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Longley Park
SIXTH FORM ACADEMY



Welcome to the Brigantia Learning Trust

An inclusive multiphase journey at the heart of our community



Across the Trust, we pride ourselves on our close-knit community where we value every pupil and student as an individual, enabling us to drive their ambition, inspire their passions and teach innovatively

and passionately, creating leaders within a rapidly changing world.

We operate five academies on six sites from a nursery infant, a junior, an all through, a secondary, to a post 16 college, with a community of close on 4,000 students and 500 staff.

Our core vision is to change and enhance life chances and secure social mobility and justice for young people in our community through a culture of care. We are dedicated to Creating Excellence Together and these words have been carefully chosen to reflect our commitment to continuous improvement and working together in partnership.

We create opportunities and enrichment within and beyond the classroom, so that every pupil and student is provided with a platform from

which to succeed. We want every young person to leave our academies as courageous and empowered young adults, boldly ambitious and prepared to make informed decisions about their future.

Our strong leadership teams are ambitious and dedicated to driving improvement and securing the very best outcomes in each of our academies, through a commitment to excellence and unwavering values.

As pioneers of 2-19 education within Sheffield, we believe our offer truly sets us apart. Through orchestrated efficiency, development and innovation, every child and young adult benefits from a truly unique and bespoke approach to education. From their passions and personalities to their learning styles and ambitions, everything is taken into account to ensure a smooth and seamless transition throughout all the phases of their academy life and beyond.

I am immensely proud to be CEO of the Brigantia Learning Trust and look forward to continuing building upon our successes.

Mike Westerdale
CEO Brigantia Learning Trust

OPEN DAYS

Saturday October 14th 2023 10am - 2pm

Thursday December 7th 2023 4.30pm - 7pm

Thursday January 18th 2024 4.30pm - 7pm

- Meet our expert teaching staff
- Find out what each course involves
- Tour our fantastic facilities
- Speak to our Wellbeing Team and Learning Support Team
- Meet our current students
- Look at our enrichment offer Project You
- Talk to our Bursary Team

FOLLOW US..

or visit longleypark.ac.uk for extra dates and virtual open days.

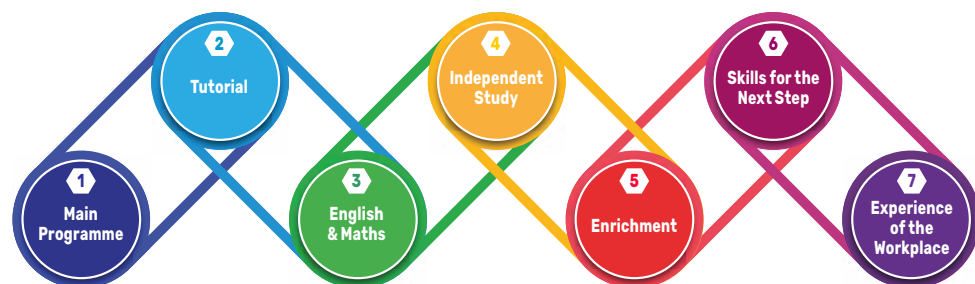


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PROJECT YOU!

at Longley Park



Achieving your qualification is just one part of your time at Sixth Form. We talk a lot about Project You – that means developing you as an individual, you as a learner, you as a member of the community, and the future you. No matter what you aspire to be, your journey starts now at Longley Park.

Project You aims to develop you through a wide-ranging Sixth Form experience.

- You will engage in your core subjects and, if needed, further English and maths.
- You will engage weekly with your Tutor to reflect on the progress you are making.
- You will immerse yourself in the world of work, through work placements, visits and interactions with industry experts.
- You will take part in a wide range of additional activities and enrichment to explore your interests and talents.
- You will learn to how to become a better learner. Our Learning Matters programme will give you the fundamental strategies of effective learning.



Reach Further is our programme of additional activities, qualifications and experiences to support you to develop a wide range of skills and experiences to help with your next step.

If you are expecting to receive the highest grades in your GCSEs or are interested in applying to the most prestigious and research-intensive universities, or competitive degree apprenticeships, then Reach Further at Longley Park is for you.

Typically, students will have an average GCSE points score of 6.5 or above. You may also be identified by your subject teachers and tutor over the course of your study programme.

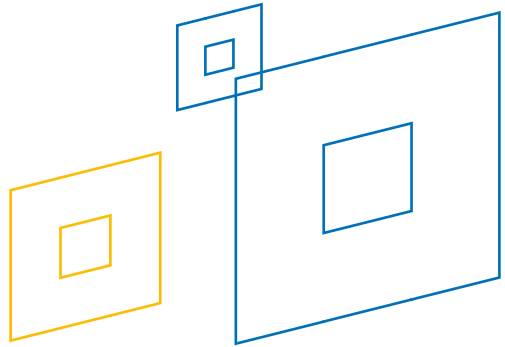
Reach Further will give you access to additional opportunities to develop and refine your knowledge, understanding and skills.

Curriculum Opportunities

- Further maths
- Core maths
- 4th A Level or Applied course
- Extended Project Qualification

Opportunities to Reach Further

- Brilliant Club
- Links with Oxford and Cambridge
- Medicine, Dentistry and Vet Science support
- Schedule of university speakers
- University visits
- Discover programme – Sheffield University (*Access to Sheffield (Y12-13) / Schools and colleges / The University of Sheffield*)
- Career Ready (*only provider in South Yorkshire*)
- Specialist careers and higher education advice
- Ambassador opportunities



Learning Matters

Learning how you learn best really does matter and we know that everyone learns differently. We are always learning, whether it's at sixth form, in further training, at university or in the workplace.

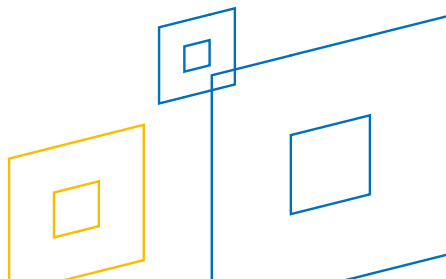
We want you to be the best learner you can be to help you achieve now and far into the future. Learning Matters is all about helping you understand how you learn and explore strategies that makes learning work for you.

Learning Matters will give you weekly strategies to develop your study habits and your approach to learning, to help you know and remember more and crucially, enjoy the process.

Strategies will include topics such as organisation, how to note-taking, consolidate and transform text, use feedback, understanding memory, retrieval practice and self-testing, mindset, resilience and working under pressure.

To learn well, you also need to look after yourself, so alongside these practical strategies, we will also work with you to look after your mental and physical health and wellbeing.

Learning Matters!

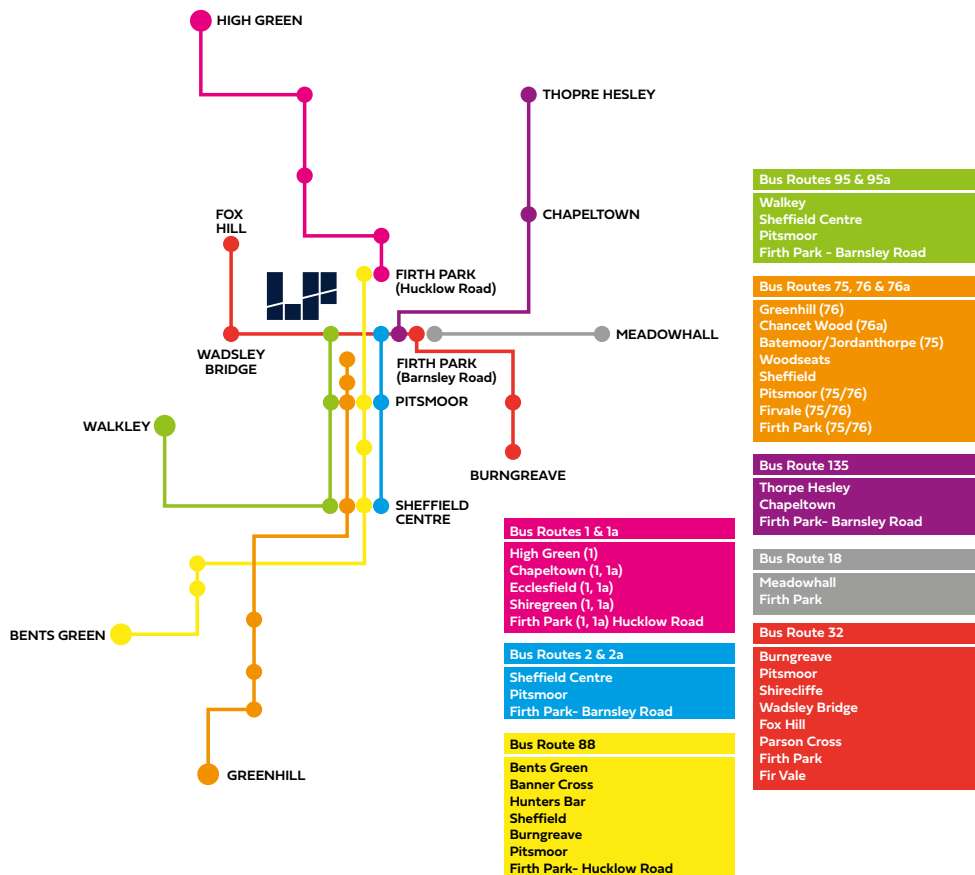


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How to find us

Longley Park Sixth Form is on Barnsley Road, opposite Longley Park itself. There are fantastic bus links into the city centre, across Sheffield and to Meadowhall.

Travel information about services, discounts and concessions available to students attending Longley Park Sixth Form is available from Student Services.



For further information, please visit our website at
longleypark.ac.uk





Principal's Welcome...

Longley Park Sixth Form is an exciting mix of ideas, beliefs, cultures and languages - a place where you will be able to develop confidence, belong and thrive. Our team will challenge you to achieve, to be successful and to be prepared for the wider world. Here you can work with people who share your passion for your chosen subjects and take the opportunities to develop new skills and contribute to our ambitious, caring and vibrant community.

Most importantly, we are a place to take control of your future, make your own decisions and shape your next steps.

Choosing where to study after GCSEs is always a big decision. At Longley Park we recognise the importance of choice and believe that your study programme should be designed around your abilities and aspirations. We are committed to providing a well-balanced and challenging curriculum for all students, both inside and outside of the classroom. We have courses for students joining us from a variety of different starting points. No matter what courses you choose to study, you will be joining our community of almost 1,000 students.

We believe that each student is an individual, is exceptional, and should be valued. Our staff are passionate about your learning – they

want you to be engaged by your subjects, develop your skills and to succeed. By choosing Longley Park as your next step, you are choosing a genuine Sixth Form experience. You will have more independence over your studies and take greater ownership of your studies. Our team will be there all the way to support and guide you when you need it. In return, we ask that you commit to your studies, work hard and embrace our college community.

I look forward to meeting you and hope you choose Longley Park to be part of your future.

Keep up to date by following us on social media **@LongleyParkSF** on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

Jamie Davies
Executive Principal



What we offer

EXCELLENT FACILITIES TO SUPPORT YOUR LEARNING

Beyond the classroom you can access our Independent Learning Centre, Careers & Employability Centre, Learning Support Centre, Wellbeing Room, Gym and IT suites to get the very best sixth form experience.

AN INDEPENDENT STUDY CULTURE

Our Independent Learning Centre gives you access to textbooks and online journals which you can use in our dedicated study spaces and seminar rooms anytime, any day of the week.

A BROAD AND EXCITING CURRICULUM

We offer a fantastic range of qualifications that you can blend to create a personalised study programme.

HIGHLY QUALIFIED TEACHING STAFF

All our teaching staff are experts in their subjects. They are highly skilled to give you the knowledge, understanding and skills you need to achieve.

A COMMITMENT TO YOUR WELLBEING

We know learning cannot happen unless you are supported emotionally and physically. Our staff will support you every step of the way. Our team of specialist

wellbeing practitioners, counsellors, and support teams will help you to prioritise your wellbeing to allow you to succeed.

EXTENSIVE ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Project You means personalising your experience to see that you can reach your own unique goals and have a fantastic experience along the way. You can access a huge range of wider opportunities to help you explore your own interests and talents, meeting new people.

EXPERT CAREERS ADVICE

Work with our specialist careers team in our dedicated Careers & Employability Centre, Pathways, to support you in accessing your next steps, whether its University, further training or employment.

AN ATMOSPHERE WHERE EVERYONE IS VALUED

You will be part of an inclusive, respectful and richly diverse community which values each and every individual.

Why study with us?

98.5% Advanced Level Pass Rate overall

121 Passes at A* and Distinction*

99% of Students went on to a Positive Destination

STAND OUT Meet others and explore new interests with our extensive range of **enrichment activities**.

STAY HEALTHY Take advantage of our **fully equipped gym** and a range of sporting opportunities.

GAIN EXPERIENCE Join our award winning **Career Ready programme**, which gives you the opportunity to understand the world of work.

A DEDICATED ACADEMIC TUTOR to support you throughout your studies, including a group tutorial and **one to one support**.

A dedicated **WELLBEING TEAM** to **help you** when you need them.

1000 STUDENTS attend Longley Park, you'll **meet lots of new people** and make new friends.

Your journey starts here...

Just some of the universities attended by former Longley Park Sixth Form students



...but what is your next step?



Our Alumni

Dr Steve Jones.

I attended Longley Park Sixth Form College in 2004-06, the first year it opened. I was able to study Psychology, Biology, Sport and Exercise Development and IT Practitioner. Being able to take these skills forward, to create friendships which I still hold today have been incredibly meaningful to who I am. Since attending Longley I have been able to study for a BSc in Psychology, before going on to

an MSc in Applied Cognitive Neuroscience, both at Sheffield Hallam University. Following this I have been able to gain experience working in the NHS before applying for and then completing my Doctorate in Clinical Psychology at the University of Sheffield and now working as a Senior Clinical Psychologist at Sheffield Children's Hospital. Within this I have also been able to publish a book called ACT Made Yorkshire based upon the learning in my studies. All of this was set from a foundation at Longley Park and I look back fondly of my time there - I hope that one day, you will be able to say the same.

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Stepping into Longley Park in 2020 marked a nerve-racking transition for me. Having spent five years at Fir Vale School, leaving behind familiar faces and cherished friendships pushed me far outside my comfort zone. The anxiety and fear felt suffocating until a particular quote caught my eye: 'FEAR; fear can mean Forget Everything And Run, or Face Everything And Rise.' This shifted my perspective, transforming how I viewed my experiences. I realised that personal growth can only happen when we step out of our comfort zones, even if it's daunting.

During my time at Longley Park, I immersed myself in studying Law, Criminology, and Psychology. This experience was truly life-changing, as it provided me with the foundation for my path and set me on the right trajectory. I am immensely grateful for the dedicated teachers who guided me through moments of uncertainty, celebrated my achievements, and offered unwavering support. Inspired by my studies in Law and Criminology at the University of Sheffield, I have set my sights on a career in the legal field. Pursuing this passion brings me immense joy, and I aspire to practice law one day.

Emma Furlong

I attended Longley Park Sixth Form College in 2011-13, studying Maths, Further Maths and Chemistry A-Levels and the BTEC IT Practitioners qualification. The staff who taught me were absolutely amazing and this enabled me to gain the important skills I needed to achieve excellent grades. Due to all the support I received at Longley, I was able to go on to study Chemistry at the University of Warwick, followed by studying for a PGDE from the University of Sheffield to teach Maths. I loved my time so much at Longley that I returned in 2017 as a mentor for A-Level Maths students, which the staff helped organise for me and continued to support me by helping secure my place on the PGDE course with this experience. The reason I applied for the PGDE and am now teaching Maths

in a secondary school is due to the inspirational teachers I had at Longley. The supportive and friendly environment meant I thoroughly enjoyed my time at the sixth form and would recommend it to anyone!

Some of the courses our students go on to study...

Acting and Performance	Early Years and Childhood Studies	Information Technology with Business Studies
Advertising and Marketing Communications	Early Years and Primary Education (3-7) with QTS	Interior Architecture & Design
Animation	Education Practice	Interior Design
Archaeology and Anthropology	Education with Autism, Disability and Special Educational Needs	Journalism, Public Relations with Media
Architectural Technology	Education, Culture and Childhood	Law LLB
Banking and Finance	Education with psychology and counselling	Medical Biology
Biomedical Sciences	Electrical and Electronic Engineering	Medicine
Biotechnology and Microbiology	English	Midwifery
Business and Digital Technology	English Literature	Nursing - Mental Health
Business and Enterprise Management	Fashion Design	Nursing (Children's)
Business and Human Resource Management	Fashion Management and Communication	Nursing (Learning disability)
Business and Management with Law	Film and High-End Television Production	Nursing (Mental Health)
Child and Family Health and Wellbeing	Filmmaking	Nutrition, Diet and Wellbeing
Child Nursing	Financial Trading and Investment Management	Operating Department Practice
Classical Civilisation	Forensic & Medical Sciences	Photography
Clinical Technology	Forensic Science	Physical Education and School Sport
Computer Science (Games Technology)	Forensic Science and Criminal Investigation	Politics & American Studies
Computer Science for Games	Games Art	Product Design
Criminology and Psychology	Graphic Design	Professional Policing
Dental Hygiene	Health & Wellbeing in Society	Psychology
Dental Hygiene and Therapy	Health Science	Science Extended Degree leading to a BSc(Hons) Degree
Dental Surgery	History	Social Work
Diagnostic Radiography	Human Biology	Sport Coaching
		Sport Development with Coaching
		Sports & Exercise Therapy

Enrichment

Our Enrichment Programme is designed to offer you a wide range of extracurricular activities and opportunities to develop skills, explore new interests, and grow personally and socially. We encourage every student to take part in these activities as they play a crucial role in shaping well-rounded individuals, fostering a sense of community, and preparing you for your next step.

Here is a wide range of some of our societies...

Running

Mindfulness
Colouring
& Stress
Management

Gardening

National
Theatre Live
Screenings

Indoor
Climbing

Car maintenance/
driving test &
theory revision

Fantasy
Football

Cross
Stitch

Indoor
Cricket

Bollywood
Dance/
Fitness

Gaming

Mock-
Trial

Cambridge
Chemistry
Challenge

Board
Game
Café

Debating
Society

Book
Club

Chess

Model
Making
Workshop

TED Talk
Tuesday

Podcast

LGBTQ+ Café



Our Tutorial Programme

To make Project You a success, you will work closely with your tutor for support and guidance during your time with us.

Your tutorial programme has two elements. Each week you will have a group tutorial. Alongside this you will have an independent support session with your academic tutor.

The Group Tutorial

This weekly session focuses on three key themes:

Health and Wellbeing

- Preparing for the future
- Healthy Lifestyles
- Setting Goals

Healthy Relationships

- Developing Self-Awareness and staying safe
- Ethics and Community Values
- Equality and Diversity

Living in the Wider World

- Careers guidance with labour market information
- Progression research and application support
- Life at university or in employment
- Budgeting and Finance

Independent Support Session

This weekly session includes regular one-to-one meetings with your tutor to support you in your progress with us. In addition to this, you will also be directed to use this time to complete different tasks to develop your wider skills and progression plans. You will be able to request a meeting with your tutor whenever you require it, and your tutor will direct you to additional support where appropriate.

Progression

We strive to ensure that all students have a positive destination beyond our sixth form. Students receive bespoke guidance when researching opportunities and application processes. Although UCAS guidance is central to our support as the majority of our students progress to University, we also offer a full programme of support for apprenticeships and employment pathways including advice and guidance from qualified careers professionals.

Wider Engagement

Building your social and cultural awareness will help you develop as an individual. We have established links with universities and employers; engaging with them will allow you to make informed decisions about your future plans. We invite speakers, organise conferences and Q&A panels, and run national and international trips (Paris - London - Rome - Berlin - New York). Beyond this we offer you cultural opportunities whenever we can (Museums - Galleries - Theatre).



Career Ready Programme

Career Ready is a unique career development programme offered across the UK, however the Sixth Form is the only provider of this amazing programme in South Yorkshire.

Each programme has its own theme and is mapped to enable young people to develop the skills, confidence, and aspirations needed for future career success. We offer two themes, Business and Law and Creative Media and IT and invite applicants from these subjects to apply. The programme helps students to overcome barriers in education and employment, whose talents often go overlooked and undiscovered.

As part of the Career Ready Programme you will receive all of the following:

- Access to different businesses and business people who will provide you with an awareness of a wide range of careers, companies and sectors, some of which you won't have come across before. This can help you plan your future career path.
- A Business mentor who will meet with you and support you to raise your career awareness, improve your confidence, develop your problem solving skills, increase your research skills, develop your network and expose you to a real work environment.

- Masterclasses. You will attend a range of informative masterclasses delivered by a professional, this will take place either at college or hosted at a workplace. The sessions are based on a range of topics such as career skills, industry sectors and routes into employment, how to develop yourself as a person, and communication/networking skills.
- Workplace visits / Enterprise activities. These workplace visits often include a masterclass or enterprise activities, information sessions regarding a range of career paths and behind the scene office tours.
- A paid internship which provides invaluable experience of working and developing relevant skills and learning about workplace cultures. This gives students a chance to become a valued team member, put the skills you've learned into practice and find out what work is really all about.

What do we want from you?

Dedication, conscientiousness, full participation in all aspects of the career ready programme, good organisational skills and a willingness to learn and develop.

Applications will be offered to suitable candidates at the start of the new academic year.

Financial Support

We will do all we can to support you throughout your time here. This may involve working to identify any barriers to learning and providing you with the best support to help you overcome them.

Make sure you know about the financial support available to you will help get you off on the right foot.

Free for all students:

- Your courses
- Textbooks
- Specialist equipment
- If you're aged 16-18, in full-time education and living in South Yorkshire, you're entitled to a student travel pass

You could be entitled to financial support from the Longley Park Bursary Fund if you are 16-18 and live in a household with a gross annual income of £16,190 or below, you may be eligible for the Sixth Forms 16-18 Bursary, support available includes;

- Support with travel to and from the Sixth Form (via travel passes)
- Support (full or partial) towards educational visits supporting their study programme
- Payment of UCAS or other next step applications
- Support for travel to open days, apprenticeship interviews etc.
- Purchasing of textbooks and/or equipment needed to engage in their study programmes
- Protective clothing if needed for their lessons or placements if required
- Support to cover DBS applications for courses that require this

- Support to cover the cost of resit examinations
- Additional Text books to support your studies
- Any other appropriate support that helps you engage in your studies

Please note, financial support and entitlement to loans and bursaries are evaluated on a case-by-case basis.

If you're aged 16-18 and currently receiving one or more from the list below you could be eligible for a bursary of up to £1,200 per year.

In care (LAC) or Care Leavers

In receipt of Income Support or Universal Credit because they are financially supporting themselves

In receipt of Disability Living Allowance or Personal Independence Payments (in their own right) as well as Employment Support Allowance or Universal Credit in their own right.

Unaccompanied Asylum-seeking children aged under 18 (treated as LAC)

Note: Support for this group is not guaranteed - Where support has been agreed, it may not equate to £1200 but will reflect the level of financial support required from the list of items above.

Any queries?

You'll find the Student Finance Office in the Plaza.

Email: studentfinance@longleypark.ac.uk





Additional Learning Support

Here at Longley Park Sixth Form, we have an experienced and dedicated learning support team that treats every student as an individual. Meaning you get the support you need.

We can support students who have a range of needs, including:

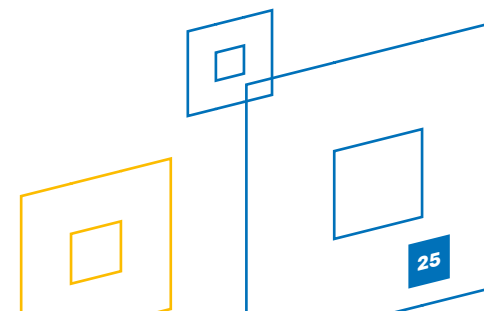
- Dyslexia
- Dyspraxia
- Autism or Asperger Syndrome
- ADHD
- Learning difficulties or disabilities
- Sensory impairments
- Physical difficulties
- Medical conditions

Our team will work with you to find your individual strengths and discuss any parts of your sixth form experience that you might find difficult. We will provide you with the suitable support to help you excel and meet the demands of your chosen course. This might include support in the classroom or getting around the building, individual study sessions or access to drop-in sessions.

If you have an EHC Plan, you will be supported in your transition to us. Support will be planned with you, your parents/carer and any other relevant professionals. You will be supported to achieve the agreed outcomes on your EHC Plan alongside your academic progress.

We have more details of the specific support you are entitled to in our Local Offer. If you would like to find out more about the support we can offer, please contact the Learning Support Team on:

Email: learningsupport@longleypark.ac.uk





Safeguarding

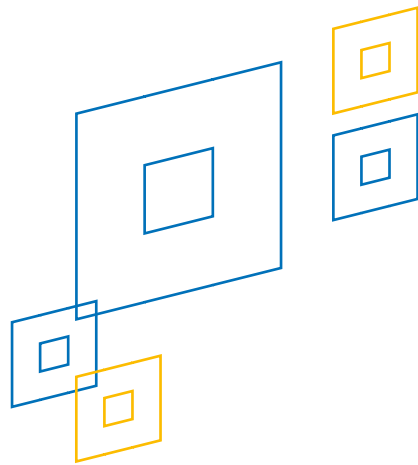
Be Safe and Feel Safe. Your safety and wellbeing is a priority at all times at Longley Park. If you have any personal concerns or worries about a friend, talk to a member of staff. Whatever your concerns and needs, we want to hear them and will work with you to address them. Support includes wellbeing, counselling and referral to external agencies.

Safeguarding suits, THRIVE and G05 are identified safe spaces and wellbeing support areas, however you are able to access support from any member of staff here at the Sixth Form.

The support includes wellbeing needs, safety, homelessness and finance worries, bullying, counselling and referral to external services.

Please remember any member of staff is there to help you if you have any worries.

safeguarding@longleypark.ac.uk



Our Wellbeing Space

At Longley Park, we have a dedicated Wellbeing Space where you can access wellbeing support from our specialist team whenever you need it. In this space, you can access the drop-in service, 1-1 support sessions and if needed, be referred for further support with a counsellor.

You might use this space if...

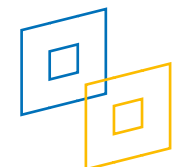
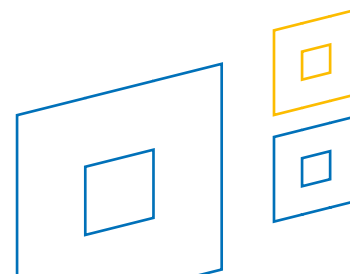
- You would like support with the emotional side of adjusting to sixth form life.
- There are issues which are affecting your studies.
- Things are happening in your life outside of Longley Park and you would like to learn some strategies to deal with them.
- You are dealing with a specific mental health issue such as anxiety or depression.
- If you're having a difficult day and would just like someone to talk to. We all need someone to talk to sometimes.

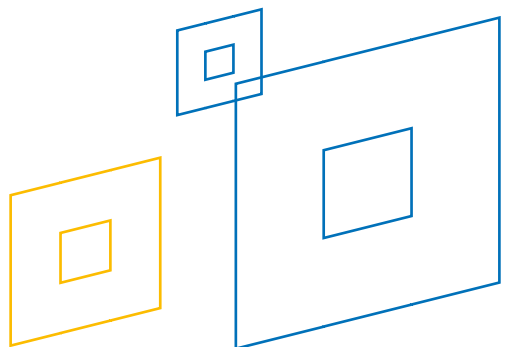
It is normal and natural to experience things in our lives which mean we need some extra support.

Feeling healthy and happy at Longley Park is integral to your success in your studies and you may prefer alternative ways of supporting your wellbeing here at the Sixth Form. You may want to access the gym and other sporting activities led by our Physical Health and Wellbeing Co-ordinator, you may want to see further support and advice in relation to healthy choices, or access our wellbeing garden.

The Wellbeing Space is in room G05 towards the bottom of the Art Corridor on the ground floor.

Our sixth form is committed to meeting the needs of all of our students and this is delivered through a trauma informed relational approach, which drives our culture of care. Students are able to access support from any staff member identified across the sixth form.





GO BEYOND!

Extended Project Qualification (EPQ)

The EPQ is a Level 3, research driven course that our most ambitious students take alongside their main areas of study. It is a one year course that is usually taken spanning the first and second year of study.

Top universities are really keen to see students achieve the qualification, which is awarded at A Level standard, between grades A* to E, as it demonstrates commitment and a development of crucial academic skills and gives you experience of a university style education.

Skills include:

- Research technique
- Critical thinking and argument technique
- Time management
- Self-reflection
- Referencing
- Essay structure and source engagement
- Independent study and working with a supervisor
- Academic presentation

Students must complete 120 hours of work over the duration of the qualification and can choose any topic they are passionate about. Many opt to write a 5,000 word essay, however some choose to create an artefact and write a shorter essay alongside it.

WHY CHOOSE THE EPQ?
Entirely student led; you decide on your project.



Independent Learning Centre

At Longley Park we have our own purpose built Independent Learning Centre that provides the perfect environment for you to study. Our space has been created to emulate a university style learning environment and has study areas designed to accommodate all learning needs.

The ILC staff work closely with teaching staff and academic tutors to provide the research tools and skills necessary to support teaching and independent study.

Our services include:

- A wide range of hard copy resources, including books, journals, magazines and newspapers
- Access to online resources, such as e-books, online journals and newspapers and searchable databases

- A large number of computers available for you to use in your study periods
- Group and individual study spaces
- A silent study area
- Bookable seminar rooms for group study
- Printing, photocopying and scanning services
- Dedicated staff available to give help and advice

The ILC is open 5 days a week.

Finding the right course for you



QUALIFICATION	INFO	ENTRY	COURSES
Level 3 Advanced Programme	Choose from a combination of 3 A Levels or equivalent	From 5 GCSEs Grade 4 or above inc. English and Maths	A Levels Architecture Interior & Product Design Art and Design Biology Business Studies Chemistry English Language English Literature Further Maths Government & Politics History Law Maths Photography Physics Psychology Sociology Spanish Applied Generals Applied Science Business Care & Education Early Years, Childcare and Education Computing Criminology Engineering Financial Studies Health & Social Care Information Technology Law Sports & Exercise Science Sport, Fitness & Personal Training EPQ Core Maths
T Levels	Choose 1 course	5 GCSEs Grade 4 or above inc. English and Maths	Business Management and Administration Education and Early Years
Level 3 Core Programme	Choose 1 course	4 GCSEs Grade 4 or above inc. English and Maths	Applied Science, Art & Design – Visual Arts & Creative Media, Business, Education and Early Years, Digital Media, Game Art & Design, Health & Social Care, IT
Level 2 Programme	Choose 1 course	2 GCSEs Grade 3 or above	Applied Science Business Studies Health & Social Care Information & Creative Technology Visual Arts & Creative Media Working in Early Years & Primary Setting Transition to A Level Social Science (requires 4 in English Language)



T Levels at Longley Park

Designed with businesses and employers, T Levels are two-year, technical qualifications designed to give students the skills that industry needs. They bring classroom learning and an extended industry placement together.

T Levels are equivalent to 3 A Levels and other Level 3 vocational qualifications but are structured slightly differently into three main parts.

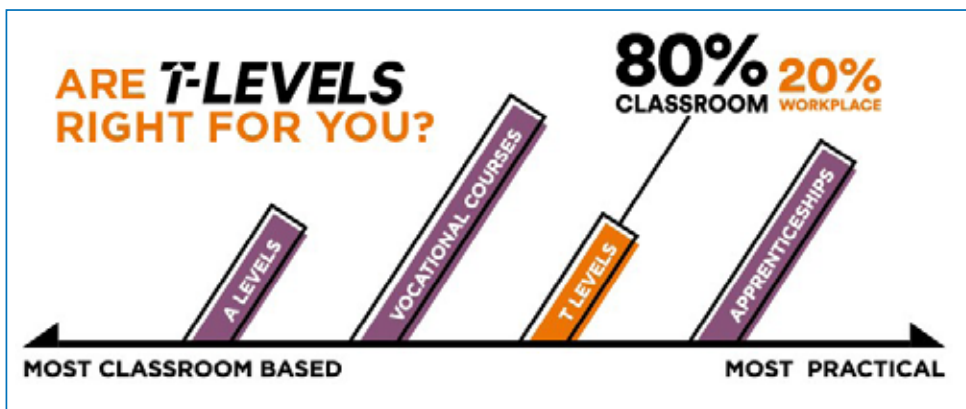
- **Technical qualification (TQ)** is the main, classroom-based element. Students will learn about their chosen sectors through a curriculum designed with employers.
- **Industry placement** runs for a minimum of 315 hours (45 days) overall and will give students practical insights into their sector and an opportunity to embed the knowledge and skills learned in the classroom.
- **English, maths and digital** provision is also built into the classroom-based element of the T Level, meaning students will be given a solid foundation of transferable skills.

Students who achieve a T Level will get a nationally recognised certificate which employers will use as evidence in their recruitment.

What can I do with a T Level qualification?

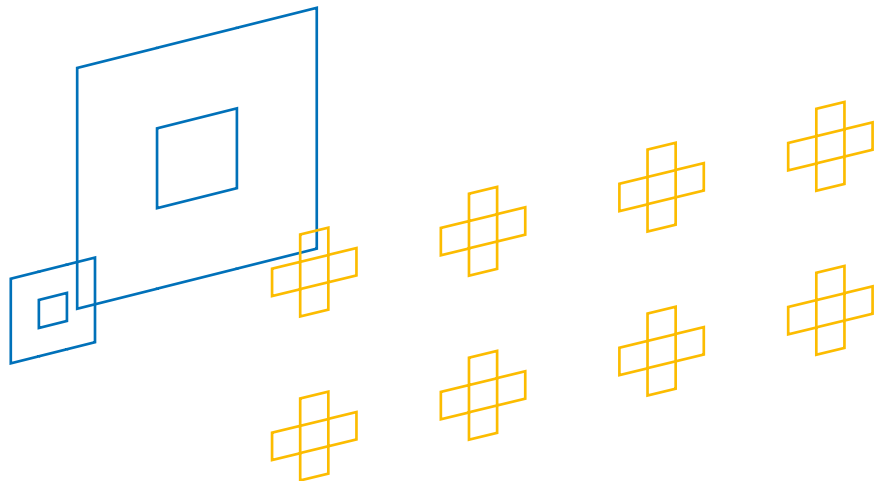
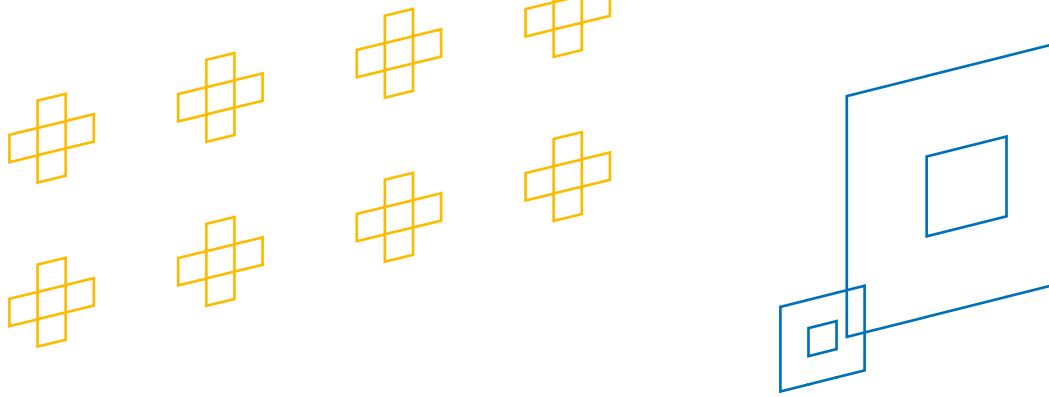
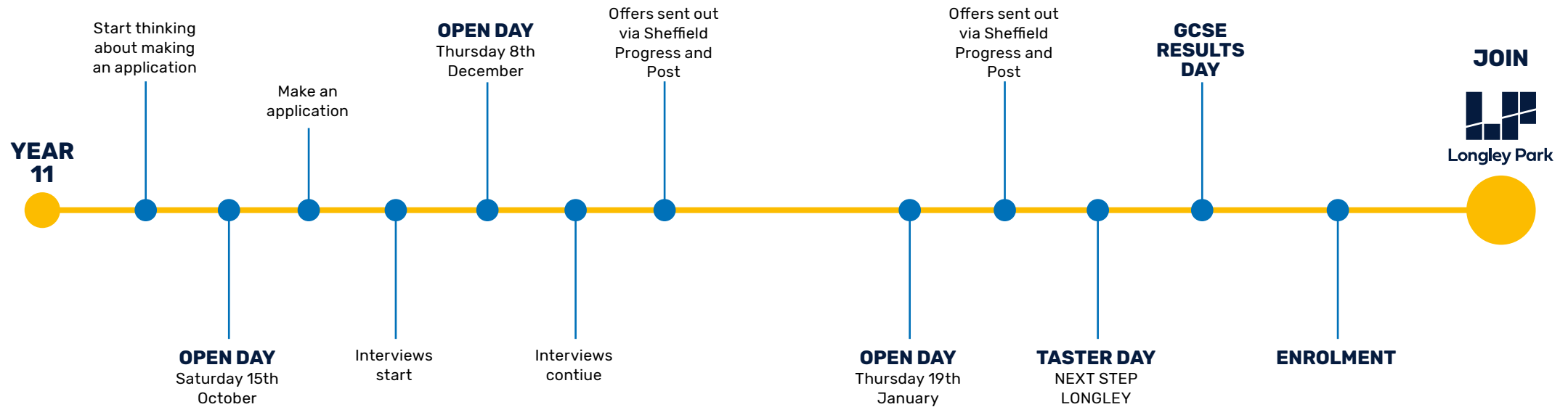
When you have completed a T Level course, you will be able to choose between moving into:

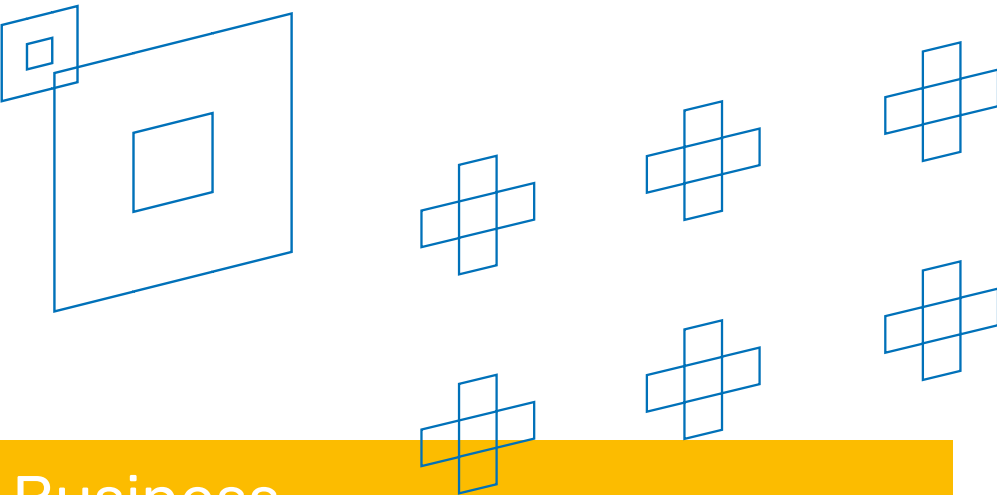
- A skilled occupation.
- Higher or degree level apprenticeships.
- Further study including Higher Technical Qualifications or Higher Education.



Your Application Journey

What is the process of applying to the Sixth Form?





Business

Business qualifications are highly desired by many employers as these qualifications will give you the skills and knowledge to be successful and either to progress on to industry or to university.

You have the opportunity to gain an interesting insight into the ever changing world of businesses and an understanding of how you can be a part of the growth of this field. As a Business student, you will also get the fantastic opportunity to be part of the Career Ready programme. Turn to page 14 for more information.

Skills and Qualities

- Creative thinking
- Precision
- Problem solving
- Teamwork
- Project management
- Client focused
- Presentation skills

Career Paths

- Business analyst
- Customer Service associate
- Data analyst
- Paralegal
- Solicitor or barrister
- Sales advisor
- Actuary
- Business development manager
- Project Manager
- Events manager

Labour Market Info

South Yorkshire is a growing location in the UK for business, professional and financial service companies. Sheffield City Region is home to 68,000 business employing 700,000 people.

Sheffield has plans for investment in growth areas (e.g. digital), with opportunities to attract more big name employers to the city and support packages for people considering starting their own business.





Business

A LEVEL

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Edexcel

What will I study?

You will learn about what businesses do and how they do it, what factors are likely to make businesses successful, and practical information about the legal, financial and marketing requirements of the business world. In the first year you will look at how to plan and finance a business and techniques for successful management including Human Resources. In the second year you will study strategies for business success, the global environment in which businesses operate and how they manage change.

Themes covered in this course are:

- Marketing and People
- Managing Business Activities
- Business Decision and Strategy
- Global Business

How will I be assessed?

3 two hour exams at the end of year 2.

- Paper 1 (Themes 1 & 4)
- Paper 2 (Themes 2 & 3)
- Paper 3 (All themes based on a pre release industry context)

What can I do next?

Degree Courses: Accountancy, Finance and Banking, Events and Hospitality, Digital Marketing, Human Resource Management, Business and Management, International Business, and Sports Management.

Career Progression: Accountant, Financial Controller, Events Manager, Human Resource Manager, Digital Marketer, Social Media Manager, Retail Manager, Sustainability Manager and more.



Financial Studies

EQUIVALENT
TO
1 A LEVEL

DIPLOMA

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by London Institute of Banking and Finance

What will I study?

This London Institute of Banking and Finance qualification has been developed with the input of leading firms from the financial sector to ensure it gives you the essential and most up-to-date knowledge. You will look at a range of topics such as short term to long term financial needs and investigating the personal financial life cycle recommending suitable financial products to meet individual needs. You will also look at the impact of debt on individuals and explore the ethical and sustainable nature of the financial services industry.

Units covered in this course are:

- Financial Capability for the Immediate and Short Term
- Financial Capability for the Medium and Long Term
- Sustainability of an Individual's Finances
- Sustainability of the Financial Services System

How will I be assessed?

Each unit (4 in total) is assessed by external assessments as follows:

- Part A Multiple Choice Question exam – 35 marks
- Part B written paper exam (part case study based) 65 marks

What can I do next?

Degree courses: such as Banking and Finance, Data Analysis, Economics and Finance, Business and Management, Marketing Management, Accountancy and International Business.

Career progression: Business owner, Accountant, Analyst, Management Consultant, Marketing Manager, Economist, Investment Banker, Financial Controller, Financial Advisor.



Business

EQUIVALENT
TO
1 A LEVEL

L3 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

You will study different types of businesses and how they operate.

Themes covered in this course are:

Exploring Business; business ownership, organisational structure, corporate objectives, stakeholders, external environment, situational analysis, competitive environment, supply and demand and enterprise and innovation.

Creating a marketing campaign; marketing objectives, marketing budgets, marketing mix and strategy, promotional mix and branding.

Personal and Business Finance; current accounts, borrowing, saving and investment products, functions and features of money, sources of business finance, costs and income, cash flow forecasting, break even analysis, financial statements and ratio analysis.

Recruitment and Selection; job needs analysis, job applications, job adverts, person specification, shortlisting, interview skills, and evaluating own skills.

How will I be assessed?

2 externally set and marked units.

2 assignment units.

What can I do next?

Degree Courses: Events Management, Business and Management, International Business, Finance, Accounting, Human Resource management, Marketing, Digital Business, Sports Management and more.

Career progressions: Business owner, Accountant, Lawyer, Event planner, HR manager, Analyst, Management Consultant, Marketing Manager, Sales Manager, Operations Direction, Financial Controller.



Business

EQUIVALENT
TO
3 A LEVELS

L3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

Over the two years you will study in depth the different types of businesses and how they operate. You will develop the skills and knowledge which will help you progress either into a future career or university.

Themes covered are:

- Personal and Business Finance
- Principles of Management
- Business Decision Making
- Event Management
- International Business
- Recruitment and Selection
- Customer Service
- Digital Marketing

How will I be assessed?

4 externally set and marked units

9 assignment units

What can I do next?

Degrees in: Events Management, Business and Management, International Business, Finance, Accounting, Human Resource management, Marketing, Digital Business, Sports Management and more.

Career progression: Business owner, Accountant, Lawyer, Event planner, HR manager, Analyst, Management Consultant, Marketing Manager, Sales Manager, Operations Direction, Financial Controller.



Business

BTEC LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATE – 1 YEAR

2 GCSEs at Grade 3 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

You will gain a good knowledge of business in general with a particular focus on key areas such as selling skills and entrepreneurial skills. The course covers different types of businesses, how to provide excellent customer service and what is involved in running a business. Projects and assignments are based on realistic workplace situations so you get a real insight into the kind of jobs and career routes that are available. In addition to the main programme, you will complete a BTEC Workskills qualification.

Themes covered are:

- Enterprise in the Business world
- Finance for business
- Promoting a brand
- Principles of customer
- Principles of marketing
- Financial Planning and Forecasting
- Business online

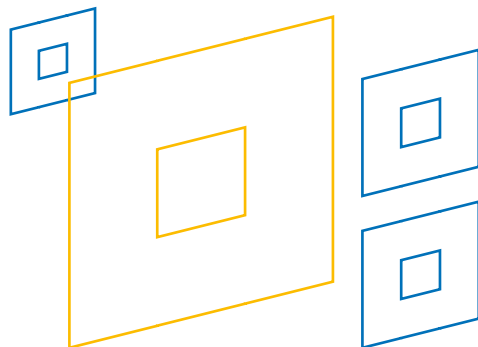
How will I be assessed?

2 externally set and marked units
5 assignment units

What can I do next?

Students can progress on to a Level 3 BTEC in Business or other related subjects.

Many have then gone on to study at university and/or secured a career as a Customer advisor, Sales executive, finance assistant, telemarketer, digital marketing assistant, website content creator.



Business

EQUIVALENT
TO
3 A LEVELS

T LEVEL BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATION

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by City and Guilds

What will I study?

Our T Level in Management and Administration is a two-year, technical study programme, designed with employers to give young people the skills required in industry. To achieve this qualification, you'll need to complete two components; a Core Component and an Occupational Specialism.

The Core Component provides knowledge and understanding. It underpins key concepts, theories and principles relevant to the T Level and the subject sector. You will cover themes such as:

- Business context • People
- Quality and compliance • Finance
- Policies and procedures
- Project and change management
- Business behaviours

The Occupational Specialism provides the knowledge, skills and behaviours required to achieve competence in Management and Administration and it provides you with the knowledge and skills required to enter employment or further study in the specific occupational area.

As well as completing the component above, you will also take part in an industry placement of at least 45 days. This will provide you with the industry-specific knowledge and skills to help boost your future prospects.

How will I be assessed?

Core component:

- Paper A written examination
- Paper B written examination
- Employer-set project

In order to achieve a grade for core component, students must have results for both sub-components (the core (written) examination and the employer-set project). The combined results from these sub-components will be aggregated to form the overall core component grade (A*-E and U).

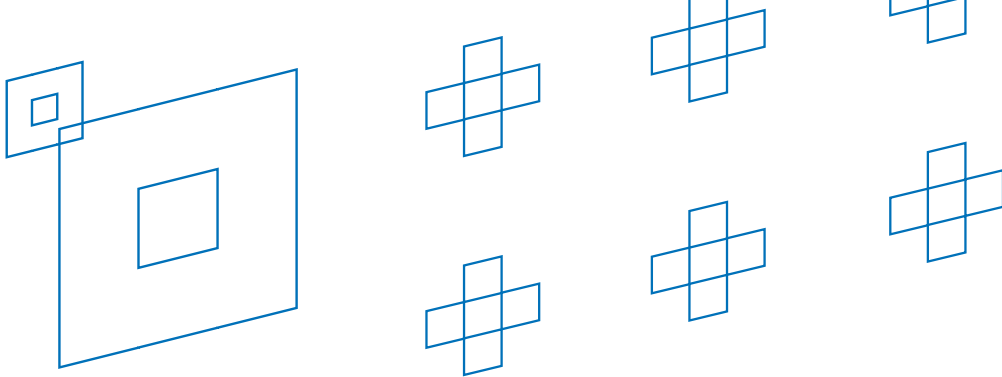
Occupational specialism component:

- Synoptic assignments in a occupational specialism graded distinction or merit or pass
- A 45-Day Industry Placement

Each T Level includes an in-depth industry placement that lasts at least 45 days. Students get valuable experience in the workplace; employers get early sight of the new talent in their industry.

What can I do next?

Career progression: Following the successful completion of your T Level course, you will hold the UCAS points equivalent to three A Levels, so you will be able to progress to Higher Education to study a university-level course or a Higher Apprenticeship. Alternatively, you may choose to enter skilled employment directly in Business Administration or Management.



Information Technology and Computing

Information Technology and Computing qualifications are highly sought after by many employers.

These qualifications will not only give you the practical skills and knowledge needed but will allow you to gain the analytical skills to be successful, either to progress into industry or on to university. You have the chance to design and create working products that can affect our everyday life. We have a variety of BTEC qualifications at all levels to suit your desired progression route.

Skills and Qualities

- Digital skills
- Problem solving
- Communication
- Precision
- Project management

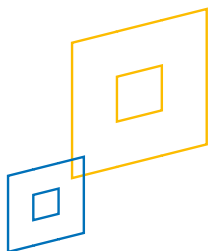
Career Paths

- Associate software developer
- Social media executive
- Head of digital acquisition
- Ethical Hacker
- Data analyst
- Website operational designer
- Software programmer
- Fiber network planner
- Application support specialist
- ICT technician

Labour Market Info

Engineering and technician roles are in high demand in the UK. 124,000 roles available each year.

Advanced engineering urgently needs young people. The creative and digital sectors have grown faster in the Sheffield City Region than anywhere else in the UK.





Computing

EQUIVALENT
TO
1A LEVEL

L3 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

Alongside core units in communication and employability and computer systems, this course is designed specifically for those students interested in computing rather than ICT in general. Additional units of study on this pathway will include a range from databases, programming, networking and mathematical concepts.

Themes that you will study are:

- Security and Cryptography
- Computer Systems
- Principles of Computer Science
- Games design and production

How will I be assessed?

Units 1 and 2 are assessed by written exam

Units 7 and 14 are assessed by coursework

What can I do next?

Students can progress on to industrial apprenticeships in areas as diverse as transport or the NHS. Many go on to study software engineering or computer security at university. You will be well placed to stand out in an expanding industry

Degrees in: Cybersecurity, Computer Programming, Software Development, Computing with Business, Computer Games Technologies, Computer Science, Computer Science with AI, Computer Science with Forensics, Smart Computing, Computing with Infomatics.

Career progression: Computer programmer, Ethical Hacker, computer scientist software developer, networking and software engineer, games developer, digital forensics.



Information Technology

EQUIVALENT
TO
1A LEVEL

L3 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

You will improve your knowledge and practical skills in IT, including web design and e-commerce, data communications, expert systems and computing, social media for businesses, information systems (databases). You'll find out about how computer systems work and learn how to use different applications. Assignments are based on workplace situations so you will get a real insight into the careers available in IT and what it is like to work in industry.

Exam themes covered are:

- Information Technology Systems.
- Creating Systems to Manage Information

Coursework themes covered are:

- Using Social Media in Business
- Data Modelling

How will I be assessed?

Units 1 and 2 are assessed by written exam

Units 3 and 5 are assessed by assignment work

What can I do next?

Degrees or Apprenticeships in:

- Information Technology and Information Systems
- Computer Science
- Information Science
- Computer Animation
- Software Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Cybersecurity

Career progression: IT systems support, IT engineer, IT consultant Computer programmer, Ethical Hacker, computer scientist, software developer, networking and software engineer.



Information Technology

EQUIVALENT
TO
3 A LEVELS

L3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

You will develop knowledge and practical skills in the field of information and communications technology, including web design and e-commerce, data communications, expert systems and computing, social media for businesses, information systems (Databases), programming, cyber security and incident management, IT services delivery, IT project management, computer game development digital 2D and 3D graphics and digital animation and effects. You will complete practical projects and assignments based on realistic workplace situations and find out about career routes in IT.

Themes covered over the 2 years are:

Exam Based Units:

- Information Technology.
- Creating Systems to Manage Information
- Cyber Security & Incident Management
- IT Service Delivery

Coursework Based Units:

- Using Social Media in Business
- Data Modelling
- Programming
- Website Development
- Computer Games Development
- IT Project Management
- IT Technical Support & Management.
- Enterprise in IT

How will I be assessed?

Units 1, 2, 11 and 14 are assessed by written exams

All other units are assessed by assignment work

What can I do next?

Degrees or Apprenticeships in: Information Technology and Information Systems, Computer Science, Information Science, Computer Animation, Software Engineering, Computer Engineering, Cybersecurity.

Career progression: IT systems support, IT engineer, Computer programmer, Ethical Hacker, computer scientist, software developer, networking and software engineer. Ethical Hacker, Fiber Network Planner, Head of Digital Acquisition, Cyber Security Analyst, IT consultant.



Information and Creative Technology

EQUIVALENT
TO
1 A LEVEL

L2 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

3 GCSEs (including English and Maths) at Grade 3 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

You will learn about computer and information systems, web design, working in the IT industry, database and communications technology. You will learn by completing projects and assignments that are based on realistic workplace situations and find out about jobs in the IT sector. Students will have access to the latest in IT resources, both for lessons and for private study. In addition to the main programme, you will complete a BTEC Work skills qualification.

Themes covered are:

- The Online world
- Technology systems
- A digital portfolio
- Creating digital audio.
- Creating digital graphics
- Creating digital video
- Website development

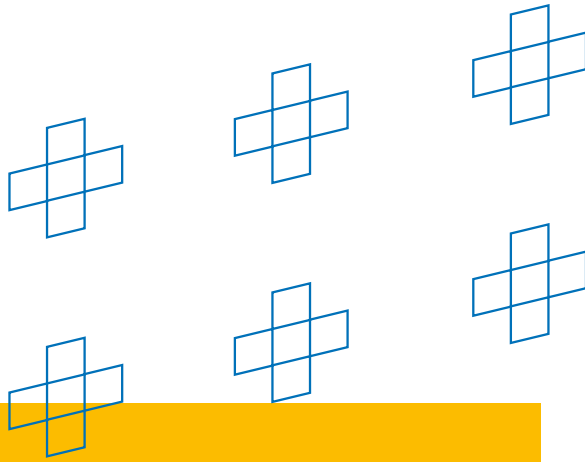
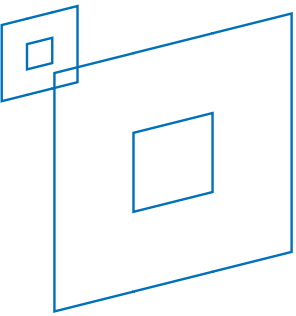
How will I be assessed?

Units 1, 2, are assessed by written exams
All other units are assessed by assignment work

What can I do next?

Students have gone on to progress to a Level 3 BTEC qualification within the sixth form or apprenticeship in IT or Business.

Career progression: IT technician, IT support specialist, web developer, IT security analyst, network engineer, database administrator, data scientist, cloud system engineer, help desk technician, web administrator.



Languages

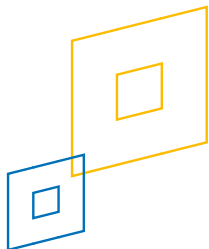
Studying languages really does expand your horizons.

You will find out about the culture and lifestyle of other countries where the language is spoken and being fluent in a language is a huge advantage if you want to travel. In our increasingly global society, language skills are also very much in demand when it comes to careers. Employers in a wide range of sectors are keen to recruit people who can communicate confidently with partners and clients overseas.

As well as learning about other countries, studying a foreign language will improve your communication in general as you find out about how languages work. You will also get a better understanding of English vocabulary and grammar.

Skills and Qualities

- Adaptability
- Communication
- Critical thinking
- Independence
- Problem solving
- Attention to detail



Career Paths

- Business services
- Charity work
- Engineering
- Media
- Museums and libraries
- Civil Service
- Teaching
- Tourism sector

Labour Market Info

In a 'global economy', the ability to speak more than one language and knowledge of different cultures can be very useful in many different job sectors.





Spanish

A LEVEL

5 GCSEs at Grade 4 or above including English, Maths and Spanish. Students who have not studied GCSE but have a high level of competence in Spanish will be considered.

What will I study?

You will develop the ability to communicate confidently in written and spoken Spanish with a high level of grammatical accuracy. The topics studied will build on your GCSE and move you towards speaking Spanish fluently and cover:

- Education and employment in Spain and the Spanish speaking world
- Family life in Spanish culture
- Literature and film of Spain
- Media
- Equality and Diversity in the Spanish speaking world

You will work in a supportive learning environment where small group tasks build your confidence and teaching staff provide all the help and encouragement you need to excel. You will have dedicated time each week to practice your conversations skills with a fluent speaker.

How will I be assessed?

Examinations. Assessments will include oral, listening, reading and translation and writing.

What can I do next?

There are over 400 million speakers across the world, so studying Spanish language is an excellent way of enhancing your international career prospects. You will also develop linguistic and reasoning skills that are important for any academic route. In addition to studying Languages at university, A Level Spanish is also an asset for degrees in Law, Marketing, PR, Teaching, Journalism and Communications.





Law

A Law qualification is highly desired by many employers as this qualification will give you the skills and knowledge to be successful, either to progress in to employment or onto university.

You have the opportunity to gain an interesting insight into the ever changing world of Law by studying a variety of subjects related to the current legal system.

Skills and Qualities

- Creative thinking
- Precision
- Problem solving
- Teamwork
- Client focused
- Presentation skills
- Communication
- Organised

Career Paths

- Solicitor
- Barrister
- Journalism
- Public relations
- Teaching
- Mediator
- Chartered Legal Executive
- Police
- Data scientist

Labour Market Info

The Legal profession is a growing within the South Yorkshire region and within the UK at an astounding rate.

There are many opportunities to work this sector that have clear links to public services, police, probation services and other allied vocations.





Law

A LEVEL LAW

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by AQA

What will I study?

The nature of law and the English legal system. This topic explores the fundamental values of the English legal system.

Criminal law. This is a topic that has an entire section on Netflix dedicated to it! A-Level law will provide you with an indepth understanding of how a person is found criminally liable for their actions and will teach you how this is proven in court.

Tort. Have you had a slip, trip or fall that wasn't your fault!? We've all seen these adverts on the T V, but this topic will give you an understanding of how it can be proven, legally, that someone is liable for losses caused by negligent acts and what the repercussions of breaching a duty of care can be.

Law of contract. We will look at what makes a contract legally binding, what can and cannot be put into a contract and what rights you have when a contract is breached.

Themes covered are:

- Civil courts and other forms of dispute resolution
- Criminal courts and lay people
- Legal personnel and the judiciary

Murder:

- Voluntary manslaughter
- Involuntary manslaughter
- Offences Against the Person: ABH / GBH
- Theft & Robbery

How will I be assessed?

3 two x 2 hour exams at the end of year 2.

Paper 1 ELS & Criminal Law

Paper 2 ELS & Tort Law

Paper 3 ELS & Contract Law

What can I do next?

Degrees in a wide range of subject such as:

Progression: Degree courses such Law LLB and Law with Criminology, Law with a Language, Law with Politics, Law with Business.

Career progression: Solicitor, Barrister, Legal Executive, Paralegal, Business sector, Politics, Journalism, etc.



Law

EQUIVALENT
TO
1 A LEVEL

L3 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

You will find out about the English legal system and how law influences our daily lives. Assignments are designed to give you a real sense of what it is like to work in the legal professions and visits to courts in session and discussions with guest speakers will be part of the course. The skills you will develop on the course, such as being able to see both sides of an argument, effective research skills and solving complex legal problems will be of value to you in other areas of life.

You will cover themes such as:

- General elements of liability
- Fatal offences against the person
- Property offences
- Defences
- The rules of tort law
- Police Powers

How will I be assessed?

2 exam units with a pre seen case study

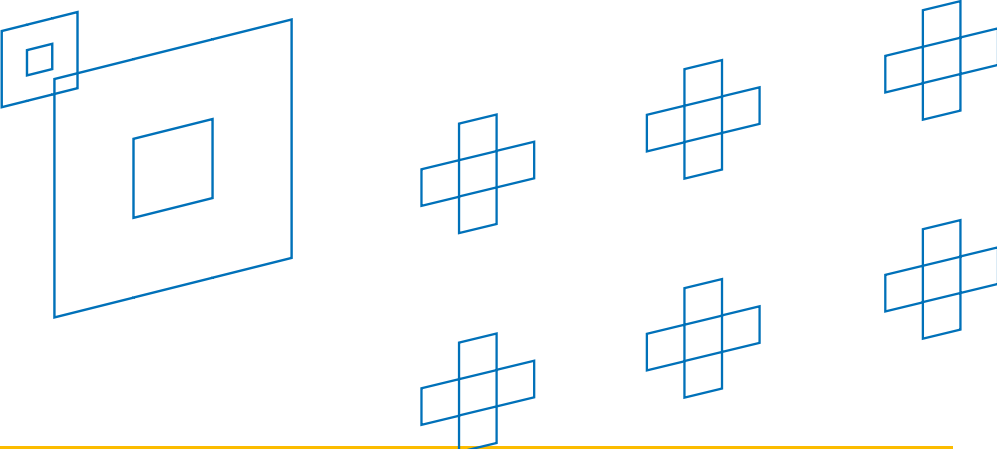
2 assignment based units

What can I do next?

Degrees in a wide range of subject such as:

Progression: Degree courses such Law LLB and Law with Criminology, Law with a Language, Law with Politics, Law with Business.

Career progression: Solicitor, Barrister, Legal Executive, Paralegal, Business sector, Politics, Journalism, etc.



Childcare and Education

We have high expectations for all of our students and provide a stimulating learning environment that blends practical skills with theory.

We will help you achieve the best grades and will work closely with you to ensure you fulfil your potential. You will have the opportunity to attend different placements in order to build your practical skills and apply the lesson based theory. All of our recent Year 2 leavers have left the Sixth Form either with a place at university or with the offer of paid employment from their placement providers.

Skills and Qualities

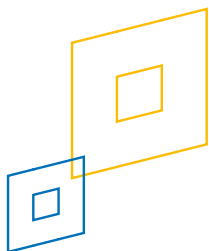
- Calm under pressure
- Professional and caring Communication
- Team working
- Decision making
- Professionalism
- Respect
- Problem solving

Career Paths

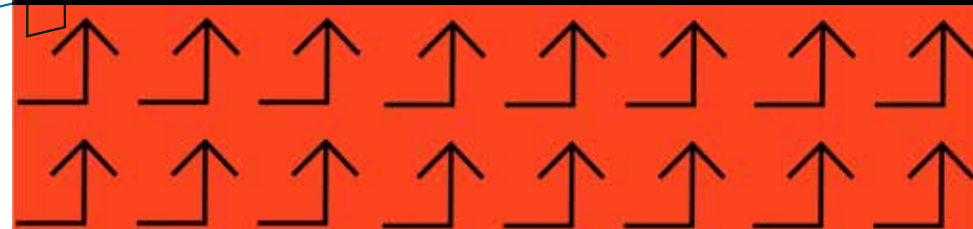
- Specialist Support Assistant
- Early Years Officer
- Learning Mentor
- Special Educational Needs Teaching Assistant
- Nursery Teacher
- Teaching Assistant
- Childcare Provider

Labour Market Info

11% of employment in South Yorkshire is in education. That is around 76000 jobs.



EDUCATION & CHILDCARE



**EARLY YEARS
PHONICS
NEUROLOGICAL
DEVELOPMENT
SPECIAL
NEEDS
SPEECH &
LANGUAGE
METACOGNITION**



T LEVEL EDUCATION AND EARLY YEARS

4 GCSEs (including English and Maths) at Grade or above

Awarded by AQA

What will I study?

This Level 3 Technical qualification is split into 2 components.

1 The Core component will build knowledge and underpinning concepts, theories and principles as well as core skills for the education and childcare sector. You will study a variety of elements including supporting education, safeguarding, behaviour, child development and special educational needs and disabilities. You will develop core skills including communicating to engage children,, assessing children's progress and managing and assessing risk.

2 The Occupational Specialism component will develop your knowledge, skills and understanding of supporting and promoting play, developing relationships with children, planning, providing and reviewing care and working in partnership with colleagues, parents and other professionals.

You will complete 750 hours of industry placement across the 2 year course to develop the competencies required to work as a practitioner in early years settings.

How will I be assessed?

For the core component you will complete 2 written exam papers and an Employer-Set project. For the occupational specialism component you will complete several synoptic assignments.

What can I do next?

Students who achieve this full qualification could progress into employment as an early years practitioner or educator, pre-school worker, worker in community nurseries or nanny, move to higher education or complete an apprenticeship.



NCFE CACHE LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA FOR THE EARLY YEARS

PRACTITIONER - 1 YEAR COURSE

Awarded by NCFE

What will I study?

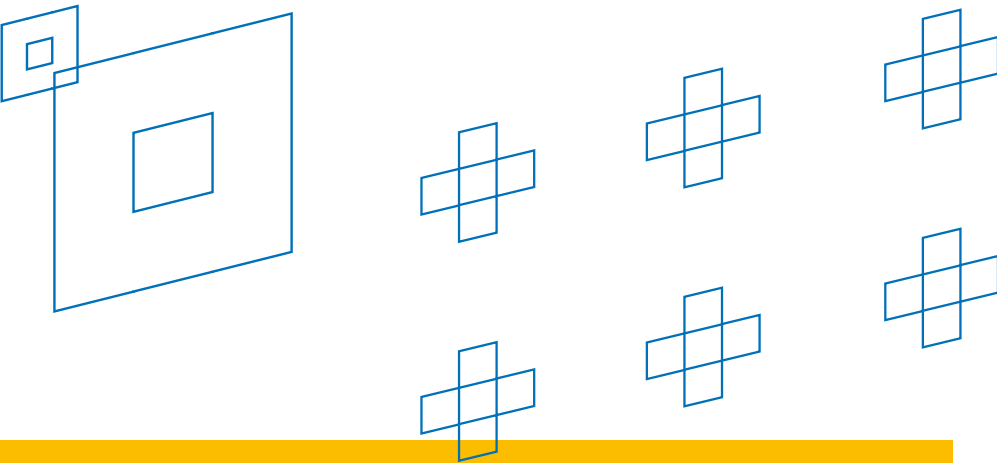
- Roles and responsibilities of the Early Years Practitioner
- The importance of play
- Understand how to support children's development
- Health and safety of babies and young children in the early years
- Equality, diversity and inclusive practice in Early Years Settings
- Safeguarding, protection and welfare of babies and young children in Early Years Settings
- Understand how to support children's development
- Support care routines for babies and young children
- Support well-being of babies and young children
- Special Educational Needs and Disability

How will I be assessed?

Through a variety of course work methods along with observations and assessment in placement.

What can I do next?

After this course you may be able to progress on to the level 3 T - Level qualification or an apprenticeship. You may also be able to progress onto employment as a level 2 early years assistant.



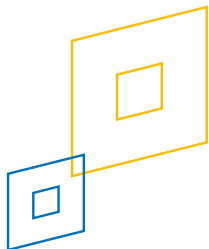
Creative Arts and Media

We are always amazed by the high standard of creative work our students produce.

Our ethos is to help you become more independent and confident when expressing your creativity. There are some amazing opportunities for you to get involved in. Previous years have seen our students exhibit their work in London, taking part in live projects to enhance the local environment and produce professional video work for clients. We'll treat you as an adult and expect you to behave as professionals working in the creative industry. We'll help you to achieve the best grades. In return, we expect excellent attendance and punctuality and the willingness to engage in new and exciting ways of working.

Skills and Qualities

- Creative thinking
- Decision making
- Reflection
- Precision
- Client focused
- Time management



Career Paths

- Photographer
- Film/video producer
- Visual effects
- Animator
- Web designer
- Games designer
- Marketing

Labour Market Info

The creative and digital sectors have grown faster in the Sheffield City Region than anywhere else in the UK. This is thanks to competitive property and staff costs, a supportive business environment and a large pool of well qualified staff. The sector employs over 35,000 people and the region benefits from the two universities in terms of research expertise and talented graduates.





Fine Art

A LEVEL

5 GCSEs (including English and Maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by AQA

What will I study?

Themes that are covered are:

Year One

Observing the everyday: Project 1.

Fine art approaches and materiality. Project 2.

Art and society: Project 3

Independent project.

Year Two

Component 1: Personal investigation

Component 2: Externally set assignment

In both units students create a personal project that explores their specific area of focus through contextual research, visual language, reflective practice and creating a decisive conclusion to their project.

How will I be assessed?

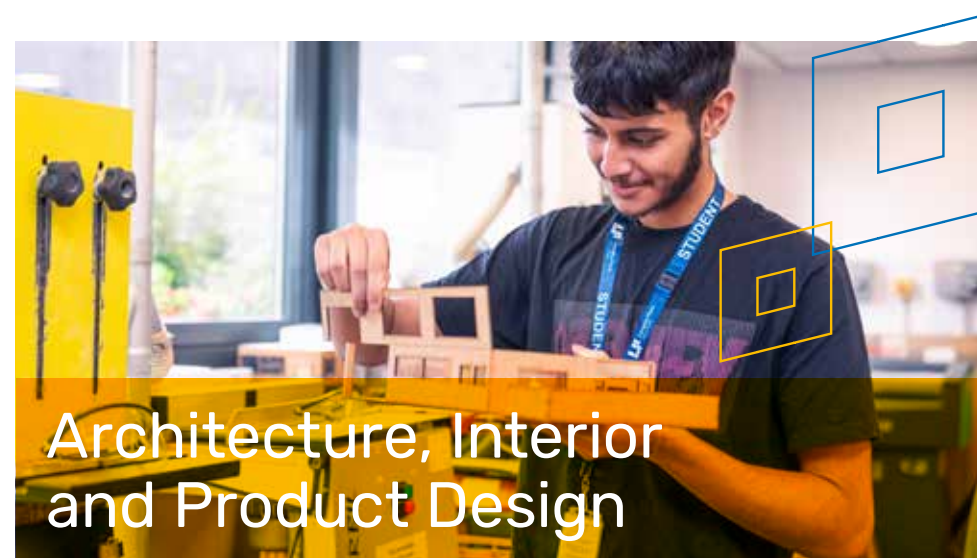
Formal assessment of A Level Fine Art takes place in the second year.

Component one (60% of final grade)

Component two (40% of final grade with exam)

What can I do next?

Students studying A Level Fine Art are able to progress to a range of relevant higher education courses or careers, some of which include; Fine Art, Graphic Design, Illustration, Art therapy, Interior and Spatial Design, Production Design (theatre/television/film.) Web Designer, Curation and Animation.



Architecture, Interior and Product Design

A LEVEL

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

Throughout the course you will explore a wide range of fundamental design skills providing you with the tools needed to be in control of your own design future. The course focuses on three main areas of design (Architecture, Interior and Product Design) however there are many other areas that you may wish to explore throughout the course. Throughout the course, you will have opportunities to work alongside professional designers to give you a greater understanding of the creative industries.

Themes covered are:

- **Skills Project** - introduce all the key skills
- **Mock Component Two Project** - simulate the final exam project and to give an early experience of working to exam criteria.
- **Component One prep** - Reflection & Preparation
- **Component One** - Student led Project
- **Component Two** - Exam Project

How will I be assessed?

Second year Assessment:

Component one (60% of final grade) and component two (40% of final grade with exam). In both units, students create a personal project that explores their specific area of focus through contextual research, design, model making and reflective practice.

What can I do next?

Studying A Level Architecture, Interior and Product Design supports progression to employment and higher education within a wide range of specialisms, including:

Architecture / Interior Design / Product Design / Furniture Design / Model Making / Prop production / Stage Design / Landscape Architecture / Town Planning / Industrial Design / Plus a wide range of other Art and Design related industries.



Media Studies

A LEVEL - 2 YEARS

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by WJEC

What will I study?

Ever wondered about how your favourite media text goes from an idea to being a fully formed product? If so, this course might be for you. A-level Media Studies is an excellent starting point if you want to learn about a vibrant industry that is one of the largest and most exciting employers in the country. A selection of carefully chosen case studies from Film, TV, Games, the internet and Marketing will illustrate different ideologies and influences in the media industry, developing your skills in understanding and writing about media texts. It will open up a new world of knowledge for you about how media texts are planned, financed, produced and advertised and ultimately reach their target audience. You'll even get to create your own Media productions, using our state of the art technology that includes a brand new TV studio for 2023/24.

How will I be assessed?

Examinations, coursework and portfolio.

What can I do next?

Choose this course if you've ever thought about working in the Media as a presenter, journalist, director, youtuber, blogger or any other aspect of the industry. Most of our students go on to study in higher education, often choosing Media or other related courses. Studying A-level Media is an excellent way to prepare yourself for any University course and typically leads onto a variety of employment opportunities. Many of our ex-students choose to find employment directly within the media industry and have worked on productions as diverse as Eastenders, Emmerdale, The Richard Kyle Show and with employers such as the BBC, ITV and Sheffield DocFest, some even become teachers. A massive employer, the Media Industry in the UK is one of the most secure and rewarding areas of employment.



Photography

A LEVEL

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by AQA

What will I study?

Photography has become an essential part of how we communicate and comprehend the world around us. This course aims to provide students with opportunities to develop a wide range of traditional and contemporary technical skills within Photography.

Alongside this, students will develop and conceptualise an understanding of; wider theory, creative contexts, and implement their conceptualisation into the production and refinement of their individual work. Units of work will cover experimental printing processes, darkroom techniques and digital processes using industry standard programs.

The techniques and processes student will explore will cover the following areas:

- Portraiture
- Landscape photography (working from the urban, rural and/or coastal environment)
- Still life photography (working from objects or from the natural world)

- Documentary photography, photojournalism
- Fashion photography
- Experimental imagery
- Multimedia
- Photographic installation
- Moving image (video, film, animation.)

How will I be assessed?

Formal assessment of A Level Photography takes place in the second year.

Component 1: Personal investigation

Component 2: Externally set assignment

What can I do next?

Students studying A Level Photography can progress to a range of relevant higher education courses or careers, some of which include Fashion Photography, Fine Art Photography, Advertising, Film/Video Editing, Graphic Design, Magazine Editing, Press Photography and Television.



Art and Design

EQUIVALENT
TO
3 A LEVELS

UAL LEVEL 3

4 GCSEs (including English and Maths) at Grade 4 or above
Awarded by University of the Arts London

What will I study?

Studying this course will enable you to grow as a creative practitioner within your chosen art and design specialism. You will have opportunities to work alongside professional artists and designers to give you a greater understanding of the creative industry. The creative sectors you will be exposed to range span across; Fine art, fashion design and textiles, 3D design, photography, sculpture and digital media.

Themes that are covered are:

Year 1

Project 1; sculpting the future (three dimensional practices)

Project 2; rewilding creativity (graphic design principles and moving image experimentation)

Project 3; activate (fine art approaches)

Project 4; the final major project (specialist practice)

Year 2

Project 1; Unit 4: Researching a Specialist Industry Practice.

Project 2; Unit 5: Specialist Technical Skills Development.

Project 3; Unit 6: the final major project (specialist practice)

How will I be assessed?

Each year starts with formative units, which are designed to give you the space to explore new skills and discover your strengths. Each year ends with a Final Major Project, an extended coursework project which provides you with your grade for the year. There are no exams!

What can I do next?

The UAL L3 Creative Practices course equips learners with the skills and ability to critically think about and question their contextual surroundings whilst developing skills and knowledge that are essential for working in the creative industries and or studying specific disciplines further in a university setting.

The course provides a stepping-stone to an array of creative paths such as fashion design and marketing, graphic design, fine art, photography, illustration, interior and architectural studies. Our students have gone on to study at prestigious Universities such as Goldsmiths in London and Manchester School of Art.



Game Art and Design

EQUIVALENT
TO
3 A LEVELS

UAL LEVEL 3

4 GCSEs (including English and Maths) at Grade 4 or above
Awarded by University of the Arts London

What will I study?

Are you interested in becoming a digital artist? Do you enjoy designing your own characters and worlds for games? This specialist course is designed to act as your starting point if you want to break into the games, animation or graphic design industries. You'll learn a wide range of digital art skills, including 3D modelling, graphic design, concept art, and animation. There are no exams on this course. Instead you'll work through a series of projects modelled on real industry practice. Whatever specialism you choose we'll teach you the skills and software you need to succeed.

Themes covered on this course are:

Year 1

Project 1; Character Select (Introductory 3D modelling, drawing, character design, and animation skills)

Project 2; Imaginary Worlds (worldbuilding, level design and graphic design)

Project 3; Young Game Designer Award (pitch your own game idea with the chance to win a real games industry prize)

Project 4; Final Major Project

Year 2

Project 1; The City (collaborative worldbuilding project)

Project 2; Working in the Creative Industries (build a portfolio and develop specialist skills)

Project 3; Final Major Project

How will I be assessed?

Each year starts with three formative units, which give you the space to explore new skills and discover your strengths. Each year ends with a Final Major Project, which is an extended coursework project which provides you with your grade for the year. There are no exams!

What can I do next?

There are a wide range of opportunities open to students who study Games Art and Design. These include:

- Degree courses such as Game Art, Game Design, Animation, VFX, Illustration, Graphic Design, and Digital Media
- Potential careers include a broad range of games industry roles, such as 3D modelling, concept art, and game design. You'll learn about many potential careers on the course, including many you may not know existed. You could also use this course to prepare you for a wide variety of careers in the creative and visual design industries.



Art and Design

UAL LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA - 1 YEAR COURSE

At least 2 Grade 3s at GCSE

Awarded by University of the Arts London

What will I study?

Level 2 Art and Design allows students to develop a variety of skills including, illustration, photography, animation, video production, model making and a wide a variety of other arts.

You will complete projects which allow you to explore your own ideas using a range of techniques.

There are 6 units in total, including the Final Major Project, which is an extended independent project at the end of the academic year.

How will I be assessed?

A variety of assessment methods are used to evaluate project strengths including verbal and written formative assessment, peer assessment in the form of class critiques and assessment against specific project briefs. Throughout the year students will develop a portfolio of work and will also complete a final project. There are no exams on this course.

What can I do next?

Level 2 Art and Design is an excellent preparation for Level 3 study. Many students progress to either the UAL Level 3 course in Art and Design or Level 3 Games Art and Design. Some students also go on to study A Levels in creative subjects such as Fine Art, 3D Design and Photography.



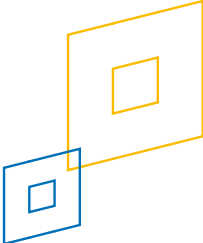


English

Studying A Level English Language or Literature will give you the opportunity to develop your understanding of the ways writers communicate across many different genres and forms.

You will explore the influence of linguistic, literary, cultural, social and historical contexts. You will develop your analytical skills and expertise, giving you the ability to delve beneath the surface meaning of texts, to explore hidden and implied meanings at another level. You will learn about how the English language has developed and changed and how it can be used for many different purposes. Studying English at A Level will help you to develop skills in research, written and verbal communication, debate and discussion.

Skills and Qualities

- Creative thinking
 - Critical reading and writing
 - Accuracy
 - Curiosity
 - Attention to detail
 - Presentation skills
 - Analysis
 - Communication
- 

Career Paths

- Journalist
- Copywriter
- Teacher
- Paralegal
- Marketing
- Editor
- Museum curator
- Freelance writer
- Publisher
- Social media manager
- PR manager

Labour Market Info

English graduates are employed in a wide range of sectors, and are well placed to gain highly sought after jobs requiring excellent communication skills, writing, or undertaking research.





English Literature

A LEVEL

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

Themes covered using different literary genres and periods are:

Tragic Drama (Othello – William Shakespeare;
A Streetcar Named Desire – Tennessee Williams)

Prose – Theme: Science and Society
(Frankenstein – Mary Shelley; Never Let Me Go – Kazuo Ishiguro)

Poetry (The Romantic Poets; Contemporary Poetry)

Coursework Essay (a thematic comparison of two texts of your own choice)

How will I be assessed?

There are three exam units which are assessed at the end of the second year. You will also produce a coursework essay which is worth 20% of the qualification.

Paper 1

(Drama) 2 hours 15 minutes (60 marks – 30%)

Paper 2

(Prose) 1 hour 15 minutes (40 marks – 20%)

Paper 3

(Poetry) 2 hours 15 minutes (60 marks – 30%)

Coursework – 3000 word independent essay (60 marks – 20%)

What can I do next?

An A Level qualification in English Literature can lead to a wide range of opportunities. You may choose to progress onto a degree course. There are many potential options such as English Literature, English Studies, Creative Writing, Journalism, Law and many other disciplines

Studying English Literature can also help you pursue a career in a wide range of industries, including marketing, advertising, commercial media, entertainment, research, education, social work and many other areas.



English Language

A LEVEL

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by AQA

What will I study?

This course combines a critical and creative approach. You will analyse and produce texts, demonstrating understanding and skill in how the English language works across a variety of contexts. You will learn about how language works on many different levels. The course will involve studying how we communicate in written and spoken texts according to our social group, region, occupation, gender and ethnicity. You will also learn about how children learn to speak, read, and write, and about how language has changed across time.

Themes that are covered are:

Language, the individual and society)

Language diversity and change

Coursework – Language in Action.

How will I be assessed?

There are two exam units which are assessed at the end of the second year. You will also produce a coursework project worth 20% of the qualification.

Paper 1: Language, the individual and society (2 hours 30 minutes, 100 marks, 40%)

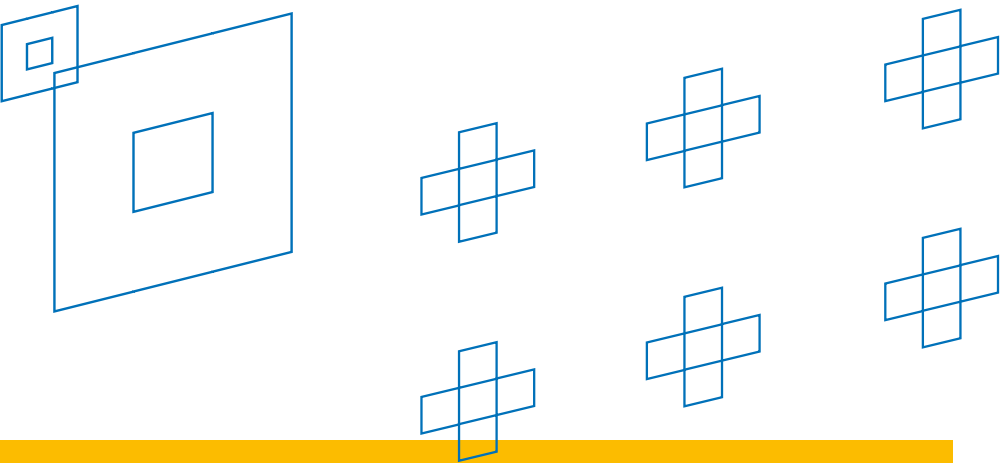
Paper 2: Language diversity and change (2 hours 30 minutes, 100 marks, 40%)

Unit 3: Non-exam assessment: Language in action (3500 words in total, 100 marks, 20%)

What can I do next?

English Language study will equip you for a wide range of higher education courses. It is essential if you wish to study English Language or Linguistics at university and also complements most subjects, including social sciences, such as psychology, sociology and law-related courses.

Students who take English at A Level are seen to be very employable due to their analytical and communication skills. Students often go on to pursue careers in areas such as journalism, law, publishing, marketing and education.



Humanities

Humanities subjects give students the opportunity to learn more about the world in which we live.

As a humanities student you will explore the ways in which people interact with each other and the many varied reasons behind events, beliefs, opinions and actions. You will learn to apply the moral, ethical, cultural and ideological approaches that bring together this fascinating group of subjects. You will need to keep up to date with current affairs and should have a keen interest in how the decisions made in the current moment draw on past events and help to shape the future.

Humanities subjects are highly regarded by universities as they give students the opportunity to develop skills in critical reading, analysis, evaluation and communication. These are skills that are much sought after in the workplace – particularly in areas such as the media, journalism, law, research, social work and education.

Skills and Qualities

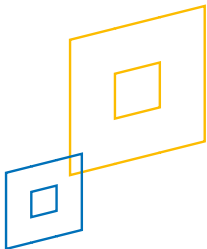
- Problem solving
- Curiosity
- Communication
- Leadership
- Precision
- Compassion
- Calm under pressure

Career Paths

- Emergency services
- Teacher
- Social worker
- Council departments
- Psychologist
- Probation worker

Labour Market Info

The public sector makes up for almost 20% of the UK workforce.





Transition to A Level Social Science

LEVEL 2 TRANSITION TO A LEVEL - 1 YEAR COURSE

2 Grade 3's or above (including English at Grade 4 or above)

Awarded by AQA

What will I study?

This course is designed to develop the skills, knowledge and behaviours required for progression to an A Level and single Applied General qualification study programme in the Humanities and Social Science curriculum.

Students will study GCSE Sociology, with themes including:

- The sociology of families, education and social stratification
- Crime and deviance
- Areas of social theory and methodology

Alongside this you will carry out an independent dissertation style project in an area of your choice, which you will research, write and present.

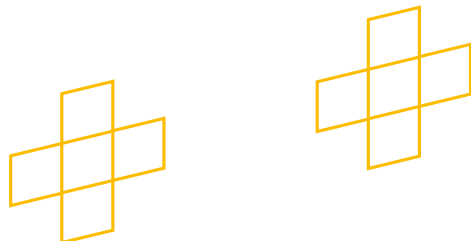
How will I be assessed?

2 x 1hr 45min exams.

Research Project, presentation and essay.

What can I do next?

Students can progress to a Level 3 or A Level programme of study (Humanities and/or Social Science) within the sixth form.



Government and Politics

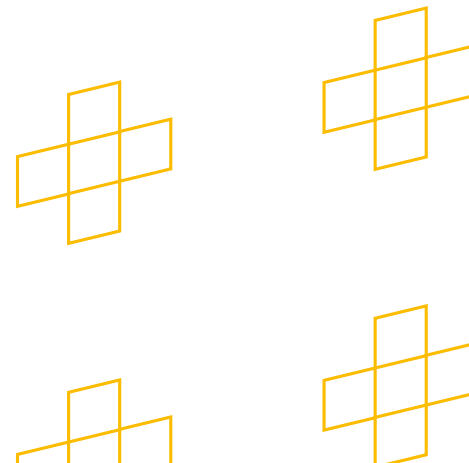
A LEVEL

5 GCSEs (including English and maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by AQA

What will I study?

Why do we have rules in Society? What is the point of the Government system? How does our system work and how does everyone play a part in it? Who holds the power to make things happen and create change? If you are interested in how our society functions then Government and Politics may be right up your street. You will learn about the way decisions made by government influence people's lives, and the way that people can participate in local, national and global politics.



How will I be assessed?

Written examination.

What can I do next?

As well as offering you insights into the ways in which the British and American political systems work, A Level Politics will help you to develop an enquiring and critical mind. The course provides an excellent background for careers in law, journalism, the caring professions, teaching and a range of management and business areas. It teaches you to think analytically and philosophically. As such it is well respected by universities and employers alike.



History

A LEVEL

5 GCSEs (including English and Maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by AQA

What will I study?

History at A Level builds on the strong historical skills and understanding of substantive concepts students have developed in their history journey throughout KS3 and GCSE. We have high aspirations for our History students and challenge them to describe and evaluate the significance of historical events, the role of individuals in history and the nature of change over time in both a depth and breadth study. We want our students to be able to formulate supported arguments and judgments about complex historical enquiries. Finally, we inspire a love of history and a genuine interest in the events that have created the modern world.

Themes covered include:

- 'Stuart Britain and the Crisis of Monarchy, 1603-1702' this is a breadth study, and it reinforces skills started during GCSE; for example, explaining change and continuity through time and being able to evaluate cause and consequence.
- 'Revolution in Britain 1917-1953' this is a depth study which covers similar essay skills to the British topic. We also look at how to evaluate primary sources for value by considering their content and provenance. Students will recognise this from their work during History GCSE as the process is similar but more advanced.

Both topics gift students with a knowledge and appreciation of processes of causation and social change, a worthy focus in a turbulent and ever-changing world.

How will I be assessed?

Two papers at the end of the year, both worth 80 marks.

Coursework of roughly 4,000 words-completed midway through the second year, worth 40 marks.

You will also be assessed at regular points throughout the year.

What can I do next?

History opens up many options as the skills learnt throughout its study, for example critical thinking, ability to evaluate a woolly argument and having the skills to articulate complex information into simple to follow communications are valued in a wide variety of disciplines.

You could go on to study topics at university like Economics, Politics, Philosophy, History, International Relations and Law, to name but a few. Careers where History is helpful include heritage management, teaching, archival services, Law, civil service, journalism and politics. It is interesting to note that of Britain's 50 or so Prime Ministers just shy of one third have been history graduates.



Psychology

A LEVEL

5 GCSEs (including English, Maths and both Science GCSEs) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by AQA

What will I study?

You will discover and analyse what psychologists have found out about key issues such as the structure of memory, understanding social influence and the cause of mental illness. You will study major perspectives in the areas of biological and cognitive behavioural psychology as well as research methods, data handling and statistics. You will also study clinical, health and criminal psychology.

The themes covered on this course are:

- Attachment theory
- Psychopathology
- Social Influence
- Memory
- Research Methods
- Biopsychology
- Approaches in Psychology
- Issues and debates
- Forensic Psychology
- Gender
- Schizophrenia

How will I be assessed?

3 x 2 hour external exams at the end of year 2.

What can I do next?

Psychology is one of the fastest growing subjects in Higher Education. A Level Psychology is not a requirement for a degree but will give you a useful insight into the subject. Psychology graduates are highly sought after due to their unique mix of skills in literacy, numeracy and science. Psychology is also beneficial for work in marketing, education, nursing, advertising, social work, HR and public services.



Sociology

A LEVEL
5 GCSEs (including English and Maths) at Grade 4 or above
Awarded by AQA

What will I study?

Sociology is a demanding and rigorous A level which helps students understand the different forces that shape individuals and society. Students are required to learn about a wide range of perspectives and then analyse and evaluate these both in discussion and through longer written essays. If you enjoy learning about society and want to develop your critical thinking skills Sociology may be a good choice for you.

Themes covered are:

Education with methods in context-This unit explores the role education has in shaping individuals and society

Students examine a range of research methods and consider how useful they are in examining the impact of education.

Topics (Beliefs and Families)-This unit explores the role families have in shaping individuals and society.

Crime and deviance with methods-This unit explores the role crime plays in shaping individuals and society.

How will I be assessed?

3 x 2hr exams at the end of the 2nd year – One exam for each Unit,

What can I do next?

A Level Sociology is very good preparation for university, where strong essay writing skills are very important. Universities recognise that sociology A Level provides students with a very good foundation in social, political and policy knowledge. Sociology is regarded as a demanding and rigorous A Level which combines well with any other combination of subjects. Sociology students go on to a wide range of jobs in policing, research, teaching, medicine, politics and civil service as well as taking jobs in the service sector. Graduates of sociology have higher Levels of employment than many other subjects.

Prepares you for further study in a wide variety of humanities and social science degree courses. (Any area where understanding society better is relevant).

Prepares you for roles in: Research, Education, Social Services, Civil Service, NHS, Media, Marketing, Police, Academia.



Criminology

EQUIVALENT
TO
1 A LEVEL

LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA
5 GCSEs's (including English and Maths) at Grade 4 or above
Awarded by WJEC

What will I study?

Criminology is the study of crime and criminal behaviour. You will learn about different types of crime and how perceptions of crime may differ. You will study real life situations and cases and apply criminological theories to evaluate the effectiveness of social control and criminal justice politics.

Themes covered are:

Different types of crime, public perceptions of crime, media influence and develop an understanding of why some crime go unreported to the police.

Criminological theories, why people commit crimes, how laws have changed over time and the difference between crime and deviance.

Crime scene to court room.

The process of prosecution and review criminal cases.

Crime and punishment.

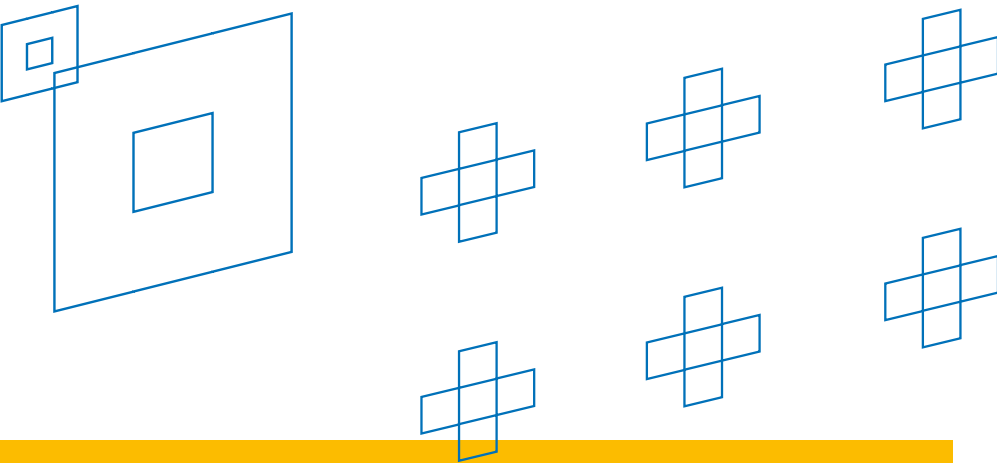
How will I be assessed?

Year 1 - 8 hour controlled assessment.

Year 2 - 90 minute exam at the end of each year.

What can I do next?

Criminology can lead to numerous career pathways that require an understanding of the criminal justice sector. These may include roles within the police force or police support roles, the field of forensics, forensic psychology, social and probation work and roles across prison services.



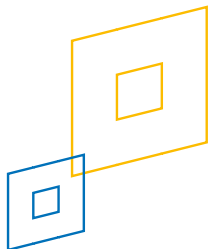
Health and Social Care

In Health and Social Care there are some amazing opportunities for you to get involved with.

Previous years have seen students visit local universities including Sheffield Hallam and Sheffield University. Students participated in a Health and Social Care Taster Day where there was a carousel of Health Professionals available to meet and receive advice about various professions within the Health Sector. We also provide additional qualifications such as First Aid and our students have the opportunity to be part of the NHS cadet placement scheme. We are really proud of the achievements of our students when they leave us to either progress onto university, apprenticeships or employment.

Skills and Qualities

- Problem solving
- Attention to detail
- Communication
- Accuracy
- Creative thinking
- Professionalism
- Respect
- Communication
- Compassion
- Empathy



Career Paths

- Clinical roles:
 - Midwife
 - Nurse
 - Social worker
 - Therapist
 - Counsellor
- Non clinical roles:
 - IT
 - Finance
 - Business or data roles

Labour Market Info

Nationally the Health and Social Care sector will need up to 650,000 more workers by 2035 to meet growing demand for care and support "The Health and Social Care sector which includes the NHS, offers over 300 unique jobs, all in high demand. From catering staff, hospital porters and administrators, to rehabilitation workers, dieticians and doctors, the range of skills sought in health and social care offers incredible scope to find your perfect job."





Health and Social Care

EQUIVALENT
TO
1 A LEVEL

LEVEL 3 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

5 GCSEs (including English and Maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

This course covers health, care of older people, individuals with specific needs and also early years (care and education). You will find out about the needs of different client groups and how they are supported in different Health and Social Care settings. This course includes essential work placement so you develop practical skills and work alongside Health and Social Care Professionals.

The themes covered on this course are:

- Human Lifespan Development
- Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs.
- Working in Health and Social Care
- Physiological Disorders and their Care

How will I be assessed?

Year 1: Two externally assessed exam units and five internally assessed assignment units.

Year 2: Two externally assessed exam units and four internally assessed assignment units.

What can I do next?

This course is usually studied with at least 2 other A-level equivalent subjects at Level 3.

- A Levels in Biology and Psychology, which could lead to a BSc (Hons) in Nursing
- A Levels in English and History, which could lead to a BA (Hons) in Primary Education

There are lots of other Higher Education courses that students' progress to from this course, dependent on other subjects studied.

Careers – Potential careers that students studying health could go into depending on subjects studied include;

Child and adult nursing, Midwifery, Occupational Therapy, Social Worker, Support Worker, Care Assistant and a Youth Worker.



Health and Social Care

EQUIVALENT
TO
2 A LEVELS

LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

5 GCSEs (including English and Maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

Themes covered include:

- Human Lifespan Development
- Working in Health and Social Care
- Nutritional Health
- Work Experience in Health and Social Care
- Enquiries into Current Research in Health and Social Care
- Physiological Disorders and Their Care
- Principles of Safe practice in Health and Social Care Settings
- Promoting Public Health

How will I be assessed?

Year 1: Two externally assessed exam units and five internally assessed assignment units.

Year 2: Two externally assessed exam units and four internally assessed assignment units.

What can I do next?

This course is usually studied with 1 other A-level equivalent subject at Level 3.

Destinations our previous students have progressed onto include Apprenticeships, World of Work, Universities.

Health and Social Care Practitioners work with people of all ages our students have gone on to work as Care Navigators/ Receptionist in GP practise, Nursing, Social Work, Midwifery, Occupational Therapist, Operations Department Practitioner, Nursery Assistants, Teaching to name but a few.



Health and Social Care

EQUIVALENT
TO
3 A LEVELS

LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

4 GCSEs (including English and Maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

This qualification is a two-year, full-time study programme giving an in-depth study of the health and social care sector. It supports progression to health and social care related degrees or employment.

The content of this qualification includes a variety of content which is appropriate for those interested in working in the health and social care sector. In addition to the knowledge, understanding and skills that underpin study of the health and social care sector, this qualification gives learners experience of the breadth and depth that will prepare them for further study in the sector.

Amongst others, during the two years, learners will study the following mandatory units:

- Anatomy and Physiology for Health and Social Care
- Human Lifespan Development
- Working in Health and Social Care
- Meeting Individual Care and Support Needs
- Principles of Safe Practice in Health and Social Care
- Enquiries into Current Research in Health and Social Care
- Promoting Public Health
- Work Experience in Health and Social Care

Learners can also benefit from opportunities for deep learning where they are able to make connections among units and select areas of interest for detailed study.

How will I be assessed?

Year 1: Two externally assessed exam units and five internally assessed assignment units.

Year 2: Two externally assessed exam units and four internally assessed assignment units.

What can I do next?

This qualification is equivalent to three A Levels, meaning that learners will be fully prepared for a range of health and social care degree programmes.

Learners have opportunity to go on to study degrees including Midwifery and Nursing, Social Work, Occupational Therapy, Health and Social Care, Radiography, Paramedic Science, Podiatry.

In addition to this, the course also excels in preparing learners for employment within various roles within the health and social care sector. There are many opportunities during the two years which enable learners to practice developing key employability skills as well as providing key knowledge and understanding about different roles within the sector. Key interpersonal skills such as communicating, working collaboratively, negotiating and influencing, self-presentation are all incorporated, and learners get opportunity to undertake a work placement opportunity during the course which further enhances the chance to develop these key skills.



Health and Social Care

BTEC LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATE - 1 YEAR COURSE

At least 2 Grade 3s at GCSE

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

Whilst studying this course you will learn about the care needs of individuals at different life stages as well as gaining an understanding of how professionals meet the needs of individuals at different life stages. The BTEC First Certificate course will also support you to develop vital skills which you will require to support individuals who have a wide range of needs.

Themes covered include:

- Human Lifespan Development
- Health and Social Care Values
- Effective Communication in Health and Social care
- The Impact of Nutrition on health and Wellbeing
- Equality and Diversity
- Healthy Living
- Human Body Systems and are of Disorders

How will I be assessed?

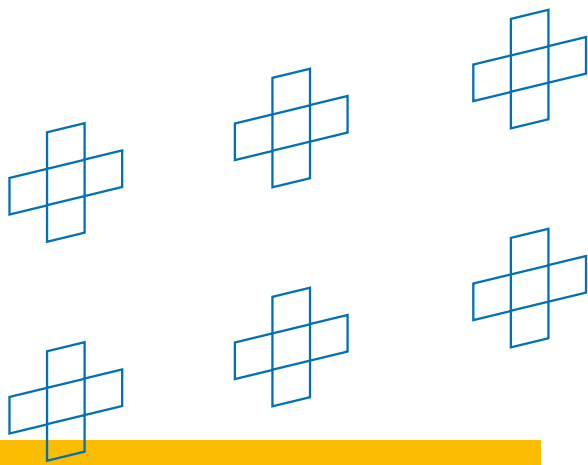
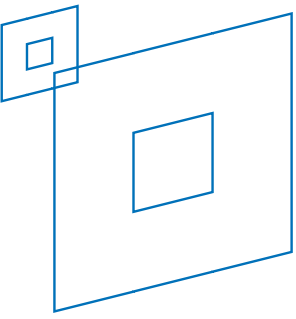
Year 1: Two externally assessed exam units and five internally assessed assignment units.

Year 2: Two externally assessed exam units and four internally assessed assignment units.

What can I do next?

This course will allow you to obtain skills and knowledge for you to proceed on to the next level of your journey. With further training or study, you could go on to a career in areas such as residential, health care or teaching support.

Students from this course have gone on to study the BTEC Level 3 Extended Certificate in Health & Social Care, the BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Health and Social Care, the BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care course or other Level 3 qualifications such as Childcare.



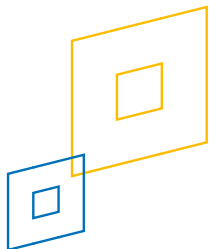
Mathematics

Maths is a really exciting subject which opens many doors for progression; it is highly respected by employers and universities.

We emphasise the problem solving skills required for applying mathematics to the real world. You will be given the opportunity to take part in both individual and team mathematics competitions, competing against students from across the country. If you achieve a really high result you could even be invited to compete at the very prestigious British Mathematics Olympiad. Mathematics is an extremely rewarding subject and we will support you to achieve your potential at whichever level you are working. Our extensive range of workshops will provide you with the extra individual support required for you to achieve the highest grade possible.

Skills and Qualities

- Calm under pressure
- Professional and caring
- Communication
- Team working
- Decision making
- Problem solving
- Attention to detail
- Communication
- Accuracy
- Creative thinking



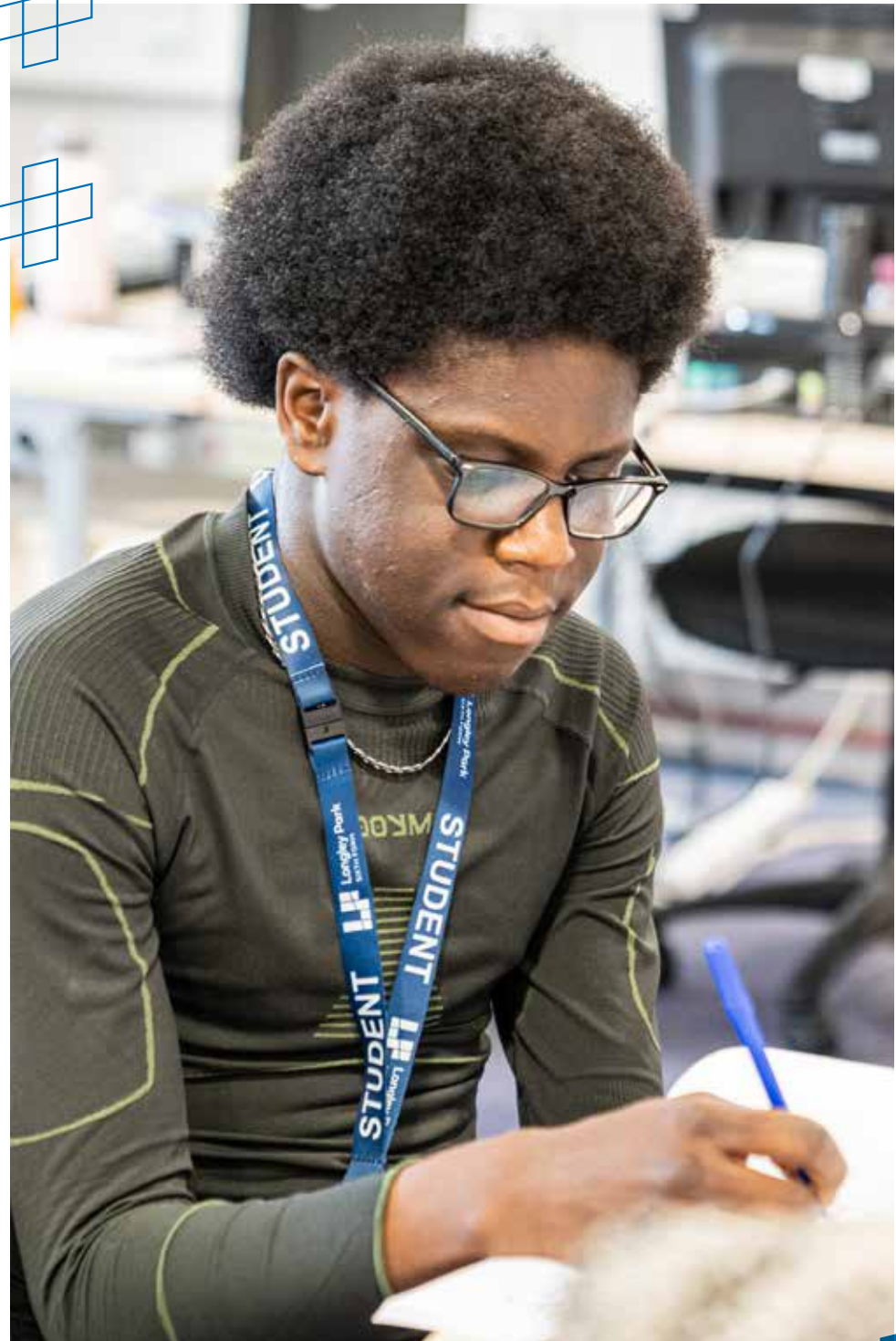
Career Paths

- Engineering
- Technician roles
- Construction
- Educators
- Retail
- Police

Labour Market Info

The Retail sector employs approximately 57,600 people and has an output of £1.6 billion in South Yorkshire.

The public sector makes up a large amount of the UK workforce and has a massive 5.4 million employees across the UK, which accounts for 17.1% of people in employment.





Mathematics

A LEVEL

5 GCSEs (including English and Maths at Grade 6) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

In this course you will study Pure Mathematics, Statistics and Mechanics. Two thirds of the course is Pure Mathematics, this will extend your knowledge of topics such as algebra, proof, sequences and series, coordinate geometry and trigonometry. You will also learn new concepts such as calculus and exponentials and logarithms. Statistics will build on and extend your data and probability knowledge and will introduce statistical distributions and hypothesis testing. Mechanics is the application of pure mathematics to everyday events; it concerns the way that forces interact and the motion they cause.

Themes covered include:

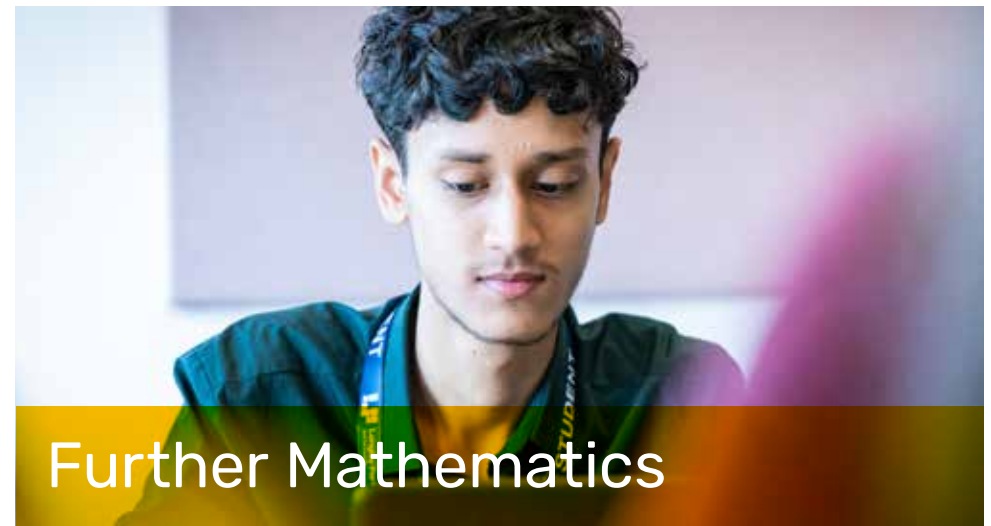
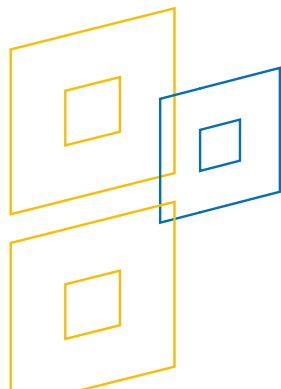
- Pure: Algebra, Trigonometry, Calculus and Numerical Methods
- Applied: Statistics and Mechanics

How will I be assessed?

3x2 hour external exams at the end of year 2.

What can I do next?

A Level Maths is essential for Higher Education courses in computer science, engineering, physics or mathematics itself. It is also highly desirable for science and social sciences, any medically related qualification, business and accounting. It also leads to apprenticeships and careers in many areas including accountancy.



Further Mathematics

A LEVEL

5 GCSEs (including English and Maths at Grade 8) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

You will study AS Level Further Mathematics in the first year whilst also studying A Level Mathematics alongside. In the second year you will complete the full A Level in Further Mathematics. As well as allowing you to study mathematics in more depth, Further Mathematics gives you a much broader mathematical background ensuring you are highly employable in all mathematical fields.

Themes covered include:

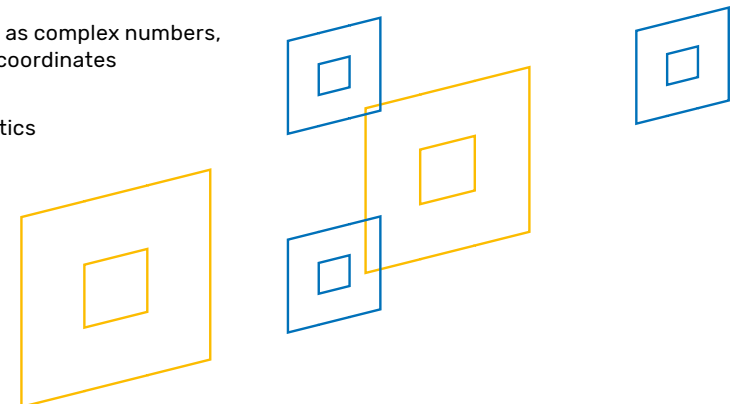
- Algebra
- Calculus
- New concepts such as complex numbers, matrices and polar coordinates
- Decision maths
- Mechanics or statistics

How will I be assessed?

Examinations at the end of the first and second years.

What can I do next?

Further Mathematics students are particularly well prepared for degree level courses in mathematics, engineering, science, medicine, dentistry, computing, finance, economics and other mathematics based subjects.





Core Mathematics

EQUIVALENT
TO
1 AS LEVEL

LEVEL 3 CERTIFICATE - 1 YEAR

4 GCSEs (including English and Maths) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by OCR

Core Maths is a one year course, studied alongside a BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma or 3 A Levels.

What will I study?

Core Maths qualifications enable learners to strengthen and develop the mathematical knowledge and skills they have learnt at GCSE. You will study maths topics, which will consolidate and extend the mathematics learnt to date and develop transferable problem-solving skills.

Themes covered include:

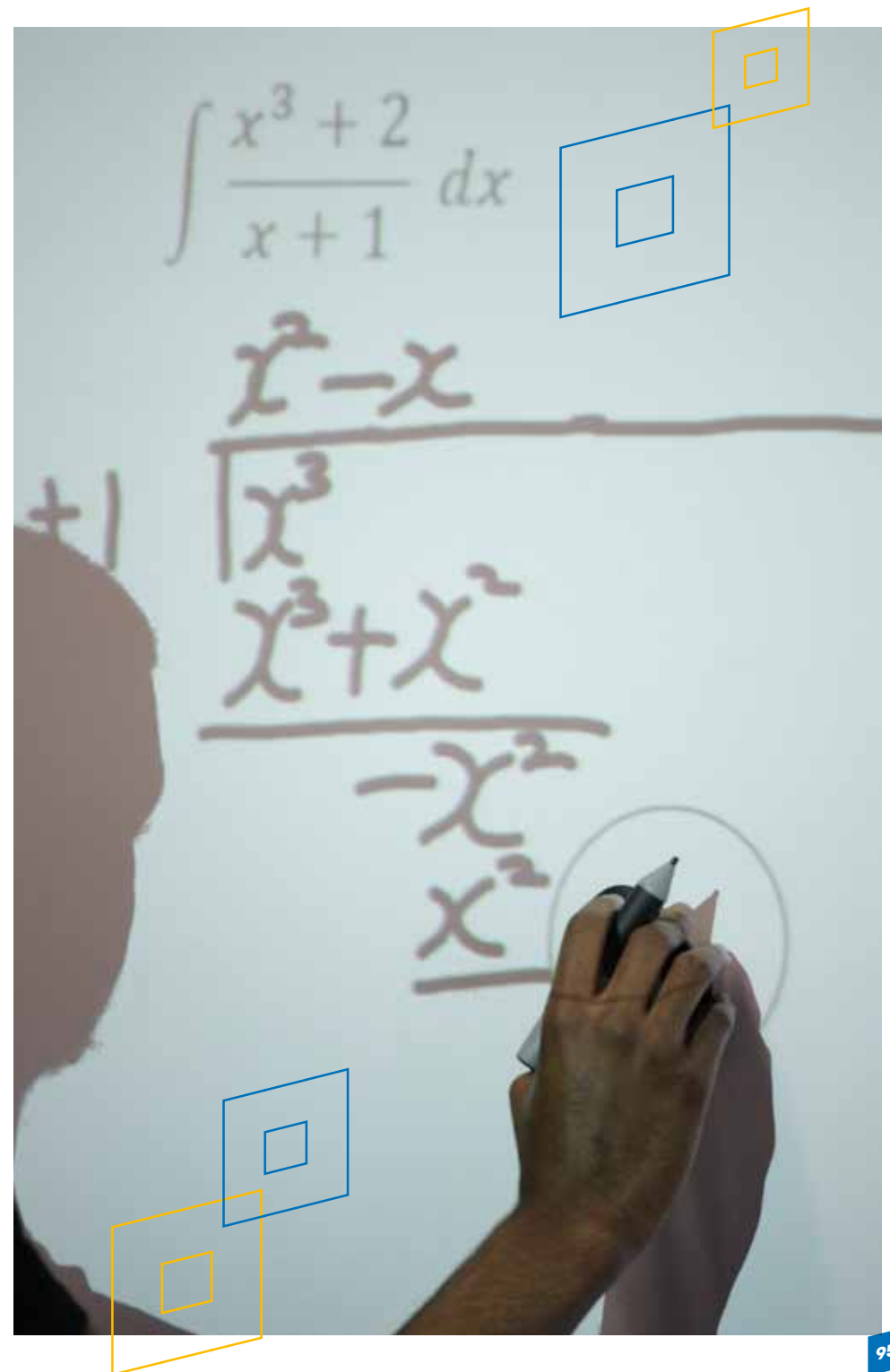
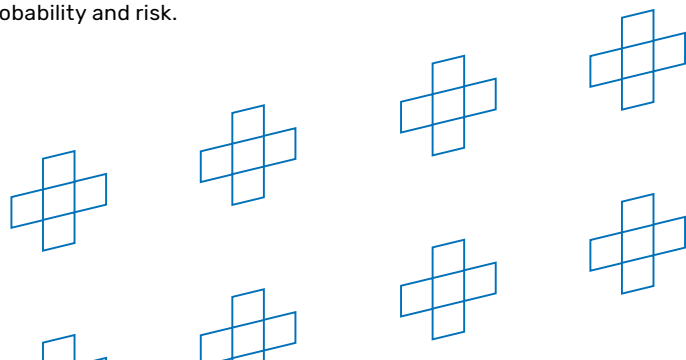
- Spreadsheets,
- Modelling and estimation,
- Statistical and financial problem solving,
- Exponential growth,
- Graphs, probability and risk.

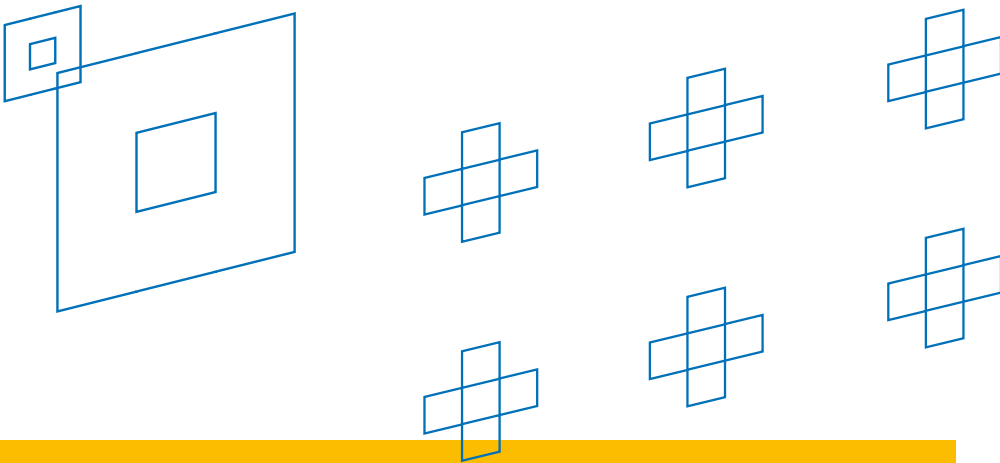
How will I be assessed?

Examinations.

What can I do next?

The skills developed in the study of mathematics are increasingly important in the workplace and in higher education; studying Core Maths will help you keep up these essential skills. Most students who study maths after GCSE improve their career choices and increase their earning potential. The course also gives an examination subject at Level 3 that would strengthen a UCAS application.





Science

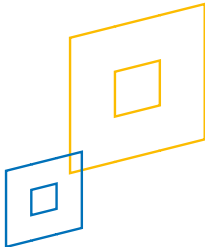
We are extremely proud of the work that our students produce and the wide range of scientific skills they develop as our courses are taught in a very practical way.

Our teachers come from a wide range of industrial backgrounds and are able to offer students real-life context to learning. Graduating students have gone on to study Medicine; Veterinary Science; Pharmacy; Radiography; Electrical, Aerospace, Automotive and Mechanical Engineering; Biomedical Sciences and lots of other courses, many at Russell Group universities.

We encourage our students to take up a range of opportunities, including NHS experience through our volunteering links; becoming part of national data collection on climate change with the Peak District National Parks or gaining one of the prestigious placements or with the Nuffield Foundation working with university professionals on real projects.

Skills and Qualities

- Problem solving
- Attention to detail
- Communication
- Accuracy
- Creative thinking



Career Paths

- Doctor
- Nurse
- Therapist
- Counsellor
- Engineer
- Technician
- Energy managers Landscape and Forestry managers
- Teacher

Labour Market Info

Engineering and technician roles are in high demand in the UK - 124,000 needed each year (Engineering UK).

Nationally the Health and Social Care sector will need up to 650,000 more workers by 2035 to meet growing demand for care and support.





Biology

A LEVEL

5 GCSEs at Grade 4 or above including English, plus Maths and 2 Science
GCSEs at Grade 6 or above

What will I study?

You will learn about the nature of life from the molecules and chemicals that life is built upon to the way populations of the world's living organisms develop and live together. Biology is a very hands-on subject and there will be regular practical work in class. Your study will involve some dissection of animal and plant material. Data analysis also forms an integral part of the course so you need to be confident using Maths. If you are not studying A Level Chemistry, you will need to work with your Biology teachers to cover the basic biochemistry needed for this course.

The units covered on this course include:

- Biological molecules
- Cells
- Organisms Exchange Substances with the Environment
- Genetic information and Variation
- Energy Transfers in Organisms
- Organisms Respond to Changes
- Genetics, Populations, Evolution, Ecosystems
- Control of Gene Expression

How will I be assessed?

Examination and practical endorsement.

3 x 2 hour external examinations at the end of year 2

A range of practical assessments across your course of study

What can I do next?

Biologists can be found in many places, including medicine, dentistry, physiotherapy, veterinary medicine, laboratory work, forensics, pathology and nursing. Biology is also a well respected A Level for a wide range of non-science related courses and careers because it helps you to develop analytical, practical and investigative skills.



Chemistry

A LEVEL

5 GCSEs at Grade 4 or above including English, plus Maths and 2 Science
GCSEs at Grade 6 or above

What will I study?

Chemistry allows you to learn more about the structure of the world around you through experiments and find out about the chemical reactions that we encounter every day, whether it be in breathing, baking or driving a car.

The units covered on this course include:

- Development of practical skills in chemistry
- Foundations in chemistry
- Periodic table and energy
- Core organic chemistry
- Physical chemistry and transition elements
- Organic chemistry and analysis

How will I be assessed?

Examination and practical endorsement.

3 exams at the end of the second year.

Periodic table, elements and physical chemistry – 2 hours 15 min

Synthesis and analytical techniques – 2 hours 15 min

Unified chemistry – 1 hour 30 min

What can I do next?

Chemistry develops lots of skills that are relevant for employment or study at a higher level such as problem solving, scientific method, practical work and use of number. Chemistry is essential if you want to study medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, forensic science or veterinary science at a higher level. Other popular choices for progression include chemistry, chemical engineering and biochemistry. Chemistry is often a desired choice for entrance to other science-based courses and occupations.



Environmental Science

A LEVEL

Grades 5 GCSEs (including English, Maths and Science at Grade 5) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by AQA

What will I study?

This course is designed to provide students with a solid foundation in understanding the natural world, environmental processes, and the impact of human activities on the environment. It combines elements of biology, chemistry, geography, and other relevant disciplines to offer a holistic perspective on environmental science.

Themes covered include:

- The Physical Environment
- Energy Resources
- Pollution
- Research Methods
- The Living Environment
- Biological Resources
- Sustainability
- Research Methods

How will I be assessed?

Examinations at the end of second year.

What can I do next?

Completion of the A-Level Environmental Science course equips students with a solid foundation for further study or careers in environmental science, ecology, conservation, sustainability, policy-making, and related fields. You will also gain a number of transferrable skills well-suited to most careers such as critical thinking skills, data analysis abilities, and how to discuss and debate concepts and issues.



Physics

A LEVEL

5 GCSEs (including English, Maths and both Sciences at Grade 6) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by AQA

What will I study?

Physics gives you the opportunity to investigate and understand some of the fundamental laws of the universe, ranging from the tiniest particles of matter to vast star systems. A Level Physics involves hands-on practical work, which allows you to apply theoretical concepts to real-world situations. This practical aspect helps you develop skills in experimental design, data analysis, and scientific investigation. These skills are not only useful for future scientific research but also transferable to other fields.

The units covered on this course include:

Core topics:

- Measurements and their errors
- Particles and radiation
- Waves
- Mechanics and materials
- Electricity
- Further mechanics and thermal physics
- Fields and their consequences
- Nuclear physics

Optional topic:

- Astrophysics.

How will I be assessed?

Examination and practical endorsement.

3 exams at the end of the second year.

Periodic motion – 2 hours

Thermal Physics – 2 hours

Astrophysics and Practical skills and data analysis – 1 hour 30 min

What can I do next?

A Level Physics is highly regarded by universities and can be a valuable qualification for a wide range of degree programs, including physics, engineering, astronomy, and related fields. By studying A Level Physics, you can lay a strong foundation for further education and potential careers in these areas.



Applied Science

EQUIVALENT
TO
3 A LEVELS

BTEC LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA - 2 YEARS

5 GCSEs (including English, Maths and Science) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

Can also be taken as a smaller qualification worth 2 A levels with another A level alongside.

What will I study?

You will study all of the main sciences, Chemistry, Biology and Physics in detail. You will learn about how science knowledge and skills are used in a variety of scientific workplaces, analytical sciences and biomedical sciences.

The units covered on this course include:

- Principles and Applications of Science I
- Practical Scientific Procedures and Techniques
- Science Investigation Skills
- Laboratory Techniques and their Applications
- Principles and Applications of Science II
- Investigative Project
- Contemporary Issues in Science
- Physiology of Human Body Systems
- Human Regulation and Reproduction
- Diseases and Infections
- Applications of Organic Chemistry
- Practical Chemical Analysis
- Medical Physics Applications

How will I be assessed?

A mixture of external and internal assessments throughout the 2 years.

What can I do next?

Our BTEC Applied Science students have gone on to university to study gateway to medicine, chemical engineering, pharmaceutical science biomedical science, medical genetics, health and human sciences, human biology, biochemistry, podiatry, forensic science, biology, biosciences, genetics and molecular biology, microbiology and molecular biology, veterinary science, wildlife conservation, radiotherapy and radiography. Many of these students have gone to the prestigious Russell Group Universities. Students have also taken up apprenticeships including microbiology and surgical instrumentation.



Applied Science

EQUIVALENT
TO
1 A LEVEL

BTEC LEVEL 3 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE - 2 YEARS

5 GCSEs (including English, Maths and Science) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

What will I study?

You will study fundamentals of science and how these are important in the scientific workplace. This course will build on your previous science studies covering aspects of all three Sciences (Biology, Chemistry and Physics). This course would be well suited to combine with other level 3 Sciences including; Engineering, Maths and Psychology, or will go alongside other BTEC's to compliment a suite of qualifications.

The units covered on this course include:

- Principles of Applied Science 1
- Practical Scientific Procedures and Techniques
- Science investigation Skills
- Optional unit (This is subject to change) Physiology of Human Body Systems

How will I be assessed?

A mixture of external and internal assessments throughout the year. External exams in February and May. Internal coursework-based units distributed over the year.

What can I do next?

Depending on the combination of courses that you pick alongside this you would be well suited to several pathways. This course develops the transferable and analytical skills which are valued by higher education providers and employers. Typical routes from this course include; Engineering, Sports, Nutrition, Nursing and Healthcare, Biological and Physical sciences, and Environmental and Earth Sciences. Equally this course could be used to gain skills required for careers such as teaching, working in the civil service or public services.



Applied Science

APPLIED SCIENCE - BTEC LEVEL 2

Principles of Applied Science and Applications of Applied Science.
2 GCSEs at Grade 3 or above including Science

What will I study?

The course covers Biology, Chemistry and Physics and the skills needed by scientists to collect, analyse and interpret data.

You will carry out experiments and learn how science is used in different jobs. Assignments are based on real applications of science in areas such as forensic science, food technology and environmental science.

The units covered of this course include:

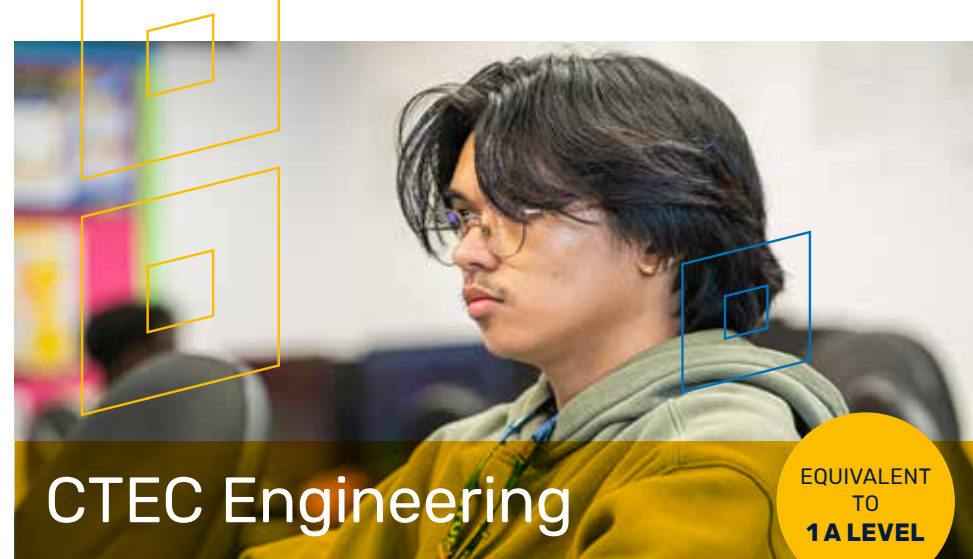
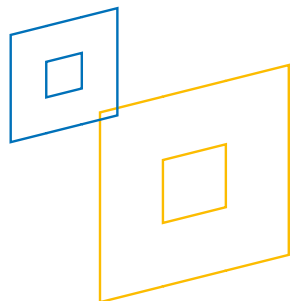
- Principles of Science
- Chemistry and Our Earth
- Energy and Our Universe
- Biology and Our Environment
- Application of Chemical Substances
- Application of Physical Science
- Applications of Life Science
- Scientific Skills

How will I be assessed?

A mixture of external and internal assessments throughout the year. External exams in February and May. Internal coursework-based units distributed over the year.

What can I do next?

Students can progress onto Level 3 courses and students can go on to study TBTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Applied Science.



CTEC Engineering

EQUIVALENT
TO
1 A LEVEL

LEVEL 3 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE - 2 YEARS

5 GCSEs (including English, Maths and Science) at Grade 4 or above
Awarded by Cambridge Technical

What will I study?

You will learn about mechanical and electrical engineering principles and applications and how to solve real life engineering problems. The course involves practical work on electrical circuits, forces, materials testing and servicing engineered components and covers a wide range of engineering areas such as Civil Engineering, Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Aerospace Engineering, Computer Engineering, Biomechanical Engineering, Automotive Engineering and Robotics.

Themes covered include:

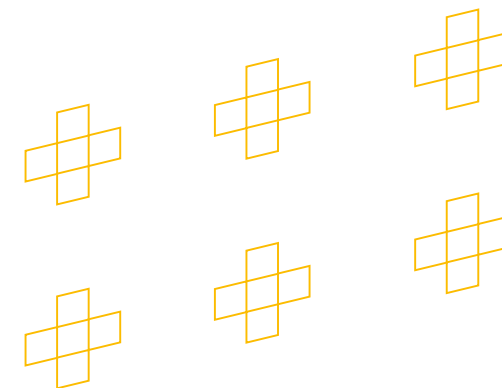
- Mathematics for Engineering;
- Science for engineering; Mechanical Engineering;
- Electrical and Electronic Engineering;
- Fluid Dynamics;
- Thermal Physics;
- Motors and Generators;
- Electrical Distribution.

How will I be assessed?

External assessments and internal assignments.

What can I do next?

You can progress to study engineering at university or apply for technical apprenticeships or technician jobs in the engineering sector.





Science: Biology

GCSE - 1 YEAR

You should have the equivalent of a GCSE grade 2/E or better in Single or Dual Science. You should also have achieved a 4 in English and Maths

What will I study?

You will build on the biological science you studied at school.

Themes covered on this course include:

- Looking at the structure and main system of the body,
- Understanding our environment including plants and pollution
- The world of micro-organisms including bacteria.

This is a very hands-on subject and you will take part in practical work and a field trip. Your study will involve some dissection of biological material.

How will I be assessed?

Examinations.

What can I do next?

This course is designed to help boost your CV, open university doors or to study a subject in more detail. This course is relevant to careers in the Health Industry and GCSE Science is often required for careers in Nursing etc.



Sport

We continue to be impressed by the goals that our students aim for and achieve.

We will help you to develop the skills and qualities needed for your chosen profession. Through links with employers and the local community you will be given the opportunity to enhance your skills, knowledge and experience in a variety of sports based contexts. These include links with professional sports clubs such as Sheffield Wednesday FC, National Governing Bodies, charities, voluntary organisations and local schools. We also has a fantastic enrichment programme that you can also get involved in, either by playing, coaching, umpiring and scoring or volunteering.

Sports you get involved in and play include football, basketball, table tennis, badminton, tennis, handball, indoor cricket and dodgeball. We also has a fully functional gym that sport students will be able to use for some assignments, and also to train outside of lesson times free of charge. You will also have the opportunity to gain additional qualifications such as First Aid and Fitness Instructors qualifications.

Skills and Qualities

- Coaching
- Leading
- Communication
- Determination
- Self-motivated
- Organised

Career Paths

- PE teacher
- Sports Coach
- Sports team manager
- Sport complex manager
- Personal Trainer
- Gym Instructor
- Referee
- Professional sports player
- Event coordinator
- Sports development manager

Labour Market Info

Sheffield is the first National City of Sport, with a range of high quality facilities originally built for the World Student Games in the city in 1991:

- Sheffield Arena
- Ponds Forge International Sports Centre, with its Olympic-sized pool and diving pool
- English Institute of Sport, with an indoor running track and facilities and support for over 20 sports including athletics, diving, cycling, squash and boxing

The World Snooker Championships have been held in the city's Crucible Theatre since 1977.

The world's oldest football club, Sheffield FC, has recently celebrated it's 150th anniversary. The city also has two professional football clubs, Sheffield United and Sheffield Wednesday.





Sport and Exercise Science

L3 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE

5 GCSEs (including English and a Science) at Grade 4 or above

Awarded by Pearson

EQUIVALENT
TO
1 A LEVEL

What will I study?

You will study 4 units over 2 years:

Unit 2: Functional Anatomy – In this unit you would study the structure, function and characteristics of the muscular, skeletal, cardiovascular and respiratory systems. You would apply learning to understand how all these body systems would work together to produce different types of movements and how this would affect performance in a range of different sports

Unit 3: Applied Sport and Exercise Psychology – In this unit you would study a range of psychological factors such as motivation, arousal, stress, confidence, aggression and anxiety. You would then apply learning to understand how these can impact sporting performance, and would investigate ways to manage these to maximise performance for competition

Unit 6: Coaching for Performance and Fitness – In this unit you would look at what skills and qualities are needed to be an effective coach, and would plan and deliver your own coaching sessions to other people

Unit 8: Specialised Fitness Training – In this unit you would study how to plan training programmes for specific athletes in a selected sport to meet their individualised fitness goals using the sixth form fitness suite

How will I be assessed?

2 externally set and marked units

2 assignment units

What can I do next?

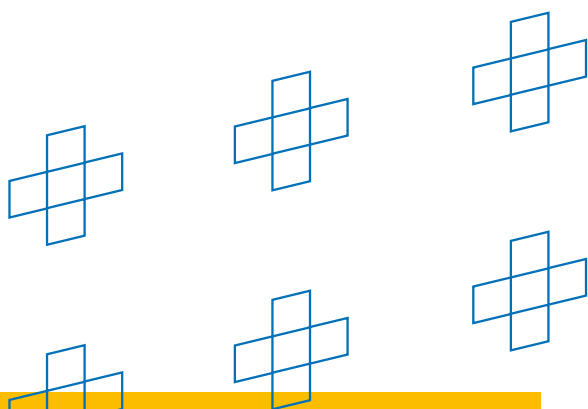
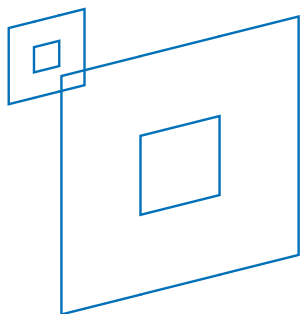
Degrees in:

- BSC (Hons) in Sport and Exercise Science – if taken alongside A Levels in Biology and Psychology
- BSC (Hons) in Biology – if taken alongside A levels in Biology and Mathematics
- BA (Hons) in Applied Sport Science – if taken alongside an A Level in Mathematics and a BTEC in Applied Science.

Career progression:

- Physiotherapy
- Sports psychology
- Sports leadership
- Sport nutritionist
- Health advisor
- PE teacher
- Personal Trainer
- Clinical Scientist
- Sport Coaching
- Exercise Physiology
- Sports Therapy
- Sport Scientist
- Sports Development Officer
- Sports Business
- Sports journalist
- Physical activity coordinator





GCSEs, Functional Skills and ESOL

We are committed to helping students develop their skills in English and Maths, as these are essential for success in other subjects.

If you do not already have a grade 4/C in English and/or Maths you will work towards these during your time at Longley Park. We will work with you to decide on the right level course for you. For some people the GCSE

courses are ideal. In other cases it might be sensible to build up your existing skills before moving on to the next level. GCSE Science is also important for career routes in health and teaching.





English

GCSE ENGLISH, ESOL AND LEVEL 1 FUNCTIONAL SKILLS

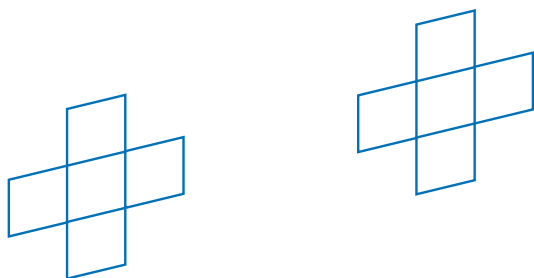
We will use your previous grade and an initial assessment to help us to identify the best course for you. We offer GCSE and Functional Skills courses and Entry Level, Level 1 and Level 2 for students who need more time to develop their skills.

What will I study?

On our English courses, we will help you improve your skills in punctuation, spelling and grammar. The GCSE English Language course involves the study of both fiction and non-fiction, texts from different cultures, creative writing and spoken language. You will also learn to analyse the different techniques used in different forms of writing. The course will also help you to improve your independent study skills. Our Functional Skills and ESOL courses are assessed across three units – Speaking and Listening, Reading and Writing. We will work with you to develop your skills in these areas and support you to progress onto the GCSE course.

How will I be assessed?

These courses are all assessed by examination.



Maths

GCSE MATHS AND ENTRY FUNCTIONAL SKILLS MATHS

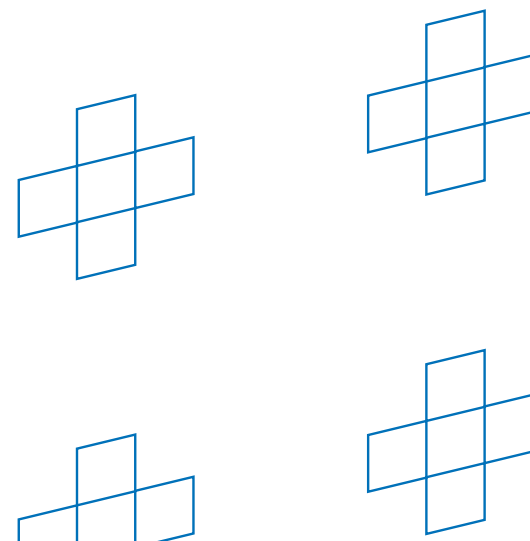
We will use your previous grade and an initial assessment to help us to identify the best course for you. We offer GCSE courses and also Functional Skills for students who need more time to develop their skills.

What will I study?

We offer several courses leading to qualifications in Mathematics. We will work with you to identify your current level at the start of the course. You will study Maths at the right level to develop your skills.

How will I be assessed?

These courses are assessed by examination.



Longley's Student Ambassadors

8 Top Tips to prepare you for Life at Sixth Form

1 When you attend Longley Park, you will receive an **ID badge** attached to a lanyard. Make sure to keep this safe as you will need it to enter the sixth form, to print and more.

2 Longley Park makes use of **Google Classroom** and **Microsoft Teams** for sharing homework and other resources so try to learn how to use it and get the classroom codes from your teachers as early as possible.

3 Longley Park also uses **Microsoft Outlook** for emails. This will be one of the main ways for you to communicate with your teachers and vice versa. Therefore get to grips with it and check it regularly.

4 It is important to keep in mind **Longley Park opening hours**, 8am to 5pm Monday to Thursday and 8am to 4.30pm on Friday.

5 Each of your subjects should run workshops – extra help sessions with your teachers – that you should strive to attend like normal classes. This will enable you to work through anything you're not confident with, with your teacher, at your own pace.

6 Remember to regularly check your **online timetable** (in table view) because your timetable can be changed occasionally throughout the academic year.

7 If you feel anxious, overwhelmed etc on your first day or afterwards we have a **wellbeing room** where you can go to receive help from qualified councillors or just calm yourself down.

8 Longley Park prides itself on the **support** it offers. The staff encourage independence from the get-go, so from the beginning of your time at Longley Park, voice your future ambitions, interests etc. with your teachers and tutors.





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