificate in Electrical Installation

**School:** Purbrook Park

**Future plans:** To own his own business

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# Engineering, Design & Surveying







**From drilling the bottom of the seabed, designing eco-friendly engines, developing new medical equipment and sustainable construction, every part of our day-to-day lives involves some sort of engineering.**

Our courses cover areas including civil engineering, surveying, project management, Computer Aided Design (CAD), manufacturing and electronics. You'll study various practical and theoretical construction elements before specialising.

In our modern facilities, you'll work on the latest training systems in our fully equipped workshops and CAD suites. All our tutors have worked in industry and bring with them skills and expertise from a variety of disciplines.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

#### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 2 Transition to Engineering**

**Level 3 T Level Engineering, Manufacturing, Processing and Control**

**Level 2 Transition to Design, Surveying and Planning for Construction**

**Level 3 T Level Design, Surveying and Planning for Construction**



**All of my teachers are good and they really care. They help you when you need help. If you want to be an engineer, this course is a good place to start.**

**Alexandru Lucan**

**Studying:** Level 3 Extended Diploma in Manufacturing Engineering

**School:** UTC Portsmouth

**Future plans:** Electrical engineer entrepreneur

## Level 2

### Transition to Engineering

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus  
& North Harbour Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For students aged 16-19 who are not ready to start a T Level but have the potential to progress onto one, this study programme is specifically designed to develop the skills, experience, knowledge and behaviours to support progression onto a T Level.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- engineering disciplines
- applied science and maths
- how to read engineering drawings
- materials
- tools and equipment
- production planning
- processing skills

#### The fun stuff

Additional activities could include fabrication, welding and maintenance to further improve your engineering skills.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including maths and English.

#### What next?

You could progress to the Level 3 T Level, an apprenticeship or find employment in the sector.

## Level 3

### T Level Engineering, Manufacturing, Processing and Control

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Highbury Campus  
& North Harbour Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For young people looking to begin a career in the engineering, manufacturing, processing and control sector, T Levels are a high-quality, work-focused alternative to A Levels, offering new routes to employment or further learning.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- CAD technician
- 3D printing
- mechanical engineering
- electrical and electronic engineering
- control and instrumentation
- structural engineering.

#### The fun stuff

This T Level will allow you to develop your knowledge and understanding in a broad range of engineering, manufacturing, processing and control disciplines. It will include an industry placement, with a chance to apply your skills and knowledge in a real-life workplace environment.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths and English or a transition to Engineering qualification.

#### What next?

You could progress to a degree, an apprenticeship, or into employment.

## Level 2

### Transition to Design, Surveying and Planning for Construction

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus & North Harbour Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For students aged 16-19 who are not ready to start a T Level but have the potential to progress onto one, this study programme is specifically designed to develop the skills, experience, knowledge and behaviours to support progression onto a T Level.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- the structure of the construction industry
- science and maths in construction
- drawing techniques
- maths and English skills.

#### The fun stuff

This course offers a great insight into a broad range of construction professions, including infrastructure, planning, design, building and modern building materials.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including maths and English.

#### What next?

You can continue on to the Level 3 T Level, progress into an apprenticeship or find employment in the sector.

## Level 3

### T Level Design, Surveying and Planning for Construction

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Highbury Campus & North Harbour Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For young people looking to begin a career in the engineering, manufacturing, processing and control sector, T Levels are a high-quality, work-focused alternative to A Levels, offering new routes to employment or further learning.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- health and safety
- project management
- budgeting and resource allocation
- procurement
- risk management.

#### The fun stuff

This T Level will allow you to develop your knowledge and understanding in a broad range of design, surveying and planning for construction disciplines. It will include an industry placement, with a chance to apply your skills and knowledge in a real-life workplace environment.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English or a Transition to Design, Surveying and Planning for Construction qualification.

#### What next?

You could progress to a degree, an apprenticeship, or into employment.

# English Language Skills (ESOL)





## Our popular English language courses have been designed for students aged 16-18 and adults whose first language is not English.

We have years of experience of high-quality teaching in this area and we are accredited by the British Council, reflecting both the quality of teaching and student support we provide.

To ensure you join the right course we will assess your English and choose the right level for you.

You'll practise and develop your reading, writing, listening and speaking skills. Activities and assessments will help improve your English vocabulary, grammar, spelling and pronunciation. Our courses also cover things like computer skills, work and study skills, life in the UK and citizenship (ESOL).

You'll learn in a vibrant atmosphere where you could take part in activities such as multi-cultural days, visits to nearby attractions, cinema trips, social events and sports.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 1  
Resolve**

**Entry 1-3 English for Speakers  
of Other Languages (ESOL)**

**Level 1 and 2 English for Speakers  
of Other Languages (ESOL)**



I enjoy learning English and learning with others. My teacher is very nice and I've made many friends on this course.

**Mumina Akther**  
Studied: ESOL Pre-intermediate  
Currently: GCSE student and qualified Learning Assistant





## Level 1

### Resolve

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For those aged 16-19 with English as a second language who wish to progress on to an adult ESOL course or vocational programme. Resolve is a preparation course that aims to engage and assist students to develop the essential attitude and English language skills needed to progress to a vocational college course or an apprenticeship.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- ESOL Skills for life qualification in reading, writing, speaking and listening
- functional skills or GCSE in maths
- employability skills
- real-life work experience.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to attend enrichment sessions and take part in vocationally-based projects. You will also contribute to the planning and delivery of fundraising events, enjoy regular professional visits and take part in real-life work experience, giving you the extra skills and knowledge needed in your chosen field.

#### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements are required, although realistic learning targets would need to be agreed.

#### What next?

You could consider the next step in your educational journey with one of our Level 2 Awards that will further enable your progression to a higher-level course or an apprenticeship.

## Entry 1-3

### English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

#### Who is the course for?

ESOL qualifications will enable students to develop the skills and confidence required to use English in their studies or future employment.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- reading - reading leaflets, reports or articles
- writing - writing letters, emails or notices
- speaking and listening - taking part in discussions and giving presentations.

#### The fun stuff

Writing skills covered will be from simple compositions of 50 words or fewer, up to more complex compositions of 240-260 words. You will be writing in different forms such as letters, articles and reports in both formal and informal styles.

Speaking and Listening covers functional skills such as speaking to engage in discussion, speaking to gain information, listening for specific detail and giving presentations.

#### Entry requirements

All applicants will undertake an initial assessment with the Adult Education Team. We will then discuss the classes available to you based on your test scores and personal commitments.

#### What next?

Upon completion of this course, you may be interested in progressing onto an English or media-based subject. Future careers in these areas might include journalism, marketing and public relations. A grade 4 or above at GCSE English is the new gold standard for employers in all fields.

## Level 1 and Level 2 English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

ESOL qualifications will enable students to develop the skills and confidence required to use English in their studies or future employment.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- reading - reading leaflets, reports or articles
- writing - writing letters, emails or notices
- speaking and listening - taking part in discussions and giving presentations.

### The fun stuff

Writing skills covered will be from simple compositions of 50 words or fewer, up to more complex compositions of 240-260 words. You will be writing in different forms such as letters, articles and reports in both formal and informal styles.

Speaking and Listening covers functional skills such as speaking to engage in discussion, speaking to gain information, listening for specific detail and giving presentations.

### Entry requirements

All applicants will undertake an initial assessment with the Adult Education Team. We will then discuss the classes available to you based on your test scores and personal commitments.

### What next?

Upon completion of this course, you may be interested in progressing onto an English or media-based subject. Future careers in these areas might include journalism, marketing and public relations. A grade 4 or above at GCSE English is the new gold standard for employers in all fields.



# Floristry







## Are you creative? Do you have an eye for detail, plus a love of plants and flowers? If so, City of Portsmouth College can help you achieve your potential if you have an interest in developing your design skills using flowers and other natural materials.

Floristry within the UK economy earns more than £2.2 billion every year. If you choose to study with us, you could go on trips to wholesalers within the UK and in the Netherlands, while getting hands-on training. Our lecturers have many years of experience in the industry and we offer lots of work experience opportunities.

You will have a balance of practical and theory skills, which include the latest design, methods and specialist techniques in wedding designs, sympathy designs, hand-ties, floral arrangements and botany displays. You will also have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 2 Technical Certificate in Floristry**

**Level 3 Advanced Technical Diploma in Floristry**

**Level 4 Diploma in Floristry (Part Time)**



When I went to an open day, the tutor got us to put some flowers together and I could see myself doing this as a career. It's such a lovely job - you can put your heart and soul into it.

**Grace King**  
**Studied:** Level 4 Diploma in Floristry  
**Currently:** Manager of Knot Just Blooms

## Level 2

### Technical Certificate in Floristry

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Designed for those considering floristry as a career, this course will introduce you to some of the main floristry techniques and the floristry industry.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- working in the floristry industry
- preparing to create floristry designs
- creating floristry design
- customer service
- caring for and maintaining floristry products
- floristry design principles
- health and safety.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to complete work experience at local florists and work on live projects, creating floral displays for local events and private clients. You will also exhibit your end-of-year projects at an event designed to celebrate creative work from all areas of the College.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You could develop your skills further on the Level 3 Diploma in Floristry or go straight into employment or an apprenticeship.

## Level 3

### Advanced Technical Diploma in Floristry

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Suitable for all ages and for those that have successfully achieved the Level 2 Diploma or have relevant floristry experience (minimum of five years).

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- trends in the floristry industry
- principles of the creative design process
- plant and flower care
- tied floral designs
- floral designs in a medium
- wired floral designs
- glued floral designs
- business management and marketing
- principles of health and safety
- event floristry.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to complete work experience at local florists and work on live projects, creating floral displays for local events and private clients. You will also exhibit your end-of-year projects at an event designed to celebrate creative work from all areas of the College.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English, plus a Level 2 floristry qualification or a minimum of 5 years' floristry experience.

#### What next?

As a florist, with experience and the right combination of design and buying skills, you could start your own business, progress on to the part-time Level 4 qualification or move into areas such as freelance floral decoration, floral design, exhibition work, teaching or international demonstration work.



## Level 4

### Diploma in Floristry (Part Time)

**Duration:** 18 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Suitable for those that have successfully achieved the Level 3 Diploma and are currently working in the industry. You should demonstrate commitment to the subject and a passion for the industry.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- botanical concepts and practices
- historical studies
- floral event practices
- business practices
- marketing and promotion
- tied designs
- wired and glued designs
- designs in mediums
- design trends.

#### The fun stuff

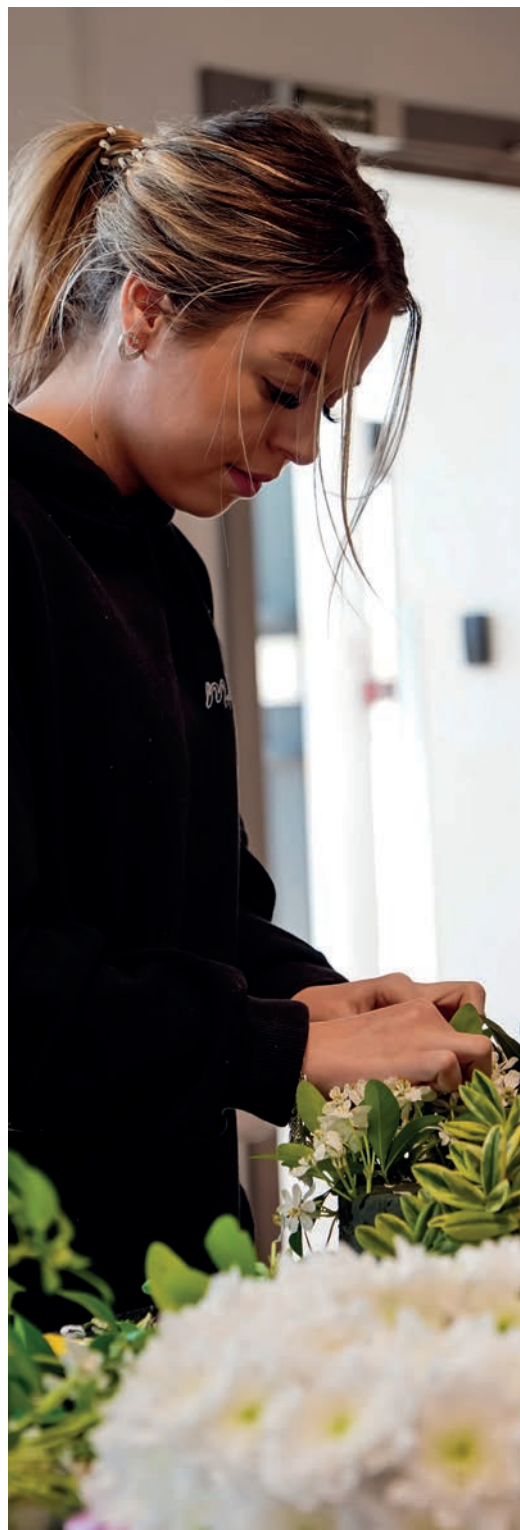
An opportunity to experiment and find your own creative style, you will push designs to the limits using unusual sundries and natural materials. You can work on live projects, creating floral displays for local events and private clients, and showcase your end-of-year projects at an event designed to celebrate creative work from all areas of the College.

#### Entry requirements

You will have successfully achieved the Level 3 Diploma and be currently working in the industry.

#### What next?

As a florist with a Level 4 qualification, you will have lots of new opportunities available to you including setting up your own business, managing a floristry business, teaching, demonstrating, judging, writing books and freelancing. You will even have HDF after your name.



# Foundation Pathways





## If you didn't get the results you wanted at school and feel like you're not achieving your full potential, it's not too late; our foundation pathways courses could be just what you need.

At City of Portsmouth College, we offer a range of Level 1 study programmes, including construction, IT, health & social care, childcare and sport. Our experienced teachers give you the time you need to build your confidence and self-esteem so that you feel ready to progress.

You'll have the chance to work with others on community projects and you'll develop practical job search and interview skills. We'll also help you to identify future opportunities both at College and in employment. Each course also includes maths, English, work experience and employability skills, which will help you achieve your future career goals.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Entry Level 3 VRQ Certificate for the Introduction to the Motor Vehicle Industry & Technologies**

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**Entry Level 1 Resolve**

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**Entry Level 3 Pathway to Animal Care**

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**Level 2 Certificate in Sport**

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**Level 3 NCFE Certificate in Sport (Outdoor)**

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**Traineeship**

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### NOT SURE WHAT SUBJECT TO STUDY?

We also offer a Level 1 Pathway to Vocational Studies course. See our website to find out more.



# Foundation Prospects

**(Special Educational Needs & Disabilities - SEND)**





## Our programmes for students with learning difficulties and disabilities focus on what you can achieve, and will improve your confidence and life chances.

Our students learn by doing. Real-life activities include working within our own enterprises, becoming independent travellers and gaining employability skills through our partnerships with local employers. Our students succeed at an amazing pace and gain the skills and confidence to move on to interesting lives outside the College.

Our programmes offer a range of nationally accredited qualifications that recognise achievement and development of skills, knowledge and attitudes in preparation for progression in life and work. In addition, we recognise softer skills development on an individual basis by awarding College certificates to students demonstrating independent travel and employability skills.

Full support is always available, ensuring that these placements are safe, enjoyable and beneficial experiences for our students.

While on the programme, you will also get the opportunity to take part in a range of community projects and in our annual residential trip for Foundation Prospects students.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Pre-Entry  
Stepping Stones**

**Pre-Entry  
Life Skills - Year 1**

**Pre-Entry  
Life Skills - Year 2**

**Entry 1  
SAIL**

**Entry 1  
Pre-Introduction to Employment**

**Entry 2  
Connect**

**Entry 2  
Introduction to Employment**

**Entry 3 / Level 1  
SAIL**

**Entry 3  
Route to Employment**

**Level 1  
Creative Thinkers**

**Level 1  
Independence**

**Level 1  
Progress to Employment**

**Level 1  
Engage**

**Level 1  
Virtual Transition Programme**

**Level 1  
Supported Internship**



## Pre-Entry Stepping Stones

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

Stepping Stones is a perfect course for those who still need a high level of support and will build confidence personally and academically.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- work experience
- digital skills
- English and maths
- employability skills
- life skills
- tutorial and enrichment.

### The fun stuff

This course offers young adults an introduction to employability and independent living skills. Students will have the chance to experience real life situations to develop skills which are transferable throughout life. There will be access to a wide range of enrichment activities, including hair & beauty, art, drama, dance and sport. These activities will help you to develop team, interpersonal and creative skills.

### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements are required, though realistic learning targets would need to be agreed.

### What next?

You could progress to a range of higher level courses within the College.

## Pre-Entry Life Skills - Year 1

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For learners working at pre-entry level, specifically those with severe learning difficulties and disabilities, it provides progression from Lifeskills Year 1 to Year 2 for those who are able.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- working with others
- learning to be safe
- personal awareness
- getting to know your local community
- maths and English.

### The fun stuff

You can access appropriate and relevant education to improve your life opportunities, by gaining confidence and developing independent living and work skills. The qualification is based on individual starting points, creating a bespoke course around EHCP and individual targets.

### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements are required, though realistic learning targets would need to be agreed.

### What next?

You can progress onto other entry level programmes at the same or higher level.

## Pre-Entry Life Skills - Year 2

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For learners working at pre-entry Level, specifically for those with severe learning difficulties and disabilities, it provides progression from Lifeskills Year 2 to Entry 1 independent living courses for those who are able.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- working with others
- learning to be safe
- personal awareness
- getting to know your local community
- maths and English.

### The fun stuff

You can access appropriate and relevant education to improve your life opportunities, by gaining confidence and developing independent living and work skills. The qualification is based on individual starting points, creating a bespoke course around EHCP and individual targets. Work will continue on the progress made during the first year of the Life Skills programme.

### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements, though realistic learning targets would need to be agreed.

### What next?

You can progress onto other entry level programmes at the same or higher level.

## Entry 1 SAIL

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For learners working at entry level, including students with learning difficulties and disabilities, this course provides progression from Entry 1 to Entry 3 for those with lower-level literacy, numeracy and employability skills.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- supported work experience
- identifying employability skills
- team work
- developing personal skills and awareness.

### The fun stuff

You can access appropriate and relevant education, improving your life opportunities by gaining confidence and developing independent living and work skills. The qualification provides a foundation for lifelong learning by focusing on transferable skills that are essential for living and working in the community.

### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements, though realistic learning targets would need to be agreed.

### What next?

You can progress to other entry level programmes at the same or higher level.

## Entry 1

### Pre-Introduction to Employment

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For learners working at entry level, including students with learning difficulties and disabilities, this course provides progression from Entry 1 to Entry 3 for those with lower-level literacy, numeracy and employability skills.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- supported work experience
- identifying employability skills
- team work
- developing personal skills and awareness.

#### The fun stuff

You can access appropriate and relevant education, improving your life opportunities by gaining confidence and developing independent living and work skills. The qualification provides a foundation for lifelong learning by focusing on transferable skills that are essential for living and working in the community.

#### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements, though realistic learning targets would need to be agreed.

#### What next?

You can progress to other entry level programmes at the same or higher level.

## Entry 2

### Connect

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For young adults that have ASD and need to work in a smaller, more structured group to develop independent living and work skills.

#### What will you study?

Functional Skills will be a mandatory part of your programme and followed at the appropriate level. These will provide you with the practical skills to work confidently, effectively and independently. They open doors to learning, to life and to work. These skills are valued by employers and further education and are a platform on which to build other employability skills. Better functional skills can mean a better future - as learners or as employees and in everyday life.

#### The fun stuff

All programmes have access to a wide range of enrichment activities, including art, drama, dance, multicrafts and sport, to help develop team, interpersonal and creative skills. There are numerous other cross-college activities to get involved with. Our students host their own art exhibitions, take part in theatre performances with students from other areas of the College and enjoy external enrichment trips that develop independence and confidence.

#### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements apart from a willingness to learn.

#### What next?

You could progress to SAIL Entry 3 or Route to Employment.

## Entry 2

### Introduction to Employment

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For young adults who want to develop independent living and work skills. The programme equips you with the knowledge, understanding and skills to be able to live a more independent life and prepare for employment or volunteering.

#### What will you study?

Functional Skills will be a mandatory part of your programme and followed at the appropriate level. These will provide you with the practical skills to work confidently, effectively and independently. They open doors to learning, to life and to work. These skills are valued by employers and further education and are a platform on which to build other employability skills. Better functional skills can mean a better future - as learners or as employees and in everyday life.

#### The fun stuff

You will learn by gaining experience in real life situations to develop confidence and skills which are transferable throughout your life. It also provides career development opportunities for anyone ready to work.

#### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements are required, though realistic learning targets would need to be agreed.

#### What next?

You could progress to SAIL Entry 3 or Route to Employment.

## Entry 3 / Level 1

### SAIL

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For young adults aged 16-24 who want to further develop independent living and work skills. The Succeeding and Achieving in Independent Living (SAIL) programme equips you with the knowledge, understanding and skills to be able to live a more independent life and prepare for employment or volunteering.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- developing healthy relationships and respect
- personal care and hygiene
- managing money
- eating out
- household cleaning
- everyday food and drink preparation
- making a simple meal
- introduction to career preparation.

#### The fun stuff

You will develop employability skills, knowledge and attitudes that will see you working with real employers in the workplace. Your timetable will include qualification unit work, work experience, digital skills, English, maths and enrichment. All sessions will help you develop employability skills and gain confidence. You will also have access to a wide range of enrichment activities, including hair & beauty, art, drama, dance and sport. These activities will help you develop team, interpersonal and creative skills.

#### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements are required, though realistic learning targets would need to be agreed.

#### What next?

You could move on to Progress to Employment or SAIL Extended.

## Entry 3

### Route to Employment

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Suitable for young adults who want to learn the skills necessary to gain employment but still need a high level of support to acquire the confidence to work unaided.

#### What will you study?

Functional Skills will be a mandatory part of your programme and followed at the appropriate level. These will provide you with the practical skills to work confidently, effectively and independently. They open doors to learning, to life and to work. These skills are valued by employers and further education and are a platform on which to build other employability skills. Better functional skills can mean a better future - as learners or as employees and in everyday life.

#### The fun stuff

It will develop vocational awareness and independence skills. You will have the chance to experience real life situations to develop confidence and skills which are transferable throughout your life.

#### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements, though realistic learning targets would need to be agreed.

#### What next?

You could move on to SAIL Entry 3 or Progress to Employment.

## Level 1

### Creative Thinkers

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Arundel Centre

#### Who is the course for?

For young adults aged 16-24 who want to learn the skills necessary to gain employment but still need a high level of support to acquire the confidence to work unaided.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- work experience
- digital skills
- English and maths
- enrichment.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the chance to experience real life situations, focusing on work experience, helping the local community, running an art workshop and using public facilities to develop confidence and skills which are transferable throughout your life. You will also have access to a wide range of enrichment activities, including hair & beauty, art, drama, dance and sport. These activities will help develop your team, interpersonal and creative skills.

#### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements, though realistic learning targets would need to be agreed.

#### What next?

We will work with outside agencies, SEN and careers to find alternative provision.



## Level 1

### Independence

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Arundel Centre

#### Who is the course for?

For young adults aged 16-24 who want to learn the skills necessary to gain employment but still need a high level of support to acquire the confidence to work unaided.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- work experience
- digital skills
- English and maths
- enrichment.

#### The fun stuff

You will develop employability skills, knowledge and attitudes that will see you working with real employers in the workplace. You will focus on work experience, accessing public services, and helping the local community. You will also be designing and creating products for sale and running an art workshop as well as getting used to travelling locally and using public facilities.

#### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements are required, though realistic learning targets would need to be agreed.

#### What next?

We will work with outside agencies, SEN and careers to find alternative provision.

## Level 1

### Progress to Employment

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For young adults aged 16-24 who want to progress into vocational areas while gaining personal and employability skills.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- communication in the workplace
- problem-solving
- developing teamworking skills
- vocational tasters
- health & safety in a practical environment
- introduction to local community
- personal hygiene
- English, maths and technology.

#### The fun stuff

You will be able to identify vocational pathways like retail, hospitality, horticulture, office, animal care and art, with the chance to experience real life situations to develop confidence and skills which are transferable throughout your life. You will improve your skills in communication, problem-solving, listening and time management, learning to recognise good value deals when making purchases, writing effective application letters and using the internet to access local services or online banking.

#### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements are required, though realistic learning targets would need to be agreed.

#### What next?

You could move on to Supported Internship or Level 1 Provision across the College.

## Level 1

### Engage

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Online

#### Who is the course for?

This is a course designed to meet the needs of a range of:

- young people who are engaged and willing to participate, but for whom the main barrier to participation is an inability to work in groups due to high anxiety
- young people who are engaged and willing to participate but previous behaviour is proving to be a barrier
- young people who have consistently not engaged in learning due to perceived barriers, lack experience of learning and the associated expectations of learning environments.

#### What will you study?

Staff will work closely with individuals to explore and develop employability, personal and social skills alongside maths and English. As the course develops, there will be opportunities to access vocational tasters in areas, including:

- construction
- automotive
- hair and beauty
- hospitality and catering.

#### The fun stuff

There will be opportunities to complete practical and creative activities with a focus on healthy lifestyles and sustainable futures.

#### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements, though realistic learning targets would need to be agreed.

#### What next?

On completion of this course, you could progress on to other courses (subject to entry criteria being met), traineeships, apprenticeships or employment.

## Level 1

### Virtual Transition Programme

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Online

#### Who is the course for?

Specially designed for those who are physically unable, for various reasons, to attend College, the VTP offers a holistic online package of support to meet educational needs as well as emotional support and specialist interventions (ELSA, Dyslexia, Speech & Language for those in receipt of an EHCP).

#### What will you study?

The course includes:

- Functional Skills/GCSE maths/English
- tutorial sessions and study skills
- mentoring and employability
- health and wellbeing
- specialist intervention
- vocational taster sessions.

#### The fun stuff

Learners enrolled on the VTP will have access to a tutor, additional study support and professional careers advice. A Transition Coach will support you through the course and visit you at home twice a term, supporting you in your next steps. The course is delivered via Microsoft Teams.

#### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements, though realistic learning targets would need to be agreed.

#### What next?

This course allows you to progress to a wide range of vocational courses. You will be supported with your course choice and can attend taster sessions to ensure it's the right course for you.

## Level 1

### Supported Internship

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Arundel Centre

#### Who is the course for?

For young adults who want to develop their work skills.

#### What will you study?

Functional Skills will be a mandatory part of your programme and followed at the appropriate level. These will provide you with the practical skills to work confidently, effectively and independently. They open doors to learning, to life and to work. These skills are valued by employers and further education and are a platform on which to build other employable skills. Better functional skills can mean a better future - as learners or as employees and in everyday life.

#### The fun stuff

All courses have access to a wide range of enrichment activities, which include hair and beauty, art, drama, sport and cookery. These activities help to develop team, interpersonal and creative skills. There are numerous other activities to get involved in. Our students host their own art exhibitions, take part in theatre performances with students from other areas of the College and enjoy external enrichment trips that develop independence and confidence.

#### Entry requirements

No formal entry requirements, though realistic learning targets would need to be agreed.

#### What next?

You could progress to work placement either paid or unpaid.



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**I enjoy many areas of my course and have made some great friends. I have loved getting involved with the sports teams and competing in WorldSkills.**

**Dean Roberts**

**Studying:** Level 1 Progress to Employment  
WorldSkills UK Silver Medallist,  
Horticulture Foundation Skills

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# Hairdressing & Beauty Therapy





**You will be taught by experienced staff in our fully equipped training salons. Learning is through a mixture of practical, theory and online tutoring.**

Our very own Eden Salon is open to the public, giving you valuable hands-on experience while training. Industry speakers also regularly visit to give demonstrations of new treatments and techniques.

You will have the opportunity to visit exhibitions, training academies and product launches. In addition, you're encouraged to enter competitions, including WorldSkills and our annual Hairdressing and Make-up Show, which allows you to showcase your work at regional and national levels.

All our courses include presentation and business skills, customer service and health and safety. You will also study employability and enterprise skills. Depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

#### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 1 VTCT Diploma in Hairdressing**

**Level 2 VTCT Diploma in Women's Hairdressing**

**Level 2 VTCT Diploma in Beauty Specialist Techniques**

**Level 2 Diploma in Barbering**

**Level 2 Hair Professional Apprenticeship**

**Level 3 VTCT Diploma in Women's Hairdressing**

**Level 3 VTCT Diploma in Massage Therapy**

**Level 3 Advanced Creative Hair Professional Apprenticeship Standard**



**I loved College, the teachers are the best! I regularly offer students work experience placements in the salon and love helping them develop their skills and grow their confidence.**

**Jess Kennelly**  
**Studied:** Level 3 Apprenticeship in Hairdressing  
**Currently:** Owner of award-winning salon, The Parlour



## Level 1

### VTCT Diploma in Hairdressing

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

The perfect launch pad for anyone who would like to work as a professional hair stylist. Working in our commercial salon, you will learn a wide range of industry-standard treatments, developing your customer and business awareness.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- shampoo and conditioning hair
- temporary colour
- customer service
- effective teamwork
- blow-drying
- plaiting and twisting.

#### The fun stuff

Our salons are open to the public, giving you valuable hands-on experience. Guest speakers visit to give demonstrations and you can add to your skills by completing short courses in specialist areas such as spray tanning, hair extensions and gel polish. You will have the opportunity to visit exhibitions, training academies and product suppliers in the UK and overseas. And you will be encouraged to enter competitions such as WorldSkills and our annual Hair & Beauty show, showcasing your work at regional and national levels.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English.

#### What next?

Most students progress on to the Level 2 VTCT Diploma in Women's Hairdressing or start an apprenticeship.

## Level 2

### VTCT Diploma in Women's Hairdressing

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For those interested in a career in hairdressing. Ideally you will have previous knowledge and/or qualifications in hairdressing.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- shampoo and conditioning
- cutting, styling and basic colouring techniques
- theme-based project
- salon experience
- customer service.

#### The fun stuff

You will work one day a week in the salon to enhance your customer service and salon skills. You are encouraged and supported to take part in local and national competitions, including WorldSkills and will have the opportunity to go on national and international visits. Alongside valuable work experience placements, you will also take part in a variety of voluntary and charitable activities, including Nurses Day at the Queen Alexandra Hospital, Victorious Festival and community events.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You can progress on to the Level 3 VTCT Diploma in Women's Hairdressing, an advanced apprenticeship or go directly into employment. Possible careers include barber, bridal hair stylist, junior stylist and colour technician.

## Level 2

### VTCT Diploma in Beauty Specialist Techniques

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For anyone wishing to become a professional beauty therapist, make-up artist or nail technician and would like to learn new skills to unlock future earning potential in a thriving and lucrative industry.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- facial skincare treatment
- enhancing eyebrows and lashes
- waxing
- manicure and pedicure
- salon reception and client care
- make-up
- creating images and display stock.

#### The fun stuff

You may have the opportunity to go on national and international visits. Alongside valuable work experience placements, you could also take part in a variety of voluntary and charitable activities, including Nurses Day at the Queen Alexandra Hospital, Victorious Festival and community events. And you will be encouraged and supported to take part in local and national competitions, including WorldSkills. Additional courses covering spray tan, Henna brows, gel nails and lash enhancements may be available.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You can progress on to a Level 3 VTCT Diploma in Massage Therapy, an apprenticeship or directly into employment. Possible careers include make-up artist, beauty consultant and beauty therapist.

## Level 2

### Diploma in Barbering

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Suitable for students interested in a career in barbering/men's hairdressing.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- advising and consulting with clients
- creating basic outlines and detailing in hair
- clipper maintenance
- cutting facial hair to shape using basic techniques
- cutting men's hair using basic techniques
- drying and finishing men's hair
- hair tonics
- health, safety and hygiene
- shampooing, conditioning and treating the hair and scalp.

#### The fun stuff

You are encouraged and supported to take part in local and national competitions, including WorldSkills. Alongside valuable work experience placements, you will also take part in a variety of voluntary and charitable activities, including Nurses Day at the Queen Alexandra Hospital, Victorious Festival and community events.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You may choose to further develop your knowledge and skills by completing a specialist qualification at Level 3, broaden your skills and progress into women's hairdressing or go directly into employment. Possible careers include junior men's hairdresser/barber in a variety of contexts.

## Level 2

### Hair Professional Apprenticeship

**Duration:** 18 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For apprentices with no or limited knowledge within the trade.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- shampooing, conditioning and treating the hair and scalp
- cutting hair using a range of techniques to create a variety of looks
- styling and finishing hair
- colouring and lightening hair
- hair relaxing treatments and techniques
- maintaining effective, hygienic and safe working places
- customer service, communication, and client liaison skills
- consultation skills.

#### The fun stuff

Apprentices must have access to real work which is valid and productive, providing opportunities to develop, practice and evidence knowledge and skills that have been learned. This type of learning is undertaken outside the normal day-to-day working environment. It can include activities such as online learning, mentoring, role play, attending competitions and events, or revision and assignments set as homework.

#### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 2 or above, or Functional Skills Level 1. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

#### What next?

You could progress onto a relevant Level 3 course or apprenticeship or alternatively attend specialist courses in hairdressing.

## Level 3

### VTCT Diploma in Women's Hairdressing

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Suitable for students progressing from the Level 2 VTCT Diploma in Women's Hairdressing to help advance your skills, creative techniques and career opportunities in the hairdressing industry.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- creative hair cutting
- colour correction
- creative styling skills
- advanced hair and scalp analysis
- consultation skills.

#### The fun stuff

You will work one day a week in the salon to enhance your customer service and salon skills. You are encouraged and supported to take part in local and national competitions, including WorldSkills. Alongside valuable work experience placements, you could also take part in a variety of voluntary and charitable activities, including Nurses Day at the Queen Alexandra Hospital, Victorious Festival and community events. There are also short courses available to upskill in specialist areas, like hair extensions and gel polish.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English, plus a Level 2 qualification in hairdressing.

#### What next?

This course can lead directly into employment, including becoming a senior stylist/barber, cruise liner stylist, TV/film/magazine stylist or colouring/cutting specialist.

## Level 3

# VTCT Diploma in Massage Therapy

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

For anyone wishing to become a professional massage therapist.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- body massage
- Indian head massage
- pre-blended aromatherapy
- stone therapy treatments
- origins of massage
- personal health and wellbeing.

### The fun stuff

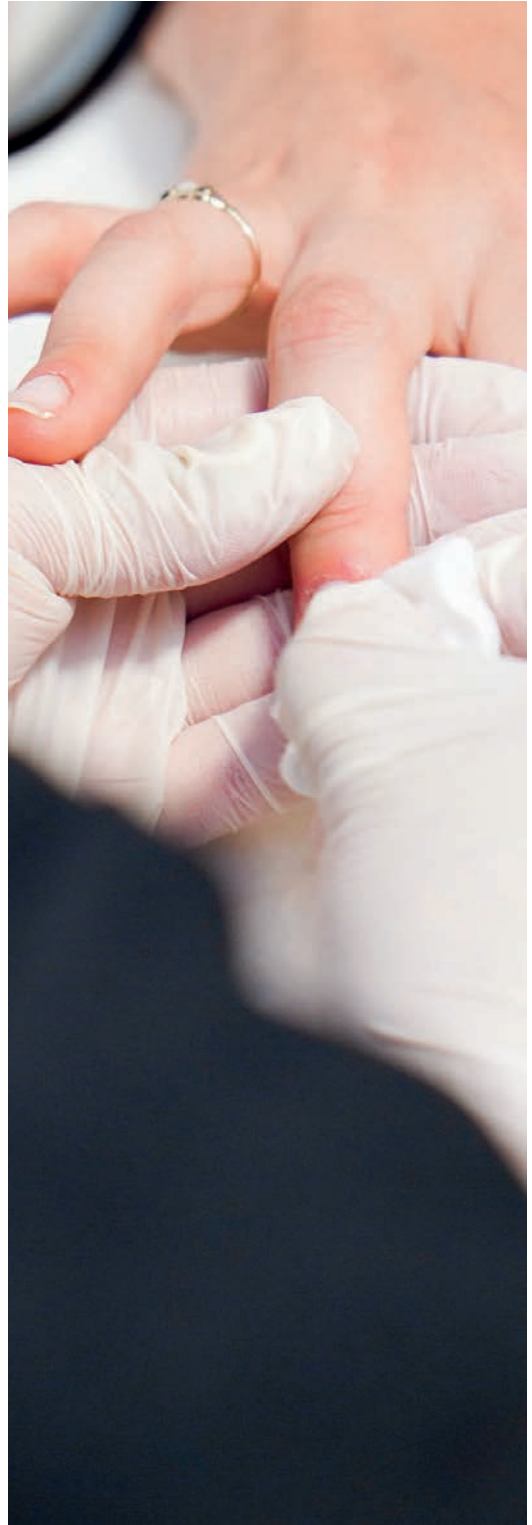
You will gain valuable salon experience to enhance your customer service and salon skills. As well as being encouraged and supported to take part in local and national competitions, including WorldSkills, you will have the opportunity to go on national and international visits. Alongside valuable work experience placements, you could also take part in a variety of voluntary and charitable activities, including Nurses Day at the Queen Alexandra Hospital, Victorious Festival and community events.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English.

### What next?

You could progress on to an apprenticeship or employment in a variety of settings including salons, cruise ships, health farms, fitness and spa centres or you may wish to work as a freelance professional.



## Level 3

# Advanced Creative Hair Professional Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 18 months

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

Designed to enhance and develop basic hairdressing skills, enabling the apprentice to become a recognised advanced and creative hair professional.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- precision and personalised cutting techniques, creative finishing and dressing techniques, advanced creative colouring
- how to use a range of products, tools and equipment in accordance with legal requirements, manufacturers' instructions and salon policy
- smoothing and strengthening
- creative colour conversion
- colour correction
- problem solving by identifying and ensuring root causes are resolved
- flexibility to changing working environments and demands
- professional development.

### The fun stuff

You will deliver hair fashion forward trends, which are innovative styles inspired by current images and your own creativity, individual flair, imagination and interpretation. The most important part of the role is developing fantastic hairdressing skills and knowledge, recognising customer needs, matching them to the products and services and working as part of a team to ensure that every customer receives fantastic service.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You could apply to work in specialist salons, start your own business, work for suppliers and manufacturers within the hair industry, or work within media and film.





# Health & Social Care





**Are you looking to make a difference to someone's life? Wanting to help vulnerable people, good communication skills and a flexible approach to work are all qualities that help you start a great career within the health and social care industry.**

At City of Portsmouth College, you'll be able to study in simulated residential and hospital ward environments.

Work placements are a vital part of all courses and are tailored to meet the needs of individual students. As a result, placements require a full Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check. Staff have extensive vocational expertise and a thorough knowledge of current methods and legislation.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

#### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 1 Pathway to Health & Social Care**

**Level 2 Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care**

**Level 2 Transition to Health**

**Level 3 Technical Certificate in Health & Social Care**

**Level 3 Technical Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care**

**Level 3 Health & Nursing T Level**

**Level 3 Healthcare Science T Level**

**More courses available in this area, see page 258**



## Level 1

### Pathway to Health & Social Care

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For those aged 16-19 who have a general interest in health and social care and wish to develop their maths and English levels to access higher vocationally-related courses.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- job opportunities
- the importance of healthy eating and drinking
- equality and inclusion
- principles and values
- introduction to mental health
- awareness of protection and safeguarding.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to attend enrichment sessions and take part in vocationally-based projects. You will contribute to the planning and delivery of fundraising events, enjoy regular vocationally-relevant professional visits and take part in real-life work experience. There is also recognition and awards for good attendance and a committed attitude including end of term trips, film nights and bowling.

#### Entry requirements

There are no formal entry requirements, although a keen interest in health and social care, combined with a desire to improve your maths and English, is essential.

#### What next?

This course is the perfect stepping stone to further education, enabling progression into further vocational courses, traineeships or an apprenticeship. In the final term, you will have an opportunity to study towards a Level 2 qualification that will further enable your progression.

## Level 2

### Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Students seeking the skills and knowledge to start a career helping young adults, adults with specific needs, people with disabilities and the elderly.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- health and social care values
- effective communication
- social influencers on health and wellbeing
- the impact of nutrition
- cultural diversity
- diabetes awareness
- dementia awareness
- infection prevention and control
- principles of safeguarding.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to undertake placements within the charity, social and health sectors. You will also be encouraged to participate in National Health Service campaigns, raising awareness amongst fellow students as well as attending course-related trips within the local area and further afield.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You could progress to a full-time Level 3 health and social care qualification, an apprenticeship or into employment within the health and social care sector. Possible roles include care support worker in adult residential settings; healthcare assistant in community, primary care and acute health environments; care support worker in domiciliary services, supported living or day services or community-based support worker.

## Level 2

### Transition to Health

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For students aged 16-19 who are not ready to start a T Level but have the potential to progress onto one, this study programme is specifically designed to develop the skills, experience, knowledge and behaviours to support progression onto a T Level.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- human growth and development
- working in health and social care
- equality, diversity and rights
- communication in health and social care.

#### The fun stuff

This course includes time spent in the workplace, enabling you to apply your studies in a range of suitable settings, improving your knowledge and developing key employment skills.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including maths, English and science.

#### What next?

You can continue on to the Level 3 T Level, progress into an apprenticeship or find employment in the sector.

## Level 3

### Technical Certificate in Health & Social Care

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

This programme is an ideal progression route from Level 2 Diploma in Health & Social Care and gives you the support to build your knowledge and understanding of the health and care sector.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- equality, diversity and rights
- human growth and development
- safeguarding and protection
- communication
- infection prevention and control
- psychological perspectives
- sociological perspectives
- working in health and social care.

#### The fun stuff

You will spend time in a variety of health and social care settings and gain experience with a range of age groups and abilities. You will have an opportunity to run projects involving the local community, building your skills and knowledge of local care services. You could take part in a residential trip such as Disneyland Paris, alongside other excursions, which include the simulation suite at the University of Portsmouth. You will also be encouraged to participate in National Health Service and charitable campaigns raising awareness amongst fellow students.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You could progress on to the Level 3 Technical Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care.



## Level 3

# Technical Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

Leading on from the Level 3 Technical Certificate in Health and Social Care, this course continues to give students the support to build their knowledge and understanding of the health and care sector.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- empowerment
- protection of children, young people and adults
- anatomy and physiology
- research skills
- personal and professional development.

### The fun stuff

You will spend time in a variety of health and social care settings and gain experience with a range of age groups and abilities. You will have an opportunity to run projects involving the local community, building your skills and knowledge of local care services. You could take part in a residential trip such as Disneyland Paris, alongside other excursions, including the simulation suite at the University of Portsmouth. You will also be encouraged to participate in National Health Service and charitable campaigns raising awareness amongst fellow students.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English.

### What next?

On completion of the programme, the focus is on healthcare and social care pathways for those wanting to step into these careers through employment opportunities or accessing university or higher level professional programmes.

## Level 3

# Health & Nursing T Level

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

For young people looking to begin a career in the healthcare and nursing sector, T Levels are a high-quality, work-focused alternative to A Levels, offering new routes to employment or further learning.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- working within the health and science sector
- science concepts
- employer set project
- adult nursing.

### The fun stuff

Our T Level Health and Nursing course is designed to increase your employment and progression prospects by having extended hands-on experience in real-life healthcare work placements, in which you will be supported by an expert.

### Entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English, maths and science.

### What next?

You could progress to a degree, an apprenticeship, or into employment.

## Level 3 Healthcare Science T Level

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

For young people looking to begin a career in the engineering, manufacturing, processing and control sector, T Levels are a high-quality, work-focused alternative to A Levels, offering new routes to employment or further learning.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- working within the health and science sector
- science concepts
- employer set project
- healthcare science
- pharmacy
- optical care.

### The fun stuff

This course is designed to increase your employment and progression prospects by having extended hands-on experience in real-life healthcare science work placements, in which you will be supported by an expert. By completing this industry-recognised qualification, you can progress onto many different roles as a healthcare science associate, ranging from life sciences (such as infection science and blood sugar) to genomics, clinical pharmaceutical science and engineering.

### Entry requirements

Five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English, maths and science.

### What next?

You could progress to a degree, an apprenticeship, or into employment.



**The people on my course are lovely. I especially enjoy reading and analysing different case studies as it gives me the knowledge I need for my future career.**

**Mia Treleavan**

**Studying:** Level 3 Diploma in Health & Social Care, plus Nurse Cadet Programme

**School:** Portsmouth Academy

**Future plans:** Become a social worker

# Journalism





## Are you thinking of making the jump into journalism? Our award-winning NCTJ Diploma has been producing some of the world's best journalists for more than 50 years.

Some of our past students include BBC journalist John Pienaar, Emmy award-winning presenter Mark Austin and TV presenter/ journalist Simon Reeve. More recent graduates are working at The News, Southern Daily Echo, Solent News and ITV Meridian.

At City of Portsmouth College, you'll be getting your stories published from the start as we place an emphasis on practical, real-world experience. You'll pitch ideas, tip-offs and stories to local and national media, while building skills and a portfolio of published work.

Our journalism staff are all practising experts, many of whom have held senior positions during their careers in media organisations such as the BBC, ITV, Sky News and publishing companies including Bauer, Future and Midland News Association.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 5 Journalist Apprenticeship Standard**

**Level 5 NCTJ Diploma in Journalism**

## Level 5

# Journalist Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** 18 months  
**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students wishing to enter the world of journalism, either as a general reporter or specialising in newspaper, magazine or broadcast journalism.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- public affairs
- media law
- journalism portfolio
- ethics
- shorthand
- court reporting
- video journalism for online.

### The fun stuff

You will learn a wide variety of skills, researching and creating quality stories, being adept at using social media and digital platforms, understanding the importance and value of brands, working to tight deadlines and able to use web analytics. A great communicator, you will also learn how to build and maintain a range of reliable contacts.

### Entry requirements

You will need to have achieved maths and English GCSE grade 4 or above or Functional Skills Level 2.

### What next?

This qualification will be your passport to a job, with our lecturers helping you to find work via their extensive network of contacts.

## Level 5

# NCTJ Diploma in Journalism

**Duration:** 28 weeks  
**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

Our practical training gives you the edge when it comes to finding work in the media. As well as essential theory, all our students spend two weeks working at The News in Portsmouth and will have the opportunity to work alongside some of the best regional journalists in the country.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- news and feature writing
- shorthand
- essential public affairs
- media law
- multimedia portfolio
- court reporting
- video journalism for online.

### The fun stuff

As well as working in a real newsroom, we will assist in helping you make contact with news agencies such as SNAP and Solent News. You will also have field trip opportunities, including visiting the Houses of Parliament and the opportunity to report at events such as Victorious Festival.

### Entry requirements

At least five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths and English. Ideally you should also have either two A Levels or an equivalent Level 3 qualification such as a BTEC Diploma.

### What next?

Students normally leave College for a trainee post and you will be supported in finding work. It would normally take you between three and five years to work your way up to becoming a national newspaper reporter or broadcaster.





“ I’m really happy to have received a Highly Commended Award. It feels fantastic to have all the work I’ve put in, the support from my editors, and the brilliant tutoring of the College recognised in such a way.

**Jody Doherty-Cove**  
**Studied:** Level 3 NCTJ Advanced Junior Journalism Apprenticeship  
**Awarded:** NCTJ Awards For Excellence, Highly Commended, Apprentice of the Year



# Painting & Decorating





## Painters and decorators work on a variety of jobs, ranging from simple house renovations to new build homes, all the way to maintaining historic buildings.

According to the latest Construction Skills Network research, the UK construction industry will need a total of 111,080 painters and decorators by 2023, so there is no better time to embark on a career in painting and decorating.

You will learn at our North Harbour Campus, which is one of the largest facilities of its kind in the south east, with industry standard workshops and realistic working environments.

Alongside their programmes, students at City of Portsmouth College are encouraged to use their skills to make a contribution to the local community.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

- **Level 1 Diploma in Construction Skills**
- **Level 1 Diploma in Painting & Decorating**
- **Level 2 Diploma in Painting & Decorating**
- **Level 2 Painting & Decorating Apprenticeship Standard**



“The atmosphere is really good and everyone is friendly. The tutors tell you what you need to do and give you everything you need to work independently.”

**Jake Parris-Crout**  
**Studying:** Level 2 Diploma in Painting & Decorating  
**School:** Purbrook Park  
**Future plans:** Become an apprentice





## Level 1

### Diploma in Construction Skills

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For those aged 16-19 who have a general interest in construction and wish to develop their maths and English levels to access higher vocationally-related courses. It will include a mixture of theory and practical sessions in carpentry and joinery, brickwork, plastering, painting and decorating.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- introduction to health and safety
- painting techniques and wallpapering
- constructing half brick and block walling
- preparation and render coats
- introduction to construction Industry
- fixing architraves and skirting
- tiling walls and floors with a border
- preparation and finishing.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to attend enrichment sessions and to take part in vocationally based projects. You will enjoy regular professional visits and take part in real-life work experience, giving you the extra skills and knowledge needed in your chosen field. There are also a variety of awards for good attendance and a committed attitude.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You will find this programme is the perfect stepping stone to further vocational courses and apprenticeships.

## Level 1

### Diploma in Painting & Decorating

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

#### Who is the course for?

This course is ideal for students who wish to pursue a career in painting and decorating yet are currently not working in the industry.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- carrying out safe working practices
- communicating with others
- introduction to building studies
- health and safety
- introduction into the various types of paint
- hanging wall and ceiling papers
- textured coatings.

#### The fun stuff

During the course, you will complete a minimum of 30 hours of on-the-job experience within the industry. You will have the opportunity to work on many live projects, including community and charitable projects, and benefit from site visits, industry talks and demonstrations from experts. You will also have an opportunity to take part in competitions, including WorldSkills and Johnstone's painting and decorating awards.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You could progress on to the Level 2 Diploma in Painting and Decorating or into an apprenticeship.

## Level 2

# Diploma in Painting & Decorating

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

For those students who have already completed the Level 1 Diploma in Painting and Decorating or have been working in the industry previously and can demonstrate their skills and knowledge.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- preparation of surfaces
- painting complex areas
- hanging papers to walls and ceilings
- decorative effects (marbling/graining)
- planning your work
- access equipment (tower, ladder, trestles, steps and low-level platforms).

### The fun stuff

You will complete a minimum of 30 hours of on-the-job experience within the industry. You will have the opportunity to work on many live projects including community and charitable projects and benefit from site visits, industry talks and demonstrations from experts. You will also have an opportunity to take part in competitions, including WorldSkills and Johnstone's painting and decorating awards.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English plus a Level 1 Diploma in Painting and Decorating. Those with prior industry experience will also be considered.

### What next?

You could progress on to an apprenticeship or go straight into employment.





## Level 2

# Painting & Decorating Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

This Level 2 Intermediate Painter and Decorator Apprenticeship Standard will be flexible and hands-on. As well as varied technical abilities, apprentices will develop the functional and personal skills required for the job.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- the purpose of a range of equipment, tools, and materials
- selecting, using, maintaining and storing paint, tools, wallcoverings, spray equipment, steps, ladders and towers
- using different application methods - brush, roller, spray, power-assisted rollers, and special effect tools
- identifying hazards and risks in the workplace ensuring a safe environment is maintained
- working at height including the safe use of platforms, steps, ladders, and scaffolding
- appropriate listening, questioning, scheduling and costs
- modern and traditional construction methods
- common problems, how these can be prevented and how to correct them.

### The fun stuff

Working internally or externally you will work individually and/or as part of a team applying waterborne and/or solvent-based paint coatings and wall coverings. You will have good knowledge of paint coatings and wall coverings, understanding and complying with statutory safety and environmental requirements. You will be responsible for your own work, achieving a high-quality finish at the appropriate pace, solving problems and interacting effectively with colleagues, clients, and associated trades.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 2 or above, or Functional Skills Level 1. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You could move on to a higher-level full-time course or start full-time employment within the painting and decorating industry.





# Plastering





**The plasterer is indispensable to most building sites, making walls and ceilings smooth and ready for decorating. This rewarding career can also include creating ornamental plasterwork (such as ceiling roses and cornices) using a mixture of plaster and short fibres shaped with moulds and casts.**

There is no better place to learn than at our North Harbour Campus, which is one of the largest facilities of its kind in the south east, with industry standard workshops and realistic working environments.

Alongside their programmes, students at City of Portsmouth College are encouraged to use their skills to make a contribution to the local community.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

#### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 1 Diploma in Construction Skills**

**Level 1 Diploma in Plastering**

**Level 2 Diploma in Plastering**

**Level 2 Plastering Apprenticeship Standard**



**“I’ve always wanted to do plastering ever since I was little. It’s a very interesting course and the experience I’m getting here will help me further on in life.**

**Bobby Jeal**  
**Studying:** Level 1 Diploma in Plastering  
**School:** Havant Academy  
**Future plans:** Start own business



## Level 1

### Diploma in Construction Skills

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For those aged 16-19 who have a general interest in construction and wish to develop their maths and English levels to access higher vocationally-related courses. It will include a mixture of theory and practical sessions in carpentry and joinery, brickwork, plastering, painting and decorating.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- introduction to health and safety
- painting techniques and wallpapering
- constructing half brick and block walling
- preparation and render coats
- introduction to construction Industry
- fixing architraves and skirting
- tiling walls and floors with a border
- preparation and finishing.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to attend enrichment sessions and to take part in vocationally based projects. You will enjoy regular professional visits and take part in real-life work experience, giving you the extra skills and knowledge needed in your chosen field. There are also a variety of awards for good attendance and a committed attitude.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You will find this programme is the perfect stepping stone to further vocational courses and apprenticeships.

## Level 1

### Diploma in Plastering

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

#### Who is the course for?

This course is designed for those students who wish to pursue a career in plastering and who are not currently working in the industry.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- understanding how to carry out safe work practices
- introduction to building methods
- introduction to construction technology
- introduction into preparing background surfaces
- introduction to plaster materials.

#### The fun stuff

During the course, you will complete a minimum of 30 hours of on-the-job experience within the industry. You will also have the opportunity to work on many live projects including various community projects and benefit from site visits, industry talks and demonstrations from experts.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English.

#### What next?

On completion of this course, you can progress to the Level 2 Diploma in Plastering or into an apprenticeship.



## Level 2

# Diploma in Plastering

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

For those who have already completed the Level 1 Diploma in Plastering and are looking to consolidate their knowledge.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- applying plaster materials to external surfaces
- how to fix dry lining and plasterboard products to interiors
- lay and finish floor screeds
- skim coat plastering.

### The fun stuff

During the course, you will complete a minimum of 30 hours of on-the-job experience within the industry. You will also have the opportunity to work on many live projects including various community projects and benefit from site visits, industry talks and demonstrations from experts.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English plus a Level 1 Diploma in Plastering. Those with prior industry experience will also be considered.

### What next?

There may be the opportunity to progress on to further study. You could also take up an apprenticeship or go straight into employment.



## Level 2

# Plastering Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

Ideal for those who have an interest in plastering but no formal training.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- health and safety hazards, current regulations and legislation
- health and safety legislation, codes of practice and safe working practices, including working at heights
- high-quality customer service as well as different communication methods
- construction methods, insulation, facilities, fire protection and damp proofing
- considerations before completing plastering work
- dry lining materials, methods, and finishes
- mortars and finishes
- render systems.

### The fun stuff

The broad purpose of this occupation is to apply layers of plaster onto walls, floors and ceilings. During this apprenticeship, you will be flexible and hands-on. As well as varied technical abilities, you will develop the functional and personal skills required for the job.

### Entry requirements

To successfully complete the apprenticeship you will need both maths and English at grade 2 or above, or Functional Skills Level 1. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You could move onto higher level full-time courses or into full-time employment within plastering.



# Plumbing & Gas







**City of Portsmouth College is one of the top providers of plumbing training in the country. We offer flexible, hands-on courses that develop the skills and knowledge you need to succeed in this exciting and expanding sector.**

Our courses cover everything you need to know about the plumbing industry. Our qualifications have been developed by the top awarding bodies, including City & Guilds, BPEC and EAL, the Sector Skills Council and the Industry Training Board for the construction industry.

You will learn at our North Harbour Campus, which is one of the largest facilities of its kind in the south east, with industry standard workshops and realistic working environments. Our North Harbour Campus stands out from other training providers as it is equipped to deliver courses with 'live systems' in sustainable technologies.

Alongside their programmes, students at City of Portsmouth College are encouraged to use their skills to make a contribution to the local community.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

#### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 1 Diploma in Construction Skills**

**Level 1 Diploma in Plumbing**

**Level 2 Diploma in Plumbing**

**Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeship in Plumbing and Domestic Heating**

**Level 3 Diploma in Plumbing**

**Level 3 Gas Engineering Operative**



## Level 1 Diploma in Construction Skills

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

For those aged 16-19 who have a general interest in construction and wish to develop their maths and English levels to access higher vocationally-related courses. It will include a mixture of theory and practical sessions in carpentry and joinery, brickwork, plastering, painting and decorating.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- introduction to health and safety
- painting techniques and wallpapering
- constructing half brick and block walling
- preparation and render coats
- introduction to construction Industry
- fixing architraves and skirting
- tiling walls and floors with a border
- preparation and finishing.

### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to attend enrichment sessions and to take part in vocationally based projects. You will enjoy regular professional visits and take part in real-life work experience, giving you the extra skills and knowledge needed in your chosen field. There are also a variety of awards for good attendance and a committed attitude.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English.

### What next?

You will find this programme is the perfect stepping stone to further vocational courses and apprenticeships.

## Level 1 Diploma in Plumbing

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who want to enter the plumbing industry. The course enables students to focus on maths and English, while building skills, knowledge and confidence to take forward into the Level 2 course. Students may have the opportunity to complete some Level 2 units in preparation for the Level 2 course.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- safe working practices
- how to communicate with others
- applying environmental protection measures.

### The fun stuff

Manufacturers and industry specialists will showcase the latest developments in plumbing and environmental technology. You will go on industry visits and have the chance to work on live projects. You will also complete 30 hours of work experience within the industry.

### Entry requirements

You will need four GCSEs grade 3 or above including maths and English and preferably a science.

### What next?

You could progress to a Level 2 Diploma in Plumbing or into an apprenticeship.

## Level 2

# Diploma in Plumbing

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

For new entrants into the industry or students progressing from the Level 1 Diploma. The course is designed to give you the fundamental knowledge and skill set to become a professional plumber. This course is also popular with existing workers wishing to gain recognised qualifications.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- safe working practices
- communicating with others within building services
- environmental protection measures
- scientific principles within building services
- site preparation and pipework fabrication techniques for domestic plumbing and heating
- domestic hot and cold water system installation and maintenance
- central heating system installation and maintenance
- domestic rainwater system installation and maintenance
- above ground drainage system installation and maintenance.

### The fun stuff

You will complete a minimum of 30 hours work experience within the industry. You will also take part in College-based projects, visit Portsmouth's central water treatment plant and attend industry trade shows. Manufacturers and industry specialists often visit the College to showcase the latest developments in plumbing and environmental technology.

### Entry requirements

You will need five GCSEs grade 4 or above including maths, English and a science. Those with prior industry experience will also be considered.

### What next?

You could progress to the Level 3 Diploma in Plumbing, an apprenticeship or into employment.

## Level 3

# Advanced Apprenticeship Standard in Plumbing and Domestic Heating

**Duration:** Four years

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

Designed to develop apprentices into the role of a plumber and domestic heating technician, providing you with the technical knowledge and behaviours you require to be successful in this role.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- measuring, marking out, fitting, installing, maintaining and repairing or replacing plumbing components
- installing three different pipework systems on two separate occasions
- permanently or temporarily decommissioning two separate pipework systems
- designing and installing two pipework systems
- commissioning and testing plumbing and electrical control systems
- industry competence in water regulations, unvented hot water systems and gas installation
- using, maintaining and storing hand tools, power tools and associated equipment.

### The fun stuff

As site plumber, you will normally work on a building site, or in domestic and commercial premises, preparing and fixing building systems and appliances, from the initial erection of a new building, through to the installation of all necessary fixtures and fittings, as well as a range of repair and maintenance activities. The installation of plumbing and heating systems includes accurate measuring, marking, cutting, bending and jointing metallic and non-metallic pipework. Appliances and equipment can include gas, oil and solid fuel boilers as well as pumps, heat emitters, bathroom furniture or controls. You'll also be working with cold water, hot water, central heating, above ground drainage and rainwater systems.

### Entry requirements

You will need maths and English GCSE grade 4 or above or Functional Skills Level 2.

### What next?

You could progress on to a Level 4 site management qualification or a different construction course/ apprenticeship.

## Level 3 Diploma in Plumbing

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

The course is designed to develop and expand your plumbing knowledge and skills to ensure you are ready for industry.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- organising resources within building services
- hot and cold water system installation, commissioning, service and maintenance
- central heating system installation, commissioning, service and maintenance
- electrical work on domestic plumbing and heating systems and components
- domestic, commercial and industrial sanitation systems.

### The fun stuff

You will complete a minimum of 30 hours of work experience within the industry. You will have the opportunity to showcase your skills on many live projects, including renovating community facilities, visit Portsmouth's central water treatment plant and attend industry trade shows. Manufacturers and industry specialists often visit the College to showcase the latest developments in plumbing and environmental technology.

### Entry requirements

You will need five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including maths, English and a science, plus a Level 2 Plumbing qualification (Diploma or NVQ).

### What next?

You could move into employment, an apprenticeship or choose to broaden your skills with a different trade, for example the Level 3 Diploma in Electrical Installation or a professional gas qualification.



**My courses are very interesting and I'm learning new skills. Now I can fit whole bathrooms and kitchens with my tiling qualification that I also did at North Harbour.**

#### Molly Wells

**Studied:** Level 1 and 2 Diploma in Wall & Floor Tiling

**Studying:** Level 2 BPEC Diploma in Plumbing

**School:** Priory School

## Level 3

# Gas Engineering Operative

**Duration:** 15 months

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

For those looking to enter the highly health and safety-focused world of gas engineering, involving the safe installation, commissioning, decommissioning and ongoing service and repair of gas appliances in either a domestic or non-domestic setting.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- gas and electrical theories and procedures involved in the practical installation, commissioning, decommissioning and/or ongoing service and repair of gas installations, appliances and associated equipment
- current health, safety and environmental legislation and regulations applicable to work in the gas industry
- safe gas and electrical installation, commissioning, decommissioning and/or ongoing service and repair procedures of gas installations and appliances needed to establish the safe operation of the equipment and installation in accordance with industry standards
- up-to-date energy efficiency advice and guidance to be given to the customer.

### The fun stuff

Working with our highly skilled and qualified gas team, you will learn all the latest knowledge, skills and behaviours of a standout gas engineer. You will also have the opportunity to learn new clean growth techniques within our Net Zero Training Hub, the first of its kind in the UK.

### Entry requirements

You will need both maths and English at grade 4 or above, or Functional Skills Level 2. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

You can apply for your Gas Safe certificate, learn and qualify in the use of specific gas appliances or venture into commercial gas properties, LPG and metering.







# Prince's Trust







Prince's Trust

## The Prince's Trust Team programme is a free 12-week programme that could change your life.

The Prince's Trust programme is for 16-25 year olds who are unemployed, and lacking in qualifications or confidence. It's a great opportunity to develop your existing skills and gain new ones. It offers work experience, challenging projects in the community and an adventurous five-day team building residential trip. Even better, it's free of charge and doesn't affect any benefits.

You'll work in small teams of 12-15 young people, all different ages and from different backgrounds.

Designed to increase your confidence and offer career support, the programme is a unique opportunity that offers a real challenge with a difference. You'll work towards a nationally recognised qualification, get help with job-hunting and writing your CV, take on community projects of your choice, experience an exciting, action-packed residential week, and get two weeks' work experience in an area you're interested in.

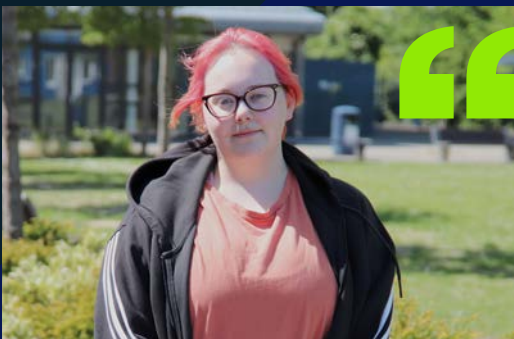
As well as gaining invaluable life skills, you'll work towards a Prince's Trust Certificate in Employment, Teamwork and Community Skills. This is offered at Entry 3, Level 1 and Level 2. You'll also get the opportunity to enhance your maths and English skills.

Seven out of 10 young people helped by the Prince's Trust move on to work, training or education.

In addition to the standard Team Programme, City of Portsmouth College has also developed a programme especially designed for young people with a learning difficulty or disability. If you'd like to know more, please get in touch.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

#### Prince's Trust Team programme



It's been amazing. It's really easy to get on with everyone and you get to do so much together. You're definitely made to feel welcome.

Zoe Sadler  
Studied: Prince's Trust

## Prince's Trust Team Programme

**Duration:** 12 weeks

**Location:** Arundel Campus

### Who is the course for?

Aimed at 16-25 year olds who are unemployed, and lacking in qualifications or confidence, it's a great opportunity to develop your existing skills and gain new ones. Even better, it's free of charge and doesn't affect any benefits. City of Portsmouth College is also the first provider in the country to offer one extra-special team programme, especially designed for young people with a learning difficulty or disability.

### What will you study?

- week 1 – team introduction
- week 2 – action-packed residential week
- weeks 3/4/5 – planning and completing a local community project
- week 6 – work placement preparation
- week 7/8 – work placement
- week 9 – next steps, including CV workshops, interview techniques and guest speakers
- week 10/11 – team challenge
- week 12 – presentation.

### The fun stuff

You will complete a two-week work placement, take on rewarding projects in the community and enjoy an adventurous five-day team building residential trip. Activities during the residential week could include archery, canoeing and high ropes.

### Entry requirements

Seven out of 10 young people helped by the Prince's Trust move on to education, training or employment.

### What next?

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If you would like any more information or would like to enrol on one of the programmes above, then please contact us on [princes.trust@copc.ac.uk](mailto:princes.trust@copc.ac.uk) or 077 7164 4771 / 023 9232 8926





# Science





## Pharmacy technicians play a vital role in supporting pharmacists in chemists and hospital dispensaries but that's not all.

You could work in community services, justice (the Prison Service), GP practices, dispensing doctors' practices, care homes and clinical commissioning groups, mental health, defence and within the pharmaceutical industry.

Responsible for carrying out both routine and specialist services, you'll get involved in highly complex activities requiring you to use your professional judgement.

Effective and discreet communications will also be key as you'll be in daily contact with healthcare professionals, patients and the public relating to subjects of a highly confidential nature.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 3 Pharmacy Technician Apprenticeship Standard**

**More courses available in this area, see page 298**



I like my apprenticeship because it gives you the opportunity to go into College and also learn on site.

**Farhana Begum**  
**Studying:** Level 3 Pharmacy Technician Apprenticeship Standard  
**Employer:** Queen Alexandra Hospital (NHS)

## Level 3

# Pharmacy Technician Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

You must be working in a pharmacy environment as a pre-registration Trainee Pharmacy Technician (PTPT). Applicants are likely to be intending to join the General Pharmaceutical Council (GPhC) register of Pharmacy Technicians. You must be employed in a community, hospital or primary care pharmacy for a minimum 30 hours per week on a continuous basis.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- providing safe and effective pharmacy services
- supplying medicines and devices to patients, whether on prescription or over the counter
- achieving the best outcomes through a patient's medicines
- assembling medicines for prescriptions
- providing information to patients and other healthcare professionals
- managing areas of medicines supply such as dispensaries
- supervising other pharmacy staff
- answering customers' questions face to face or by phone
- pre-packing, assembling and labelling medicines
- referring problems or queries to the pharmacist.

### The fun stuff

You will be responsible for carrying out both routine and specialist services, including highly complex activities requiring you to use your professional judgement. You are expected to work both individually and as part of a multi-disciplinary team, with minimum supervision and a high degree of autonomy, taking responsibility for the quality and accuracy of the work. Pharmacy technicians are expected to communicate effectively with healthcare professionals, patients and the public, while respecting and maintaining confidentiality and privacy.

### Entry requirements

You will need maths and English and double science or biology GCSE grade 4 or above, or a merit in a Level 2 BTEC applied science and Functional Skills Level 2.

### What next?

You will be able to practise in any sector of pharmacy, not just the sector where you have been a PTPT. The programme encompasses the key transferable skills between sectors but is also broad enough to experience the range of roles you can take on.





# Sport







## Whether you're interested in playing, coaching, teaching or a career in sport science, take your first step into these exciting professions with our range of sport courses.

The Level 1 and 2 courses (based at Highbury Campus) provide you with the essential skills and knowledge needed to progress on to the Level 3 Diploma/Extended Diploma in Sport in partnership with Pompey in the Community (PitC).

The Level 3 course is based at the Pompey Study Centre – with elements at Fratton Park and Highbury Campus – students will use purpose-built classrooms and facilities, creating a perfect learning environment in which to thrive. Alongside academic studies, students will train and play on a weekly basis, representing Pompey against other professional clubs in competitive fixtures – another unique aspect of the course.

National and international trips are also an integral part, with PitC providing the chance to visit world-famous stadia and high-profile organisations. Students train and play abroad each year, with recent tours taking place in the Netherlands and USA. They are optional, but provide a chance to learn and engage.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 1 Pathway to Sport**

**Level 2 Certificate in Sport**

**Level 3 NCFE Certificate in Sport (Outdoor)**

**Level 3 BTEC National Foundation Diploma in Sport in Partnership with Portsmouth Football Club**

**Level 3 BTEC National Extended Diploma in Sport in Partnership with Portsmouth Football Club**

## Level 1

### Pathway to Sport

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For students aged 16-19 who have a general interest in sport and wish to progress into the field. The programme is also designed to develop students who wish to train in the sport industry but do not have the required maths and English levels to access other vocationally related programmes.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- the principles of coaching
- how to plan coaching activities
- conducting coaching
- how to evaluate coaching activities
- taking part in sport
- understanding sport and active leisure
- nutrition
- leading others
- employment in outdoor activities.

#### The fun stuff

You will gain a vital understanding of the sport and active leisure sector, understanding what's needed to gain employment in the outdoor and adventurous activity industry and leading your own sessions

#### Entry requirements

There are no formal entry requirements, although a keen interest in sports and leisure combined with a desire to improve English and maths is essential.

#### What next?

This course is the perfect stepping stone to further education and enables progression into further vocational courses, traineeships or an apprenticeship. In the final term, you will have an opportunity to study towards a Level 2 course that will further enable your progression.

## Level 2

### Certificate in Sport

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For students who are considering a career in sport and fitness. It has been designed to help those wishing to explore and develop their skills in sports, coaching and fitness.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- participating in sport
- psychology for sports performance
- outdoor and adventurous activities
- leading an outdoor and adventurous activity
- factors affecting participation in sport.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to participate in multiple sports such as badminton, cricket, hockey, paddle boarding, orienteering, football, basketball, volleyball and handball. You will take part in practical sessions to improve your skills throughout the year and boost your fitness levels whilst doing so. You will also participate in outdoor and adventurous activities and have the chance to lead your own outdoor session, gaining vital leadership skills and knowledge of multiple sports.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including maths and English.

#### What next?

This course can provide an excellent stepping stone to the Level 3 Sport course and help prepare you for employment in the sport and leisure industry. Possible future careers with progression could include sports, coaching, fitness, strength and conditioning, physiotherapy and nutrition.

## Level 3

### NCFE Certificate in Sport (Outdoor)

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For anyone wanting to develop their sporting skills, knowledge and general fitness, and for those considering a career in the sport and fitness industry.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- exercise, health and lifestyle
- preparing for a career in sport and physical activity
- principles and practices in outdoor adventurous activities
- sport nutrition
- outdoor and adventurous activities
- principles of anatomy and physiology.

#### The fun stuff

This is a one-of-a-kind programme, specific to us here at City of Portsmouth College. Tailored to the outdoor industry, you will get the opportunity to participate in paddle boarding, canoeing, kayaking and other adventurous activities. You will gain fundamental knowledge in sports nutrition, and how nutrition impacts your anatomy and physiology.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths and English.

#### What next?

This programme could lead to a higher-level course at university or prepare you for employment in the sport and leisure industry.



**I really enjoyed my course. My coaches and tutors really pushed me to do well and helped me to secure my scholarship in the United States.**

**Lizzy Knight**

**Studied:** Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Sport in partnership with Portsmouth Football Club



## Level 3

# BTEC National Foundation Diploma in Sport in Partnership with Portsmouth Football Club

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Pompey Study Centre

### Who is the course for?

Designed for aspiring footballers, male and female, aged 16-18. The course enables students to continue their academic studies while training and competing in a professional football environment. Students will develop their practical football abilities preparing them to play at the highest possible level.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- anatomy and physiology
- professional development in the sports industry
- fitness training and programming for health, sport and wellbeing
- sports leadership
- sports psychology
- application of fitness testing practical sports performance.

### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to travel on our international football tour to Memphis and further national enrichment and academic trips. You will engage in weekly training sessions, match analysis and conditioning sessions. You will also compete in competitive fixtures against other professional clubs in either the National Football Youth League or EFL Community and Education Football Alliance League.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths and English. All applicants will need to undergo a football trial.

### What next?

You could progress to a Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport.

## Level 3

# BTEC National Extended Diploma in Sport in Partnership with Portsmouth Football Club

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Pompey Study Centre

### Who is the course for?

Designed for aspiring footballers, male and female aged 16-18, it leads on from the 90-Credit Diploma.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- investigating business in sport and the active leisure industry
- coaching for performance
- development and provision of sport and physical activity
- research methods in sport
- sports performance analysis
- skill acquisition in sport
- rules, regulations and officiating in sport.

### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to travel on our international football tour to Memphis and further enrichment and academic trips nationally. You will engage in weekly training sessions, match analysis and conditioning sessions. You will also compete in competitive fixtures against other professional clubs in either the National Football Youth League or EFL Community and Education Football Alliance League.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including maths and English.

### What next?

After successfully completing both qualifications, students can continue to study both at home and on an international basis, with many students applying for scholarships in North America and Oceania. Students who have progressed to university have gone on to have successful careers in sport science, physiotherapy, sports therapy, sports coaching, sports psychology and performance analysis.



# Travel & Tourism





## Travel and tourism is one of the fastest-growing industries in the world. Staff with the right combination of business and customer service skills are in high demand.

Taught by experienced lecturers and with many work experience opportunities included, these courses are the perfect stepping stone to a career in the travel sector.

You will have the opportunity to gain work experience with some of the region's leading organisations, including:

- Hovertravel
- Portsmouth Historic Dockyard
- Spinnaker Tower
- Portsmouth Guildhall
- University of Portsmouth Students' Union

Whether you are looking to work in airline operations, on cruise ships, as a resort representative or move into events management, we can help you find the right career path with training in the skills that employers need.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 2 Diploma in Travel & Tourism**

**Level 3 BTEC National Foundation Diploma in Travel & Tourism**

**Level 3 BTEC National Extended Diploma in Travel & Tourism**

## Level 2

### Diploma in Travel & Tourism

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Those seeking opportunities to develop the practical skills and underpinning knowledge required to work in the travel and tourism industry or to progress to further study.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- structure of the travel and tourism industry
- interpersonal skills
- principles of customer service
- worldwide destinations
- UK destinations
- introduction to the cruise industry
- planning an event
- evaluating an event
- promotional activities.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to gain work experience with some of the region's leading organisations and events, including Hovertravel, Portsmouth Historic Dockyard, Spinnaker Tower, Portsmouth Guildhall and Victorious Festival. You will also enjoy many industry trips and visits during the year.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You can progress on to a Level 3 BTEC National Foundation Diploma in Travel and Tourism.

## Level 3

### BTEC National Foundation Diploma in Travel & Tourism

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

#### Who is the course for?

This course is the first year of the Extended Diploma. It provides the knowledge, understanding and skills that will prepare students for further study or training in a range of different sectors including business, management, marketing, hospitality and leisure, in addition to travel and tourism.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- the world of travel and tourism
- global destinations
- managing the customer experience
- travel and tourism enterprises
- sustainable tourism
- the airport experience
- visitor attractions.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to gain work experience with some of the region's leading organisations, such as the Mary Rose Museum, Village Hotel, Queens Hotel Portsmouth, Hovertravel and Portsmouth Guildhall. You will enjoy many trips during the year to top tourist attractions, as well as industry visits, talks and the opportunity to attend a three-day study break to an overseas/UK based destination.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You could progress to the Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Travel and Tourism.

## Level 3

# BTEC National Extended Diploma in Travel & Tourism

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Highbury Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course follows on from the Level 3 National Foundation Diploma and is designed to further develop students' academic and practical skills in the travel and tourism environment.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- principles of marketing in travel and tourism
- current travel trends and key issues
- managing accommodation services
- the UK as a tourist destination
- specialist tourism
- working overseas
- the cruise industry.

### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to gain work experience with some of the region's leading organisations, such as the Mary Rose Museum, Village Hotel, Queens Hotel Portsmouth, Hovertravel and Portsmouth Guildhall. You will enjoy many trips during the year to top tourist attractions, as well as industry visits, talks and the opportunity to attend a three-day study break to an overseas/UK based destination.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English. Plus a merit or above on the National Foundation Diploma.

### What next?

You could progress to a degree course at university or employment.



**It was a brilliant course and I enjoyed going on all the different trips and making new friends in my class. I gained a lot of confidence and built-up skills in an area that I'm passionate about.**

#### James Duncan

**Studied:** Level 3 Extended Diploma in Travel & Tourism

**Currently:** Check-in operator at Portsmouth and Southampton cruise terminals & volunteer at The D-Day Story museum.

**Future plans:** To complete an HND in international travel.



# Wall & Floor Tiling







## Are you patient and precise? Then a career as a wall and floor tiler could be for you.

Wall and floor tilers cover walls, floors and other surfaces with tiles, in kitchens, bathrooms, shops, hotels, restaurants and more. They may work on new builds or private and commercial renovations.

City of Portsmouth College is one of the top providers of construction training in the country. We offer flexible, hands-on courses that develop the skills and knowledge you need to succeed in this exciting and expanding sector.

You will learn at our North Harbour Campus, which is one of the largest facilities of its kind in the south east, with industry standard workshops and realistic working environments.

Alongside their programmes, students at City of Portsmouth College are encouraged to use their skills to make a contribution to the local community.

We embed maths and English in all our lessons and depending on your current levels, you will have the chance to either improve your GCSE grades or gain valuable Functional Skills qualifications if required.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 1 Diploma in Construction Skills**

**Level 1 Diploma in Wall & Floor Tiling**

**Level 2 Diploma in Wall & Floor Tiling**

**Level 2 Wall & Floor Tiling Apprenticeship Standard**

## Level 1

### Diploma in Construction Skills

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For those aged 16-19 who have a general interest in construction and wish to develop their maths and English levels to access higher vocationally-related courses. It will include a mixture of theory and practical sessions in carpentry and joinery, brickwork, plastering, painting and decorating.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- introduction to health and safety
- painting techniques and wallpapering
- constructing half brick and block walling
- preparation and render coats
- introduction to construction Industry
- fixing architraves and skirting
- tiling walls and floors with a border
- preparation and finishing.

#### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to attend enrichment sessions and to take part in vocationally based projects. You will enjoy regular professional visits and take part in real-life work experience, giving you the extra skills and knowledge needed in your chosen field. There are also a variety of awards for good attendance and a committed attitude.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You will find this programme is the perfect stepping stone to further vocational courses and apprenticeships.

## Level 1

### Diploma in Wall & Floor Tiling

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For those candidates who are new to wall and floor tiling and wish to gain a qualification in the trade.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- preparing tiles for fixing to wall and floor installations
- applying and fixing tiling materials
- setting out tiling components
- mixing tiling materials
- handling and storing tiling materials and accessories
- health, safety and welfare in construction
- principles of building construction, information and communication.

#### The fun stuff

You will complete 30 hours of work placement within the industry. You will also have the opportunity to work on many live projects including volunteering with local employers and competing in the annual in-house tiling competition.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of four GCSEs at grade 2 or above, including English.

#### What next?

You can progress on to a Level 2 Diploma in Wall & Floor Tiling, an apprenticeship or into employment.

## Level 2

# Diploma in Wall & Floor Tiling

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

For those students who have already completed the Level 1 Diploma in Wall and Floor Tiling.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- preparing backgrounds for tiling
- forming sand and cement screeds
- tiling wall surfaces
- tiling floor surfaces
- health, safety and welfare in construction
- principles of building construction, information and communication.

### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to work on many live projects including volunteering with local employers and competing in the annual in-house tiling competition.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English, plus a Level 1 Wall & Flooring qualification. Those with prior industry experience will also be considered.

### What next?

You could progress on to an apprenticeship or go straight into employment.



“It's challenge and I like a challenge. I like that it feels like a jigsaw puzzle and that it's a trade where you can get on with your own work and have fun while doing it.”

**Michael Richardson**

**Studying:** Level 1 Diploma in Tiling

**School:** Redwood Park Academy

**Future plans:** Complete the Level 2 Diploma in Wall & Floor Tiling



## Level 2

# Wall & Floor Tiling Apprenticeship Standard

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** North Harbour Campus

### Who is the course for?

For those who have a basic understanding of wall and floor tiling and who want to progress and expand that knowledge further.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- identifying and minimising hazards and risks in the workplace
- safety procedures, risk assessments, method statements and work instructions
- high-quality customer service as well as different communication methods
- the purpose, characteristics and application of materials, tools, and equipment
- the installation of porcelain, stone, conglomerate, and mosaics
- modern and traditional construction methods
- product types, their characteristics, qualities, uses, sustainability, and limitations
- selecting and preparing the appropriate type of background
- common preparation methods, make-up, and application
- different types of resources, tools, and equipment.

### The fun stuff

You will have a good knowledge of tiles, backgrounds and ancillary products and understand and comply with statutory, safety and environmental requirements. You will be a good problem solver and communicator and be able to interact effectively with colleagues, clients, and associated trades.

### Entry requirements

You will need both maths and English at grade 2 or above, or Functional Skills Level 1. If necessary, these can be studied at College alongside your apprenticeship.

### What next?

Apprentices have gone on to be promoted in their companies to roles with more responsibility and within a short period of time some have gone on to become managers and even company directors.





# Welcome to our Sixth Form

## Our award-winning Sixth Form

**At City of Portsmouth College, we pride ourselves on the wide-ranging achievements and national recognition of our Sixth Form facilities and provision.**


### Recent accolades include:

- Winner of the Sixth Form College Association Award for Community Impact, highlighting our lead in the Flying Start Portsmouth programme created to help year 11 students to continue learning amid the COVID crisis
- Apple Distinguished School 2019-2022, one of fewer than 500 centres worldwide to receive this honour for using Apple technology to inspire creativity, collaboration and critical thinking
- Shortlisted for a National Association for Managers of Student Services Award, recognising the quality support we offer in the transition from secondary to further education
- Shortlisted for two Times Educational Supplement Awards in Further Education for 'Outstanding use of Technology for Improving Teaching, Learning and Assessment' and 'Best Teaching and Learning Initiative'
- Association of Colleges Beacon Award winner, for 'Effective use of Technology in Education'.



# Outstanding Sixth Form results

**99%**   
overall A Level  
Pass rate

**54%**   
A Level high grade  
achievement (A\*-B)

 **90%**  
high grade  
achievement  
in our Level 3 Extended  
Certificate in Sports Coaching  
and Development (D\*-D)

 **60%**  
high grade Criminology  
achievement (D\*-D)

 **251**  
students achieved at least  
one or more A\*/A grade

 **550**  
students achieved at least  
one or more A\*/B grade

 **51**  
students progressed to  
Russell Group universities



### Maisie Kithakye

Religious Studies **A\***  
 Politics **A**  
 Classical Civilisation **A**

**Next steps:**  
 University of Chichester,  
 philosophy and ethics

**School:**  
 Admiral Lord Nelson School



### Jack Appleton

Maths **A\***  
 Further maths **A\***  
 Computer Science **A**

**Next steps:**  
 University of Bristol, maths

**School:**  
 Springfield School



### Ruby Burnell

Geography **A**  
 Economics **B**  
 Politics **B**

**Next steps:**  
 Cardiff University

**School:**  
 Priory School



### Terri-Louise Huntley

Graphic Design **A\***  
 Architecture **A**  
 Geography **A**

**Next steps:**  
 University of Portsmouth,  
 graphic design

**School:**  
 Springfield School



### Olivia Milne

Religious Studies **A**  
 Geography **B**  
 Graphic Communication **B**

**Next steps:**  
 Taking a gap year to travel  
 South and Central America

**School:**  
 St Edmund's Catholic School

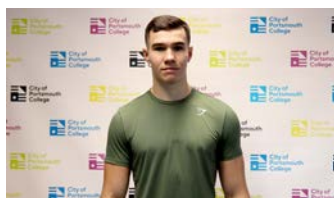


### Charlie Collis

Maths **A\***  
 Further maths **A\***  
 Physics **A\***

**Next steps:**  
 University of Bath, maths

**School:**  
 Springfield School



### Joel Bassil

Maths **A\***  
 Further maths **A\***  
 Physics **A**

**Next steps:**  
 University of Bath, maths

**School:**  
 Springfield School



### Antonio Yildirim

Politics **A\***  
 Biology **A**  
 Chemistry **B**

**Next steps:**  
 Ecology and conservation at  
 university

**School:**  
 Priory School



### Lucy Grace

Law **A**  
 Geography **B**  
 Religious Studies **B**

**Next steps:**  
 University of Winchester, law

**School:**  
 Miltoncross Academy

# What our students say about us

**We think our college is great, but don't just take our word for it!**

Here's what our students say about us:

**'I am enjoying my time on the course; I feel like it's a new chapter of my life and a fresh start. All the teachers and people are nice, and I get along with pretty much everyone.'**

'The course itself is great, I am learning a great deal about my subjects and have the utmost respect for lecturers and my classmates.'

'I started college with no one from school – I've made a great group of friends and I'm glad I've come here, for education and the social side.'

'I am really enjoying my apprenticeship and can't wait to be qualified.'

'Great teachers, they always help when I need it. Course is lots of fun. When I think back to where I started and then think about where I am now, it's night and day.'

**'The safeguarding team is the best I've ever seen. They are very supportive and so are the teachers.'**





**‘All the teachers are so motivated and passionate about what they’re teaching which makes you engage throughout. I love learning here, I’m thoroughly enjoying this course - yes there is a lot and it’s tough managing time but the support available is amazing.’**

**9/10**

students would **recommend the College** to a friend

**9/10**

students feel they are **treated fairly and with respect**

**9/10**

students **feel teachers support them** to do their best

**9/10**

students agree **teaching and learning facilities are good**

**98%**

of students & apprentices know how to **keep themselves safe online**

**95%**

of students told us **they feel safe in college**

**97%**

of students feel the **Sixth Form is good**

**98%**

of apprentices **feel safe in their workplace**

# More able students

**Our More Able Students Programme is for those who achieve a number of 7, 8 and 9 grades at GCSE. It provides learners with the opportunities to develop their skills and academic profiles to progress to prestigious universities or high-level apprenticeships.**

Through exceptional teaching and a wide range of opportunities we help these students on their way to becoming outstanding leaders, pioneers and innovators in their chosen fields such as law, medicine, engineering or science.

Supported and monitored in their academic work and provided with mentoring and one-to-one opportunities, we also encourage more able students to consider high level opportunities, work experience and industrial placements.

They can even engage with specialist conferences, subject seminars and academic initiatives such as Model United Nations, modern business, language and culture courses and House of Lords engineering debates.

At City of Portsmouth College, we provide all the tools you need to achieve and succeed in your aspirations.



**I've developed skills in understanding how architecture plays a part in society. It's enabled me to take fundamental concepts and take them forward into uni in my own style.**

**Charlotte Whittle**

**Studying:** A Level Architecture,  
Graphic Communication & Photography

**School:** Portchester Community School

**Future plans:** To become a fully qualified architect and set up own firm





# Our stand-out timetable

**A timetable designed to get the very best outcome for our students with no trapped time, at least one morning and one afternoon free for private study per week and a 9.55am start - what is there not to like! Students have one lesson in the morning and one in the afternoon with a guaranteed 4pm finish.**

## Curious and Creative Learning Project

With digital learning leading the way in education, our Sixth Form students use Apple iPad technology to enhance their academic study.

Sharing ideas and collaborating in lessons is simple, being organised is easy and submitting work and getting it marked is quicker and easier than more traditional methods.

What's more, having the advantage of thousands of educational apps brings learning to life and allows students to access classwork and resources online, anytime and anywhere.

A certified Apple Distinguished School, we have been recognised as a centre of innovation, leadership and educational excellence by using Apple technology to inspire creativity, collaboration and critical thinking.

If you already have your own iPad, you are welcome to use it on the campus, connecting to our wi-fi network and systems.

If not, the College heavily subsidises the purchase of a new iPad via a monthly payment scheme.

For the basic model (iPad Wi-Fi 32GB) you would need to pay a deposit of around £40, followed by 24 monthly payments of around £18. Terms and conditions apply.





# Our E6 personal development programme

**Our pioneering E6 personal development programme is a six-strand initiative made up of courses, training and experiences that focus on developing your soft skills in preparation for the world of work.**

These opportunities will provide you with a pathway in readiness for securing a job, an apprenticeship or a place in higher education.

You can even gain recognition for taking part in the programme through our Gold, Silver and Bronze Principal's certification scheme, to mark your commitment and achievements.





## Enterprise

– a fun and interactive 12-week course for budding entrepreneurs run in partnership with specialist company Unloc. Working alongside expert mentors and other entrepreneurs, you will learn essential business knowledge, with the opportunity for additional mentoring through the Portsmouth Young Innovators Hub, a free co-working space for 16–25 year olds to run their own businesses.

## Employability and experience

– a range of employability workshops focusing on key topics including application writing, interview skills and creating an online professional image. We will even help to find you work experience linked to your chosen pathway to enhance your career aspirations.

## E-curriculum

– we offer a variety of online courses for a range of new skills to support you through College and beyond. You can work at your own pace, at home or in College, with access to one-to-one support. Certified courses range from money management to eating for the environment.



## Extension

– a wide range of extracurricular activities to develop new skills, make new friends and build your confidence. Programmes could include First Aid, Combined Cadet Force, the Unloc Leadership Academy, WorldSkills, Rock Choir, Dance Live and the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ).

## Exercise

– take advantage of specialist training and represent the College in AoC competitions including football, athletics, boccia, basketball or badminton. Or work on your fitness and develop your team-building skills by taking part in 'You Can' activities like 5-a-side football or personal training.

## Explore

– get involved in local and worldwide communities, make memories for life and gain valuable experiences as well as transferable skills through opportunities such as the Duke of Edinburgh Award, organised volunteering opportunities or Adventures for Students.

# Students' Union

**City of Portsmouth College's Students' Union (CoPCSU) helps you get the most out of College life. It's run by student officers elected by you for you.**

All students studying at City of Portsmouth College are members of the Union, benefitting from access to a variety of free services including welfare advice, information, social activities and entertainment.

CoPCSU also plays a vital role in student representation and communication within the College - it gives you a voice. We're all about supporting young leaders, celebrating ideas and encouraging dialogue.

Each year, a Student Union is elected to act as a voice of the wider College community. As a team, they:

- play a vital role in representing and communicating the views of students to College management and governors
- provide advice and information to students
- organise social and fundraising activities
- raise awareness of local, regional and national issues.



**Being a course rep has helped me to be more confident. I am part of a group where my opinion matters, and our goal is to make College the best it can be for everyone.**

**Alaa Asad**  
Health & Social Care Course Rep







# Opportunities to experience

**Our students don't just learn  
– they experience!**



## Sport

Join one of our Sports Academies and play competitively in AoC sport competitions including football, athletics, boccia, basketball or badminton. Alternatively, just have fun joining in with our various 'You Can' activities, from personal training to table tennis or a 5-a-side football league. We also support you in competing at national level in your chosen field.

## Performing arts and music

Our students have performed in the Dance Live! event for schools and colleges. You too could take part in the event which showcases dance, performance, off-stage technical skills and creative design. You could learn to play an instrument and perform solo or in a band, either in College or at local venues like the Wedgewood Rooms, the Guildhall or Victorious Festival. You could even make use of our recording studio.



## Duke of Edinburgh Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards

Get involved in this challenging and prestigious award and you will find there are four fun components: an expedition, service to others, learning a new skill and physical recreation. Not only will it build your confidence and abilities, it also looks great on your CV or university application.







## Visits and travel opportunities

We offer trips, visits and conferences to enhance your enjoyment and understanding of subjects.

Examples include: local and national art galleries and museums; universities; law courts; theatre trips; BBC Question Time; outdoor adventure activities; the Houses of Parliament; professional music studios and venues; field trips; army, navy and police days and sports science laboratories.

You could also pay to join a residential trip to worldwide destinations such as Poland, Iceland, Venice, Rome, New York, Paris, South Africa or China.



## National Citizens Service

A fantastic opportunity for 16 and 17 year olds to engage in outdoor, community and volunteering activities. National Citizens Service combines an adventurous outdoor activities residential course with local community and social enterprises to raise money for good causes. Promoted by the College, the programme is run by our partners at the Pompey in the Community organisation.

## And there's more ...

Through our E6 personal development programme, you can broaden your horizons and have fun by getting involved with projects like learning first aid, supporting in schools, volunteering, becoming a sports leader, setting up a small business, training as a student mentor, becoming a student ambassador or joining our student committee.

## Competitions

Alongside your course you will be encouraged and supported to take part in local and national competitions to test your skills and develop your confidence. Competitions include WorldSkills, annual hairdressing & beauty competitions, the Cambridge Chemistry Challenge, the International Biology Olympiad, the International Salon Culinaire and the Bricklayers Southern Regional Craft Competition.

# Student support

**Our specialist staff will support you throughout your time at College, so that you can develop the skills and qualifications you need to move onto the next stage of your life.**

## Course advice

The admissions team are available to offer course and progression information, advice and guidance and you can talk to us in confidence.

## Learning support

We welcome applications from students with disabilities, learning difficulties, mental health conditions or medical conditions.

Our learning support team will assess your needs and explain about how they can help you get the most from your time here. The learning support team also offer:

- specialist Dyslexia support
- assistance with access arrangements
- exam support
- specialist speech and language support
- specialist behaviour support
- specialist emotional support
- literacy support
- Dyscalculia support
- help for parents/carers applying for their child/dependent's Educational Health Care Plan.

## Personal tutors

All full-time students are assigned a tutor or teacher who will support you throughout your College journey with regular catch-ups to talk about your progress. They may also offer additional sessions to support exam revision or practical workshops.

You will also have class tutorials most weeks covering subjects such as planning your career, managing money, health and fitness, personal development and study skills.

## Health & wellbeing support

We offer a range of mental health and wellbeing support. The First Aid Hub and College social areas often host drop-in sessions with external support agencies or charitable organisations such as NHS Sexual Health, the local chaplaincy and Solent Mind.



## Financial support

If you're under 19 on 31 August in the year in which you start your full-time course, you will not be charged tuition, examination or registration fees for the majority of courses.

You need to be a UK/Irish national or EU/EEA national with the UK Settled or Pre-Settled status, living in the UK or Ireland for the last three years.

If you're aged 19+ and studying at Level 3 or above, you'll be required to pay your fees (unless you are eligible for fee remission) but there are excellent flexible payment services available.

We provide College bursaries for students from low-income families, enhanced bursaries for students in

care, care leavers and others in receipt of qualifying benefits and free meals for students from families on certain state benefits.

If you're under 19 and have one or more children you could also be entitled to help with the cost of childcare through Care to Learn. Call 080 0121 8989, email [C2L@studentbursarysupport.co.uk](mailto:C2L@studentbursarysupport.co.uk) or visit [direct.gov.uk/caretolearn](http://direct.gov.uk/caretolearn)

# Student support

## Support with travel and transport

Termly seven-day student passes are available to purchase from First Bus and Stagecoach for their public services in Portsmouth and wider Hampshire area at discounted prices.

College services PC1 & PC2 (fees payable) cover Fareham, Cams Hill, Portchester, Paulsgrove, Cosham, Hilsea and Stamshaw (please see website for more information).

Additional support is available for some students living further afield (10km+) including the Isle of Wight.

Students entitled to a College bursary receive full support with their cost of travel to college. Bursary applications are means tested and have limited funds available – applications should be made as early as possible once forms are issued for the relevant year of study.

Students with learning difficulties and disabilities under the age of 19 may get help with transport costs from their Local Education Authority (LEA)\*.

\*Contact your LEA for further information:

If you live in the Portsmouth area with a postcode of PO1-PO6 you should apply to Portsmouth City Council via 023 9284 1238 or: <https://www.portsmouth.gov.uk/services/schools-learning-and-childcare/schools/school-transport-and-travel/>

Students who reside in all other postcodes in Hampshire should apply to Hampshire County Council on 019 6284 6924 or: <https://hants.gov.uk/educationandlearning/schooltransport/parent-carer/eligibility>

## Careers support

Our specialist team is available to provide personalised and impartial information, advice and guidance, tailored to the needs of each student or apprentice and embedding equality & diversity to challenge stereotypical thinking and raise aspirations.

We deliver a planned programme designed to offer you the most appropriate support at various stages of your course.

We can support you with:

- internal progression support
- UCAS university applications\*
- finding an apprenticeship
- employment options.

\* Highly experienced staff work with students on the particular challenges involved in making applications for: Oxford or Cambridge universities, medicine, dentistry, veterinary medicine and other highly competitive higher education opportunities.

We hold a number of careers events throughout the year which provide excellent research and networking opportunities.

Events include:

- careers information evening for parents
- higher education fairs
- employment and apprenticeships Fairs
- careers fairs for SEND students and parents
- regular visits to universities and employer venues (organised with curriculum staff).

The careers team is also fully engaged with other College programmes to support your skills development and progression.







# Going global

**We place global citizenship at the heart of our Sixth Form provision and so our students have the opportunity to take part in a rich and diverse range of cultural experiences**

By combining the departmental trips and visits with our Global Engagement Department, we are able to offer three international programmes: study programmes with international trips, educational visits from global partners and train the trainer courses delivered across the world by our staff.

Recent international destinations have included Boston, Shanghai, Iceland, Munich, New York and Nanjing. While each trip is linked to the curriculum, our global partnerships also allow us to ensure there will be opportunities to develop your social and employability skills as well.

Thanks to our growing reputation, we receive many requests from global partners to visit the College.

And you will benefit from the inclusion of our many international students, further enriching your College journey and broadening your horizons.





# Sixth Form entry requirements

**Entry requirements may differ slightly depending on the course or programme you select. All additional entry requirements are detailed on the course information pages under the section 'Entry requirements'.**

**For general College entry requirements, please see page 34.**





## Level 2

- 5 GCSEs at grade 3 or above including English
- or a Level 1 qualification at merit grade or with tutor recommendation
- Level 1 or above in English
- some areas will also require Level 1 or above in maths
- for some technical subjects you may need to start at Level 1 regardless of grades.

## Level 3 A Levels and Vocational

- 5 GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English
- or a Level 2 qualification at merit grade or above with tutor recommendation
- Level 2 or above in English
- some areas will also require Level 2 or above in maths
- for some technical subjects you may need to start at Level 1 or 2 regardless of grades.



# Art & Design







## Studying art and design subjects at A Level will provide you with a set of transferable skills for a wide range of vocational areas.

You can choose from fine art, the broadest of all the specialisms, or opt for the more specific areas of 3D design and architecture, moving image, graphic communication, photography or visual arts.

All of them will help you develop your individual abilities to communicate concepts and feelings, from your own personal observations and experiences unique to you.

Don't be afraid to experiment, to innovate and discover your true style. Our amazing facilities and supportive teaching staff will let your imaginations run free like never before.

**More courses available in this area, see page 46**

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**A Level  
3D Design/Architecture**

**A Level  
Moving Image (Art & Design)**

**A Level  
Fine Art**

**A Level  
Graphic Communication**

**A Level  
Photography**

**Level 3 UAL Subsidiary Diploma  
in Visual Arts**



The course is really fun because we are able to push our creative boundaries. It allows me to express myself in a way that I haven't before and experiment with different mediums.

**Amy Reddick**

**Studying:** A Level Fine Art, Media Studies & History  
**School:** Springfield School

**Future plans:** To work in a creative field as an artist

## A Level

### 3D Design / Architecture

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For those who love developing their ideas in three dimensions, by exploring the world around them through making, working with and exploiting the creative potential of a range of materials including paper, card, wood, plaster, clay and wire.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- personal portfolio
- personal investigation.

Starting with a series of workshops, encouraging you to explore the most effective way to visually communicate your ideas, you will then work on your personal portfolios, developing your creative confidence through investigations, contextual studies and idea development through drawing and making. You will be encouraged to explore themes and concepts that reflect your personal interests. Following the completion of the personal portfolios you will work on the personal investigations, building on skills and techniques learned in Year 1.

#### The fun stuff

You will be encouraged to focus on the design process from initial ideas being sketched on paper to realising three-dimensional concept models. Final outcomes may be architectural however they can also be lighting, body adornment, sculpture, set design and product design.

There will also be opportunities built into the course for you to meet and work with local artists, visit galleries nationally and immerse yourself in the creative world. Learn how to use the right materials to bring your ideas to life, develop an understanding of scale, form, mass and construction techniques and blend creative thinking with practical application.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English language and an art and design based subject preferred (if taken at GCSE) or a portfolio of evidence.

#### What next?

Students who study this course go on to further study in a wide variety of careers including architecture, interior/spatial design, 3-dimensional design, product design, exhibition design, design for television, stage and film, silversmithing, model making and environmental design.

## A Level

### Moving Image (Art & Design)

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Ideal for those interested in the technicalities and creative possibilities of film, animation and moving image.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- storyboarding
- camera techniques and composition
- editing, cropping and pacing
- the quality of lighting used in location work
- the use of sound and its interaction with moving images and text
- using appropriate industry-standard computer software such as Photoshop, Premiere Pro and After Effects.

#### The fun stuff

You'll create your own films and animations, developing technical skills in the use of computers and Adobe creative software. You will also learn to be technically able to use a manual digital SLR, using your own camera and creating short films, from pre-production to final outcome.

As a moving image maker you'll be encouraged to share your films, entering competitions for young filmmakers, where highly original and creative work has enjoyed considerable award-winning success. Other opportunities that will get you ready for the world of work have included filming and editing for local events.

There will also be opportunities built into the course for you to meet and work with local artists, visit galleries nationally and immerse yourselves in the creative world.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English language and an art and design based subject preferred (if taken at GCSE). No previous experience of this subject required.

#### What next?

You can progress to a degree programme in either film production or animation. Students who have taken this subject have progressed to careers in animation, photography, motion graphics and film making.

## A Level

### Fine Art

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

#### Who is the course for?

Are you creative and imaginative and do you enjoy exploring ideas and looking at things in different ways? If you do, then fine art is for you.

#### What will you study?

Fine Art A Level is the broadest of all the individual specialisms, covering a wide variety of media and techniques. These include traditional drawing, painting and sculpture as well as more contemporary art processes including installation art, photography, printmaking and digital imagery. You will begin with a series of workshops, encouraging you to explore the most effective way to visually communicate your ideas. You will then begin working on your personal portfolio, developing creative confidence through investigations and idea development through drawing and experimenting with different techniques and processes. You will be encouraged to explore themes and concepts that reflect your personal interests. You will then work on your personal investigation, building on skills and techniques learned in Year 1.

#### The fun stuff

You will develop your technical skills through investigations into other artists' work, refining your practice through sustained practical projects. The course will help you develop a sophisticated visual aesthetic and understand the use of colour, mark-making style and technique, encouraging you to be self-critical and inquisitive.

You will be encouraged to get involved in local opportunities, working with galleries such as Aspex to broaden your understanding of the role that fine art can play in society, as well as entering competitions nationally. There will also be opportunities built into the course for you to meet and work with local artists, visit galleries nationally and immerse yourself in the creative world.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English language grade 5 or above in art (if taken at GCSE). Evidence of drawing ability shown through a portfolio will be required at interview.

#### What next?

Possible degree options include 2D and 3D animation, 3D design, applied arts, architecture, art history, art therapy, ceramics, digital media, fine art painting, fine art printmaking, fine art sculpture, game design, illustration, industrial design, interior architecture and design, visual communication and visual effects for film and TV.



## A Level

# Graphic Communication

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

Do you want to understand the visual world around you? Graphic communication offers fantastic opportunities to develop creative skills working on exciting design projects, such as poster design, packaging, branding, book layout and publishing.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- developing skills in the field of information design through the application and synthesis of colour, text and images
- digital design techniques
- using appropriate industry-standard computer software
- producing traditional hand-made design work using drawing, painting and collage.

### The fun stuff

You will develop technical skills in the use of computers and creative software. You will also learn the process of digital design, including digital storage, image resolution and print and file formats, to industry standard. You will broaden your knowledge of information design and gain an insight into why graphic design plays a vital communicative role in the world we live in.

Opportunities that will get you ready for the world of work have included entering various local competitions, responding to real life project briefs as well as following your own creative intentions, personalising projects that reflect you and your interests.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English language and an art and design based subject preferred.

### What next?

You can move on to a degree programme in graphic design or progress to a career in architecture, fashion photography, fashion design, set design for film, publishing, animation, app design, graphic design or advertising.

## A Level Photography

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

If you love taking photos and using them to visually communicate, then this is the course for you.

Photography A Level encourages you to develop your creative confidence through taking and editing photographs.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- documentary photography
- studio photography
- computer image manipulation
- black and white and colour film
- history of photography
- critical analysis
- photography as an art form and social document
- traditional darkroom wet photography
- use of industry standard digital studio equipment and digital processes.

### The fun stuff

Documenting the world around you by using your A Level studies to develop your skills in a variety of different photographic applications, you will develop technical skills and understanding that can be applied to both current and emerging photographic technology. You will be effectively using both 35mm darkroom black and white wet photography and fully manual digital SLR application with your own camera.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English language and an art and design based subject preferred.

### What next?

Careers in photography include art, advertising, commercial work, editorial, fashion, film, food, forensic, industrial, architectural, arial, portraiture, wedding photography, sports and travel.

## Level 3

# UAL Subsidiary Diploma in Visual Arts

Equivalent to one A Level

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For post-16 students studying within the sixth form environment who have an interest in the visual arts and who would like to develop their skills, knowledge and understanding in this area.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- fine art
- graphics
- textiles
- photography
- craft.

### The fun stuff

This course has been designed with the intention for it to be delivered alongside two other similarly sized Level 3 qualifications. You will also have the opportunity to undertake a specialist investigation in response to an externally set brief, focusing on one particular specialism within the visual arts.

In the first year you will try a broad range of different processes from painting, printing and drawing to photography and working with digital media. Then in the second you'll get to decide which area of visual arts you'd prefer to specialise in. There will also be opportunities built into the course for students to meet and work with local artists, visit galleries nationally and immerse yourself in the creative world.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English language and an art and design based subject preferred, or portfolio of evidence required.

### What next?

This qualification is designed to provide you with the relevant skills, knowledge and understanding to progress to further and higher education courses and/or into training or employment within the creative sector.

# Business & Economics





## Exciting and dynamic subjects, business and economics offer you the chance to develop many key life skills.

With the rapidly evolving world of business increasingly influencing our day-to-day lives, you can learn about all the latest trends and developments.

With a business qualification you can discover more about real-life companies and what sets some apart from the rest. You'll learn about key objectives and strategies, entrepreneurship, marketing, finance and human resources.

Alternatively, opt for economics, a well-established and highly-regarded academic subject, or a more specialised marketing programme.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**A Level Business**

**A Level Economics**

**Level 2 CTEC Certificate in Business**

**Level 3 CTEC Certificate/Extended Certificate in Business**

**Level 3 BTEC Certificate/Extended Certificate in Marketing**

**More courses and apprenticeships available in this area, see page 68**



The course has helped me realise what aspect of business I want to go into, and it's opened my eyes into the world of business.

**Maya Al Khalo**

**Studying:** A Level Business, Media Studies, Psychology, plus Level 3 Certificate in Core Maths

**Future plans:** To study international business management at a Russell Group university





## A Level Business

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This exciting and dynamic subject offers you the opportunity to develop key life skills. You will explore a diverse range of companies in various markets; from planning and financing a business, through to managing a company, and developing strategies to succeed in the fast-paced business environment.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- business objectives and strategy
- entrepreneurship
- marketing
- finance
- human resources
- how and why a business is set up in local, national and international marketplaces
- how firms define their objectives
- how technology, social media, environmental and ethical concerns influence strategic decision making in the national and global marketplace.

### The fun stuff

You will improve your analytical and communication skills and your expertise will be developed in reviewing data, observing business patterns and drawing logical conclusions.

You can even learn how to set up and run your own business or enterprise through Unloc and take part in work experience or volunteering.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including a grade 4 or above in GCSE English and maths.

### What next?

You could progress to work in retail, human resources, finance and marketing, as well as a host of other careers. Many students become accountants, bookkeepers, business managers, management analysts, teachers and lecturers.

## A Level Economics

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

Economics is a well-established and highly regarded academic subject. It provides great opportunities for research and discussion of some of the major challenges facing Britain and the world today. An excellent partner to Politics and Business A Levels.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- microeconomics - the operation of markets and market failure
- the economic problem, price determination, types of market and Government intervention
- macroeconomics - the national economy in a global context
- performance, circular flow of income, macro economic policy.

### The fun stuff

You will improve your analytical and communication skills. Economists must be able to review data, observe patterns, and draw logical conclusions. Economists must be able to explain their work to others and this course will improve your critical thinking skills.

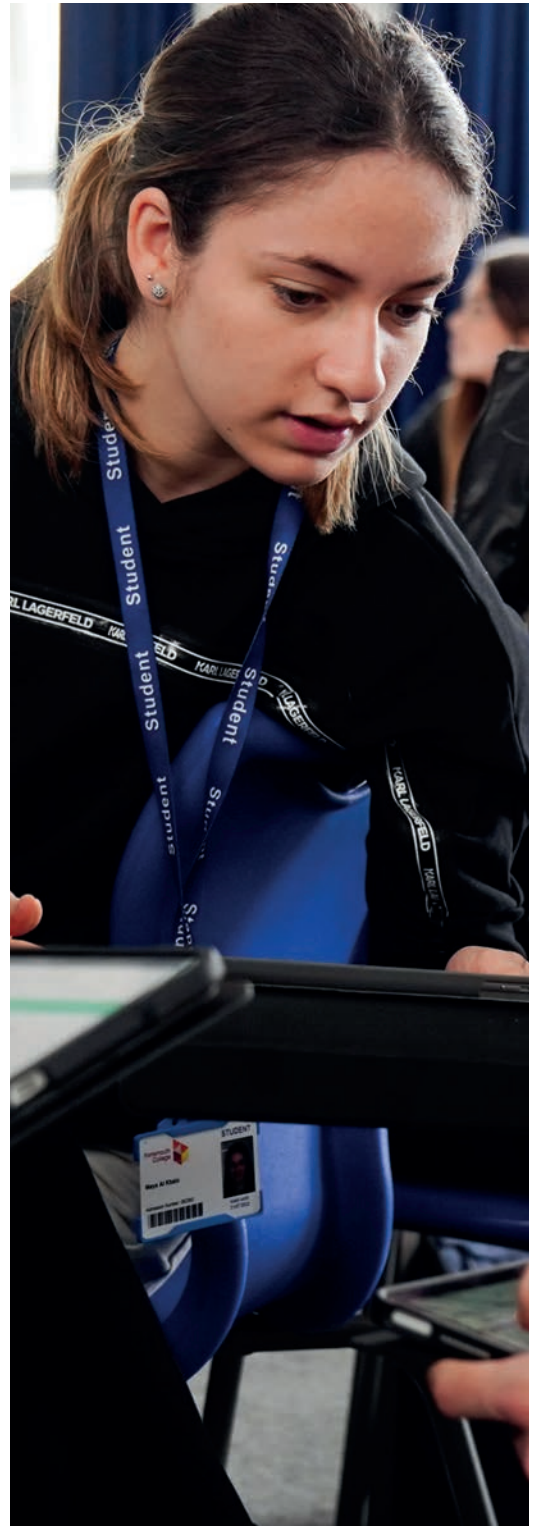
You can take part in the Enterprise Academy, Unloc, which supports business knowledge and entrepreneurial skills. You will also be supported to set up your own personal enterprise or business.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including a grade 5 or above in GCSE English and maths.

### What next?

You could become an accountant, actuary, bookkeeper, budget analyst, business manager, credit analyst, financial analyst, management analyst, teacher or lecturer.



## Level 2

### CTEC Certificate in Business

**Equivalent to one GCSE**

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

#### Who is the course for?

As an introduction to business, you will develop relevant business understanding with transferable skills through hands-on experience and preparing further study in business or the world of work.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- the principles of working in business administration
- understanding the role of the administrator
- the use of social media for business
- supporting the organisation of an event.

#### The fun stuff

You can work with the Enterprise Academy, Unloc, which supports business knowledge and entrepreneurial skills, and take part in work experience or volunteering.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English language.

#### What next?

On completion of this course, you could progress onto the Level 3 Certificate in Business.

## Level 2

### CTEC Certificate/ Extended Certificate in Business

**Certificate equivalent to one AS,  
Extended Certificate equivalent  
to one A Level**

**Duration:** One or two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

#### Who is the course for?

It's an exciting opportunity to learn about the latest trends and developments in the business sector.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- the business environment
- marketing and market research
- working in business
- customers and communication
- responsible business practices.

#### The fun stuff

You can take part in the Enterprise Academy, Unloc, which supports business knowledge and entrepreneurial skills. You will also be supported to set up your own personal enterprise or business.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English language and maths.

#### What next?

You could progress to study in further or higher education. You could also progress straight to employment in careers including retail, human resources, finance and marketing.

## Level 3

# BTEC Certificate/ Extended Certificate in Marketing

**Certificate equivalent to one AS,  
Extended Certificate equivalent  
to one A Level**

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who wish to pursue a successful career in marketing, this course provides an understanding of the industry and the types of behaviour, values, skills and techniques required to participate in it.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- principles of marketing
- customer communications
- careers in marketing.

### The fun stuff

The marketing industry is dynamic and evolving at a pace and there are many different marketing opportunities for employment. This qualification is fully mapped to the CIM (Chartered Institute of Marketing) L3 Foundation Certificate in Professional Marketing. This means that it will be recognised by employers and will support entry into this industry, as a marketing executive.

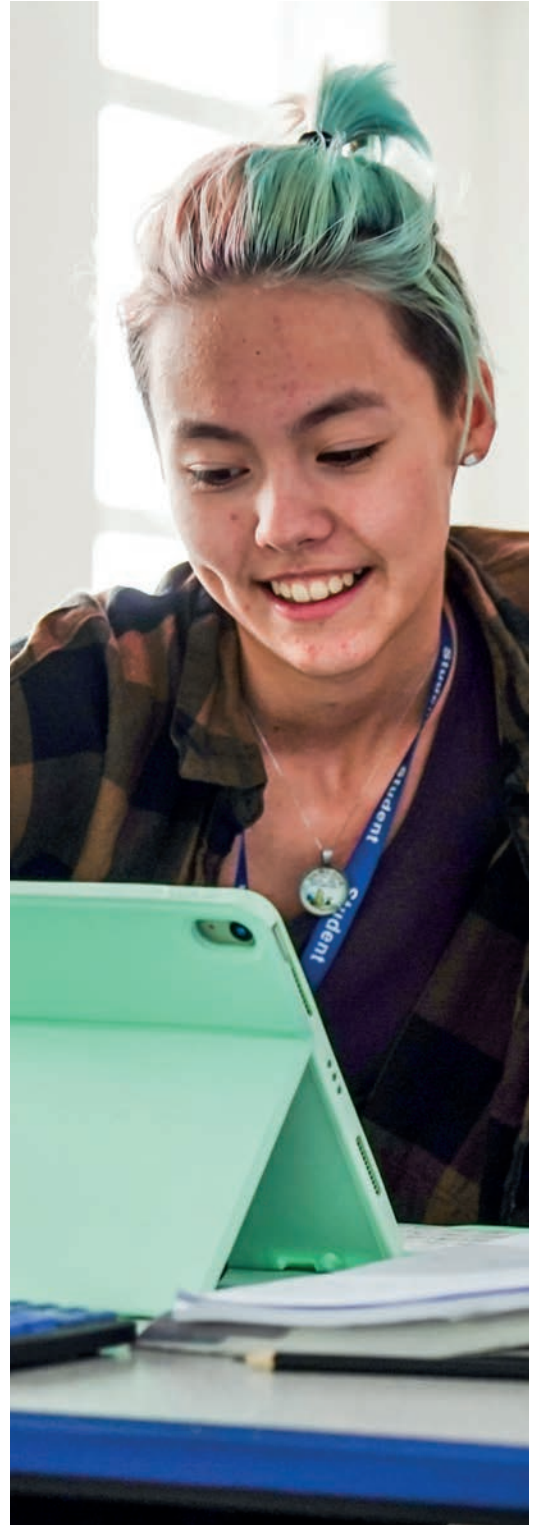
You can also take part in work experience or volunteering.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including a grade 5 or above in GCSE English and maths.

### What next?

You could progress to a broad range of higher education programmes, including Higher National Diploma and bachelor's degrees. Alternatively, progress to the workplace via an apprenticeship in marketing or employment.



# Computer Science







## Recognised as being important for the economy and an underpinning subject for the fields of engineering and science, computer science continues to advance at pace.

The breadth of use of this expertise, especially in the gaming and mobile industries, is increasingly widespread and in great demand.

Here at City of Portsmouth College we recognise the need for qualifications to reflect that growing need and so we offer a choice of computer science, digital media, esports, IT and ICT and games development courses.

Whether you're into programming, shoutcasting, web design or digital gaming, we're sure to have something just for you.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**A Level  
Computer Science**

**Level 2 BTEC Extended  
Certificate in Esports**

**Level 2 CTEC Certificate/Diploma  
in ICT & Creative Media  
(Games Development)**

**Level 3 CTEC Certificate/Extended  
Certificate or Diploma in Digital  
Media**

**Level 3 BTEC Certificate/Extended  
Certificate or Diploma in IT**

**Level 3 BTEC Certificate/Extended  
Certificate in Esports**

**More courses and apprenticeships  
available in this area, see page 104**



The course gives you just the right amount of a challenge. I enjoy how creative it is as you have loads of freedom to do what you want.

**Marcus Allison**

**Studying:** Level 3 BTEC Extended Certificate in IT

**School:** Admiral Lord Nelson School

**Future plans:** To work in cyber security or CPU architecture

## A Level

# Computer Science

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

An underpinning subject for science and engineering fields, computer science is also key for anyone looking to go into the mobile and gaming industries.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- how to design, write and test programs
- how a computer system deals with data
- developing skills such as problem solving, as well as thinking creatively, innovatively, logically and critically
- developing computer science knowledge alongside practical programming
- application of computer science principles, such as abstraction, decomposition, logic algorithms and data representation
- working with binary and boolean algebra.

### The fun stuff

A primary skill that will be developed is the ability to think logically. As with mathematics, in computer science the answer is either correct or incorrect. Using logic to achieve the answer is a key skill; however, we will also look at artificial intelligence where it is possible to achieve an answer that is not quite correct.

You can take part in a work experience placement and workshops in areas such as CV writing, creating an online professional image and interview skills. Volunteering through the National Citizen Service or participating in the Duke of Edinburgh Award can set you apart from the rest.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including a grade 5 or above in GCSE maths, and grade 5 or above in GCSE computer science if taken at GCSE.

### What next?

You can progress to university with some of the directly related progression courses including software engineering, computer science, forensic computing, and computer games technology. Other courses are physics and maths-based disciplines. Apprenticeships in computer science and IT are also available, including higher apprenticeships.

## Level 2

# BTEC Extended Certificate in Esports

## Equivalent to one GCSE

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This exciting new qualification is focused on progression to employment across a range of roles within Esports.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- introduction to Esports
- Esports skills, strategies and analysis
- enterprise and entrepreneurship in the Esports industry
- health, wellbeing and fitness for Esports players.

### The fun stuff

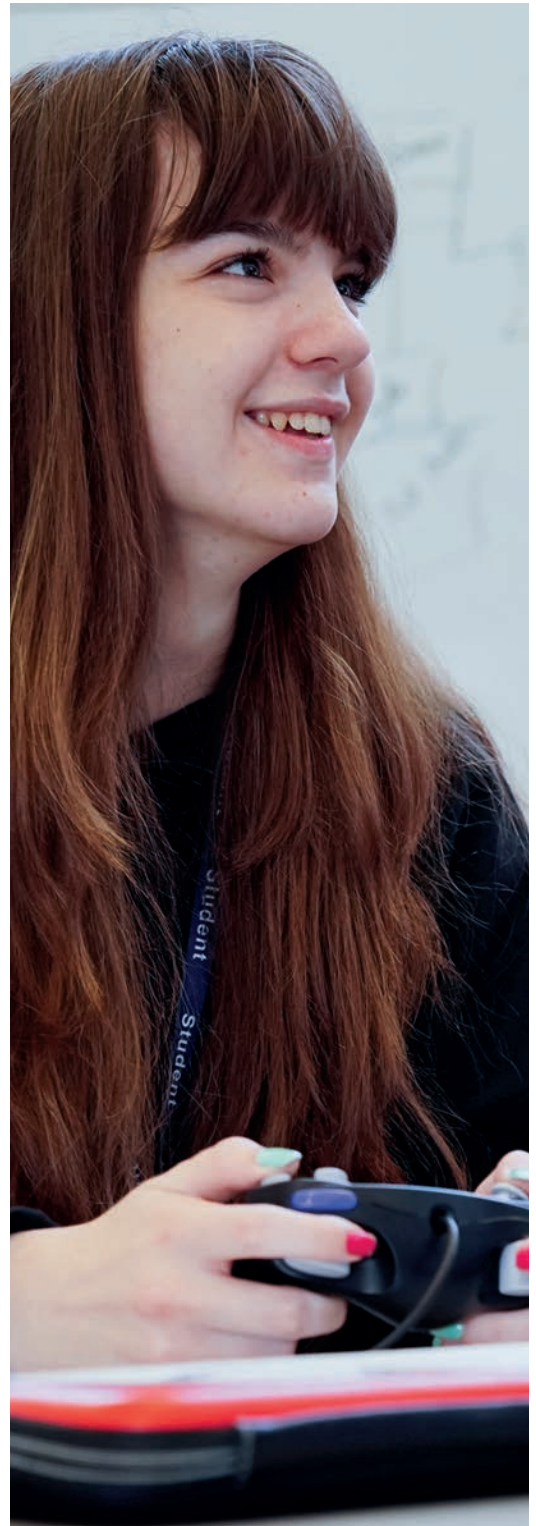
You will learn a range of different skills from presentational skills to technical and tactical elements to improve your online gaming. There is a range of specific course options, which will include visits to Expos relating to the gaming industry.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English language. Students enrolling on this course should have an active interest in gaming and have some experience of online gaming in particular.

### What next?

You could progress to an Esports degree or employment as an Esports player, shoutcaster and presenter, social media influencer, video production editor or data analyst.



## Level 2

# CTEC Certificate/Diploma in ICT & Creative Media (Games Development)

**Certificate equivalent to one GCSE**

**Diploma equivalent to three GCSEs**

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course will provide students with an introduction into ICT with a link to both IT and games production.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- communicating in the IT and gaming industry
- working in the IT and gaming industry.

Specialist units include:

- website development
- installing and maintaining computer hardware
- installing and maintaining computer software
- creating digital graphics
- digital games production
- graphic design for a game product.

### The fun stuff

You will use a range of IT software, including Adobe Photoshop, website and app development software and Microsoft applications. You will develop skills in research, design and portfolio building, to provide you with the broadest experience of ICT and what it has to offer.

You can part in IT-related work experience which focuses on hardware, software and design elements. Students will be able to take part in a range of activities that will support their course, this will include voluntary work experience placements and visits from guest speakers.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English language.

### What next?

This ICT course can be used as a platform for those who wish to progress to Level 3 ICT, other Level 3 courses or IT-related apprenticeships.

## Level 3

# CTEC Certificate /Extended Certificate or Diploma in Digital Media

**Certificate equivalent to one AS Level**

**Extended Certificate equivalent to one A Level**

**Diploma equivalent to two A Levels**

**Duration:** One - two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

It would suit those interested in a career in digital media production, who are keen writers and have a strong interest in social media.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- journalism processes
- producing your own print-based or audio-visual product
- media products and audiences
- pre-production and planning
- social media and globalisation
- journalism and the news industry.

### The fun stuff

You will begin by learning how media institutions operate to create media products that will appeal to target audiences. You will also study journalism processes and get creative in producing your own print-based or audio-visual product.

There are a range of specific course options, which will include trips to major gaming industry events with a chance to test some newly-released games. There will also be visits to both the University of Portsmouth and Southampton Solent University, alongside professionally-led workshops sessions delivered through the course curriculum as well as possible trips to EGX and REZZED gaming expos.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English language.

### What next?

You will have a vast array of job opportunities within the field of interactive media entertainment (computer games). Digital media games design and development will open up opportunities to those who are looking to progress to either a production, design, or programming aspect of the industry.



## Level 3

# BTEC Certificate/Extended Certificate or Diploma in IT

**Certificate equivalent to one AS Level**

**Extended Certificate equivalent to one A Level**

**Diploma equivalent to two A Levels**

**Duration:** One or two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For those interested in a basic introduction to the study of IT with a view to progressing to a wide range of higher education courses or employment, not necessarily in IT.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- communication and employability
- information technology systems
- creating systems to manage information
- using social media in business
- website development
- e-commerce
- digital graphics
- website production
- installing software and hardware
- computer maintenance.

### The fun stuff

There is a range of course-related opportunities, including visits to local universities, along with professionally-led workshop sessions delivered through the curriculum by local IT-based organisations and visits from guest speakers.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English language.

### What next?

You can progress to the workplace either directly or via study at higher level. Success in this course will demonstrate to universities or potential employers your ability to communicate effectively and a range of vocational skills, such as knowledge of Information Technology systems, managing information systems and developing website and a range of interpersonal skills.

## Level 3 BTEC Certificate/ Extended Certificate in Esports

**Certificate equivalent to  
one AS Level**

**Extended Certificate  
equivalent to one A Level**

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This exciting new qualification is focused on progression to employment across a range of roles within Esports.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- introduction to Esports
- Esports skills, strategies and analysis
- enterprise and entrepreneurship in the Esports industry
- health, wellbeing and fitness for Esports players.

### The fun stuff

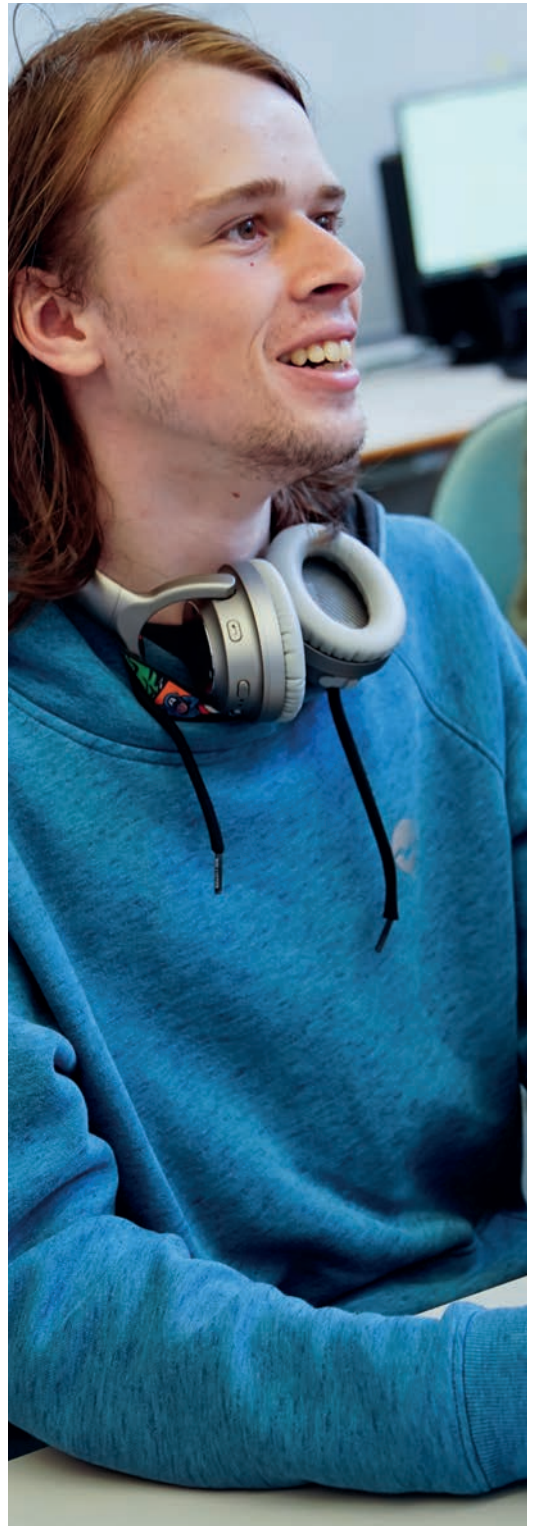
This qualification with industry endorsement will let you learn underpinning knowledge, develop technical and transferable skills, and gain experience in a variety of different sections of the Esports industry. There is a range of specific course options, including visits to Expos relating to the gaming industry.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English language. You should have an active interest in gaming and have some experience of online gaming in particular.

### What next?

You can progress to an Esports degree or employment as an Esports player, shoutcaster and presenter, social media influencer, video production editor or data analyst.



# English





## Develop excellent communication, problem-solving, analytical and critical thinking skills with our English courses.

English language is an excellent opportunity to improve your ability to analyse language, produce coherent and effective arguments and write creatively.

Encompassing a broad range of text and ideas, English literature provides a unique opportunity to hone your skills of analysis and argument, as well as challenging you to question your own ideas and those of others. A traditional, academic subject, it's highly regarded by leading universities.

Combining English language and literature is great if you enjoy reading acclaimed literature and are keen to learn more about how writers create their imaginative worlds. It also helps develop your analysis and creative skills.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 2**  
**GCSE English Language**

**A Level**  
**English Literature**

**A Level**  
**English Language**

**A Level**  
**English Language and Literature**



Getting to learn English at a higher level has been really interesting. We studied Frankenstein, which I found fascinating to analyse.

**Dylan Evans**

**Studying:** A Level English Language & Literature, Film Studies & Law

**School:** Priory School

**Future plans:** To become a novelist or screenwriter



## Level 2

### GCSE English Language

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

#### Who is the course for?

This course enables you to take your next steps to a Level 3 programme. If you have a grade 3 GCSE in English language, you will be required to retake the GCSE in your first year at College.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- communication in speech and writing
- reading a range of extracts from well-known fiction and non-fiction books
- reading a range of political and inspirational speeches
- creative and imaginative writing.

#### The fun stuff

You will read a range of extracts from well-known fiction and non-fiction books from the past 200 years such as *1984* by George Orwell, *The Lovely Bones* by Alice Sebold and *The Night Circus* by Erin Morgenstern, as well as a range of non-fiction texts like the journalism of Charles Dickens and Captain Bligh's diary after the *Mutiny on the Bounty*.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above, including English language at grade 3 or below.

#### What next?

You may be interested in progressing to an English or media-based subject. Future careers in these areas might include journalism, marketing and public relations. A grade 4 or above at GCSE English is the new gold standard for employers in all fields.

## A Level

### English Literature

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For students who love to read and discuss their ideas about texts. It is a traditional academic course that is valued by universities and provides students with skills that will be very useful for further study.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- drama and poetry pre 1900, including Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night*
- comparative and contextual study, including two Gothic prose texts
- non-exam assessment.

#### The fun stuff

Do you love to read? Do you enjoy unpicking a literary text to find the deeper, hidden meanings? Studying English literature gives you a unique opportunity to hone your skills of analysis and argument, as well as challenging you to question your own and others' ideas. You will study a range of literary texts and genres as well as the contexts in which they were written. You will use literary theories to pose your own questions about the texts and develop your own ideas.

This course works with many opportunities, including the Extended Project (EPQ), Hinglish, mentoring through the Portsmouth Scholars scheme and Unloc's 'You Speak' debating competition.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including a grade 5 or above in English language and English literature.

#### What next?

You can progress to university to study subjects such as English, journalism, media studies, drama and theatre studies, history, law and education.



## A Level English Language

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

Those who have a genuine interest in the ways that English language is used in the world. You should have a confident knowledge of current affairs as well as an understanding of world history.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- language variation - how language choices can create personal identities. You will also explore language variation in English from c1550 (the beginnings of early modern English) to the present day
- child language - how children learn to speak, read and write and the stages of development. You will learn about theories around language acquisition
- investigating language - to develop your independent research skills and to focus on an area of language that interests you.
- crafting language – this module allows you to demonstrate your skills as writers within your selected genre, crafting texts for different audiences and/or purposes. You will also reflect on your research and writing in an accompanying commentary.

### The fun stuff

Have you ever wondered why we use certain words and phrases in our spoken exchanges? Using linguistic terminology and concepts, you will develop the ability to see what language choices reveal about a person's opinion of themselves, their listeners and what their real purposes are in the communication.

Explore these ideas as well as a wide range of language issues. You will see how changes in language over time have been influenced by key historical events. You will also explore how children learn to communicate based on their environmental influences - like family interactions, television and books.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including a grade 5 or above in English language.

### What next?

You can progress to university to study subjects such as linguistics, English, journalism, media studies, drama, law, and business.

## A Level

# English Language and Literature

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For those who enjoy reading acclaimed literature and are keen to learn more about how writers create their imaginative worlds. It will also appeal if you're interested in developing your analysis and creative skills, exploring language, literary concepts and context.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- studying a range of fiction and non-fiction texts
- explore theories, themes and concepts relating to the development of language
- investigating distinctive styles of speech and writing and how they are used
- creative writing.

### The fun stuff

You will learn to apply integrated literary and linguistic analysis to a wide range of fiction and non-fiction texts. You will become proficient in the knowledge of terminology from different language levels and learn how to consider contextual influences on texts. You will explore different historical periods, linguistic and literary theories, different genre conventions, as well psychological theories linked to communication.

This course works with many opportunities, including the Extended Project (EPQ), Hinglish, mentoring through the Portsmouth Scholars scheme and Unloc's 'You Speak' debating competition.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including a grade 5 or above in English language and English literature.

### What next?

You can progress to university to study subjects such as English, journalism, media studies, drama and theatre studies, history, law and education.



# Health & Social Care





## If you dream of pursuing a rewarding career in which you will be caring for and supporting vulnerable people in a wide range of settings, then health and social care is for you.

We offer a Level 3 CTEC Certificate/Extended Certificate or Diploma/Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care.

CTECs help you develop the skills required to provide excellent standards of care to those who need it most in today's society.

The qualification includes both health and social care-based units to provide a broad knowledge of the subject. As part of the course, you will also benefit from a work placement in one or more local care settings.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 3 CTEC Certificate/Extended Certificate or Diploma/Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care**

**More courses available in this area, see page 152**



There are loads of opportunities to get work experience before you get out there. They also teach you really in-depth and things that you can apply to real life.

#### **Anta Faye-Pouye**

**Studying:** L3 CTEC Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care

**School:** St Edmund's Catholic School

**Future plans:** To study paediatric nursing at university



## Level 3

# CTEC Certificate/ Extended Certificate or Diploma in Health & Social Care

**Certificate equivalent to one AS Level**

**Extended Certificate equivalent to one A Level**

**Diploma equivalent to two A Levels**

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

Ideal for those who want to pursue a rewarding career where they will be caring for and supporting vulnerable individuals in a wide range of settings.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- building positive relationships
- equality, diversity and rights
- health, safety and security in health and social care
- safeguarding
- anatomy and physiology
- supporting people with learning disabilities
- promoting positive behaviour.

(The units you cover will vary depending on the size of the qualification you study).

### The fun stuff

This is a qualification which includes both health and social care-based units to give you a broad subject knowledge. You will be assessed through a range of methods, including exams, essays, presentations, role play and practical tasks.

There is a wide range of enrichment opportunities, such as completing a first aid course, employability workshops, sessions with guest speakers, working with Southampton Hospital education centre and trips to relevant settings to support your studies.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language.

### What next?

You could progress to work with individuals in professions such as nursing and midwifery, social work and working with children. Many students go on to study higher education in areas such as psychology, sociology, criminology, social work or health-based degrees. There is also a range of apprenticeship degrees to explore in this field of work.



# Humanities







**A varied field of study that would help prepare you for a wide variety of careers in a huge array of industries. If you're keen to work in social services, education or any career involving the arts, you could benefit from focusing on this area of expertise.**

You could explore the worlds of ancient Greece and Rome with classical civilisation or opt for geography or history, both highly regarded by top universities as facilitating subjects.

Law, politics or philosophy, religion and ethics are similarly well-regarded and will stand you in good stead for future academic studies.

Our Level 2 Humanities package includes sociology and citizenship or we offer a Level 3 alternative in applied law as well as an extended project qualification option, a self-study programme providing you with the enhanced skills so desired by universities.

#### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**A Level  
Classical Civilisation**

**A Level  
Geography**

**A Level  
History**

**A Level  
Law**

**A Level  
Politics**

**A Level  
Philosophy, Religion and Ethics**

**Level 3 BTEC Certificate/Extended  
Certificate in Applied Law**

**Level 3 Extended Project  
Qualification**



**I really enjoyed learning about all the different mythologies. You go really in-depth and learn a lot in two years. It's helped prepare me for uni.**

**Georgina Orchard**

**Studying:** A Level Classical Civilisation, Media Studies & Graphic Communication

**School:** Ark Charter Academy

**Future plans:** To study Ancient History & Archaeology at University of Reading

## A Level

# Classical Civilisation

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who are fascinated by the myths and legends of the past, would like to explore the worlds of Ancient Greece and Rome and would like to learn more about the origins of our western civilisation.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- history, culture, religion and technology
- studying primary classical sources (texts or physical evidence)
- gaining an understanding of Greek and Roman societies and values.

### The fun stuff

This course deals with the period from the heroic Bronze Age of Homer's *Odyssey*, an in-depth study of Greek Religion and the archaeology that supports our studies, through to the world of Virgil and Augustus, Rome's first emperor. It will enable you to develop skills of logical and critical analysis, and fluency in written and spoken communication.

You will improve language and communication skills and gain an understanding of key historical and cultural events that have shaped our modern world and politics. There could be opportunities for study trips abroad to support your work, in previous years we have visited Greece and Rome. Students may also have the opportunity to visit the British Museum in London to view the classical civilisation exhibitions.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language.

### What next?

You can progress to study a range of degrees including history or classics at university. Some students pursue a career revolving around classics, with other career opportunities including teaching, museum curator or archivist. It is not vital, however, to be considering a career centred around classics to take this course.



## A Level Geography

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course addresses many of the challenging issues facing the world today and is an engaging subject for students who enjoy exploring a wide diversity of topics, places and global issues. Be ready to question the world as you know it.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- tectonic hazards
- globalisation
- the carbon and water cycles (can life exist without carbon?)
- urban and rural places
- global variations in health, human rights and conflict
- coastal landscapes
- superpowers (countries with changing political influence).

### The fun stuff

No two days in the world are the same, and in geography we help you to understand and question this through the development of your knowledge and skills. As the subject is so wide-ranging, and develops high transferable skills, it is very attractive to future employers. Geography is also a facilitating subject, meaning it is highly valued by the top universities in the country. You will study a combination of physical and human geography. You will engage with a broad range of current issues at a range of scales, thereby deepening your knowledge and understanding of the world in which we live.

Four days of fieldwork in human and physical geography is a compulsory part of the course, often as a residential in Dorset. You will also have the opportunity to participate in a range of residential visits that enhance your study of geography. Previous trips have included Iceland, Rome, Berlin and Poland.

### Entry requirements

English and a grade 4 or above in geography if taken at GCSE.

### What next?

You can progress to careers in commerce, industry, transport, tourism and the public sectors. Directly-related careers include cartography, surveying, environmental management, market research, teaching, transport and city planning. It engenders many transferable skills which enables careers in less directly related fields such as law, banking, social research, cyber security and risk management. Many progress to higher education, including Russell Group universities.



**The course is very diverse. It gives you a greater understanding of the law in this country and of specific legal terminology.**

**Jacques Mitchell**

**Studying:** A Level Law, Mathematics (Pure) & Computer Science

**School:** Priory School

**Future plans:** To study Law at University of London, Royal Holloway

## A Level History

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course provides students with a greater knowledge of history, providing you with a more sophisticated understanding of current national and international affairs. This A Level works well with Politics and Law, in addition to a whole range of other A Level subjects.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- Germany 1918-1989
- Italy 1911-1946
- British experience of warfare 1790-1918
- individual research extended essay focusing on a particular historical debate.

### The fun stuff

Provides the opportunity to explore the past and pose questions for the future as you explore some of the key events and controversies that have shaped the modern world. You will be encouraged to think for yourself, engage in independent study and research, and engage with classmates to complete tasks and debate complex historical issues throughout the course.

You could participate in a range of visits to complement your academic studies. Recent visits have included residential trips to Munich, Berlin, Rome and Poland, as well as the chance to attend local visits to Portsmouth Historic Dockyard and the University of Portsmouth. As the subject is so wide-ranging, and develops high transferable skills, it is very attractive to future employers. History is also a facilitating subject, meaning it is highly valued by the top universities in the country.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including a grade 5 or above in GCSE English and a grade 4 or above in history if taken at GCSE.

### What next?

You can progress to reading a wide range of degree level subjects at university, including history, law, politics, English literature, economics and geography. Graduates can go on to carve successful careers in a broad range of job areas, such as journalism, teaching, the legal profession, business and tourism.

## A Level Law

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

If you like arguing your case, then this is the course for you. As part of your studies you will learn about interesting areas of law including the three foundation units of criminal, tort and contract law.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- English legal system
- law making
- criminal law
- tort law
- contract law
- nature of law (law and morality, law and justice, law and society).

### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to learn in our brand new courtroom, due to open in September 2022, sponsored by the University of Portsmouth. Join our Law Society and take part in additional E6 law units designed to prepare you for university study and a career in law.

There are visits to the Crown Court and Magistrates' Courts, alongside visits to London, Parliament, the Supreme Court and Royal Courts of Justice. There is also usually an annual Humanities department residential trip. Previous destinations have included Iceland, Rome and Venice, Berlin, Munich and Krakow. Students will also be able to engage with presentations from magistrates, the police, and you will take part in mock trials and mooting. Opportunities for work experience will also be available and students are regularly informed of opportunities with local and national law firms.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including a grade 5 or above in GCSE English language.

### What next?

You can progress to many pathways including legal, business, police, government and charity. Many of our students go on to study law or similar courses at university including Russell Group and other top universities.

## A Level Politics

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students with an interest in politics, how society is/should be organised, current affairs, debate and arguing.

### What will you study?

Units include:

Political systems of the UK

- Brexit
- powers of Parliament,
- the Prime Minister and judiciary
- political ideas of Liberalism, Conservatism, Socialism and Anarchism

Political systems of the USA

- the role of the president
- Democrats and Republicans
- the Supreme Court
- the importance of Federalism and the role of Congress.

### The fun stuff

You will develop an extensive knowledge and understanding of a wide range of political issues and current affairs in the UK, USA and abroad, with consistent opportunities to practise and improve your communication skills by presenting information to the class. This includes participating in class discussions and debates – you will argue every week!

There will be study trips to Parliament, The Supreme Court, Portsmouth and Winchester University Politics taster sessions, offsite politics conferences and a chance to participate in BBC Question Time. There is an internal College politics debate competition and a chance to represent the College in the Hampshire competition. You will take part in a mock election - you even get to form your own party, launch your own manifesto and campaign for office! You will also have an opportunity to take part in our

fantastic residential study trips to Washington and New York, USA – the nerve centres of American politics!

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English language.

### What next?

You can progress to extensive employment opportunities in areas such as management, advertising, law, the civil service, local government and journalism. The most prestigious universities see Politics as a highly academic and credible course, as do potential employers.

## A Level Philosophy, Religion and Ethics

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For anyone with an interest in the topics covered. The course will enable you to explore and debate many of the controversial but important issues facing society today to an in-depth level.

### What will you study?

Units include:

Philosophy of religion

- arguments for and against the existence of God
- the problem of evil
- self, death and afterlife

Ethics

- what is meant by 'right' and 'wrong'?
- free will and moral responsibility
- human and animal ethics

An in-depth study into a major world religion

- Islam

### The fun stuff

You will have the opportunity to go on local and international trips, including visits to mosques, university lectures, museums and art exhibitions. There is usually an annual Humanities department residential trip. Previous destinations have included Iceland, Rome and Venice, Berlin, Munich and Krakow.

You will be discussing ideas and different viewpoints every lesson, so you will learn how to argue and debate effectively. You will develop academic writing skills, critical evaluation and the ability to reach credible conclusions. You will also develop a deeper understanding of contemporary political debate on many issues and will be able to engage in academic discussions on current ethical questions, with a much clearer understanding of multicultural Britain and issues of equality, diversity, representation and integration.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English language.

### What next?

You can progress to higher education and explore extensive career opportunities in the police, social work, teaching, politics and law. This is a very well-regarded academic qualification demonstrating a range of transferable skills.



**The course teaches about how the world works and gives you a better understanding of what's happening in the world today.**

**Mark Drake**

**Studying:** A Level History, Chemistry & Mathematics (Pure)

**School:** Springfield School

**Future plans:** To study History at Queen Mary University, London





## Level 3

# BTEC Certificate/ Extended Certificate in Applied Law

**Certificate equivalent to one AS Level**

**Extended Certificate equivalent to one A Level**

**Duration:** One or two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For those who prefer a combination of coursework and exams rather than purely written examinations at the end of two years of study, the course explores the foundation units of law including criminal, tort and contract law.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- the English legal system
- criminal law
- tort law
- contract law
- legal analysis and presentation.

### The fun stuff

You will develop skills in research, communication and legal analysis as well as developing your essay and report-writing skills and your ability to apply the law to different scenarios.

There are opportunities for students to visit the Crown Court and the Magistrates' Courts as well as Parliament and the Supreme Court. We will attend law workshops at universities too which is a great way to see if that path is for you.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English language.

### What next?

You can progress to many pathways that work effectively with this course, including legal, business, police, government and charity. It provides exciting routes into legal apprenticeships and legal executive courses and a proficient knowledge of the law will also facilitate many other areas of employment, including retail and marketing. Many also go on to study law at university.

## Level 3

# Extended Project Qualification

### Equivalent to one AS Level

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

#### Who is the course for?

This course provides you with the enhanced study skills desired by universities. As an independent study project, it fits alongside a full-time study programme. Advised for students in their second year of study.

#### What will you study?

You will undertake a project of your own choice, either in a subject you are studying, or in an area of personal interest. You will research, reflect on, and develop your own values, opinions and attitudes. You can choose to write an extended essay in which you include your own research and arguments, or you can produce something creative, such as art, music, architecture, poetry, performance and dance.

#### The fun stuff

This is a skills-based individual piece of work. Through the development of your project you will also develop an independent learning approach and skills in decision-making and problem-solving. You will demonstrate creativity and initiative and be inspired by new areas of study. You will acquire skills related to developing, researching and presenting a project and be able to apply appropriate technologies.

The Extended Project Qualification is an excellent addition to a CV or university application.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above, including English language.

#### What next?

On completion of this course, you will have developed and demonstrated a range of valuable skills, through the pursuit of your interests and investigating topics in detail. The Extended Project Qualification holds numerous benefits, as it provides you with a wide range of transferable skills in preparation for higher education. It also encourages you to demonstrate creativity, initiative, motivation and commitment.

# Languages





## Broaden your horizons and expand your opportunities by studying a modern European foreign language.

French is a major language of international communication and proficiency is essential for anyone considering a career in any global or European organisation or business.

German too is an excellent language to learn as Germany has the biggest economy in Europe and the fourth largest worldwide. It's also the fifth largest internet domain in the world, with 5.8% of all websites being written in German.

A popular and accessible language, Spanish is spoken as their mother tongue by 400 million people around the world. This represents around 6% of the world population, ranking just ahead of English.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

AS Level  
French

AS Level  
German

AS Level/A Level  
Spanish



You learn not only about the language but also the Spanish-speaking countries, so we learn about their cultures, food, history and how they live there.

#### Jorge Soriano-Hernandez

**Studying:** A Level Spanish, French, Level 3 CTEC Extended Certificate in Business & Level 3 Extended Certificate in Sports Coaching & Development

**School:** The Bay CE School

**Future plans:** To study modern languages at the University of Nice Sophia-Antipolis, France



## AS Level French

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

As French is a major language of international communication, proficiency is essential for anyone considering a career in any global or European organisation or business.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- understanding spoken French
- understanding written French
- translating from French to English, and from English to French
- studying modern literary texts and films
- aspects of French society.

### The fun stuff

French and English are the only languages spoken on all five continents. You will study modern literary texts like *No et Moi*, or films such as 'Intouchables'. Spoken assessment will be on a previously studied theme such as Modern French Society or the French Resistance as well as on an independent study of your choice.

You will be able to join in an Enterprise project, undertake an EPQ (Extended Project Qualification) or discover the world and how you can contribute in it by volunteering through the National Citizenship Service. These are excellent additions to your CV or university application.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including a grade 6 or above in GCSE French and grade 5 or above in GCSE English language.

### What next?

There is a wide variety of job roles in which a language is considered useful, beneficial or essential. Examples include broadcast journalist, customs and excise employment worker, diplomatic service officer, English as a foreign language teacher, international aid/development worker, or logistics and distribution manager.



## AS Level German

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

As German is a major language of international communication, proficiency is essential for anyone considering a career in any global or European organisation or business.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- understanding spoken German
- understanding written German
- translating from German to English, and from English to German
- studying modern literary texts and films
- aspects of political and artistic culture in Germany.

### The fun stuff

German is an excellent language to learn, as Germany has the biggest economy in Europe and the fourth largest worldwide. Germany also has a dominant internet presence being the fifth largest domain in the world – 5.8% of all websites are written in German.

You will be able to join in an Enterprise project, undertake an EPQ (Extended Project Qualification) or discover the world and how you can contribute in it by volunteering through the National Citizenship Service. These are excellent additions to your CV or university application.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including grade 6 or above in GCSE German and grade 5 or above in GCSE English language.

### What next?

There is a wide variety of job roles in which a language is considered useful, beneficial or essential. Examples include broadcast journalist, customs and excise employment worker, diplomatic service officer, English as a foreign language teacher, international aid/development worker, or logistics and distribution manager.

## AS Level / A Level Spanish

**Duration:** One or two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who wish to boost their employment prospects in many areas such as tourism and business.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- understanding spoken Spanish
- understanding written Spanish
- translating from Spanish to English, and from English to Spanish
- studying modern literary texts and films
- aspects of Spanish society.

### The fun stuff

A popular and accessible language, Spanish is spoken by 400 million around the world as their mother tongue. This is around 6% of the world population and ranks just ahead of English!

You will be able to join in an Enterprise project, undertake an EPQ (Extended Project Qualification) or discover the world and how you can contribute in it by volunteering through the National Citizenship Service. These are excellent additions to your CV or university application.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including grade 6 or above in GCSE German and grade 5 or above in GCSE English language.

### What next?

There is a wide variety of job roles in which a language is considered useful, beneficial or essential. Examples include broadcast journalist, customs and excise employment worker, diplomatic service officer, English as a foreign language teacher, international aid/development worker, or logistics and distribution manager.



# Maths & Engineering





## Maths is one of the most highly respected and valued subjects, essential to the vast majority of chosen career paths as well as life skills in general.

Maths, further maths and statistics A Levels are all facilitating subjects at university. They underpin the skills required in many higher level university courses. Further maths can be taken in addition to A Level maths, for students who are considering a career linked to mathematics, physics, engineering or computing.

An A Level in statistics would benefit students who are interested in data analysis and thinking of studying social sciences or economics. Options also include a Level 3 engineering certificate. Like maths, engineering skills are much in demand by employers.

Students who have not yet achieved a grade 4 in GCSE mathematics can further their skills by taking Level 1 functional skills or GCSE mathematics.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 1**  
**Functional Skills Mathematics**

**Level 2**  
**GCSE Mathematics**

**A Level**  
**Pure Mathematics**

**AS / A Level**  
**Further Mathematics**

**A Level**  
**Statistics**

**Level 3**  
**CTEC in Engineering**

**Level 3**  
**Certificate in Core Mathematics**



I've gained the key skills I need to get into data analytics in the future. If you're interested in numbers and maths, you'll enjoy this course.

**Luke Perryman**

**Studying:** A Level Statistics, Pure Mathematics, Sociology & Level 3 CTEC Certificate in Business

**School:** Admiral Lord Nelson School

**Future plans:** To study Statistics at University of Essex and get a job in data analytics or data science



## Level 1

### Functional Skills Mathematics

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

#### Who is the course for?

If you have a grade 1 or U in your GCSE mathematics, you will be required to take Level 1 Functional Skills in order to build your confidence, before progressing on to GCSE.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- representing
- analysing
- interpreting.

#### The fun stuff

You will develop problem-solving strategies and build the confidence and skills required to tackle unfamiliar challenges. Among other things you will study number, data handling and geometry in real-life situations. You will gain mathematical and practical skills which you can use in further education, work and everyday life.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above including a grade 1 or below in GCSE maths.

#### What next?

A pass in Functional Skills Level 1 will enable you to progress to GCSE mathematics the following year.

## Level 2

### GCSE Mathematics

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For students who wish to achieve a higher grade in their maths GCSE. A good pass (grade 4 or 5) will be hugely valuable in terms of progression opportunities.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- number
- ratio and proportion
- algebra
- geometry and measures
- probability and statistics.

#### The fun stuff

You will have a basic knowledge of mathematics, which you will build on during the one-year GCSE course. The course requires you to use a scientific calculator, as two out of the three exams allow the use of a calculator.

Gaining a grade 4 or above in GCSE maths is essential for many progression opportunities into higher education, employment and apprenticeships. While it may not be your choice to study GCSE maths again, leaving College with a good GCSE pass will be hugely valuable in terms of your future education and career aspirations.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3 or above including a grade 2 or 3 in GCSE mathematics, or a pass in Level 1 Functional Skills

#### What next?

A grade 4 or above in GCSE mathematics will support you in whatever career or educational pathway you embark upon.

## A Level Pure Mathematics

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

Considered essential for students who are also taking one or more of the sciences at A Level, this course combines well with virtually all subjects. It supports a medical career and scientific research as well as business, finance and engineering.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- calculus - differentiation and integration techniques and applications
- trigonometry - graphs, equations and identities
- algebra - working with a variety of functions to solve problems
- proof - meeting new methods of proving (or disproving) statements
- mechanics - understanding how objects move and the forces involved
- statistics - dealing with data, probability distributions and hypothesis testing.

### The fun stuff

A Level maths is a challenging and rewarding course which will enable you to work to a high standard and support you in developing higher-level problem solving skills. You will find that your algebraic skills develop rapidly as you tackle interesting and varied problems. We will support you in structuring your revision to help achieve your full potential.

You will be offered additional opportunities throughout the course. You could be invited to go on university problem solving days, take part in the Senior Maths Challenge and participate in mentoring schemes with other college or university students. There will also be careers and apprenticeship talks to provide ideas for future pathways.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language and a grade 6 or above in GCSE maths.

### What next?

Maths is a subject that will open many doors for you in the future. You could go on to a career in medicine, banking, data analysis, business, architecture and many more.



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I like problem solving and maths can apply to a lot of everyday situations. If you want more of a challenge, enjoy maths, want to take it further and cover more interesting concepts then further maths is for you. The maths department is very friendly and welcoming.

Charlie Collis

**Studying:** A Level Pure Mathematics, Further Mathematics & Physics

**School:** Springfield School

**Future plans:** To study mathematics at the University of Bath.

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## AS / A Level Further Mathematics

**Duration:** One or two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course is for students who particularly enjoy mathematics or who are considering higher level studies in maths, physics, engineering or computer science.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- pure mathematics
- discrete mathematics
- statistics.

### The fun stuff

Develop your skills in algebra and in applied areas of mathematics. You will discover new topics such as complex numbers, matrices and vectors, and link algebraic processes with a geometric interpretation. You will develop your knowledge of probability and statistics as well as discrete mathematics. Some of the topics you will study are hypothesis testing, algorithms and graph theory. You will also further your knowledge of integration and differentiation.

You could be invited to go to University Taster Days and take part in a mentoring scheme with other college or university students. You will also be able to take part in the Senior Maths Challenge (individual and/or team).

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language and a grade 7 or above in GCSE maths. You must also enrol on A Level pure mathematics.

### What next?

A great advantage if you want to study mathematics or a maths-related subject at university, it supports a huge range of careers including architecture, engineering, economics, computer science, data analysis, teaching and accountancy.

## A Level Statistics

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who want to develop data handling and probability skills learnt at GCSE level.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- collection of data
- representing and interpreting data
- correlation and linear regression
- standard probability distributions
- probability theory
- hypothesis testing.

### The fun stuff

You develop your skills in working accurately, applying a method, using technology such as calculators and spreadsheets and summarising your results. You will apply a statistical eye to the world and interpret data and results.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language and a grade 6 or above in GCSE maths.

### What next?

You could progress to a career in investment analysis, data science, market research, as an actuary or in zoology, where an understanding of statistics is required. You may also wish to think about a career such as data analyst, biologist, geologist, statistician or within journalism, as these all use statistical analysis techniques.

## Level 3

### CTEC in Engineering

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For learners who wish to go into the engineering field, in the technical field and learners who are undertaking mathematics, physics and computer science. Please note that it does not contain any manufacturing elements to the qualification; There is an equivalent qualification at our Highbury Campus.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- mathematics for engineering
- science for engineering
- principles of mechanical engineering
- principles of electrical and electronic engineering
- electrical and electronic design
- engineering and the environment

#### The fun stuff

The qualification teaches the fundamentals of engineering from maths through to design. You will build electrical and electronic circuits and test them both physically and virtually as well as benefitting from visits to our sister campus to experience engineering manufacturing and other expos.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above. Learners must undertake A Level maths in addition to engineering.

#### What next?

You could progress to university. Some of the directly related progression courses include mathematics and engineering, mechanical engineering, electrical and electronic engineering and mathematical based courses. Apprenticeships and degree apprenticeships in engineering are also available.



## Level 3

### Certificate in Core Mathematics

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For those who want to develop data handling and probability skills learned at GCSE level and have an understanding of, and interest in, numerical methods such as using percentages and fractions. A great support for other subjects including psychology, geography, biology, business and economics.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- personal finance including tax, National Insurance and loan repayments
- handling data – statistical diagrams, averages and measures of spread
- project management - critical path analysis
- estimation techniques.

#### The fun stuff

This course teaches you to use mathematical methods for real-life problem solving in areas including business, economics, psychology and biology. Maths can help us understand the world so we will look at news stories and discuss how the maths we learn can help us to suggest improvements and make predictions about what might happen in the future.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language and a grade 5 or above in GCSE maths.

Core mathematics can support any other course, but you cannot take A Level mathematics with core mathematics.

#### What next?

You could progress to a finance-related career, or a career in which you need to be able to deal with data. It also supports anyone who aspires to set up and run their own business.





# Media & Film





**Media studies is a fascinating insight into the visual world around us. It will help you develop a range of strong analytical skills, helping you interpret the carefully and skilfully crafted adverts and tv shows we know and love so well.**

Film studies is an academic course for people who enjoy watching films but want to understand more about the theoretical concepts behind them. It provides an opportunity to explore this popular and specialist area of commercial art at the same time as developing valuable and transferable academic skills.

If you're a keen writer with a strong interest in social media, then a CTEC qualification in digital media journalism could be for you.

A strong introduction to the world of media and journalism, it would be a great way of moving into digital media production and can be combined with a programme of A Levels or BTECs in any area of the curriculum.

#### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**A Level  
Media Studies**

**A Level  
Film Studies**

**Level 3 CTEC Certificate/Extended  
Certificate Digital Media Journalism**

**More courses available  
in this area, see page 110**



**You cover loads of different aspects about media, including advertising, film, TV, magazines, newspapers. I enjoy the course and would certainly recommend it.**

**Owen Dawson**

**Studying:** A Level Media Studies, Level 3 Certificate in Digital Media Journalism & Level 3 Certificate in Criminology

**School:** Springfield School

**Future plans:** Study criminology at university and become a crime reporter



## A Level Media Studies

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course is ideal if you wish to explore the way the media communicates with its audiences. You will also be involved in production work, where you can put your knowledge to practical effect.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- image analysis
- representation
- audience
- television
- magazines
- online marketing.

### The fun stuff

Media studies is a fascinating insight into the visual world around us. You will develop a range of strong analytical skills, helping you to interpret the carefully crafted adverts and well-scripted television shows we come into contact with on a daily basis.

In addition to the theoretical aspects of media studies you will also develop skills in Photoshop, designing a range of products, from your own magazine to DVD covers or perhaps a music video.

When moving into the competitive film industry, you will be supported in taking part in some valuable work experience in radio, advertising and marketing or journalism.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language.

### What next?

Media studies is a contemporary subject with lots of transferable skills. Success in this A Level confirms your ability to analyse effectively and work to strict deadlines. It will demonstrate your ability to approach analytical tasks in a logical and effective manner. It works well with most other subjects and will certainly add strength to your overall course combination. Students who have studied A Level media studies have progressed to university to study English, journalism, media studies, business studies, drama and graphic design.



## A Level Film Studies

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This academic course is for students who enjoy watching films but want to understand the theoretical concepts behind them.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- film form and response
- audience analysis
- film theory
- evolution of film.

### The fun stuff

Film studies provides an opportunity to explore this popular and specialist area of commercial art whilst also enabling you to develop valuable and transferable academic skills in research, analysis, discussion and the construction of arguments in writing. There is also the opportunity to explore your creativity and technical skills by making your own film.

When moving into the competitive film industry, you will be supported in taking part in some valuable work experience.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language.

### What next?

Having studied A Level film studies, you are able to confirm to any university or employer your ability to analyse effectively and work to strict deadlines. It will demonstrate your ability to approach analytical tasks in a logical and effective manner. It works well with most other subjects and will certainly add strength to your overall course combination. Students who have studied A Level film studies have progressed to university to study subjects such as film studies, digital film making, English, journalism, media studies, business studies, drama, history and law.

## Level 3 CTEC Certificate/ Extended Certificate Digital Media Journalism

**Certificate equivalent to one AS Level**

**Extended Certificate equivalent to one A Level**

**Duration:** One or two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course would suit students interested in a career in digital media production, who are keen writers and have a strong interest in social media.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- media products and audiences
- pre-production and planning
- creating a media product
- pitch media product ideas
- journalism and the news industry.

### The fun stuff

You will learn how media institutions operate to create media products that will appeal to target audiences. You will also study journalism processes and get creative in producing your own print-based or audio-visual product.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language.

### What next?

You might be interested in careers or degrees in media production, journalism, advertising or social media marketing.



# Performing Arts & Music





**Drama is a very well-established academic subject involving strong practical and theoretical components. As well as being confidence-building, it also provides potential employers and people in higher education excellent evidence of your skills in English, communication and group work.**

If you're already confident in one of the core disciplines of acting and dance and want to develop your ability in the other, then a Level 3 in performing arts is for you.

For training in a variety of genres and style including contemporary and jazz, choose Level 3 dance, designed for those who wish to explore and develop their technique, choreography, live performance skills and appreciation of dance.

Music performance is for students who play an instrument and/or sing, enabling you to develop as a solo performer as well as contributing to group performances, while with music technology you can nurture your creative flair at the same time as learning about the music industry.

#### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**A Level  
Drama & Theatrical Studies**

**Level 3 BTEC Foundation Diploma in  
Performing Arts Practice**

**Level 3 BTEC Extended  
Certificate in Dance**

**Level 3 BTEC Foundation Diploma in  
Music Performance**

**Level 3 BTEC Extended Certificate in  
Music Technology**

## A Level

# Drama & Theatre Studies

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who want to develop their practical and theoretical understanding of drama. The course will also enable you to develop higher level communication skills.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- an exploration of the practical and theoretical ideas of Stanislavski, Brecht, Artaud and Brook
- live theatrical performances to support your understanding of performance styles
- the study of two set texts focusing on how an actor, director or designer would bring each play to life on stage
- practical acting skills assessments via two performance components: one focusing on performing extracts from three different plays, and the other being a group devised piece.

### The fun stuff

A core part of this course involves attending the theatre – this is in preparation for the 'live theatre performance' element of the written paper and in order to widen your understanding and experience of performance. It also allows you to develop self-confidence, presentation skills, personal discipline, time management and group work skills which are highly regarded by both employers and in higher education.

This course also links well with many of the College's E6 programme activities, including Dance Live, teaching placements and work experience.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including drama (if taken at GCSE level), or a merit in Level 2 performing arts. Significant extra-curricular performance experience would also be accepted.

### What next?

Achieving a high grade on this course could be the first step towards a career as an actor, with admission to a drama school or a university to study a degree in a performance subject being a possibility. Past students have taken up careers in the media, marketing, HR, teaching and customer service at management entry level.

## Level 3

# BTEC Foundation Diploma in Performing Arts Practice

**Equivalent to one and  
a half A Levels**

**Duration: Two years**  
**Location: Tangier Campus**

### Who is the course for?

For students who are already confident in at least one of the core disciplines of acting and dance and want to develop their ability in the other. It also allows them to build their self-confidence, presentation skills, personal discipline, time management and group work skills, which are highly regarded by both employers and in higher education.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- acting and dance from a vocational perspective via workshops and visiting professionals
- practical workshops exploring a range of styles and techniques in acting and dance
- how the performing arts industry works
- three assessed performances covering a range of performance genres.

### The fun stuff

Through practical performance work, you will gain a further understanding of how these key skills work alongside each other. You will explore a range of practitioners within these disciplines, all of which will extend your appreciation and understanding of the performing arts.

Taking part in Dance Live is an excellent opportunity for students to showcase their performance abilities through dance, acting and storytelling. It is also a fantastic opportunity for students to gain experience working as a member of the stage crew and be involved in the performing arts from a behind-the-scenes perspective.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including drama or dance, or a merit in Level 2 performing arts. Significant extra-curricular performance experience would also be accepted.

### What next?

You could progress to studying performing arts at a higher level, at university or at a dance/drama school. There are also many opportunities within the arts industry, for example in stage-management, lighting technician.



**I've really enjoyed my course. It's really expressive and we have an amazing teacher. I really liked performing live and found a new passion for it.**

#### **Danielle Cheung**

**Studying:** Level 3 BTEC Foundation Diploma in Music Performance & Level 3 BTEC Extended Certificate in Music Technology

**School:** Castle View Academy

**Future plans:** To study music performance at university



## Level 3

# BTEC Extended Certificate in Dance

### Equivalent to one A Level

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

#### Who is the course for?

For students who wish to explore and develop their technique, choreography, live performance skills and appreciation of dance. It provides training in a variety of genres and styles including contemporary dance and jazz dance.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- current and influential practitioners of dance
- creating an original choreography to fulfil a brief
- developing a wide range of physical and interpretive skills.

#### The fun stuff

You will broaden your knowledge of the dance world and the forms, approaches and contributors that have shaped its development. You will have the opportunity to create work for various projects and develop the skills to perform to a high standard as part of an ensemble. It also allows you to develop self-confidence, presentation skills, personal discipline, time management and group work skills which are highly regarded by both employers and in higher education.

You will have regular opportunities to showcase your work in our Studio Theatre, to participate in trips to view live professional work and to represent the College.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language and dance, or a merit in Level 2 performance qualification. Significant extra-curricular performance experience would also be accepted.

#### What next?

You could progress to an extensive range of options, from the further study of dance at a dance school or university, to a specific career path, including dancer, teacher, physiotherapist, arts administrator or manager.



## Level 3

# BTEC Foundation Diploma in Music Performance

## Equivalent to one and a half A Levels

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who play an instrument and/or sing and want to develop these skills within a professional environment.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- performing as an ensemble
- creating musical material
- using session styles
- planning a career in the music industry.

### The fun stuff

You will learn how to create the right sound as a band, for specific popular music genres, such as blues, rock, soul, country and punk music.

The course is also designed to challenge and develop the elements of your personality that will support you as a self-employed musician. You will get the opportunity to explore real life scenarios as a professional musician, with the economic considerations that arise from that.

We have extensive links with local recording studios, music businesses and music venues that will open doors into the industry or allow you to gain invaluable work experience.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language and ideally a merit in Level 2 music. You must play an instrument or sing to a good level to study on this course and an audition is a key part of the application process.

### What next?

You could progress to some of the most prestigious music universities in the country, including BIMM, ACM, Leeds College of Music and Bath Spa, as well as progressing directly into industry. Previous students are working all over the world as performers, session musicians, recording engineers, music composers, vocal and instrumental tutors and teachers, as well as working for community workshop organisations.

## Level 3

# BTEC Extended Certificate in Music Technology

## Equivalent to one A Level

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who wish to nurture their creative flair with music technology. Developing your skills and encouraging your creativity is one of the priorities of the course to allow you to develop as a producer.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- remixing and reworking
- commercial music production
- music and sound for media
- mixing and mastering techniques
- DAW production.

### The fun stuff

This course will equip you with the skills, knowledge and experience necessary to produce, mix and master music whether you want to help realise another artist's vision or create your very own.

You will study a range of units that will challenge you and the way you think about sound. This will include film score composition, remixing and reworking tracks, audio recording in and outside of a studio as well as learning about the industry as a whole.

Digital music is massive and there are lots of progression opportunities. You will learn a wide range of practical skills and techniques within both the studio as well as developing theoretical knowledge surrounding recording techniques.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language. No formal music qualifications are needed, however if taken, a merit in Level 2 music is required.

### What next?

You could progress to some of the most prestigious music universities in the country, including BIMM, ACM, Winchester, Leeds College of Music, Bath Spa, Solent and Portsmouth University as well as directly into the industry.





# Science





## A key component of the STEM subjects of science, technology, engineering and maths, science is in great demand by employers and those in higher education.

Learners who study STEM subjects can progress into a wide range of career paths such as medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, engineering and biomedical.

Biology is the natural science that studies life and living organisms, chemistry is the study of matter and the chemical reactions between substances and physics enables you to apply your understanding of the laws of physics to solve problems on wide-ranging topics.

We also offer a Level 3 qualification in medical science, which focuses on the anatomy of the human body, diagnosing medical illnesses and outlining how these are treated. It's ideally suited for those wishing to work in the healthcare industry or in pathology labs and quality control facilities.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**A Level  
Biology**

**A Level  
Chemistry**

**A Level  
Physics**

**Level 3 Certificate/Diploma in  
Medical Science**

**More apprenticeships available  
in this area, see page 186**



I like learning about how the world works around me. I want to study ecology at uni and we're currently studying biodiversity, so it's nice to have a taste of what it'll be like at uni.

**Tom Curtis**

**Studying:** A Level Biology, Geography, English Language & Literature & Level 3 Certificate in Core Mathematics

**School:** UTC Portsmouth

**Future plans:** Study Ecology & Conservation at University of Lincoln



## A Level Biology

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For any student who has an interest in the natural world and how it works, biology is the study of life and living organisms, including their physical structure, chemical processes, molecular interactions, physiological mechanisms, development and evolution.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- core concepts of biology
- biodiversity, classification and physiology
- energy for life
- continuity of life
- requirements for life
- optional unit in neurobiology and behaviour.

### The fun stuff

You will develop skills to allow independent learning and problem solving – a crucial element of being successful in this pure science subject. Practical work will be emphasised and you will be supported to complete the course with a practical endorsement alongside your A Level qualification. You will also have the opportunity to visit the New Forest to carry out ecological investigations as well as attending events at different universities.

The options of work experience available alongside the Extended Project Qualification, allow you to develop additional skills which will be useful for university and apprenticeship applications.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language. You will also need grade 5 or above in GCSE maths, and grade 6 or above in biology and one other GCSE science subject, or 6s in GCSE double science.

### What next?

You could progress to university or straight to employment, particularly in medicine, dentistry and veterinarian sciences, as well as biochemistry, marine biology, bioengineering and many more non-science related subjects.

## A Level Chemistry

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who want to learn more about matter and the chemical reactions between substances. Chemistry is critical to the big issues facing our world, such as energy, climate change and feeding a growing global population, as well as cutting-edge development in materials science and biomedical sciences.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- development of practical skills in chemistry
- foundations in chemistry
- periodic table and energy
- core organic chemistry
- physical chemistry and transition elements
- organic chemistry and analysis.

### The fun stuff

You will develop skills to allow independent learning and problem solving – a crucial element of being successful in this pure science subject. Practical work will be emphasised and you will be supported to complete the course with a practical endorsement alongside your A Level qualification.

You are encouraged to undertake a relevant work experience placement, particularly if you are looking to pursue a career in medicine and veterinarian sciences. Also, if you would like to improve your maths qualifications, inquire about core mathematics alongside your main subjects.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language. You will also need grade 6 or above in GCSE maths, and grade 6 or above in chemistry and one other GCSE science subject, or 6s in GCSE double science.

### What next?

You could progress to university or straight to employment, particularly in roles that combine maths, analytical skills and problem solving with links to biology and physics. Careers include engineering, manufacturing and branches of medicine, such as nursing, dentistry and veterinary, as well as law and financial industries.

## A Level Physics

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course enables students to build on their knowledge of the laws of physics, applying their understanding to solve problems on topics ranging from subatomic particles to the entire universe.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- forces
- waves
- radioactivity
- electricity
- magnetism
- particle physics
- cosmology
- medical physics.

### The fun stuff

You will develop skills that can be transferred to just about any other area of work, from setting up a business to saving the planet. Even if you don't go on to become a physicist, learning to think like one will help you get to the root of any problem and draw connections that aren't obvious to others. Physics won't give you all the answers, but it will teach you how to ask the right questions.

You will have the opportunity to visit the Large Hadron Collider at CERN in Switzerland. In addition, you will be offered to take part in the annual Blott Matthews Challenge. You will also get a chance to experience the Farnborough Airshow and visit Southampton and Portsmouth Universities.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language. You will also need grade 6 or above in GCSE maths, and grade 6 or above in physics and one other GCSE science subject, or 6s in GCSE double science.

You must also enrol on A Level maths.

### What next?

You could progress to university to study a physics degree or move straight to employment. You will be able to access a range of careers within the fields of sciences, medicine, engineering, computing, architecture and cosmology as well as the business and finance industries.

## Level 3

# Certificate/Diploma in Medical Science

**Certificate equivalent to one AS Level**

**Diploma equivalent to one A Level**

**Duration:** One or two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course enables students to focus on the anatomy of the human body, diagnosing medical illnesses and how these are treated. It also looks into medical research and case studies.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- human health and disease
- physiological techniques
- medical science research methods
- medicines and treatment of disease
- clinical laboratory techniques
- medical case studies.

### The fun stuff

Developed in conjunction with universities and clinical pathology laboratories, the course provides an engaging and meaningful context-led approach to the development of scientific knowledge and skills. It enables you to develop the tools necessary to understand, assess and suggest solutions to real-world medical problems and challenges. The course places significant stress on the development of good practical skills necessary to monitor health and disease.

You will have the opportunity to experience university open days on healthcare sciences such as radiography, paramedic science and nursing. You will also visit labs at local universities to meet professionals in the field of pharmacology, oncology and nursing, and take part in practical classes.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language, maths and science. GCSE biology is preferred if taken.

### What next?

You could progress to university to study a biomedical degree or pursue a career in nursing, midwifery or other health-related roles.

# Social Science







## When you study for an A Level social science course, you will explore and understand the complex systems and interactions in human society.

You could learn about how governments are formed and laws are made, the development of economic systems, how history informs the present and how decisions are reached by individuals.

Psychology offers an academic approach to how people behave while sociology explores the changes taking place in society and the impact of those changes.

Applied psychology looks at explanations for behaviours including aggression, mental health disorders and health-related lifestyle choices.

Criminology explores the causes of criminal behaviour, attitudes to crime, criminal investigations and the wider social aspects of campaigns for change.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**A Level Psychology**

**A Level Sociology**

**Level 3 BTEC Certificate/Extended Certificate in Applied Psychology**

**Level 3 Certificate/Diploma in Criminology**



My favourite unit in sociology was the crime unit. I'm looking into a career in law and there's a lot of overlap. Sociology is unique and it teaches a lot of useful skills for life.

**Maks Walter**

**Studying:** A Level Sociology, Psychology & Law

**School:** Priory School

**Future plans:** Study law at university and then become a barrister.



## A Level Psychology

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who are interested in people and the reasons behind their behaviours.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- social, cognitive, learning and biological explanations of behaviours
- methods used to investigate human behaviours
- mental health and addiction
- analysing bigger themes such as nature versus nurture.

### The fun stuff

Psychology offers an academic approach, looking at the research of psychologists and offering the chance to conduct your own studies. You will develop transferable skills such as strong written and oral communication skills and the ability to use evidence and logic to construct an effective argument.

Volunteering or a work experience placement is a positive addition to your CV. You could also undertake an EPQ (Extended Project Qualification) which allows you to pursue your own research topic.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language. You will also need grade 5 or above in GCSE maths, and grade 4 or above in GCSE science.

### What next?

You could progress to a variety of occupations and careers that tend to centre around people. This could be counselling, education, healthcare or business but extends to the social sector as social workers, therapists or clinical psychologists, and the criminal sector as forensic psychologists within the police force.

## A Level Sociology

**Duration:** Two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who want to explore the changes taking place in society and their impacts. This could be the subject for you if you enjoy learning about people and social situations.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- concepts of culture
- contemporary family
- education
- methods of research
- crime and deviance
- social inequality.

### The fun stuff

Sociology gives you the opportunity to develop a range of skills which are both subject-specific and transferable. Some of the main transferable skills are strong written and oral communication skills, the ability to understand complex ideas and apply these to situations, research and analytical skills, and the ability to use evidence and logic to construct a good argument.

Volunteering or a work experience placement is a positive addition to your CV. You could also undertake an EPQ (Extended Project Qualification) which allows you to pursue your own research topic.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language. You will also need grade 5 or above in GCSE maths, and grade 4 or above in GCSE science.

### What next?

You could progress to a variety of occupations and careers that tend to centre around people. This could be within the education sector such as teachers, the social sector such as social workers, or the criminal sector such as working within the police force.

## Level 3

# BTEC Certificate/Extended Certificate in Applied Psychology

**Certificate equivalent to one AS Level**

**Extended Certificate equivalent to one A Level**

**Duration:** One or two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who want to develop an understanding of psychological approaches which underpin professional practice.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- application of psychological approaches
- research methods
- diagnosing and treating disorders
- understanding and explaining behaviours and lifestyle choices which affect health and wellbeing.

### The fun stuff

Applied psychology uses foundation theories which will allow you to consider explanations for behaviours such as aggression, mental health disorders, and health-related lifestyle choices. You will plan and carry out research, evaluating the strengths and limitations of conducting psychological studies.

Volunteering or a work experience placement is a positive addition to your CV. You could also undertake an EPQ (Extended Project Qualification) which allows you to pursue your own research topic.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language.

### What next?

You could progress to a variety of occupations and careers within health and social care, including nursing, social work and counselling.

## Level 3

# Certificate/Diploma in Criminology

**Certificate equivalent to one AS Level**

**Diploma equivalent equivalent to one A Level**

**Duration:** One or two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

For students who want to explore the causes of criminal behaviour, attitudes to crime, criminal investigations and the wider social impacts of campaigns for change.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- changing awareness of crime
- criminological theories – explanations of criminal behaviour
- crime scene to courtroom – police procedures and preparations for trial
- crime and punishment – the criminal justice system.

### The fun stuff

Criminology is very much a social science course, exploring behaviour and attitudes in the field of crime. You will also be looking at criminal investigations and legal procedures and will develop your analytical skills by exploring examples such as campaigns for change and delving into the usefulness of criminological theories.

Criminology could well be an appropriate subject option for students interested in other social sciences and law.

You will be actively encouraged to take on volunteer work or work experience to enhance your future prospects.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language.

### What next?

You could progress to university to study combinations of law and other social sciences or follow a pathway into a career within the police force or another public service, or social care.





# Uniformed protective services





## If you love the great outdoors and like to challenge yourself physically, then why not consider a career in sports or the uniformed protective services.

Our Elite football course combines your development as a football player with a Level 3 qualification in sports coaching and development.

You could also choose to study our exciting new Esports qualification, sports coaching and development or work towards becoming a personal trainer.

A physically demanding Level 3 qualification in uniformed protective services is valued by the police, emergency services and the armed forces, as well as by universities. If you know where your career choice lies, you can also choose between an armed forces or blue light pathway to run alongside your studies.

### WHAT'S ON OFFER

**Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Instructing Exercise and Fitness**

**Level 2 CTEC Extended Certificate in Sport**

**Level 2 BTEC Diploma in Public Services**

**Level 3 BTEC Foundation Diploma/ Extended Diploma in Elite Football**

**Level 3 BTEC Extended Certificate/Foundation Diploma/ Diploma/Extended Diploma in Sports Coaching and Development**

**Level 3 NVQ Diploma in Personal Training**

**Level 3 BTEC Extended Certificate/Diploma in Uniformed Protective Services**  
 - Armed Forces Pathway  
 - Blue Light Pathway



I feel like with the qualification I've gained here is something I can take with me into uni. You not only learn about one sport, you learn about the range of careers in the industry.

**Siphon Nkomo**

**Studying:** Level 3 BTEC National Foundation Diploma in Elite Football & A Level Psychology

**School:** Ark Charter Academy

**Future plans:** To study sport physiotherapy at university

## Level 2

# NVQ Diploma in Instructing Exercise and Fitness

## Equivalent to one GCSE

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course is for students who want to work in the fitness industry or progress onto becoming a personal trainer. This qualification will develop their ability to work with clients in order to meet their fitness goals both safely and effectively.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- anatomy and physiology for exercise
- health, safety and welfare in a fitness environment
- principles of exercise, fitness and health
- know how to support clients who take part in exercise and physical activity
- planning and instructing gym-based exercise.

### The fun stuff

You will develop interpersonal, written and practical delivery skills as well as having time to develop your own physique in order to be ready to work in the industry. This qualification is desired by the fitness industry, so you can work as a personal trainer once qualified after a year.

There will be opportunities to undertake work experience to learn from working PTs and develop your employability and are encouraged to complete a first aid qualification.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at Grade 3 or above including English language.

### What next?

On completion of this course, you are qualified to run group exercise classes and find employment in a gym. You can also progress onto the Level 3 Diploma in Personal Training and work towards being a personal trainer.

## Level 2

# CTEC Extended Certificate in Sport

## Equivalent to one GCSE

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course is for students who have an interest in sport and want to develop their leadership skills in working with people while combining practical and theory based learning.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- leading sports activities
- the human body and how it changes in response to exercise
- learning how to play specific sports
- analysing your own and others performance.

### The fun stuff

The course also includes a Level 2 Award in Community Sports Leadership, which will develop your leadership skills in real life situations working with people in our community.

You can be a part of our sports academy teams and need to be committed to volunteering or extensive work experience.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at Grade 4 or above including English language.

### What next?

On completion of this course, you can progress onto employment in the local sport and leisure sector such as Recreation Assistant and Sports Coach, or move onto a Level 3 sport course.



**My favourite part is the physical side of the course. You get to go out to HMS Temeraire to swim and use their facilities. This course prepares you for the career you want.**

#### Katie Hutton

**Studying:** Level 3 Diploma in Uniformed Protective Services - Blue Light Pathway & Level 3 Diploma in Criminology

**School:** St Edmund's Catholic School

**Future plans:** To join the British Army – Royal Military Police



## Level 2

# BTEC Diploma in Public Services

### Equivalent to 3 GCSEs

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

#### Who is the course for?

This course is for students who want to explore the skills required to be a member of the Uniformed Public Services such as the army, navy, air force, police, fire brigade, ambulance, paramedics, customs & excise and security.

#### What will you study?

Units include:

- teamwork and communication
- employment in the uniformed public services
- career planning
- volunteering.

#### The fun stuff

You will be expected to have a basic knowledge of teamwork and leadership which will be developed throughout the course. You will further enhance your skills in organising activities and evaluating your performance each term. Activities will include visiting military establishments in the area and gaining a wider experience of knowledge and career options in the Armed Forces.

Throughout the course, you will participate in activities with the Portsmouth College Combined Cadet Force (CCF) and get the opportunity to complete the National Citizen Service (NCS) course.

#### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at Grade 4 or above including English language. You must have already completed the NVQ Level 2 Diploma in Exercise and Fitness to study this course.

#### What next?

On completion of this course, you can progress into opportunities within the uniformed protective services and other careers in team driven environments.



## Level 3

# BTEC Foundation Diploma/Extended Diploma in Elite Football

**Foundation Diploma equivalent to one and a half A Levels**

**Extended Diploma equivalent to three A Levels**

**Duration:** One or two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course combines students' development as a football player with a Level 3 BTEC in sports coaching and development. Where the course is football focused, it is integrated into our successful Portsmouth College Football Academy, which has won competitions both locally and abroad.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- sports psychology
- nutrition for sports performance
- applied coaching skills.

### The fun stuff

You will learn about a range of topics within sport such as psychology, anatomy and physiology, and fitness testing. Alongside the lessons, you will have high-quality football training sessions to develop your ability, as well as the opportunity to work with personal trainers to improve your physical attributes.

Learning and assessment are threaded into excellent coaching sessions with UEFA B licensed coaches, aiming to develop your technical ability.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at Grade 4 or above including English language and maths. You will also need grade 5 or above in physical education.

### What next?

On completion of this course, you can progress from our Portsmouth College Football Academy (PCFA) moving onto professional football clubs through our links within the game. You could also move onto a US Scholarship where you can play and learn at one of the universities linked to the Major League Soccer, or onto a degree course at a UK university to study a sport-related degree.

## Level 3

# BTEC Extended Certificate/Foundation Diploma/ Extended Diploma in Sports Coaching and Development

**Extended Certificate equivalent to one A Level**

**Foundation Diploma equivalent to one and a half A Levels**

**Extended Diploma equivalent to three A Levels**

**Duration:** One or two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course offers students the opportunity to experience a range of different elements in the sporting world that students could progress on to in their future career.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- anatomy and physiology
- developing coaching and leadership skills
- sports development
- sport psychology
- nutrition
- planning and leading a sports event.

### The fun stuff

Your timetable will have the E6 Football Academy embedded into it.

You will also have access to trips specific to this course, related to other areas. You will also be provided with opportunities for volunteering, and personal enterprise, all of which are excellent items to put on a future job application.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language and maths. You will also need grade 5 or above in physical education.

### What next?

On completion of this course, you can progress onto higher education to a degree level course or into an apprenticeship/job in the sporting sector. The course is diverse enough to develop you towards careers in coaching, teaching, sports psychology, sports therapy, sports science, nutrition and more.

## Level 3

# NVQ Diploma in Personal Training

**Duration:** One year

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course is designed for students who want to work in the health and fitness sector and specifically want to develop their ability to work with clients on a one-on-one basis. This course teaches you to plan and deliver exercise sessions, as well as giving nutritional advice to help clients reach their goals.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- anatomy physiology and kinesiology for exercise and health
- applying nutritional principles to personal training
- business acumen and the use of information technology for a personal trainer
- programme design for Personal Training Clients.

### The fun stuff

You will develop interpersonal, written and practical delivery skills as well as having time to develop your own physique in order to be ready to work in the industry. This qualification is desired by the fitness industry, so you can work as a personal trainer once qualified after a year.

There will be opportunities to undertake work experience to learn from working PTs and develop your employability and are encouraged to complete a first aid qualification.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language.

You must have already completed the NVQ Level 2 Diploma in exercise and fitness to study this course.

### What next?

On completion of this course, you can progress onto working as a personal trainer or fitness instructor.

## Level 3 BTEC Extended Certificate/Diploma in Uniformed Protective Services

**Extended Certificate  
equivalent to one A Level**

**Diploma equivalent to 2 A Levels**

**Duration:** One or two years

**Location:** Tangier Campus

### Who is the course for?

This course is for students who want to have an interest in the uniformed services and want to develop their leadership and teamwork skills.

Be aware that the course is physically demanding.

### What will you study?

Units include:

- government policies
- leadership and teamwork
- citizenship and diversity
- understanding discipline
- fitness testing and training for the Uniformed Public Services.

### The fun stuff

Alongside this course, you will be required to choose a pathway that will guide you into your pending career. You can choose between an Armed Forces Pathway, where you will have an opportunity to take the Royal Navy entry test and be a part of our Combined Cadet Force (CCF), or the Blue Light Pathway, which includes a criminology or medical science A Level, depending on career aspiration.

The Combined Cadet Force (CCF) runs alongside the Level 3 Armed Forces Pathway which aims to enhance students' progression following the completion of their courses. This is a valuable opportunity for students to learn military skills and develop their teamwork ability.

### Entry requirements

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 or above including English language.

### What next?

On completion of this course, you can progress into a role in the uniformed protective services such as police, emergency services and the armed forces.

### About the Armed Forces Pathway

This pathway is designed to expand students' experience of the armed forces and introduce them to military skills through participation in the college Combined Cadet Force (CCF). The course runs alongside BTEC Level 3 uniformed protective services and can also be combined with Level 3 sport courses.

The pathway includes practising and undertaking the Royal Navy recruitment test, weekly fitness testing at HMS Temeraire and a cadet fitness instructor course.

You will have been guided to achieve your end goal of joining the forces, having gained many interpersonal skills, as well as advancing to the fitness levels required for the forces.

An interest in the armed forces is essential and knowledge of potential career pathways is desirable.

The Combined Cadet Force (CCF) runs alongside the Level 3 armed forces pathway which aims to enhance your progression following the completion of your course. This is a valuable opportunity to learn military skills and develop your teamworking ability.

You will also have access to trips specific to this course and your chosen career pathway.

On completion of this course, you will be able to apply to an Armed Force of your choice.

### About the Blue Light Pathway

Typical subjects include criminology, applied law, medical science and applied psychology that will be studied alongside the Level 3 BTEC Diploma in Uniformed Protective Services. This choice of blue light subject should be based on your intended career path.

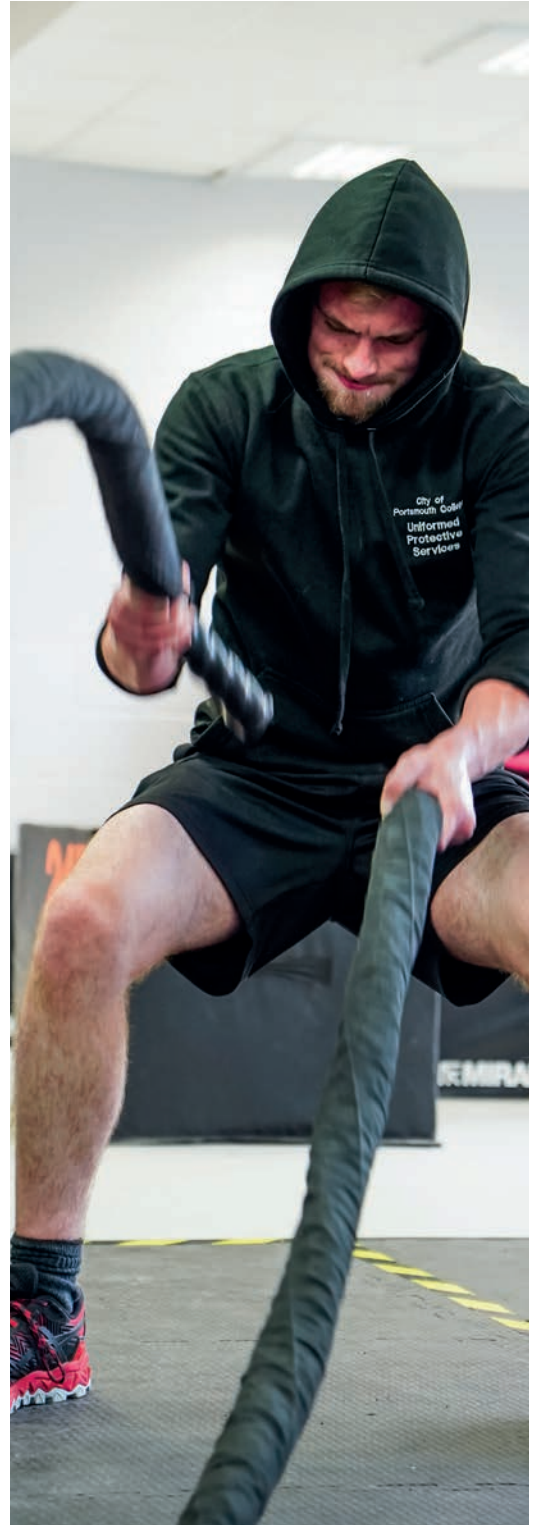
The areas you will study may change to reflect any additional subjects you choose to combine with this course.

An interest in the blue light services (police/ ambulance/fire/coastguard) is essential and knowledge of potential career pathways is desirable.

Alongside the uniformed protective services qualification, you will gain an additional BTEC (equivalent to an A Level) in either criminology or law. As well as gaining the equivalent of three A Levels, you will complete in-depth studies concerning crimes and the psychological reasoning behind why criminals carry out crime.

You will have access to trips specific to this course as part of both the uniformed protective services and criminology/law, which are hugely beneficial.

Upon successful completion of this course, you will be able to apply to one of the blue light services or other armed forces. University will also be an option for those wanting to develop academically, as the course provides you with extra UCAS points.





**APPLY  
TODAY...**

**Take your place**





# Calendar for prospective students

**2022**

## September/October

### Course Guide published and visits to your school

Our School Liaison and Careers Team will visit your school to support your research on post-16 options and to provide information on City of Portsmouth College. You will be given a copy of our new Full Time Course Guide, for students starting in September 2023.

## October

### Open Events

Highbury Campus, Tangier Campus  
& North Harbour Campus  
4.30-7.30pm, Wednesday 12th October 2022  
4.30-7.30pm, Thursday 13th October 2022

## October onwards

### Applications

The main applications period begins in October after our Open Evenings, with initial interviews and offers of places being made. Please see our 'How to Apply' section on page 324. We advise you to apply in the October to January period. An early application will:

- give you the certainty of an offer
- remove the risk of a particular course becoming full before you apply
- allow you to concentrate on the challenge of securing your GCSE grades.



## 2023

### January/February

We continue to visit schools and will be available for advice at the many parents' evenings and careers events during this period.

### February

#### Open Events

Highbury Campus, Tangier Campus  
& North Harbour Campus  
4.30-7.30pm, Wednesday 22nd February 2023

Our Spring Open Event is an ideal opportunity for both Year 11 and Year 10 students to learn more about courses and life at College.

Whether you've been before and want a second look, or this is your first visit, you will have the chance to meet our teachers, support staff and students and discuss your options post-16.

#### Sixth Form Application Date

To secure a place on your first choice A Levels or equivalent Sixth Form vocational courses, we encourage applications by Friday 24th February 2023, however, applications are welcome after this date and you will be contacted regarding the availability of your course choices.

### April/May

#### Information sessions for parents of new students

Parents of prospective students will be invited to one of our information sessions.

#### Adult & Vocational Open Event

Highbury Campus & North Harbour Campus  
4.30-7.30pm, Wednesday 17th May 2023

If you're still undecided on what course is right for you, you can visit our Highbury and North Harbour Campuses to discover our range of vocational courses. A Level staff will also be on hand if you wish to talk about options at our sixth form campus.

### May/June

#### Regular communication

You will, of course, be focused on your exams. However, we will keep you updated with information about our Introduction/Welcome days and steps towards enrolment.

### June/July

#### Introduction/Welcome Days

Invites to our Introduction or Welcome Days will be sent around this time. The days are an enjoyable opportunity to learn more about your courses and enrichment opportunities, meet staff and fellow students and enjoy some social time. You will also receive your enrolment pack and details of your individual enrolment appointment.

### August

#### GCSE results and advice sessions

GCSE results are due to be published late August. Staff are available in College to provide advice if your results are not quite what you expected (or if you have decided to change your course choices). Advice and support is also available throughout the enrolment period.

#### Enrolment

You will need to attend an enrolment where we will confirm your course choices. Individual appointments will be sent in early August.

### September

#### Teaching starts

Your journey at College starts here.

You can find out more about the College on our website or join us on social media. [www.copc.ac.uk](http://www.copc.ac.uk)

For further enquiries, please contact our Admissions Team at [admissions@copc.ac.uk](mailto:admissions@copc.ac.uk)

# How to apply

**Just follow these three easy steps and you'll be on your way to being a student at City of Portsmouth College**

## **1 APPLY ONLINE OR BY POST**

Submitting an application is your chance to tell us about yourself, the course you're interested in and the qualifications you've already achieved.

### **ONLINE**

Complete an online application via the City of Portsmouth College website [copc.ac.uk](http://copc.ac.uk). Find the course you are interested in and click the 'Apply' button.

### **BY POST**

Complete the following application form and return it to any City of Portsmouth College campus.

## **2 ATTEND AN INTERVIEW**

Once you've sent us your application, you will be emailed details of an interview with the course teacher or tutor. This will be your chance to discuss your course choice/s and ask any questions you may have about studying at City of Portsmouth College. We can also make sure that you have made an informed choice about your future study plans to ensure you are on the right track to achieving your career goals. You may initially have a discussion with our learning support team if required. These interviews will enable us to put together a programme of study that's right for you.

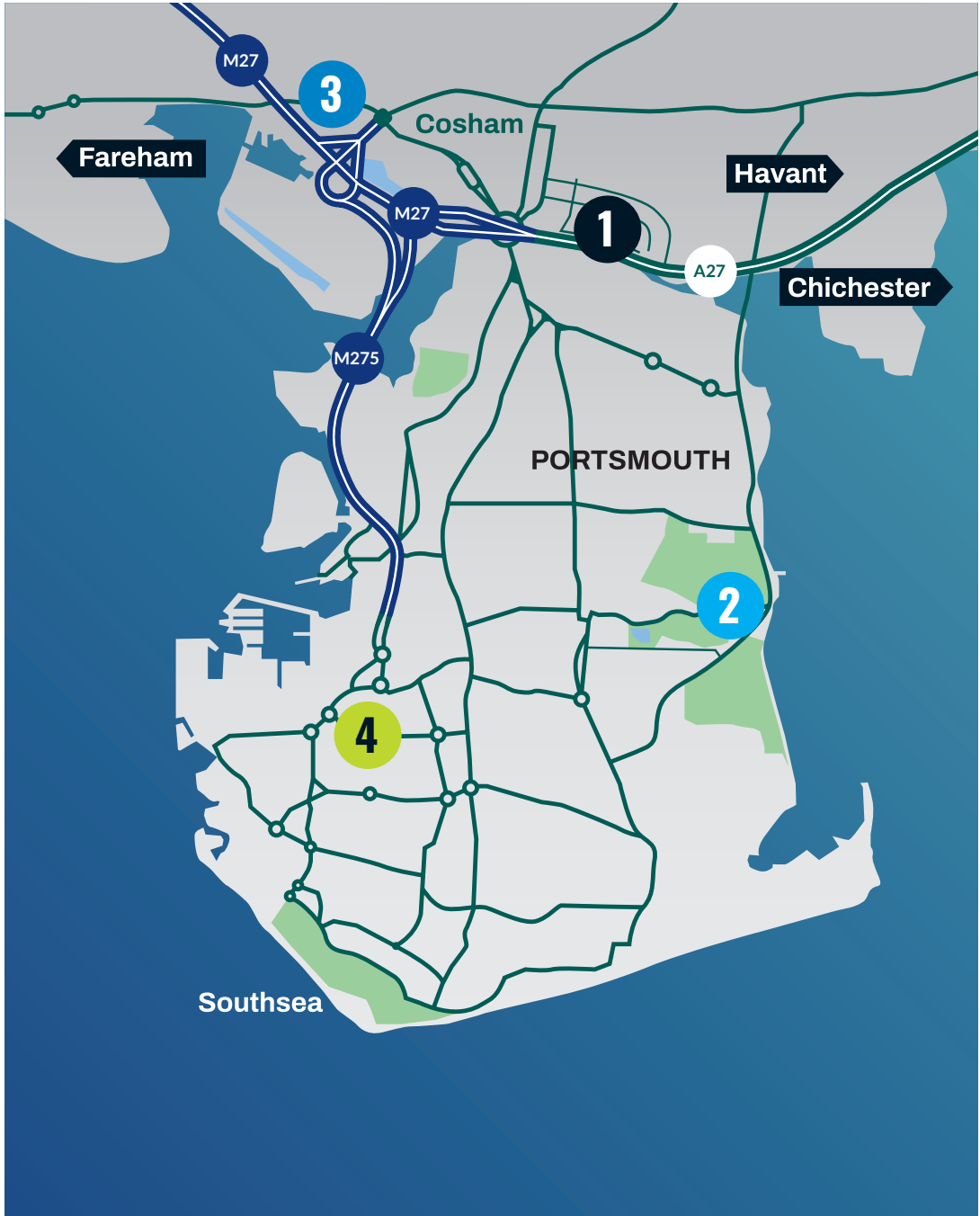
## **3 ENROL**

Before starting your programme of study you'll need to come into the College and formally enrol. If you're still at school, this will normally happen in the summer after you've received your exam results. However, we will send you instructions nearer the time making it clear when you should come in to complete this. Please remember that when you come to enrol, you'll need to show us your exam results and passport or birth certificate – please bring them with you. Once you've enrolled, you're ready to begin your journey with us!





# Our locations





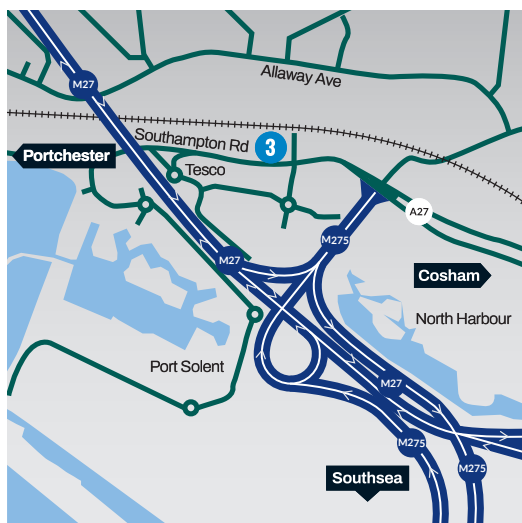
### 1 Highbury Campus

Tudor Crescent  
Portsmouth  
PO6 2SA  
Call 023 9238 3131



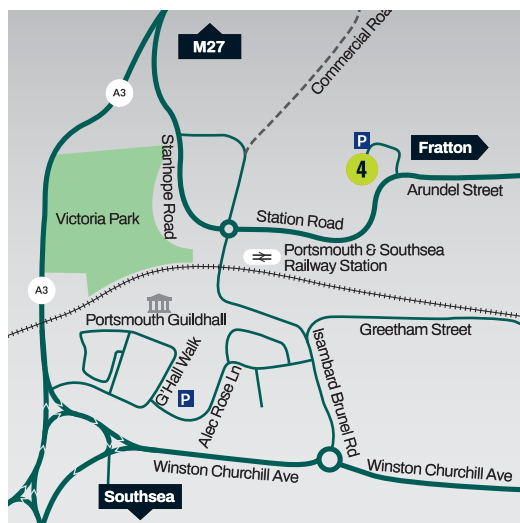
### 2 Tangier Campus

Tangier Road  
Portsmouth  
PO3 6PZ  
Call 023 9238 3131



### 3 North Harbour Campus

Unit One, Harbourgate  
Southampton Road  
Portsmouth  
PO6 4BQ  
Call 023 9238 3131



### 4 Arundel Campus

49 Arundel Street  
Portsmouth  
PO1 1SA  
Call 023 9238 3131



# OPEN EVENTS



## Save the dates

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Register online prior to the event to let us know you're coming.

#### Highbury Campus

Tudor Crescent  
Portsmouth  
PO6 2SA  
Call 023 9238 3131

#### Tangier Campus

Tangier Rd,  
Portsmouth  
PO3 6PZ  
Call 023 9238 3131

#### North Harbour Campus

Unit One, Harbourgate  
Southampton Road  
Portsmouth  
PO6 4BQ  
Call 023 9238 3131

#### Arundel Campus

49 Arundel Street  
Portsmouth  
PO1 1SA  
Call 023 9238 3131



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