

2023/2024

YOUR PASSION YOUR PATH

ACCESS
TO HE

HNDs



HTQs

DEGREES

HNCs

APPRENTICESHIPS

**STAY LOCAL,
GO FURTHER.**

UNIVERSITY LEVEL COURSES





4 REASONS TO STUDY HIGHER EDUCATION AT WALSALL COLLEGE

SPEND LESS

Study our HNC/D and top-up courses at a fraction of the price of university with no compromise on quality.

ACHIEVE MORE

Our close industry links will help you get the skills that employers are looking for and put you on course for the career you want.

OUTSTANDING FACILITIES

That's how our students rate Walsall College's world-class campuses.

QUALITY ASSURED

Don't take our word for it. Our HE provision, which offers small class sizes and one-to-one support, has been commended by the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education.



Jatinder Sharma OBE-DL
Principal and Chief Executive,
Walsall College

WELCOME

... to Walsall College - a college accredited by the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education.

With our high quality yet affordable route to degrees, we make it our mission to boost your job prospects and earning potential.

If it's a successful career you're seeking, we have a wide range of courses designed with industry input and taught by expert tutors to give you the skills that employers tell us they want.

Read the stories about our former students throughout this guide and you'll see for yourself, the emphasis we place on giving students an advantage in the world of work.

With learners coming to us straight from sixth form, some studying with us through work and others coming back to education to retrain for a new career, you can be assured that whatever your passion and your pathway, we can support your ambitions.

This year, we have an even wider choice of career focused courses, delivered flexibly to fit around your personal commitments. If you've made the decision to enter into higher education after a break, then the great news is that we've introduced even more Access to HE courses with flexible study options and all the support you need to progress on to your chosen career. We're also one of the first colleges in the country to deliver the new Higher Technical Qualifications (HTQs) designed by employers to equip students with the skills needed for in-demand industry roles.

If finances have been holding you back from starting a course, you can now apply for a loan to help with the cost of Access course fees.

We're constantly investing in our facilities, like our Digital Innovation Hub, Digital Engineering Skills Centre and our electric/hybrid vehicle workshops to create an environment that's inspiring and on a par with university campuses across the region.

Walsall College is the perfect setting to prepare you for the current - and future - challenges of your career.

All in all, we are a welcoming, personal environment, where we will celebrate your achievements and nurture your aspirations. Your career couldn't be in better hands.



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SPEND LESS

THE COST-EFFECTIVE WAY TO BOOST YOUR CAREER PROSPECTS

Think you simply can't afford to get on course for the career you want? You can at Walsall College.

Don't let rising university costs and money worries rain on your ambitions when our H:ED courses are the affordable route.

We've got a whole range of courses that will equip you to start your career with confidence - all at a very reasonable cost. A typical HNC/D costs £6,000* and a Level 6 top-up costs £7,500* a year at Walsall College. That's a lot less than studying at the same level at university. And that's before deducting any awards or help you may be entitled to.

Take a HNC/D with us, and it could springboard you straight into the second or third year of a top-up degree or on many of our pathways you could achieve a full degree right here. It's a clever way to bring the cost of a degree right down, saving you thousands and without compromising on the quality of your education. Studying close to home saves you all the extra costs of living - or even just travelling - away from home. We've got great links with local universities to help you on your way.

*course fees may vary subject to course type

There are grants and loans available to help pay for your tuition and living costs.

Fee Grants and Course Grants

If you are a first-time, new student beginning a part-time course, you won't have to pay any tuition fees up front, but will instead be able to apply for a Tuition Fee Loan. The Tuition Fee Loan isn't based on household income and there's no upper age limit for applying. Part-time students are also eligible to apply for a maintenance loan.

Find out more at www.gov.uk/student-finance

If you are studying a full-time HE course, there are grants and loans available to help you with your living costs and tuition fees. Additional funding is available for full-time students who have children, a disability, or an adult who is financially dependent on them. How much you get will depend on your household income and other information.

Apply online at www.gov.uk/student-finance-register-login

Instalment Plan

If you want to spread the cost, we can arrange an instalment plan on course fees of £100 or more. You will make an initial payment at enrolment and then 3 equal payments after that.

Financial help

The Student Finance England offer means tested loans/grants for Higher Education and may be able to offer you some money towards your course.

Find out more at www.gov.uk/student-finance-register-login

Bursaries

The College recognises that financial constraints are often a barrier to entry into HE and obtaining a successful outcome. To mitigate the impact of financial hardship the college provides a guaranteed bursary of £800 per academic year for every student (pro-rata for part-time students) who has a household income of below £30,000 per annum and are subject to the minimum attendance criteria of 90% per term.

For more information about any of the above, please contact the **Student Support Team** at the Customer Advice and Support Centre **01922 657000**

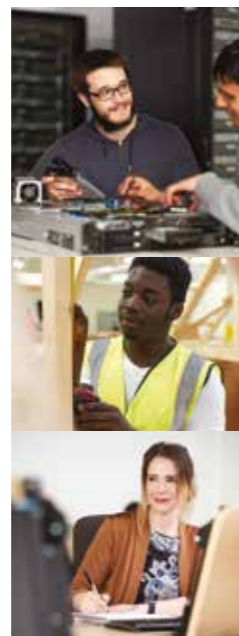


ADDITIONAL COURSE FEES

There may be additional costs to your studies that are not included in the course fee, such as:

- The cost of additional examinations for any award other than the intended award.
- The cost of personal membership to professional bodies.
- Additional materials beyond the supplied standard provision.
- Optional field trips and activities for personal development.
- Travel costs to and from placements.
- The cost of any Disclosure and Barring Service or Occupational Health Assessment where these are required either by the college or a placement provider.
- Printing and photocopying.
- Library fees and fines.
- Own purchase text books.

Students can apply for extra financial support through loans and bursaries to cover the cost dependent on eligibility. Please enquire at the student service desk for further details.



Learn now. Pay later.

Advanced Learning Loans for Access to HE and Professional courses

If finances have been holding you back from starting a course, you can now apply for a loan to help with the cost of Access to Higher Education and professional course fees if you are aged 19 or over when you start the course.

Your household income isn't taken into account and there's no credit check, and repayments don't start until you are earning over £25,000 per annum.

Find out more at www.walsallcollege.ac.uk/advanced-learner-loans or email our Student Finance Team on admissionsandfinance@walsallcollege.ac.uk

An Advanced Learning Loan Bursary can lead to a total of £750, with part-time being paid at 50% of the full award. There are 5 payments in total paid half termly. Please note a relevant criteria will need to be met. Please note this loan does not apply to HNC, HND or degree/Level 6 courses.

Advanced Learner Loan



ACHIEVE MORE

So what's the key to getting ahead in your chosen career?

It's making sure that the skills you have developed are those that are prized by your chosen industry sector. These will be technical skills and competencies, but also those wider people skills that employers are looking for. You may be looking to work in areas where the local economy is growing or be thinking of opportunities further afield. Our courses are designed to develop the person, so you can take advantage of changing opportunities as they arise.

Industry and Employer led curriculum

Whether you're working on live briefs set by employers, attending workshops, picking up industry-endorsed qualifications or getting hands-on in the workplace, it all gives you the kind of experiences that employers love.

Our courses are developed with the help of a range of employers, giving you access to cutting-edge facilities and expert tuition from industry professionals.

Our students benefit from the expertise of organisations including: Microsoft, The NHS, Francesco Group, Birmingham Hippodrome, Walsall Council, Cisco, Balfour Beatty VINCI and The New Art Gallery, Walsall plus many more!

Employers we work with include



CELEBRATING YOUR SUCCESS

**You've done it!
You've put in the hard work. You've got the qualification. It's time to celebrate - graduation day is a big deal here.**

We believe wholeheartedly in celebrating our students' successes - so

expect a graduation ceremony to rival any university. Each year, our students parade in their caps and gowns, accompanied by the Town Crier announcing their success.

Over 450 people join in the celebration, including students, family, friends and their proud tutors. Special awards and certificates are presented to our most outstanding students.





Top-of-the range gym facilities



The Littleton Restaurant



OUTSTANDING FACILITIES

Step into our campuses for the first time and you'll be impressed.

It's a great place to study. Our fully-equipped Learning Resources Centres and drop-in learning decks combine traditional library services with the very latest technologies and facilities. We've got interactive whiteboards, free Wi-fi and even an exclusive learning deck for our HE:ED students.

It's a fantastic environment - not just for learning but also for leisure. Chat over a cappuccino in our Littleton Bistro. Catch up with friends in the student lounge. Relax on the sofas in our breakout areas or work up a sweat in the gym.



HE Deck



Food Hall



Campus Highlights

- Learning decks that have all the latest technology
- **FREE** Wi-fi access
- **FREE** job search and support
- Town centre location with transport links
- Theatre and Recording Studios
- Digital Innovation Hub
- The Littleton - Restaurant and Bar
- Onsite nursery
- Sports hall and badminton courts
- Light Electric and Alternative Fuel (LEAF) Vehicle Training Centre
- Sports training and injury clinic
- Dance and fitness studios
- Graduate Hair and Beauty Salon
- Spa facilities
- Corporate training area/team building
- CISCO Networking Academy
- Dedicated HE deck and lounge



Lecture theatre



LEAF Electric Vehicle Training Centre



Onsite nursery for students

QUALITY ASSURED



ACHIEVE SUCCESS ON QUALITY ASSURED COURSES

Gain a high quality education that's also excellent value for money, whilst being able to live local and maintain your work/life network.

Our courses have been commended by the Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education and praised for the learning opportunities afforded to students.

Small class sizes and the personalised support you'll receive from lecturers and experts in their field will increase your skills and career prospects.

University Partnerships

Walsall College has collaborative arrangements with a number of local universities, including Birmingham City University, the University of Worcester, and Staffordshire University.



Affiliate Member 20-21



Dance studio





HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

ENDORSED BY GRADUATES WHO'VE GONE ON TO ACHIEVE SUCCESS, TAUGHT BY SPECIALISTS

Meet some of our specialist tutors...



Melissa Tisdale
Lecturer of Creative Media

Selected from thousands of nominations, Media tutor Melissa has been honoured with a Pearson National Teaching Award Gold Award for FE Lecturer of the Year for her outstanding commitment to changing the lives of the students she works with every day. She is also one of six National Teaching Awards FE Lecturer of the Year silver winners.

Melissa has some of the highest achieving media learners in the country and her success comes from her independent production company, Future Flames Productions run by students where they can gain valuable real-world work experience on external commissions, including filming and editing videos for the NHS.



Chris Sammons
Catering and Hospitality Lecturer

Chris has nearly a decade's worth of experience in the hospitality and catering industry, particularly in fine dining and gourmet cooking.

He began his career as a Commis Chef at the Fairlawns Hotel and Spa in Aldridge. He then went on to work in senior roles for a wide range of high-end restaurants, including the contemporary Opus restaurant in Birmingham and the Moddershall Oaks Country spa.

"One of my favourite aspects of my role as a senior chef was working with and developing young chefs, watching them progress and reach their true potential. It was a great feeling watching these chefs take on better roles and being told that I played a part in that.

"To be able to help develop new chefs in an academic environment is a great opportunity for me to help better young chef's chances of achieving all they can. It's a way of giving back to the industry, and giving trainees the same time and energy my senior chefs gave to me as a young chef.

"The best thing about teaching is seeing the students produce some amazing food, and progressing not only in the kitchen but academically and as young professionals."

What do our students love about HI:ED?

"There is a small group of students in each class which allows you to have more one-to-ones with tutors to check understanding and enhance learning. Compared to uni, the course fees are appealing."

"I definitely believe that the skills I have gained on the course will be a great benefit to me in my career!"

"I started at college on a Level 2 course and because of the fantastic support of the tutors I decided to stay on to study towards a degree."

"My tutors were very inspiring and encouraged me to believe in myself."

"Smaller class sizes, personalised tuition and outstanding support!"

"My overall time at Walsall College has been a very good experience for me. I have developed both mentally and physically and the course has made me ready for work outside of education."

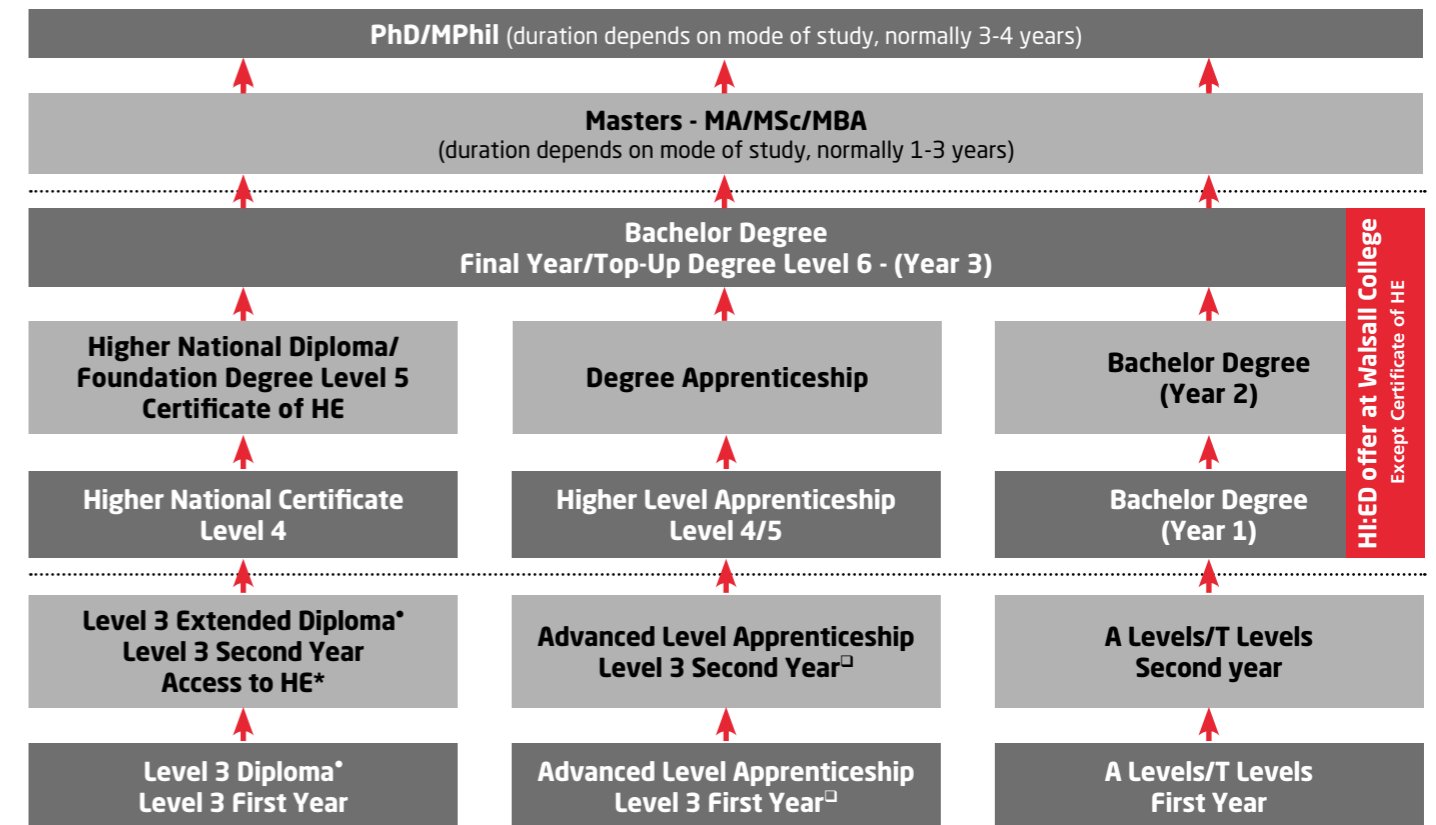
We listen to our students and give them the opportunity to voice their opinions via student conferences and student surveys.

YOUR ROUTE TO A DEGREE...AND BEYOND

There's more than one way to get the qualifications to advance your career.

Everyone comes into higher education in different circumstances and with different needs and ambitions. So, if you want to shape your higher education journey differently then we can make this happen; giving you the freedom and flexibility to progress in your journey how and when you choose.

Get to grips with how different HI:ED courses work and how they can provide a cost-effective route to a degree.



*Access to Higher Education courses are for students aged 19+ only

□ This includes 90 credit and subsidiary diplomas

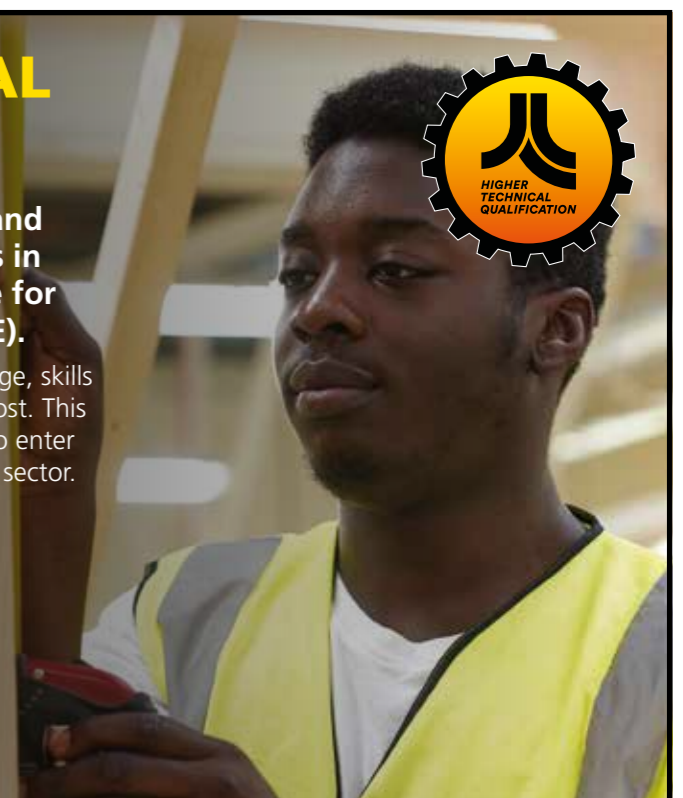
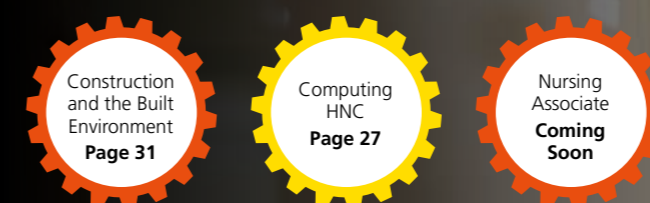
□ Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeships can take 1-2 years to complete

NEW: HIGHER TECHNICAL QUALIFICATIONS

HTQs are the latest industry-focussed Level 4 and 5 qualifications developed by awarding bodies in collaboration with employers and the Institute for Apprenticeships and Technical Education (IfATE).

The benefit of studying an approved HTQ is that the knowledge, skills and behaviours that you acquire are what employers value most. This means that on completion of your course, you will be ready to enter employment or to progress within your chosen occupation or sector.

HTQs launching 2023:



COURSES EXPLAINED

HOW CAN WE IMPROVE YOUR CAREER PROSPECTS?

From Access to HE courses to get you back in to education, to HNCs and HNDs to full degrees, we can help! Because a degree needn't mean three expensive years at university. Get a HND here at Walsall College and you could go straight onto the final year of a degree course - in some cases right here at Walsall College.

What do I need for a HE course?

Usually one or more of these Level 3 qualifications:

- BTEC/OCR/C&G national qualifications
- Advanced Apprenticeships
- A Diploma
- A Levels
- T Levels
- NVQ Level 3
- International Baccalaureate
- Other specialist and professional qualifications
- Relevant work experience
- Access to HE courses

Entry requirements vary - please check your course details carefully. Some courses may require grade C/4 or above in GCSE English and Maths.

Talk to us on 01922 657000 for personal, tailored advice.

Everyone has access to Higher Education

Access Courses (pre Higher Education)

Access courses are specifically designed to prepare you for progression to Higher Education. They focus on developing the transferable skills required for HE, and provide a vocational foundation to build on.

Pearson BTEC Higher Nationals

Pearson BTEC Higher Nationals (HNs) are nationally recognised qualifications that provide a programme of specialist vocational learning at Levels 4 (HNC) and 5 (HND) which reflects the requirement of professional organisations and meets the National Occupational Standards for each sector or industry.

With their strong emphasis on developing practical skills alongside specialist knowledge and understanding for the sector, BTEC Higher Nationals are recognised internationally by employers as providing students with the key concepts and practical skills for direct progression to - or within - employment.

Higher National Certificate HNC - Level 4 Equivalent to 1st year of university

HNCs are nationally-recognised, career-focused BTEC qualifications at Level 4. They reflect what your industry wants and needs and they're respected by employers. They're a good route into employment, or, if you want to take

your education further, you can go on to study a HND or it can count towards a degree. They can be studied full-time and part-time.

Students who achieve this can progress first to a Pearson BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma which offers a greater degree of specialisation and then potentially to degree level.

Higher National Diploma HND - Level 5 Equivalent to 2nd year of university

HNDs are nationally-recognised, career-focused BTEC qualifications at Level 5. Employers value their relevance and practical aspects. At this level you can specialise and may be able to start to work towards professional membership. They take two years of full-time study (or 1 year top-up following a HNC) and you may be able to work while studying. They're a good route straight into your career or you can often go straight into the third year of a degree course, including our own Level 6 top-up courses.

Foundation Degrees - Level 4 and 5 Equivalent to 2nd year of university

Get the knowledge and abilities employers want and develop skills in specialised areas, based on the latest industry practices. Usually lasting two years, they're designed with employers to make them directly relevant to your career. Study for an extra year at university and you could top it up to a full degree.

Level 6 Top-Up Degrees

Get your degree right here at Walsall College. We're delighted to offer one-year top-up degrees in certain programmes, designed to convert an existing qualification at Level 5 into a full BA honours qualification at Level 6. It's aimed at successful HND/FdA (or equivalent) graduates who want to gain an affordable, accessible university level qualification.

Professional Qualifications

These are vocationally relevant higher level courses to further enhance your skills and career prospects.

Higher Apprenticeships

These are a great way to continue workbased learning at HE level.

They offer opportunities to enrol on a Foundation Degree, HND, Diploma in HE and Degree Courses (you may need additional qualifications for some higher level courses).

Recognising Prior Learning (RPL)

The credits you've achieved at Level 4 HNC can contribute towards your Level 5 HND. Most of our Level 5 HNDs are 'top-up qualifications' which recognise the learning and expertise you already have.

HOW MANY UCAS POINTS DO YOU HAVE?

Use our list and find points for other qualifications at www.ucas.com

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	160	D*D*D			
	152	D*DD			
	144	DDD			D
	128	DDM			
	120				M
	112	DMM	D*D*		
	104		D*D		
	96	MMM	DD		P (C or above)
	84			D*D*	
	80	MMP	DM		
	78			D*D	
	72			DD	P (D or E on core)
	64	MPP	MM		
	60			DM	
A*	56				
A	48	PPP	MP	MM	
B	40				
	36			MP	
C	32		PP		
	28				
D	24			PP	
	20				
E	16				
	12				
	10				
	8				
	6				



Walsall College's very own gym

Student Lounge



The Light Cinema

LIFE OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

Like all college and university environments, we encourage our students to make the most of their time with us by enjoying opportunities to socialise, pursue hobbies and interests and take part in activities that will support their job and career prospects.

Here are just some of the things you can do as a higher education student:

Student Union membership

When you enrol on a course with us, you also become a member of Walsall College Students' Union and the National Union of Students (NUS). This means you can help organise, or just take part in college-based events celebrating everything from culture and diversity to local and national festival and calendar events.

Our Students' Union is based in C036a at Wisemore Campus next to the Student Lounge C036. This is a great place to relax, play pool, gaming consoles and meet other students.

You can also support the work of the NUS - promoting, defending and extending the rights of all students. Find out more at www.nus.org.uk

Save money

Apply for a NUS Totum Card and save money at a range of leisure, retail and dining outlets. Full details & application can be found at: <https://www.totum.com/>

Be a Student Representative

If you are inspired by the work of the NUS, you might want to consider taking up the role of Higher Education Officer in our Students' Union. Elections take place in October.

Be active

Join our state-of-the-art gym and take part in a range of classes such as yoga, zumba and pilates.

Give and Take

Give and Take is our unique volunteering programme of activities and events. Have fun, enrich your CV and improve your employment prospects all at the same time. Employers love to see real work-related experience. We'll help you find the volunteering opportunities to develop your skills. You can even set up and run your own student group.

Get to know us

At the beginning of term, visit our fresher's fair where you can meet people, discover what Walsall College - and Walsall - have to offer, and most of all, enjoy yourself.

Find out more about all these initiatives and other things happening across our sites through our campus notice boards and our social media.

Make the most of discounts from the following brands plus many more!

Correct at time of print



The NUS promote, defend and extend student rights.

Find out more at: www.nus.org.uk



Make the most of Walsall's lively nightlife

GAIN INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

So what's the key to landing your dream job? It's making sure that the skills you have are exactly the skills the economy needs. Our close industry links mean we know where the jobs are going to be - and how to get you ready for them.

On our higher education courses you will get the opportunity to gain valuable industry insights via:

- Course related trips
- External Placement opportunities
- Live briefs set with employers
- Employer-led talks/masterclasses

Solihull's current Bench Chairman settle into his role at Birmingham Magistrates Court by taking his official portrait.

Donna Baggott's black and white photograph of magistrate, David G Warner JP is displayed at the court alongside portraits of former chairs from the last hundred years.

A second photograph taken by student, Grace Dore also hangs in the Mr Warner's office.

The portraits were from a selection of shots taken in the magistrate court library by a group of HNC Photography students.

"I'm quite overwhelmed by the thought that my work is being displayed in such a prominent place and potentially for the next 100 years," said Donna. "Portraiture is my specialism so I was in my comfort zone for this project. That said, the five of us all supported each other during the photoshoot, with one of us directing the shot and someone else assisting lighting so this feels like a collaborative effort.

Grace said: "I feel honoured that my work has been appreciated in this way. Having come into photography later on in life, I haven't always believed in myself or my abilities. For my work to have been chosen by the Bench Chair means I can just enjoy the moment and not doubt myself."

The college students will now be photographing seven other magistrates/district judges over the coming months.

Spotlight on talent...

A picture perfect commission for photography students

Two photography students at Walsall College have helped Birmingham and



WALSALL COLLEGE GRADUATE

It's not just about learning how to organise an event, creating a CAD image or designing websites. Yes, we'll teach you the skills to do your job - and to do it brilliantly. But at Walsall College, you'll learn so much more than that.

You'll become a Walsall College Graduate. That means you'll leave us as a well-rounded individual, ready to make an instant contribution to your career - with a whole range of skills that employers want, from team working to problem solving and communicating.

It means that you're prepared for anything. Wherever your career takes you - onward, upward or even in a completely different direction, you've got the transferable skills to make it a success.

...become a Walsall College Graduate

- **Be skilled:** You will have the commercial skills needed to thrive in your chosen industry sector.
- **Be professional:** You will have the additional qualities which will help you stand out against the competition and excel in your career.
- **Be enterprising:** You will have the intuitive skills that will help you to be flexible and adaptable to the changing and challenging world of work.





HOW TO APPLY

FOLLOW OUR SIMPLE STEPS TO APPLYING

ACCESS TO HE	FULL-TIME	PART-TIME	HIGHER APPRENTICESHIPS
Step 1 Complete an application form (online or we can send you a paper version)	Step 1 Apply through UCAS, www.ucas.com Apply from Sept 2022 to apply for courses starting in Sept 2023	Step 1 Complete an application form (online or we can send you a paper version)	Step 1 Already have a job? Apply to the college by filling out an application form, attend interview and enrol onto the course.
↓	↓	↓	↓
Step 2 Complete an initial assessment and written comprehension test. Attend an interview*	Step 2 Complete an initial assessment* and attend your interview. Look at page 15 for UCAS deadlines.	Step 2 Complete an initial assessment* and attend your interview.	Step 2 Don't have a job? Check out Apprenticeship vacancies at apprenticeships.gov.uk
↓	↓	↓	↓
Step 3 Start course	Step 3 Start course	Step 3 Start course	Step 3 If you are successful you will be signed up, if not, we may offer you an alternative programme.

* subject to proven qualifications
 • interview subject to initial assessment results



You've seen what we can do for you. And - more importantly - you've seen what you can do for yourself. Apply now and get your career moving.

How to apply for a full-time course

- Apply through **UCAS**, the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service system.
- Apply **from Sept 2022** for courses starting **2023**.
- Make sure **UCAS** receives your application by **25 January 2023**, unless it's listed with a **15 October 2022** deadline.
- If you apply **after the deadline**, the College will consider your application on an individual basis if places are still available.
- Find out more at www.ucas.com

How to apply for a part-time course

- Apply directly to **Walsall College** on a college application form (either available online, or call us to request one). Once we have received your application we will arrange an interview with the relevant admissions tutor.

How to apply for Access to Higher Education Courses

- Apply directly to **Walsall College**, do not apply through UCAS. There are fees attached to these courses. For more information, call our Customer Advice and Support Centre on **01922 657000**
- You can now apply for an Advanced Learning Loan to cover tuition fees for an Access to HE course. Find out more about an Advanced Learning Loan at www.walsallcollege.ac.uk/financial-help

Advanced Learner Loan

How, where and when do I apply for financial help?

- Loans are available to help pay for your tuition fee and living costs. Additional support may be available for full-time students if you have a disability, dependants and children. You should apply as early as possible - don't wait until you've been offered a place on a course to find out what student finance you could get.
- Find out what's available and how to apply at www.gov.uk/student-finance
- Get advice on **0300 100 0607**
 Monday - Friday: **8am - 8pm**
 Saturday and Sunday: **9am - 4pm**
 Textphone: **0300 100 0622**
- Estimate your costs for full-time study in advance with the Student Finance Calculator at www.gov.uk/student-finance-calculator
- Find out about student loans at www.gov.uk/student-finance
- Find out more about an Advanced Learning Loan at www.walsallcollege.ac.uk/financial-help

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Entry on to our higher education courses is assessed on an individual case by case basis. Qualifications, subjects studied and exam grades are the key measures taken into account, however industry experience and enthusiasm are also highly considered before a decision is made.

All applicants are required to attend an interview to help determine whether the course is suitable for them and if successful completion of the course will help students to make inroads towards their career goals. The interview stage also allows you to ask questions about the course or the college, with a representative from the curriculum team.

Interviews for some courses may also involve additional aspects, such as a review of your portfolio work for creative courses. This will be made clear in your invitation letter. In some cases, it may be a course requirement for you to achieve a Level 2 qualification in either Maths and or English order to progress to higher levels.

It is also likely that applicants will be asked to take an initial assessment at the college to help assess if they require any additional support whilst on the course.

Finally, some courses set an introductory task for students to complete in their own time before enrolment starts. This is designed for you to get a feel for the course which we hope will excite you as your start date approaches.

COURSE LISTING

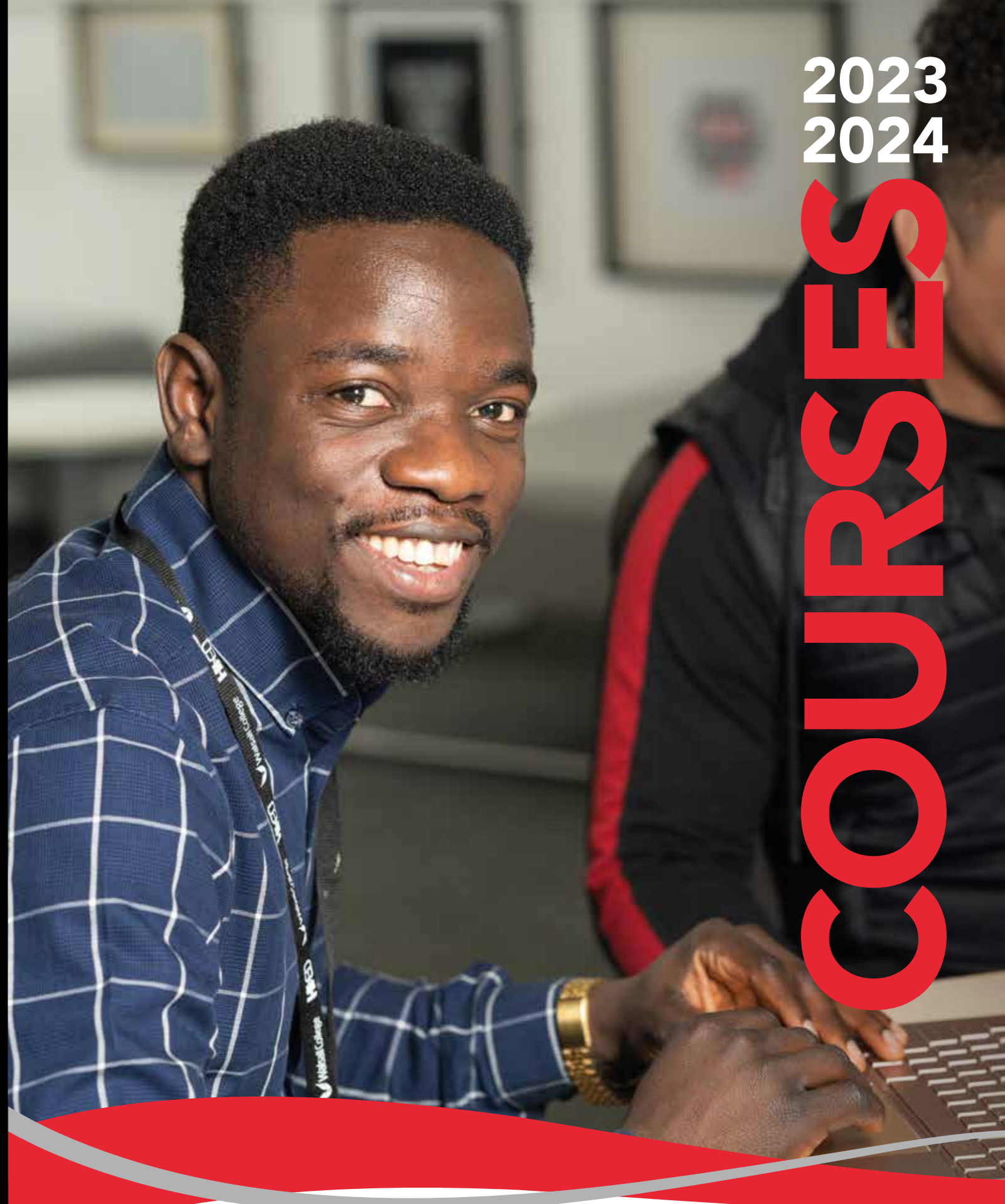
FEES/COURSES ARE CORRECT AT TIME OF PRINT BUT CAN BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

	UCAS CODE	STUDY MODE	FEE P/YEAR	PAGE
ACCESS TO HIGHER EDUCATION				
Access to: Business and Law	-	Full-time	£3022	19
Access to: Business and Management	-	Full-time	£3022	19
Access to: Computing	-	Full-time	£3928	20
Access to: Criminology with Law	-	Full-time	£3022	20
Access to: Education	-	Full-time	£3384	21
Access to: Health	-	Full-time	£3384	22
Access to: Science	-	Full-time	£3384	22
Access to: Social Work	-	Full-time	£3384	23
ACCOUNTING, MANAGEMENT AND COMPUTING				
AAT (Association of Accounting Technicians) Level 4 Professional Diploma in Accounting	-	Part-time	£2573	25
CIPD Associate Diploma in People Management	-	Part-time	£2075	26
Computing HNC	2IC2	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	27
Computing HND (TOP-UP)	0I2N1	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	28
Computer Science BSc (Hons)	I100	Full-time	£7500	29
CONSTRUCTION				
Construction and the Built Environment HNC	-	Part-time	£3045	31
CREATIVE INDUSTRIES				
Pre-degree Foundation Diploma in Art & Design	-	Full-time	£5421 (free if under 19)	33
Art & Design HNC	112A	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	33
Art & Design HND (TOP-UP)	012A	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	34
Creative Media Production HNC	3P10	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	34
Creative Media Production HND (TOP-UP)	3P1P	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	35
Fashion and Textiles HNC	122W	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	35
Fashion and Textiles HND (TOP-UP)	522W	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	36
Graphic Design HNC	112W	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	37
Graphic Design HND (TOP-UP)	012W	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	37
Music HNC	TBC	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	38
Performing Arts (Acting) HNC	TBC	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	38
Photography HNC	W640	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	39
Photography HND (TOP-UP)	046W	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	39
PUBLIC SERVICES				
Public Services (Blue Light Services) HNC	PS20	Full-time	£6000	41
Public Services (Blue Light Services) HND	PS21	Full-time	£6000	41
Public Services (Crime and Criminal Justice) HNC	PS22	Full-time	£5900	42
SPORT AND HOSPITALITY				
Sport HNC	088C	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	44
Hospitality Management HNC	099N	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	44
Hospitality Management HND (TOP-UP)	0995	Part-time/Full-time	£3045/£6000	45
TEACHER TRAINING				
Diploma in Education and Training (Post-Compulsory Education & Training)	-	Part-time	£2250	47
Postgraduate Certificate in Education (Post-Compulsory Education & Training)	-	Part-time	£4500	48

The College reserves the right to change course fees without prior notice at complete discretion. Please refer to the College fees policy (available on request) for advice regarding refunds.

2023
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COURSES



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University Level Courses

Access to: Business and Law

Access to: Business and Management

Access to: Computing

Access to: Criminology with Law

Access to: Education

Access to: Health

Access to: Science

Access to: Social Work



Advanced Learner Loan

Learn now. Pay later.

Advanced Learning Loans for Access to HE and Professional courses.

If finances have been holding you back from starting a course, you can now apply for a loan to help with the cost of Access to Higher Education and professional course fees if you are aged 19 or over when you start the course.

Your household income isn't taken into account, there's no credit check, and repayments don't start until you are earning over £25,000 per annum.

On completion of a degree your Advanced Learning Loan will be paid off.

Please note this loan does not apply to HNC, HND or degree/Level 6 courses.

Find out more at www.walsallcollege.ac.uk/advanced-learner-loans

or email our Student Support Team on studentsupport@walsallcollege.ac.uk

Access to: Business and Law



35 weeks, full-time, 11 hours per week

Wismore Campus Level 3

Awarding Body: Open College Network West Midlands

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- GCSE grade C/Level 4 or above in English or Maths or a willingness to work towards these alongside the Access to Higher Education Diploma should you need them to progress to university
- Demonstration of Level 2 competency in Literacy and a minimum of Level 1-2 in Numeracy through a rigorous interview, online Initial Assessment and a written comprehension exercise.
- You will need to possess the necessary motivation and determination to succeed on an intensive programme and must be able to show evidence of relevant work experience to support career progression.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Our Access to Higher Education Diplomas Business and Law course runs over one year and is ideal if you wish to progress to higher education to study on a range of business or law-related programmes. If you have prior experience working in business and/or the legal professions, you will also benefit from this course if you have a desire to progress to higher education.

COURSE CONTENT

You will study a range of modules in business, law, study techniques and preparation for higher education. This is an intensive study programme so you must possess the necessary motivation and determination to succeed and maintain 100% attendance. A minimum of 10 self-study hours a week are required in order to manage strict work deadlines and to cope with the workload.

MODULES

- Access to Justice
- Civil & Criminal Courts
- Criminal Law & Procedures
- English Legal System
- Family Law - Children
- Family Law - Marriage & Cohabitation
- Human Rights, the Individual & the Law
- The Law of Tort - Negligence
- Marketing
- Research Topic
- Study Skills

In addition, students will be required to study GCSE English and Maths to achieve grade 4 and above, if this is not already achieved, although some universities will also accept functional skills at level 2. You will need to confirm the requirements with the universities you will be applying to.

PROGRESSION

University.

FEE

Our fee is £3022 (full-time).

Additional costs may include:

- £100 for course related books
- £30 field trip

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

- Essay
- Presentations
- Controlled assignments

Access to: Business and Management



35 weeks, full-time, 11 hours per week

Wismore Campus Level 3

Awarding Body: Open College Network West Midlands

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- GCSE grade C/Level 4 or above in English or Maths or a willingness to work towards these alongside the Access to Higher Education Diploma should you need them to progress to university
- Demonstration of level 2 competency in Literacy and a minimum of Level 1-2 in Numeracy through a rigorous interview, online Initial Assessment and a written comprehension exercise.
- You will need to possess the necessary motivation and determination to succeed on an intensive programme and must be able to show evidence of relevant work experience to support career progression.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

This new course is ideal if you wish to progress to higher education, to study on a range of business or management related programmes. If you have prior experience working in business and/or management this will also benefit you have a desire to progress to higher education.

COURSE CONTENT

You will study a range of modules in business, management, finance, ICT, study techniques and preparation for higher education. This is an intensive study programme so you must possess the necessary motivation and determination to succeed and maintain 100% attendance. A minimum of 10 self-study hours a week are required in order to manage strict work deadlines and to cope with the workload.

MODULES

- Business and Employment Law
- Business Skills
- Human Resources Management
- Management
- Business and the Environment
- Business Organisations
- Business Planning
- English Legal System
- Human Rights, the Individual & the Law
- The Law of Tort - Negligence
- Extended Essay
- Research Topic
- Study Skills

In addition, students will be required to study GCSE English and Maths to achieve grade 4 and above, if this is not already achieved, although some universities will also accept functional skills at Level 2.

PROGRESSION

University.

FEE

Our fee is £3022 (full-time).

Additional costs may include:

- £100 for course related books
- £30 field trip

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

- Essay
- Presentations
- Controlled assignments

Access to: Computing



🕒 35 weeks, full-time, 11 hours per week over two days

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 3

Awarding Body: Open College Network West Midlands

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- GCSE grade C/Level 4 or above in English or Maths or a willingness to work towards these alongside the Access to Higher Education Diploma should you need them to progress to university
- Demonstration of Level 2 competency in Literacy and a minimum of Level 1-2 in Numeracy through a rigorous interview, online Initial Assessment and a written comprehension exercise.
- You will need to possess the necessary motivation and determination to succeed on an intensive programme and must be able to show evidence of relevant work experience to support career progression.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Our new Access to Higher Education Diploma in Computing course runs over one year and is ideal if you wish to progress to higher education. During the course of your studies, you will be introduced to various computing-related subjects, including coding and computer networks. If you have prior experience working in computing and digital professions, you will also benefit from this course if you have a desire to progress to higher education.

COURSE CONTENT

You will study modules which focus on a range of computing disciplines, including, computer networks, computer systems, database design, software development and coding, as well as study techniques to prepare you for higher education. This is an intensive study programme and so you must possess the necessary commitment and determination to succeed. A minimum of 10 self-study hours a week are required in order to manage the workload and to meet the strict deadlines.

MODULES

- Programming Fundamentals
- Website Design and Creation
- Systems Analysis
- Database Design
- Database Implementation
- Creating Database Driven Web Pages
- Spreadsheets
- Networking Fundamentals
- Computer Networks
- Computer Architecture
- Computer Hardware
- Operating Systems and System Management
- Study Skills

In addition, students will be required to study GCSE English and Maths at grade 4 and above, if this is not already achieved, although some universities will also accept functional skills at level 2.

PROGRESSION

You can progress onto computing related degree level programmes at most universities and at Walsall College.

FEE

Our fee is £3928 (full time).

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

100% coursework

Access to: Criminology with Law



🕒 35 weeks, full-time, 11 hours per week over two days

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 3

Awarding Body: Open College Network West Midlands

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- A Level 2 Pre-Access qualification and Level 1 in Mathematics and English Language
- Demonstration of Level 2 competency in Literacy and a minimum of Level 1-2 in Numeracy through a rigorous interview, online Initial Assessment and a written comprehension exercise.
- You will need to possess the necessary motivation and determination to succeed on an intensive programme and must be able to show evidence of relevant work experience to support career progression.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

The Access to HE Diploma in Criminology and Law provides the underpinning knowledge and skills needed in these subjects to progress to a degree or diploma course in higher education.

COURSE CONTENT

As well as providing knowledge in business and law subjects, the Access to HE Diploma in Criminology and Law prepares students for university through developing study skills such as analysis, reflection, observation, academic writing and Harvard Referencing. There is also an opportunity to study GCSE Mathematics and English Language to improve progression prospects to a wide range of universities.

MODULES

- Crime and Deviance
- Crime and Media
- Criminal Justice and Social Policy
- Critical Criminology
- Measurements of Crime
- The Criminology of Prisons
- The English Legal System
- Civil and Criminal Courts
- Criminal Law and Procedure
- Human Rights, the Individual and the Law
- The Law of Tort - Negligence
- Research Project
- Study Skills

PROGRESSION

University

FEE

Our fee is £3022 (full time).

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

- Essay
- Presentations
- Group work
- Reports
- Controlled assignments

Access to: Education



🕒 36 weeks, full-time, 12 hours per week

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 3

Awarding Body: Open College Network West Midlands

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- GCSE grade C/4 or above in two or more in English, Maths or Science in order to progress to teacher training courses. You will be required to contact your receiving organisation to ascertain the exact requirements for these subjects as some universities will require you to have them on application.
- GCSE grade C/Level 4 or above in English or Maths or a willingness to work towards these alongside the Access to Higher Education Diploma should you need them to progress to university for courses not related to teacher training. You will need to contact your preferred universities for their specific entry requirements.
- Demonstration of Level 2 competency in Literacy and a minimum of Level 1-2 in Numeracy through a rigorous interview, online Initial Assessment and a written comprehension exercise.
- You will need to possess the necessary motivation and determination to succeed on an intensive programme and must be able to show evidence of relevant work experience to support career progression.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Get a thorough preparation for higher education and the career you want. This course offers a route for adults to enter the teaching profession.

COURSE CONTENT

Topics include: Education Studies, English Literature, Practical Skills in Teaching, History, Psychology and Sociology. Assessment is through a combination of assignments and examinations. Homework and private study is required. You may also need to source a placement in an appropriate educational environment dependent on your future career goals. This can be discussed at interview.

MODULES

- Skills for Learning
- Education Practice
- Education Studies
- Education Theory
- Historical Studies
- Biological Science
- English Literature & Language
- Sociology
- Childhood Studies

PROGRESSION

You can progress onto a degree course in a variety of fields such as education, English, creative writing, history, sociology and childhood and family studies. Successful completion of all unit assessments is required for progression to Higher Education.

FEE

Our fee is £3384 (full time).

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

- Essays
- Group Discussion
- Presentation
- Seminar

ADDITIONAL FEES AND CHANGES

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Access to: Health



🕒 36 weeks, full-time, 12 hours per week

🏠 Wismore Campus | 📊 Level 3

Awarding Body: Open College Network West Midlands

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- GCSE grade C/Level 4 or above in English or Maths or a willingness to work towards these alongside the Access to Higher Education Diploma should you need them to progress to university
- Demonstration of level 2 competency in Literacy and a minimum of Level 1-2 in Numeracy through a rigorous interview, online Initial Assessment and a written comprehension exercise.
- You will need to possess the necessary motivation and determination to succeed on an intensive programme and must be able to show evidence of relevant work experience to support career progression.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Develop the skills and knowledge to progress on to higher education courses and open up a whole new world of possibilities in health care professional settings.

COURSE CONTENT

Topics include: anatomy, respiration and circulation, cell biology, control and coordination, disease and health studies. Assessment is through a combination of assignments and examinations. Homework and private study is required and you will need to source a work experience placement in an appropriate health setting.

MODULES

- Biological Science
- Health Studies
- Skills for Learning

PROGRESSION

You can progress in to a career in nursing, midwifery, occupational therapy and other related health care professions. Successful completion of all unit assessments is required for progression to Higher Education.

FEE

Our fee is £3384 (full time).

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

- Essays
- Group Discussion
- Presentation
- Seminar

Access to: Science



🕒 36 weeks, full-time, 11 hours per week

🏠 Wismore Campus | 📊 Level 3

Awarding Body: Open College Network West Midlands

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- GCSE grade C/Level 4 or above in English, Maths and a Science
- Demonstration of level 2 competency in Literacy and a minimum of Level 1-2 in Numeracy through a rigorous interview, online Initial Assessment and a written comprehension exercise.
- You will need to possess the necessary motivation and determination to succeed on an intensive programme and must be able to show evidence of relevant work experience to support career progression.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

This course prepares students for study at degree level in a Science based subject. If you would like to go to university but left school without the qualifications you need, then an Access to HE course could be for you.

COURSE CONTENT

Alongside preparation for studying in higher education, you will also study various science related modules including chemistry, physics and biological science.

MODULES

- Biological Science (inc. anatomy and cell biology)
- Chemistry
- Physics, (incl. medical physics)
- Skills for Learning

PROGRESSION

You can progress on to science related degree level programmes at most universities including Birmingham City University, Staffordshire University, University of Wolverhampton or University of Worcester.

FEE

Our fee is £3384 (full time).

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

- Reports
- Examinations
- Practical Assessments

Access to: Social Work



🕒 36 weeks, full-time, 12 hours per week

🏠 Wismore Campus | 📊 Level 3

Awarding Body: Open College Network West Midlands

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- GCSE grade C/Level 4 or above in English or Maths or a willingness to work towards these alongside the Access to Higher Education Diploma should you need them to progress to university
- Demonstration of level 2 competency in Literacy and a minimum of Level 1-2 in Numeracy through a rigorous interview, online Initial Assessment and a written comprehension exercise.
- You will need to possess the necessary motivation and determination to succeed on an intensive programme and must be able to show evidence of relevant work experience to support career progression.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Get the skills you need to progress on to higher education courses in a variety of social work, social care and youth work related areas and courses related to careers within the public sector.

COURSE CONTENT

Subjects include: introduction to social work, personal social services, social welfare, social policy, sociology, psychology and law. Assessment is through a combination of assignments and examinations. Homework and private study is required and you will need to source a work experience placement in an appropriate social work, youth work or care setting.

MODULES

- Psychology
- Social Policy
- Sociology
- Skills for Learning
- Social Work
- Family Law

PROGRESSION

You can progress on to higher education courses within social work, probation or youth work and careers more generally within the public sector. Successful completion of all unit assessments is required for progression to Higher Education.

FEE

Our fee is £3384 (full time).

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

- Essays
- Group Discussion
- Presentation
- Seminar



Jodie Leonard

🎓 **Studied:** Level 2 Skills for Further Study (Pre-Access) followed by Access to Social Work

🎓 **Progression:** BA Social Work at University of Birmingham

After 17 years working in an accounts office and then taking voluntary redundancy, Jodie was ready to pursue a long-held ambition of going to university and retraining for a career in social work.

"I made the decision to re-train as a social worker because I wanted a career that will help to make a difference to people's lives," said Jodie. "I live in a poverty-stricken area and see the need for this help daily."

"I can't thank the staff enough for their expertise; sharing their knowledge to prepare me for university."

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ACCOUNTING, MANAGEMENT AND COMPUTING

See yourself in a business career? Perhaps in human resources, marketing or accounting? Or maybe management's your goal? Our business and management courses equip you to hit the ground running and forge a successful career, wherever you choose to work. It's no wonder our students go on to make their mark in some top jobs. Or get the skills for a successful career in computing. Learn how to program, design games software or even create the next Google or TikTok!

University Level Courses

AAT (Association of Accounting Technicians) Professional Diploma in Accounting

CIPD Associate Diploma in People Management

Computing (Networking) HNC

Computing (Software Development) HNC

Computing (Networking) HND (TOP-UP)

Computing (Software Development) HND (TOP-UP)

Computer Science BSc (Hons) (Networking)

Computer Science BSc (Hons) (Software Development)



Example Careers

- Accountant Technician
- App Designer
- Investment Banker
- Digital Marketer
- Games Designer
- HR Advisor
- IT Consultant
- IT Technical
- Support Officer
- Management Consultant
- Network Engineer
- Patent Examiner
- Programmer
- Team Leader
- Training and Development Officer
- Web Designer

AAT (Association of Accounting Technicians) Level 4 Professional Diploma in Accounting

🕒 2 years, 1 evening per week (part-time)

🏠 Wismore Campus

📊 Level 4

🏆 Awarding Body: AAT

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- You must have a sound knowledge of accounting principles to undertake the AAT Level 4 programme. Achievement of an AAT Level 3 Advanced Diploma in Accounting is essential.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

This AAT (Association of Accounting Technicians) professional level course is a higher-level accounting qualification. If you successfully complete this qualification and fulfil the AAT's work experience requirements, you can apply for AAT full membership and achieve professional AAT Accountant status.

The Professional Diploma in Accounting can lead to the achievement of professional AAT (MAAT) status. Employment opportunities include; Accounts Payable and Expenses Supervisor, Assistant Financial Accountant, Commercial Analyst, Cost Accountant, Indirect Tax Manager, Payments and Billing Manager, Payroll Manager, Senior Finance Officer, Senior Insolvency Administrator, Tax Supervisor, VAT Accountant.

COURSE CONTENT

In this qualification, you will cover higher accounting tasks including drafting financial statements, managing budgets and evaluating financial performance, as well as a range of optional specialist units.

On successful completion of this course, you will be awarded an AAT Level 4 Professional Diploma in Accounting. This internationally recognised AAT (Association of Accounting Technicians) qualification enables those working in accounting or those who are looking to pursue accountancy as a career to gain knowledge, practical experience and the all-important certification often sought by employers.

STUDY METHOD

Online and On Campus (a combination of blended learning and taught sessions - Attendance is 1 night weekly 18:00 – 21:00 for 2 years)

Online video lectures are available on demand, and can be viewed from your phone, tablet or computer, meaning you can choose how, when and where you want to study. Each lesson lasts around 60 minutes and is accompanied by animations and motion graphics to bring concepts to life. Exercises, interactive case studies and analytical tools help to enhance the learning experience further.

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🕒 1 year, part-time

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 5

Awarding Body: CIPD

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 5 GCSE Grades C or above including Maths and English.
- Possess a degree or 2 A-levels or CIPD Foundation Certificate in HRP or CIPD Certificate in Personnel Practice.
- Possess a substantive role in HR.
- All applicants will require an initial assessment and interview.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

The HR profession is growing rapidly as employers recognise the importance of good HR functions within modern and efficient organisations. A career in HR can be highly rewarding, very interesting and fulfilling. The CIPD is recognised as the leading professional body for HR so this qualification will become a standard for HR recruits that are seeking professional status in order to maximise their career prospects.

COURSE CONTENT

There will be a combination of classroom and online sessions.

MODULES

- Organisational performance and culture in practice
- Evidence-based practice
- Professional behaviours and valuing people
- Employment relationship management
- Talent management and workforce planning
- Reward for performance and contribution
- Specialist employment law

PROGRESSION

Level 7 - Advanced Diploma in Human Resource Management leading to Professional Status and opportunity to apply for Chartered Membership of the CIPD. i.e. the designatory letters Chartered MCIPD.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £2075 (part time)

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

Each unit is assessed by CIPD set assignments which include written work and evidence from the student's workplace.

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

CIPD Level 5 Associate Diploma in People Management



Nicki Artwell-Ikwele

🎓 Studied: Level 5 Diploma in HR Management

👉 Progression: HR Business Partner, Bristan Group Ltd

Graduating from her Level 5 Diploma was the start of great things for Nicki Artwell-Ikwele. Just a few weeks later, she was in a new role. It was her qualification that made all the difference to her success.

"It's true what they say about a lack of qualifications holding you back from getting your dream job. Even when you have plenty of experience behind you," said Nicki.

"This is what I came to realise in the summer of 2018. I'd applied for one HR role after another but was told that without the right qualification to support me, I couldn't be a strong enough contender. This is despite me having years of customer service, people and managerial experience.

"Fast forward four years and with a qualification under my belt, I've been a HR Advisor for a Building Society, HR Generalist for a plastics manufacturer and HR Business partner. It all worked out for me in the end."

Nicki added: "This is why I urge anyone else keen to achieve career success in a set area and who needs a qualification just to do it."

"I can't emphasise enough just how much of an impact higher education has had on my career. Prior to my Diploma, I was receiving rejections. Now recruiters are calling me for roles!"

ADDITIONAL FEES AND CHANGES

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Computing HNC



🕒 1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 4

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- UCAS Tariff 72 - 96 points
- A level CCC - DDD
- Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma: MMP
- GCSE Maths – grade C/4
- GCSE English Language – grade C/4 Functional skill Level 2 Maths and English
- No international applications
- Access to Higher Diploma D - 30 credits

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Our HNC is a highly practical course with a central focus on the fundamentals of software development, computer networks and security. The units of study reflect the latest technology innovations, and current employment opportunities within the computing and digital industry. A nationally recognised level 4 computing qualification, the HNC is ideal for those who have started, or are planning to move into, a career in the computing industry, or who wish to progress onto a degree programme. The course also aims to develop skills such as communication literacy, critical thinking, analysis, reasoning and interpretation, which are crucial for gaining employment and developing academic competence.

COURSE CONTENT

The HNC will provide you with a comprehensive understanding of programming, database design, computer systems architecture, computer networks and security. You will have an opportunity to study towards additional vendor qualifications, including the CISCO CCNA and the Oracle Associate Certifications; these opportunities are subject to the optional modules chosen. The course also aims to develop skills such as communication literacy, critical thinking, analysis, reasoning and interpretation, which are crucial for gaining employment and developing academic competence.

MANDATORY MODULES

- Programming
- Networking
- Professional Practice
- Database Design & Development
- Security
- Managing a Successful Computing Project

OPTIONAL MODULES

In addition to the mandatory modules, you will also need to choose between the two optional module groups below. *All modules are subject to change.*

Group A (Software Development)

- Software Development Lifecycles
- Website Design & Development

Group B (Computer Networks)

- Strategic Information Systems
- Computer Systems Architecture

PROGRESSION

You can progress to the BTEC Level 5 HND Diploma in Computing at Walsall College or to the second year of an honours degree, depending on the match of the HNC units to the degree course in question. Employment or self employment.

FEE

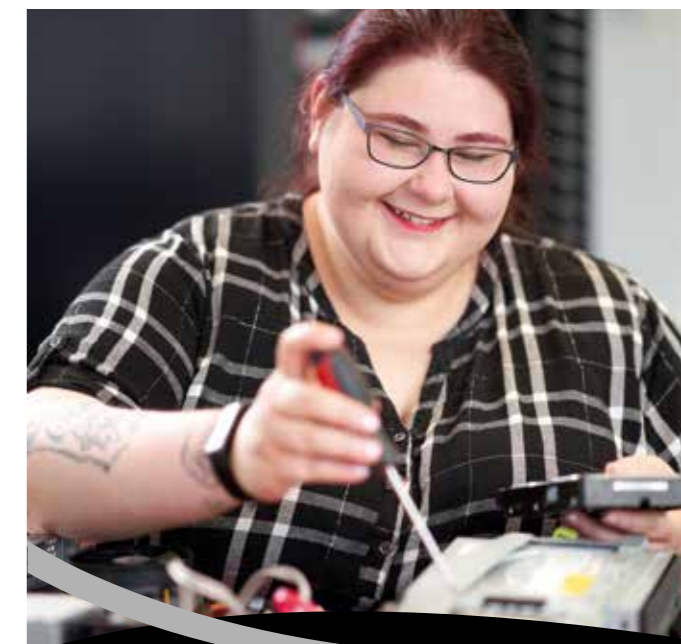
For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full-time) £3045 (part-time)

START DATE
September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT
12.5% Pearson set assignment
87.5% coursework

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED
BTEC Level 4 HNC Diploma in Computing (Pearson)

UCAS CODE
21C2



Martina Donzella

🎓 Studied: HNC and HND Computing

👉 Progression: Service Desk Engineer, Littlefish (UK) Ltd

Four years ago, Martina Donzella was working as a chef. Through her higher education studies at Walsall College she became an IT technician in a college before gaining a role 12 months ago as a service desk engineer.

"My lecturers put a lot of faith in me," said Martina. "They were willing to nurture me as an adult student without all the necessary IT knowledge and experience a typical undergraduate might have. When I first came to be interviewed for the course, I promised them I would work hard. And now here I am."

Martina developed her knowledge in networking, hardware architecture and Java Script among other IT processes.

"Women are welcomed into IT. There are no boundaries. It can be hard starting out in any new role or job, but there is a lot of encouragement and support out there."

Computing HND (TOP-UP)



1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Wismore Campus Level 5

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- UCAS tariff: 120 credits from completed Pearson HNC Computing (Pass grade)
- GCSE Maths – grade C/4
- GCSE English Language – grade C/4 Functional skill Level 2 Maths and English
- No international applications

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Our HND is a highly practical course with a central focus on software development or network engineering, depending on the optional module group chosen. A nationally recognised level 5 computing qualification, the HND is ideal for those who have started, or are planning to move into, a career in the computing and digital industry, or who wish to progress onto the final year of a degree programme.

COURSE CONTENT

The content of your Computing HND depends on the optional module group chosen; you can choose to specialise in software development or computer networks.

The **software development** pathway will give you a comprehensive understanding of database design using the Oracle DBMS, software engineering design patterns, and computer games development using the Unity game engine. You will also have an opportunity to study towards additional vendor qualifications, including the Oracle Associate Certifications.

The **computer networks** pathway will provide you with a comprehensive understanding of network design, network management and the client/server operating systems model. You will also have an opportunity to study towards additional vendor qualifications, including the CISCO CCNA Certification.

The units of study reflect the latest technology innovations, and current employment opportunities within the software development and network technology industries, such as app development, database design and development, cloud computing and network security. The course also aims to develop skills such as communication literacy, critical thinking, analysis, reasoning and interpretation, which are crucial for gaining employment and developing academic competence.

MANDATORY MODULES

- Computing Research Project (Pearson-set)
- Business Intelligence

OPTIONAL MODULES

In addition to the mandatory modules, you will also need to choose between the two optional module groups below. *All modules are subject to change.*

Group A (Software Development)

- Advanced Programming
- Application Program Interfaces
- Systems Analysis and Design
- Database Management Systems
- Games Development

Group B (Computer Networks)

- Transport Network Design
- Cloud Computing
- Network Security
- Network Management
- Client/Server Computing Systems

PROGRESSION

You can progress to the Computer Science BSc (Hons) TOP-UP degree programme at Walsall College, or to the second or third year of an honours degree programme at another institution, depending on the match of the HND units to the degree course in question. Employment or self employment.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full time) £3045(part time).

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

25% Pearson set assignment
75% coursework

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 5 HND Diploma in Computing (TOP-UP) (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

012N1

ADDITIONAL FEES AND CHANGES

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Computer Science BSc (Hons)

1 year, full-time

Wismore Campus Level 6

Awarding Body: Staffordshire University

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- UCAS tariff: 240 credits from completed Pearson HNC and HND Computing - Software Development or HNC and HND Computing - (Pass grade).
- GCSE Maths - grade C/4.
- GCSE English Language - grade C/4.
- Functional skills Level 2 Maths and English.
- No international applications.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Impress potential employers with higher level studies and open up a whole new range of career possibilities. This exciting one-year top-up degree is primarily aimed at successful HND in Computing graduates.

COURSE CONTENT

We have made certain that you will learn about the key areas in computing that matter to organisations today, including business intelligence and cloud-based technologies. You can choose to specialise in software development or computer networks by choosing between two groups of optional modules.

Choosing the **computer networks** pathway will provide you with the opportunity to develop the necessary skills to set up robust and fault tolerant networks and to be able to identify security issues and protect the network and systems against intrusion.

On completion of the **software development** pathway you will be able to design, implement and test secure and fault tolerant mobile apps and cloud-based apps within a commercial context using current frameworks and industry standards.

The programme provides you with the opportunity to develop not only your technical skills, but also your business awareness to be prepared for the planning, designing and implementing of effective computing systems that meet the challenges of the modern business environment.

MANDATORY MODULES

- Final Year Project
- Business Intelligence

OPTIONAL MODULES

In addition to the mandatory modules, you will also need to choose between the two optional module groups below.

Group A (Software Development)

- Creating Mobile Web Apps
- Developing for the Cloud

Group B (Computer Networks)

- Cyber Operations and Network Security
- Routed and Switched Architectures

PROGRESSION

Successful graduates can progress onto Masters level qualifications or directly into graduate employment opportunities.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 the tuition fee for this course is: £7500 (full-time).

START DATE

September 2023



METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

The Routed and Switched Architectures module is assessed 50% by examination and 50% by portfolio evidence. All other modules are a combination of practical assessments, coursework and in class tests.

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

Level 6 BSc (Hons) Degree in Computer Science

UCAS CODE

I100



Luke Stackhouse

Studied: HNC and HND in Computing, followed by BSc Computer Science

Progression: Lecturer in Computing, Walsall College

Luke was one of ten students to graduate from the BSc Computer Science qualification with first class honours. During his studies, he joined college staff as an hourly paid lecturer before taking up a full-time post.

"The lower course fees and smaller class sizes drew me towards studying a degree at the college," said Luke. "The course was delivered around our individual aspirations with our work tailored accordingly. Back-up work was also available for those who were further ahead so we could keep on progressing.

"I definitely achieved more academically because of this and through the overall college environment, facilities and the expertise of the lecturers here. I'm now looking forward to sharing these experiences and opportunities with the college's future learners."

CONSTRUCTION

If you're looking for a professional career route in construction, look no further. Our Construction and the Built Environment HNC is a great route either directly into career opportunities or into valuable higher education progression.

Increase your employability, impress employers, meet regional skills shortages - and open up a whole world of possibilities.

University Level Courses

Construction and the Built Environment HNC



Example Careers

- Architect
- Architectural Technologist
- Building Surveyor
- Building Services Engineer
- Clerk of Works
- Construction Manager
- Conveyancer
- Estimator
- Land Surveyor
- Quantity Surveyor

Construction and the Built Environment HNC



🕒 2 years part-time

🏠 Digital Engineering Skills Centre 📊 Level 4

🏆 Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Vocationally related Level 3 qualification or applications from experienced industry workers
- All applicants will require an initial assessment and interview
- It is expected that applicants will have a GCSE Grade C/4 or equivalent in Maths and English or demonstrate the ability to study at this level

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Keen to advance in the construction industry at a technical and management level? Currently working in construction and looking to recognise your skills and abilities formally? The BTEC Higher National in Construction and The Built Environment develops students as professional, self-reflecting individuals able to meet the demands of employers in the construction and the built environment sector. The qualifications aim to widen access to higher education and enhance the career prospects of those who undertake them.

COURSE CONTENT

The course covers most aspects of construction technology and includes a mix of mandatory and specialist modules. Topics of study will include health, safety and welfare, design principles and application, law and contract, science and materials, project management, environmental impact of construction and an industry related project. Homework or private study is expected as part of the programme.

MODULES

- Individual Project
- Construction Technology
- Science and Materials
- Construction Practice and Management
- Four additional units covering pathway specialisms

PROGRESSION

You can progress onto a BSc Degree or Foundation Degree via our partnership agreement with the University of Wolverhampton and Birmingham City University, or potential employment in the construction industry.

FEE

For the academic year 23/24 the tuition fee for this course is: £3045 (part time).

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

A combination of coursework and assignment where appropriate to unit of study.

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

Pearson BTEC Level 4 Higher National Certificate in Construction and the Built Environment (Construction)

Additional Fees and Changes

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Karl Bickerton

🎓 **Studied:** HNC Construction and the Built Environment

👉 **Progression:** Project Surveyor, Unitas Stoke-on-Trent

Giving up his job of 17 years to finish his university-level qualification is just one of the reasons why Karl received Walsall College's Higher Education Student of the Year Award. 'Anything is possible if you put your mind to it,' he said at the time.

He is now a property surveyor working for Unitas (a repairs and maintenance company for Stoke on Trent City Council).

"Looking back, my HNC gave me the edge for my future career," said Karl. "The various elements of the course are all things I use professionally in my role today, such as scoping of work, writing reports and bills of quantities etc. Using Microsoft Excel – something I struggled with at the time – I now use daily.

"And the group role plays we did were a big thing for me. I meet with different contractors on site to discuss projects, so that part of the course was very advantageous for me.

The team I work with at Unitas are great too. They inspire me to keep pushing myself with their help, including passing on their knowledge of the industry.

CREATIVE INDUSTRIES

The creative industries offer a huge range of career opportunities, making up one of Britain's fastest growing employment sectors. Preparing you for a successful career is at the heart of everything we do here.

Our industry experienced creative arts staff will help you to develop your imagination and creative flair, and our advanced work-related learning will prepare you perfectly for your next step - whether that's on to university to top-up to degree level or straight into your dream job.

University Level Courses

Pre-degree Foundation Diploma in Art & Design

Art & Design HNC

Art & Design HND (TOP-UP)

Creative Media Production HNC

Creative Media Production HND (TOP-UP)

Fashion and Textiles HNC

Fashion and Textiles HND (TOP-UP)

Graphic Design HNC

Graphic Design HND (TOP-UP)

Music HNC

Performing Arts (Acting) HNC

Photography HNC

Photography HND (TOP-UP)

Example Careers

- Animator
- Ceramics Designer
- Fashion Designer
- Fine Artist
- Graphic Designer
- Illustrator
- Interior Designer
- Jewellery Designer
- Live Sound Technician
- Photographer
- Presenter/Entertainer
- Printmaker
- Product Designer
- Sound Engineer
- Tattoo Artist
- Textile Designer

and many more...



Pre-degree Foundation Diploma in Art & Design



🕒 1 year, full-time

🏠 Wismore Campus

📊 Level 3 and 4

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- A formal interview with portfolio.
- 1 A-Level grade C (or equivalent Level 3 qualification) in a subject and a strong GCSE profile including English at grade C/Level 4 or above.
- AS qualifications are also welcomed.
- Mature students with alternative qualifications and/or work experience are welcomed, as are equivalent international qualifications.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

This course is ideal if you're excited by the prospect of a career in art and design. You will develop a broad portfolio of work and a greater understanding of ways to work and develop, in preparation for higher education. In the past some of our students have progressed to prestigious universities such as Central Saint Martins, Bournemouth University, Falmouth University and Goldsmiths University of London.

COURSE CONTENT

You will learn to develop your own creative voice in whatever area you are interested in; through a variety of areas in art and design including visual studies, printmaking, fashion and textiles, fine art, graphics, photography and 3D design, alongside contextual development and discussion around art.

MODULES

- Stage 1 Exploratory - 2 units
- Stage 2 Pathway - 4 units
- Stage 3 Confirmatory - 1 unit, Final Major Project

PROGRESSION

Successful completion offers an excellent platform from which to enter higher education in your chosen specialist pathway. Most students go on to a degree, either further afield across the UK or onto our own HNC/Ds and (in partnership with BCU) and our Level 6 Degrees. Students may also find employment.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are yet to be published. Our current fee is £5421 (full time). If you are under the age of 19 you do not have to pay for the course.

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

- Stage 1 full folio assessment at the end of the stage
Students need to pass this stage to go forward to stage 2
- Stage 2 full folio assessment at the end of the stage
Students need to pass this stage to go forward to stage 3
- Stage 3 Final Major Project, culminating in a full assessment exhibition.

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 3/4 Pre-degree Foundation Diploma in Art & Design

Our students have gone onto study at a number of outstanding universities including:

- Bath Spa University
- Bournemouth University

- Central Saint Martins
- Falmouth University
- Goldsmiths University of London
- Plymouth University and more!

Art & Design HNC



🕒 1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

🏠 Wismore Campus

📊 Level 4

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- A-Levels or equivalent related Level 3 qualification
- Relevant work experience or professional portfolio will be considered
- All applicants will require an initial assessment and interview
- Please apply through UCAS for full time.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

This programme aims to provide education and training for a broad range of careers in art, craft and design, but is also orientated towards those wishing to pursue a career in Illustration. A number of units are selected with a leaning towards this discipline and explores this area in its broadest sense. You will develop a broad portfolio of work and greater understanding of ways to work and develop, in preparation for progression to the next level.

COURSE CONTENT

The programme offers industry-based assignments (client/live briefs) and input from current practitioners. Supporting your studies are contextual sessions, which provide cultural and critical underpinnings of your developing practice and also investigates social and historical themes.

MODULES

- Professional Development
- Contextual Studies
- Individual Project
- Techniques and Practices
- Media Practices
- Material Practices
- Art & Craft Production
- Communication in Art & Design

PROGRESSION

You can progress to the HND Diploma in Arts Practice (TOP-UP) (Pearson) at Walsall College or to the second year of an honours degree, depending on the match of the HNC units to the degree course in question. Employment or self-employment.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full time) £3045 (part time)

Students may need to pay for trips/visits - confirmed at a later date.

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

100% coursework (subject to qualification updates and assessment regulation)

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 4 Higher National Certificate in Art and Design (Arts Practice) (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

112A

Art & Design HND (TOP-UP)



1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Wisemore Campus Level 5

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- A relevant HNC Diploma
- Relevant work experience will be considered
- All applicants will require an initial assessment and portfolio based interview
- Please apply through UCAS for full time.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Top-up your achievement to HND level, developing and exploring your studies further with this natural progression from the HNC Art Practice. Students build on their prior learning to explore advanced design projects. Live/competition work is a major part of the programme. The course culminates in a negotiated final major project and exhibition.

COURSE CONTENT

The course will provide opportunities to develop your ability to interpret client briefs as well as express a personal vision through exploration of ideas and areas of specific interest. It will also encourage you to develop your creative skills across the various graphic design mediums. Self-directed study is required which is portfolio assessed.

MODULES

- Professional Practice
- Applied Practice Collaborative Project
- Advance Arts Practice Studies
- Creative Entrepreneurship
- Conceptual Practice
- Art Direction

PROGRESSION

You can progress on to a second or third year of a degree or honours degree at university, depending on the match of the HND units to the degree course in question. Employment or self employment.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full time) £3045 (part time).

Students may need to pay for trips/visits - confirmed at a later date.

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

100% coursework (subject to qualification updates and assessment regulation)

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 5 HND Diploma in Art & Design (TOP-UP) (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

012A

Creative Media Production HNC



1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Wisemore Campus Level 4

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- UCAS Tariff: 96 points
- A Level: CCC
- Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma: MMM
- GCSE Maths - Grade C/4
- GCSE English Language: Grade C/4 Functional skills Level 2 Maths and English
- No international applications

WHY CHOOSE IT?

An excellent opportunity to begin to develop a career in creative media production. The course offers a variety of moving image based projects to help you develop your skills in film and TV production. You will also investigate filmic texts, using the appropriate terminology and language. Simulated projects and live client led briefs will allow you plenty of hands-on experience.

COURSE CONTENT

Camera and editing techniques, film & television theory, film & television and sound scriptwriting, television production, visual effects. Self-motivation and independent study is a requirement for this course.

MODULES

- Individual Project (Pearson-set)
- Creative Media Industry
- Professional Practice
- Film Practices
- Film Studies
- Editing for Film & Television
- Script for Sound
- Storyboarding

PROGRESSION

You can progress on to the BTEC Level 5 HND Diploma in Creative Media Production (TOP-UP) (Pearson) at Walsall College or the second year of an honours degree at university, depending on the match of the HNC units to the degree course in question. Employment or self-employment.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full time) £3045 (part time).

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

100% coursework (subject to qualification updates and assessment regulation)

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 4 HNC Diploma in Creative Media Production (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

3P10

Creative Media Production HND (TOP-UP)



1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Wisemore Campus Level 5

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- UCAS Tariff: 120 credits from completing Pearson HNC Creative Media Production (Pass grade)
- GCSE Maths: Grade C/4
- GCSE English Language: Grade C/4 Functional skills Level 2 Maths and English
- No international applications
- Please apply through UCAS for full time.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Progress your skills naturally by moving onto the HND Diploma in Creative Media Production. You will continue to develop your skills in both visual and audio communications and undertake advanced projects. This includes film directing techniques, scriptwriting & sound production. You will also develop academic writing skills, critical thinking, research methods and film theory to a higher and more independent level. The course will provide opportunities for students to develop a range of skills, techniques and attributes essential for successful performance in working life.

COURSE CONTENT

Advanced moving image production, further camera/lighting/editing techniques with a focus on documentary filmmaking, scriptwriting for film and radio, advanced film theory, contextual techniques and academic research methods. Self-motivation and independent study is a requirement for this course.

MODULES

- Collaborative Project
- Personal Professional Development
- Advanced Film Production Studies
- Business for Filmmaking
- Documentary
- Videography (FMP)
- Film Criticism
- Scriptwriting

PROGRESSION

You can progress on to a second or third year of a degree or honours degree at university, depending on the match of the HND units to the degree course in question. Employment or self employment.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full time) £3045 (part time)

Trips: There may be an opportunity to take part in a visit to Europe each year of the course. Past trips have included Disneyland Paris and Barcelona.

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

100% coursework (subject to qualification updates and assessment regulation)

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 5 HND Diploma in Creative Media Production (TOP-UP) (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

3P1P

Fashion and Textiles HNC



1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Wisemore Campus Level 4

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- UCAS Tariff: 72-96 points
- A level: DDD
- Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma: MMM
- GCSE Maths: Grade C/4
- GCSE English Language: Grade C/4 Functional skills Level 2 Maths and English
- No international applications

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Choose this flexible course to develop your personal vision and ideas, develop your creative skills and explore the areas that really interest you. It's a well-rounded course to introduce you to this fascinating industry. We'll encourage you to enter prestigious competitions, gain placements, work on live briefs, gain employment in the industry or establish your own label to develop your skills.

COURSE CONTENT

Get an excellent grounding in fashion design, textile design and garment manufacture. Complement these with an understanding of the historical, social, political, and economic influences on fashion design, and a sound knowledge of business and marketing principles to ensure a broad understanding of the industry and its organisation. Homework or private study is required.

MODULES

- Professional Development
- Contextual Studies
- Individual Project
- Techniques and Practices
- CAD
- Pattern Cutting and Garment Making
- Fashion and Textiles Practices
- Communication in Art and Design

PROGRESSION

You can progress to the HND Diploma in Fashion and Textiles (TOP-UP) (Pearson) at Walsall College or to the second year of an honours degree, depending on the match of the HNC units to the degree course in question. You can also enter self employment.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full time) £3045 (part time)

There may be opportunities for travel, depending on national restrictions.

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

100% coursework (subject to qualification updates and assessment regulation)

- Coursework
- Critiques/presentations

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 4 HNC Diploma in Fashion and Textiles (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

122W

ADDITIONAL FEES AND CHANGES

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Lauren Broxton

Studied: HNC & HND in Fashion & Textiles

Progression: Fashion Designer

Lauren praises her higher education journey for guiding her towards her dream career and helping her fulfil her ambitions.

"I chose the college as it was newly developed at the time, had a great reputation and excellent fashion and textiles facilities," she said.

"Degree level studies encourage you to push yourself and guide you along avenues you might not initially consider getting in to," she continued. "That open-mindedness and willingness to try new things is never something people regret doing."

"Higher education also helps bring together your skills set, work ethic and an industry network; all of which are invaluable at the start of your career and as you move forward."

Fashion and Textiles HND (TOP-UP)

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Wismore Campus **Level 5**

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- UCAS Tariff: 120 credits from completed from Pearson HNC Fashion and Textiles.
- A relevant HNC Diploma or Level 4 equivalent.
 - GCSE Maths: Grade 4 or Functional skills Level 2
 - GCSE English: Grade 4 or Functional skills Level 2
- Relevant work experience will be considered
- All applicants will require an initial assessment and portfolio based interview
- Please apply through UCAS for full time.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Get the broad realistic experience to prepare you for a career in the fashion industry. We'll encourage you to enter prestigious competitions, gain placements and employment in the industry, establish your own label or develop your skills to degree level.

COURSE CONTENT

Benefit from broad experience in fashion illustration and design, including projects set by associates from industry. Pattern construction, garment production and textile embellishment all play an important part in the course and you can also choose from a wide range of units, such as fashion photography, marketing, computer aided design and costume production. Homework or private study is required.

MODULES

- Professional Practice
- Applied Practice
- Advanced Fashion Studies
- Trend Forecasting
- Material Selection and Specification
- Advanced Textile studies

PROGRESSION

You can progress on to a second or third year of a degree or honours degree at university, depending on the match of the HND units to the degree course in question. Employment or self employment.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full time) £3045 (part time)

Students will need to purchase items for their final major project.

There may be opportunities to travel, depending on national restrictions.

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

- 100% coursework (subject to qualification updates and assessment regulation)
- Coursework
 - Critiques/presentations

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 5 HND Diploma in Fashion and Textiles (TOP-UP) (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

522W

Graphic Design HNC

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Wismore Campus **Level 4**

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- UCAS Tariff: 96 points
- A level: CCC
- Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in an Art & Design based subject: MMM
- GCSE Maths: Grade C/4
- GCSE English Language: Grade C/4 Functional skills Level 2 Maths and English
- No international applications

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Are you a creative problem solver that likes to design innovative solutions to communication problems? If so, this course is for you. The course is taught by experienced professional artists and designers. The curriculum is further enhanced by a wide range of visiting speakers, trips and visits.

COURSE CONTENT

The course encourages students to work on a wide variety of projects, to develop a portfolio that is as unique as they are. Exploratory projects happily sit alongside commercially based work. Live work and competition work is a key element of the curriculum. The college's design studios have been created to industry standards and are equipped with Macs and PCs with the Adobe Creative Cloud. You can also access our traditional print room, photographic and other media facilities. Self-directed study is required and the programme is portfolio assessed.

MODULES

- Professional Development
- Contextual Studies
- Individual Project
- Techniques and Practices
- Media Practices
- Typography
- Graphic Design Practices
- Visual Narratives

PROGRESSION

You can progress to employment, self employment or the BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma in Art & Design (Graphic Design) (TOP-UP) (Pearson) at Walsall College or to the second year of an honours degree, depending on the match of the HNC units to the degree course in question.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full time) £3045 (part time)

Students may need to pay for trips/visits - to be confirmed at a later date. You will require your own set of design materials. A Mac or high spec PC is beneficial along with a subscription to Adobe Creative Cloud. You will also have additional print costs when producing final outcomes.

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

100% coursework (subject to qualification updates and assessment regulation)

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 4 HNC Diploma in Art & Design (Graphic Design) (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

112W

Graphic Design HND (TOP-UP)

1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

Wismore Campus **Level 5**

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- UCAS Tariff: 120 credits from completed Pearson HNC Graphic Design or HNC Art and Design (Pass Grade)
- GCSE Maths: Grade C/4
- GCSE English Language: Grade C/4 Functional skills Level 2 Maths and English
- No international applications

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Top-up your achievement to HND level, developing your experience and enhancing your studies further with this natural progression from the HNC Graphic Design. Students build on their prior learning to explore advanced design projects. Live/competition work is an essential part of the programme. The course culminates in both personal and collaborative negotiated projects and an exhibition.

COURSE CONTENT

The course will provide opportunities to develop your ability to interpret client briefs as well as express a personal vision through exploration of ideas and areas of specific interest. It will also encourage you to develop your creative skills across the various graphic design mediums. Self-directed study is required which is portfolio assessed.

MODULES

- Professional Practice
- Applied Practice Collaborative Project
- Advance Graphic Design Studies
- Branding and Identity
- Conceptual Practice
- Art Direction

PROGRESSION

You can progress on to a second or third year of a degree or honours degree at university, depending on the match of the HND units to the degree course in question. Employment or self employment.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full time) £3045 (part time)

Students may need to pay for trips/visits - to be confirmed at a later date. You will require your own set of design materials. A Mac or high spec PC is beneficial along with a subscription to Adobe Creative Cloud. You will also have additional print costs when producing final outcomes.

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

100% coursework (subject to qualification updates and assessment regulation)

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 5 HND Diploma in Art & Design (Graphic Design) (TOP-UP) (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

012W

Music HNC



🕒 1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 4

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- A-Levels or equivalent related Level 3 qualification
- Relevant work experience or professional portfolio will be considered
- All applicants will require an initial assessment and interview
- Please apply through UCAS for full time.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

This course offers a strong emphasis in preparing musicians for a professional career, including creating a personal style; guidance in producing a musical portfolio; and developing the necessary skills and materials that are essential to meet the demands of a challenging workplace including performing, repertoire, marketing, producing and networking.

COURSE CONTENT

This course offers a strong emphasis in preparing musicians for a professional career, including creating a personal style; guidance in producing a musical portfolio; and developing the necessary skills and materials that are essential to meet the demands of a challenging workplace including performing, repertoire, marketing, producing and networking.

MODULES

- Creative Arts Research Skills
- Music Context
- Music Performance Studies
- Live Sound for Small Venues
- Music Technology
- Keyboard Skills
- Employability Skills
- Marketing the Creative Arts

PROGRESSION

On successful completion, you can progress to the Level 5 HND Diploma in Music (Pearson) or potentially to the second year of an honours degree (dependant on the entry requirements of the specific University you have chosen to study with and the match of the HNC units to the degree course in question). You may alternatively decide to progress directly into employment or self employment.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full time) £3045 (part time).

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

You will continuously be developing a range of evidence drawn from practical through to knowledge based experiences such as projects and performances. A wide range of assessments reflecting the nature of the different types of skills being developed will therefore be used.

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 4 HNC in Music (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

TBC

Performing Arts (Acting) HNC



🕒 1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 4

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- UCAS Tariff: A level: DDD
- Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma: MMM
- GCSE Maths: Grade C/4
- GCSE English Language: Grade C/4 Functional skills Level 2 Maths and English
- Relevant work experience / related industry experience will also be considered.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

The HNC in Performing Arts offers a unique and exciting gateway into the world of the Performing Arts. Throughout this highly practical course you will gain experience of how a real world working professional will structure, rehearse, perform and tour an exciting and engaging show to a variety of audiences and locations. As a working professional you will need to be multi-skilled with a range of different performance styles in your repertoire, this course aims to provide you with a set of skills and experiences that will make you feel equally at home, whether you are performing a piece of Theatre in Education to an audience of school children or a piece of Shakespeare for an adult audience.

COURSE CONTENT

You will get an excellent grounding in Acting technique, performance styles and stagecraft. You will complement these with an understanding of the processes of performance intrinsically tied into your development as a performer. To enable you to function as a performer you will learn and develop technical aspects of theatre alongside complimentary skills such a stage combat. Homework or private study is required.

MODULES

- The Performing Arts Industry
- Professional Development
- Acting 1
- Voice and Speech for Actors
- Acting for Camera
- Movement for Actors
- Devising Theatre and Performance
- Stagecraft

PROGRESSION

Students that wish to continue their studies in the Performing Arts would be eligible to progress onto a Higher National Diploma (HND). Upon successful completion of this course students will have the knowledge base and experience to move directly into the industry either by forming/joining a touring theatre company or auditioning for professional work. Students that complete this course will, by its nature, become excellent communicators. This will provide a variety of options for a successful student. Along with progressing into the acting industry as a performer you will have skills that are transferable into the many and varied areas of the entertainment industry.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full time) £3045 (part time).

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

There is no end exam as such on this course. Instead, you will continuously be developing a range of evidence drawn from practical through to knowledge based experiences such as projects and performances. A wide range of assessments reflecting the nature of the different types of skills being developed will therefore be used. These may include: performances, evaluations, logbooks, presentations, essays, recordings and observations.

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 4 HNC in Performing Arts (Acting) (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

TBC

Photography HNC



🕒 1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 4

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- UCAS Tariff: 72-96 points
- A level: DDD
- Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma: MMM
- GCSE Maths: Grade C/4
- GCSE English Language: Grade C/4 Functional skills Level 2 Maths and English
- No international applications

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Are you a creative problem solver that likes to create innovative solutions to photographic problems? If so this course is for you. The course is taught by experienced professional photographers, artists and designers. The curriculum is further enhanced by a wide range of visiting speakers, trips and visits.

COURSE CONTENT

The course encourages students to work on a wide variety of projects, to develop a portfolio that is as unique as they are. Exploratory projects happily sit alongside commercially based work. Live work and competition work is a key element of the curriculum. The college's photographic studios have been created to industry standards and the studios are equipped with Macs and PCs with the full Adobe Creative Cloud. You can also access, our traditional print room, darkroom and other media facilities. Self-directed study is required and the programme is portfolio assessed.

MODULES

- Professional Development
- Contextual Studies
- Individual Project
- Techniques and Practices
- Communication in Art & Design
- Lighting for Photography
- Photographic Practices
- Communication in Art & Design

PROGRESSION

You can progress to the HND Diploma in Photography (TOP-UP) (Pearson) at Walsall College or to the second year of an honours degree, depending on the match of the HNC units to the degree course in question. Employment or self employment.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full time) £3045 (part time)

Students have access to darkroom facilities including black and white chemicals, as well as paper and film. Cameras and photography equipment are available for short term loan. However, it is recommended you purchase your own camera, laptop and additional equipment. Students are able to use the latest Adobe packages at the College as well as via home access to be able to use from home. Students may need to pay for trips/visits - to be confirmed at a later date.

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

100% coursework (subject to qualification updates and assessment regulation)

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 4 HNC Diploma in Art and Design (Photography) (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

W640

Photography HND (TOP-UP)



🕒 1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 5

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- UCAS Tariff: 120 credits from completed Pearson HNC Photography or HNC Art and Design (Merit Grade)
- GCSE Maths: Grade C/4
- GCSE English Language: Grade C/4 Functional skills Level 2 Maths and English
- No international applications

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Top-up your achievement to HND level, developing and exploring your studies further with this natural progression from the HNC Photography course. Students build on their prior learning to explore advanced design projects. Live/competition work is a major part of the programme. The course culminates in a negotiated final major project and exhibition.

COURSE CONTENT

The course will provide opportunities to develop your ability to interpret client briefs as well as express a personal vision through exploration of ideas and areas of specific interest. It will also encourage you to develop your creative skills across the various photographic and design mediums. Self-directed study is required which is portfolio assessed.

MODULES

- Professional Practice
- Applied Practice Collaborative Project
- Advance Photographic Studies
- Styling
- Conceptual Practice
- Art direction

PROGRESSION

You can progress on to a second or third year of a degree or honours degree at university, depending on the match of the HND units to the degree course in question. Employment or self employment.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full time) £3045 (part time).

Students have access to darkroom facilities including black and white chemicals, as well as paper and film. Cameras and photography equipment are available for short term loan. However, it is recommended you purchase your own camera, laptop and additional equipment. Students are able to use the latest Adobe packages at the College as well as via home access to be able to use from home. Students may need to pay for trips/visits - to be confirmed at a later date.

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

100% coursework (subject to qualification updates and assessment regulation)

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 5 HND Diploma in Art and Design (Photography) (TOP-UP) (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

046W

PUBLIC SERVICES

Want to push your career forward with the skills that count? Whether you want to build on your qualifications or you already work in public services like the armed forces, emergency services or prison service, or in health or social care, or early years, we're here to help you boost your career.

Our Higher Education qualifications are the career-focused route to valuable personal and professional development. Whatever your goals, we'll support you all the way.

University Level Courses

Public Services (Blue Light Services) HNC

Public Services (Blue Light Services) HND

Public Services (Crime and Criminal Justice) HNC

Example Careers

- Armed Forces
 - Customs Officer
 - Firefighter
 - Immigration Officer
 - Police Officer
 - Prison Officer
 - Security Officer
 - Justice Services
 - Probation Officer
 - Criminal Intelligence Analyst
- and many more...**

Public Services (Blue Light Services) HNC

🕒 1 year full-time

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 4

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- A Levels or equivalent related Level 3 qualification.
- Level 2 Functional Skills/GCSE Grade 4 in English and maths.
- Relevant work experience will be considered.
- All applicants will require an initial assessment and interview.
- Please apply through UCAS for full-time.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

This qualification in public services is aimed at students wanting to continue their education through applied learning. This course provides a wide-ranging study of public services and are designed for students who wish to pursue or advance their career in the public services. In addition to the knowledge, understanding and skills that underpin the study of public services, this programme in public services will give students experience of the breadth and depth of the sector that will prepare them for further study or training.

COURSE CONTENT

At Level 4 students will study a total of eight units and develop a broad knowledge and awareness of key aspects of public services through four core units, which will include one unit assessed by a set assignment. Students will also have the opportunity to select a general or specialist pathway. Those students selecting a specialist pathway undertake two specialist units, plus two optional units.

MODULES

Mandatory units

- Organisational Structures and Culture
- Mental Health and Wellbeing
- Equality, Diversity and Fair Treatment
- Public Services in Contemporary Society (Pearson-set)

Specialist units

- Community Engagement
- Responding to Emergencies

Optional units

- Terrorism and Counter-terrorism
- Small-scale Research Project in Public Services

PROGRESSION

You can progress to the HND Diploma in Public Services (Blue Light Services) (TOP-UP) (Pearson) at Walsall College or to the second year of an honours degree, depending on the match of the HNC units to the degree course in question. Employment or self employment.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full time)

Our curriculum has previously organised off-site optional trips to include, London, Outdoor Centres and a residential trip abroad. The cost of such activities can range from £10 - £1000 but are not course-mandated and remain entirely optional for students. Students may choose to purchase a course text book at approximately £30.

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

A selection of written reports; presentations and practical tasks.

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 4 HNC Diploma in Public Services (Blue light Services) (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

PS20

Public Services (Blue Light Services) HND

🕒 1 year full-time

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 5

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- A-Levels or equivalent related Level 3 qualification
- Relevant work experience will be considered
- All applicants will require an initial assessment and interview
- Successful completion you can progress from the BTEC Level 4 Higher National Certificate in Public Services (Blue Light Services).

WHY CHOOSE IT?

This qualification in public services is aimed at students wanting to continue their education through applied learning. This course provides a wide-ranging study of public services and are designed for students who wish to pursue or advance their career in the public services. In addition to the knowledge, understanding and skills that underpin the study of public services, this programme in public services will give students experience of the breadth and depth of the sector that will prepare them for further study or training.

COURSE CONTENT

At Level 5 students will study a total of eight units and develop a broad knowledge and awareness of key aspects of public services through four core units, which will include one unit assessed by a set assignment. Students will also have the opportunity to select a general or specialist pathway. Those students selecting a specialist pathway undertake two specialist units, plus two optional units.

MODULES

Mandatory units

- Research Project
- Reflective Professional Practice
- Critical Infrastructure Protection
- Blue Light Collaboration
- Management of an Outdoor Event
- Expedition Planning
- Justice, Punishment and Rehabilitation
- Serious and Organised Crime

PROGRESSION

The Level 5 Higher National Diploma allows students to specialise by committing to specific career paths and progression routes to degree-level study. On successful completion of the Level 5 Higher National Diploma, students can develop their careers in the public services sector through:

- Entering employment
- Continuing existing employment
- Committing to Continuing Professional Development (CPD)
- Progressing to university.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £6000 (full time)

Our curriculum has previously organised off-site optional trips to include London, Outdoor Centres and a residential trip abroad. The cost of such activities can range from £10 - £1000 but are not course-mandated and remain entirely optional for students. Students may choose to purchase a course text book at approximately £30.

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

A selection of Written report, presentation and practical tasks.

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

Pearson BTEC Level 5 Higher National Diploma in Public Services (Blue Light Services)

UCAS CODE

PS21

Public Services (Crime and Criminal Justice) HNC



🕒 1 year full-time, 2 days per week (13 hours)

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 4

🏆 Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- A Levels or equivalent related Level 3 qualification
- Relevant work experience will be considered
- All applicants will require an initial assessment and interview
- Level 2 Functional Skills / Grade 4 in English and Maths

WHY CHOOSE IT?

This qualification in Public Services (Crime and Criminal Justice) is aimed at students wanting to continue their education and training through applied learning. This course is suitable for individuals who wish to join the public services, specifically in Crime and Criminal Justice. It provides a wide-range of study within the Crime and Criminal Justice discipline and is designed for students who wish to pursue or advance their career in the public services. In addition to the knowledge, understanding and skills that underpin the study of public services (Crime and Criminal Justice), students will further experience the breadth and depth of the sector that will prepare them for advanced study or training.

MODULES

Core units

- Unit 1 Organisational Structures and Culture
 - Unit 2 Mental Health and Wellbeing
 - Unit 3 Equality, Diversity and Fair Treatment
 - Unit 4 Public Services in Contemporary Society (Pearson-set)
- Specialist units

Mandatory Unit (Crime and Criminal Justice)

- Unit 6 Terrorism and Counter-terrorism
- Unit 7 Law and Legal Systems
- Unit 8 Crime Reduction and Community Safety
- Unit 12 Responding to Emergencies

PROGRESSION

The Level 4 Higher National Certificate provides a solid grounding in public services and provides an opportunity for specialism, which students can build on should they decide to continue their studies beyond the certificate stage.

On successful completion of the Level 4 Higher National Certificate, students can develop careers in the (Crime and Criminal Justice) sector through:

- entering employment
- continuing onto the Level 5 Higher National Diploma in Public Services (HND)

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course are: £5900 (full time)

Field Trips

- Visit Crown courts
- One international field trip either New York (9/11) or Poland (Auschwitz) depending on the year and units delivered.

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

These are some of the main types of assessment:

- written reports, essays
- in-class tests
- creation of planning documents
- work-based projects
- academic posters, displays, leaflets
- PowerPoint (or similar) presentations
- recordings of interviews/role play
- working logbooks, reflective journals
- presentations with Assessor questioning

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

Pearson BTEC Level 4 Higher National Certificate in Public Services (Crime and Criminal Justice)

UCAS CODE

PS22



SERVICES TO PEOPLE

SPORT AND HOSPITALITY

Are you a budding hotel manager or a sports coach? Whether you're keen to focus on a hospitality and catering career or want to boost your sports knowledge, we're here to help.

Our HI:ED courses can give you the expertise and management skills to take your career to the next level.

University Level Courses

Sport HNC

Hospitality Management HNC

Hospitality Management HND (TOP-UP)

Example Careers

- Catering Manager
- Food & Beverage Manager
- Front of House Manager
- Guest Services Manager
- Head Chef
- Hotel Manager
- Operations Manager
- Leisure management
- Sports Coaching
- Community Sports
- Development
- Sports Development Officer
- Outdoor Educational Professional

and many more...

Sport HNC



🕒 1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 4

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 2 GCSEs Grade c/4 or above including English and Maths and a related Level 3 qualification.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

This course is for those that would like to pursue a career within the sports sector, providing experiences across the sport sector that prepares you for further study or training.

COURSE CONTENT

BTEC Level 4 HNC in Sport (Pearson) provides a specialist work related programme of study that covers the knowledge, understanding and skills that underpin the study of the Sport.

MODULES

- Physical Activity, Lifestyle and Health
- The Sport Landscape
- Project Management
- Activity Leadership
- Inclusive Sport
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Technology in Sport
- Work Exposure
- Coaching Practice & Skill Development

PROGRESSION

You can progress onto the BTEC Level 5 HND Diploma in Sport (TOP-UP) (Pearson)

FEE

For the academic year 2023/2024 tuition fees for this course are:
£6000 (full time)
£3045 (part time)

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

100% coursework - Assessment is continuous and is based on assignments, group projects, lectures, workshops and summative and formative tasks.

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

Level 4 HNC in Sport

UCAS CODE

088C

Hospitality Management HNC



🕒 1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 4

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- UCAS Tariff: 72 - 80 points
- A level: DDD
- Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma: MMP
- GCSE Maths – grade D/3
- GCSE English Language– grade D/3 Functional skill Level 2 Maths and English
- No international applications

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Looking for a career in hospitality management? Have an interest in the events industry? Want to advance your kitchen management skills?

Our course will give you the essential skills every manager within the industry needs. This course offers you the opportunity to study subjects that reflect the challenging diversity of the hospitality and events industry, allowing you to examine the related aspects of business, events and catering management.

COURSE CONTENT

We understand precisely what employers are looking for and meet regularly with our employer advisory board to ensure our courses are current and up to date ensuring you will be industry ready. The course is designed to cover a wide range of businesses and establishments, including: deluxe hotels and restaurants, designer bars, contractors for events, specialist catering for sporting events, budget hotels, pubs and nightclubs. Plus applicants are guaranteed a work placement.

MODULES

- Contemporary Hospitality Industry
- Managing the Customer Experience
- Professional Identity and Practice
- The Hospitality Business Toolkit
- Leadership and Management for Service Industries
- Managing Conference and Events
- International Gastronomy
- Work Experience

PROGRESSION

You can progress to the HND Diploma in Hospitality Management (TOP-UP) (Pearson) at Walsall College or to the second year of an honour's degree, depending on the match of the HNC units to the degree course in question. Employment or self-employment.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/2024 tuition fees for this course are:
£6000 (full-time)
£3045 (part-time)

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

100% coursework (subject to qualification updates and assessment regulation)

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 4 HNC Diploma in Hospitality Management (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

099N

Hospitality Management HND (TOP-UP)



🕒 1 year full-time, 2 years part-time

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 5

Awarding Body: Pearson

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- UCAS Tariff: 120 credits from completed Pearson HNC Hospitality Management (RQF).
- GCSE Maths: Grade D/3.
- GCSE English Language: Grade D/3 Functional skill Level 2 Maths and English.
- No international applications.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Ready to take it to the next level? This course is the natural progression from the HNC Hospitality - developing your studies to top-up your achievement to HND level.

COURSE CONTENT

What are the burning issues in hospitality management today? Get a truly current picture of the industry - and the skills to forge a successful management career in this rewarding business. Our broad perspective includes units on developing as a manager, operations management, the external business environment and performing a business health check.

We understand precisely what employers are looking for – and meet regularly with our advisory board to ensure what we are offering on our courses are current and up to date with industry and our courses are set out to teach you so you are industry ready.

MODULES

- Research project (Pearson Set)
- Hospitality Consumer Behaviour and insight
- Managing and Planning an event
- Hospitality Supply chain management
- Menu Development, Planning and design
- Creative Kitchen Management
- Food Innovation

PROGRESSION

You can progress to the second or third year of a degree or honours degree, depending on the match of the HND units to the degree course in question. Employment or self employment.

FEE

For the academic year 2023/2024 tuition fees for this course are:
£6000 (full-time)
£3045 (part-time)

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

100% coursework as well as organising a practical event. Work based experience unit requires students to have either a part time job or experience of employment within the hospitality sector.

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

BTEC Level 5 HND Diploma in Hospitality Management (TOP-UP) (Pearson)

UCAS CODE

0995

Additional Fees and Charges

£10 learner pass



Harry Hurmson

🎓 **Studied:** Level 1 Hospitality, Level 2 and Level 3 Professional Cookery, HNC and HND Hospitality Management

👩 **Progression:** Commis-Chef at The Littleton

As a temporary chef at The Littleton, Harry is currently rotating his way through different sections of the kitchen each month.

"I know The Littleton really well having been on placements here," said Harry. "Even so, the menu changes regularly, so I need to be ready for anything new."

Studying a university-level qualification is helping Harry's professional development as well.

Speaking about his HND courses, Harry added: "The college is brilliant at teaching you how to stay on top of your game when it comes to new ideas and techniques.

"It's why I chose to come here. I'd spoken to other people who had studied here, so I knew the hospitality courses had a good reputation. It's definitely lived up to it."



TEACHER TRAINING

Open up your career options with further education teaching qualifications and you'll never look back. Develop your teaching skills and advance your career in this rewarding, exciting field. Gaining a qualification in FE teaching is a smart career move - you could teach full-time, part-time or combine it with your current career for variety, flexibility and another string to your bow. Teaching in FE is a fantastic and rewarding experience where every week is different, and your students could be aged from 14-19 or 14-90.

University Level Courses

Diploma in Education and Training
Postgraduate Certificate in Education

Example Careers

- Assessor
 - Community Education Coordinator
 - Further Education Lecturer
 - Skills for Life Teacher
 - Teacher
 - Training Manager
- and many more...



Diploma in Education and Training (Post-Compulsory Education & Training)

🕒 2 years part-time

🏠 Wismore Campus | 📊 Level 5

🏆 Awarding Body: Birmingham City University

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

All candidates will be required to attend a pre-course interview and provide proof of qualifications.

Set entry requirements include:

- Level 2 English and Level 2 maths qualifications (You can work towards achieving a maths qualification at level 2 whilst undertaking your training).
- Level 3 (or above) qualification in the subject you currently teach or wish to teach
- Completion of initial assessments in Maths, English and ICT
- Teaching practice of 150 hours over the two years that consists of teaching students who are studying accredited qualifications (Paid or voluntary)
- Commitment and support from a subject specific mentor.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

The Diploma in Education and Training (DET) in Post-Compulsory Education is a 120-credit, two-year, part-time, well-established programme leading to a recognised qualification for teaching in the Further Education & Skills sector. The course is delivered as a partner college of Birmingham City University (BCU), who validate and quality assure the programme.

The course is aimed at those wishing to teach in post-16 and adult education. The scope and range of the teaching qualification is considerable and provides opportunities for teaching in colleges, schools, sixth form centres, adult education departments, vocational centres, training agencies and offender learning (prison education).

Students must undertake a minimum of 150 hours of teaching practice with post-16 learners over the two years. (Post-14 will be considered if the students are working towards accredited qualifications). These teaching hours can be on a paid or voluntary basis (placement) but please note, you will be required to confirm that you have access to these hours before enrolling to the course.

All students register both with the College and BCU and therefore can access the learning resources available at both providers.

COURSE CONTENT

Course content includes understanding roles, responsibilities and relationships in the FE & Skills sector, creating and planning for a safe and inclusive teaching and learning environment, assessing learning, developing literacy, numeracy and ICT skills, classroom management, theories and principles of assessment, learning theories, equality and diversity in the curriculum, curriculum planning and design, history and scope of the Lifelong Learning Sector and policy initiatives within the Lifelong Learning sector.

MODULES

- The Professional Development of Teaching Practice (Level 5)
- Effective Classroom Practice (Level 5)
- Investigating Practice (Level 5)
- Inclusive Teaching and Learning Practice (Level 5)

PROGRESSION

BA (Hons) Education and/or QTLS

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course is: Diploma in Education and Training £2250.00 per year (£4500 in total) You can apply for a HE Loan via Student Finance England to cover your tuition fees.

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

- Coursework
- Essays
- Presentations
- Video Blog
- Research project
- Lesson observations

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

Diploma in Education and Training (Birmingham City University)



These work-based qualifications are aimed at learners who are employed in suitable roles within the Early Years Sector, schools or colleges:

NCFE Cache Level 4 Certificate for the Advanced Practitioner in Schools and Colleges

This Level 4 qualification aims to provide professional development opportunities for practitioners working in the school and college workforce. It will build on the wealth of experience, proven knowledge and skills of the learner in a teaching and learning environment.

NCFE Cache Level 4 Certificate for the Early Years Advanced Practitioner

This qualification aims to provide professional development opportunities for practitioners working in the early years workforce at Level 3 and will embrace the wealth of experience of the Level 3 early years workforce, and challenge students in both their daily practice and theoretical understanding.



Postgraduate Certificate in Education (Post-Compulsory Education & Training)



🕒 2 years part-time

🏠 Wismore Campus 📊 Level 7

🏆 Awarding Body: Birmingham City University

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

All candidates will be required to attend a pre-course interview and provide proof of qualifications.

Set entry requirements include:

- Level 2 English and Level 2 maths qualifications
- A degree qualification in the subject you currently teach or wish to teach
- Completion of initial assessments in Maths, English and ICT
- Teaching practice of 150 hours over the two years that consists of teaching students who are studying accredited qualifications (Paid or voluntary)
- Commitment and support from a subject specific mentor.

WHY CHOOSE IT?

Are you a lecturer or teacher, currently working in post-compulsory education? Or are you thinking about a change of career into FE teaching? Do you have a university level qualification in the subject you currently teach or intend to teach? The Postgraduate Certificate in Education in Post-Compulsory Education and Training (PGCE PCET) provides training for those people who aspire to, or hold, a teaching role with an extensive range of teaching or training responsibilities, including those in more than one context. The course is validated and quality assured by and delivered in partnership with Birmingham City University and is designed specifically to develop you as a teacher in this rewarding field.

There is a requirement for a minimum of 150 hours of teaching practice so you will need to be teaching or be able to secure a teaching placement, which you will need to confirm before enrolling to the course.

The Postgraduate Certificate in Education (Level 7) is for anyone teaching or interested in teaching in a Further Education and Skills setting (primarily post-16 although post-14 will be considered if the students are working towards recognised qualifications). You can be teaching in all subject areas including engineering, science, construction, sport science, maths, English, social sciences, languages, SEND, retail, hospitality and catering, leisure and tourism, business, IT, learning technologies, childcare, healthcare and art and design.

By undertaking this course, you will be joining a Community of Practice underpinned by a strong culture of teaching, learning and critical enquiry and as you will register both with the College and BCU, you will be able to access the learning resources available at both providers.

COURSE CONTENT

Course content includes understanding roles, responsibilities and relationships in the FE & Skills sector, creating and planning for a safe and inclusive teaching and learning environment, assessing learning, developing literacy, numeracy and ICT skills, classroom management, theories and principles of assessment, learning theories, equality and diversity in the curriculum, curriculum planning and design, history and scope of the Lifelong Learning Sector and policy initiatives within the Lifelong Learning sector.

MODULES

- The Professional Journey of Teaching Practice (Level 7)
- Effective Teaching, Learning and Assessment in the Classroom (Level 7)
- Practice Based Enquiry (Level 7)
- Analysis of Inclusive Learning Practice (Level 7)

PROGRESSION

Masters in Education and/or QTLS

FEE

For the academic year 2023/24 tuition fees for this course is: Postgraduate Certificate in Education and Training £4500 per year (£9000 in total)

You can apply for a HE Loan via Student Finance England to cover your tuition fees.

START DATE

September 2023

METHOD OF ASSESSMENT

- Coursework
- Essays
- Presentations
- Video Blog
- Research project
- Lesson observations

QUALIFICATION OBTAINED

Postgraduate Certificate in Education and Training (Birmingham City University)



HIGHER APPRENTICESHIPS/ WORK-BASED QUALIFICATIONS



Higher Apprenticeships/Work-based Qualifications are work based learning programmes. They give staff in a range of industries the opportunity to learn practical, work-related tasks to help them develop the skills and knowledge to progress in their role and gain a university level qualification.

These qualifications have been designed in line with recognised skills shortages and in collaboration with businesses, to enable the UK workforce to meet future challenges.

Learning can take place in the workplace as well as college and our industry experienced assessors will guide learners through the qualification, enabling them to gain the technical knowledge and professional skills required to develop in their roles.

Higher Apprenticeships on offer*

- Professional Accounting/Taxation Technician Level 4
- Lead Practitioner in Adult Care Level 4
- Operations/Departmental Manager Level 5

*Courses subject to change, correct at time of print

DID YOU KNOW...

Higher Apprenticeships are a great alternative to university. You will also receive training (on-and off-the-job), a salary and the opportunity to really start moving your career forward. All without paying hefty tuition fees or running up student debts!

Call our apprenticeships team on **01922 651129** for more information
email: jobshop@walsallcollege.ac.uk
or visit www.walsallcollege.ac.uk



Bal Lelli

Studied: Chartered Manager Degree Apprenticeship Standard

Progression: Assistant Directorate Manager at The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust

The Chartered Manager Degree Apprenticeship is the most recent step in Bal Lelli's 10-year learning journey which has taken her from Level 3 to Level 6 studies. It is this degree which she says has been the making of her as manager to 80 staff across The Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust's patient services teams.

"With the help of the degree, I've managed pressurised situations, purely because I've been equipped to deal with them; including making to-do lists, self-reflecting at the end each working day and encouraging my team to feel empowered within their roles.

"Learning about different leadership styles and when to use particular ones, such as being autocratic or transactional has benefited me too."

"I always come into work feeling motivated and think my teams feel this way too."

USEFUL CONTACTS AND SUPPORT

Support

All the help you need

What's the first thing that people notice here at Walsall College? Invariably, it's our welcoming and friendly atmosphere. Because giving you the best possible experience when you study here is crucial to us. Whether that's a safe environment to thrive in - we're committed to making sure that all our students are kept safe from harm, such as neglect, bullying or abuse.

Or providing additional support to students with disabilities and learning difficulties - as these needn't stand in the way of you achieving your goals. We've got excellent facilities and resources to support all our students.

Counselling

Our free personal counselling service can help you cope with any personal difficulties whilst you study with us, to speak to our counsellor please arrange an appointment by calling **01922 657000**.

Stay Safe

- If you're worried for yourself or someone else, contact us at: safeguardingteam@walsallcollege.ac.uk

Students with disabilities

- Apply for Disabled Students Allowance (DSA) at: www.gov.uk/disabled-students-allowances-dsas/overview
- Talk in confidence to our Inclusive Support Team on **01922 657093** or **01922 688536**
- For interpreting support for deaf students, contact **01922 688415** or **01922 657052**

Useful Contacts

Course advice

Our impartial Information, Advice & Guidance Team are here to discuss the best options available to you. Contact our Guidance Team to discuss your options on **01922 657000**.

Financial advice

- To find out what financial help may be available to you, talk to our Information, Advice & Guidance Team on: **01922 657000**
- Find out more at: www.gov.uk/student-finance
- Find out more about Advanced Learner Loans see: www.walsallcollege.ac.uk/financial-help or email our Student Support Team on admissionsandfinance@walsallcollege.ac.uk

Students' Union

- Find out more at: www.walsallcollege.ac.uk
- Email: studentsunion@walsallcollege.ac.uk

Disclaimer

Our prospectus and college documents are simply here to offer a guide. We accept no liability for any inaccurate statements and are not responsible for any negative outcomes if you rely on an inaccurate statement. When you sign forms and accept a place at the College, you agree to abide by College rules and any changes made to them, and accept that we have the right to reject applicants. You also accept that there are certain circumstances that could prevent us from providing some services or programmes. These are: low class numbers; severe weather conditions; severe damage to buildings; circumstances which may affect the health and safety of staff and/or students, or any other relevant circumstances outside the reasonable control of the College. In these cases, we reserve the right to withdraw any programmes or service. If we close the course within four weeks of the start date, we will give you a full refund. Please refer to the College fees policy (available on the college website) for advice regarding refunds.

Data Protection

The information you provide will be used for administration, planning and management of your education and administering of student and College funding.

It will be passed to the Chief Executive of Skills Funding ("the Skills Funding Agency"). Where necessary, it will also be shared with the Department for Education, including the Education Funding Agency.

The information is used for the exercise of functions of these government departments and to meet statutory responsibilities, including under the

Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009, and to create and maintain a unique learner number (ULN) and a Personal Learning Record (PLR). The information you provide may also be shared with awarding bodies for the purpose of verifying your course work and other organisations for education, training, employment and well-being related purposes, including for research.

You may be contacted after you have completed your programme of learning, if you do not wish to be contacted you can opt out by contacting the Data Protection Team on dataprotection@walsallcollege.ac.uk

Further information about use of and access to your personal data, and details of organisations with which we regularly share data are available at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/sfa-privacy-notice>

We may share your information upon request with the Police where knowledge of or involvement with a crime is suspected. We may also use information in order to comply with our legal obligations under the Freedom of Information Act.

All information provided will be dealt with in accordance to the College's Data Protection Policy and at no time will your personal information be passed to other organisations for marketing or sales purposes.

The College's full Privacy Notice and Data Protection Policy can be found at: www.walsallcollege.ac.uk/corporate/show/data-protection. If you require any guidance on this Privacy Notice please contact dataprotection@walsallcollege.ac.uk

OUR CAMPUSES



Wisemore Campus

This campus includes fully-fitted areas for the study of business, creative arts, health, public services and computing. There is also a performance area, a hair and beauty training salon and a nursery.

Littleton Street West, Walsall, WS2 8ES. 01922 657000



Green Lane Campus

This campus is the centre for construction and engineering. Modelled on industry standards, the centre has simulated workshop areas for trades, including painting and decorating, brickwork and carpentry.

Long Acre Street, Walsall, WS2 8EX. 01922 657000



The Hub

Whether you need a great restaurant to meet up with friends, a gym and fitness classes, a meeting space, team sports in the sports hall or business training, The Hub is open to students and the general public.

Littleton Street West, Walsall, WS2 8ES. 01922 657000



Broadway Campus

Our Broadway campus is an exclusive space just for Music students. Set in a listed building with its own grounds and just off Wisemore Campus, students have access to state of the art instruments to enable them to perfect their musical talents.

Littleton Street West, Walsall, WS2 8ES. 01922 657000



Hawbush Campus

Based in Leamore, this campus offers a variety of courses for 19+ Adults and Supported Learners including Maths, English, ICT, Horticulture & Gardening, Health & Social Care and Childcare, and many more.

Beeches Road, Leamore, Walsall, WS3 1HB. 01922 688808



Digital Engineering Skills Centre (DESC)

Our £2m centre includes the latest equipment to meet the needs of the engineering and construction industries. These include 3D printing technologies, robotics, industry 4.0 technologies, programmable logic controllers, CNC machines and high specification computers for industrial design processes.

Portland Street, Walsall, WS2 8AB. 01922 657000

Bringing talent to life...



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