



WESTON  
COLLEGE



# SCHOOL LEAVERS



FULL TIME  
PROSPECTUS  
21/22



An aerial photograph of a coastal town, likely Weston-super-Mare, showing a dense residential area with many houses, a large sandy beach, and a promenade. The town is situated along a coastline with a bay. In the background, there are rolling hills under a clear sky. The text is overlaid on the right side of the image.

Get set for your future career.  
Study a programme or apprenticeship  
at **Weston College** and become...

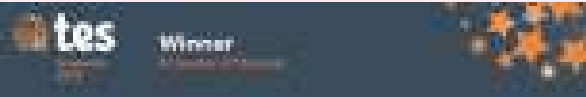
READY  
**TO LEARN**

READY  
**FOR WORK**

READY  
**FOR LIFE**



# WELCOME



“As Principal and Chief Executive, it gives me great pleasure to introduce you to our outstanding College and the fantastic study programmes and apprenticeship opportunities that have helped so many of our students achieve great success.”

When you become a Weston College student, you will hear us talking about ‘creating brighter futures’. This means we put our students at the heart of everything we do. Whether it’s liaising with businesses and universities to make sure we’re teaching you relevant and up-to-date skills, creating the best facilities and digital platforms in the region for you to study in, or selecting the top teachers with current industry experience – the decisions we make are focused on providing you with the right learning environment to help you reach your potential.

It means providing the best outcomes for our students – which is why Weston College students consistently achieve well above the national averages year-on-year. If you study with us you are more likely to achieve a university place, get a job, or enter into further study. We are about preparing you for a career – what we offer is far more than just a course. It also means that we celebrate our students’ successes and encourage them to aim higher. Weston College is a diverse and inclusive learning environment, and we reward our students when they go above and beyond their abilities and expectations. This results in the best standards of further education in the region, with the best teachers, the best facilities, and the highest chance of achieving your potential.

This guide includes hundreds of study programmes and apprenticeships that have helped many young people to create their own brighter futures – and could lead to yours too.

I look forward to welcoming you soon.

**Dr Paul Phillips CBE, PhD, DLit, EdD**  
Principal and Chief Executive

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# WHAT'S HAPPENING AROUND YOU?



Weston College plays an integral role in the skills agenda within the South West region.

The College itself is part of the West of England Local Enterprise Partnership (North Somerset, BANES, Bristol and South Gloucestershire), but with such a wide catchment area is also a key contributor to the Heart of the South West partnership (Somerset and Devon).

## PRIORITY SECTORS FOR EMPLOYMENT

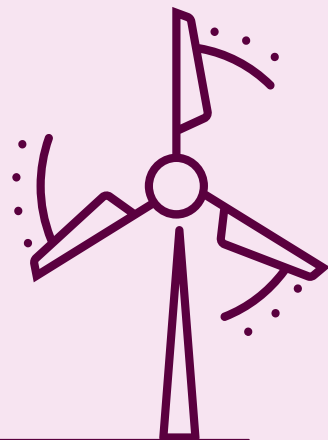
### WEST OF ENGLAND

- Advanced aerospace and engineering
- Professional services
- Creative and digital
- High tech
- Construction
- Health.



### HEART OF THE SOUTH WEST

- Agriculture industries
- Advanced aerospace and engineering
- Marine industries
- Nuclear power.



The West of England is one of the UK's most prosperous regions with an economy worth over £33.2 billion a year. With a population of over 1 million and more than 43,000 businesses, our region competes on a global scale.

## THE FACTS

- Our region has been at the leading edge of innovation for centuries. We have world-class offers in design, culture, trade, shipping, engineering, aerospace, microelectronics, composites, robotics, green technologies, social enterprise, connectivity and digital creativity
- In 2019 the region generated £31.2bn towards the UK economy
- 48% of West of England workplace employees are managers, directors and senior officials
- Jobs grew by 51,225 over the last 5 years and are projected to grow by 17,106 over the next 5 years
- The two sectors employing the most people in the region are defence activities followed by manufacture of air and spacecraft
- The South West Aerospace Cluster is recognised as the UK's most capable and diverse aerospace region. It's home to all of the top 15 global aerospace companies
- The top 5 hard skills sought by employers in the region when recruiting are; auditing/analyst, business development, accounting, software development and nursing.

## NORTH SOMERSET

A number of national and international companies are based here including:

- GE Oil and Gas • Brabantia
- Oxford Instruments Plasma Technology
- UTC Aerospace Systems • Yeo Valley
- Thatchers • Bristol Airport
- The Bristol Port Company • Smurfit Kappa
- QuEST Global Engineering Ltd.

The top five industries that are currently recruiting in North Somerset are:

- Digital Communication and Marketing
- Legal • Healthcare • Administration and Business Support • Education.

## BRISTOL AND SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE

There are currently over 420,000 people employed in Bristol and South Gloucestershire. Bristol is now the biggest financial services centre in the South West and one of the main financial hubs outside London, a new report has revealed, salaries in Bristol are 3% above the UK average.

The top industries that are currently recruiting in Bristol are:

- Healthcare • Professional Services.

## HINKLEY POINT



Hinkley Point C will create 25,000 employment and apprenticeship opportunities in a broad range of occupations and careers during its construction and operation.

There will be jobs in construction, civil engineering, electrical installation, hospitality, catering, logistics, security, site services, support roles and others over the coming years. And it's not just during construction. Hinkley Point C will have an expected workforce of 900 people to run the power station throughout its 60-year operation.

Source: EDFEnergy.com

# WORKING WITH KEY EMPLOYERS

“We work with Weston College across a range of our training needs, from commercial training and licenses to our Ground Worker and Civil Engineering Apprenticeships. We are really proud that one of our apprentices won the ‘Most Promising Apprentice’ category for the 2019 CECA (South West) Awards 2019 and we look forward to working together to further innovate the curriculum.”

**Simon Dunn**  
Alun Griffiths



“Working with Weston College has given us a real opportunity to develop home-grown talent in what is otherwise a very competitive marketplace for new people coming into law.”

**Rebecca Kibby**  
Foot Anstey



“We have had resounding success rates working with Weston College. We have created a brand new traineeship pathway with a clinical focus in addition to an administration route.”

**Julian Newbury**  
University Hospitals Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust



“Alliance Homes is proud to expand our partnership working with Weston College. The College is supporting us with our Community Investment priorities. We have a long history of collaborative and innovative working to help achieve our shared organisational goals and social purpose.”

**Michael Williams**  
Alliance Homes



“The relationship we have with Weston College is progressive and dynamic. We work closely with students and give them the creative freedom to build websites, shoot videos and complete other design work. Their work has been outstanding.”

**John Turner**  
Visit Somerset



“We have such confidence in Weston College and their learners that we now work in partnership on several training initiatives.”

**Paul Ashbee**  
GKN



“We work with the College on a range on initiatives and qualifications; students have developed a bespoke health and safety app and in partnership we have also successfully delivered ILM achievements in Levels 3 and 5. We were delighted to receive the College’s Partnership award this year in recognition of this work.”

**David Brown**  
The Bristol Port Company



“Weston College work closely with us to ensure our training reflects our business need. Our aim is to deliver, in partnership, training which is relevant and engaging.”

**Becca Thurston**  
Wessex Water



“We are proud to continue our close relationship with Weston College in recruiting new apprentices to our organisation and in developing existing staff.”

**Liz Marchant**  
Avon Fire and Rescue



“North Somerset Council and Weston College have been working in partnership for many years to provide opportunities for people to earn while they learn. With the introduction of the Apprenticeship Levy we can now offer a wider range of career paths than ever before. The provision of apprenticeships in the council continues to be a workforce priority ensuring that we are investing in skills development today which will support the achievement of our priorities in the future.”

**Carolyn Hills**  
Service Leader Learning and Development, North Somerset Council



“The work experience scheme that we offer with Weston College really is valuable to the business. Plus our Animal Support team are all ex-Weston College learners.”

**Grace Harvey**  
Puxton Park



# A YEAR IN HEADLINES

Keep up to date with news as it happens



Prestigious national BTEC Awards - congratulations to Finley from Health and Social Care and Engineering student Emma.



TV star Martin Roberts offers industry placement to Media students.



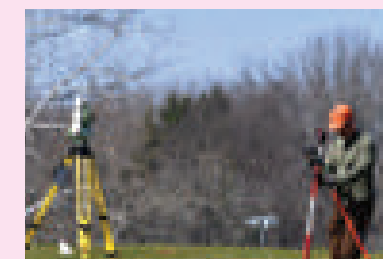
College announced as Women's FA apprenticeship training provider.



Weston College and UCW Graduate Henry named National Student of the Year Runner-Up.



Beauty therapy learner Chloe is one step away from the WorldSkills international final UK squad to compete in China in 2021.



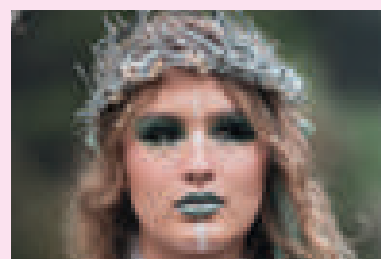
James from Alun Griffiths is named the Civil Engineering Contractors Association (CECA) South West Apprentice of the Year.



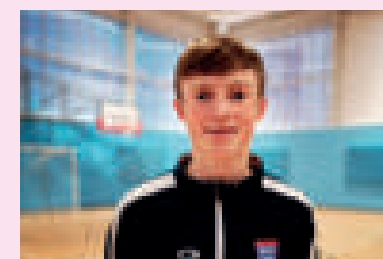
Early Years students enjoy a residential trip to Budapest.



Engineering student Joel wins Gold in National final and also place in UK WorldSkills squad.



Hair and Make-up for Fashion Media Diploma students develop skills in Lord of the Rings brief.



Sport learner: Ryan represents England.



Animal Management Education Centre opens to students at Puxton Park.



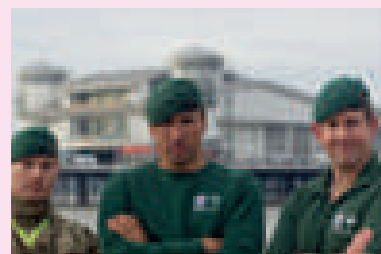
Faculties collaborate at Puxton Park's Halloween spectacular including Performing Arts, Hair, Beauty, Public Services and Music students.



Business student Ryan gained work experience at the Department for International Trade after taking part in a government competition.



Official opening of multi-million-pound Health and Active Living Skills Centre.



Royal Marine Commandos inspire Uniformed Public Services students with drill on the seafront.



Marco Pierre White passes on top tips to catering learners.



Creative Arts Show launches virtually - [www.wc-creative-arts-show.co.uk](http://www.wc-creative-arts-show.co.uk)



A Level students secure another set of outstanding A Level results.



# LEVELS EXPLAINED

## ENTRY LEVEL

### REQUIREMENTS

#### ENTRY LEVEL

#### 1-3 YEARS

If you are committed to further study but unsure what you want to do, or do not have the entry requirements, we have a range of programmes tailored to your needs.

### QUALIFICATIONS

- Entry Level certificates
- Functional Skills at Entry Level (English, Maths and ICT)
- Awards, certificates and diplomas at Entry Level
- Foundation learning at Entry Level.

### PROGRESSION

You can progress to one or a combination of the following:

- Higher Level programmes
- Traineeships
- Supported internships
- Employment
- Independent living.

## LEVEL 1

### REQUIREMENTS

#### FOUNDATION LEVEL

#### 1 YEAR

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3 or the successful completion of a pre-vocational programme.

### QUALIFICATIONS

- BTEC introductory diplomas and certificates
- Functional Skills at Level 1
- BTEC awards, certificates and diplomas at Level 1
- Foundation learning tier pathways
- NVQs at Level 1
- Traineeship.

### PROGRESSION

With this level of qualification you could move onto a Level 2 study programme or an apprenticeship at Level 2.

The table below shows typical entry requirements for each level, although your chosen course may have specific requirements, so please check individual course requirements.

## LEVEL 2

### REQUIREMENTS

#### INTERMEDIATE LEVEL

#### 1 YEAR

A minimum 5 GCSE grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4 or a qualifying Level 1 qualification with identified competence level in maths and English.

### QUALIFICATIONS

- Technical progression certificate
- GCSEs
- BTEC awards, certificates and diplomas at Level 2
- Functional Skills at Level 2
- NVQs at Level 2
- Apprenticeship Level 2.

### PROGRESSION

With this level of qualification you could move onto a Level 3 study programme, into a job with training, or an apprenticeship at Level 3.

## LEVEL 3

### REQUIREMENTS

#### ADVANCED LEVEL

#### 2 YEARS

A minimum of 5 GCSE grade 9-4 or a qualifying Level 2 qualification with identified competence level in maths and English.

### QUALIFICATIONS

- A Levels
- GCSEs in applied subjects
- International Baccalaureate
- BTEC awards, certificates and diplomas at Level 3
- NVQ at Level 3
- Apprenticeship Level 3
- T Level.

### PROGRESSION

With this level of qualification you could progress into higher education, a higher apprenticeship or a wide range of jobs.

## LEVEL 4-6

### REQUIREMENTS

#### HIGHER LEVEL

#### 2-3 YEARS

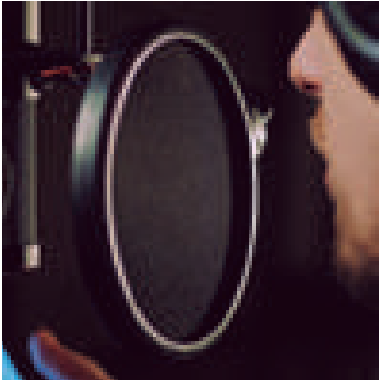
For those who have a T Level, A Levels, a BTEC national certificate or diploma, an Access to HE diploma or an NVQ 3.

### QUALIFICATIONS

- Foundation degrees
- Honours degrees
- HNCs/HNDs
- Professional qualifications at Level 4 and above
- Higher and degree apprenticeships.

### PROGRESSION

With this level of qualification you will have access to a much wider range of careers, you could go into further study or professional training. University Centre Weston (UCW), offers around 50 degree-level courses. **Find out more about UCW at [www.ucw.ac.uk](http://www.ucw.ac.uk).**



# CHOOSING WHAT TO STUDY

**We offer a huge range of programmes to ensure you develop the skills employers and universities are looking for.**

As the only education provider in North Somerset that enables you to work your way up from an entry-level programme to a degree we're here to help you choose the right programme for you. Here's how:

## SCHOOL LIAISON TEAM

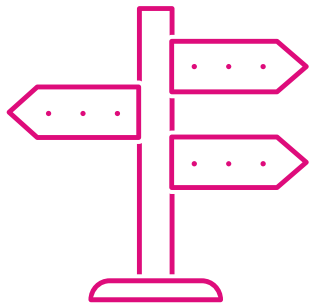
This team works with local schools to help you find out about college life and post-16 programmes of study, as well as provide you with advice and guidance about what programmes will best suit you. They will either visit your school, attend careers fairs and parents' evenings or coordinate events such as our taster days, holiday workshops and tours to give you a first-hand experience of what it is like to be a Weston College learner.

To find out more please visit  
[www.weston.ac.uk/school-liaison](http://www.weston.ac.uk/school-liaison)

## EVENTS

We put on a number of open events over the year, these will be a mixture of face-to-face and virtual events. These provide you and your parents with the opportunity to explore our facilities, speak to our lecturers, find out about the support on offer and choose the right programme for you. Our events also give you the opportunity to engage with a number of employers to find out about careers in their industry and why they value the calibre of candidates that come from Weston College.

For more information on our events, please look at **page 20**.



➤ FIND OUT MORE AT  
[WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/SUPPORT](http://WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/SUPPORT)

## CAREERS ADVICE

At [www.weston.ac.uk](http://www.weston.ac.uk) you can access a wealth of career guidance. Each subject area page has lots of information to give you an insight into the subject such as:

- All the programmes you can study within that subject area
- Previous learner case studies or films
- Labour Market Intelligence (LMI) that will help explain what relevant careers and jobs are available, including salaries.

When you choose a subject page on the website, you will find more LMI, including job openings and case studies where you can see what our alumni have gone on to achieve after completing a programme with us.

Also, check out **Career Coach** on our website. This provides you with the opportunity to:

- Take an assessment that matches you with careers
- Explore broad career pathways that match your strengths and interests
- Compare careers within a pathway - including salaries, required education and more
- Explore the Weston College programmes that will set you on the path to your desired career.

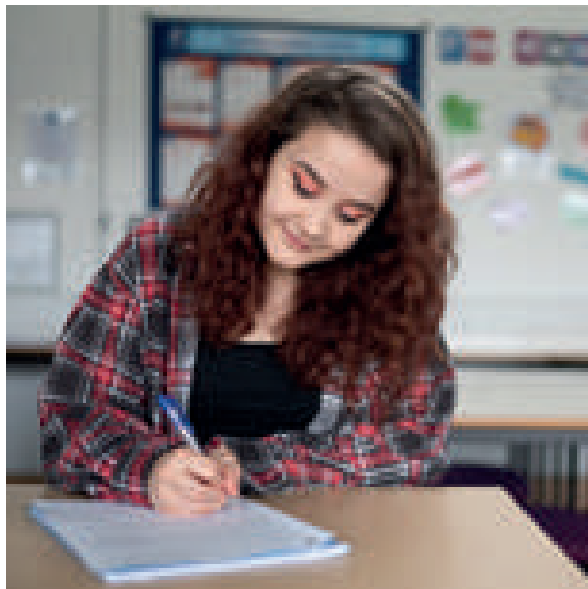
Find out more at  
[www.weston.ac.uk/careers-advice](http://www.weston.ac.uk/careers-advice)

If you would still like more advice and guidance, contact our school liaison team by emailing [schoolteam@weston.ac.uk](mailto:schoolteam@weston.ac.uk). They can arrange a one-to-one careers appointment for you with our specialist staff.





# QUALIFICATIONS EXPLAINED

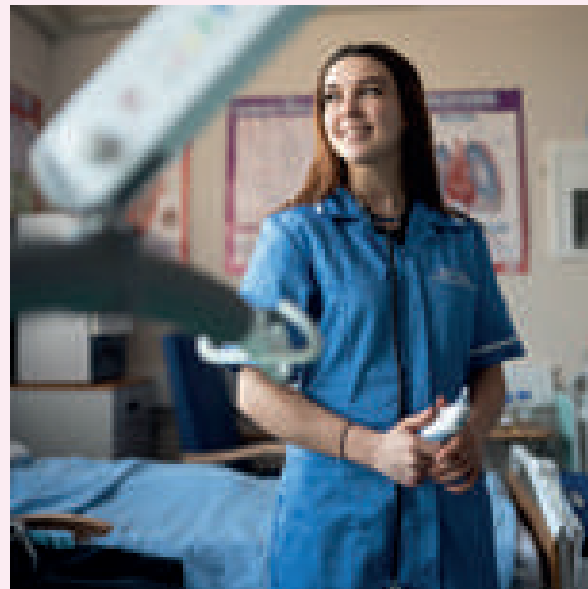


## A LEVELS

A Levels are perfect if you want to progress to degree-level study or to a degree apprenticeship programme. A Levels are assessed through exams at the end of two years of study, so they are most suited to people who perform well in exams and enjoy academic study.

Most learners study three subjects - some choose four. The combination of subjects will be determined by your interests, strengths and future career aspirations or university progression choices. You can even study A Levels alongside some BTEC subjects - if your timetable allows it and you meet the entry requirements.

Find out more about our A Levels on **page 38**.



## PROFESSIONAL AND TECHNICAL

Professional and technical qualifications are designed to provide you with the knowledge, skills and behaviours needed to gain employment within specific industries or occupations. They provide a balance between theory and practical skills development. They are suited to those who want to get hands-on experience within a particular vocational area. These programmes include work experience and industry placements. Assessment is more varied and will include exams, coursework and practicals.

We work closely with employers to create our professional and technical courses to make sure you learn the skills businesses are looking for. As well as being valuable to employers, a professional and technical course could lead to university, or higher-level training, such as a higher apprenticeship.

Our professional and technical programmes start on **page 56**.

Technical and professional courses are available at different levels. Your starting point will be dependent on your prior attainment, the technical demands of the programme and your readiness to complete an extended placement with an employer.

**At Weston College we know that everyone learns differently. That's why we teach a variety of different qualification types - to give you the chance to learn in the way that suits you the most.**

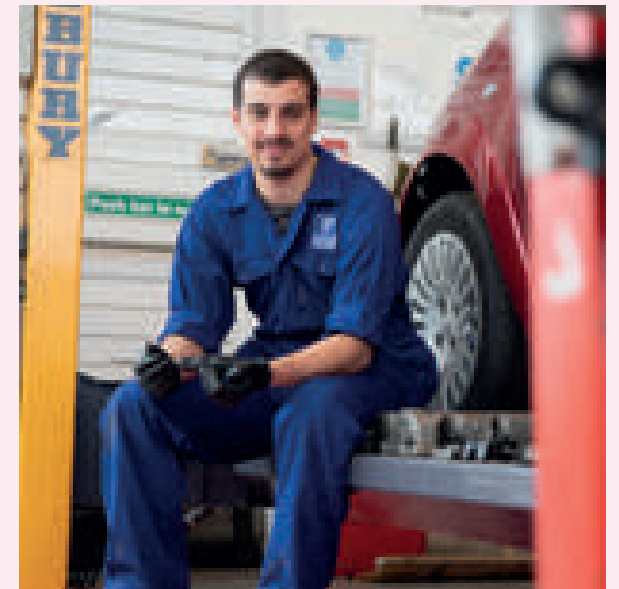


## TRAINEESHIPS

Traineeships are a great way for 16 to 18-year-olds who haven't yet gained the skills and experiences necessary to apply for jobs and apprenticeships.

They are taught mostly in the workplace and include a mixture of personal and social development, and employability skills. The aim of a traineeship is to train you within a company so that you are more likely to be offered an apprenticeship or a job.

There are many benefits to becoming a trainee and you can find out more about them on **page 192** or on our website at **[www.weston.ac.uk/traineeships](http://www.weston.ac.uk/traineeships)**



## APPRENTICESHIPS

As an apprentice you will 'earn whilst you learn'. Apprentices receive off-the-job training within their company or through day or block release at college.

We work with many major employers to provide apprenticeships in a variety of sectors, including GKN Aerospace, the Ministry of Defence, the University of Bristol and the NHS.

Over 90% of our apprentices are offered permanent positions at the end of their training, so an apprenticeship is the perfect way to get a head-start in the jobs market. Plus, degree-level apprenticeships provide a cost-effective alternative to university and offer clear career progression routes.

Our apprenticeships appear throughout this guide in the subject area sections. You can view our current apprenticeship vacancies at **[www.weston.ac.uk/apprenticeships](http://www.weston.ac.uk/apprenticeships)**



## T-LEVELS

As one of the first providers to deliver T levels we are at the forefront of the government changes to Technical Education.

T Levels have been shaped and designed by employers meaning they are the perfect pathway for anyone looking to gain employment within a technical discipline. T Levels offer students a mixture of classroom teaching and 'on the job' experience during an industry placement of at least 45 days. T Levels are bigger and more substantial programmes than their predecessors enabling learners to explore topics in detail, gain a strong theoretical understanding as well as developing occupationally specific skills.

# SUPER CHARGE YOUR CAREER PROSPECTS

JOIN THE  
TECHNICAL  
SKILLS  
REVOLUTION  
AT WESTON  
COLLEGE AND  
TAKE YOUR  
LEARNING TO  
THE NEXT LEVEL

Take your learning to the next level at Weston College by studying towards a T Level.

Weston College was one of the first Colleges nationally to offer the T Level qualification. In 2021 learners can study towards T Levels in the following pathways:

- Digital Production, Design and Development
- Digital Support Service
- Digital Business Services
- Construction: Design, Surveying and Planning
- Education and Childcare
- Health.

Find out more about each T Level pathway in the relevant subject section of this prospectus.



# WHAT IS A STUDY PROGRAMME?

**Study programmes are designed to meet your individual learning needs and prepare you for higher learning, training or employment. Your timetable at College will be made up of a number of different elements that have been sequenced to help you develop the knowledge, skills and behaviours you will need in the future.**

We want you to be confident and ready to meet the demands of learning, work and life. Each study programme is made up of the following key ingredients:

## A SUBSTANTIAL QUALIFICATION

A significant portion of your timetable will be dedicated to you achieving academic, vocational or technical qualifications in your chosen subject area.

## ENGLISH AND MATHS DEVELOPMENT

English and maths are two of the most important skills for people looking to find a job or apply for university. Most employers look for a good understanding of English and maths, supported by at least a Level 2 qualification. If you didn't get a grade 4 at GCSE in maths and/or English you will complete GCSE or a functional skill in these subjects as part of your study programme.

## WORK OR INDUSTRY PLACEMENT

A work or industry placement enables you to gain the first-hand experience you need to stand out from the crowd in the employment market. Many students have gained employment directly from an industry placement. The number of placement hours varies by sector area - however, these are the minimum numbers:

### Level 2 study programme

Minimum of five days or 37 hours.

### Level 3 year 1 study programme

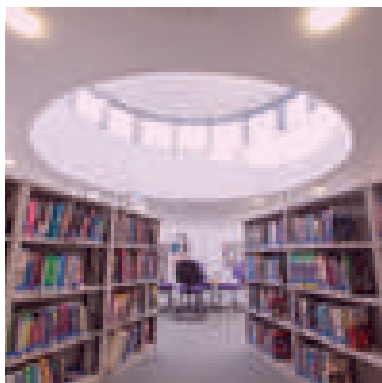
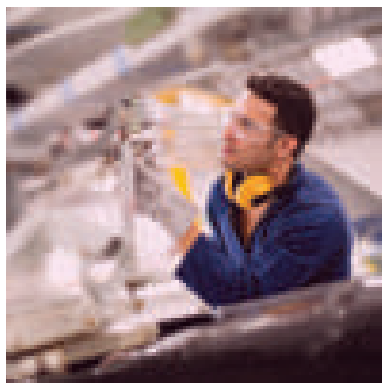
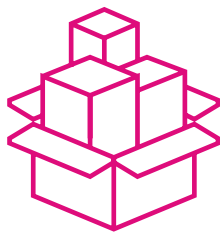
Minimum of five days or 37 hours.

### Level 3 year 2 study programme

Minimum of 315 hours over 45-60 days.

## TUTORIAL

All learners have a regular one-to-one tutorial with a personal tutor. The aim of the tutorial is to monitor your progress and give you the support you need to achieve your personal and academic targets.



**All our full-time learners enrol on a study programme. They are designed to give you the knowledge, skills and behaviours you need to progress onto further learning or employment.**

## INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENT (ID)

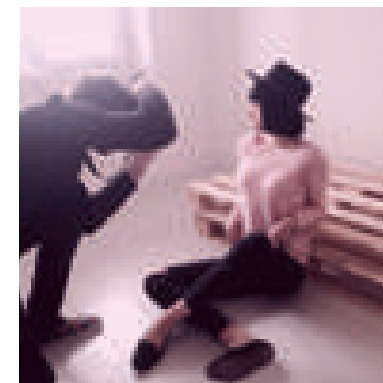
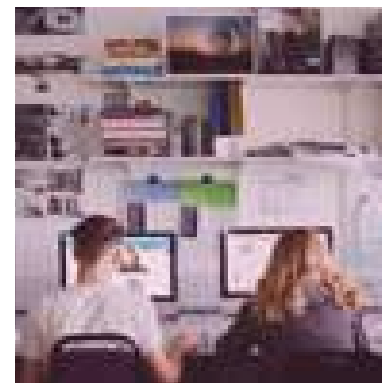
The College ID programmes are differentiated by level and subject area. Their aim is to build the behaviours, attitudes and personal skills you will need to thrive in both work and society. The programme develops a core set of skills and attitudes such as communication, time management, teamwork, resilience, adaptability and respect through a range of projects, activities and learning opportunities that include:

- Careers information, advice and guidance
- Health and well being
- Digital skills development
- Volunteering
- Social action projects
- Competition work.

Designed to meet your individual learning needs and prepare you for higher learning, training or employment. Your timetable at College will be made up of a number of different elements that have been sequenced to help you develop the knowledge, skills and behaviours you will need in the future.

## INDEPENDENT STUDY SKILLS

You will take part in dedicated independent study skills sessions which you will use for research and revision, and to complete tasks set by your teachers. Some of these sessions may be supervised or facilitated by teaching staff or learning mentors. Throughout the year you will be expected to complete homework and learning tasks that will help you retain knowledge and enable you to prepare for your College lessons.





# 1

## DO YOUR RESEARCH

Make the most of support, events and resources. We recommend that you:

- Read about the programme in this prospectus (contents, entry requirements, assessments etc.) - does it match your skills and interests?
- What is the labour market intelligence telling you? Use [www.weston.ac.uk](http://www.weston.ac.uk) to access Career Coach and our subject area landing pages, and this prospectus to see what employment prospects are in your chosen subject field
- If you haven't done something similar at school, take the Career Coach questionnaire to match your interests and skills to one of our programmes
- Attend one of our open events (either on campus or virtually), find out about dates on [page 20](#).

## 2 SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION ONLINE

### WE HAVE MOVED TO ONLINE APPLICATIONS ONLY!

This is to help you get your application to us easily; it is also faster, and more environmentally friendly, it also allows you to choose your own study programme guidance interview date and time. Simply follow these steps:

- Visit [www.weston.ac.uk](http://www.weston.ac.uk)
- As soon as you have decided which programme you would like to study (you can apply for more than one), click on the apply button. This will add it to your basket
- Create an account using your personal email address, or log in if you have already registered
- Complete and submit your application
- Choose your remote programme guidance interview date and time.

Once you have submitted your application, and chosen your interview slot, you will receive an email confirming your interview details.

Before your interview you will receive emails with lots of helpful information.

If you have any queries about your application or how to apply, you should contact College Information Services on **01934 411481** or [enquiries@weston.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@weston.ac.uk).



## 3 ATTEND GUIDANCE INTERVIEW

### OUR GUIDANCE INTERVIEWS WILL TAKE PLACE REMOTELY

From September guidance interviews will take place via Microsoft Teams, so you don't actually need to come in to college! You will be sent all the details on how to access this in your interview confirmation email.

This meeting is an opportunity for us to ask you some questions, and for you to ask us some. This is a key stage in ensuring that we get you on the right programme.

If you would like your guidance interview to take place in person, you can request this when you book the interview through our online portal.

# 7 EASY STEPS TO JOIN US

## 4 ACCEPTING YOUR OFFER OF PLACE

After we have processed your interview record we will write to you via email with an offer of place. You will be able to respond to your 'Offers of Place' by logging into your account and checking your 'Next Steps'.

If you need any assistance with your application contact College Information Services by emailing [enquiries@weston.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@weston.ac.uk) or calling **01934 411 481**. A member of the team will be happy to assist you.



## 5 KEEPING IN TOUCH

We recognise that joining college and starting a new programme is a big step. Therefore we put on a range of events and activities (digital and face-to-face), alongside a series of communications to ensure that you feel comfortable and confident about joining us.

Things to look out for include:

- Virtual Student and Parents' information evenings
- Welcome day
- GCSE results surgeries.

The 'We are Weston' section of our website also has lots of useful information for new starters. You can find this at [www.weston.ac.uk/weareweston](http://www.weston.ac.uk/weareweston).

## 6 ENROLMENT

This is when you officially become a Weston College learner.

Once you have accepted your offer of place you will be sent details about how to enrol online and secure your place at Weston College for September 2021.

Once you have secured your place with us you will receive an email in your college email inbox confirming your place. Your college email address will then act as our means of communicating with you about your pre-induction appointment in August/September.

## 7 PREPARING FOR YOUR PROGRAMME

Once you have enrolled you will be invited to join a Microsoft Team for new starters within your chosen subject area. The aim of the Microsoft Team is to support you with your transition into college and ensure you have the skills and knowledge to hit the ground running when you start your programme.

- Access your Virtual Bridging Programme and checklist
- Engage with your tutors and fellow learners who are new to college
- Find out what has been happening in your subject area this year
- Receive invites to specific events that will help you when you start at Weston College.



# OPEN EVENTS

## ‘What Next?’ Week 28th Sep – 2nd Oct 2020

A series of virtual sessions which will give you a real insight into career options and which study programmes will help you get there.

Join us for live webinars on careers with employer Q&As and industry experts tips and advice. Plus learn about the different types of qualification options that are available to you.

Find out more: [www.weston.ac.uk/whatnext](http://www.weston.ac.uk/whatnext)

## Campus Showcases – October 2020

This year we are giving each campus a virtual showcase week – this will allow you to explore our subjects and study programmes, meet staff, see facilities and experience this all from the comfort of your own home. Throughout the week via our social channels and website we will be bringing you highlights from each campus so you can learn more on College life.

### SHOWCASE WEEKS ARE:

**Knightstone Campus and Puxton Park  
– Monday 5th October to Friday 9th  
October 2020**

### WHAT SUBJECTS ARE HERE:

- Animal Management (Puxton Park)
- Business – including: Accounting/ Customer Services/ HR/ Law/ Marketing/ Travel and Tourism
- Computing and IT
- Early Years and Education
- Hair and Beauty
- Hospitality and Catering
- Performing and Production Arts
- Public Services.

Special subject talks from our lecturers and current students will be available via Zoom, please book your session via [www.weston.ac.uk/events](http://www.weston.ac.uk/events):

### Wednesday 7th October:

Hair and Beauty	5:30pm - 6:00pm
Hospitality and Catering	6:15pm - 6:45pm
Early Years and Education	7:00pm - 7:30pm
Public Services	7:45pm - 8:15pm

### Thursday 8th October:

Animal Management	5:30pm - 6:00pm
Business – including: Accounting/Customer Services /HR/Law/Marketing/ Travel and Tourism	6:15pm - 6:45pm
Computing and IT	7:00pm - 7:30pm
Performing and Production Arts	7:45pm - 8:15pm

**Loxton Campus – Monday 12th October  
to Friday 16th October 2020**

### WHAT SUBJECTS ARE HERE:

- A Levels
- Health and Social Care
- Sport
- Art and Design and Graphic Design
- Game Design and Media
- Music
- Photography

Special subject talks from our lecturers and current students will be available via Zoom, please book your session via [www.weston.ac.uk/events](http://www.weston.ac.uk/events):

### Wednesday 14th October:

Sport	5:30pm - 6:00pm
Health and Social Care	6:15pm - 6:45pm
A Levels	7:00pm - 7:30pm

### Thursday 15th October:

Art and Design and Graphic Design	5:30pm - 6:00pm
Game Design and Media	6:15pm - 6:45pm
Photography	7:00pm - 7:30pm
Music	7:45pm - 8:15pm

**South West Skills Campus – Monday 19th  
October to Friday 23rd October 2020**

### WHAT SUBJECTS ARE HERE:

- Motor Vehicle
- Construction – including: Bricklaying, Carpentry and Civil Engineering
- Building Services – including: Electrical, Plumbing and Plastering
- Engineering.

Special subject talks from our lecturers and current students will be available via Zoom, please book your session via [www.weston.ac.uk/events](http://www.weston.ac.uk/events):

### Wednesday 21st October:

Motor Vehicle	5:30pm - 6:00pm
Construction – including: Bricklaying, Carpentry and Civil Engineering	6:15pm - 6:45pm
Building Services – including: Electrical, Plumbing and Plastering	7:00pm - 7:30pm
Engineering	7:45pm - 8:15pm

**In the new year we hope to be able to hold some events on campus, but in this ever-changing situation with the impact of Covid-19, please always visit the website for the most up-to-date information:  
[www.weston.ac.uk/events](http://www.weston.ac.uk/events)**



# LEARNING SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS WITH SEND

**Weston College's innovative and unique specialist support model ensures staff have the specific skills and knowledge they need to deliver high-quality and personalised support to empower learners' independence.**

Ofsted says that our support for learners with additional needs is "outstanding", and that our support workers are "highly experienced and very well qualified, with specific areas of expertise."

Our staff work closely with the faculty teams to assess our students' special educational needs and disabilities, then implement a wide range of support programmes, which meet the requirements of our students' education, health and care plans.

We offer support in a wide range of specialist areas, which include:

- Classroom and workshop support
- Specialist mentoring
- Study skills and assignment support
- Behaviour management
- Assistive technology
- Communication support
- Diagnostic assessments
- Exam access arrangements
- Resources and equipment support.



## ACCESSING LEARNING SUPPORT

To access learning support, a referral will need to be made to our learning support team. An initial needs assessment will then be completed to establish the exact support required.

A referral to discuss potential additional support can be made at any of the following stages:

- School referral/educational, health and care plan
- Pre-entry identification (during interview)
- Applications/enrolment/admission
- Parent or carer referral
- As part of a transition programme
- Screening assessment
- Self-referral
- Tutor referral
- Professional referral
- Education, health and care plan consultation.

## SUPPORT OPTIONS

Once the initial needs assessment is complete, our staff will work with students and their tutors to provide an individualised support programme, which could include:

- Specialist teaching and in-class support
- Small group workshops
- Specialist equipment and assistive technology support
- Mentoring
- Diagnostic assessments
- Exam access arrangements
- Note taking
- Communication support
- Differentiation
- Extensive transition plan
- Weston Bay, our residential training facility for students on the autism spectrum.





# STUDENT SERVICES

**Student Services aim is to provide you with support that will empower, inspire and develop your skills to help you work towards your future successes. Each College campus has a student support hub where learners can drop-in or make an appointment to access the following services:**

## GENERAL STUDENT INFORMATION

Find the College Information Services at the reception desk at each campus. They deal with general enquiries and can also inform you about bursaries, funding your education, and where you can purchase our subsidised bus pass.

## WELFARE

The welfare and pastoral support team provide a friendly, non-judgmental and confidential service, where you can talk about anything that is worrying you and access information, advice and support on a variety of situations that you may face.

We also work with mental health practitioners to support students with their mental health. All college learners can also access a programme of counselling at each campus.

To find out more visit [www.weston.ac.uk/welfare](http://www.weston.ac.uk/welfare)

## CAREERS ADVICE AND GUIDANCE

The Careers Advice Team is on hand to give you advice about the career opportunities that lie ahead of you. They can work with you to plan your path to employment, further study, or university.

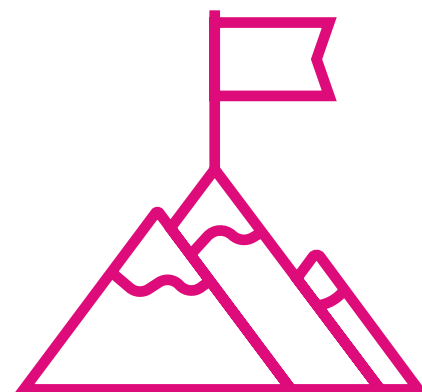
Each full-time learner will receive an in-depth careers programme and access to highly qualified careers advisers, as well as the opportunity to attend a number of careers events and activities with both employers and universities.

To find out more visit  
[www.weston.ac.uk/careers-advice](http://www.weston.ac.uk/careers-advice)

## WORKING WITH PARENTS

Parents and carers play a vital role at the College, and we always welcome your support, input and feedback. We'll work with you to ensure that your child settles into college life and gains the experiences and qualifications necessary for them to succeed.

You can find out more about our how we work with parents by visiting [www.weston.ac.uk/parents](http://www.weston.ac.uk/parents)



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[WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/SUPPORT](http://WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/SUPPORT)

**Welfare**  
Here for You



# PAYING FOR YOUR COURSE

## FINANCIAL SUPPORT

If you're between the ages of 16 and 18 when you start a course that leads to a nationally-recognised qualification, your tuition and exams will be free.

There may be some additional costs for professional start-up kits or uniforms depending on the programme that you have chosen to study.

To cover this cost there are a number of bursaries that you might be eligible to apply for.

## BURSARIES

We have a range of bursaries for students between the ages of 16 to 18 that contribute towards the costs of attending College.

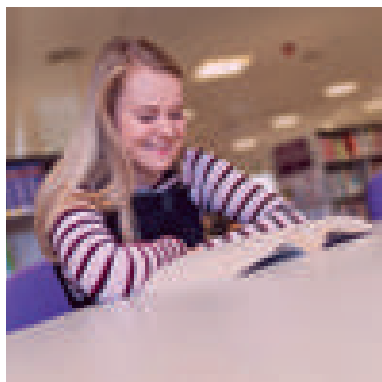
They can help you with costs such as travel, equipment, uniforms and free meals.

## CARE TO LEARN

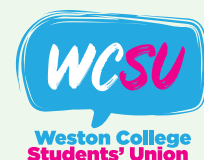
Care to Learn is a government scheme for parents under 20 years old. It provides up to £160 a week to pay for childcare costs if you take part in further education.

## MEALS PACKAGE

You might be able to claim up to £9.60 a week to put towards your lunches at the College. This means that if you eat at one of our canteens, you will get a free hot or cold meal Monday to Friday each week.



# OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM



## STUDENTS' UNION

The Students' Union represents, supports and advises you about all aspects of campus life, and makes sure that your experience of the College is the best it possibly can be. The Students' Union Committee works to voice students' views through the Learner Voice programme, organises fundraising events and trips, and supports themed weeks. When you join us you will automatically join the Students' Union and can apply for an NUS Totum Card, which offers discounts and savings at stores across the country and online. To find out more about the Students' Union or apply to become part of the Students' Union Committee, visit [www.weston.ac.uk/studentsunion](http://www.weston.ac.uk/studentsunion)

## YOUR VOICE

You can get involved with the key decisions and direction of the College by taking part in a number of student roles. These include course and faculty representatives as well as involvement with the Student Council and Students' Union. We're always listening to our students' views and ideas. Each year, faculties and classes get the opportunity to nominate representatives to meet on a termly basis and discuss the things that matter to them.

## VOLUNTEERING

The College runs its own Volunteering Hub which enables students and staff to share volunteering opportunities and find out how volunteering can benefit you and the community.



## BODY AND MIND

Weston College's award winning Body and Mind (BAM) programme allows you to improve your health and wellbeing through engagement with a number of enjoyable activities.

Engagement in regular physical and wider activities will support increased achievement, personal development and health & wellbeing.

Each campus has its own programme designed to offer you support, guidance and enrichment through a variety of sessions. Activities include:

- Art therapy • Futsal • Gym and fitness Sessions
- Yoga • Dungeons and Dragons • Table tennis
- Nintendo Switch • Multisports • Les Mills Virtual Classes
- Basketball • Esports.

Once you enrol you will be able to access the full timetable of events through the BAM button on your eLP or the Student Zone sharepoint.

Also, you can look out for updates on our social media platform [@BAMWeston](https://www.instagram.com/BAMWeston).

## CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

At Weston College, you will find a number of clubs and societies that will help you pursue your interests outside of lectures. These include book club, creative writing, dance, music, drama, sport, debating, LGBT, young carers, and much more. You can find out more about our clubs and societies at our Freshers' Fair or by contacting the enrichment team.

## DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD (DofE)

Through a DofE programme you can have fun, make friends, improve your self-esteem and build confidence. You will gain essential skills and attributes for work and life such as resilience, problem-solving, team-working, communication and drive, enhancing CVs and university and job applications. Employers recognise the work-ready skills that award holders bring to their business.

You will gain a nationally recognised qualification whilst embarking in four key areas; volunteering, physical, skill and expedition.



**Our Sports Academy recognises the abilities and efforts of our top athletes and aims to support them to achieve their potential.**

As a student at Weston College, you will have the opportunity to combine your academic studies with the high-level sporting provision, which will allow you to fully immerse yourself as a student-athlete.

Weston Sport prides itself on its athlete-centred approach, which will enable you to develop your sporting performance, in a professionally structured environment.



## PROVISION

We offer high-quality provision in the following sports and areas:

- Football (male and female)
- Netball
- Refereeing
- Rugby (male and female).

Weston Sport athletes receive a bespoke training and playing programme, which can be up to eight hours per week. Weston Sport programmes involve a variety of training methods to enhance performance, such as:

- Bespoke strength and conditioning programmes
- Sport psychology support
- Flexibility, speed, agility training
- Nutritional support and dietary advice
- Sports therapy
- Sports analysis - Hudl and PlayerTek.

Additionally, athletes will get access to our outstanding sports facilities which include a Sport England-specification sports hall, FIFA-approved artificial grass pitch and performance gym.

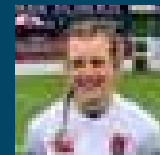
## PLAYER PATHWAYS

At Weston College we understand the importance of creating pathways, for our athletes, to support progression. Therefore we have developed a number of partnerships that will enable you to progress into semi-professional and professional sport - in a playing or non-playing capacity.

We have partnerships with:

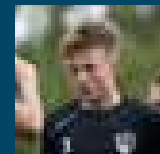
- Bristol Bears Rugby Club
- Bristol Bears Women's Rugby Club
- Weston AFC Football Club
- Weston Sport Netball.

## STUDENT SUCCESS



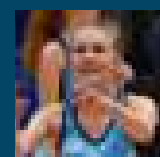
### AMY

- England U18 Representative
- England U20 Trials
- Current Bristol Bears Womens Representative.



### RYAN

- England Colleges Representative
- Current Weston-super-Mare AFC First Team Representative.



### CHLOE

- Severn Stars Superleague Team Representative
- England Roses U19 Academy.

Establishing strong relationships with local clubs has proven to be extremely successful, as Weston College has large representation across the above teams, each year.

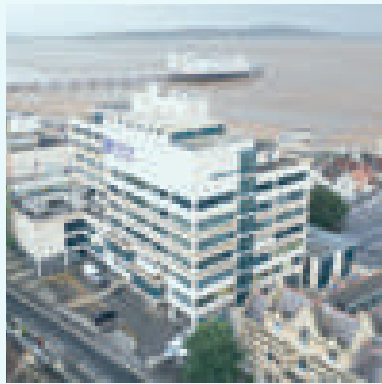
Weston Sport hosts regular performance and transition sessions throughout the academic year / season. These sessions provide athletes with the opportunity to experience all aspects of Weston Sport life.

All events and sessions will be advertised across our social media channels and directly through schools and clubs.

For any further queries, please contact Weston Sport on **01934 411 622** or [academyofsport@weston.ac.uk](mailto:academyofsport@weston.ac.uk)



# KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS



## The subject areas based here are:

- Business, Law and Tourism
- Foundation Learning
- Hospitality and Catering
- Hair and Beauty
- Early Years and Education
- Public Services
- Performing Arts
- Computing and IT.

It's spread across three buildings – Knightstone, the Law and Professional Services Academy and the Winter Gardens.

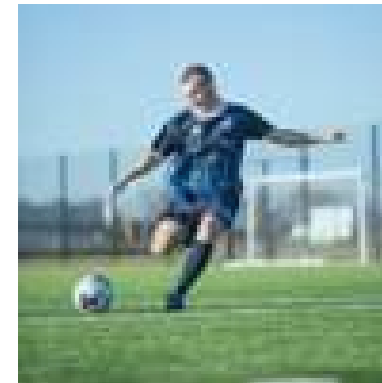
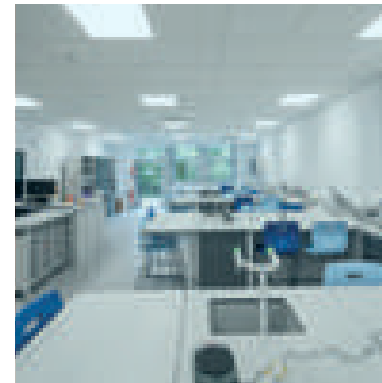
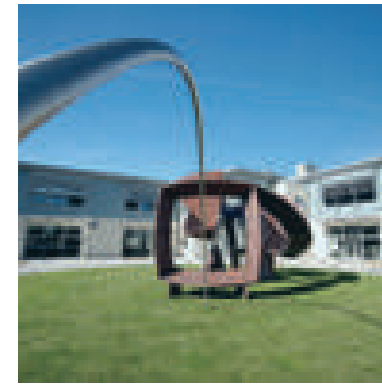
Our investment in the facilities has created an ultra-modern teaching environment, including dance studios and performance spaces, an impressive training kitchen and a hair and beauty centre. You will find a gym and indoor sports hall and a 3G multi-use all-weather sports pitch.

There is also a LibraryPlus, with open access to computers and Macs, hire equipment, and thousands of books on offer.

You can buy refreshments here – in our bistro, Costa Coffee, or The Grove – our industry-standard training restaurant.

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# LOXTON CAMPUS



## The subject areas based here are:

- All A Levels (sixth form)
- Art, Design, Graphics, Photography, Media and Music
- Health and Social Care
- Sport and Fitness.

Our sixth form centre contains well-equipped classrooms and science labs, alongside a large independent study space and common area.

The creative wing is designed to inspire learning and creativity for our vocational learners. You will find a variety of specialist rooms to practise, perform, record and edit music. It also boasts a range of art workshops and studios, as well as suites of computers and Macs.

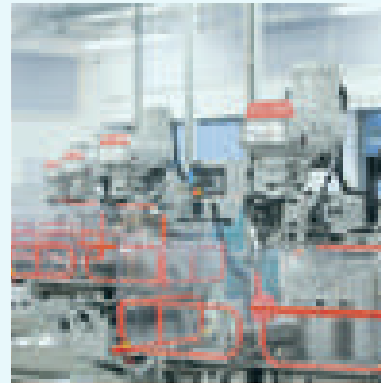
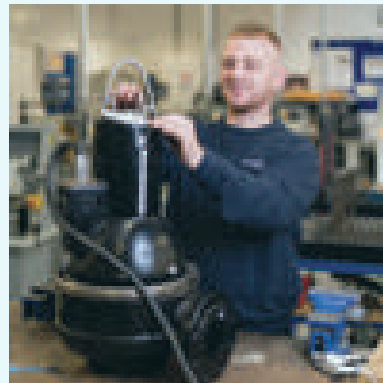
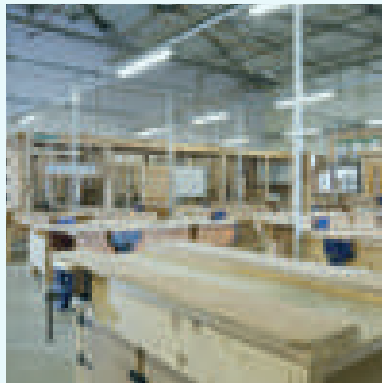
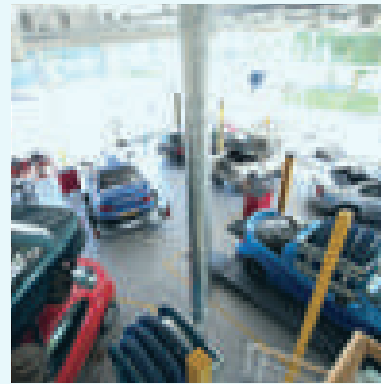
The new Health and Active Living Skills Centre houses our Health and Social Care and Sports learners. It contains a simulation hospital ward with hi-tech medical mannequins. The sports facilities boast a full-sized 3G football pitch, with spectator areas, and a full-sized grassed pitch, sports hall and gym.

There is also a LibraryPlus on this campus, which contains computers and books, and allows you to access a variety of study materials and mentoring. This campus has a Costa Coffee as well as a canteen which serves a variety of hot and cold meals.

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# SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS



## The subject areas based here are:

- Engineering
- Construction and Building Services
- Motor Vehicle
- Traineeships.

The emphasis at this campus is on preparing you for a successful career in key technical areas and trades. This is a high-technology campus with classrooms, workshops and labs that offer industry-standard equipment to give you the hands-on experience you will need to progress into the industry.

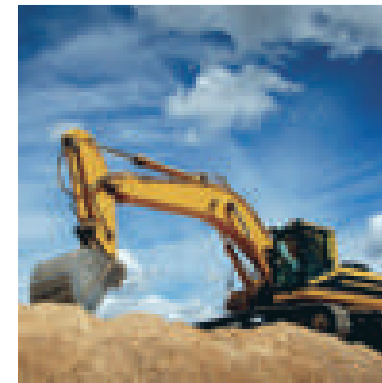
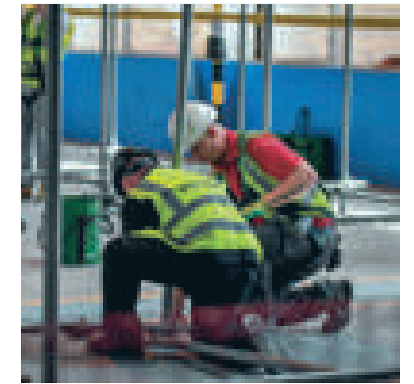
Our Automotive Training Centre was originally a commercial garage and dealership – which makes it the perfect place for you to learn to become a mechanic.

This campus contains a LibraryPlus, which includes computers, Macs, a variety of books, and learning mentors who can help with your studies. The canteen at South West Skills Campus serves a variety of hot and cold meals throughout the day. The campus also features a Costa Coffee.

South West Skills Centre is also home to the West of England Institute of Technology supporting technical education at Levels 4 and above.

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# CONSTRUCTION TRAINING CENTRE



**The Construction Training Centre is Weston College's new facility which is helping tackle the growing skills shortage in the construction industry.**

This centre has enabled partnership work with Somax and Simian. Somax specialise in driver training across the South West, while Simian is a world-renowned scaffolding training and health and safety consultancy provider specialising in workplace access and working at height.

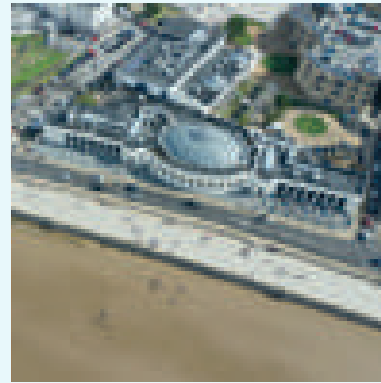
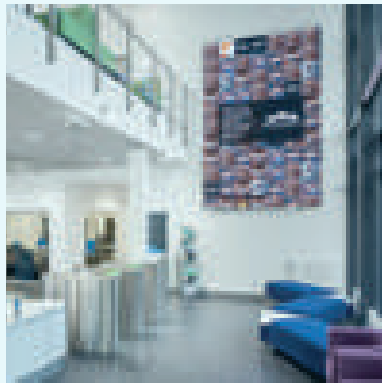
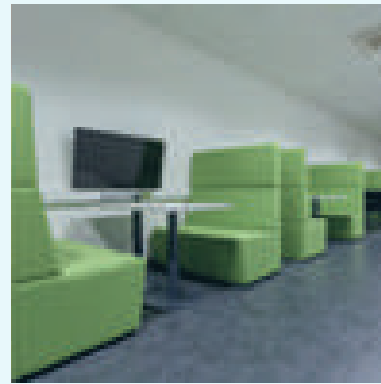
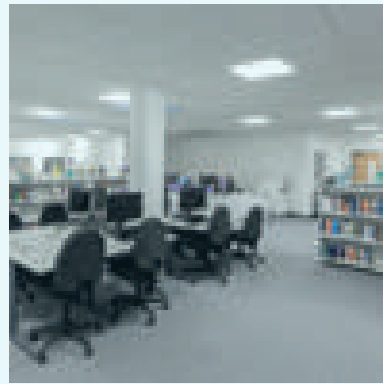
The centre provides training in six key industry areas:

- Plant operations
- Scaffolding
- Highways and groundworks
- Health and safety
- Driver training
- Warehouse and forklifting.

Apprenticeships in scaffolding and logistics are also based at this centre.

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# WINTER GARDENS



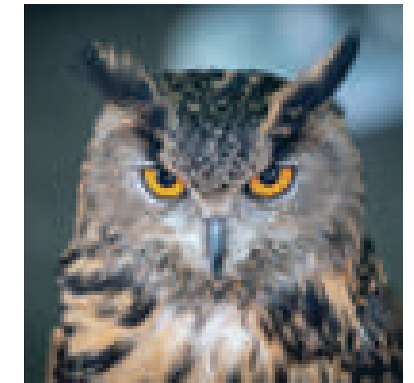
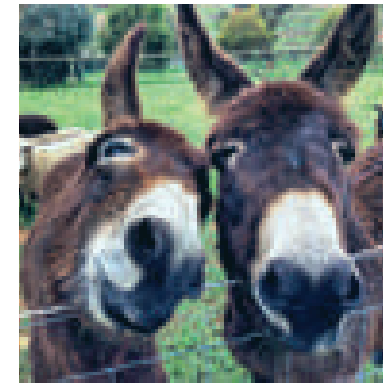
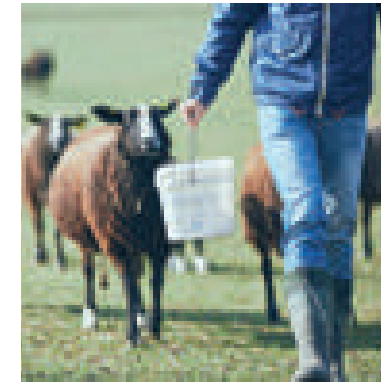
**The Weston College Group's multimillion-pound redevelopment of the Winter Gardens Pavilion on Weston seafront has created a new home for University Centre Weston (UCW) and, the Law and Professional Services Academy and in a bright and spacious teaching and learning facility, which is located on the Italian Gardens side of the building.**

It features a library, computer equipment, technology-enhanced 'pods' for group study, a café, classrooms, social spaces and so much more.

On the seafront side the building retains the traditional elements of its design and is Weston-super-Mare's iconic events venue which reopened to the public after an extensive renovation and refurbishment.

The Winter Gardens Pavilion is one of the largest venues of its kind in the South West, and since the late 1920s it has hosted many famous acts. It features an impressive neo-Georgian ballroom, ideal for conferences, ceremonies and events, as well as a number of smaller conference and meeting rooms.

# ANIMAL MANAGEMENT EDUCATION CENTRE



**The College has joined forces with Puxton Park, to enable learners to develop industry-specific skills working within the park's extensive farmland, facilities and wide range of farm and domestic animals, which will significantly enhance your employability.**

Puxton Park has provided 2050 m<sup>2</sup> land to the College who created the new £1.4m Animal Management Education Centre.

The new centre utilises low carbon techniques and creates an inclusive education facility for delivery of the practical elements of the animal management curriculum.

The centre has three classrooms, changing facilities, wash-space, toilets, offices and a student breakout area.

This innovative and exciting partnership provides a wealth of opportunities for learners, to develop practical skills with species to suit everyone's interests from reptiles to large farm animals through to birds of prey.

This partnership also allows employers to be involved with delivery and assessment to ensure that learners develop the skills that are current and up to date with industry standards.

# GETTING TO COLLEGE

Getting here is easy; our three main campuses have great transport links across the region and are easily accessible by road, train and bus.



## BUS TRAVEL

We offer you the choice of two subsidised bus travel passes - which you choose will depend on where you are travelling from and whether you wish to use the service outside of College hours.

For our bus pass prices please visit [www.weston.ac.uk/bus](http://www.weston.ac.uk/bus)

### First Bus Travel Pass

Our First Bus Pass offer is one of the most generous in the area and gives you substantial discounts on travel across the West of England.

The pass is valid on all local First Group buses 24 hours a day during term-times, and comes in either a five-day or seven-day option. It doesn't have to be used solely for College-related travel - there are no restrictions on what kind of travel you can use it for!

### Bakers Dolphin Travel Pass

We have continued to expand the number of direct coach services to the College. Now there are direct routes from Bridgwater, Nailsea, Clevedon, Portishead and Blagdon, meaning that you can get to College even faster and more efficiently than using normal timetabled bus routes.

## TRAIN TRAVEL

Weston-super-Mare's main station is on the main line between Bristol and Exeter. All of our campuses are a 10-20 minute walk from the train station or just a short bus journey.

	SERVICE FREQUENCY	TRAVEL TIME
Bristol Temple Meads to Weston-super-Mare	20 minutes*	25 minutes
Bridgwater to Weston-super-Mare	40 minutes*	18 minutes

\*services are more frequent at peak times

## Weston College Campuses

For the full addresses of our campuses, please see the back page of this prospectus.

CAMPUS	NEAREST BUS STOP	NEAREST TRAIN STATION	STUDENT CAR PARK
Knightstone Campus	Knightstone Road (Weston College)	Weston-super-Mare	No
Loxton Campus	Loxton Road (Weston College)	Weston-super-Mare	Yes
South West Skills Campus	Saxon Road	Weston Milton	Yes



## DID YOU KNOW?

16 and 17-year-olds are able to purchase a new railcard. The 16-17 Saver will entitle holders to a 50% discount on season tickets and peak, off-peak and advance fares. More information can be found at [www.16-17saver.co.uk](http://www.16-17saver.co.uk)



## GREEN TRAVEL

If you plan to cycle to College, you will be able to secure your bike using the cycle racks which are available at our three main campuses.

As our sites are easily accessible by road, you shouldn't have any problems if you choose to use your bike to get here.





# A LEVELS

**A Levels are perfect for students who want to follow routes that include undergraduate degree-level study, degree apprenticeships or a professional career.**

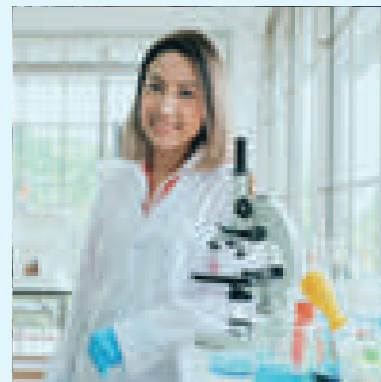
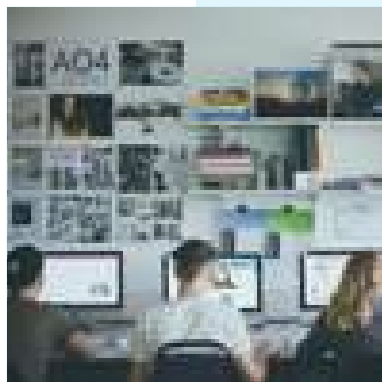
## ARE A LEVELS FOR YOU?

- A Levels are suited to those who perform well in exams and who learn better in a classroom environment.
- A Levels also give you the option of choosing a variety of subjects that interest you as well as specialising in subject areas that will be new to you because they are not offered in schools.
- You will be able to study three or, in some cases, four subjects before deciding which one area of specialism you would like to pursue at university or as a career.
- Based at Loxton Campus, Loxton Road, the Sixth Form is a bespoke building designed to feel more like a university, preparing you for future study.
- We offer unique pathways which means you can study other subjects alongside your core programmes to support your learning in those areas. These include bio-medical, creative enterprise, debating and current affairs, extended project qualification, sports performance and study skills. See **page 40** for more details.

## FACILITIES

We offer you facilities that include:

- A modern learning environment for 16 to 19-year-olds
- Large fully equipped science laboratories
- A student common room and independent study areas
- A fast, free and secure WiFi connection
- Specialised software packages for individual subjects
- A well-resourced library including e-resources and laptop loan service
- Access to a large number of PCs and Macs
- Subject-specific classrooms
- Access to sports facilities and a gym.



**“MY LECTURERS WERE AMAZING AND MADE ME EVEN MORE ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT STUDYING LAW.”**

**LAUREN SINCLAIR**

**STUDIED:** A Levels

**FORMER SCHOOL:** Priory

Now studying law at Oxford University and has ambitions to become a barrister.

➡ FIND OUT MORE AT  
**WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/A-LEVELS**

# A LEVELS

## HOW DO I CHOOSE WHICH A LEVEL SUBJECTS TO STUDY?

Thinking about what you enjoy is a good place to start. If you enjoy a subject or have an ability in it already, you are more likely to do well.

Are there any particular subjects or grades you may need? If you have a particular career, or further study, in mind, you may need to choose specific A Levels in order to meet entry requirements at university.

Consider how open you want to keep your future study and career choices.

## EXTRAS

We offer study pathways that complement A Levels. Pathways provide you with opportunities to develop different skills and share experiences to enhance your progression onto either higher education or employment.

You can opt for a particular pathway, but the decision to study three or four A Levels - plus a pathway will be based on GCSE grades, career goals and previous experiences. In year one a pathway is compulsory.

You can choose from:

### Bio-medical

- Provides further tuition on aspects of bio-medical science
- Gives opportunities to develop skills in bio-medical science
- Includes visits from health professionals and practitioners
- Prepares learners for employment in the health profession.

### Creative enterprise

- Work towards producing art, working closely with local galleries
- Ideal for those wanting to explore commercial activities within the creative industries.

### Debating and current affairs qualification

- Learn how to debate about current affairs and wider social and political issues more effectively
- It offers a qualification that can be used to support your employment opportunities or UCAS application
- Ideal for those who want to be more involved in public affairs and speaking as well as those who have ambitions to be local or national politicians or journalists.

### Extended project qualification

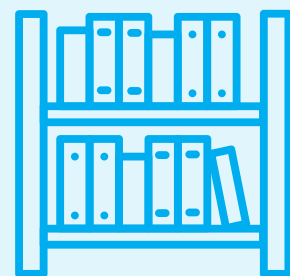
- Requires a taught element (around 40 hours) and around 80 hours of independent project work
- Outcomes may be dissertation, investigation, performance or artefact
- Provides grades and UCAS points.

### Sport performance

- Sports training and activities
- Guest speakers from sport and medicine
- Competitive fixtures and performance analysis.

### Study skills

- Spend time with a tutor to discuss and get support with your written work from your studies
- It can also be used to support presentations and coursework.



## WHAT CAN I DO AFTER A LEVELS?

### • University

A Levels are the most common qualifications studied to get into higher education.

Over the last few years our learners have been accepted at:

- University of Cambridge
- University of Oxford
- Cardiff University
- University of Birmingham
- University of Exeter
- Imperial College London
- University of Bristol
- University of York
- University of Bath
- University of Manchester

Plus many more!

### • A degree with us

Stay with us and study at University Centre Weston!

UCW offers foundation degrees, honours top-up degrees, full honours degrees, and higher and degree apprenticeships in partnership with Bath Spa University, Hartpury University and UWE Bristol.

Find out more on **page 194**.



### • Vocational or work-based qualifications, such as a higher apprenticeship

You will find details of our higher apprenticeships on our website **[www.weston.ac.uk/apprenticeships](http://www.weston.ac.uk/apprenticeships)**.

### • Employment

A Levels can give you an edge over other job-seeking candidates because it shows a high level of education and commitment.

**“THE LECTURERS WERE REALLY GOOD, AND THE FACILITIES AT THE SIXTH FORM ARE AMAZING.”**

**VAUGHAN RIDSDALE**

**STUDIED:** A Levels

**FORMER SCHOOL:** Priory

Vaughan achieved 3x A\*s and an A.

After a gap year he is going to university and would like to eventually work in the health sector.

# A LEVELS

## ART

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths, and grade 5 or above in an art-based subject.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will have the opportunity to explore exciting traditional and experimental artistic processes and techniques. This covers a wide range of skills including drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture and 3D, graphics, new media and creative software. You will then be able to specialise in any of these art forms.

You will have the opportunity to visit local and national galleries where you will investigate historical and contemporary artists, taking influence from their disciplines and styles to develop your individual responses for your personal project. You will consider how to build context in your work and how to communicate visual language through application of the formal elements of art and design. You will be expected to produce a large amount of work outside of sessions and to show critical contextual understanding through written, visual and other forms.

### ASSESSMENT

In your second year, you will complete coursework (60%) and a controlled assignment (40%).

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme could lead to a variety of careers in the creative industry or university. You could also progress to degrees in **Contemporary Art and Professional Studies** or **Graphic Design** at University Centre Weston.

## BIOLOGY

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English, and grade 6 or above in core and additional science and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will study the natural science concerned with the study of life and living organisms. This programme covers a variety of modules, including foundations in biology, exchange and transport, biodiversity, evolution and disease, and genetics and ecosystems.

You will benefit from access to our recently refurbished and well-equipped laboratories, which include modern apparatus and plenty of reference resources. Over two years, you will also develop practical skills in planning, implementation, analysis and evaluation.

### ASSESSMENT

You will sit three written exams in the second year. You will also receive a pass or fail grade for skills developed in practical work.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Following this programme you could progress to university to study degrees in medicine or veterinary science. You could also progress to the **Biological Laboratory Sciences** degree at University Centre Weston. Or a science based apprenticeship.

## BUSINESS

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will study business in a variety of contexts, such as large and small, local and global, and service and manufacturing businesses. You will learn about business, leadership, management and decision-making, marketing, operations, finance and human resources. You will also analyse the strategic position of a business, as well as learning how to choose strategic direction, pursue strategies, and manage strategic change.

You will learn to consider the context of a business in relation to decision making, how to use data to make decisions, how technological advancements affect the way decisions are made, and how to assess risk when making strategic decisions.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through examinations in your second year.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could apply for a related degree at university - for example **Business Management with Sustainability** at University Centre Weston, or an apprenticeship or employment in HR, marketing or finance.

## CHEMISTRY

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English, and grade 6 or above in core and additional science and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will study the principles of chemistry and how it relates to real life. You will also develop your practical skills using your second year to build on the foundations created during year one. Practical sessions include the synthesis of common compounds such as aspirin.

The programme is made up of the following modules: foundations in chemistry, periodic table and energy, core organic chemistry, physical chemistry and transition elements, and organic chemistry and analysis.

### ASSESSMENT

You will sit exams in your second year. You will also receive a pass or fail grade for skills developed in practical work.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could apply for a science or engineering-based programme at university. Chemistry is also an essential requirement for subjects such as medicine, veterinary science and dentistry. You could also progress to University Centre Weston degrees such as **Public and Environmental Health**, **Biological Laboratory Sciences** or **Engineering**.



# A LEVELS

## COMPUTER SCIENCE

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English, and grade 6 or above in maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will learn the technical aspects of computer science. This programme has an emphasis on abstract thinking, general problem solving, algorithmic and mathematical reasoning, and scientific and engineering-based thinking.

You will gain the knowledge, understanding and skills required to progress your learning to a higher level or enter the workplace. Studying mathematics alongside this A Level is mandatory as it complements the subject matter and will allow you to progress.

### ASSESSMENT

A combination of exams and coursework in your second year.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme can lead to university study with degrees in computer science, artificial intelligence, games design or many other areas. You could also progress to the degree in **Applied Computing** at University Centre Weston.

## CRIMINOLOGY

3

### BTEC

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Criminology is a qualification which includes elements of psychology, law and sociology.

The programme leads to the development of knowledge and understanding of the criminal justice system, awareness of the cause and effects of different types of crime. You will also examine theories that explain the behaviours and reasons why people commit crime.

### ASSESSMENT

50% of the assessment is through externally marked examinations and 50% through internally marked controlled assessment.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

The programme will enable you to develop a range of transferrable skills including independent research skills, problem solving, presentation skills and the ability to work collaboratively. It will support access to higher education degree courses in the social sciences such as Criminology, Sociology, Psychology and Law. Studying criminology will also provide a good grounding in the knowledge and understanding required to go on to employment in the criminal justice system in areas such as the probation service, policing and the courts and tribunals service.

## ECONOMICS

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English, and grade 6 or above in maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will look at decisions made by organisations and the government, and the impact they have on the economy. You will cover the following topics: exchange rates, unemployment, inflation, national debt, growth, worldwide markets, and energy pricing policies.

You will widen your knowledge through the investigative nature of economics, which provides excellent opportunities to excel in both written and verbal communication. Economics is perfectly matched with business studies for a career in a business environment.

### ASSESSMENT

Exams in your second year.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This is a great A Level to take if you're looking to study economics at university. You could also progress to the degree in **Business Management with Sustainability** at University Centre Weston. It also opens up many career opportunities including those in business, management, politics, finance, banking, management consultancy and economic journalism.

# A LEVELS

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme will allow you to explore many examples of prose along with different readers and audiences. You will do your own writing and study literary texts, including Shakespeare.

Group discussion forms a large part of this programme, and you will have plenty of scope for your own creative work. You will also explore how writers adapt their style to suit their particular audience, the different ways we use language when we talk and when we write, how writers create voices, how the development of internet technologies is affecting language usage and much more.

### ASSESSMENT

Exams (80%) and coursework (20%) in your second year.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme can help you get on to a wide range of university courses, including English, creative writing, journalism, politics and history.

## ENGLISH LITERATURE

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will explore a wide range of prose, drama and poetry - from Shakespeare to contemporary literature - alongside literary theory. In the first year, you will focus on tragedies, while the second year will allow you to explore your own independent research as well as focus on a further genre, such as gothic writing.

Group discussions form a large part of this A Level - we expect you to read widely and independently and be prepared to discuss your reading with others.

### ASSESSMENT

Exams (80%) and coursework (20%) in your second year.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This course can help you get on to a wide range of university courses, including English literature, creative writing, journalism, politics and history.

## FASHION AND TEXTILES

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths, and grade 5 or above in an art-based subject.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This subject will offer an exciting opportunity to embrace textile art, textile design and elements of fashion looking at the design industry from an artist's perspective. It will introduce you to the contemporary approach of the industry and encourage you to flourish as a potential textile designer, looking at a variety of techniques.

You will also cover a printing unit, looking at techniques such as shibori and screen-printing. You will combine your practical work with theory, research, and presentation skills, enabling you to develop fully as a budding designer or textile artist.

### ASSESSMENT

Component 1 - personal investigation (60%) of qualification/120 marks.

Component 2 - externally set assignment (40%) of qualification/80 marks.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme could lead to degree-level study, such as Weston College's **Art and Design UAL Foundation** (pre-degree) at University Centre Weston.

# A LEVELS

## FRENCH

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths, and grade 6 or above in French.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will develop confident, effective communication skills in French and a thorough understanding of the culture of countries and communities where French is native. You will be given the opportunity to go on our popular trip to Marseille to put your learning into practice and learn about French culture.

Study subjects include understanding native speakers in spoken and written materials; developing your confidence in self-expression and essay writing and cultural aspects of French-speaking society relevant to young people today, such as lifestyle, music, cinema and literature.

### ASSESSMENT

Exams in your second year.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

The ability to speak more than one language is highly valued by many universities and employers and can be combined with a number of subjects, leading to careers such as business, tourism, international law, journalism, media or engineering.

## GEOGRAPHY

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme covers many key elements of geography including tectonic processes and hazards, coastal landscapes and change, globalisation, regenerating places, the water cycle and water insecurity, the carbon cycle, and energy security and superpowers.

You will also develop your fieldwork skills - with a choice of investigating coastal management or regeneration. Increasingly, it is becoming vital to understand these issues and how they could influence the future of our planet. Geography is also a subject that provides you with many skills that employers now require.

### ASSESSMENT

Written examination (80%), non-examined assessment (20%).

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could apply for a variety of courses at university, such as geography, with a human or physical focus, or geology.

## HISTORY

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme gives you the opportunity to study aspects of early modern, British modern and American modern history. Units include Britain transformed, focusing on the change in politics, the welfare state and the impact of Thatcher's governments; the USA 1920-55, focusing on the economic boom and crash, and subsequent impact of WW2; and 'the witch craze in Britain, Europe and North America', focusing on witchcraft 1580-1750.

You will also get the opportunity to go on our class trip to Poland to enhance your knowledge of the Holocaust for your coursework.

### ASSESSMENT

Exams (80%) and coursework (20%).

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could apply to study history or a related subject at university - for example English and politics.



# A LEVELS

## IT PRACTITIONERS

3

**BTEC CERTIFICATE AND SUBSIDIARY DIPLOMA**

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme will improve your knowledge and practical skills in IT, considering IT systems, social media in business, data modelling, information management and website development. You will find out how computer systems work and learn to utilise different applications.

Assignments are based on workplace situations, so you will get an insight to the careers available in IT and what it is like to work in the industry. The extended certificate (completed in year two) is the equivalent to an A Level and can contribute to your UCAS points.

### ASSESSMENT

There is a mix of assignment coursework and external assessment, with a controlled assessment in year one and an exam in year two.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could progress to a degree-level course, such as the degree in **Applied Computing** at University Centre Weston, or an apprenticeship or seek employment in a related field.

## LAW

3

**A LEVEL**

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme will develop your understanding of the legal system, covering aspects of criminal law, tort (negligence), and contract law. You will also learn how and why laws are created, with consideration of justice, morality and the power of judges to make laws.

You will have the opportunity to witness the law in action by visiting local magistrates' courts, the Royal Courts of Justice, Supreme Court and the Houses of Parliament. We also arrange for guest speakers to talk to you about their roles in the justice system.

### ASSESSMENT

You will sit exams in your second year.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could apply to study law at university. You could also study **Law LLB** at University Centre Weston and UWE Bristol, or take other programmes at the College - including our Chartered Institute of Legal Executives programme, which allows you to qualify as a legal executive.

## MATHEMATICS

3

**A LEVEL**

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English, and grade 6 or above in maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme will add depth to your GCSE knowledge. Not only will you learn mathematical processes, which will enable you to work in high-level industries (such as engineering, sciences, finance and computing), but you will learn how to spot and solve more complex real-life problems with confidence.

The core units of the programme look at numerical calculations, algebra, trigonometry, logarithms and calculus, covering a wide range of mathematical problems which will improve your problem-solving skills. You will also study compulsory content in statistics and mechanics, which will enable you to apply the pure maths in contextualised settings.

### ASSESSMENT

You will sit exams in your second year.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could apply to study a range of subjects at degree-level including physics, engineering, computing and maths.

## FURTHER MATHEMATICS

3

**A LEVEL**

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English, and grade 8 or above in maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

On the first year of this programme you will study A Level maths before progressing to further mathematics in the second. Not only will you learn mathematical processes, which will enable you to work in high-level industries such as engineering, sciences, finance and computing, but you will learn how to spot and solve more complex real-life problems with confidence.

The core units look at numerical calculations, algebra, trigonometry, logarithms and calculus. This will build on your GCSE lessons. In your second year, you will study modules in further pure mathematics, and two of the following three areas: mechanics, decision maths and statistics. Where appropriate, you will also receive support with entrance papers (such as STEP and MAT) in your second year.

### ASSESSMENT

Exams in your first and second year.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could apply to study physics, computing or engineering at university level.

# A LEVELS

## MEDIA

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

On this programme you will study how the media plays a central role in contemporary culture, society and politics. In your first year, you will study advertising, news online, the film industry and music videos. In your second year, you will study television in the global age, magazines, media in the digital age and video games. You will be expected to keep up with current affairs and issues.

You will also produce your own media artefact enabling you to explore and pursue your own media interests from one of the following forms: television, online news, magazines, films, music video, and advertising.

### ASSESSMENT

Written examination (70%), non-examined assessment (30%).

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could continue to study media at degree-level, including the degree in **Film and Media Arts Production** at University Centre Weston. Possible career routes include TV and film production, media journalism and advertising.

## PHOTOGRAPHY

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths, and grade 5 or above in an art-based subject.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will experience a range of photographic approaches and skills including digital and analogue camera work, Adobe programmes, studio-based work and darkroom. You will investigate a range of experimental artistic styles and grow your skillset as a photographer through varied subject matter.

You will be expected to do a large amount of work in your own time, as the subject encourages a unique and individualistic approach. You are expected to show critical contextual understanding, creative making and reflective recording through written, visual and other forms.

### ASSESSMENT

There is an end-of-year assessment during your first year that determines progression into the second year. During your second year you will be assessed through coursework (60%) and controlled assignment (40%).

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could progress to degrees including **Photography in Practice** at University Centre Weston, or even the pre-degree **Art and Design Foundation Diploma** at College. In addition, there are numerous professions within this field, including photographer, technician, educator and curator.

## PHYSICS

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English, and grade 6 or above in core and additional sciences and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will study and learn about various aspects of matter and energy, with the theory content divided into six modules. Year one covers mechanics, electricity and waves. You will also be introduced to some new areas of physics including particle physics and quantum physics.

In the second year you will cover fields and further mechanics, nuclear physics, medical physics, astrophysics and thermal physics. You will develop your practical skills and problem-solving throughout the programme. It is mandatory to study maths.

### ASSESSMENT

You will sit exams in your second year. You will also receive a pass or fail grade for skills developed in practical work.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Physics is essential for degree courses in astronomy, computer technology, engineering, geophysics, meteorology and physics itself.

**“THE TEACHING SUPPORT WAS INCREDIBLE AND A HUGE PART OF ME BEING ABLE TO ACHIEVE MY RESULTS.”**

**ANJU ANIL**

**STUDIED:** A Levels

**FORMER SCHOOL:** Broadoak

Anju achieved A\* and 2x As.

She has secured a place at University of Southampton to study Mathematics and Actuarial Science. Her career aspiration is to become an actuary.

# A LEVELS

## POLITICS

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme will increase your awareness of political processes and give you an insight into the institutions that make our country, and the rest of the world, work. You will start by studying the UK's political system, eventually moving on to the issues surrounding politics in the US.

This will develop your understanding of both systems and key political issues. You will also study key political ideologies which have formed the basis of political thought over the past few centuries.

It is essential that you keep up-to-date with current affairs and get involved in lively discussions in class. You will also be given the opportunity to visit the Houses of Parliament, speak to key political figures and engage in work experience within the local political scene.

### ASSESSMENT

Exams in the second year.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could apply to study politics, international relations or a related degree, such as law or history. Related careers include journalism, law, PR, finance, media, local government and politics.

## PSYCHOLOGY

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English, and grade 5 or above core and additional science and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will find out about a variety of psychological approaches including biological, positive and psychodynamic and how they relate to each other. You will also study key pieces of research and debates covering a variety of perspectives and topics such as criminal behaviour.

This programme also covers how psychological data is collected (through your own research), and will allow you to develop an interest in and enthusiasm for psychology, with opportunities to go on excursions and explore the subject-matter in depth.

### ASSESSMENT

All units are assessed at the end of year two through exams.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

For many universities, psychology is considered a science, and can be used towards a variety of courses including psychology itself.

## SOCIOLOGY

3

### A LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme teaches you to understand the five main sociological perspectives and apply these ideas to the academic study of society. The main topics covered on this A Level include culture, socialisation and identity, research methods, globalisation and beliefs.

A key feature of the social sciences is the application of subjective ideas. This subject offers a range of approaches to understand society, and interpretation and perception are a key part of this. It is important that before the start of the programme you take the time to research the subject and have a basic understanding of what sociology entails. Debates will often focus on cultural practices, looking at why some ideas are acceptable in some cultures and not acceptable in others, for example arranged marriage and the death penalty.

### ASSESSMENT

Units are assessed through three exams at the end of year two.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme is an ideal stepping stone for study at degree-level in sociology, social work, international relations and social policy.

## SPORT AND EXERCISE SCIENCE

3

### BTEC CERTIFICATE AND EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English, maths and science.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme is equivalent to one A Level and is therefore designed to be studied alongside two other A Levels.

The programme covers a variety of topics around the active leisure, sport and fitness industry. Year one covers anatomy and physiology, working in the sports industry and fitness training. Year two will include study of specialists units.

This subject will provide you with knowledge and understanding of this vocational area. It is an ideal qualification for those who want a broad background in sport science. The subject also develops skills such as analysis and problem solving, which can be used in any career.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through coursework and some examined units.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could apply for a related degree-level course, such as University Centre Weston's degrees in **Sports Studies** and **Sports Studies (Football)**.



# ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

**The perfect place for you to start your journey into the animal management industry.**

Our qualifications have been developed in conjunction with local and national employers and have a proven record of helping students gain animal management-related jobs and onto relevant degrees. After you've completed one of our programmes there will be a number of opportunities available to you. You could study a further qualification with us or at university, or progress straight into the industry, where there are a number of varied and exciting jobs available.

## FACILITIES

You will be based both at Knightstone Campus and Puxton Park, where you will benefit from:

- A bespoke animal management campus
- Weekly experience within an outstanding zoo farm
- The opportunity to study and work with a wide range of animal species from insects to primates
- Teaching from industry specialists
- Opportunities to undertake meaningful and substantial work experience
- Trips to animal establishments
- Guest lectures from a wide range of industry specialists.

## JOB ROLES IN THE WEST OF ENGLAND

VETERINARY NURSE ZOOKEEPER  
ECOLOGIST ANIMAL CONSERVATION WORKER  
DOG GROOMER ANIMAL TRAINER  
MARINE BIOLOGIST PET STORE MANAGER

## INDUSTRY PARTNER



You will get the chance to work with an exciting new range of animals thanks to our partnership with one of the region's top visitor attractions.

The College has joined forces with Puxton Park, which will enable students to develop industry-specific skills working with the park's specialist facilities and animals.

Puxton's range of domestic, farm and exotic animals include tortoises, parrots, reindeer, owls, marmoset monkeys, meerkats, donkeys, goats, ponies, rare pigs, alpacas, cattle, emus and stick insects.

The link will also allow you to gain broader customer service skills, by engaging with tourists, families and school parties - all helping you prepare for the world of work.



**“THE FACILITIES WERE GREAT WHEN I STUDIED THERE AND THE NEW FACILITY AT PUXTON PARK WILL BE EVEN MORE EXCITING!”**



## ARRIANNE SCOINS

**STUDIED:** Animal Management

**FORMER SCHOOL:** Worle

Arrianne gained employment after a placement, that was part of her study programme, at Green Pastures Vets.

# ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>LEVEL 6</b> Business Management with Sustainability BA (Hons)	OFFERED AT UCW
	<b>LEVEL 4 AND 5</b> Animal Management FdSc	
PROGRESS FROM HERE	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Animal Management BTEC Extended Diploma	
	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Animal Care BTEC Diploma Animal Care and Welfare Assistant Apprenticeship	
	<b>LEVEL 1</b> Animal Care Award/Certificate	

## ANIMAL CARE

1

### AWARD/CERTIFICATE

DURATION: 1 YEAR

START DATE: SEPTEMBER 2021

LOCATION: KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS/  
PUXTON PARK

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3, or the successful completion of a pre-vocational programme.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Animal Care Level 1 is a combination of theory and practical work. It will provide you with the opportunity to work with a large range of animals and is perfect for people who are interested in animals, and want to enter into a career in the animal care industry.

You will learn about the animal sector, caring for and feeding animals, and moving and accommodating animals. You will receive tutorial support, study skills, work-related experience, employability skills and personal and social development. We will also work with you to develop your English and maths skills to the level most employers look for.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical observations, group work, coursework, presentations and exams.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme could be your first step into the animal care industry. You could progress onto a traineeship, an into work programme, or the Animal Care Level 2 programme or apprenticeship.

## ANIMAL CARE

2

### BTEC TECHNICAL DIPLOMA

DURATION: 1 YEAR

START DATE: SEPTEMBER 2021

LOCATION: KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS/  
PUXTON PARK

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4 or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Animal Care Level 2 Diploma combines theory and practical work, which will provide you with the opportunity to work with a large range of animals. It's perfect for people who are interested in animals, and who want to develop their animal care skills to work in the industry.

You will learn about animal feeding, health, welfare, behaviour, breeding, grooming, and nursing. This programme is designed to improve your employment prospects by providing you with personal and vocational skills. It will include tutorial support, study skills, and employability skills.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical observations, group work, coursework, presentations and exams.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

After the Animal Care Level 2 programme you will be well equipped to work in the animal care industry in a retail role or in catteries and kennels. You can improve your prospects of gaining higher-level work by progressing to the Level 3 qualification in animal management.

“THESE COURSES  
GAVE ME THE  
OPPORTUNITY TO  
STUDY A SUBJECT I  
WAS INTERESTED IN  
AND DEVELOP BOTH  
MY ACADEMIC AND  
PRACTICAL SKILLS.”



## MAC

STUDIED: Animal Management BTEC Extended Diploma and Animal Management FdSc at UCW

Mac is now an Animal Team Supervisor at Puxton Park.

# ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

## ANIMAL CARE AND WELFARE ASSISTANT

2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 12 MONTHS

**START DATE:** FLEXIBLE

**LOCATION:** WORKPLACE/PUXTON PARK

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You don't need any formal qualifications to enrol on this apprenticeship, but you will be assessed to ensure you can complete the English and maths qualification to at least Level 1. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This apprenticeship provides valuable workplace skills and experience, while you earn a wage. You will spend 4 days a week with an employer and one day a week at college to learn the theoretical elements of the role.

Animal Care and Welfare Assistants look after the routine day-to-day husbandry and care of domestic and/or wild animals under guidance in a variety of different settings. The work is carried out individually or as part of a team in places such as kennels and catteries, laboratories, animal welfare centres, farm parks, rehabilitation centres, retail outlets and in the transportation of animals.

Typical job roles include: kennel/cattery assistant; animal technician, animal welfare assistant; animal day care assistant; animal collection officer; wildlife rehabilitation assistant; zoo keeper assistant, pet retail assistant, animal handler, veterinary care assistant, farm park assistant.

We will also work with you to develop your maths and English skills.

### ASSESSMENT

You will need to achieve the core skills and knowledge, behaviours contained within the apprenticeship standard and will be assessed through a portfolio of evidence and an End Point Assessment which consists of a practical assessment and a professional discussion.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most Weston College apprentices are kept on by their employer after they finish their programme. Upon completion of this apprenticeship, you could progress to the Level 3 in **Animal Management**.

## ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

3

### BTEC EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS/  
PUXTON PARK

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4 including English or a Level 2 programme at merit or distinction.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Animal Management Level 3 programme is a balance of practical work and theory and will provide you with the opportunity to work with a wide variety of animals. You will gain detailed academic knowledge and understanding of all aspects of animal science, management, behaviour and husbandry through theory-based and practical sessions.

Topics include animal behaviour, anatomy and physiology, animal health, exotic animals, dog grooming, animal nutrition, animal nursing, animal welfare, and breed development.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical activities, group work, presentations, coursework and examinations.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You will be equipped to enter a career in a variety of roles such as veterinary nurse, zookeeper or animal scientist. You can increase your skills with an animal-related degree such as University Centre Weston's degree in **Animal Management**.

**“I WAS ATTRACTED TO THIS COURSE DUE TO THE LINKS BETWEEN THE VOLUNTEER WORK, THE CONTENT AND MY FUTURE ASPIRATIONS.”**

**JOE**

**STUDIED:** Animal Management,  
BTEC Extended Diploma

Joe is now Head of Animals at Puxton Park.



# BUSINESS

Having a business related qualification will open up a wide range of careers across numerous sectors.

Our programmes cover a range of topics including tourism, law, customer services, HR and general business, so you can gain knowledge and skills in all the areas you need to be successful.

This section includes our programmes for:

- Accounting
- Business
- Customer Services
- Estate Agent
- HR
- Marketing
- Law
- Travel and Tourism.

### FACILITIES

The College study programmes are based at Knightstone Campus in the town centre. You will also benefit from the Law and Professional Services Academy.

### JOB ROLES IN THE WEST OF ENGLAND

AIR STEWARD PR SPECIALIST  
BUSINESS ANALYST LEGAL EXECUTIVE  
FINANCE MANAGER HUMAN RESOURCE MANAGER  
MARKETING MANAGER PROJECT MANAGER



## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>LEVEL 6</b> Business Management BA (Hons) Chartered Legal Executive Apprenticeship	OFFERED AT UCW
	<b>LEVEL 5</b> HR Consultant Apprenticeship	
	<b>LEVEL 4</b> Operational/Department Manager Apprenticeship Professional Accounting Technician Apprenticeship	
PROGRESS FROM HERE	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Assistant Accountant Apprenticeship Business BTEC Extended Diploma Business Administration Apprenticeship Customer Service Specialist Apprenticeship Marketing Apprenticeship HR Support Apprenticeship Paralegal Apprenticeship Team Leading Apprenticeship Travel and Tourism BTEC Extended Diploma	
	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Accounts/Finance Assistant Apprenticeship Business Extended Certificate Customer Service Practitioner Apprenticeship Junior Estate Agent Apprenticeship Travel and Tourism Extended Certificate	

“THE SUPPORT I HAVE RECEIVED HAS BEEN EXCELLENT, AND I CAN’T WAIT TO CONTINUE MY DEVELOPMENT.”



### MOLLY O’FLAHERTY

STUDIED: Business

FORMER SCHOOL: Worle

Molly won Apprentice of the Year at the Weston College Business Awards, and she wants to continue to grow in her role at Thatchers.

## ACCOUNTS/ FINANCE ASSISTANT

2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 13 MONTHS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

5 GCSE 9-5. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can support you to find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The Level 2 apprenticeship provides valuable workplace skills and experience, while you earn a wage. You will spend 4 days a week with an employer and one day or two evenings a week at college to learn the theoretical elements of the role. You will undertake a number of qualifications including the AAT Level 2 Foundation Certificate in Accounting. This programme covers a range of topics such as bookkeeping and costing etc. We will also work with you to develop your maths and English skills.

### ASSESSMENT

You will complete the AAT examinations, a synoptic assessment and an end point assessment.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most Weston College apprentices are kept on by their employer after they finish their programme. After this apprenticeship you could progress to the assistant accountant apprenticeship (Level 3).

## ASSISTANT ACCOUNTANT

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 18 - 24 MONTHS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need a minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-5 and a Level 2 AAT qualification, or the AAT Bookkeeping qualification. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 3 Assistant Accountant Apprenticeship provides valuable workplace skills and experience while you earn a wage. You will spend most of your week with your employer and attend College occasionally to learn the theoretical elements of the role.

You will undertake a number of qualifications including the Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT) Level 3 Advanced Diploma.

The programme covers a range of topics, including advanced bookkeeping, final accounts preparation, management accounting (costing), indirect tax, ethics for accounting, and spreadsheets. We will also work with you to develop your English and maths skills.

### ASSESSMENT

You will complete the AAT Advanced Diploma assessments, skills tests, a portfolio of evidence, a synoptic assessment and a professional discussion.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most Weston College apprentices are kept on by their employers after they finish their programme. You will be equipped for a variety of roles, including accounting technician, accounts clerk or finance assistant.

You could also increase your skills with a higher apprenticeship like the Level 4 Professional Accounting Technician or the degree in **Business Management with Sustainability** at University Centre Weston.

## BUSINESS

2

### EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4 or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 2 Business programme will give you the chance to explore a number of topics within the business sector. The skills you gain will help you to decide the direction you want your career to take.

You will work with real businesses to develop your skills and also gain employability and entrepreneurial skills by completing a number of enterprise challenges.

This programme covers a range of subjects, including: business enterprise, finance, business planning, marketing, customer service, working in teams, sales and personal selling, recruitment and selection.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical observations, group work, presentations, coursework, online assessments and examinations.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme, which has a 100% pass rate, will provide you with the skills required for a variety of jobs in the business sector. You could also progress to the Extended Diploma in Business, or a related Level 3 programme at Weston College.

## BUSINESS

3

### BTEC EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including maths and English, or a Level 2 programme at merit or distinction.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 3 Business programme will develop your business acumen and provide you with the skills required in a variety of roles in the sector.

You will cover a range of topics, including marketing, starting up a small business, accounting, recruitment, selection, human resource management, business law, finance, management, events management, international business, customer services, and digital marketing.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through examinations, practical examinations, group work, presentations, coursework and online assessments.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme has a 100% pass rate and could lead to a variety of jobs in the business sector. You could also enhance your skills by progressing to the degree in **Business Management with Sustainability** at University Centre Weston.

## BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 18 MONTHS

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need five GCSEs, including English, at grade 9-4, or a Level 2 business qualification. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 3 Business Administration Apprenticeship will enable you to learn practical skills on the job while earning a wage. You will spend most of the week with your employer learning about business administration as you work, and come to College occasionally to learn the theoretical aspects of the role.

The programme covers a number of units, which could include managing your work and development, maintaining effective working relationships, researching and preparing information, and co-ordinating administrative services.

### ASSESSMENT

The end-point assessment consists of three elements - knowledge test, portfolio interview and project presentation. All assessments need to be passed and each assessment method will directly assess the knowledge, skills and behaviours of the apprenticeship standard.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most Weston College apprentices are kept on by their employer at the end of their programme.

The programme will also provide you with skills you will need for a variety of business roles such as office manager or personal assistant. You could also increase your skills by progressing to the degree in **Business with Management** at University Centre Weston or a higher apprenticeship.

➡ FIND OUT MORE AT

[WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/BUSINESS](http://WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/BUSINESS)

## CUSTOMER SERVICE PRACTITIONER

2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 12 - 18 MONTHS

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You don't need any formal qualifications to enrol on this apprenticeship, but you will be assessed to ensure you can complete the English and maths qualification to at least Level 1. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will spend most of your week working in a customer service role - providing a high-quality service in the workplace, digitally, or in the customers' localities. You will also come to College occasionally to build on your work-based learning.

This Level 2 Customer Service Apprenticeship, covers a range of topics, such as delivering reliable customer service, resolving customer service problems and developing personal performance.

As part of the programme, you will undertake the new retail team leader apprenticeship standard and work towards developing your skills and knowledge in preparation for the end-point assessment.

### ASSESSMENT

We'll assess your practical skills and workplace performance. Your personal assessor will also visit you at work to review your progress towards the qualifications. The end-point assessment will consist of three elements - apprentice showcase, practical observation and professional discussion. All assessments need to be passed and each will directly assess the knowledge, skills and behaviours of the apprenticeship standard.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

After this programme, you could progress to an advanced apprenticeship in customer service, or a Level 3 business-related programme at Weston College.

## CUSTOMER SERVICE SPECIALIST

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 15 MONTHS

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grades 9-4 including English and maths. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

A customer service specialist provides direct customer support within all sectors and organisation types. You will be an advocate of customer service who acts as a referral point for dealing with more complex or technical customer requests, complaints, and queries.

You will often be an escalation point for complicated or ongoing customer problems. As an expert in your organisation's products and/or services, you share knowledge with your wider team and colleagues. You gather and analyse data and customer information that influences change and improvements in service.

### ASSESSMENT

The end-point assessment consists of three parts. The practical observation takes place in the last three months and will be an observation of your work in the workplace.

The work-based project and interview occurs in the last two months of the apprenticeship and will involve the submission of a project.

The professional discussion reviews the portfolio of evidence that has been developed during the programme.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could progress to a management qualification, such as a team leader apprentice or an operational or departmental manager.

➡ FIND OUT MORE AT

[WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/BUSINESS](http://WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/BUSINESS)

## HR SUPPORT

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need five GCSEs at grade 9-4, or a Level 2 qualification. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

HR professionals in this role, typically, work in medium-to-large organisations as part of the HR function delivering front-line support to managers and employees.

Your work is likely to include handling day-to-day queries and providing HR advice; working on a range of HR processes, ranging from transactional to relatively complex, from recruitment through to retirement; using HR systems to keep records; providing relevant HR information to the business; working with the business on HR changes.

You will typically take ownership for providing advice to managers on a wide range of HR issues, using company policy and current law, giving compliance guidance to avoid errors that could expose the organisation to employment tribunals or legal risk.

As part of this apprenticeship you can also gain a CIPD Level 3 Foundation Certificate in HR - it will also include a CIPD membership fee of £178 which is payable by either the yourself or your employer.

### ASSESSMENT

The end-point assessment will consist of two main components - a consultative project of approximately 3,000 words, and a professional discussion that will explore specific skills and behaviours.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Your next step could be the HR Consultant/Manager Apprenticeship at Level 5. You could also apply for the degree in **Business Management with Sustainability** at University Centre Weston.



## JUNIOR ESTATE AGENT

2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 12 MONTHS

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

There are no other formal qualifications required to start this apprenticeship but you will be assessed to ensure you have the ability to complete the English and maths qualification to at least Level 1. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This is a customer-facing role with responsibility for providing the administrative support needed to secure successful property sales. You may work in different areas of estate agency - for example, sales, auctioneering and commercial property. In all cases, you will be required to understand and comply with contractual, statutory and legal restrictions, and client confidentiality. You will be working under supervision within the wider organisation.

You will be able to acquire the fundamental skills for the commercial and residential property sales industry. This in turn will give you the capability for further career progression on completion of the apprenticeship.

### ASSESSMENT

You will undertake an independent end assessment, which will test your skills, knowledge and behaviours required for this role.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

The majority of our apprentices are kept on by their employer at the end of the programme. Apprentices who successfully complete this apprenticeship may be eligible to apply for the NAEA Propertymark.

## MARKETING

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 18 MONTHS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** WORKPLACE/KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSE's grade 9-4 including maths and English. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will explore the dynamic world of marketing. This qualification is equivalent to 3 A Levels and allows you to specialise for a range of careers within marketing.

The qualification is mapped to the Chartered Marketing Institute (CMI) Level 3 Foundation Certificate in Professional Digital Marketing, thereby extending your employment opportunities.

You will study a range of topics including; digital marketing; marketing an event; brand activation, social media influencer marketing; market research for a new business, marketing principles and customer communications.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through 13 assessments over two years which includes one examination.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme will enable you to progress to employment within the sector or you could progress to a higher level apprenticeship or Higher Education.

## PARALEGAL

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need a minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-4, or have completed the Level 2 programme. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This paralegal apprenticeship is suitable for those who are providing legal support while working under supervision.

It has been designed in collaboration with a number of law firms and legal departments with experience in employing paralegals, with the close involvement of CILEx Regulation and the Solicitors Regulation Authority. Alongside work-based study, you will work towards a CILEx Level 3 Certificate, which is a stepping stone to the Level 3 Diploma.

### ASSESSMENT

A work-based assessor will visit you at the firm to assess your practical skills and professional behaviour and complete a portfolio of evidence ready for the end-point assessment.

The CILEx Certificate is taught at Weston College and is assessed through exams and written assignments.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

With the appropriate job role, you may be able to progress onto the Chartered Legal Executive Apprenticeship at Level 6.

## ⬅ DID YOU KNOW

The South West's legal sector is highly competitive, and we have strong links with a number of law firms to offer our you the best opportunities and learning experience.

## TEAM LEADING

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 18 MONTHS

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You should hold a Level 3 business or management qualification to start this programme, or have substantial workplace experience in a lower management setting. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This training programme will give you on-the-job training and workplace experience in a leadership and management setting.

You will cover topics including operational management, project management, finance and budgeting, building relationships and decision making.

You will learn the skills required to lead a team of people and achieve a successful outcome, and manage projects effectively to understand outcomes and risk factors. You will also develop your interpersonal skills and professionalism in the workplace.

### ASSESSMENT

When you have completed the programme, you will undergo an end-point assessment consisting of knowledge test, professional discussion, interview, assessment of portfolio and a presentation.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You can progress to a range of qualifications, including a Level 5 Operations/Departmental Manager Apprenticeship, the ILM Level 6 Award in Management, Chartered Manager Degree Apprenticeship, a management-related degree course, or ILM Level 7 qualifications in leadership and management.

# BUSINESS

## TRAVEL AND TOURISM

2

### EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-2, with at least two at grade 4, or a Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will explore the dynamic world of travel and tourism on this programme, which includes a range of units that will prepare you for careers within the industry.

These include the UK travel and tourism sector, UK travel destinations, customer service, international destinations, business and marketing of travel and tourism.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

We'll assess your practical activities, group work, presentations, coursework, online assessments and examinations.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could enter into a variety of roles in the travel and tourism industry, or increase your skills by progressing to a Level 3 programme at Weston College.

## TRAVEL AND TOURISM

3

### BTEC EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including maths and English at grade 4 or a Level 2 programme at merit or distinction.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 3 is equivalent to 3 A Levels and allows you to study the industry in depth. You will learn about global destinations, current industry issues, and business and marketing in the tourism, cruise, event and conference industries.

You will develop research, creative, problem-solving, teamwork and interpersonal skills, and increase your industry knowledge by visiting various destinations in the UK and possibly overseas. Local travel agencies have contributed to designing the programme and will set you a number of challenges to increase your work-related skills.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical activities, group work, presentations, coursework and online assessments.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme will provide the skills you need to carry out a range of roles in the travel and tourism industry. Or you could increase your skills and earning potential by progressing to the degree in **Business Management with Sustainability** at University Centre Weston.

➡ FIND OUT MORE AT  
**WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/BUSINESS**



# COMPUTING AND IT

**The IT industry is set to continue growing into the foreseeable future, which means there are plenty of available jobs.**

Computing and IT is at the heart of future technologies and, at Weston College, we teach a variety of specialist programmes to help you find the area you are best suited to.

## T-LEVELS

THE NEW LEVEL QUALIFICATION

Computing and IT are at the forefront of the changes to technical education. We were one of the first centres to offer the new T Level (Digital Production, Design and Development, T Level) in 2020.

The T Level qualification is a highly technical alternative to A Levels, and is part of the Government's commitment to giving people access to high-quality training opportunities.

T Levels will combine classroom theory, practical learning and an industry placement where you build the knowledge and skills you need in a workplace environment. Find out more about this exciting new programme on **page 76**.

## FACILITIES

Based at Knightstone Campus, we can offer you:

- State-of-the-art computing classrooms
- Access to our online systems and resources from any location or device via our online student portal
- A fast, free and secure WiFi connection
- Specialised software packages through Microsoft and CISCO
- Access to devices for printing, scanning and copying
- Opportunities to undertake specialised vendor qualifications on top of your programme.

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## INDUSTRY PARTNERS

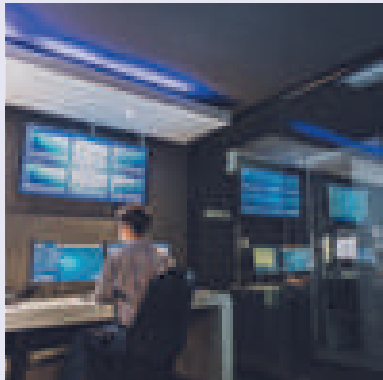
We work with a range of employer partners and have a number of industry accreditations. These are important factors in ensuring your study programme with us makes you job-ready. These include:

- Microsoft IT Academy Programme Member
- BCS Chartered Institute of IT
- CISCO Networking Academy
- Microsoft Showcase college
- Cardstream
- Eloquent Technologies
- Zircon Software.



## JOB ROLES IN THE WEST OF ENGLAND

**PROGRAMMER** IT OPERATIONS TECHNICIAN  
**IT BUSINESS ANALYST** IT PROJECT MANAGER  
SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT PROFESSIONAL  
**IT SPECIALIST MANAGER**



**“THE FACILITIES ARE GREAT AND ALLOW US TO WORK AT OUR BEST.”**

**GERICHO SUAZO**

**FORMER SCHOOL:** Broadoak

Gericho Suazo has completed the first year of an Extended Diploma in Computing and is returning in September for year 2.



# COMPUTING AND IT

## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>Level 5 &amp; 6</b> Applied Computing BSc (Hons) Digital and Technology Solutions BSc (Hons) Degree Apprenticeship Digital User Experience (UX) Professional Degree Apprenticeship	OFFERED AT <b>UCW</b>
	<b>LEVEL 4</b> Cyber Security Apprenticeship Data Analyst Apprenticeship Software Developer Apprenticeship	
	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Digital: Support Services T Level Digital: Production, Design and Development T Level eSports BTEC Extended Diploma Infrastructure Technician Apprenticeship Cyber Security Technician Apprenticeship Software Development Technician Apprenticeship Digital Business Services T Level	
	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Information Technology Diploma eSports Cert/Diploma Computing and Digital Certificate	
PROGRESS FROM HERE	<b>LEVEL 1</b> Information Technology Certificate	

## INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

1

### CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3, or a pre-vocational programme.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme is the ideal introduction to computing and IT and will build up your basic IT skills as well as develop your technical knowledge. You will learn about the internet, how to make websites, pitching an IT product, solving technical IT problems and animation.

You will also get the opportunity to take part in work experience in the computing and IT sector. This programme also includes tutorial support, employability development and study skills, and we'll work with you to develop your English and maths skills to the level that most employers in the IT sector look for.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through observations of practical work, group work, presentations and coursework.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme could be your first step into the IT industry as an IT technician. You could also progress onto our Level 2 IT programme to further develop your skills and knowledge.

## ESPORTS

2

### BTEC DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You'll need a minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The eSports market is growing week by week but is more than just about playing games. This programme gives you the foundations needed to progress to study at Level 3 with a focus on communication, teamwork, critical thinking, business and entrepreneurship. Units of study are likely to include: eSports Games, Teams & Tournaments, Establishing an eSports Organisation, Streaming for eSports, Plan for an eSports Event, Start an Enterprise in eSports, Design an eSports Game, Positive Health and Well-being in eSports.

You will also continue to develop your English & maths skills and attend and Individual Development (ID) session as part of your timetable.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through a number of projects and assignments throughout the year. You will also present ideas and compete in tournaments.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This qualification is intended for learners wanting to progress to further education, usually at Level 3. Some learners may wish to enter employment in a junior role.

## ESPORTS

3

### BTEC EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4 or a relevant Level 2 IT/ Computing qualification at Merit grade or above.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The eSports market is huge and is estimated to have had worldwide revenue in excess of \$1bn in 2020! eSports is more than just about games though.

This programme aims to develop your analysis and strategic skills, focusses on coaching, events, shoutcasting and more.

Units of study are likely to include: Introduction to eSports, eSports Skills, Strategies and Analysis, Enterprise and Entrepreneurship in the eSports Industry, Health, Wellbeing and Fitness for eSports Players, eSports Events, Shoutcasting, eSports Coaching, Computer Networking.

You will also continue to develop your English & maths skills and attend and Individual Development (ID) session as part of your timetable.

This qualification is endorsed by the British eSports Association.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through a number of projects and assignments throughout the two years. You will also enter competitions as part of the programme.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This qualification is intended for students wanting to progress directly to employment in the eSports industry and other related industries in roles such as eSports Player, Team Coach, Social Media Influencer or Data Analyst.

Additionally, the breadth of content in this qualification allows learners to widen their opportunities to progress to a number of university courses.

# COMPUTING AND IT

## COMPUTING AND DIGITAL

2

### TECHNICAL PROGRESSION CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

VALIDATED T LEVEL TRANSITION PROGRAMME



### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2, with at least two at grade 4 or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme will develop your existing computing and IT skills and knowledge while also engaging you with the many employment opportunities available in the sector. This is a work-related programme and you will be set a number of projects that are based on realistic workplace situations. You will learn about the essentials of IT and cyber security, programming, creating websites, mobile apps and games, and emerging technologies.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement and an employer set project. All aspects will be discussed with you at interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through coursework, practical projects, group work and a number of exams.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme has been designed to enable learners to progress to the T Level or a Level 3 apprenticeship pathway.

## T-LEVELS

### DIGITAL: PRODUCTION, DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

3

#### T LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

5 GCSEs at grade 9-4 (including English and maths), or the Technical Progression Certificate in Computing and Digital (T Level Transition Programme).

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Designed and developed in collaboration with employers, this programme is a mixture of classroom and work-based learning to give you the technical skills and workplace experience to kick-start your career into the digital arena. You will complete a core technical qualification and digital specialism, and an industry placement of at least 315 hours. Technical areas of study could include software development project, digital business, data and digital analysis, digital environments, emerging technology and security. Learners will specialise in digital production, design and development as part of this programme.

As part of this study programme, you will develop your maths and English skills, and attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through a number of exams and project work throughout the programme. You will need to complete all elements to achieve the overall T Level.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This T Level opens up many opportunities while your industry placement highlights your commitment to the digital industry. You will have opportunities to progress to university degrees, such as **Applied Computing** at University Centre Weston, degree apprenticeships or directly to the workplace. This qualification is intended for those who wish to pursue a career in software or web development.



## T-LEVELS

### DIGITAL: SUPPORT SERVICES

3

#### T LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

5 GCSEs at grade 9-4 (including English and maths), or the Technical Progression Certificate in Computing and Digital (T Level Transition Programme).

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Designed and developed in collaboration with employers, this programme is a mixture of classroom and work-based learning to give you the technical skills and workplace experience to kick-start your career into the digital arena. You will complete a core technical qualification and digital specialism, and an industry placement of at least 315 hours.

Technical areas of study could include software development project, digital business, data and digital analysis, digital environments, emerging technology and security. You will then specialise in either digital infrastructure or digital support as part of this programme. As part of this study programme, you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and an Individual Development (ID) session. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through a number of exams and project work throughout the programme. You will need to complete all elements to achieve the overall T Level.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This T Level opens up many opportunities while your industry placement highlights your commitment to the digital industry. You will have opportunities to progress to university degrees, such as **Applied Computing** at University Centre Weston, degree apprenticeships or directly to the workplace. This qualification is intended for those who wish to pursue a career in IT Support, Networks or Security.

## T-LEVELS

### DIGITAL: BUSINESS SERVICES

3

#### T LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

5 GCSEs at grade 9-4 (including English and maths), or the Technical Progression Certificate in Computing and Digital (T Level Transition Programme).

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Designed and developed in collaboration with employers, this programme is a mixture of classroom and work-based learning to give you the technical skills and workplace experience to kick-start your career into the digital arena. You will complete a core technical qualification and digital specialism, and an industry placement of at least 315 hours. Learn the essentials of all digital roles by understanding data and digital systems, how software and business interact, security, testing, planning and legal issues. You then build on this by developing specialist skills as a data technician to understanding how to source, analyse and interpret data to support business needs.

As part of this study programme, you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and an Individual Development (ID) session. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through a number of exams and project work throughout the programme. You will need to complete all elements to achieve the overall T Level.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This T Level opens up many opportunities while your industry placement highlights your commitment to the digital industry. You will have opportunities to progress to university degrees, such as **Applied Computing** at University Centre Weston, degree apprenticeships or directly to the workplace. This qualification is intended for those who wish to pursue a career in a data analysis/business type role.

# COMPUTING AND IT

## SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT TECHNICIAN

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 18 MONTHS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021/JANUARY 2022

**LOCATION:** WORKPLACE/AT COLLEGE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

3 GCSEs at grade 4 or higher including mathematics, English and science, or equivalent. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you to find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This apprenticeship covers the following roles: software development technician, junior developer, junior web developer, junior application developer, junior mobile app developer, junior games developer, junior software developer, junior application support analyst, junior programmer, assistant programmer and automated test developer. You will have the opportunity to combine 'on-the-job training' with study in a college environment.

You will start by learning the basics across several different areas the first year, you will be taught the technical knowledge and practical competencies needed to complete your apprenticeship. You will also work in our dedicated computing and digital classrooms and lab to develop new skills.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through workplace observations and practical tests. You will also complete online tests, assignments and produce a portfolio of evidence. This will be part of your end-point assessment.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most learners will progress into a technician-level position. You could also progress to related higher education programmes, such as the degrees or degree apprenticeships on offer at University Centre Weston.

## INFRASTRUCTURE TECHNICIAN

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 18 MONTHS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021/JANUARY 2022

**LOCATION:** WORKPLACE/AT COLLEGE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Individual employers will set the selection criteria, but this is likely to include five GCSEs, (especially English, mathematics and a science or technology subject); a relevant Level 2 Apprenticeship; other relevant qualifications and experience; or an aptitude test with a focus on IT skills. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you to find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This apprenticeship covers the following role: help desk technician, first/second line support, IT infrastructure technician, network support. You will have the opportunity to combine 'on-the-job training' with study in a college environment.

An infrastructure technician provides support to internal and external customers, helping them to be productive when using technology to do their own jobs, by using tools to problem solve and trouble shoot non routine problems.

Key technical skills and competencies include: communication skills, IT security, remote infrastructure, data recording and communication, problem solving, workflow management, health and safety, performance, processes associated with WEEE (the Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment Directive).

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through workplace observations, write ups and research that will form a portfolio of evidence. Online knowledge exams, a practical project, and an interview.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most learners will progress into a technician-level position. You could also progress to related higher education programmes, such as the degrees or degree apprenticeships on offer at University Centre Weston.

## CYBER SECURITY

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 18 MONTHS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021 / JANUARY 2022

**LOCATION:** WORKPLACE / AT COLLEGE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Individual employers will set the selection criteria, but this is likely to include 3 GCSEs at grade 4 or higher including maths, English and science, or equivalent. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This apprenticeship covers the following roles: cyber security administrator, access control administrator, incident response technician, junior security operations centre (SOC) analyst, junior information security analyst, junior threat and risk analyst, junior penetration tester, junior security analyst.

You will have the opportunity to combine 'on-the-job training' with study in a college environment.

You will start by learning the basics across several different areas. the first year, you will be taught the technical knowledge and practical competencies needed to complete your apprenticeship.

You will also work in our dedicated computing and digital classrooms and lab to develop new skills.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through workplace observations and practical tests. You will also complete online tests, assignments and produce a portfolio of evidence. This will be part of your end-point assessment.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most learners will progress into a technician-level position. You could also progress to related higher education programmes, such as the degrees or degree apprenticeships on offer at University Centre Weston.

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# BRICKLAYING

**Bricklaying is one of the essential skills that form the basis of every building project.**

If you're looking for a hands-on and practical job that can set you up for a lifelong career in the construction industry, then a bricklaying qualification is a good place to start.

## FACILITIES

The South West Skills Campus offers state-of-the-art training facilities dedicated to construction training. These include:

- Large, well-equipped training workshops for each trade area
- Excellent links with local employers to enrich your training
- Industry-standard civil engineering testing laboratory
- Excellent array of tools and equipment, ranging from power tools to digital surveying equipment
- Carpentry woodworking machine shop, including laser-cutting technology
- Suites of computers with 3D software such as AutoCad
- Renewable technologies such as biomass and ground-source heat pumps
- Outdoor working arena.

## INDUSTRY PARTNERS

We work with a range of employer partners and have a number of industry accreditations. These are all important factors in ensuring your study programme with us makes you job-ready. These include:

- Wessex Water
- BAXI
- VolkerStevin Construction
- Taylor Wimpey
- Persimmon
- Bloor Homes
- CITB
- Griffiths Civil Engineering and Construction.

## INDUSTRY FACTS

The average salary for **bricklayers** is

**£36,678** a year, with the most  
qualified and skilled **bricklayers** earning in excess of

**£41,570**



**“THE STAFF AND STUDENTS CREATE  
A FUN AND ENJOYABLE LEARNING  
EXPERIENCE.”**

**ELI GUMBLE**

**STUDIED:** Brickwork

Eli aims to go onto an apprenticeship and one day has the ambition to have his own business.

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**WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/CONSTRUCTION**

# BRICKLAYING

## BRICKLAYING: CONSTRUCTION SKILLS

1

### CITY & GUILDS

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3, or a pre-vocational programme.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This is an introduction to bricklaying and could lead to a successful career in the construction industry. You will learn about a number of relevant topics that will develop your skills to a basic level and, ideally, will lead to further qualifications.

You will cover topics including building methods and construction technology; carrying out safe working practices; basic brick walling and cavity walling; setting out; and building basic masonry structure up to damp course level. This programme includes tutorial support, employability and study skills. You will also develop the English and maths skills you will need to work in the construction industry.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical tests, assignments, a portfolio of work, and online multiple choice tests.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could progress to the construction industry as a bricklayer or labourer, or increase your skills with a Level 2 programme in Bricklaying or a Trowel Occupations Intermediate Apprenticeship.

## BRICKLAYING

2

### CITY & GUILDS

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme will develop your bricklaying skills and could lead to a successful career in the construction industry.

You will cover a range of topics, including carrying out safe working practices; information, quantities and communicating with others; building methods and construction technology; interpreting working drawings to set out masonry structures; building solid walling; isolated and attached piers; and cavity walling forming masonry structures.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical tests, assignments, a portfolio of work, and online multiple choice tests.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could become a bricklayer, improver or general builder, and can increase your skills with our Bricklaying Diploma at Level 3 or the Trowel Occupations Advanced Apprenticeship.

## BRICKLAYER

2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 30 MONTHS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE/AT COLLEGE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You don't need any formal qualifications to enrol on this apprenticeship, but you will be assessed to ensure you can complete the English and maths qualifications. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This apprenticeship will develop your bricklaying skills to an advanced level. You will earn a wage while learning on the job, getting a head start in the construction industry and learning the skills employers in this sector are looking for.

You will learn about a range of bricklaying components, including decorative panels, setting out complex structures, and projecting brickwork. In addition to the main units, you will be assessed on your ability to operate in the world of work and in areas such as maintaining a safe, clean, working environment and your ability to communicate.

### ASSESSMENT

The end-point assessment will consist of a knowledge test of 40 multiple-choice questions, a skills test of three simulated practical tasks and oral questioning of approximately 15 questions.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could progress to site management roles or set up your own business.

## BRICKLAYER

3

### DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSE's at grade 9-4, a construction qualification at Level 2.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme will develop your bricklaying skills to a high level of competency, which will unlock the best-paid bricklaying jobs and could lead to degree-level study. With this qualification you could become a construction site manager or set up your own construction business.

You will learn about: safe working practices; information, quantities and communicating with others; building methods and construction technology; carrying out structural and decorative brickwork; and erecting complex masonry structures.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical tests, assignment, a portfolio of work, online multiple choice tests and a work placement log. Exams may form part of this assessment.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme could lead to the highest-paying jobs in bricklaying, and you'll have the skills you'll need to be a site manager or open your own business. You can increase your skills with the HNC/HND in **Construction and the Built Environment** at University Centre Weston.

# CARPENTRY AND JOINERY

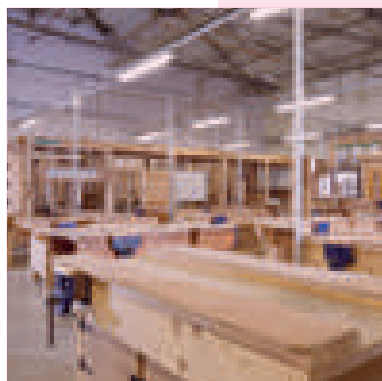
**Carpentry and joinery are specialist trades that are in high demand throughout the UK.**

This means that qualifications in carpentry can lead to a number of well-paid jobs in the construction industry. As with many construction trades, the more qualified and experienced you are in carpentry, the higher your salary will be.

## FACILITIES

The South West Skills Campus offers state-of-the-art training facilities dedicated to construction training. These include:

- Large, well-equipped training workshops for each trade area
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- Volker Stevin Construction
- Taylor Wimpey
- Persimmon
- Bloor Homes
- CITB
- Griffiths Civil Engineering and Construction.

## INDUSTRY FACTS

The average salary for **carpenter** is

**£31,787** a year, with the most knowledgeable carpenters earning in excess of

**£40,000**



## CARPENTRY

1

### CITY & GUILDS

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3, or a pre-vocational programme.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Level 1 Carpentry is the perfect introduction to carpentry and could be your first step into the industry. You will cover a range of topics, including how to work safely in the construction industry; building methods and construction technology; basic woodworking joints; using and looking after woodworking hand tools; preparing and using portable power tools; and information, quantities and communication in a construction environment.

You will also develop your employability skills through dedicated sessions to teach you the qualities that employers are looking for. We will also work with you to develop your English and maths skills to increase your chances of securing a job in the industry.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical tests, an assignment, a portfolio of work, and online multiple choice tests.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could get a job as a carpenter or increase your skills and unlock higher-paying roles by progressing to the Level 2 qualification in carpentry or an apprenticeship.

**“THE CUTTING-EDGE TECHNOLOGY MAKES IT EASY TO LEARN AND PROGRESS.”**

**CHRIS ALMOND**

**STUDIED:** Carpentry

Chris aims to progress onto an apprenticeship and one day to have his own business.



# CARPENTRY AND JOINERY

## SITE CARPENTRY 2

**CITY & GUILDS**

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 2 programme will develop your carpentry skills, and is ideal for people who have completed a Level 1 qualification. It could also be the starting point for your future career in the construction industry.

You will cover a range of topics, including building methods and construction technology; first and second fixing operations; erecting structural carcasses (site carpentry); assembling joinery products; and information, quantities and communicating in a construction environment.

You will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical tests, an assignment, a portfolio of work, and online multiple choice tests.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could progress to a job as a carpenter or improver. You could also choose to unlock the highest-paying carpentry jobs with further qualifications such as our Level 3 Site Carpentry Diploma or an apprenticeship.

## SITE CARPENTRY 3

**CITY & GUILDS**

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, or a qualifying Level 2 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme will develop the skills you learnt on the Level 2 diploma to an advanced level. You will learn in-depth carpentry skills, including safe working practices; building methods and construction technologies; erecting complex structural carcass components (site carpentry); complex roof structures; and information, quantities and communication in a construction environment.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical tests, assignment, a portfolio of work, online multiple choice tests, a work placement log, and a CSCS test.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could become a construction site manager, a carpenter with advanced skills, or you could set up your own carpentry business. You can increase your skills and gain work experience with a Carpentry and Joinery Advanced Apprenticeship or a Foundation Degree in **Construction Engineering** at University Centre Weston.

## CARPENTRY AND JOINERY 2

**APPRENTICESHIP**

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE/AT COLLEGE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This carpentry and joinery apprenticeship gives you the opportunity to learn carpentry skills, earn a wage, and gain valuable work experience in the industry. You will be employed by a carpenter or building contractor and work alongside an experienced tradesperson to develop and practise your skills. You will attend College for one day a week to learn the theoretical side of your trade.

You will learn about first and second fixing operations, and erecting structural carcasses (site carpentry). We will also work with you to develop your English and maths skills to the level that most employers in the construction industry are looking for.

### ASSESSMENT

The end-point assessment consists of two key elements. The knowledge assessment consists of 35 questions designed to assess your understanding of the specific knowledge and behavioural requirements, while the practical assessment is a skills test.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most of our apprentices are kept on by their employers at the end of their programme. You could choose to increase your skills with a Carpentry and Joinery Advanced Apprenticeship or Weston College's Level 3 Site Carpentry Diploma.

## ADVANCED CARPENTRY AND JOINERY 3

**APPRENTICESHIP**

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE/AT COLLEGE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need to have completed a Level 2 Carpentry and Joinery Apprenticeship and be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Apprenticeship will help take your on-the-job skills to an advanced level. You will work alongside an experienced tradesperson to develop your new skills and attend College one day a week to learn the theoretical side of your trade.

You will learn the complex aspects of site work or joinery, including complex roofing geometry and site operations. In addition to the main units, you will be assessed on how you operate in a work environment, including maintaining a safe, clean, working environment and communicating with others.

### ASSESSMENT

The end-point assessment consists of two key elements. The knowledge assessment consists of 35 questions designed to assess your understanding of the specific knowledge and behavioural requirements, while the practical assessment is a skills test.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could become a construction site manager, a carpenter with advanced skills, or you could set up your own carpentry business. You can also increase your skills by applying to join the **HNC in Construction and the Built Environment (Construction)** at University Centre Weston.

# CONSTRUCTION

**A general construction qualification opens up a number of opportunities.**

You could choose to enter the industry, gain more qualifications or start an apprenticeship and specialise in the aspect of construction that most interests you.

- FACILITIES**
- The South West Skills Campus offers state-of-the-art training facilities dedicated to construction training. These include:
- Large, well-equipped training workshops for each trade area
  - Excellent links with local employers to enrich your training
  - Industry-standard civil engineering testing laboratory
  - Excellent array of tools and equipment, ranging from power tools to digital surveying equipment
  - Carpentry woodworking machine shop, including laser-cutting technology
  - Suites of computers with 3D software such as AutoCad
  - Renewable technologies such as biomass and ground-source heat pumps
  - Outdoor working arena.

- INDUSTRY PARTNERS**
- We work with a range of employer partners and have a number of industry accreditations. These are all important factors in ensuring your study programme with us makes you job-ready. These include:
- Simian
  - Wessex Water
  - BAXI
  - VolkerStevin Construction
  - Taylor Wimpey
  - Persimmon
  - Bloor Homes
  - CITB
  - Griffiths Civil Engineering and Construction.

**INDUSTRY FACTS**

**Construction labourers** in the UK can earn in excess of

**£25,000**



The average salary for **scaffolding** jobs is

**£32,500**



# CONSTRUCTION

## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>LEVEL 5</b> Construction and the Built Environment HND Pathways in: construction, civil engineering, building services, engineering and surveying	OFFERED AT UCW
	<b>LEVEL 4</b> Construction Management Apprenticeship Construction Site Engineering Technician Apprenticeship Construction and the Built Environment HNC Pathways in: construction, civil engineering, building services, engineering and surveying	
	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Construction: Design, surveying and Planning T Level	
	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Highway Maintenance Skills Operative Apprenticeship Property Maintenance Operative Apprenticeship Scaffolder Apprenticeship	
PROGRESS FROM HERE	<b>LEVEL 1</b> General Construction City & Guilds	

## GENERAL CONSTRUCTION 1

**CITY & GUILDS**  
**DURATION:** 1 YEAR  
**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021  
**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**  
A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3, or the successful completion of a pre-vocational programme.

**WHAT TO EXPECT**  
This Level 1 construction programme gives you the opportunity to try out a variety of construction trades and learn general skills to find out which trade you'd like to specialise in for your future career. You will learn about the construction industry and develop basic skills in bricklaying, carpentry, tiling, paving, plastering, plumbing, and painting and decorating.  
  
This programme is supplemented with tutorial support, employability development and study skills. We will also work with you to develop your English and maths skills to the level that employers in the construction industry look for.

**ASSESSMENT**  
You will be assessed through practical tests, workbooks, project work, a portfolio of your work including photographs, and an end-of-year test.

**WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?**  
You could get a job in the construction industry in a junior role, or unlock higher-paying jobs by increasing your skills with a Level 2 apprenticeship or a qualification in brickwork, carpentry, groundworks, scaffolding or painting and decorating.





# CONSTRUCTION

## PROPERTY MAINTENANCE OPERATIVE

2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 12 - 15 MONTHS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need to be competent to at least Level 1 - preferably Level 2 - in English and maths. This is equivalent to grade 4 at GCSE. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The primary role of a property maintenance operative is to optimise property condition and quality and to ensure the building is kept in a safe working condition. Property maintenance operatives need to maintain a high level of quality, providing maximum satisfaction to customers, clients, guests and team. They will understand the mechanism of buildings, including electrical, plumbing, brickwork, carpentry and safety systems and equipment. They will provide first and immediate response to fault finding, whilst maximising quality and ensuring cost effectiveness. They will ensure prevention of major damage that could result in extensive costs and minimise reactive intervention.

### ASSESSMENT

You will undertake a final assessment when you have demonstrated the skills, knowledge and behaviours required of the role.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

The transferable skills you learn on this apprenticeship will enable you to progress to roles such as a technical specialist e.g. electrical or plumbing and supervisory and management roles e.g. facilities management, across a wide range of sectors.

## SCAFFOLDER

2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** QUARTERLY

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE/AT COLLEGE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

There are no formal entry requirements for this apprenticeship. However, you will need to be competent in English and maths to at least Level 1. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The Scaffolding Apprenticeship is accredited to the Construction Industry Scaffolders Record Scheme (CISRS). You will develop your knowledge and work-based skills focusing on health and safety; handling, stacking, servicing and inspecting scaffolding materials; and selecting, servicing and a range of common access and special purpose scaffolding structures used in the construction, engineering and industrial sectors.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed in the workplace and will be required to attend college on block release. You will attend college for 11 weeks, plus an end-point assessment over the two year programme. The end-point assessment consists of a multiple-choice knowledge test and a practical 11-hour assessment.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Successful candidates receive a CISRS Scaffolders Card which is recognised by employers throughout the UK and overseas. After a minimum period of 12 months site experience as a qualified scaffolder you can progress by attending the CISRS Advanced Scaffolder training and NVQ Level 3 in scaffolding operations. These qualifications open up career opportunities and further qualifications and apprenticeships in supervision, management and engineering.

In partnership with

**SIMAN**

# CIVIL ENGINEERING

**Civil engineering is an exciting construction profession and is instrumental in all phases of modern construction projects.**

You could be involved in developing the built environment by completing a bridge, creating new highways, developing renewable energy sources, such as hydroelectric dams, or constructing the new Hinkley Point C power station.

## FACILITIES

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- Excellent links with local employers to enrich your training
- Industry-standard civil engineering testing laboratory
- Excellent array of tools and equipment, ranging from power tools to digital surveying equipment
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- Suites of computers with 3D software such as AutoCad
- Renewable technologies such as biomass and ground-source heat pumps
- Outdoor working arena.

## T-LEVELS

THE NEXT LEVEL QUALIFICATION

Join us at the forefront of a revolution in technical education, by studying the new T Level qualification.

T Levels will combine classroom theory, practical learning and an industry placement where you build the knowledge and skills you need in a workplace environment. Find out more about this exciting new programme on **page 97**.

➔ FIND OUT MORE AT  
**WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/CONSTRUCTION**

## INDUSTRY PARTNERS

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- VolkerStevin Construction
- Taylor Wimpey
- Persimmon
- Bloor Homes
- CITB
- Griffiths Civil Engineering and Construction.

## INDUSTRY FACTS

**Civil engineers** in the South West typically earn around

**£42,000** and the **more qualified and experienced** you are, the **more you can expect to earn**. Experienced civil engineers can earn in excess of

**£60,000** a year and have the opportunity to work **all around the world**.



## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>LEVEL 5</b> Construction and the Built Environment HND Pathways in: construction, civil engineering, building services, engineering and surveying.	OFFERED AT <b>UCW</b>
	<b>LEVEL 4</b> Construction and the Built Environment HNC Pathways in: construction, civil engineering, building services, engineering and surveying.	
PROGRESS FROM HERE	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Civil Engineering Apprenticeship Construction: Design, Surveying and Planning T Level	
	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Civil Engineering BTEC Extended Certificate Groundworker Intermediate Apprenticeship	

**“THE VARIETY OF TOPICS, TRIPS, AND FACILITIES GAVE ME A GREAT EXPERIENCE.”**

## MATTHEW HOOK

**STUDIED:** Civil Engineering

**FORMER SCHOOL:** Gordano

Matthew is moving to Level 4 with UCW. His ambition is to be an architect.

# CIVIL ENGINEERING

## GROUNDWORKER 2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 18 MONTHS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021 AND APRIL 2022

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

There are no formal entry requirements but you will be assessed to ensure you are competent in English and maths to at least Level 1. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Groundworkers are the first tradespeople onto a construction and civil engineering site. They work closely with supervisors and engineers in interpreting design specifications to prepare the site for structural building works. They continue their work throughout the construction phase, working with all on-site construction trades, such as bricklayers and plant operatives, up to and including the final completion activities of the project.

Their work includes setting out and preparing the sub-surfaces for the structural work to begin, installing drainage systems, concreting, constructing roads and pathways and carrying out the finished hard landscaping.

### ASSESSMENT

We will assess your practical skills and workplace performance. The end point-assessment will consist of a knowledge test, skills test and professional discussion (supported by a portfolio).

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most of our apprentices are kept on by their employer at the end of the programme. Many move on to Level 3 or 4 civil engineering technician apprenticeship.

## CIVIL ENGINEERING 2

### TECHNICAL PROGRESSION CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

VALIDATED T LEVEL TRANSITION PROGRAMME



### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme will give you a great insight into careers in a range of civil engineering sectors. These include infrastructure, planning, building and modern building materials. You will learn about the structure of the construction industry, sustainability, the use of science and maths in construction, and construction drawing techniques.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

We'll assess your skills in a number of ways, including written assignments, presentations, projects, live briefs, practical work and time-constrained assessments.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme can be an excellent stepping stone to an exciting career within the construction Industry including apprenticeships, Level 3 progression, a T Level in Design, Surveying and Planning or directly into a junior role within the industry.

## T-LEVELS

## CONSTRUCTION: DESIGN, SURVEYING AND PLANNING 3

### T LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

5 GCSEs at grade 9-4 (including English and maths), or the Technical Progression Certificate in Civil Engineering (T Level Transition Programme).

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Designed and developed in collaboration with key employers from the construction sector, such as Wessex Water, Galiford Try and Balfour Beatty, this T Level programme is a mixture of college and work-based learning to give you the technical skills and workplace experience to kick-start your construction career. You will complete a core technical qualification that will develop your understanding of the construction sector and the built environment plus undertake a 12 week industry placement with one of our partner construction companies.

Technical areas of study could include Surveying, design, civil engineering, planning and emerging technologies such as drone surveying and BIM. As part of this study programme, you will develop your maths and English skills, gain support through a personalised tutorial programme and access enrichment activities and individual development. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

Assessment for this T Level combines occupational specialism, where synoptic assessment of performance is captured through practical assignments, and core content which is assessed through an externally set test and an employer-set project.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Successful completion of this T Level could lead to direct employment into the construction sector, further training via an apprenticeship, access to higher levels of learning such as HNCs or direct entry to university.

## CIVIL ENGINEERING 3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 3 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need five GCSEs at grade 5 and above, including English and maths. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The Civil Engineering Advanced Apprenticeship will increase your industry knowledge, and is supported by a training programme that teaches you the skills and qualities that employers look for. You will learn about the design, development, construction, commissioning, decommissioning, operation and maintenance of the built environment and infrastructure.

You can expect to gain a broad skills base to work in areas which include sustainable construction, structural integrity, geotechnics, materials, tunnelling, marine and coastal engineering, water, waste management, flood management, transportation and power.

### ASSESSMENT

The end-point assessment will be in two stages and are, typically, undertaken in the last two months of the apprenticeship.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

The majority of our apprentices are kept on by their employer at the end of their programme. Many move on to degree-level study. You can progress to the **HNC in Construction and the Built Environment (Civil Engineering)** at University Centre Weston.



# ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

Electrical installation is one of the most in-demand trades, and a qualification in electrical installation could lead you to a successful career as an electrician.

You will be able to work as part of a company or start your own business.

### FACILITIES

The South West Skills Campus offers state-of-the-art training facilities dedicated to construction training. These include:

- Large, well-equipped training workshops for each trade area
- Excellent links with local employers to enrich your training
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- Renewable technologies such as biomass and ground-source heat pumps
- Outdoor working arena.

### INDUSTRY PARTNERS

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- Taylor Wimpey
- Persimmon
- Bloor Homes
- CITB
- Griffiths Civil Engineering and Construction.

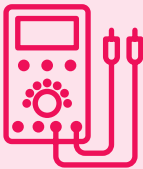
### INDUSTRY FACTS

As an **electrician**, you can expect to earn between

**£25,000** and **£45,500**

a year, and as a fully qualified electrician, you could progress to become an **electrical design engineer**, or **set up your own business** with opportunities to earn in excess of

**£70,000**



## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>LEVEL 4</b> Engineering (Electrical and Electronic Engineering) HNC	OFFERED AT UCW
	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Electrical Installation Diploma Installation/Maintenance Electrician Apprenticeship	
PROGRESS FROM HERE	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Electrical Installation Diploma	
	<b>LEVEL 1</b> Electrical Installation Diploma	

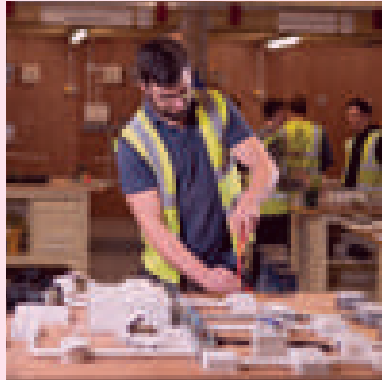
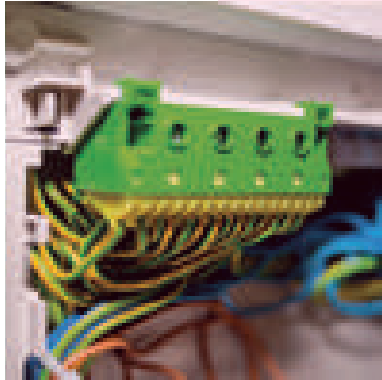
“THE FACILITIES ARE AMAZING; THEY HAD EVERYTHING I NEEDED IN ORDER TO LEARN.”

## CIRDAN SALMON

**STUDIED:** Electrical

**FORMER SCHOOL:** Clevedon

Cirdan is progressing onto an apprenticeship at Wessex Water to get a career in the electrical industry.



# ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

## ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

1

### DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3, or the successful completion of a pre-vocational programme.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 1 programme is the ideal introduction to electrical installation and will allow you to develop a solid foundation for your future career. You will learn about electrical installation, responsibilities and procedures, safe working practices, environmental protection measures and scientific principles.

You will learn practical skills in our workshops, which will be supplemented with tutorial support, employability sessions, personal development, and study skills. You will be taught by our expert lecturers, who all have experience working in the electrical industry. We will also work with you to develop your English and maths skills to the level you will need to become an electrician.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical observations, written assignments and an online portfolio.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could progress to Weston College's Level 2 Electrical Installation or into an apprenticeship or other construction-related programmes.

## ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

2

### DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2, with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The Level 2 Electrical Installation is perfect if you want to enter into a career as an electrician. You can use this as an introduction to electrical installation if you meet the entry criteria, or as a follow-up to the Level 1 programme.

You will learn to work safely and effectively in an electrical installation environment, and also study the principles of electrical installation, health and safety, and electrical installation (buildings and structures).

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical skills tests, observations, assignments, projects, and online assessments.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You can progress to a job in the electrical industry, or increase your skills and access higher-paying jobs with a Level 3 qualification in electrical installation or an apprenticeship.

## ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION

3

### DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need a recognised Level 2 electrotechnical qualification such as the 2330 or 2365, the Certificate in Electrotechnical Technology or the EAL Intermediate Diploma in Electrical Installation.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The Electrical Installation Diploma will provide you with a high level of industry competency. You will learn about topics such as health and safety, electrical principles, electrical maintenance, inspection, testing and commissioning, electrical maintenance and fault diagnosis and rectification.

This programme includes a Level 3 EAL Intermediate Diploma in Electrical Installation. As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

Assessment builds through a series of assessments over the year and leads to a final end of year practical and written exam.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

After the Electrical Installation Diploma, you will be qualified for a number of jobs in the electrical and maintenance industries. You may also decide to open up your own electrician business. If you want to increase your skills, you could progress to the **HNC in Engineering (Electrical and Electronic Engineering)** at University Centre Weston.

## INSTALLATION/ MAINTENANCE ELECTRICIAN

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 3 AND A HALF YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths, or a Level 2 qualification. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will be employed by an electrical contractor and work alongside an experienced tradesperson to develop and practise your new skills. You will attend College for one day a week to learn the technical side of your trade.

This apprenticeship, which includes a Level 3 electrotechnical qualification, will train you to use a range of electrical installation components. You will cover a range of topics, including environmental technologies; the principles of electrical science; fault diagnosis and rectification; inspection, testing and commissioning; and electrical system design. We'll also work with you to develop your English and maths skills to the required level for the industry.

### ASSESSMENT

You will complete assignments, produce a portfolio of evidence and take an end-point assessment. This is a robust, timed practical and theory assessment in sections. You will be required to perform a set of common tasks and procedures that a full scope electrical operative might face when working in commercial or industrial premises or dwellings.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme could lead to a number of roles in electrical installation. Or you could enhance your skills by applying to join the **HNC in Engineering (Electrical and Electronic Engineering)** at University Centre Weston.

# PLASTERING

Plastering is one of the most rewarding construction trades. The skills and knowledge of the plasterer combine to transform internal and external walls and surfaces to high standards that homeowners value.

## FACILITIES

The South West Skills Campus offers state-of-the-art training facilities dedicated to construction training. These include:

- Large, well-equipped training workshops for each trade area
- Excellent links with local employers to enrich your training
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- Excellent array of tools and equipment, ranging from power tools to digital surveying equipment
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## INDUSTRY FACTS

When you become a **qualified plasterer**, you can earn on average

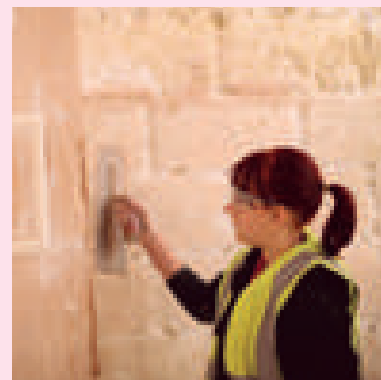
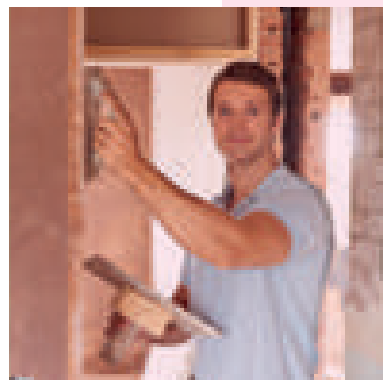
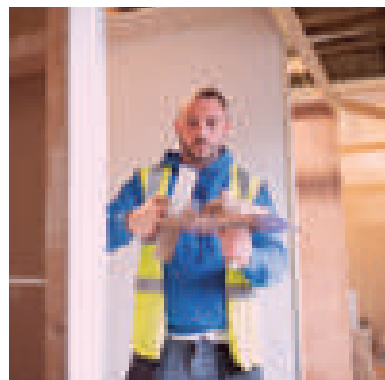
**£24,000**

a year,

and the most **experienced plasterers** can expect to earn in excess of

**£35,000**

a year or go on to **set up their own business** where earning potential is unlimited.



## PLASTERING

1

### CITY & GUILDS

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3 or the successful completion of a pre-vocational programme.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 1 Plastering programme will introduce you to the skills and understanding you will need to become a plasterer. It covers topics including building methods and construction technology, safe working practices, finishing, rendering, screeding, and applying plasterboard.

You will also receive tutorial support, employability sessions, personal and social development, and study skills. You will also develop the English and maths skills to the required level for the industry.

### ASSESSMENT

We'll assess you through practical tests, assignments, a portfolio, and online multiple choice tests.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could be employed as a plasterer or labourer, you can increase your skills to unlock higher-paid roles with a Level 2 qualification in plastering or an apprenticeship.

## ⚡ DID YOU KNOW

The South West is home to 10% of Great Britain's construction firms.

⚡ FIND OUT MORE AT

**WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/CONSTRUCTION**

## PLASTERING

2

### CITY & GUILDS

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme will introduce you to more advanced plastering skills, or develop the knowledge of plastering that you gained on our Level 1 programme. You will cover a range of topics including building methods; construction technologies; preparing surfaces for plastering; plaster application; mechanical application; and information, quantities and communication with others.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

We'll assess what you know through practical tests, assignments, a portfolio, and online multiple choice tests.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could progress to employment as a plasterer, or increase your skills and unlock higher-paid roles by studying a Level 3 qualification in plastering or an apprenticeship.



# PLUMBING

Plumbing is a career path that could lead to a number of specialisations in areas such as renewable technologies, heating systems, gas and oil fuel source systems.

## FACILITIES

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- Excellent links with local employers to enrich your training
- Industry-standard civil engineering testing laboratory
- Excellent array of tools and equipment, ranging from power tools to digital surveying equipment
- Carpentry woodworking machine shop, including laser-cutting technology
- Suites of computers with 3D software such as AutoCad
- Renewable technologies such as biomass and ground-source heat pumps
- Outdoor working arena.

## INDUSTRY PARTNERS

We work with a range of employer partners and have a number of industry accreditations. These are all important factors in ensuring your study programme with us makes you job-ready. These include:

- Wessex Water
- BAXI
- VolkerStevin Construction
- Taylor Wimpey
- Persimmon
- Bloor Homes
- CITB
- Griffiths Civil Engineering and Construction.

## INDUSTRY FACTS

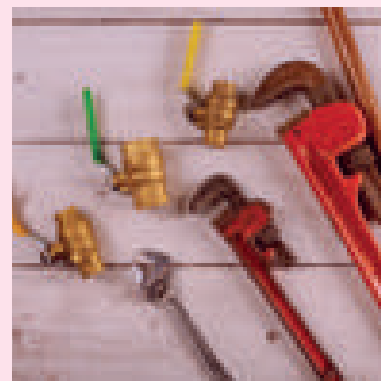
As a **plumber** you can initially expect to earn on average

**£24,000** per year,

and if you decide to complete further industry standard training you will be able to access the **higher end of the salary scale** - in excess of

**£45,000**

You will also have the opportunity to **set up your own business** where earning potential is unlimited.



## PLUMBING STUDIES

1

### DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3, or the successful completion of a pre-vocational programme.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

A perfect introduction into plumbing which could lead to a number of introductory roles within the plumbing industry. You will learn about plumbing, refrigeration and air conditioning, responsibilities and procedures, safe working practices, environmental measures, and scientific principles.

You will also have tutorial support, employability sessions, personal and social development, and study skills. You will also develop your English and maths skills to a level required in the industry.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical observations, written assignments and a portfolio.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could enter the plumbing industry in a junior role, or increase your skills to earn higher wages with a Level 2 qualification in plumbing, an apprenticeship or other construction-related programmes.

➡ FIND OUT MORE AT  
[WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/CONSTRUCTION](http://WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/CONSTRUCTION)

## PLUMBING STUDIES

2

### DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 2 plumbing programme is the perfect way to increase your plumbing skills and gain experience of working in the plumbing industry. You will learn about: maintaining pipe systems and components; health and safety at work; materials; storing and pricing; hot and cold water; central heating; sanitation and roof weathering systems.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical skills tests, work observations, assignments, projects, and online assessments.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could enter into the plumbing industry, or increase your skills to earn higher wages with a Level 3 qualification in plumbing or an apprenticeship.

# PLUMBING

## PLUMBING STUDIES

3

### DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A City & Guilds 6035 Diploma at Level 2, or an equivalent qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 3 plumbing programme will increase your plumbing skills to an advanced level, and could lead to the higher-paying plumbing roles or university-level study. You will learn about: plumbing system installation and planning; complex cold water systems; domestic hot water systems; sanitation and drainage systems; domestic gas principles; and scientific principles.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through multiple-choice online tests, practical skills assessment, and a portfolio.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could enter into a career in plumbing and heating or set up your own business.

## PLUMBING AND DOMESTIC HEATING TECHNICIAN

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 4 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE/COLLEGE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will have previously completed a Level 2 plumbing and heating apprenticeship or NVQ to start this programme. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this. You will also need to be assessed to ensure you can complete the English and maths requirement.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will either undertake a gas or environmental technologies pathway where you will learn how to select, install, test and commission different types of systems. In addition to this you will also cover a range of topics, including health and safety, core plumbing systems, electrical components and control systems.

You will also attend College for one day a week to learn the technical side of your trade. The apprenticeship covers a range of topics, including health and safety, core plumbing systems, electrical components and control systems, plumbing science and processes and the principles of fossil fuels.

### ASSESSMENT

Your end point assessment will include a multi-choice exams, a design project, practical installation test and a professional discussion. This will occur in the last 3 months of your apprenticeship.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most of our apprentices are kept on by their employers at the end of their programme. You can also increase your skills and unlock higher-paid roles by studying Weston College's Level 3 Diploma in Plumbing.

**“I’VE REALLY ENJOYED APPLYING THE KNOWLEDGE I LEARNT IN COLLEGE IN THE WORKPLACE.”**

**KATHERINE PALMER-NEALE**

**STUDIED:** Plumbing

Katherine is progressing onto NVQ Level 3.

# ART AND DESIGN

**Our art and design courses are all about supporting you in your creativity and providing the skills needed for a career in the creative industry.**

Whether you're looking to pursue a specific project, or want to explore different techniques and styles, our fantastic staff will help you express your ideas and innovative perspective across a wide range of creative disciplines.

## FACILITIES

Based at Loxton Campus, Loxton Road, you will benefit from:

- A Mac and PC IT studio
- Industry-standard software
- Maya and Unreal for game and animation
- Adobe Creative Suite including Photoshop and Illustrator
- A wide range of professional-standard equipment available to loan
- Dedicated photography darkrooms and studios with professional lighting
- Dedicated specialist working spaces for printmaking and textiles
- Industry-specialist staff.

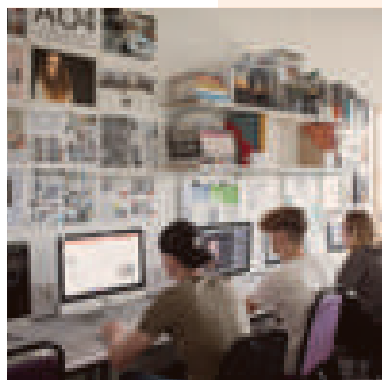
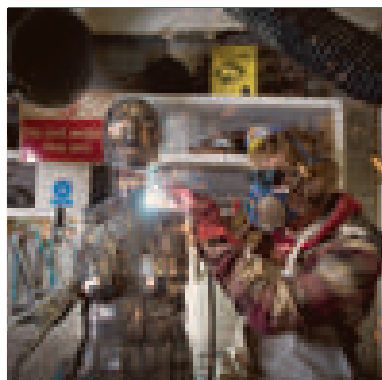
## INDUSTRY FACTS

The **South West** art and design industry is renowned, with **Bristol** and **Bath** designated hubs of creative and digital skills.



As an artist and designer, your industry career path is **only limited by your ambitions**. Previous students have gone on to work for and sell works of art to:

**AARDMAN ANIMATIONS** **AMAZON**  
**DYSON** **BANKSY** **THE STONE ROSES**



**“THE ART FOUNDATION DIPLOMA REALLY OPENED MY EYES TO THE FASHION WORLD. IT PROVIDED THE PERFECT BALANCE BETWEEN BUSINESS AND CREATIVITY.”**

## HARRIET BREAN

**STUDIED:** Art and Design

**FORMER SCHOOL:** Backwell

After graduating, Harriet moved to Ohio, USA to work for Abercrombie and Fitch. Harriet then progressed to become a fashion designer for Old Navy in San Francisco.



# ART AND DESIGN

## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>LEVEL 6</b> Contemporary Art and Professional Studies BA (Hons) (top-up) Games and Animation Production BA (Hons) Graphic Design BA (Hons) (top-up) Lens-based Media BA (Hons) (top-up)	OFFERED AT UCW
	<b>LEVEL 4 AND 5</b> Contemporary Arts and Professional Studies FdA Film and Media Arts Production FdA Graphic Design FdA Photography in Practice FdA	
	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Art and Design: Pre-Degree UAL Foundation Diploma Fashion Diploma Graphic Design and Digital Arts Extended Diploma Game and Animation Production UAL Extended Diploma Art, Design and Communication UAL Extended Diploma	
	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Art and Design UAI Diploma From Level 2 Art & Design you can progress to Graphics, Photography, Music, Game & Animation	
PROGRESS FROM HERE	<b>LEVEL 1</b> Art, Design and Media UAL Diploma From the Level 1 Art, Design and Media you can progress to Level 2 Art and Design or Level 2 Media Production	

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## ART, DESIGN AND MEDIA

1

**UAL DIPLOMA**  
**DURATION:** 1 YEAR  
**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021  
**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**  
A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3, or the successful completion of a pre-vocational programme, and a successful interview or audition.

**WHAT TO EXPECT**  
The Level 1 Diploma in Art, Design and Media allows you to experiment with a range of art and design disciplines.  
You will have the opportunity to work with a wide variety of art and design materials, techniques, and processes in our state-of-the-art studios and workshops.

**ASSESSMENT**  
You will be assessed through practical projects in studios and workshops, and written assignments.  
**WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?**  
You could progress on to a related Level 2 programme.

## ART AND DESIGN

2

**UAL DIPLOMA**  
**DURATION:** 1 YEAR  
**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021  
**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**  
A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification, plus a strong portfolio of work and a successful interview.

**WHAT TO EXPECT**  
The Level 2 Diploma in Art and Design provides an opportunity to experiment with a range of different disciplines within an art and design pathway. You will work with a wide range of art and design materials, techniques and processes in our subject-specialist studios and workshops with the introduction of contextual studies.  
This programme will support you to identify your personal strengths and your area of interest for progression to study at Level 3.  
As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

**ASSESSMENT**  
You will be assessed through practical projects in studios and workshops, and written assignments.  
**WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?**  
You could progress to a creative Level 3 Extended Diploma.

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[WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/ART](http://WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/ART)

## ART, DESIGN AND COMMUNICATION

3

**UAL EXTENDED DIPLOMA**  
**DURATION:** 2 YEARS  
**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021  
**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**  
You will need five GCSE's at grade 9-4 including an art related subject and English, or a qualifying Level 2 qualification. A strong portfolio of work, plus a successful interview will be required.

**WHAT TO EXPECT**  
The Level 3 Extended Diploma in Art, Design and Communication provides you with a broad skillset across a range of different disciplines within an art and design pathway.  
This study programme will allow you to develop and test your creativity through experimental briefs. You will be introduced to creative and technical skills, professional development and contextual studies, and a range of contemporary and historical practices.  
You will work with the excellent facilities at Loxton Campus – including dark rooms, specialist studios, digital suites and facilities to create mixed media outcomes. This programme is suitable for you if you are fascinated by art and design practices and enjoy working creatively and with curiosity.  
As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

**ASSESSMENT**  
You will be assessed through practical projects in studios and workshops, and written assignments.  
**WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?**  
You could progress straight onto a creative degree such as **Graphic Design** or **Contemporary Art and Professional Studies** to increase your skills at University Centre Weston. You could also be equipped to work in the art and design industry.

# ART AND DESIGN

## ART AND DESIGN: PRE-DEGREE

3/4

### UAL FOUNDATION DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need one A Level in a creative subject and five GCSEs at grade 9-4, or the equivalent, together with a strong portfolio of work. You will also be asked to attend an interview.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

The UAL Foundation Diploma in Art and Design is an exciting, acclaimed and fast-paced programme. Our aim is to develop individuality and expand creative and visual thinking through to Level 4; encouraging experimentation of varied materials and approaches. Throughout the year we offer dedicated support to cultivate your creative focus, and become an autonomous practitioner. This programme offers you another free year of education, giving you the opportunity and time to consider the next step of your career, whether that is your application to university, an apprenticeship or an alternative route into the creative industries.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

#### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical studio-based projects and written assignments. A final grade is awarded upon the completion of an extensive personal enquiry and public gallery show.

#### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Our Foundation Diploma will open the door to any of the creative arts degrees on offer at University Centre Weston, apprenticeships, work placements and creative job opportunities.

## FASHION

3

### UAL EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need five GCSE's at grade 9-4 including an Art related subject and English, or a qualifying Level 2 qualification. A strong portfolio of work, plus a successful interview will be required.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

The Level 3 Extended Diploma in Fashion will give you the chance to explore fashion across a range of disciplines.

You will develop an understanding of fashion by experiencing varied disciplines across fashion design, production, digital media, communication and fashion business.

Within this study programme you will also develop skills in visual research, experimentation and idea generation, which are fundamentals for fashion innovation and creative thinkers. You will develop relevant presentation skills to build an exciting portfolio of work that represents your skillset and fashion specialism.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

#### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical projects and written assignments.

#### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You will have the skills to apply for apprenticeships within the industry, or progress to higher education. You will also be able to access junior designer and textile design roles.

## GAME AND ANIMATION PRODUCTION

3

### UAL EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need five GCSE's at grade 9-4 including an art related subject and English, or a qualifying Level 2 qualification. A strong portfolio of work, plus a successful interview will be required.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

The UAL Extended Diploma focuses on animation and video games – officially the fastest-growing medium in the media industry. You will learn the skills needed to thrive in this exciting new environment and study individual products, as well as how the animation and game industry operates and functions.

The programme explores a wide range of topics, including 2D artwork; character, creature and environment design; 3D character, environment and prop modelling; rigging; animation; lighting; rendering; digital painting; game design; storyboarding and narrative. You will also understand how these skills are used in the industries and how they interact with each another.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

#### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical projects in studios and workshops and written assignments.

#### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could progress to a degree in computer animation, video game development, character concepts or art and design, or choose the **Games and Animation Production** degree at University Centre Weston. You will also be able to access studio junior or freelance animator roles.

## GRAPHIC DESIGN AND DIGITAL ARTS

3

### UAL EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

#### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need five GCSE's at grade 9-4 including an art related subject and English, or a qualifying Level 2 qualification. A strong portfolio of work, plus a successful interview will be required.

#### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme puts a strong emphasis on linking you with employers in the sector.

You will complete projects linked to the industry and work with real clients, while studying in a safe and supportive environment. Here, sustained creative play is encouraged, to help you become an innovative and adaptable designer.

You will learn different ways to create corporate identities, packaging and advertising, and study a range of design-related disciplines, including information design typography, design history, motion graphics, digital illustration and photography.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

#### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical projects and written assignments.

#### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could become an employed or self-employed graphic designer or digital artist, or you could increase your skills with a degree-level course such as University Centre Weston's degree in **Graphic Design**.

# MEDIA

**The film industry injects £4.6Bn into the UK creative industries economy, supporting over 117,000 jobs.**

Whether you are looking to film and produce movies and TV programmes, or become a radio broadcast engineer, our media programmes will give you a taste of everything. You will work with external media clients on live industry projects providing you with the essential experience to be successful in the industry.

## FACILITIES

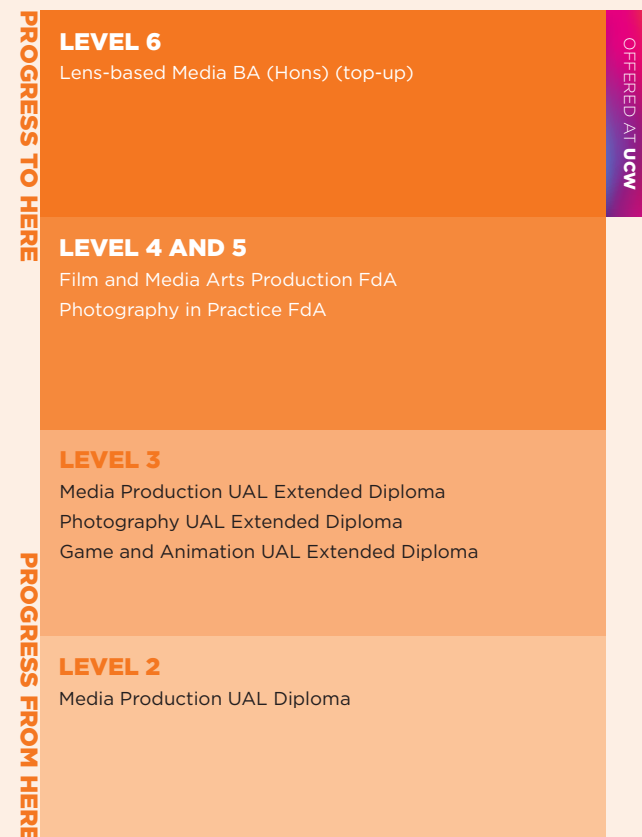
Based at Loxton Campus, Loxton Road, you will benefit from:

- Specialist Mac suites
- Producing work for a wide range of high-level professional partners
- A production TV studio equipped with specialist control room and software
- The Black Magic outside broadcast system and three-camera set-up
- Industry-standard Premier editing software
- Industry-specialist staff.



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**WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/MEDIA**

## PROGRESSION ROUTE



**“THE COLLEGE ALLOWED ME TO EXPLORE MY CREATIVITY AND WORK OUT WHAT I WANTED TO DO WITHIN THE FILM INDUSTRY.”**

## FARHATH SIDDIQUI

**STUDIED:** Film and Media Arts, Level 3  
Farhath progressed to University Centre Weston to study **Film and Media Arts FdA**, and then studied a **Lens-based Media BA (Hons) (top-up)**, and now works as a Visual Content Executive for a Bristol based film company.



# MEDIA

## MEDIA PRODUCTION

2

### UAL DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need a minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The Level 2 Media Production covers a range of topics, including making and editing your own films, pre-production work and research, script writing, advertising and print-based journalism. It is the ideal starting point if you want a career in video production, broadcasting, editing, and post-production work. You will also have the opportunity to undertake an intensive one-year media foundation programme to develop your personal and teamwork skills.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through assignments, investigations and practical work. As part of this programme you will be required to gain a minimum of five days work experience within the media industry to enhance your learning experience.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could increase your skills by progressing to the Level 3 Media Production programme at Weston College.

## MEDIA PRODUCTION

3

### UAL EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS



### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths and a successful interview.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This two-year programme will enhance your skills in a variety of different areas in the media industry. It provides the platform for you to further your opportunities to gain a career in the TV and film or media industry. You will learn all aspects of filmmaking, storytelling, journalism, video editing, scriptwriting and multi-camera events. You will also study what happens behind the scenes in the media industry and investigate theory relating to narrative, genre and audience.

You will have the opportunity to work directly with external media clients, providing valuable industry experience, and you will complete pre-production paperwork to a standard expected of the media industry. This programme will develop your ability to write and research through coursework-based projects, whilst developing your core skills in teamwork, independent working and communication.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical projects and written assignments. As part of this programme you will be required to undertake a specialist industry placement.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme could lead to a successful career in media production. You could increase your skills with a degree in **Film and Media Arts Production** at University Centre Weston. You will also be able to access content producer roles.

## PHOTOGRAPHY

3

### UAL EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need five GCSE's at grade 9-4 including an art related subject and English, or a qualifying Level 2 qualification. A strong portfolio of work, plus a successful interview will be required.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme is focussed on the photographic arts.

It includes a broad curriculum of experimental briefs, creative and technical skills, professional development and contextual studies, as an introduction to a wide range of cutting-edge and historical photographic practices.

You will be encouraged to develop independent practice within the photographic arts and to take an approach to photography that encompasses fine art, documentary and commercial practice. You will also learn to understand photography and develop a critically reflective approach through experimentation, creativity and risk-taking. You will be working with the excellent facilities at Loxton Campus - including dark rooms, specialist studios and digital suites.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical projects and written assignments.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You will have the skills to apply for jobs in the photography industry. Or, you could increase your skills with a degree in **Photography in Practice** at University Centre Weston. You will also be able to access junior and assistant photographer freelance work.



# MUSIC

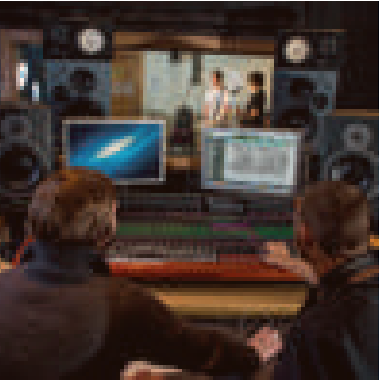
Revenue generated by the UK's live music is growing. It's estimated to contribute £4bn a year to the economy with jobs increasing 19% each year.

Music is an exciting and varied subject that lets you explore your passion and creativity. There are more jobs available in the music industry than you might think, and a qualification in music could lead to a variety of well-paid careers including music performance, music production and teaching.

### FACILITIES

Based at Loxton Campus, Loxton Road you will benefit from:

- Mac-based music production
- ProTools, Logic, Ableton
- Apple-certification
- A range of high-quality recording studios
- Dedicated live performance space
- Access to professional musician tutors for group instrument teaching such as drums, bass and keyboards
- A wide range of sound equipment available for loan
- Opportunities to perform and regular gigs locally and further afield.



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[WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/MUSIC](http://WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/MUSIC)

## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>LEVEL 4, 5 AND 6</b> Professional Music Performance and Production BA (Hons)	OFFERED AT <b>UCW</b>
	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Music Performance and Production UAL Extended Diploma Music Performance and Production UAL Diploma	
PROGRESS FROM HERE	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Music Performance and Production UAL Diploma	
	<b>LEVEL 1</b> Music Performance and Production UAL Diploma	

“I CHOSE THIS COURSE BECAUSE OF THE EXPERIENCED, SUPPORTIVE TUTORS AND THE STRONG COLLEGE LINKS WITH LOCAL INDUSTRY CONTACTS.”

### AARON SAYERS

**STUDIED:** Music

Aaron has established his own company “Track21 Touring Limited” and has toured around the world with internationally acclaimed artists including: Rag’n’Bone Man, All Saints, and The Hoosiers.

# MUSIC

## MUSIC PERFORMANCE AND PRODUCTION

1

### UAL DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3, or the successful completion of a pre-vocational programme and a successful interview/audition.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 1 music programme is the perfect introduction to the exciting and fast-paced music industry. You will get to explore your creativity and learn the skills you need to develop your interest in music into a career. You will learn about performing and rehearsing, creating new music, writing lyrics and music, and producing live music.

You will also have the opportunity to perform at College events and in the local area thanks to opportunities provided by our lecturers, who work within the music industry.

We'll also develop your English and maths skills as part of this programme.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through assignments, investigations and practical work.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This could be your first steps towards a career in the music industry. You could increase your skills and knowledge by progressing to the Level 2 Music programme at Weston College.

## MUSIC PERFORMANCE AND PRODUCTION

2

### UAL DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification and a successful interview/audition.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will learn about the music industry, performing and recording, using professional music software, writing songs and live music production.

You will learn in more detail to expand your capabilities as a musician or music producer, as well as honing your analytical, creative, problem-solving and interpersonal skills. Our lecturers, who work in the industry, also provide opportunities for you to perform at College events and in the local area.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through assignments, investigations and practical work.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme could be your first step towards a career in a music performance and production role. You could increase your skills and knowledge with Weston College's Level 3 programme in Music Performance and Production.

## MUSIC PERFORMANCE AND PRODUCTION

3

### UAL DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need five GCSE's at grade 9-4 including and English, or a qualifying Level 2 qualification plus a successful interview/audition will be required.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

On this programme you will get in-depth tuition on the range of topics that you will need to be successful in the music industry. You will develop practical skills and experience through hands-on sessions in our recording studios, rehearsal rooms and performance spaces. You will have the opportunity to gain instrument and vocal tuition, develop advanced computer skills using industry-standard production software including Logic Pro X and ProTools, and develop an understanding of music in its cultural context. We'll help develop your performance techniques, and improve your song writing, instrumental and vocal abilities.

You will learn to diversify your skills, writing music for television and film, and you will get the opportunity to record in professional recording studios, perform in live music venues, and develop your analytical, creative and interpersonal skills.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical and written assignments throughout the programme.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You will be well equipped to enter into a range of careers, including musician, songwriter, composer or Foley artist. You could also enhance your skills by progressing to a Level 3 Extended Diploma Music Performance and Production.

## MUSIC PERFORMANCE AND PRODUCTION

3

### UAL EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need to have completed the Level 3 Music Performance and Production programme.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This is a second year option of the Music Performance and Production programme where you will build on skills learnt in your first year.

You will get in-depth tuition on the range of topics that you will need to be successful in the music industry. You will develop practical skills and experience through hands-on sessions in our recording studios, rehearsal rooms and performance spaces. You will have the opportunity to gain instrument and vocal tuition, develop advanced computer skills using industry-standard production software including Logic Pro X and ProTools, and develop an understanding of music in its cultural context. We'll help develop your performance techniques, and improve your song-writing, instrumental and vocal abilities.

You will learn to diversify your skills, writing music for television and film, and you will get the opportunity to record in professional recording studios, perform in live music venues, and develop your analytical, creative and interpersonal skills.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical and written assignments throughout the programme.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You will be well equipped to enter into a range of careers, including musician, songwriter, composer or Foley artist. You could also enhance your skills by progressing to the degree in **Professional Music Performance and Production** at University Centre Weston.



# PERFORMING AND PRODUCTION ARTS

This area covers a broad range of skills in technique, creativity, performance and production within four discipline areas including - acting, singing, dance and production arts make-up and hair.

Whether you are interested in working in theatre, community, education, performance, film or TV, our programmes are designed to give you the skills you need. We have designed our curriculum with your future in mind, so you will be learning the skills you need to pursue a career in performing and production arts. When it comes to jobs, you are only limited by your own ambitions and there are a number of career paths available to you.

## FACILITIES

Based at Knightstone Campus in the town centre, you will benefit from:

- Four dance and performing arts studios
- Two tap studios
- A singing studio
- Dedicated performing and production arts theory rooms
- An in-house studio theatre
- A make-up studio
- An art room
- Wardrobe facilities
- Performances in local theatres.

## INDUSTRY PARTNERS

We work with a range of employer partners and have a number of industry accreditations. These are all important factors in ensuring your study programme with us makes you job-ready. These include:

- UAL
- The Blakehay Theatre
- Playhouse
- Grand Pier
- Puxton Park
- Orchard Theatre
- Tropicana.

## JOB ROLES IN THE WEST OF ENGLAND

COMMUNITY ARTS WORKER  
HAIR AND MAKE-UP DESIGNER  
**ACTOR**  
**DRAMA THERAPIST**  
**DANCER**  
THEATRE DIRECTOR  
SCRIPT WRITER  
MAKE-UP ARTIST

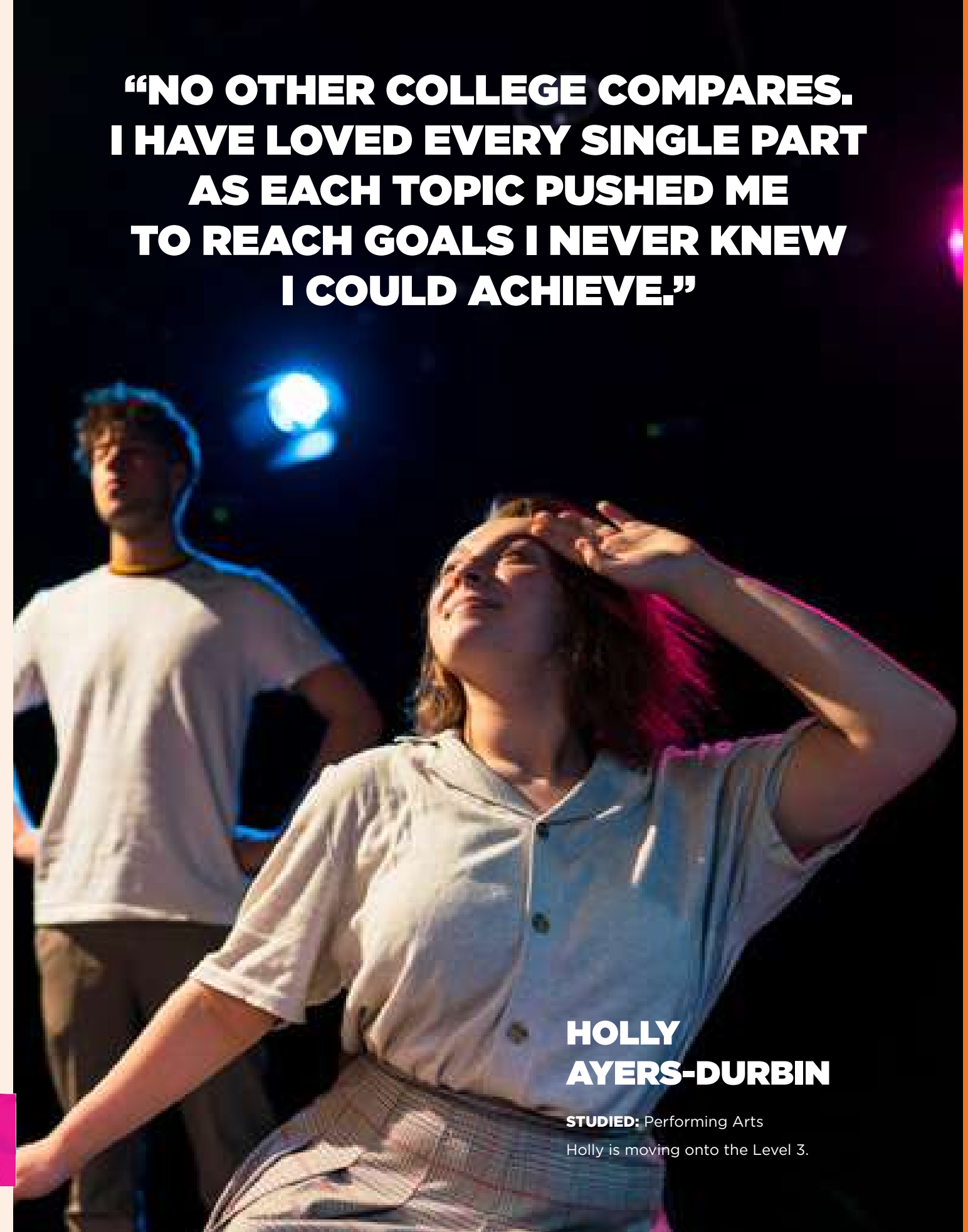
## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>LEVEL 4, 5 AND 6</b> Dance for Commercial Performance BA (Hons) Hair, Make-Up and Prosthetics for Production BA (Hons) Musical Theatre BA (Hons) Performing Arts BA (Hons)	OFFERED AT UCW
	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Acting UAL Extended Diploma Dance and Musical Theatre UAL Extended Diploma Make-Up for Theatre, Film and Television UAL Extended Diploma	
	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Performing Arts UAL Diploma	
	PROGRESS FROM HERE	

## ⚡ DID YOU KNOW

New creative apprenticeships coming soon - if you're interested in finding out more visit [www.weston.ac.uk/creativeapprenticeships](http://www.weston.ac.uk/creativeapprenticeships)

**“NO OTHER COLLEGE COMPARES. I HAVE LOVED EVERY SINGLE PART AS EACH TOPIC PUSHED ME TO REACH GOALS I NEVER KNEW I COULD ACHIEVE.”**



**HOLLY  
AYERS-DURBIN**

**STUDIED:** Performing Arts  
Holly is moving onto the Level 3.

# PERFORMING AND PRODUCTION ARTS

## PERFORMING ARTS

2

### UAL DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification and a successful audition/interview.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

If you enjoy performing arts but are unsure which career path to take, this exciting Level 2 programme is for you. You will explore many different opportunities in this exciting industry and develop a solid skill base in performing and production arts disciplines. Areas that are covered include acting, singing, voice, devising, dance and movement skills, physical theatre, costume and professional practice. You will also get the chance to work in varied venues as a performer and in backstage roles.

All projects work to a live brief and you will take part in work experience that will enable you to work in various professional environments.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical and written projects.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme can enable you to progress onto a Level 3 programme, such as the Diploma in Acting or Diploma in Dance and Musical Theatre.

## ACTING

3

### UAL DIPLOMA/EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1/2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Diploma: You will need five GCSE's at grade 9-4 including English, or a qualifying Level 2 qualification plus a successful interview/audition will be required.

Extended Diploma: Successful completion of the Level 3 Diploma in Acting or Dance and Musical Theatre at a merit grade.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

On this programme you will learn, develop and advance your skills as a professional actor or performer. The diploma will be completed in year 1 and the Extended Diploma in year 2. Topics that are covered include acting, movement, singing, voice, devising physical theatre, improvisation, contextual studies and professional profile. You will also receive guidance when preparing for auditions.

To meet the needs of the industry the Performing and Production Arts department will provide you with the opportunity to change pathways from acting to dance and musical theatre. This will enable you to develop and experience the breadth of the industry and develop your skills ready for employment.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical and written projects.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

The programme will provide you with the skills you need to apply for jobs in the industry. You will also have the necessary skills to progress to the degrees in **Performing Arts** or **Musical Theatre** at University Centre Weston.

## DANCE AND MUSICAL THEATRE

3

### UAL DIPLOMA/EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1/2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Diploma: You will need five GCSE's at grade 9-4 including English, or a qualifying Level 2 qualification please and plus a successful interview/audition will be required.

Extended Diploma: Successful completion of the Level 3 Diploma in Acting or Dance and Musical Theatre at a merit grade.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

On this programme you will learn, develop and advance your skills as a professional dancer or performer. The Diploma will be completed in year 1 and the Extended Diploma in year 2. Topics that are covered include technique lessons in jazz, tap, ballet, contemporary, international dance styles, musical theatre repertoire, choreography, singing, voice, acting, body conditioning and fitness, contextual studies and professional profile. You will receive guidance when preparing for auditions To meet the needs of the industry the opportunity to change pathways from dance and musical theatre to acting, enabling you to develop and experience the breadth of the industry and develop skills for employment.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical and written projects.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme will provide you with the skills you need to apply for jobs in the industry. You can also progress to the degrees in **Dance for Commercial Performance** or **Musical Theatre** at University Centre Weston.

## MAKE-UP FOR THEATRE, FILM AND TELEVISION

3

### UAL DIPLOMA/EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1/2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need five GCSE's at grade 9-4 including English, or a qualifying Level 2 qualification and a successful interview/audition.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

On this programme you will learn, develop and advance your skills in make-up for theatre, film and television. Each year you will complete a range of projects including:

- Historical make-up, hair and wig styling for period drama
- High definition make-up for television and film
- Character make-up and gender reversal for pantomime and musical theatre.

As a make-up artist you will collaborate with actors, dancers, musicians and media students to design make-up and hair for stage and screen. You will develop a good understanding of industry requirements including professional attitudes and will create your own online professional portfolio.

You will complete work experience in the first year and industry placement in the second year which will provide you with exciting opportunities to work with employers and companies whilst exploring and developing your creative abilities in make-up application and design.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical and written projects.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme will provide you with the skills you need to apply for make-up artist roles, including retail, fashion, film and TV. You could also progress to the degree in **Hair, Make-up and Prosthetics for Production** at University Centre Weston.

If you are aiming for a hair and beauty career in a beauty salon, media, health industry or product manufacturing we have a programme specifically for these sectors. Find out more about our Hair and Make-up for Fashion and Media VTCT Diploma on **page 150**.

# EDUCATION AND EARLY YEARS

**If you're interested in the development of children and young people a career in education and early years can be very rewarding.**

Our lecturers all have current and relevant industry experience and work with education providers across the region. This means our curriculum gives you the practical skills and theoretical knowledge that will help you succeed and progress.

It's a privilege to be able to develop children's minds and prepare them for their future. These are the formative years of development and as a childcare worker, you will play a big part in that.

Being a good teacher involves building confidence in children, and making learning fun for them. A good learning experience influences how children respond to education the whole rest of their lives.

## FACILITIES

The College-based programmes are delivered at Knightstone Campus in the town centre. You will benefit from modern classroom spaces and state-of-the-art facilities.

## JOB ROLES IN THE WEST OF ENGLAND

Since the demand for trained childcare workers is increasing, the choice of career paths and the volume of job opportunities available are plentiful. Careers include:

**NURSERY NURSE** **CHILDMINDER**  
**NANNY** **FAMILY SUPPORT WORKER**  
**PLAYWORKER** **NURSERY MANAGER**  
**TEACHING ASSISTANT** **PLAYGROUP ASSISTANT**  
**EARLY YEARS EDUCATOR** **SOCIAL WORKER**

## INDUSTRY FACTS

With experience, you could become an **area manager** and oversee the work of a number of nurseries. You might also consider **setting up your own private nursery**.



You could become a **trainer or training assessor** for people studying for childcare qualifications. You could also become an **inspector**.

A **nursery manager** starts on an average salary of

**£23,000** and with experience this can grow to **£45,000**

## T-LEVELS

THE NEW LEVEL QUALIFICATION

Join us at the forefront of a revolution in technical education, by studying the new Education and Childcare T Level qualification.

T Levels will combine classroom theory, practical learning and an industry placement where you build the knowledge and skills you need in a workplace environment. Find out more about this exciting new programme on **page 131**.



**“THE COURSE BROUGHT THEORY AND PRACTICE TOGETHER. THE TOPICS COVERED REALLY ALIGNED WITH THE WORK I DO TODAY.”**

## JOSH SHAPLAND

**STUDIED:** Early Years, Level 3

Josh progressed to University Centre Weston to study **Early Childhood Studies FdA**, and then studied **Early Years Education BA (Hons) (top-up)**, and is now an education worker for Into University, Weston-super-Mare.



# EARLY YEARS AND EDUCATION

## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>LEVEL 6</b> Early Years Education BA (Hons) (top-up)	OFFERED AT UCW
	<b>LEVEL 4 AND 5</b> Early Childhood Studies FdA Early Years FdA	
	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Education and Childcare T Level Teaching Assistant Advanced Apprenticeship Early Years Educator Advanced Apprenticeship	
	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Education and Early Years Traineeship Early Years Practitioner Intermediate Apprenticeship Education and Early Years Diploma	
PROGRESS FROM HERE	<b>LEVEL 1</b> Caring for Children Certificate Early Years and Education Traineeship	

## CARING FOR CHILDREN

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### CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A genuine interest in working with people is an absolute necessity. You will also need five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3, or the successful completion of a pre-vocational programme. On enrolment you will be required to undertake a DBS check, which the College will pay for.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will gain a broad understanding of the childcare sector and start to develop the knowledge and skills you need. You will also be offered a work placement to experience real work practice and demonstrate your skills.

You will cover a number of units, which will include planning a safe childcare environment, healthy eating, creative activities, physical play and supporting children's learning through everyday experiences. You will also develop your English and maths skills to the level that most employers look for.

This programme will give you practical skills, confidence and employability within the early years sector.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through written coursework, presentations and practical experiences.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This study programme is a stepping stone to further education at Level 2, a traineeship or an apprenticeship. However, the personal, social and work skills that you will gain will support your employment opportunities in all areas.

## EARLY YEARS AND EDUCATION

1

OR

2

### TRAINEESHIP

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS/  
WORKPLACE

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 or a qualifying Level 1 qualification. You will be required to undertake a DBS check, which the College will pay for.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The traineeship is a flexible programme designed to develop your workplace skills and knowledge and build your English and maths. It is suitable for those who wish to study an intermediate apprenticeship but have not yet gained an employer. It is also a good choice for those who may need a little longer to study at Level 2 or who need more time with English and maths in order to be ready to progress to Level 3.

You will attend College two to three days a week to study English, maths, employment rights and responsibilities and work towards the Early Years Practitioner Level 2 qualification. You will also undertake a traineeship placement two days per week.

Topics you will study in college include child and young person development, safeguarding the welfare of children and young people, supporting positive behaviour, working in services for children and young people, health and safety, supporting positive environments, child development, practical care, planning and implementing activities, and observation. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

We'll assess your English, maths, practical skills, projects and placement performance in college and in your work place.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

When you are able to secure an apprenticeship employer, the work you do on the traineeship will be carried over to your apprenticeship qualification. This makes it an excellent preparation for an apprenticeship. You could also progress to a full time Level 2 early years programme.

If you achieve Level 2 functional skills or GCSE grade 4 in English and maths you could also progress onto the T Level programme. You could also progress to a full time Level 2 or Level 3 programme.



# EARLY YEARS AND EDUCATION

## EARLY YEARS PRACTITIONER

2

### INTERMEDIATE APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS  
/IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 5 GCSE's at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4 or qualification at Level 1. You will also need to be in relevant employment - we can assist. On enrolment your employer will require you to undertake an DBS check.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This apprenticeship is designed to develop your workplace skills and knowledge. It also builds the skills you will need to progress to the Level 3 programme and full early years educator status.

You will attend College one day a week to gain vital background knowledge in a variety of sector-related subjects.

Topics you will study include child and young person development, safeguarding the welfare of children and young people, supporting positive behaviour, partnership working in services for children and young people, health and safety, supporting positive environments, child development, practical planning and implementing activities, and observation.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills and you will need to pass Level 1 functional skills and have attempted Level 2 by the end of the apprenticeship.

All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

We'll assess your practical skills, projects and workplace performance. There will be an end-point assessment consisting of a professional discussion and a knowledge test.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

On successful completion you could progress onto the Level 3 advance apprenticeship or T Level.

## EDUCATION AND EARLY YEARS

2

### TECHNICAL PROGRESSION CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

VALIDATED T LEVEL TRANSITION  
PROGRAMME



### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2, including English or maths at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification. On enrolment you will be required to undertake a DBS check.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This qualification will provide you with knowledge and understanding of babies and young children aged up to seven.

It will allow you to qualify as a 'staff member' under the Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) staff-to-child ratio at Level 2.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through assignments and observation of your practical work in your placement.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

An advanced apprenticeship or T Level in Education and Childcare.

## T-LEVELS

## EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE

3

### T LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

5 GCSEs at grade 9-4 (including English and maths), or the Technical Progression Certificate in Education and Early Years (T Level Transition Programme).

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This study programme will provide you with the knowledge, skills and behaviours needed to progress into skilled employment or higher level training or study in the education and childcare sector.

You will attend college for the knowledge element of your qualification, and you will develop your workplace skills by participating in 750 hours of work placement in a school or early years setting.

Topics you will study include – child development; theories of development, learning and behaviour; health and safety and safeguarding; observation, assessment and planning, special educational needs and disability; legislations, policy and procedure; children's health and care; early years foundation stage and key stage one. You will also undertake first aid and food hygiene training.

You will have the opportunity to participate in educational trips and visits, locally, nationally and internationally.

For more information on T Levels see **page 14**.

### ASSESSMENT

Assessment is through examinations and an employer-led project.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This qualification will support learners on to a range of progression routes including employment, higher education and higher apprenticeships.

The T Level study programme is eligible for UCAS points.

The types of settings you may choose to work include nurseries, schools, childminders, children's centres and out of school play schemes.



# EARLY YEARS AND EDUCATION

## EARLY YEARS EDUCATOR

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 18 MONTHS TO 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need a Level 2 early years qualification. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this. On enrolment your employer will require you to undertake a DBS check.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This apprenticeship is designed to develop your workplace skills and knowledge as an early years educator. You will attend College one day a week to gain vital background knowledge in a variety of sector-related subjects.

Topics you will study include child and young person development, safeguarding the welfare of children and young people, supporting positive behaviour, partnership working in services for children and young people, health and safety, supporting positive environments, child development, practical care, planning and implementing activities, and observation.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills and you will need to pass Level 2 functional skills and paediatric first aid by the end of your apprenticeship.

All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

We'll assess your practical skills, projects and workplace performance. There will be an end-point assessment consisting of a professional discussion and a knowledge test.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could progress to a role in a range of settings, including nurseries, pre-schools and schools. Or, you can increase your skills with a degree in **Early Childhood Studies** or **Early Years** at University Centre Weston.

➤ FIND OUT MORE AT  
[WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/TEACHING](http://WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/TEACHING)

## TEACHING ASSISTANT

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 18 MONTHS TO 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need a Level 2 Early Years or Teaching Assistant qualification. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this. On enrolment your employer will require you to undertake a DBS check.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This apprenticeship is designed to develop your workplace skills and knowledge as a teaching assistant or supporting teaching and learning in a variety of settings.

You will attend College one day a week to gain vital background knowledge in a variety of sector-related subjects.

Topics you will study include schools as organisations, assessment for learning, child and young person development, safeguarding the welfare of children and young people, supporting positive behaviour, partnership working in services for children and young people, health and safety.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills and you will need to pass Level 2 functional skills by the end of your apprenticeship.

All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

We'll assess your practical skills, projects and workplace performance. There will be an end-point assessment consisting of a professional discussion and a knowledge test.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could progress to a role in a range of settings, including primary and secondary schools and SEND provision. Or, you can increase your skills with a degree in **Early Childhood Studies, Inclusive Practice** or **Early Years** at University Centre Weston.





# ENGINEERING

Engineers apply scientific knowledge, mathematics, and ingenuity to develop technical and commercial solutions.

Our programmes provide career pathways into aerospace, electronics, mechatronics and manufacturing engineering.

## FACILITIES

You will benefit from a range of facilities, workshops and laboratories that will allow you to carry out a range of operations, including:

- Aerospace, including subsonic wind tunnel
- Hydraulics and pneumatics
- Electronics
- Material analysis and deformation
- Milling, turning and CNC
- Composites
- Welding
- Fabrication
- Aerospace, including a Tornado jet engine.

## JOB ROLES IN THE WEST OF ENGLAND

**MACHINIST** **MECHANICAL ENGINEER**  
**MECHATRONICS ENGINEER**  
ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN **FITTER FABRICATOR**  
**AEROSPACE ENGINEER** **ELECTRICAL ENGINEER**

## INDUSTRY PARTNERS

We work with a range of employer partners and have a number of industry accreditations. These are all important factors in ensuring your study programme with us makes you job-ready. These are:

- GKN Aerospace
- Rolls-Royce
- Wessex Water
- Ministry of Defence
- Airbus.

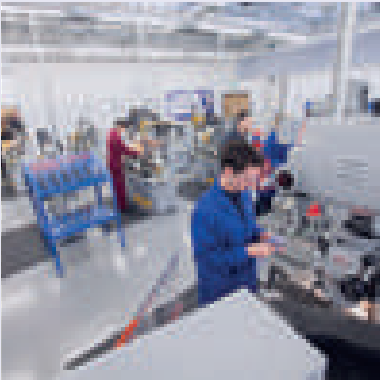
## INDUSTRY FACTS

The average **engineering technician** earns around

**£22,000**

a year, however, **specialising** in a type of engineering and **gaining further qualifications** and experience will lead to a larger salary. **Aerospace engineers**, for example, earn up to

**£55,000**



## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE

### LEVEL 6

Engineering degree apprenticeships in:  
Aerospace Engineering BEng (Hons)  
Electronic Engineering BEng (Hons)  
Mechanical Engineering BEng (Hons)  
Mechanical Engineering with Manufacturing BEng (Hons)

### LEVEL 4 AND 5

Aerospace Engineering Manufacturing FdSc  
HNC in Engineering (General) - Operations, Manufacturing or Electrical and Electronic  
Engineering Manufacturing Technician - Apprenticeship  
HNC in Engineering  
Engineering Manufacturing Technician - Level 4 (HNC in Engineering)

### LEVEL 3

Composites Technician Apprenticeship  
Engineering BTEC Extended Diploma  
Engineering Technician Apprenticeship  
Engineering Technologies Certificate  
Engineering BTEC Certificate

### LEVEL 2

Engineering Design Certificate  
Engineering and Technology Diploma  
Maintenance and Operations Engineering Technician Apprenticeship

### LEVEL 1

Engineering Technologies Certificate

PROGRESS FROM HERE

OFFERED AT UCW

“THE MOST ENJOYABLE PARTS WERE THE HANDS-ON PROBLEM-SOLVING AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO WORK WITH WESSEX WATER.”



**ASHLEY EALSON**

**STUDIED:** Engineering  
**FORMER SCHOOL:** Royal Manor, Portland.

# ENGINEERING

## ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGIES

1

### CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3, or a pre-vocational programme.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme is the ideal introduction to engineering and will build up your basic engineering and IT skills as well as develop your technical knowledge. You will learn about the internet, how to make websites, pitching an engineering product, and animation.

You will also get the opportunity to take part in work experience in the engineering sector. This programme also includes tutorial support, employability development and study skills. We'll work with you to develop your English and maths skills to the level that most employers in the engineering sector look for.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through observations of practical work, group work, presentations and coursework.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme could be your first step into the engineering industry. You could also progress onto our Level 2 engineering programme to further develop your skills and knowledge.

## ⚡ DID YOU KNOW

There is an estimated shortfall of up to 59,000 engineering graduates and technicians for core-engineering roles.

## ENGINEERING DESIGN

2

### CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 2 engineering programme is the ideal choice if you are new to the subject or have completed the Level 1 programme and want to enhance your skills. It covers the fundamental abilities and knowledge you will need to enter the engineering industry.

You will have the choice and flexibility to learn about a variety of engineering activities, including health and safety requirements and communicating engineering information. This qualification also explores technical support, project planning and understanding of business improvement techniques.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through observations of practical work, group work, presentations and coursework.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most students progress onto the Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeship in Engineering, the Level 3 AME Extended Diploma and then onto an HNC or foundation degree.

## ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

2

### EAL DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-3 with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 2 engineering programme is the ideal choice if you are new to the subject or have completed the Level 1 programme and want to enhance your skills. It covers the fundamental abilities and knowledge you will need to enter the engineering industry.

You will have the choice and flexibility to learn about a variety of engineering activities, including health and safety requirements and communicating engineering information. This qualification also explores technical support, project planning and understanding of business improvement techniques.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

We'll assess your workshop and practical skills and your portfolio.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This qualification could be your first step into a career in the engineering sector. You could enhance your skills by progressing to a Level 3 engineering qualification or apprenticeship at Weston College.

## MAINTENANCE & OPERATIONS ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN

2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 3 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

3 GCSEs at grade 4 or higher including maths, English and science, or equivalent.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This apprenticeship covers the following roles: Electrical Technicians; Mechanical Technicians; Control & Instrumentation Technicians; Wind Turbine Technicians Electrical System and Process Control Technicians; Electromechanical Technicians and Plant Operations Technicians. You will have the opportunity to combine on-the-job training with study in a college environment.

You will start by learning the basics across several different areas. For one or two days per week in the first year, you will be taught the technical knowledge and practical competencies needed to complete your apprenticeship. You will also work in our brand-new engineering workshops and labs to develop new skills.

Depending on the company that you work for, your apprenticeship will cover several different disciplines such as turning, milling in the machine shop, CAD or CAM, CNC machining, hydraulic systems, pneumatic systems, electrical and electronics, maintenance, materials science, programmable logic controllers, composites, fabrication and welding.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through workplace observations and practical tests. You will also complete online tests, assignments and produce a portfolio of evidence. This will be part of your end-point assessment.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most students will progress into a technician-level position. You could also progress onto higher education, such as the degrees or degree apprenticeships on offer at University Centre Weston.

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# ENGINEERING

## ENGINEERING

3

### BTEC CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English, maths and science. You will also be asked to attend an interview.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This high-quality Level 3 engineering programme can lead to an exciting career as an engineer.

The qualification offers both a practical and academic focus and will provide you with skills, knowledge and understanding of subjects such as robotics, pneumatics, hydraulics, electronic principles, materials and 3D printing within our Engineering Centre workshops and laboratories.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

We will assess your assignments, practical work and final project.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most learners progress onto the Level 3 Extended Diploma in Engineering (Year 2) and then onto university level study or an apprenticeship degree. Some learners seek an apprenticeship to learn on the job or move straight into employment.

## ENGINEERING

3

### BTEC EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Successful completion of the BTEC Foundation Diploma in Engineering (Year 1).

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This high-quality Level 3 engineering programme can lead to an exciting career as an engineer. Equivalent to three A Levels, this two-year extended diploma has a blend of core engineering subjects, but also explores the future technologies that influence the sector.

The qualification offers both a practical and academic focus and will provide you with skills, knowledge and understanding of subjects such as robotics, pneumatics, hydraulics, electronic principles, materials and 3D printing within our new Engineering Centre workshops and laboratories.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

We will assess your assignments, practical work and final project.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You will have the skills to enter employment in the engineering sector. You could also progress onto higher education, including the degrees or degree apprenticeships on offer at University Centre Weston.

## ENGINEERING TECHNICIAN

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 3 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths, or a qualifying Level 2 qualification. You will also be asked to attend an interview, and will need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This apprenticeship can lead into the following pathways: aerospace or aircraft fitter, machinist, technical support technician, mechatronics maintenance technician. It is aimed at people working at technician level in an engineering company. You will have the opportunity to combine 'on-the-job training' with study in a college environment. You will start by learning the basics across a number of different areas. For one or two days per week in the first year, and one day per week in the second year, you will attend College where you will be taught the technical knowledge needed to complete your apprenticeship. You will also work in our engineering workshops and labs to develop new skills.

Depending on the company that you work for, your apprenticeship will cover a number of different disciplines such as turning, milling in the machine shop, CAD or CAM, CNC machining, hydraulic systems, pneumatic systems, electrical and electronics, maintenance, materials science, programmable logic controllers, composites, fabrication and welding.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through workplace observations and practical tests. You will also complete online tests, assignments and produce a portfolio of evidence. This will be part of your end-point assessment.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most students will progress into a technician-level position. You could also progress onto higher education, such as the degrees or degree apprenticeships on offer at University Centre Weston.



# ENGINEERING

## ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGIES

3

### CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Science, English and maths GCSEs at grades 9-4, and ideally, a recognised Level 2 engineering qualification. You will also be asked to attend an interview.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 3 Engineering Technologies programme is ideal if you're interested in a career in the engineering sector. It could lead to job roles such as maintenance engineer, mechanical engineer, welder, fabricator, and electrical or electronic engineer.

You will learn about computer-automated and robotic system principles, analogue and digital circuit principles and faults, and engineering health and safety. There's also a focus on learning new practical skills in fabrication and welding.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through workshop assessments, practical observations, and a portfolio.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could enter employment in a variety of engineering roles, or enhance your skills with an extended diploma or apprenticeship in engineering at Weston College.

## ⚡ DID YOU KNOW

By 2024, 203,000 people with engineering skills at Level 3 and above will be needed to meet demand.

## COMPOSITES TECHNICIAN

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 3 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** 1ST YEAR AT COLLEGE/2ND YEAR IN THE WORKPLACE

### APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-4 including English and maths, or a Level 2 composites or engineering programme. You will need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

A composites technician is engaged in a variety of processes in the production and creation of materials and components that are used in a range of applications including airplanes, cars, boats, turbine blades, oil and gas rigs, bridges, trains and satellites.

They provide specialised knowledge and skills that support manufacturing programmes and projects and may be deployed in the areas of design, tooling, moulding, lay-up, curing, machining, inspection, testing, repair and material production.

### ASSESSMENT

Apprentices will need to achieve a Level 3 knowledge qualification and a work-based NVQ qualification before the end-point assessment.

The end-point assessment is a work-based project (a report of not less than 1,500 words focussing on specific work-based tasks) and a professional discussion, including a 'viva' on the work-based project.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Apprentices can progress to related degrees or degree apprenticeships, including those on offer at University Centre Weston, or into engineering management positions.



# FOUNDATION LEARNING

**Foundation learning is for students with special educational needs or disabilities (SEND).**

Weston College is a supportive and inclusive environment for all of its learners, and we pay particular attention to the development of an empowering curriculum for our students with SEND.

We create an individual programme of study for each of our students, which takes into account their needs and aspirations. We take a holistic and student-focused approach to ensuring that our students' experiences and outcomes are outstanding. We celebrate each one of our students, and encourage them to reach their potential.

All learners on a Foundation Learning programme will have an assigned personal tutor and a weekly tutorial. The tutorial element is an integral part of the programme philosophy, encompassing the development of individual strategies and empowering learners to take responsibility for their own learning.

**OUR SPECIALIST FACILITIES**

All three of our campuses have specialist resources for our students with special needs or disabilities, and our Knightstone Campus includes facilities such as the Workshop, the Sensory Learning Base, independent living area, low arousal space and, where appropriate, access to Weston Bay, our specialist residential training facility for students with autism.



**OUR SPECIALIST STAFF**

Staff provide inspiring, innovative and high-quality programmes, as well as ambitious and sustainable progression opportunities for students with SEND. The teams are highly qualified and experienced in working with students with SEND and have specialisms in the following areas:

- Autism
- Social, emotional and mental health
- Speech, language and communication
- Assistive technology
- Positive behaviour management
- Sensory difficulties
- Specific learning difficulties
- Profound and complex learning difficulties.

**THE PROGRAMME**

Each student will get a personalised timetable that meets their needs. Study programmes are diverse with flexibility to support learners to work towards their intended outcomes and aspirations, including:

- A range of vocational creative and sporting options
- Personal and social development
- Employability skills
- Work placements
- Independent living.

Students will work towards functional skills in English and maths and, where appropriate to the individual, can take English and maths from Entry Level 1 up to GCSE. Central to the delivery of English and maths development is learners understanding the relevance of these skills, and to embed them into their other subject areas. Programmes include:

- **Re-engagement Programmes**  
For students who require support to re-engage in to education.
- **Pre-vocational Pathway**  
For students with a keen vocational interest who want to build the skills needed to progress to a Level 1 programme.
- **Extension Studies**  
For students with moderate learning difficulties and other barriers to learning.
- **Supported Internships**  
For students aged 16-24 with an Education Health and Care Plan who need support to gain paid employment.
- **Aspirations**  
For students aged 19-24 on the autism spectrum.
- **Preparation for Work and Life**  
For students aged 16-24 with severe learning disabilities and difficulties who have an Education Health and Care Plan. The programme has a flexible approach to meeting individual needs, focusing on preparing for adulthood.
- **Sensory Learning**  
For students aged 16-24 with profound and complex learning disabilities and difficulties who have an Education Health and Care Plan. A bespoke provision for students in a purpose-built specialist facility at Knightstone Campus.

These programmes are enhanced throughout the year with opportunities for students to participate in additional sporting events, overnight and week-long residential stays, educational visits, lunchtime activities and end-of-year celebration events.

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**“THE COLLEGE HAS HELPED ME TO DEVELOP USEFUL METHODS AND STRATEGIES TO HELP ME COPE WITH DIFFICULT SITUATIONS.”**



**CHARLOTTE COOKE**

**STUDIED:** Foundation Learning  
**FORMER SCHOOL:** Priory

Charlotte had now progressed to the Level 2 Public Services programme. She also won Foundation Learner of the Year at Weston College Celebration of Success.

# HAIRDRESSING AND BARBERING

Hairdressing and barbering are among the most exciting and satisfying careers choices if you enjoy meeting new people and making them feel good about themselves.

Skilled and qualified hairdressers and barbers have clear routes into the industry and the ability to upskill and retrain.

### FACILITIES

Based at Knightstone Campus in the town centre, you can benefit from:

- A large hair and beauty centre which is open to the public. This means that you will be assessed working on paying clients ensuring you are ready for the industry.
- Our lecturers have many years of experience working in the sector, so you will be learning from experts with current and relevant knowledge.
- You will have the opportunity to experiment with different styles and techniques, displaying them at our end-of-year hair and beauty show.



### BOOK AN APPOINTMENT AT THE HAIR AND BEAUTY CENTRE

We aim to educate and train our students, and focus on their needs. As a result, we need to operate in a different way from a high-street salon and this is reflected in our prices. All our services and treatments are carried out by students, under the supervision of highly qualified staff.

Treatments and services may take longer than in a normal salon, as students occasionally need support and guidance from their tutors. We endeavour to maintain professionalism at all times and to deliver a high level of customer service.

Provision of some services and treatments will be at the tutor's discretion. To ensure fair access to assessment opportunities, and equal opportunities for all students, and a diverse range of clients, it is not possible for clients to request a specific student to work on them.

### INDUSTRY PARTNERS

Taught by tutors with impressive industry careers, you will also benefit from our partnerships with:

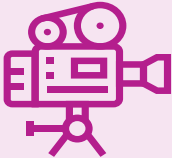
- Dennis Williams Hair and Beauty Supplies
- Eve Taylor
- CKD (College Kits Direct)
- Florenceroby (The luxury uniform company for beauty, hair and spa)
- VTCT.

### INDUSTRY FACTS

On average **hairdressers and barbers** start on a salary of around

**£14,000** per year, and with experience and **higher qualifications** this can go up to **£30,000**

Some of our top students have gone on to work in the fashion, film and television industry as **stylists**, and opened their **own hair salons and barbers**.



## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>LEVEL 4, 5 AND 6</b> Hair, Make-Up and Prosthetics for Production BA (Hons)	OFFERED AT UCW
	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Women's Hairdressing Technical Diploma Fashion, Make-up Artistry and Hair Media, Technical Diploma	
PROGRESS FROM HERE	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Barbering VRQ Diploma Hair Professional: Barbering Apprenticeship Hair Professional: Hairdressing Apprenticeship Women's Hairdressing Technical Diploma Hair and Make-up Artistry, Technical Diploma	
	<b>LEVEL 1</b> Hair and Beauty VRQ Diploma Hair and Beauty Traineeship	

“WESTON COLLEGE GAVE ME OPPORTUNITIES THAT I WOULDN'T HAVE HAD ELSEWHERE.”



## JOE CALVERT

**STUDIED:** Barbering

**FORMER SCHOOL:** Priory

Joe has completed his apprenticeship and gained employment as a qualified barber.



# HAIRDRESSING AND BARBERING

## HAIR AND BEAUTY

1

### VRQ DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1, with at least two at grade 3, or the successful completion of a pre-vocational programme.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The Level 1 hair and beauty programme provides an insight into the industry. You will develop your knowledge and practical skills by studying a variety of units, including colouring hair, creating retail displays, styling women's hair, skin care, basic make-up and nail art application.

You will develop your knowledge and skills by working in the College's real-life commercial salon and attending work placements throughout the year. Tutorial support, personal and social development, and English and maths skills are also fundamental elements of this programme.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through online tests, practical work, assignments and projects. You will also have an online gradebook that you will keep up-to-date and manage targets that your tutor sets you throughout the year.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme could be your first step into the hair and beauty industry. You could progress to a Level 2 programme in Women's Hairdressing, Beauty Therapy or Hair and Media Make-up at Weston College. Or you could choose an apprenticeship or traineeship in the hair and beauty industry.

## HAIR AND BEAUTY

1

OR

2

### TRAINEESHIP

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** ANY TIME

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS /IN THE WORKPLACE

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The traineeship is a flexible programme designed to develop your workplace skills and knowledge and build your English and maths.

It is suitable for those who wish to study an intermediate apprenticeship but have not yet gained an employer. It is also a good choice for those who may need a little longer to study at Level 2 or who need more time with English and maths in order to be ready to progress to Level 3.

You will attend College two to three days a week to study English, maths, employment rights and responsibilities and work towards the Hair and Beauty Level 2 qualification. You will also undertake a traineeship placement two days per week.

### ASSESSMENT

We'll assess your English, maths, practical skills, projects and placement performance in college and in your work place.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

When you are able to secure an apprenticeship employer, the work you do on the traineeship will be carried over to your apprenticeship qualification. This makes it an excellent preparation. You could also progress to a full time Level 2 or Level 3 programme - your tutor can advise.

## BARBERING

2

### VRQ DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2, with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme will give you a good level of basic training in barbering and covers all the practical skills you will need to work in a salon such as cutting, colouring and styling. You will develop personal skills and confidence to enable you to work effectively and professionally with clients and colleagues.

You will further develop your knowledge and apply the skills you have learnt in a commercial salon and by attending work placements throughout the year.

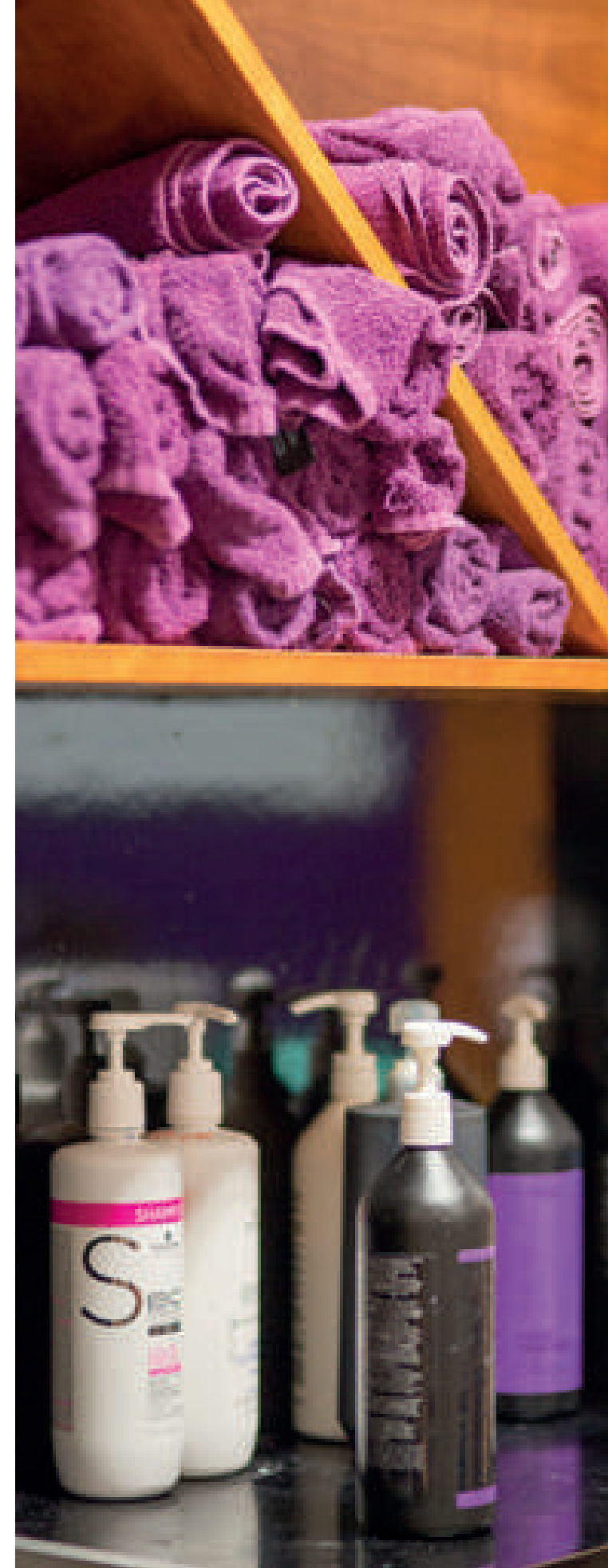
As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through online tests, practical work, assignments and projects. You will have an online gradebook that you will keep up-to-date and manage targets that your tutor sets you throughout the year.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This study programme could lead to employment as a men's hairdresser, or Levels 2 and 3 programmes such as women's hairdressing or a hairdressing apprenticeship.



# HAIRDRESSING AND BARBERING

## HAIR AND MAKE-UP ARTISTRY

2

### TECHNICAL DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Maths or English at grade 4.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Throughout this qualification, you will develop your knowledge and understanding of relevant anatomy and physiology and health and safety. You will also develop the knowledge, understanding and skills to plan for and provide make-up applications, hair preparation services, fashion and editorial make-up and face and body painting. You will develop your abilities to ensure continuity services are adhered to for make-up application and hair services, whilst developing abilities to produce a total look for competition work. In parallel, you will develop your communication and customer service skills, your awareness of environmental sustainability and commercial skills, all of which are valued highly by employers. Problem solving, team working and research skills will also be developed.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed via two online examinations, usually scheduled for January and March. You will be assessed in your practical elements through graded end of unit examinations which contribute to your overall grade.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

As a hair and make-up artist, you could progress directly into employment in a variety of contexts, which include: theatre, film, print media, photographic studios, beauty and/or hair salon, independent/self-employed/mobile/home based settings.

Whilst the primary purpose of this qualification is to prepare you for employment, you may choose to develop your knowledge and skills further by completing a specialist qualification at Level 3 including Fashion, Theatre and Media Hair and Make-up Studies.

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## HAIR PROFESSIONAL: BARBERING

2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE/AT COLLEGE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-3, including English and maths, or a Level 1 qualification. You will need to be in employment in the industry, but we can support you to find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This apprenticeship will enable you to learn practical skills on the job as well as developing your theoretical skills in Weston College's commercial salons. You will earn a wage and gain valuable work experience while also getting the benefits of being a student.

You will learn the theory and skills needed to gain employment in the industry, along with the professionalism and behaviour expected within the sector. The topics you will study include cutting men's hair, cutting facial hair, shaving and styling men's hair.

### ASSESSMENT

Your personal assessor will visit your salon to review your progress and we'll assess you in our commercial salon. Once your gradebook is complete we will agree an end-point assessment with you, which will be an externally graded three-hour trade test.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

The majority of our apprentices are kept on by their employer after they finish their programme. You could develop your skills with an advanced apprenticeship.

## HAIR PROFESSIONAL: HAIRDRESSING

2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE/AT COLLEGE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Four GCSEs at grade 9-3, including English and maths, or a Level 1 qualification. You will also need to be in employment in the industry, but we can support you to find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This apprenticeship will enable you to learn practical skills on the job as well as developing your theoretical skills in Weston College's commercial salons. You will earn a wage and gain valuable work experience while also getting the benefits of being a student.

You will learn the theory and skills you will need to gain employment in the industry, along with the professionalism and behaviour expected within the sector. The topics you will study include basic techniques in cutting hair, changing hair colour, styling, dressing and finishing hair. We'll also develop your English and maths skills as part of this programme.

### ASSESSMENT

Your personal assessor will visit your salon to review your progress and we'll also assess you in our commercial salon. Once your gradebook is complete we will agree an end-point assessment with you, which will be an externally graded six-hour trade test.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

The majority of our apprentices are kept on by their employer after they finish their programme. You could develop your skills by progressing to an advanced apprenticeship, or the Women's Hairdressing Level 3 programme at Weston College.

➡ FIND OUT MORE AT  
[WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/HAIR](http://WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/HAIR)

## WOMEN'S HAIRDRESSING

2

### TECHNICAL DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2, including English or maths, with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

On this programme you will gain a basic level of training in hairdressing, covering all the practical skills of a salon such as cutting, colouring and styling. Your personal skills and confidence will be developed to enable you to work effectively and professionally with clients and colleagues.

You will further develop your knowledge and apply the skills you have learned through working in a real-life commercial salon and attending work placements throughout the year.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through online tests, practical work, assignments and projects. You will have an online gradebook that you will keep up-to-date and manage targets that your tutor sets you throughout the year. You will be tested every term while being monitored by a local employer with external quality assurance. There are two written exams on this programme.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme could lead to employment as a stylist or a hairdresser, the Level 3 qualification in Women's Hairdressing or Barbering, or an apprenticeship in the hairdressing industry.

# HAIRDRESSING AND BARBERING

## WOMEN'S HAIRDRESSING

3

### TECHNICAL DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need a related Level 2 qualification, plus English and maths GCSEs at grade 4 or above.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 3 hairdressing programme provides all the skills you will need to work effectively as a senior hairdresser or stylist. You will cover units including health and safety in the salon, hairdressing consultation, hair cutting and colouring, blow drying and finishing. You will also develop your knowledge and understanding of relevant anatomy and physiology.

You will develop the knowledge, understanding and skills you need to consult with clients and to provide a range of services – including cutting and colouring, set, dress and finishing. We'll also help you improve your communication and customer service skills, awareness of environmental sustainability and commercial skills – all of which are valued highly by employers. Your problem-solving and research skills will also be developed.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through online tests, practical work, assignments and projects. You will have an online gradebook that you will keep up-to-date and manage targets throughout the year. There are also three written exams.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This qualification will prepare you for employment as a hairdresser, stylist or trainee salon manager. You could also progress onto a specialist Level 4 qualification in hair and beauty or salon management, or the degree in **Hair, Make-up and Prosthetics for Production** at University Centre Weston.

## FASHION, MAKE-UP ARTISTRY AND HAIR MEDIA

3

### TECHNICAL DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Maths and English at grade 4 or completion of Level 2 Hair and Make-up Artistry.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The content of this qualification is comprised of all the required elements to work effectively as a make-up artist including airbrush make-up for the face, camouflage make-up, fashion and photographic make-up and media make-up.

You will also have the opportunity to undertake a wide range of optional units to enhance their practical skills in both hair and make-up application/beauty techniques such as face and body art, mehndi skin decoration, applying prosthetic pieces, styling and fitting postiche, wig services and fantasy hair design, production arts planning and many more related units.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be externally assessed via a combination of multiple choice theory examinations and practical assessments to meet a brief.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Career opportunities as a make-up artist exist in a variety of contexts; beauty salons, hair salons, theatre, film, TV and media, cruise ships and photographic studios. You could also progress on to **Hair, Make-up and Prosthetics Production BA Hons** at University Centre Weston.

If you are aiming for a hair and beauty career in theatre and performance we have a programme specifically for these sectors... Production Arts – Hair, Make-up and Special Effects for Film and Theatre, UAL Diploma/ Extended Diploma - find out more on **page 125**.





# BEAUTY AND COMPLEMENTARY THERAPIES

Beauty therapy is currently one of the fastest-growing sectors.

A qualification in beauty can lead to a number of successful careers in the industry and enable you to perform professional treatments such as facials, manicures and massages.

### FACILITIES

Based at Knightstone Campus in the town centre, you can benefit from:

- A large hair and beauty centre which is open to the public. This means that you will be assessed working on real paying clients ensuring you are ready for the industry.
- Our lectures have many years of experience working in the sector, so you will be learning from experts with current and relevant knowledge.
- You will have the opportunity to experiment with different styles and techniques, displaying them at our end-of-year hair and beauty show.



### BOOK AND APPOINTMENT AT THE HAIR AND BEAUTY CENTRE

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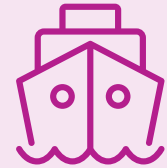
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- Dennis Williams Hair and Beauty Supplies
- Eve Taylor
- CKD (College Kits Direct)
- Florenceroby (The luxury uniform company for beauty, hair and spa)
- VTCT.

### INDUSTRY FACTS

On average a **beauty therapist** starts on a salary of

**£15,000** and with experience and **higher qualifications** this can go up to **£20,000**



Former students have gone on to open their **own beauty salons**, work on **cruise liners** and go into the **aesthetic industry**.

“THE MASSAGE TRAINING WAS MOST ENJOYABLE. I CAN’T WAIT TO START IN THE INDUSTRY.”

**CHLOE WILLIAMS**

**STUDIED:** Beauty

**FORMER SCHOOL:** King Alfreds

Chloe aims to work full time at a spa like Rookery Manor.

# BEAUTY AND COMPLIMENTARY THERAPIES

## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>LEVEL 4, 5 AND 6</b> Hair, Make-Up and Prosthetics for Production BA (Hons)	OFFERED AT <b>UCW</b>
	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Beauty Therapies Technical Diploma Fashion, Makeup Artistry and Hair Media Technical Diploma	
	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Beauty Therapies Technical Diploma Hair and Makeup Artistry Technical Diploma	
PROGRESS FROM HERE	<b>LEVEL 1</b> Hair and Beauty VRQ Diploma Hair and Beauty Traineeship	

## HAIR AND BEAUTY

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**VRQ DIPLOMA**  
**DURATION:** 1 YEAR  
**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021  
**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**  
A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3 or the successful completion of a pre-vocational programme.

**WHAT TO EXPECT**  
The Level 1 hair and beauty programme provides an insight into the industry. You will develop your knowledge and practical skills by studying a variety of units, including colouring hair, creating retail displays, styling women's hair, skin care, basic make-up and nail art application.

You will develop your knowledge and skills by working in the College's real-life commercial salon and attending work placements throughout the year. Tutorial support, personal and social development, and English and maths skills are also fundamental elements of this programme.

**ASSESSMENT**  
You will be assessed through online tests, practical work, assignments and projects. You will also have an online gradebook that you will keep up-to-date and manage targets that your tutor sets you throughout the year.

**WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?**  
This programme could be your first steps into the hair and beauty industry. You could progress to a Level 2 programme in Women's Hairdressing, Beauty Therapy or Hair and Media Make-up at Weston College. Or you could choose an apprenticeship or traineeship in the hair and beauty industry.

## HAIR AND BEAUTY

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OR  
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**TRAINEESHIP**  
**DURATION:** 1 YEAR  
**START DATE:** ANY TIME  
**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS /IN THE WORKPLACE

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**  
A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

**WHAT TO EXPECT**  
The traineeship is a flexible programme designed to develop your workplace skills and knowledge and build your English and maths.

It is suitable for those who wish to study an intermediate apprenticeship but have not yet gained an employer. It is also a good choice for those who may need a little longer to study at Level 2 or who need more time with English and maths in order to be ready to progress to Level 3.

You will attend College two to three days a week to study English, maths, employment rights and responsibilities and work towards the Hair and Beauty Level 2 qualification. You will also undertake a traineeship placement two days per week.

**ASSESSMENT**  
We'll assess your English, maths, practical skills, projects and placement performance in college and in your work place.

**WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?**  
When you are able to secure an apprenticeship employer, the work you do on the traineeship will be carried over to your apprenticeship qualification. This makes it an excellent preparation for your apprenticeship. You could also progress to a full time Level 2 or Level 3 programme - your tutor can advise.



# BEAUTY AND COMPLIMENTARY THERAPIES

## HAIR AND MAKE-UP ARTISTRY

2

### TECHNICAL DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-3 and above, and English or maths at grade 4 and above.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Throughout this qualification, you will develop your knowledge and understanding of relevant anatomy and physiology and health and safety. You will also develop the knowledge, understanding and skills to plan for and provide make-up applications, hair preparation services, fashion and editorial make-up and face and body painting.

You will develop your abilities to ensure continuity services are adhered to for make-up application and hair services, whilst developing abilities to produce a total look for competition work.

In parallel, you will develop your communication and customer service skills, your awareness of environmental sustainability and your commercial skills, all of which are valued highly by employers.

Problem solving, team working and research skills will also be developed.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed via two online examinations, usually scheduled for January and March.

You will be assessed in your practical elements through graded end of unit examinations which contribute to your overall grade.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

As a hair and make-up artist, you could progress directly into employment in a variety of contexts, which include: theatre, film, print media, photographic studios, beauty and/or hair salons, independent/self-employed/mobile/home based settings.

Whilst the primary purpose of this qualification is to prepare you for employment, you may choose to develop your knowledge and skills further by completing a specialist qualification at Level 3 in one or more of the following areas: fashion, theatre and media hair and make-up studies or hairdressing.

## BEAUTY THERAPIES

2

### TECHNICAL DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Maths or English at grade 4 or above and good school attendance.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Throughout this qualification, you will develop your knowledge and understanding of relevant anatomy and physiology and health and safety. You will also develop the knowledge, understanding and skills to consult with clients whilst providing a range of beauty treatments including facial treatments, skin analysis, manicure, pedicure, waxing, eyelash/eyebrow treatments and make-up applications. In parallel, you will develop your communication and customer service skills, awareness of environmental sustainability and commercial skills, all of which are valued highly by employers. Problem solving, team working and research skills will also be developed.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be externally assessed via two online examinations, usually scheduled for January and March. You will be assessed in your practical elements through graded end of unit examinations which contribute to your overall grade.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

On completion of this qualification you are eligible to become a member of the British Association of Beauty Therapy and Cosmetology (BABTAC) or Federation of Holistic Therapists (FHT).

As a beauty therapist, you could progress directly into employment in a variety of contexts, which include: commercial salons, destination/day spas, independent/self-employed/mobile/home-based settings or care homes.

Whilst the primary purpose of this qualification is to prepare you for employment, you may choose to develop your knowledge and skills further by completing a specialist qualification at Level 3 in one or more of the following areas: beauty therapy, holistic therapies or sports therapy.

## BEAUTY THERAPIES

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### TECHNICAL QUALIFICATION

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A beauty or related qualification at Level 2, or five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will learn about Swedish massage, Indian head massage, and electrical therapy as well as developing your knowledge and understanding of anatomy and physiology, and health and safety.

You will also learn about client care and consultation, the history and origins of massage therapies, and promoting and selling your products and services. You will further develop your knowledge and apply the skills you have learned through working in a real-life commercial salon and attending work placements throughout the year.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through online tests, practical work, assignments and projects. You will have an online gradebook that you will keep up-to-date and manage targets that your tutor sets you throughout the year. You will be tested on a termly basis while being monitored by a local employer with external quality assurance. There are three written exams on this programme.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could become a massage therapist in a range of settings including salons, spas, cruise liners and photography studios. You will be eligible to join the British Association of Beauty Therapy and Cosmetology or the Federation of Holistic Therapists. You could further your skills with a management qualification or a foundation degree in hair and beauty.

## FASHION, MAKE-UP ARTISTRY AND HAIR MEDIA

3

### TECHNICAL DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Maths and English at grade 4 or completion of Level 2 Hair and Make-up Artistry.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The content of this qualification is comprised of all the required elements to work effectively as a make-up artist including airbrush make-up for the face, camouflage make-up, fashion and photographic make-up and media make-up.

You will also have the opportunity to undertake a wide range of optional units to enhance practical skills in both hair and make-up application/beauty techniques such as face and body art, mehndi skin decoration, applying prosthetic pieces, styling and fitting postiche, wig services and fantasy hair design, production arts planning and many more related units.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be externally assessed via a combination of multiple choice theory examinations and practical assessments to meet a brief.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Career opportunities as a make-up artist exist in a variety of contexts; Beauty salons, hair salons, theatre, film, TV and media, cruise ships and photographic studios. You could also progress on to UCW **Hair, Make up and Prosthetics Production BA Hons.**

If you are aiming for a hair and beauty career in theatre and performance we have a programme specifically for these sectors. Production Arts - Hair, Make-up and Special Effects for Film and Theatre, UAL Diploma/Extended Diploma - find out more on **page 125.**



# HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE



**The health and social care sector is ideal for people who enjoy working with and helping others.**

It is a large sector that continues to grow, and offers many opportunities for those looking to start their career. Our study programmes are designed to offer you a wide range of progression routes so that you can find the perfect career path.

Our health and social care programmes are perfect for enthusiastic young minds, keen to achieve greatness by progressing to university or into employment within a rewarding and fulfilling industry focused on helping other people and the community.

Taught by industry experts in state-of-the-art facilities, here you will make the most of our outstanding connections within the sector and opportunities this will present you!

## T-LEVELS

THE NEW LEVEL QUALIFICATION

Join us at the forefront of a revolution in technical education, by studying the new Healthcare T Level qualification.

T Levels will combine classroom theory, practical learning and an industry placement where you build the skills, knowledge and behaviours you need in a workplace environment. Find out more about this exciting new programme on **page 163**.



### FACILITIES

The College-based programmes will be taught in our brand-new multi-million-pound Health and Active Living Skills Centre, where you will benefit from:

- The first facility of its kind – purpose-built to address the local skills shortage
- A simulation training hospital ward – preparing you for employment
- Hi-tech medical mannequins – giving you experience of clinical procedures that's as real to life as possible
- Will also be used by the NHS to upskill existing staff, so you will get to mix with people already in the industry.

### JOB ROLES IN THE WEST OF ENGLAND

**RADIOLOGIST** **PARAMEDIC**  
**NURSE** **MIDWIFE** **MEDICAL PRACTITIONER**  
**PHARMACIST** **HEALTH CARE ASSISTANT**  
**HEALTH SERVICES MANAGER**

### INDUSTRY FACTS

Weston College is also involved in an exciting **partnership with North Bristol Health Trust**, enabling you to explore a much **wider range of roles and responsibilities** within the sector than ever before.



As a **midwife** you can expect to earn between

**£23,023** and **£36,644**

As a **nurse** you can expect to earn between

**£24,214** and **£37,267**



**“THE FACILITIES GIVE YOU REALISTIC EXPERIENCES TO PREPARE YOU FOR UNIVERSITY OR THE REAL WORLD.”**

**FADUMO FARAH**

**STUDIED:** Health and Social Care

**FORMER SCHOOL:** City of Bristol

Fadumo is now training to be a paramedic.

# HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>LEVEL 4 AND 5</b> Health and Social Care Practice FdSc Integrated Mental Health and Social Care FdSc	OFFERED AT UCW
	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Health and Social Care: Social Care Pathway BTEC Extended Diploma Lead Adult Care Worker Apprenticeship Senior Healthcare Support Worker Apprenticeship Laboratory Technician Apprenticeship Health: Supporting Mental Health Team T Level Health: Supporting the Adult Nursing Team T Level	
	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Health and Social Care: Social Care Pathway Health Technical Progression Certificate Healthcare Support Worker Apprenticeship Healthcare Support Worker Apprenticeship	
	<b>LEVEL 1</b> Health and Social Care Certificate	
PROGRESS FROM HERE		

## HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

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### CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR  
**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021  
**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1, with at least two at grade 3, or the successful completion of a pre-vocational programme, or a qualifying entry 3 qualification with a reference.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 1 Health and Social Care programme will give you a broad understanding of the industry and help you develop the knowledge and skills you need to work with vulnerable people.

When you've built the confidence you need, you will get the opportunity to get some work experience and demonstrate your skills in a 'real-life' setting.

You will cover a number of units, including making healthy snacks and advising others on healthy lifestyles when caring for people, communication skills, being organised and developing a personal progression plan.

As part of the programme, you will also develop your English and maths skills to the level required to work in the industry.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through written coursework, presentations and practical experiences.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

The skills you gain will boost your employment prospects in a wide range of sectors. You could also progress to a Level 2 programme, traineeship or apprenticeship at Weston College.

## HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE: SOCIAL CARE PATHWAY

2

### BTEC CERTIFICATE AND CERTIFICATE IN DEMENTIA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR  
**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021  
**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4 or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 2 Health and Social Care programme (Social Pathway) will give you the knowledge and experience to start making informed choices about future career paths in the social care sector. You will learn about dementia awareness, person-centred care, administration of medication, human growth and mental health.

You will attend work placements in a diverse range of settings and get first-hand experience of the professional roles that provide care.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through exams, coursework, presentations and practical activities.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme will help you understand the range of jobs available within Social Care sector and choose which you're most suited to. You could also progress to a Level 3 BTEC Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care or an Healthcare apprenticeship with Weston College.

## HEALTHCARE SUPPORT WORKER

2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 12 - 15 MONTHS  
**START DATE:** ANYTIME  
**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

### APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

There are no formal qualifications required to enrol onto this apprenticeship. However, you will be assessed to ensure that you have the ability to achieve English and maths functional skills to a minimum of Level 1. You must also sit the Level 2 English and maths assessment prior to the completion of your apprenticeship. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Upon completion of this apprenticeship, you will be able to demonstrate a range of excellent skills, knowledge and behaviours in your role as a healthcare support worker. You will be equipped to work as part of a team providing high-quality and compassionate care, carry out well-defined routine clinical duties and prepare individuals for healthcare activities. You will study a range of criteria in order to complete the apprenticeship, including physiological measurements, health intervention and professional development.

### ASSESSMENT

To achieve this apprenticeship, the employer, your assessor and you will agree when you are ready and competent to undertake your independent end-point assessment, which will assess the skills, knowledge and behaviours required for this role.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Upon completion, you may choose to progress to a higher level apprenticeship such as the Level 3 Senior Healthcare Support Worker. This would enable you to further your professional career development and potentially work toward securing a senior healthcare assistant role.

# HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

## HEALTH

### TECHNICAL PROGRESSION CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

VALIDATED TECHNICAL PROGRESSION ROUTE TO THE T LEVEL

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### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4 or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 2 Certificate in Health will equip you with the skills, knowledge and behaviours required to successfully progress onto our T Level in Health. You will learn about human growth and development, safeguarding and protection, equality and diversity in practice, mental health and wellbeing, and social care values.

As part of this programme of study, you will complete an employer project that is developed, endorsed and validated by key employers within the health sector. Additionally, you will engage with work placements to develop the underpinning professional skills and practices required in the sector.

You will also develop your English and maths skills, attend tutorials and engage with Weston College's Individual Development (ID).

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through exams, coursework, presentations and practical activities.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme of study will prepare you for progression onto our Level 3 T Level in Health. Additionally, you could progress into a health and social care related apprenticeship or Level 3 BTEC in Health and Social Care.

## HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE: SOCIAL CARE PATHWAY

3

### BTEC EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will require five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English, or a relevant Level 2 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 3 Health and Social Care qualification has two pathway options in year 2 – health care and social care. These allow you to take a tailored approach to your career and provide the best opportunities for progression. Year 1 of this qualification will provide you with the theoretical and practical underpinnings for your chosen industry pathway in year 2. The two-year programme will develop your knowledge and practical skills in a wide range of industry subjects and includes an industry placement of 315 hours per year.

Units include anatomy and physiology, development through the life stages, safe practice, research methods, dementia care, mental health, psychological perspectives, sociological perspectives and working with additional needs.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

We'll assess your coursework – which includes projects, assignments and presentations – and your practical activities both in College and at your industry placement. There are also four exams over the two years.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme will enable you to progress to the degree in **Integrated Mental Health and Social Care** or **Health and Social Care Practice** at University Centre Weston. Or you can progress to university in either health or social care related fields, or gain employment in a variety of areas, including youth work, family support worker, home care social worker, counselling and personal care assistants.

## T-LEVELS

## HEALTH: SUPPORTING THE MENTAL HEALTH TEAM

3

### T LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

5 GCSEs at grade 9-4 (including English and maths), or the Technical Progression Certificate in Health (T Level Transition Programme).

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Designed and developed in collaboration with employers, this programme is a mixture of classroom and work based learning to give you the technical skills and workplace experience to kick-start your career into the health sector. You will complete a core technical qualification, occupational specialism in supporting the mental health team, and an industry placement of at least 315 hours. Technical areas of study will include; providing care and support to individuals with mental health conditions and assisting the mental health team with mental health tasks and therapeutic interventions. As part of this study programme, you will develop your maths and English skills, and attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through a number of exams and project work throughout the programme. You will need to complete all elements to achieve the overall T Level.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

The Level 3 T Level will equip you with the skills, knowledge and behaviours needed to progress into skilled employment or higher level technical training relevant to the T Level. Additionally, this programme will enable you to progress onto a degree in **Integrated Mental Health and Social Care** or **Health and Social Care Practice** at University Centre Weston. You can also progress to university in either health or social care related fields.

## T-LEVELS

## HEALTH: SUPPORTING THE ADULT NURSING TEAM

3

### T LEVEL

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

5 GCSEs at grade 9-4 (including English and maths), or the Technical Progression Certificate in Health (T Level Transition Programme).

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Designed and developed in collaboration with employers, this programme is a mixture of classroom and work based learning to give you the technical skills and workplace experience to kick-start your career into the health sector. You will complete a core technical qualification, occupational specialism in supporting the adult nursing team, and an industry placement of at least 315 hours. Technical areas of study will include assisting the adult nursing team with clinical tasks and supporting individuals to meet activities of daily living. As part of this study programme, you will develop your maths and English skills, and attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through a number of exams and project work throughout the programme. You will need to complete all elements to achieve the overall T Level.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

The Level 3 T Level will equip you with the skills, knowledge and behaviours needed to progress into skilled employment or higher level technical training relevant to the T Level. Additionally, this programme will enable you to progress onto a degree in **Integrated Mental Health and Social Care** or **Health and Social Care Practice** at University Centre Weston. You can also progress to university in either health or social care related fields.



# HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

## LABORATORY TECHNICIAN

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### ADVANCED APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 12 - 18 MONTHS

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this. You will also need five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English and maths, or have successfully completed a Level 2 programme.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This apprenticeship covers a broad range of occupational roles, from supporting scientists and engineers in research and development work, to providing quality assurance or analytical science services. You will also be given the opportunity to learn functional skills (such as maths and English) if required.

### ASSESSMENT

Your practical skills will be assessed. Assessors will also visit you in your workplace to review your progress and make sure you are on target to get your qualifications. The end-point assessment will include workplace observation and discussion with the registered assessor. You will also be required to undertake a vocational competence discussion and complete a written situational analysis exercise.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

After this apprenticeship, you can progress to a higher apprenticeship qualification or higher education, including the degree in **Biological Laboratory Sciences** at University Centre Weston.

You will be able to work in a variety of settings – from health care and pharmaceuticals to universities – performing the practical, hands-on work required by laboratories.

## LEAD ADULT CARE WORKER

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 15 - 18 MONTHS

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

There are no formal qualifications required. However, you will be assessed to ensure that you have the ability to achieve English and maths functional skills to a minimum of Level 2. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Upon completion, you will have responsibility for providing supervision, frontline leadership, guidance and direction for others, or working autonomously, exercising judgement and accountability. As a lead adult care worker you will make a positive difference to someone's life when they are faced with physical, practical, social, emotional or intellectual challenges, enabling service users to maintain their independence, dignity and control. Lead adult care workers will in some circumstances have delegated responsibility for the standard of care provided and may supervise the work of other care workers. You will study a range of criteria in order to complete the apprenticeship, including promoting personal development in care settings, effective handling of information and responsibilities of a care worker.

### ASSESSMENT

The employer, training provider and apprentice will agree when you are ready to undertake your independent end-point assessment which will assess the skills, knowledge and behaviours required for this role.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You may choose to progress to a degree in **Integrated Mental Health and Social Care** or **Health and Social Care Practice** at University Centre Weston, or a higher level apprenticeship such as the Level 5 Leader in Care. This would enable you to further your professional development and work towards a management role.

## SENIOR HEALTHCARE SUPPORT WORKER

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 18 - 24 MONTHS

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

There are no formal qualifications required. However, you will be assessed to ensure that you have the ability to achieve English and maths functional skills to a minimum of Level 2 prior to the completion of your apprenticeship. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

As an experienced support worker, you will carry out a range of clinical and non-clinical healthcare or therapeutic tasks, under the direct or indirect supervision of the registered healthcare practitioner. You may work in a range of settings, including hospitals, working in partnership with individuals, families, carers and other service providers. You may supervise or guide less experienced staff within your team, following the code of conduct for healthcare support workers and adult social care workers. You will study a range of criteria in order to complete the apprenticeship standard in your chosen pathway, which will be adult nursing support, mental health support, or allied healthcare support.

### ASSESSMENT

The end-point assessment will assess the skills, knowledge and behaviours required for this role via a multiple choice test (MCQ), a practical observation and a portfolio Interview.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Upon completion, and after gaining experience, you may choose to work towards applying for an assistant practitioner or nursing associate post within the work place. Alternatively, you may apply for degrees in **Integrated Mental Health and Social Care** or **Health and Social Care Practice** at University Centre Weston.



# HOSPITALITY AND CATERING

**Hospitality and catering is a fast-paced and exciting sector and a qualification in this sector could set you up with a successful career.**

Take your first step with us into your journey towards becoming a chef or a head waiter at a top restaurant, or even opening your own catering business or restaurant.



Our students have **excellent success rates** in local and national competitions.



## FACILITIES

We are located at Knightstone Campus in the town centre, offering:

- State-of-the-art training kitchens
- A superb training restaurant – the Grove.

## INDUSTRY FACTS

Waiters can earn up to **£18,000**

Head chefs commonly earn around

**£24,000**

**100%** progression to higher studies or employment.



# HOSPITALITY AND CATERING

## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Professional Cookery Advance Diploma	OFFERED AT <b>ucw</b>
	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Commis Chef Apprenticeship Production Chef Apprenticeship Professional Cookery VQR Diploma	
	<b>LEVEL 1</b> Professional Cookery Award Hospitality and Catering Traineeship	
PROGRESS FROM HERE		

## PROFESSIONAL COOKERY 1

**AWARD**  
**DURATION:** 1 YEAR  
**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021  
**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**  
A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3 or the successful completion of a pre-vocational programme.

**WHAT TO EXPECT**  
On this programme you will develop your knowledge and understanding of customer service in the hospitality industry, as well as learning about food safety, food allergies, healthy eating, health and safety and gain a solid introduction to the subject.

You will learn how to make wonderful coffee, how to use equipment to make tea, hot chocolate, smoothies and juices. Plus, you will learn about basic food preparation and cooking, as well as how to use kitchen equipment, while developing your interpersonal skills.

**ASSESSMENT**  
A mixture of live practical assessments and theoretical short answer multiple choice assessments and assignments.

**WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?**  
This programme can lead to employment as a barista, as well as other customer-facing and kitchen-based roles in the catering industry. You can increase your earning potential with a Level 3 qualification in a catering subject.

## HOSPITALITY AND CATERING 1

**TRAINEESHIP**  
**DURATION:** 1 YEAR  
**START DATE:** ANYTIME  
**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**  
A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

**WHAT TO EXPECT**  
The traineeship is a flexible programme designed to develop your workplace skills and knowledge and build your English and maths.

It is suitable for those who wish to study an intermediate apprenticeship but have not yet gained an employer. It is also a good choice for those who may need a little longer to study at Level 2 or who need more time with English and maths in order to be ready to progress to Level 3.

You will attend College two to three days a week to study English, maths, employment rights and responsibilities and work towards the Level 2 qualification. You will also undertake a traineeship placement two days per week.

**ASSESSMENT**  
We'll assess your English, maths, practical skills, projects and placement performance in college and in your work place.

**WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?**  
When you are able to secure an apprenticeship employer, the work you do on the traineeship will be carried over to your apprenticeship qualification. This makes it an excellent preparation. You could also progress to a full time Level 2 or Level 3 programme - your tutor can advise.





# HOSPITALITY AND CATERING

## COMMIS CHEF

2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 24 MONTHS

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE/AT COLLEGE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You don't need any formal qualifications but you will be assessed to ensure you are proficient in English and maths at Level 1. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

If you work in a restaurant or catering outlets and cook from predominantly fresh and raw ingredients, this new Level 2 Commis Chef Apprenticeship is for you.

You will work towards developing your skills and knowledge to prepare for the final assessment. This could include cooking meat, fish and poultry dishes, and other culinary skills such as making soups and sauces, either in specialist, ethnic or fine dining restaurants.

### ASSESSMENT

We'll assess your practical skills and observe you at work. Your personal assessor will visit you at work to ensure you're on target for your qualifications. There will also be an end-point theory and practical assessment.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

After this apprenticeship, you will be qualified to take on a number of catering roles. Or you could enhance your skills and qualifications by progressing to the Chef de Partie Advanced Apprenticeship.

## PRODUCTION CHEF

2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 12 - 18 MONTHS

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You don't need any formal qualifications but you will be assessed to ensure you are proficient in English and maths at Level 1. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Production chefs work as part of a team in fast-paced and often challenging kitchen environments - for example, schools, hospitals, the Armed Forces, care homes and high street casual dining or pub kitchens.

They report to the senior production chef or appropriate line manager. Production chefs are likely to work with centrally developed standardised recipes and menus, often producing food in high volumes. They apply highly methodical organisational skills, energy, accuracy, and attention to detail and are mindful of the importance of sustainability and protecting the environment.

### ASSESSMENT

You will do a knowledge test at each milestone meeting.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

On completion of this apprenticeship you can progress to become a chef de partie or senior production chef.

## PROFESSIONAL CHEF

2

### VRQ DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2, with at least two at grade 4 or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This study programme will enhance your cookery knowledge by increasing your technical skills and learning beyond Level 1. By studying this programme you will gain solid experience of working in the hospitality and catering industry. You will learn about the catering and hospitality industry, food and safety hygiene in the kitchen, planning and preparing for service, menu planning and costing, meat and offal, poultry, fish and shellfish, vegetables and vegetable dishes, stocks and soups, pastry and bakery products, desserts, farinaceous and egg dishes, biscuits, cakes and sponges.

Alongside further development of the kitchen, you will enhance your full understanding of the industry by completing a Level 2 food and beverage service during your Individual Development (ID) time. As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills and attend tutorials. You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed on practical skills in the kitchen during live service and training exercises. Knowledge based assignments will be set by your personal tutor.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You will be equipped with the skills you need to work as a chef in the catering industry and in a wide range of other careers in the hospitality sector. You could also increase your knowledge by progressing to a Level 3 programme in Professional Cookery, or Hospitality, Events, and Business Enterprise at Weston College.

➤ FIND OUT MORE AT

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## PROFESSIONAL COOKERY

3

### ADVANCED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need four GCSEs at grade 9-2 including a grade 4 in maths or English, and a Level 2 qualification in professional cookery.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 3 Professional Cookery programme will build your skills and prepare you for a career at the top of the catering industry.

If you are progressing from the Level 2 programme, it will develop and enhance the skills that you have learnt to a high degree of proficiency.

You will work with the finest produce and study both classical and contemporary dishes, under the direction of our expert chef lecturers and guest lecturers, who are leading figures in the industry.

You will cover a range of advanced topics, including practical gastronomy, supervising food safety, advanced meat and offal skills and techniques, poultry and game, fish and shellfish and hot and cold desserts.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will sit two papers to test your theoretical knowledge, as well as practical assessments throughout the year, and an end-of-year assessment. Work experience is an essential part of this programme.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

After this programme, you will have the skills needed to work in a professional kitchen or fine-dining setting in a number of roles. You could also start your own business, or increase your skills by progressing to a foundation degree in cooking.

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# MOTOR VEHICLE

**If you are interested in cars or have a passion for vehicle transportation, a motor vehicle industry qualification will help you get a job doing something you love.**

The automotive industry is one of the fastest developing industries in the world - one in which technologies such as 'electric driverless' cars, and infotainment systems are becoming commonplace. Weston College works closely with employers from the automotive sector who are always looking for talented and skilled young people to work as mechanics, technicians and fitters.

## FACILITIES

The South West Skills Campus offers a state-of-the-art automotive training centre with facilities including:

- Three large industry-standard training garages
- MOT testing centre
- Extensive fleet of high-quality training vehicles including BMWs, Mercedes and Jaguars
- Green car technologies including our own electric vehicle
- Dedicated motorsport environment
- IMI-approved centre
- Virtual reality training
- E-learning suites.

## INDUSTRY PARTNERS

We work with a range of employer partners and have a number of industry accreditations. These are all important factors in ensuring your study programme with us makes you job-ready. These include:

- Carbase
- Halfords
- Institute of the Motor Industry
- ADT
- Howards Motor Group
- Mill Auto.

## INDUSTRY FACTS

You could get a job as a **mechanic** and earn around

**£26,000** a year,

before gaining **experience and further qualifications** to become an **automotive technician** with an earning potential in excess of

**£35,000**

a year. Some of our students have gone on to set up **their own automotive business** as a result of their training.



**“THE STUDENT - TEACHER  
RELATIONSHIP MADE THE  
PROGRAMME MEMORABLE AND THE  
KNOWLEDGE OF ALL OF THE TUTORS  
REALLY HELPED.”**

**ALESSANDRO  
TESSITORE**

**STUDIED:** Motor Vehicle

Alessandro aims to start an apprenticeship with a main dealer to get his NVQ qualification.

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# MOTOR VEHICLE

## MOTOR VEHICLE

1

### IMI DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3 or the successful completion of a pre-vocational programme.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This study programme will teach you the essential knowledge you will need to work on a range of vehicles and motor vehicle systems. It is a highly practical programme, which is perfect if you are looking to start a career in vehicle maintenance.

You will learn about working safely in a garage environment, light vehicle components and engine systems and how they function. This programme also includes tutorial support, employability development, work experience and study skills. We will also develop your English and maths skills as part of this programme.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through workshop observations, an e-portfolio and an online multiple-choice questionnaire.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This study programme could lead to a job in the motor industry, and you can increase your skills and earn a higher wage by completing our Level 2 qualification in Motor Vehicle or an Autocare Technician apprenticeship.

## MOTOR VEHICLE

2

### IMI DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This study programme will provide you with the opportunity to carry out an in-depth study of vehicle systems and explore the automotive industry. You will learn about routine vehicle maintenance, light vehicle chassis units, and light vehicle transmissions and drivelines.

You will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through workshop observations, an e-portfolio and an online multiple-choice test.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This study programme could lead to a job in the motor industry, and you can increase your skills and earn a higher wage by completing our Level 3 qualification in Motor Vehicle, Motorsport, or a Motor Vehicle Service and Maintenance Technician apprenticeship.

## AUTOCARE TECHNICIAN

2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 30 MONTHS

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** WORKPLACE/AT COLLEGE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Individual employers will set their own selection criteria for applicants. It is, however, recommended that you can demonstrate an interest in the occupation as well as an ability to work in an organised and methodical way to identify and solve problems. You will also need to show that you can communicate orally and in writing.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

An auto-care technician carries out a range of services and repairs to cars, car-derived vans and light goods vehicles, working in an auto-care or 'fast-fit' centre, which may be part of a national chain or operated by a regional or local independent group or owner.

An auto-care technician requires a unique combination of technical, retail and customer service skills. They will use a range of tools, measuring and diagnostic equipment to identify and repair simple system faults.

### ASSESSMENT

The end-point assessment is formed of three assessment components - knowledge test, practical observations, and a professional review (supported by portfolio).

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could progress on to the Motor Vehicle Service and Maintenance Technician (light vehicle) standard at Level 3.

## MOTOR VEHICLE

3

### IMI DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4 including English and maths, completion of a recognised Level 2 qualification in an automotive related subject, such as light vehicle maintenance, and a successful interview.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This study programme is high in practical diagnostic content and covers the diagnosis of modern complex motor vehicle systems including advanced systems operation and their faults. You will learn about engine and cooling systems, fuel systems, transmission, brake systems, steering, suspension, and electrical systems and inspections.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through workshop observations, an e-portfolio and an online multiple-choice test.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

With this qualification you could enter the motor vehicle industry as a technician, or increase your skills and potential with an apprenticeship or a foundation degree.



# MOTOR VEHICLE

## MOTORSPORT

3

**IMI DIPLOMA**  
**DURATION:** 1 YEAR  
**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021  
**LOCATION:** SOUTH WEST SKILLS CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSE at grade 9-4 including IT or science, English and maths, plus a relevant Level 2 qualification. You will also be interviewed for this study programme.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This motorsport programme will give you an insight into the exciting world of performance vehicles. You will develop a range of practical skills and essential knowledge while working closely with a real race team, with the opportunity to prepare and maintain a Formula Ford race car for a full race season. You will learn about motor sport concepts, vehicle data analysis, IT for vehicle repair, and electrics and electronics.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through workshop observations, an e-portfolio and an online multiple-choice questionnaire.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You will be equipped to start a career in the motorsport industry, and could increase your skills with our Level 3 Motor Vehicle Service and Maintenance Technician apprenticeship.

## MOTOR VEHICLE SERVICE AND MAINTENANCE TECHNICIAN

3

**APPRENTICESHIP**  
**DURATION:** 3 YEARS  
**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021  
**LOCATION:** WORKPLACE/AT COLLEGE  
**APPRENTICESHIPS**

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4 including English and maths. You will need to be in employment in the industry, but we can support you to find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This apprenticeship will extend your on-the-job training and further develop your vehicle maintenance skills to an advanced level. You will be employed by a garage or dealership and work alongside an experienced tradesperson to further develop and practise your new skills. You will also attend College for one day a week for support and to learn the higher technical side of your trade.

This apprenticeship covers practical and theory content including the diagnosis of modern complex motor vehicle systems and their faults such as brakes, steering and suspension, electrical and inspection. You will also learn about employers' rights and responsibilities, and we will work with you to develop your IT, English and maths skills.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through practical skills tests and workplace observations, online tests, assignments, and an e-portfolio.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

The majority of our apprentices are kept on by their employers after they finish their programme. This programme could also lead to you becoming a mechanic or setting up your own garage.



# PUBLIC SERVICES

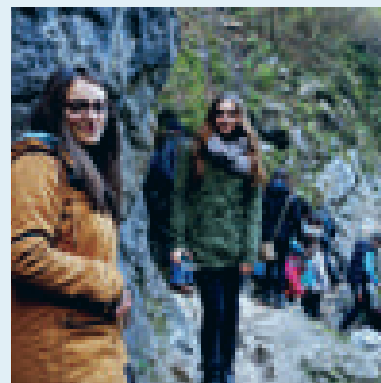
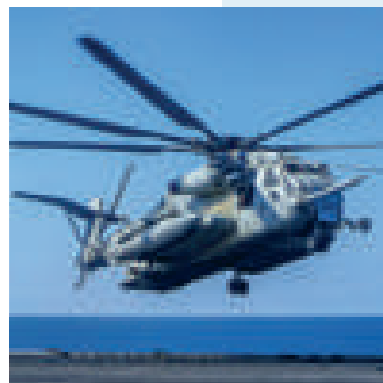
Public service programmes give you the skills and qualifications you will need to enter into a career in the emergency services, the army or other public services sector roles such as the coastguard and private security.

## FACILITIES

You will be based at the Knightstone Campus where you will benefit from a wide range of facilities including:

- Sports hall
- Climbing and bouldering wall
- Fitness suite.

Plus, we are conveniently located by the beach and Weston Woods which allows you to complete beach runs and orienteering activities.



## JOB ROLES IN THE WEST OF ENGLAND

Within the emergency services and the armed forces there are so many job opportunities, including:

ROYAL MARINES ROYAL NAVY  
AMBULANCE SERVICE FIRE AND RESCUE POLICE  
COASTGUARD ARMY ROYAL AIR FORCE  
NAVIGATOR POLICE OFFICER  
FIRE FIGHTER EMERGENCY PLANNING OFFICER  
PARAMEDIC GOVERNMENT OPERATIVE  
AMBULANCE TECHNICIAN  
POLICE DOG HANDLER  
SOLDIER LEADERSHIP AND MANAGEMENT  
PILOT NAVIGATOR MILITARY POLICE

**“I LOVE THE OPPORTUNITIES THAT THE PROGRAMME PRESENTED TO ME, INCLUDING THE FITNESS TRAINING, TRIPS AND ADVENTUROUS ACTIVITIES.”**

**MOLLY ATHERTON**

**STUDIED:** Public Services

**FORMER SCHOOL:** Backwell

Molly is off to university to study public services.

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# PUBLIC SERVICES

## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>LEVEL 4, 5 AND 6</b> Uniformed and Public Services BA (Hons)	OFFERED AT UCW
	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Uniformed Public Services Extended Diploma Operational Firefighting Apprenticeship Police Community Support Officer Apprenticeship	
	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Uniformed Services Diploma	
PROGRESS FROM HERE	<b>LEVEL 1</b> Uniformed Services Certificate	

## UNIFORMED SERVICES

1

### CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3 or a pre-vocational programme, plus a satisfactory reference.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

A perfect introduction to the uniformed and public services.

You will learn about employment opportunities, wellbeing and physical fitness, team work, self-discipline, map reading and navigation, health and safety, emergency care, and competitive sports.

This qualification also includes access to Weston Sport and enrichment programmes, tutorial support, employability and study skills. Plus, we'll work with you to develop your English and maths skills to the level that most employers look for.

### ASSESSMENT

This programme is assessed through coursework, presentations and practical activities, and we will support you throughout all aspects of your study.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme could be your first step into the public, armed or community services. You could further develop your skills by progressing to a Level 2 programme in Uniformed Services or Sport at Weston College.

## UNIFORMED SERVICES

2

### DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification plus a satisfactory reference.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 2 Uniformed Services programme will provide you with a broad range of skills.

The topics you will cover include employment in the uniformed services; physical fitness; team work and problem solving; health, safety and hygiene; map reading and navigation; and uniformed services routine. It also includes a specialist unit, focussing on either adventurous activities or competitive sports.

This qualification will also include access to Weston Sport and enrichment programmes, tutorial support, employability and study skills.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through exams, coursework, presentations and practical activities.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You will be qualified for a wide range of jobs in the public services industry. You could also enhance your skills by progressing on to the Level 3 programme in Uniformed Public Services at Weston College.





# PUBLIC SERVICES

## UNIFORMED PUBLIC SERVICES

3

### EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** KNIGHTSTONE CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-4 including English and maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This programme brings together academic study, practical skills and knowledge of the uniformed public services. It covers a range of study topics including government policies, citizenship, diversity, leadership, teamwork, understanding discipline, and fitness testing and training.

You will also get the opportunity to focus on a specialist unit. You could choose between international institutions and human rights, outdoor and adventurous expedition, skills for land or water-based outdoor and adventurous activities, planning and management of major incidents, responding to emergency service incidents, and career planning for the public services. This qualification will also include access to Weston Sport and enrichment programmes, tutorial support, employability and study skills.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete a work placement or extended industry placement. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

This qualification is assessed by exams, coursework, presentations and practical activities.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme could lead to a career in the armed, public or emergency services. You could also enhance your skills by progressing to a degree in **Uniformed and Public Services** or **Sports Studies** at University Centre Weston.

## OPERATIONAL FIREFIGHTER

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Employers may have a number of specific entry requirements, these could include geographical location (response times); legal safeguards (e.g. Disclosure and Barring Service checks); age, medical and physical fitness including eyesight. These requirements and selection tests will vary between organisations - the decision to accept applicants will be made by the individual employer.

If you do not have English and maths at Level 2 you will need to do this ahead of your end-point assessment.

Some employers may set out local requirements for entry such as a level of ICT literacy in addition to any or all of the above.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The Level 3 apprenticeship provides valuable workplace skills and experience, while you earn a wage. You will spend 4 days a week with an employer and spend one day a week at college to learn the theoretical elements of the role.

To comply with the Health & Safety at Work Act, all apprentices will complete their Initial Firefighter training. Having successfully completed the initial training the apprentice will work under supervision alongside other firefighters. We will also work with you to develop your maths and English skills.

### ASSESSMENT

Apprentices will need to achieve the core skills and knowledge, behaviours contained within the apprenticeship standard and will be assessed through a portfolio of evidence, together with an end-point assessment (EPA), which consists of a knowledge test, a practical observation and a professional discussion.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most Weston College apprentices are kept on by their employer after they finish their programme. You could progress onto a BA (Hons) degree in Uniformed Public Services upon completion of this apprenticeship.

## POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICERS

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

These vary from force to force. Typically, a PCSO will be 18 or older, and is highly likely to have achieved a Level 3 qualification (or equivalent) and Level 2 in English and maths (or equivalents) prior to entry.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The apprenticeship provides valuable workplace skills and experience, while you earn a wage. You will spend at least 4 days a week with an employer and you will also attend sessions at college and/or 'off the job' onsite at your place of work, to learn the theoretical elements of the role. You will study a Level 4 PCSO qualification.

Apprentices without Level 2 English and maths will need to achieve this level prior to undertaking the end-point assessment.

### ASSESSMENT

Apprentices will need to achieve the core skills and knowledge, behaviours contained within the apprenticeship and will be assessed through a work based operational competence portfolio of evidence, together with an end-point assessment (EPA), which consists of a professional discussion and a presentation of a community-based problem solving assignment. Apprentices will also undertake a Level 4 PCSO qualification.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Most Weston College apprentices are kept on by their employer after they finish. You could progress onto a BA (Hons) degree in Uniformed Public Services upon completion of this apprenticeship.



# SPORT AND FITNESS



**The sports sector has seen significant growth between 2017-21. There has been a growth of 15% in job opportunities within the sector.**

**There has never been a better time to start your journey into the sports sector through one of our industry pathways.**

Weston Sport is a leading provider of specialist sports provisions, offering apprenticeships, vocational and work-based learning programmes of study.

Weston Sport programmes are developed in collaboration with leading employers and organisations to ensure industry practices are embedded within each programme.

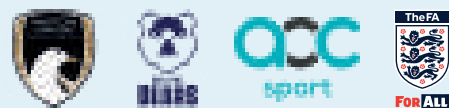
There are many jobs available for people with appropriate sports qualifications and experiences, and at Weston Sport we work with a variety of different sports teams, athletes and employers across the region to help you get the skills, knowledge and behaviours you need to reach your aspirations.

## FACILITIES

Sports and fitness programmes are based at our new Health and Active Living Skills Centre at Loxton Campus which boasts cutting-edge facilities such as:

- An exercise physiology laboratory
- A functional fitness suite
- A sports hall
- An artificial grass pitch.

The facility will also be used by a variety of employers to ensure you are developing crucial links and networks to support your journey into employment.



## INDUSTRY PARTNERS

We work with a number of employer partners which ensures that your study programme makes you job-ready. Our partners include:

- Bristol Bears and Bristol Bears Women
- West of England Sport Trust (Wesport)
- North Somerset Council
- Weston AFC Football Club.

## Weston Sport

As a student at Weston College, you will have the opportunity to combine your academic studies with high-level sporting provision, which will allow you to fully immerse yourself as a student-athlete.

## JOB ROLES IN THE WEST OF ENGLAND

PE TEACHER  
SPORTS ANALYST  
PROFESSIONAL SPORT COACH  
PHYSIOLOGIST  
FITNESS INSTRUCTOR  
PERSONAL TRAINER  
SPORTS SCIENTIST  
SPORTS COACH  
STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING COACH  
SPORTS THERAPIST  
HEALTH AND WELLBEING COACH  
SPORTS PHYSIOTHERAPIST



**“I CHOSE SPORT BECAUSE I LIKE TO WORK PRACTICALLY. THE FACILITIES AT THE HEALTH AND ACTIVE LIVING SKILLS CENTRE ARE OUTSTANDING.”**



## KATIE SHARKEY

**STUDIED:** Sport

**FORMER SCHOOL:** Broadoak

Katie studied Level 2 Sport and has since progressed onto the Level 3 Sports Coaching pathway.

# SPORT AND FITNESS

## PROGRESSION ROUTE

PROGRESS TO HERE	<b>LEVEL 4 AND 5</b> Sports Studies FdSc Sports Studies (Football) FdSc	OFFERED AT UCV
	<b>LEVEL 3</b> Sport and Exercise Science BTEC National Extended Diploma Sport: Coaching, Fitness and Development Extended Diploma Sports Coaching and Delivering School Sports Apprenticeship	
	<b>LEVEL 2</b> Community Activator Apprenticeship Sport Extended Certificate Sport and Activity Leaders BTEC	
PROGRESS FROM HERE	<b>LEVEL 1</b> Sport and Active Leisure Diploma	

## SPORT STUDIES

1

### DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 34 WEEKS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 3-1 with at least two at grade 3, or a pre-vocational programme.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

The Level 1 programme is the perfect introduction to the sports industry. You will develop a wide range of skills through community based projects, work related experience and practical based activities. You will study 4 core units and 6 sport units over the year. These will include: coaching skills, training for fitness, playing sport and how exercise affects the body. You will undertake assessments that will demonstrate your skills and keep a portfolio of your assignments.

Opportunities will also be available to join our sports academy and progress as an athlete. At Weston College, you will undertake a tailored Individual Development (ID) programme where you develop in core skills to prepare you for employment, whilst also receiving tutorial support. We will also work with you to develop your English and maths skills to the level required to work in the industry.

You can feel proud in achieving a Level 1 qualification because, whatever your plans, success in your programme will help you progress to the next stage of your learning.

### ASSESSMENT

We'll assess you in a range of methods, including, practical and written assignments, presentations, work based projects and will provide you with support to succeed.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme could be your first step towards a career in the sports and active leisure industry. You could increase your skills, knowledge and behaviours and potential by progressing onto our Level 2 Sport qualifications.

## COMMUNITY ACTIVATOR

2

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 12 - 18 MONTHS

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE/AT COLLEGE

APPRENTICESHIPS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

There are no formal qualifications required to start this apprenticeship but you will be assessed to ensure you have the ability to complete the English and maths qualifications to at least Level 1. You must undertake a recognised enhanced disclosure and barring service check. You will also need to be in relevant employment, but we can help you find this.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

On this apprenticeship you will be working within a variety of settings which are in the sport and physical activity sector; local authorities; sports clubs; leisure centres; youth work agencies; housing associations and outdoor education centres or schools. You will gain the skills and experience to improve the health and well being of individuals and wider-communities to provide a positive environment which supports young people to grow and develop through sport and physical activity.

### ASSESSMENT

To achieve this apprenticeship you will undertake an end-point assessment that will assess the skills, knowledge and behaviours required to successfully perform this role in a community sports environment. Weston College and your employing organisation will ensure that you are ready and competent to complete the end-point assessment.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You could progress onto the Level 3 Community Health and Sport Officer Apprenticeship or move into leadership and management roles within the sector. This progression will involve leading teams of people; acting as a mentor for staff; or specialising with the delivery of sporting and physical activity programmes to certain populations or communities.

Apprentices who successfully complete this apprenticeship will be eligible to apply for membership with the Chartered Institute for the Management of Sport and Physical Activity (CIMSPA) as a Practitioner.

## SPORT

2

### EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2, with at least two at grade 4, or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 2 Sport pathway will give you the opportunity to explore the key themes and concepts of sport and fitness.

You will cover a range of topics, including anatomy, fitness for sport and exercise, practical sports performance, sport injuries and sport leadership, plus a number of other specialist employment-related units.

This pathway will also include access to Weston Sport and enrichment programmes, tutorial support and an individualised skill development programme.

As part of this study programme you will also complete a work placement as well as gaining hands on experience through various industry related trips and visits.

### ASSESSMENT

This programme is assessed through online exams, coursework, presentations and practical activities.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme may lead to well paid roles in the sport science and fitness industries. You could also increase your skills by progressing onto a Level 3 pathway in either Sports Coaching and Performance, Sports Therapy and Exercise Science or Fitness and Leisure Management at Weston Sport.





# SPORT AND FITNESS

## SPORT AND ACTIVITY LEADERS

2

### BTEC

**DURATION:** 1 YEAR

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** SOUTH BRISTOL

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-2 with at least two at grade 4 or a qualifying Level 1 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

Developed by employers and industry specialists, this programme will enable you to develop the practical skills to work in the sports industry. You will cover a range of topics such as; coaching and leading sport and physical activity, delivering sports activity events, anatomy and physiology.

As part of this study programme you will develop your maths and English skills, attend tutorials and Individual Development (ID). You will also complete an extended work placement to develop key skills, knowledge and behaviours. All aspects of your study programme will be discussed at your interview.

### ASSESSMENT

This qualification is assessed by exams, coursework, presentations and practical activities.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

Achieving the qualification will give you an advantage when applying for employment in sport and activity leadership, or to an apprenticeship. There is also the opportunity to progress onto a full time Level 3.

## COMMUNITY SPORT AND HEALTH OFFICER

3

### APPRENTICESHIP

**DURATION:** 18 MONTHS

**START DATE:** ANYTIME

**LOCATION:** IN THE WORKPLACE/AT COLLEGE

APPRENTICESHIPS

*Weston Sport is the official national provider of this apprenticeship for the FA Women's Football Apprenticeship programme.*



### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 9-4 or a qualifying Level 2 qualification.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

You will be employed as Community Sport and Health Officer (CSHO) to initiate behaviour change with regards to engagement in sport and physical activity across local communities. By working within and across local organisations will scope, organise and coordinate the delivery of opportunities for local communities to get more physically active. You will be employed by organisations in the fields of leisure, sport, youth work, youth justice, outdoor education, or public health. You will learn and gain a comprehensive understanding of the principles of behaviour change; an ability to adapt delivery to suit different groups in society; knowledge of how to manage and lead colleagues or volunteers; practical experience of how to develop and devise appropriate sports or physical activity programmes; and the expectations of collaborative work with a network of partners/stakeholders.

### ASSESSMENT

To achieve this apprenticeship you will undertake an end-point assessment that will assess the skills, knowledge and behaviours required to successfully perform this role in a community sports environment. Weston College and your employing organisation will ensure that you are ready and competent to complete the end-point assessment.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

You will be able to move into senior roles within a range of health and sport sectors such as leading teams of people or specialising with certain populations, particular sports or programmes.

## SPORT: FITNESS AND LEISURE MANAGEMENT PATHWAY

3

### EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English or maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This Level 3 pathway provides the skills, knowledge and behaviours to prepare you for employment in the fitness and leisure industry. You will become highly proficient in fitness and leisure management.

The pathway covers a range of study areas such as anatomy, physiology, nutrition, technology in sport, fitness testing, specialist training and programming, sports injuries and fitness instructing. Our new Health and Active Living Skills Centre provides you with the opportunity to experience industry standard facilities alongside this programme of study.

This is a Licence to Practice programme and as such you will work towards qualifying as a CIMSPA recognised L3 Personal Trainer. Fitness Instructing and Personal Training are the most in-demand skills within the region.

Year 1 option available for 18+ learners who are looking to pursue a career within the fitness and leisure sectors. The 1-year qualification will work towards you qualifying as a CIMSPA Level 2 Gym Instructor and allow you to progress onto Higher Education.

### ASSESSMENT

This qualification is assessed by exams, coursework, presentations and practical activities.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme will enable you to progress onto a degree in **Sport Studies** or **Sport Studies (Football)** at University Centre Weston. Additionally, you can progress to university to study sport, fitness and management related fields, or gain employment in a variety of areas, including gym instructing, personal training and/or other related fitness and leisure management roles.



# SPORT AND FITNESS

## SPORTS THERAPY AND EXERCISE: SCIENCE PATHWAY

3

### EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

You will need five GCSEs at grade 9-4 including maths, English and science.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This pathway has been developed in consultation with employers and professional bodies. This ensures that the content is appropriate and consistent with current industry practice to enable you to progress directly to sports science or therapy related degree. Additionally, this qualification provides the theoretical and practical underpinnings to progress directly into employment into a variety of sport related roles.

This is a career focused pathway that will allow you access to careers in the sports science and therapy industries where you have specialist delivery from industry relevant teachers. Our new Health and Active Living Skills Centre provides you with the opportunity to experience industry standard facilities alongside this programme of study. You will have the opportunity to learn within our sports performance lab, human biology lab and sports performance gym.

Additionally, you will develop your skills, knowledge and behaviours through the running of a fully functioning sports science and therapy clinic.

### ASSESSMENT

You will be assessed through exams, coursework, presentations and practical activities.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme will enable you to progress onto a degree in **Sport Studies** or **Sport Studies (Football)** at University Centre Weston. Additionally, you can progress to university to study sports science and therapy related fields, or gain employment in a variety of areas, including therapy, strength and conditioning, sports science, sports analysis and sports psychology.

## SPORT: SPORTS COACHING AND PERFORMANCE PATHWAY

3

### EXTENDED DIPLOMA

**DURATION:** 2 YEARS

**START DATE:** SEPTEMBER 2021

**LOCATION:** LOXTON CAMPUS OR SOUTH BRISTOL

### ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Five GCSEs at grade 9-4, including English or maths.

### WHAT TO EXPECT

This qualification has been developed in consultation with employers and professional bodies. This ensures that the content is appropriate and consistent with current industry practice to enable learners to enter employment directly in a sports coaching and performance roles. Higher education institutions have also been consulted to ensure that the qualification allows appropriate progression for those aspiring to higher-level study.

This is a career focused qualification with industry endorsement and accreditation. It enables you to develop underpinning knowledge, technical skills and to gain experience within the coaching performance industry. It is endorsed by the Chartered Institute for the Management of Sport and Physical Activity (CIMPSA) who have confirmed that the qualification is fully mapped to its professional standards of 'multi-skills sports coach' and 'safeguarding and protecting children'.

This is a 'licence to practice' programme and as such you will work towards qualifying as a multi-skills sports coach, alongside wider roles, such as sports analyst, strength and conditioning coach and sports psychologist.

Year 1 option available for 18+ learners who are looking to pursue a career within the sports sector. The 1-year qualification will work towards you qualifying as a 'CIMSPA' recognised Assistant Sports Coach and allow you to progress onto Higher-Education.

### ASSESSMENT

This qualification is assessed by exams, coursework, presentations and practical activities.

### WHAT WILL THIS LEAD TO?

This programme will enable you to progress onto a degree in **Sport Studies** or **Sport Studies (Football)** at University Centre Weston. Additionally, you can progress to university to study sports coaching and performance related fields, or gain employment in a variety of areas, including youth work, sports coaching, sports analysis and sports psychology.





# TRAINEESHIPS

**Our traineeship programmes are designed to give you the practical real-life working skills, knowledge and behaviours you need to become an outstanding trainee and provide you with pathways to employment or further training such as an apprenticeship.**

We bring together key local employers in your chosen area of work to offer a work-focused programme to support your progression towards your next steps.

Traineeships are supported by key employer partners such as University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust, GKN Aerospace, Honeytree Day Nurseries and North Somerset Council. A number of these programmes are delivered from their premises to give you a real-life experience of working for these companies.

Our trainees have become apprentice accountants, engineers, administrators, nursery assistants, teaching assistants and even nurses.

Our dedicated team are here to support you on each step of your journey – you will have a personal tutor and workplace assessor who will support your individual progress towards your next steps.

## WHAT IS INVOLVED IN THE PROGRAMME?

Traineeships last up to six months and your work placement and timetable will be adapted to meet your individual needs. It is possible to complete your traineeship more quickly than this - we make sure trainees progress to employment or relevant further training as soon as they are ready.

Each programme has a number of additional training sessions to support your development – for example if you are on the childcare programme you may also want to study British Sign Language, Food Hygiene and Paediatric First Aid. When you secure your next step, we will support your transition and continue to support you after you have moved on.

## WHAT CAN I EXPECT ON A TRAINEESHIP?

You can expect a high-quality work placement with one of our apprenticeship-providing employers. This placement will suit your career aspirations and give you real-life experience in that industry. Supported by your personal tutor, you make your own progress. You can also expect tasks set by employers, guest lecturers from industry and a visits programme to support your journey towards becoming an outstanding trainee.

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**WWW.WESTON.AC.UK/TRAINEESHIPS**

## WHAT WE OFFER

We currently offer traineeships in the following sector areas:

- Business administration
- Childcare
- Construction trades
- Customer service
- Engineering
- Groundworks
- Hair and beauty
- Healthcare
- Health and social care
- Hospitality and catering
- Sports coaching
- Teaching assistant.

## WHAT DO OUR EMPLOYER PARTNERS SAY?

“This traineeship programme enables applicants to work within a healthcare environment, across a range of roles and opportunities. Equally, the programme enables the trust to support the trainees into appropriate job roles whilst improving their literacy, numeracy and employability skills. The success of the programme was evident in the last cohort, which achieved a 100% job or apprenticeship offer, within the healthcare environment.”

**Julian Newbury**

University Hospital Bristol and Weston NHS Foundation Trust.

## OUR EMPLOYER PARTNERS

- GKN Aerospace
- University Hospitals Bristol NHS Foundation Trust
- North Somerset
- Honeytree Day Nursery.

**“IT WAS GREAT WHEN THE TRAINEESHIP TEAM HELPED ME GET A PLACEMENT. THIS ENABLED ME TO GAIN NEW SKILLS TO PROGRESS ONTO AN APPRENTICESHIP.”**



**HOLLY GRIFFITHS**

**STUDIED:** Traineeship

**FORMER SCHOOL:** Churchill

Holly is currently an apprentice. One day she hopes to be a foster carer.



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- Music
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- Science
- Sport
- Uniformed Services.

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