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We all have ambitions in life and at Furness College we offer each individual a way to achieve their goals with a course for every learner

As the largest provider of education and skills training in the county, we have the biggest choice of qualifications across our world-class £47million Channelside campus and specialist sixth form at Rating Lane. Here, excellent teaching and outstanding links with our many employer partners come as standard.

From professional and technical courses, such as CTECs, BTECs, new T Levels and apprenticeships, through to a range of more than 20 A Level subjects and higher education courses, if you come with a can-do attitude you will succeed with our support.

Our latest Ofsted inspection praised our strong outcomes for students and excellent links with employers leading to good job prospects, as well as our caring culture, and we were rated as good. We are one of the first colleges in the country to hold chartered status recognising us as a leading national performer for further education.

We have also launched the South Cumbria Multi-Academy Trust with founding partner Chetwynde. Vickerstown and Ormsgill schools have also joined the trust, we understand what pupils are looking for from their post-16 education. In addition to curriculum developments, there has been significant investment recently across both of our fantastic main campuses at Channelside and Rating Lane so the quality of the learning environment can match our excellent teaching.

In its leafy environment at Rating Lane, the sixth form has a university feel and a solid reputation for academic excellence. Our experience shows that whatever your GCSE grades, you will go on to achieve better A Level results with us. Our Channelside campus provides outstanding technical and vocational facilities, recognised as state-of-the-art by the employers with whom we work.

We also offer a range of extra-curricular opportunities including trips, sports, clubs, guest speakers, work experience and volunteering opportunities to get involved in community life. If you are interested in future leadership roles, you could become a student representative or student governor.

We hope that you will visit us soon at one of our open evenings and taster days where you can talk to staff and students and have a look around our superb facilities.

If you want to achieve your ambitions, we say 'of course you can' and we will help you every step of the way.

I look forward to meeting you.

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Professor Andrew Wren

Principal and Chief Executive



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DFN PROJECT SEARCH

SUPPORTED INTERNSHIPS

The supported internship programme has been developed in partnership with Project Search and University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS Trust, our host employer.

The programme is aimed at young people aged 18-24 with an EHCP who aspire to paid employment. Working with a tutor and a Job Coach you will have the opportunity to learn and practice essential skills in a real working environment. You will also continue to develop the literacy and numeracy skills that you will need in the workplace.



Entry requirements

There are no formal entry requirements but your place must be commissioned by the local authority. You must also be highly motivated and have a desire to secure a job after the programme concludes.

Career opportunities

There is a likelihood that successful completion of the programme could lead to paid employment with the NHS. It is a real opportunity to show your skills and abilities to an employer.

Partnership

Sian Foster, DFN Project SEARCH Programme Specialist for the North of England, who met the students in the interview process said:

"It was with great pleasure that I had the opportunity to meet all the talented, successful Interns, for this exciting new DFN Project SEARCH programme. The prestigious partnership between University of Morecambe Bay NHS Foundation Trust, Furness College, Right2work, Inspira and Cumbria County Council, promises to be a standout partnership."



CRIMINOLOGY

An exciting new course that can lead to careers in the police, forensic science, criminal justice system or social work has been launched at sixth form by popular demand. The one-year Criminology qualification can be studied at sixth form alongside A Levels for students who want a head start in the subject at degree level or employment in related sectors.

Do you want to understand the mind of a criminal?

Criminology will get you thinking about a broad range of ideas and themes such as: what influences people to commit crimes, for example murder and people's fear and fascination with crime.

An understanding of criminology is relevant to many job roles within the criminal justice sector, social and probation work.



FIND OUT MORE AT
furness.ac.uk/courses/course-detail/course/level-3-applied-certificate-in-criminology

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CIVIL ENGINEERING

Are you looking to build a career in civil engineering?

Our new programme, in partnership with Lakes College, West Cumbria, will give you access to the most up-to-date facilities in the country while you study. Students will learn in the classrooms at the £47million Channelside campus with our specialist tutors and enjoy study visits to the new multi-million-pound civil engineering centre at Lakes College to perfect their practical skills.

Construction is a very important global industry and is worth £90 billion annually to the UK economy. At technician level and beyond, there is a diverse range of career pathways, with established professional entry and development routes in civil engineering, building services engineering, design/architecture and construction supervision/management. Currently, qualified construction technicians, managers and professionals are highly sought after in the UK industry, with demand for a greater number of professionals to implement and lead low-carbon and sustainable building projects in an efficient, cost-effective way.



FIND OUT MORE AT
furness.ac.uk/courses/course-detail/course/btec-level-3-national-diploma-in-civil-engineering/



Whatever your age, turn your hand to an Apprenticeship with Furness College



Whatever your age and experience, we have an apprenticeship ready and waiting for you:

Post-16 Apprenticeship
(After GCSEs)

Higher Apprenticeship
(After Level 3)

Degree Apprenticeship
(Post Level 3 or Higher Apprenticeship)

Vacancies available across:

Accounting to **Applied Science**
Business to **Beauty and Barbering**
Construction to **Customer Services**
Management to **Motor Vehicle**

Early Years Education to **Engineering**
Hairdressing to **Health and Social Care**
Information Technology
Retail and **Team Leading**

See the website for full details
www.furness.ac.uk/apprenticeships



*Criteria applies, check www.furness.ac.uk for details

YOUR APPRENTICESHIP AT FURNESS COLLEGE

The latest apprenticeship reforms have extended the apprenticeship offer, with the opportunity to train at higher levels through an apprenticeship model.

As an apprentice at Furness College, you will have access to state-of-the-art technology and resources to support you throughout the duration of your apprenticeship.

Alongside this, you will be allocated a Recruitment and Development Coach who will provide you with the support you need to achieve the goals you have set.

Furness College delivers apprenticeships in the following areas:

- Accounting
- Barbering
- Business Administration
- Construction
- Early Years
- Hairdressing
- Information Technology
- Management and Team Leading
- Applied Science
- Beauty Therapy
- Catering and Hospitality
- Customer Services
- Engineering
- Health and Social Care
- Motor Vehicle
- Retail

An apprenticeship is made up of:

- Practical work-based training with your employer.
- Training to support the theory and knowledge of your vocational area.
- Where applicable, general skill qualifications in Maths and English

Every apprentice must be allocated 20% of their contracted working hours to carry out off-the-job training, which could include a number of different activities, from classroom learning at college and writing assignments, to shadowing work colleagues.

Am I eligible for an apprenticeship?

Whatever your age and experience, we have an apprenticeship ready and waiting for you. Apprenticeships are easily accessible to individuals of all ages - from young people wanting to carve out a career for themselves, to managers of large organisations who would like to further develop their knowledge and skills to take them to the next level of their career.

What are the entry requirements?

These are dependent on the sector and the criteria of some employers, but they are normally:

Apprentice Level 2

A minimum of four GCSEs at Grades 9-3, Grades A-E, or an equivalent qualification.

Advanced Apprenticeship Level 3

An Apprenticeship at Level 2 or other equivalent qualification.

Higher Level Apprenticeship Level 4

These depend on the subject area, and prior knowledge and experience.

Next steps

If you have an employer who would like to take you on as an apprentice, or you are yet to find an employer but are interested in an apprenticeship, please give our Business and Employment Support Team a call on **01229 844836**.

Did you know?

Managers and businesses can use an apprenticeship route to upskill themselves or their workforce. Furness College is continually adding to its apprenticeship offer, so please contact us on **01229 844836** if we don't currently offer an apprenticeship that meets your needs.



After getting my A Levels at Barrow Sixth Form, I took part in the Kickstart Scheme with my employer 17Sport, which has led to an apprenticeship. I really like breaking up my working week with a day in college and I've enjoyed making friends in my class. Everywhere needs business skills, so I can take these with me wherever I go in future. If you're not sure about what you want to do in future, that's ok, there's value in everything.



Marcus Salisbury

Course: **L3 Business Administrator Apprenticeship**
School: **St Bernard's**
Employer: **17Sport**



STUDY & SUPPORT

AT FURNESS COLLEGE

Learning Support

Our inclusion department provides a holistic approach to supporting our learners, enabling them to fulfil their true potential. Throughout their learning journey, students will be fully supported by a team of Specialist Mentors and Learning Support Assistants. Our staff are very experienced in working with students with learning difficulties, sensory impairments, physical difficulties and mental health needs. We are committed to removing barriers to learning and ensuring equal access to education for all.

Please ensure you let us know about your support needs so we can invite you to a confidential interview to discuss your personal support package.

Find out more about the support we can offer at: furness.ac.uk/being-a-student/learning-support/

The Importance of Maths & English

Research has found that almost every job requires competence in Maths and English and this is across the whole spectrum of employment opportunities, not just the perceived high flyer posts.

Therefore, every full-time learner aged 16 -19 years old who undertakes a programme of study at Furness College and has not achieved grade 4 or grade A* to C or above in Maths and/or English GCSE, must continue to work towards achieving these qualifications. If learners do not attend Maths and English classes as part of their studies, they are not eligible for funding and their place on their course is in jeopardy.

Find out more: furness.ac.uk/16-18/the-importance-of-maths-and-english/

Study Programme Essentials

Employers and universities nowadays expect potential employees to have good digital skills, be socially responsible and have a strong background in Maths and English so that they're perfectly equipped for the modern workplace.

To help support your employability and prospects here at Furness College, we include our Essentials course in your study programme. By working independently online, without a tutor, you will be able to demonstrate the skills that employers are looking for, such as employability skills, study skills, digital capabilities and personal development.

You will be supported by our experienced Learning Resources Team who will regularly review your progress.

QUALIFICATIONS EXPLAINED

Furness College offers qualifications from GCSEs to degrees with A Levels, apprenticeships, professional/technical courses, BTECs/CTECs and HNCs in between.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
Progression is based on aptitude and a successful interview

POSSIBLE COURSE OR PROGRESSION

BTEC/CTEC Level 3 Qualification
Advanced Apprenticeship
AS or A Levels
Advanced Diploma
NVQ 3

Level 4 Qualifications
Higher National Certificate (HNC)
NVQ 4
Higher/Degree Apprenticeship
Foundation Degree
Bachelor of Engineering
Teacher Training
University

Grades 4-9, (GCSEs A*-C)
Apprenticeship
BTEC/CTEC Level 2 Qualification
NVQ 2
Higher Diploma

BTEC/CTEC Level 3 Qualification
Advanced Apprenticeship
NVQ 3
Access (University Pathways)
AS/A Level

Grades 3-4, (GCSEs D-E)
Level 1 Qualifications
Foundation Diploma

BTEC/CTEC Level 2 Qualification
NVQ 2
GCSEs
Apprenticeship
Vocational GCSEs
Access (University Pathways)

Grades 1-3, (GCSEs F-G)
Entry Level 3 Programmes

Level 1 Qualifications

No requirements

Entry Level 3 Programmes

GCSE GRADING STRUCTURE

| | | |
|-------------------|---|----|
| 9 | ➤ | A* |
| 8 | | A |
| 7 | | |
| 6 | ➤ | B |
| 5 - Strong Pass | | C |
| 4 - Standard Pass | | |
| 3 | ➤ | D |
| 2 | | E |
| 1 | | F |
| | | G |

T Levels are the technical equivalent to 3 A Levels are studied after GCSEs and carry UCAS points for university degrees and higher apprenticeships!



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW AND WHEN TO APPLY, GO TO: furness.ac.uk/16-18/how-and-when-to-apply/

STUDY & SUPPORT

AT FURNESS COLLEGE



Personal Progress Coaches

You will be supported by a Personal Progress Coach who will work closely with the Student Services team. They will help you settle into college life, keep an eye on your attendance and academic progress and identify if you need any help.

Find out more at:
furness.ac.uk/being-a-student/student-services/



FIND OUT MORE AT
furness.ac.uk

Equality, Diversity and Safeguarding

Furness College sees you, the student, at its very heart. We are therefore committed to providing you with a secure environment that gives you all the support and guidance services you will need to make your time at Furness College an enjoyable and productive one.

Furness College regards safeguarding as an essential duty of all its staff. The College maintains an environment where students can feel secure and listened to, through its tutorial and pastoral systems.

Full copies of our Single Equality Scheme and Harassment, Bullying and Discrimination Policy and Procedure can be found on our website or obtained from Student Services.

Student Services

Student Services is open throughout the year to provide information, advice and guidance to current and prospective students on a whole range of issues. You can find us in Room 002 on the ground floor of the Copperbox at our Channelside campus and in Room 100 by Reception at our Rating Lane campus.

We can provide confidential, one-to-one appointments on the following topics:

- Admissions
- Financial support (please see below/over the page)
- Careers
- Personal support and wellbeing

Money Matters

If you think you may not be able to afford to study, there are a number of ways you may be able to get help.

Our Student Services team are able to discuss your individual circumstances and advise you on:

- Bursaries
- Student bursaries
- Adult bursaries
- Advanced learner loans
- Benefits
- University education fees

For the most up-to-date information, go to:
furness.ac.uk/being-a-student/financial-support/

Furness College Students' Union

Furness College Students' Union (FCSU) is run by students, for students. The Students' Union's goal is simple: to make student life better. FCSU represents all Furness College students and their needs, from sitting at decision-making tables in College to standing on national stages across the country. FCSU amplifies your voice and fights for your needs by organising events, offering support and guidance, campaigning for your rights and celebrating the diversity of Furness College's student body.

Find out more at:
furness.ac.uk/being-a-student/students-union/

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Work Hard, Play Hard

At Furness College, we encourage you to actively take part in the many extra-curricular opportunities on offer, such as National Citizen Service, Young Enterprise Scheme and a wide variety of sporting activities. All of them would make worthy additions to your CV or UCAS application to show universities or prospective employers that you have been prepared to step out of your comfort zone and take part.

Find out more at:
furness.ac.uk/being-a-student/work-hard-play-hard/



FINDING THE RIGHT PATH FOR YOU



CORE is an outreach programme available to 16-18 year olds based off-campus at College House in Barrow-in-Furness. The courses at CORE provide a variety of subjects and experiences to develop your skills and confidence guiding you towards the next stage of your education or employment.

You can enrol at CORE at any time in the year on one of a range of full and part-time courses.

What subjects will I study?

Time will be spent in on a variety of subjects that will enhance employability and independent living skills. There may also be the opportunity to access work experience. Each student will have an individual assessment to ensure that they are placed on to the appropriate level in maths and English.



FIND OUT MORE AT

furness.ac.uk/about/core

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

There are no formal entry requirements for CORE, only a willingness to learn and evidence of prior achievements/assessments showing an ability to work towards an Entry Level 3, Level 1 or Level 2 qualification(s).

LEVEL 1 INTRODUCTION

to Health and Social Care (Adults, Children and Young People).

LEVEL 1 DEVELOPING SKILLS

for Employment and Preparing for Work in a Practical Environment

LEVEL 1 EXPLORING EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

LEVEL 2 DEVELOPING EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS

WHAT OPPORTUNITIES WILL THIS LEAD TO?

A clear progression route will be identified for each learner in line with their own aspirations and abilities with regular careers information, advice and guidance.

Students may progress on to a full-time course, further training, an apprenticeship or employment.

Exploring Vocational Education

If you are not in education or employment, try our new Exploring Vocational Education programme to get you on the path to an exciting new career. You will enjoy a range of course experiences in our world-class facilities at our Channelside campus from hair and beauty to construction to find out what suits you. Whatever your age, this FREE, rolling 10-week programme will prepare you for employment, an apprenticeship or further study.

Email info@furness.ac.uk to find out more about the support we can offer.

Skills for Working Life

This full-time course provides a variety of subjects and experiences that will help to develop the student's skills and confidence, thus guiding them towards the next stage of their education or employment. The course has been designed for those who prefer a small class size and a supportive environment.

Time will be spent in practical and theory classes on a variety of activities that will enhance employability and independent living skills. Students will have the opportunity to study towards units in areas such as: Catering, Childcare, Hair and Beauty, ICT, Retail, Painting and Decorating, Carpentry and Joinery, Brickwork and Personal and Social Development. There will also be the opportunity to access work experience.

Entry Requirements

There are no formal entry requirements for this qualification, only a willingness to learn and prior achievements/assessments which show an ability to work towards an Entry Level 3 qualification.

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FIND OUT MORE AT

furness.ac.uk/courses/course-detail/course/skills-for-working-life

Adult Outreach

As Furness College's largest provider of adult courses, we are experienced and successful in providing our students with the skills they need to thrive in a range of careers. We offer a variety of courses to adults aged 19+, all aimed at enhancing employability or career progression.

You can blend classroom learning with online study to suit your situation and learning style. Our online classes are supported by regular 1:1 tutorials, so working at home doesn't mean working alone! Our in-class training is delivered at College House in Barrow and we offer a professional working environment that is also friendly and relaxed.

FIND OUT MORE AT

furness.ac.uk/adults/adult-outreach or call: 01229 841212

Free/Fully funded* Short Courses

These courses typically last 2-5 weeks

Digital

L1 Award in Digital Promotion for Business
L1 Award in Essential Digital Skills for Work and Life
L2 Certificate in IT User Skills

Retail and Customer Service

L1 Award in Retail Knowledge
L1 Certificate in Customer Service

Employability

L2 Leadership and Team Leading Skills
L2 Job Search and Employment Potential
L1 Managing your Money
L1 Awareness of Substance Misuse
L1 Developing Enterprise Skills
L1 Pre-tenancy Skills
L1 Health and Safety Awareness
L2 Equality and Diversity
L1 Alcohol Awareness
L1 Approaches to Wellbeing

Free/Fully funded* Courses

These courses typically last 12 weeks

Business Admin

Level 1 Certificate in Business Admin
Level 2 Certificate in Business Admin

Counselling Skills

L1 Helping Skills
L2 Counselling

Education and Health Care

L2 Support Work in Schools and Colleges
L2 Understanding Safeguarding and Prevent

CPD and Distance Learning

L2 Understanding Children and Young People's Mental Health
L1 Health and Safety Awareness
L2 Equality and Diversity
L2 Leadership and Team Leading Skills

T-LEVELS

DIGITAL PRODUCTION, DESIGN AND DEVELOPMENT

Learn the essentials behind all digital roles by understanding data and digital systems, how software and business interact, security, testing, planning and legal issues. You then build on this by developing specialist skills in understanding user needs and designing and developing digital systems.

COURSE LENGTH
2 YEARS
FULL-TIME

PROGRESSION

Opens doors to a digital degree and creative careers including design, development and digital production.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 5 GCSEs, three of which must be at grade 5 or above. Three of these at grade 5 or above must include maths, English and a computer related GCSE or equivalent. You will be required to attend an interview.

1 T LEVEL = **3** A LEVELS

WHAT YOU WILL ACHIEVE

- To be able to analyse a problem to define requirements and acceptance criteria aligned to user needs.
- Apply ethical principles and manage risks in line with legal and regulatory requirements when developing software.
- Discover, evaluate and apply reliable sources of knowledge.
- Design Software.
- Create solutions in a social and collaborative environment.
- Implement a solution using at least two appropriate languages.
- Testing a software solution
- Change, maintain and support software.
- Students will also need to achieve a minimum standard of English and maths; either GCSE grade 4 or above, or Level 2 Functional Skills



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furness.ac.uk/courses/course-detail/course/t-level-digital/

T-LEVELS

EDUCATION & CHILDCARE

PROGRESSION

The T Level allows progression onto University to do a Primary Teaching Degree and careers in education.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 and above, three of which need to be a grade 5 including maths and English. A grade 4 or above is needed in science to progress to degrees in primary teaching at university.

A clear enhanced DBS check is also necessary to enable you to work with children.

All 16-18-year olds applying for the course will be invited to attend an interview.

COURSE LENGTH
2 YEARS
FULL-TIME

Everyone studies a core curriculum of child development, how education works plus important topics like safeguarding and special educational needs.

The course is split into 2 components, core and specialism. You will learn subjects such as safeguarding, child development, supporting education, special educational needs and disability, you will plan, provide and review educational opportunities and support the class teacher to enhance children's education.

The course offers occupational specialism in supporting teaching in schools – assessed through coursework and observations in placement.

WHAT YOU WILL ACHIEVE

- Knowledge and understanding of legislation relating to education and childcare.
- How to work in collaboration with others e.g. parents/carers and other professionals.
- The importance of observation and assessment.
- Knowledge of the importance of safeguarding children and promoting emotional wellbeing.
- Demonstrate how to assist the teacher in enhancing children's learning.
- Demonstrate how to adapt teaching methods.

YOU CAN THEN FOCUS ON ONE OF THESE AREAS:

- Early years education and childcare (the industry placement for this specialism lasts a minimum of 750 hours, during which students are assessed in real work situations)
- Assisting teaching
- Supporting and mentoring students in further and higher education

"I want to teach, so I swayed towards the T Level as it is more suited to me. I always thought I'd teach and I'm hoping to teach Years 5/6. It's exciting that the T Level is a new qualification and the placement really appeals to me so I can get some hands-on learning. We've been learning about things such as curriculum, safeguarding and health and safety, so the T Level will supply me with the knowledge I need to give me a kickstart in my career. I'll also gain valuable experience and on-the-job skills."

LEO MYERSCOUGH

FROM: FURNESS ACADEMY
AMBITION: TEACHER
COURSE: T LEVEL IN EDUCATION AND CHILDCARE



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furness.ac.uk/courses/course-detail/course/t-level-education/

T-LEVELS ENGINEERING & MANUFACTURING

The T Level qualification is made up of the following:

Core Component – including essential mathematics for engineering and manufacturing, mechanical principles, project and programme management, working in the sector and professional responsibilities, attitudes and behaviours.

Occupational specialism – There will be two specialist pathways Mechanical Engineering or Electrical and Electronic Engineering these are assessed internally in the workplace and externally moderated.

Employer set project – work to a brief to plan, design and develop, externally assessed

There will be a 45 day or 315-hour industry placement with a national or local engineering company or facility.

COURSE LENGTH

**2 YEARS
FULL-TIME**

PROGRESSION

The course will offer you the opportunity to progress to University, Higher Apprenticeship or to our HNC programme at Furness College.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

5 GCSEs at grade 5 or above to include science with a grade 6 in Maths.

WHAT YOU WILL ACHIEVE

- Essential maths for engineering
- Mechanical principles
- Project management
- Professional responsibilities, attitudes and behaviours
- Engineering design principles
- Health & safety principles
- Electronic/Mechtronic principles

T-LEVELS HEALTH

PROGRESSION

Leads to progression into employment and/or University including all Nursing specialisms and Midwifery courses.

The T Level will allow progression to University to study for future NHS careers including Adult and Children's Nursing. There are over 350 careers in the Health and Social Care sector and you can progress to study in other areas such as Occupational Therapist, Radiographer and Physiotherapist

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 and above, three of which need to be a grade 5 including maths, English and science.

WHAT YOU WILL ACHIEVE

- To work to current legislation, policy and service frameworks.
- Ensure core values of care are adhered to when assisting the Nursing team with clinical tasks.
- Demonstrate the importance of effective communication in collaboration with members of the nursing team.
- Promote patient wellbeing in all aspects of clinical care.
- Understand and support risk assessments and escalate where appropriate.
- Demonstrate the correct use of equipment, resources and environment used in clinical tasks.

Your course starts with the essential knowledge and skills to work in health or science including how the industry works, core scientific concepts and key regulations including managing information, health and safety and good scientific/clinical practice.

The course offers an occupational specialism in Adult Nursing – assessed through coursework, skills development and professional discussions – and a bespoke NHS industry placement.

You can specialise in nursing or supporting healthcare.

If you choose supporting healthcare, you will focus on at least one of these areas:

- Adult nursing care
- Care of children and young people
- Mental health
- Midwifery
- Theatre
- Therapy



COURSE LENGTH
**2 YEARS
FULL-TIME**

"I'm looking forward to my placement hours at the hospital as I want a career in either midwifery or A&E. I've wanted to work in healthcare since I was little. It's important to me that I have a career where I can help people. The COVID-19 pandemic made me even more willing to go into healthcare as we need more people in the sector. The new facilities in the clinical skills suite are great. It really helps with the practical side of care to support the classroom learning. We have an interactive doll so we can practice our interactions with a patient. The ward has got everything you'd expect in a hospital setting. I am nervous but excited to be part of the first T Levels cohort."

FERNE ALLAN

FROM: UVHS
AMBITION: MIDWIFERY OR A&E NURSE
COURSE: T LEVEL HEALTH



APPLY NOW

[furness.ac.uk/courses/course-detail/
course/tlevel-engineering-manufacturing/](https://furness.ac.uk/courses/course-detail/course/tlevel-engineering-manufacturing/)



APPLY NOW

[furness.ac.uk/courses/course-detail/
course/t-level-health--childcare/](https://furness.ac.uk/courses/course-detail/course/t-level-health--childcare/)

T-LEVELS

HEALTHCARE SCIENCE

As the Covid pandemic has clearly demonstrated, Healthcare Science is a vital field that we all depend upon. This course gives you the skills to work in the sector and support the work being done to keep us all healthy.

This is a level 3 science-based course that includes an in-depth industry placement in the healthcare science sector, it focuses on technical and vocational skills and applying these in the workplace. This course equips you with the essential knowledge and skills to work in the health or science sectors including how the industry works, core scientific concepts and key regulations including managing information, health and safety and good scientific/clinical practice.

COURSE LENGTH
2 YEARS
FULL-TIME

PROGRESSION

The T Level allows progression to further studies at university and careers including pathology, radiography and physiotherapy and to do science-related degrees.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of five GCSEs at grade 4 and above, three of which need to be a grade 5 including maths, English and science.

You will be required to attend an interview.

WHAT YOU WILL ACHIEVE

In Year 1

You will develop an understanding of core concepts of healthcare science including:

- Providing person centred care
- Infection prevention & control
- Health and safety
- Core science, which includes biology, chemistry and physics
- Employer set project

For the employer set project, you will develop and then be assessed on the following skills:

- Research skills
- Communication skills
- Team working skills
- Problem solving skills
- Reporting and presentation skills
- Reflective evaluation

In Year 2

- You will follow an occupational specialism assisting with Healthcare Science
- As part of this you will attend a 315-hour placement in industry, for example in the NHS



APPLY NOW

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T-LEVELS

MEDIA, BROADCAST AND PRODUCTION

Do you want a career in the creative industries? Working in film, TV or other media? Then T level Media, Broadcast and Production might be the route for you. In 2021 £6bn was spent on film and TV production in the UK, people with the right skills are in high demand.

You will develop skills in research, project planning and administration and be able to consider factors such as equality, diversity and inclusion and how they should be embraced within the modern media world.

In addition to the core content, you will develop the knowledge, skills and behaviours for the workplace through your 45-day industry placement, complete an employer set project and study an occupational specialism route in year 2 where you will focus on specialising to develop the skills needed for Content Creation and Production.

PROGRESSION

The T Level in Media, Broadcast and Production is a Level 3 course which combines skills development with work experience and will equip students to go on to gain an apprenticeship, work within media or study media or a media related course at degree level at university.

Future careers: TV or film production assistant, radio broadcast assistant, media researcher.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A minimum of 5 GCSEs, three of which must be at grade 5 or above with grade 5 in Maths, English and a computer-related GCSE or equivalent being essential. You will be required to attend an interview.

WHAT YOU WILL ACHIEVE

This T Level will help you develop an understanding of a broad range of issues relevant to the sector, the core content will include:

- The creative economy
- The individual in the creative industries
- Cultural context and vocabulary
- Audience and consumer needs
- Legal and regulatory requirements
- Professional standards and conduct in the workplace



APPLY NOW

furness.ac.uk/courses/course-detail/course/t-level-technical-qualification-in-media-broadcast-and-production/



HAIR, BEAUTY AND NAILS

Totally transform your future

Our range of courses will help you to brush up on your beauty skills and deliver a range of relaxing and reinvigorating treatments to help you succeed in the popular beauty sector. As well as learning how to create Instagram-worthy looks and provide salon services, you'll also be working with clients to develop your confidence in a customer-facing role. Get ready to glow with a bright future in the beauty industry.

Course Content:

You will study subjects such as:

- The art of dressing hair
- Applying make-up
- Nail art application
- Styling women's hair
- Colouring hair
- Presenting a professional image in a salon
- Creating and maintaining retail displays
- Health & Safety in a salon
- Cutting hair

All courses are full-time

BEAUTY THERAPY AND NAILS

ENTRY 3

Award in an Introduction to the Hair & Beauty Sector
Certificate in an Introduction to the Hair & Beauty Sector

LEVEL 1

Award in an Introduction to the Hair & Beauty Sector
Certificate in Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy

LEVEL 2

Diploma in Beauty Therapy
Diploma in Hair & Media Make-up

LEVEL 3

Diploma in Nail Technology
Diploma in Beauty Therapy Techniques

*OF COURSE
I CAN*

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

NEXT STEPS

The UK hair and beauty industry has doubled in size in just 15 years, so it's never looked better as a long-term career choice. Students progress to careers in hairdressing and barbering, beauty therapy, salon ownership, employment in the leisure sector, as well as fashion, business management or teaching degrees at university.

HAIRDRESSING AND BARBERING

Providing effective client care

The Level 2 course also includes subjects such as:

- Enhancing eyebrows and eyelashes
- Waxing services
- Providing manicure services
- Providing pedicure services
- Providing facial treatments

ENTRY 3

Award in an Introduction to the Hair & Beauty Sector
Certificate in an Introduction to the Hair & Beauty Sector

LEVEL 1

Award in an Introduction to the Hair & Beauty Sector
Certificate in Hairdressing and Beauty Therapy

LEVEL 2

Women's Hairdressing Diploma in Hair & Media Make-up
Certificate in Barbering (part-time)

LEVEL 3

Women's Hairdressing

Get on *COURSE*

Studying has helped me get closer to my ambition as I am able to learn a lot of the vital skills I will need in order to become a beauty therapist as a lot of the skills were completely new to me. I would say that you should definitely study at Furness College, the facilities are great and the opportunities you have whilst you're on your course are amazing.

Jaya-Holli Brown

Course: Beauty Therapy with Nails
From: Dowdales
Ambition: Cruise ship beautician



APPLY NOW

furness.ac.uk/hairandbeauty



BUSINESS AND ACCOUNTING

Ready to develop strategies for success?

Find out what it takes to make it big in the world of business. You'll learn more about working in a professional environment and using your communication, team working and problem-solving skills to deliver results. On our accounting courses, you'll develop commercial awareness and learn how to monitor and manage finances, adding up to a fantastic career opportunity.

BUSINESS

Business Course Content:

You will study subjects such as:

- The business environment
- Working in business
- Principles of project management
- Communicating in a business environment

OCR LEVEL 2

Cambridge Technical Diploma in Business Administration - 1 year full-time

OCR LEVEL 3

Cambridge Technical Extended Diploma in Business - full time over 2 years

We also offer apprenticeships in accounting, business administration, team leading, customer service and retail.

OF COURSE I CAN

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

NEXT STEPS

Careers in accounting, business administration, team leading, human resources, customer service and retail, and many more – paving the way to a successful future in these fields.

ACCOUNTING

Accounting Course Content:

You will study subjects such as:

- Financial Accounting
- Bookkeeping
- Monitoring Business Performance
- Effective decision-making
- Limited companies
- The importance of published accounts
- Cash flow and international accounting standards

AAT LEVEL 2

Certificate in bookkeeping

AAT LEVEL 3

Certificate in bookkeeping (new for 2022/23)
Diploma in Accounting

AAT LEVEL 4

Diploma in Professional Accounting

OF COURSE I CAN

Get on COURSE



“

The Bookkeeping course was an excellent introduction into finance and it gave me great understanding of the basics of accounting which massively helped when progressing onto Level 3. AAT are a professional membership body that are universally recognised and most businesses look for recognised accounting qualifications, such as AAT, on job applications.

”

Ashley Smith

Course: Level 3 Advanced Diploma in Accounting
Employer: Furness College (Finance Administrator)



APPLY NOW

furness.ac.uk/business

CATERING & HOSPITALITY

Want to feed your ambition?

Find the recipe for success in one of the country's largest and most dynamic industries. Our vocational courses are purposely designed to serve up the exact skills that employers are seeking. You'll get a taste of life as a chef and gain hands-on experience within our kitchen and working restaurant at the Channelside campus, learning insider tips from our professional connections. If you want to whip up an exciting and successful career in catering, we have the right course for you.

Course Content:

You will study subjects such as:

- Using kitchen equipment
- Food preparation and cooking
- Maintaining a safe, hygienic and secure working environment
- Maintaining food safety when storing, preparing and cooking food
- Working effectively as part of a hospitality team
- Employment rights and responsibilities in the hospitality, leisure, travel and tourism sector
- Customer service
- Serving food and drinks

C&G ENTRY 3 CERTIFICATE

in Introduction to the Hospitality Industry
- Full time over 1 year

C&G LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

in Introduction to the Hospitality Industry
- Full time over 1 year

LEVEL 2 NVQ DIPLOMA

in Hospitality Services - Full time over 1 year

*OF COURSE
I CAN*

Part-time courses are also available.

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

NEXT STEPS

Careers in hospitality, waiting staff and housekeeping, as well as customer service and restaurant manager roles. Our students progress to become trainee chefs/cooks and can work towards head chef roles in successful restaurants across the country.



Get on *COURSE*

“

I have an interest in cooking and have had various roles in hospitality. It felt like the right time for me to progress with a hobby and make it into a career. At college, we make various dishes and work in a professional kitchen. My ambition is to work as a chef in a high-end hotel in the Lakes.

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Sarah Forster, 37

Course: L2 Diploma in Hospitality Services



APPLY NOW

furness.ac.uk/catering



NEXT STEPS

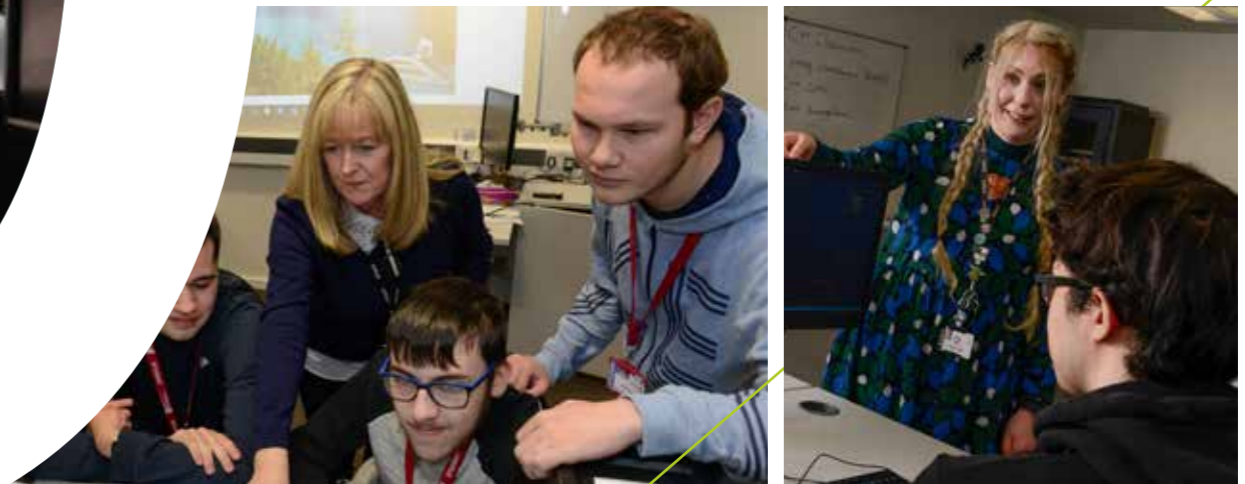
Careers in computer and multimedia programming, software development, system analytics as well as the opportunity to progress onto our BSc (Hons) Computing degree.

COMPUTING

Want to program yourself for a fast-paced career?

Your dream job in digital is just a click away with our range of IT courses. If you're tech-savvy, you'll love to learn more about website development, games design and setting up IT systems, as well as gaining the vital skills that will make you stand out to employers in the digital sector. Whether you have a knack for networking or a passion for programming, we'll help you to develop your career in our data-driven world.

We also offer
T-LEVEL DIGITAL
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Get on *COURSE*



I liked IT at school, so I started on the Level 2 course in IT at Furness College and have progressed on to the Level 3. I wanted to focus on IT, so I chose to study one vocational course. Studying at Furness College has helped me to learn different areas, such as researching social media trends. We're also learning project management, so I can use the research skills, knowledge and understanding I've gained in future. I want to keep building my IT skills as the digital world is growing and technology is constantly developing.



Kwan Fu

Course: **Level 3 Foundation Diploma in IT**
 From: **St Bernard's**

Course Content:

You will study subjects such as:

- Website development
- Computer graphics
- Computer systems
- Database systems
- Communicating and working in the IT industry
- Improving productivity using IT
- Bespoke software
- Using collaborative technologies
- Desktop publishing software
- Imaging software
- IT security
- Optimising IT system performance
- Project management software
- Setting up an IT system

LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA
 Certificate in digital skills for business

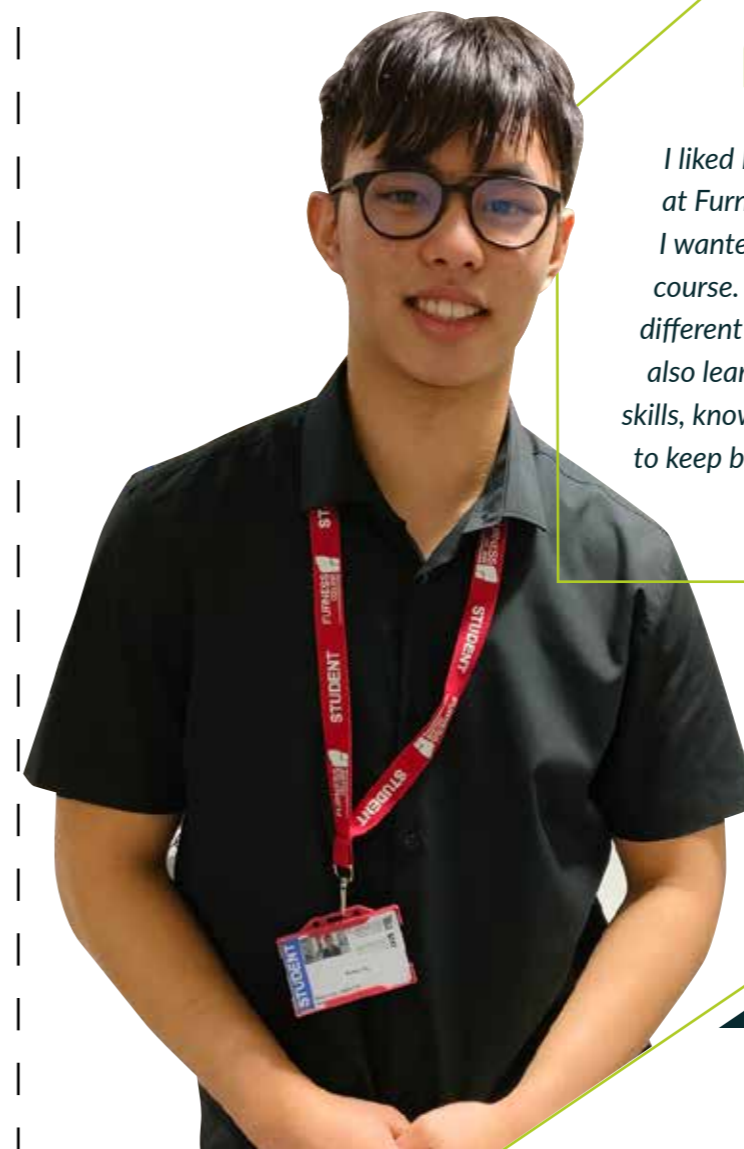
LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA
 Cambridge Technical OCR IT

T-LEVEL
 Technical qualification in Digital Production, Design and Development

OF COURSE I CAN

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

We also offer a range of level 3 and 4 apprenticeships in IT. Please see the website for details.



APPLY NOW

furness.ac.uk/computing



CONSTRUCTION

Want to build your future career?

Pave your way to a career in construction with one of our courses, with pathways in Brickwork, Carpentry and Joinery, Painting and Decorating, Groundworks or Plastering. Our construction courses will appeal to those who enjoy physical work and are looking to get their foot on the ladder in one of the UK's fastest growing industries. We'll help you to learn your craft in your chosen discipline and carve out an interesting career.

Course Content:

You will study subjects such as:

- Construction skills
- Practical training in a craft workshop
- Theory sessions in the classroom
- Employment in the construction industry
- Health and safety in construction

CONSTRUCTION CRAFTS DIPLOMA LEVEL 1

Brickwork, Carpentry & Joinery, Painting & Decorating, Plastering - Full time over 1 year

CONSTRUCTION CRAFTS DIPLOMA LEVEL 2

Brickwork, Carpentry & Joinery, Painting & Decorating, Plastering - Full time over 1 year

CONSTRUCTION CRAFTS DIPLOMA LEVEL 3

Brickwork, Carpentry & Joinery, Painting & Decorating, Plastering - Full time over 1 year

CIVIL ENGINEERING LEVEL 3

National Diploma in Civil Engineering

OF COURSE I CAN

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

NEXT STEPS

Careers in brickwork, carpentry & joinery, plastering, painting and decorating, contract management, stonemasonry, room renovations as well as a range of apprenticeships and the opportunity to progress to a Higher National Certificate in Construction.

APPRENTICESHIPS

Based on-site through your employer, with 20% off-the-job training, or a day release in our workshop

LEVEL 2 BRICKLAYER APPRENTICESHIP

Duration 24-30 months

LEVEL 2 CARPENTRY AND JOINERY APPRENTICESHIP

Duration 18-24 months

LEVEL 2 GROUNDWORKER APPRENTICESHIP

Duration - 18 months

LEVEL 2 PAINTER AND DECORATOR APPRENTICESHIP

Duration - 36 months

LEVEL 2 PLASTERER APPRENTICESHIP

Duration - 36 months

LEVEL 3 CARPENTRY AND JOINERY

Duration - 12 months

Get on *COURSE*

“

Coming to Furness College has been a good move for me. I enjoy spending time in the workshops, especially fitting doors. We have a big group of learners, we all get along well and work hard. In the future I'd like to go into BAE Systems, possibly as a metal worker so if it means another apprenticeship I'll be happy to come back.

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Joe Nuttall

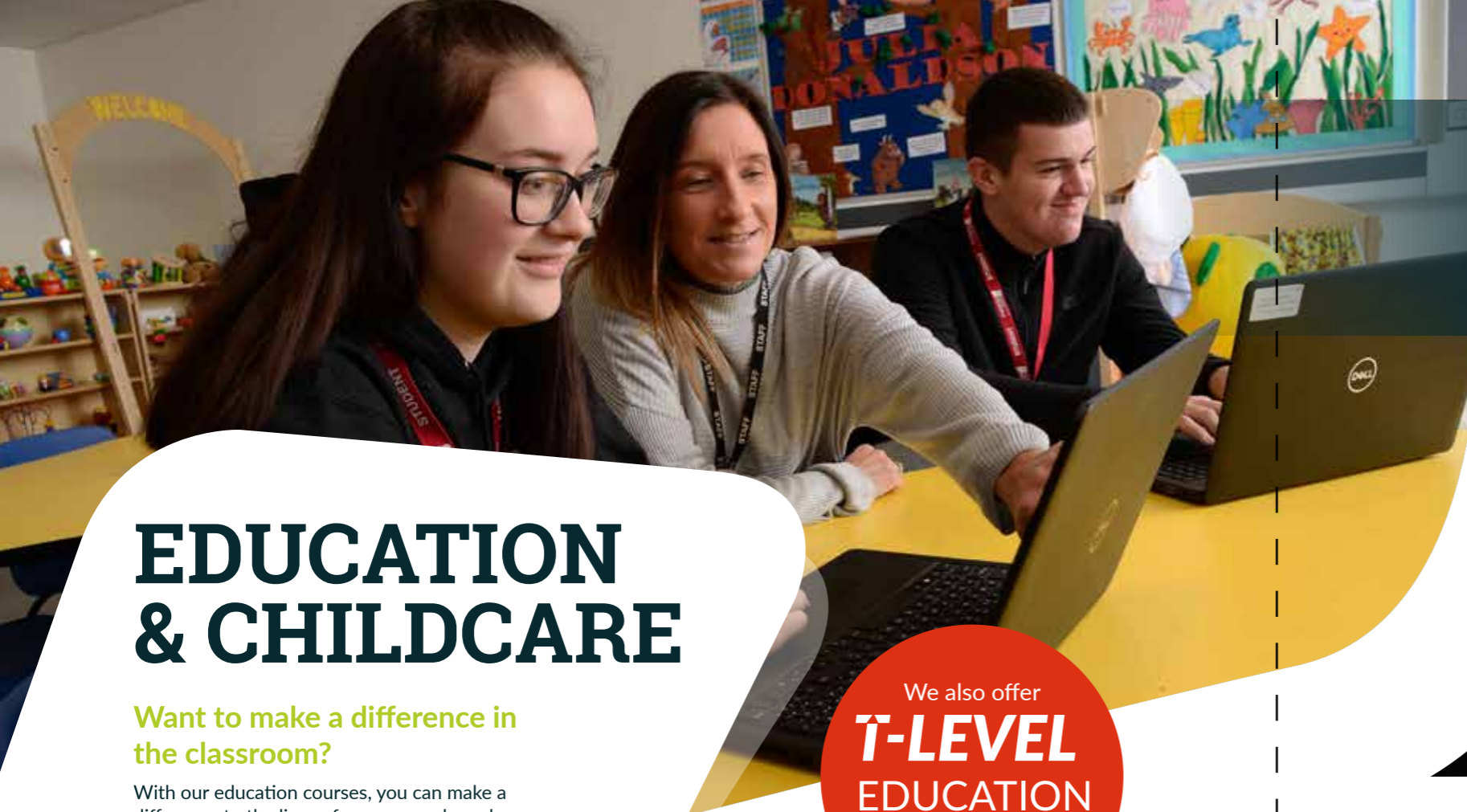
Course: Carpentry & Joinery – Apprentice, LEC Construction
From: St. Bernard's



APPLY NOW

furness.ac.uk/construction





NEXT STEPS

Students completing the T Level can progress onto degree study including primary teaching, careers in support teaching as well as a range of apprenticeships and degrees at college, enabling you to pursue a rewarding career in education.

EDUCATION & CHILDCARE

Want to make a difference in the classroom?

With our education courses, you can make a difference to the lives of young people and learn about their development, while also developing your own skills and knowledge. Whether you're hoping for a role in childcare, teaching in primary or planning to support teaching and learning in schools, we'll help you to make the grade and pursue a rewarding career in education.

We also offer
T-LEVEL
EDUCATION

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LEVEL 2 CERTIFICATE

in Supporting Teaching and Learning. Full-time over 1 year with 1 day per week placement.

LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

in Supporting Teaching and Learning. Full-time over 1 year with 2 days per week placement

T LEVEL

in Education & Childcare

Full-time over 2 years with 80% classroom learning and 20% industry placement (315 hours). Technical alternative to 3 A Levels. A Distinction* in a T Level or x3 A* grades at A Level provide 168 UCAS points.

OF COURSE I CAN

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

We also offer apprenticeships in early years education and supporting teaching and learning. Please see the website for details.

Course Content:

You will study subjects such as:

- Supporting learning of children
- Child and young person development
- Safeguarding the welfare of children and young people
- Communication and professional relationships with children and young people
- Equality, diversity and inclusion in working with children and young people
- Practical skills will be developed and form part of your assessment criteria



Get on *COURSE*

“

Studying has given me the opportunity to learn things I never would have if I hadn't attended college and took part in this course. Using the resources at college it's really driven me and gave me a clear picture of where I want my career to go. My advice to people thinking of going to Furness College is communicate with your tutors, I never would have gotten this far without the support of mine.

”

Maddie Fry

Course: **Diploma in Support Teaching and Learning**
From: **Home Educated**



APPLY NOW

furness.ac.uk/education



NEXT STEPS

Careers in fabrication and welding, mechanical fitting, electrical engineering and manufacturing as well as the opportunity to progress to a HNC or BEng Honours degree.

ENGINEERING

Want to spark the innovations of tomorrow?

Engineer your ambition with our range of popular courses and learn all the industry-standard skills that employers are looking for. Whether you're considering mechanical, or electrical engineering, or planning a career in fabrication and welding or traditional engineering, we have a course to spark your interest. Make the most of our state-of-the-art facilities at our Channelside campus and fabricate your future career in engineering.

We also offer
T-LEVEL
 ENGINEERING & MANUFACTURING
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LEVEL 1 ENGINEERING FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

(Fabrication, Welding, Pipework and Mechanical) Full-time over 1 year

LEVEL 2 ENGINEERING FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

(Electrical, Fabrication, Welding, Pipework and Mechanical) Full-time over 1 year

LEVEL 3 SUBSIDIARY DIPLOMA in Engineering Technologies

T LEVEL

Engineering & Manufacturing. Full-time over 2 years with 80% classroom learning and 20% industry placement (315 hours). Technical alternative to 3 A levels. A Distinction* in a T Level or x3 A* grades at A Level provide 168 UCAS points.

OF COURSE I CAN

Course Content:

You will study subjects such as:

- Awareness of the engineering and manufacturing sectors
- Performing engineering operations
- Mechanical, electrical and fabrication elements
- Welding or pipework elements

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

We also offer a number of apprenticeships in Engineering. Please see the website for details.



CIVIL ENGINEERING LEVEL 3 AVAILABLE

visit furness.ac.uk for details

Get on *COURSE*



“ I chose Furness College for its state-of-the-art facilities and proven track record of success. After years of not knowing what to do in life and having various previous jobs I didn't enjoy, I have now found something I love doing. Scott, my tutor is brilliant and we have been making projects for the community, 3 beacons made out of scrap metal. It has brought me out of my comfort zone returning to college with 16/17-year olds but I have thoroughly enjoyed my year at college, I have made friends and learnt a lot about myself and what I am capable of if I put my mind to it.

Max Chapman

Course: Level 1 Pipe Fabrication and Welding
 From: St Bernard's
 Ambition: Welder/Steelworker



APPLY NOW
furness.ac.uk/engineering



HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

Want to use your dedication to make a real difference?

The health and social care sector is firmly in the spotlight, with nurses, social workers, midwives and other related occupations becoming increasingly popular career choices. With our health & social care courses, you'll learn more about the skills needed to succeed in the sector and take the first step into a career that will make a real difference to your community.

We also offer
T-LEVEL HEALTH
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LEVEL 2 EXTENDED CERTIFICATE
 in Health & Social Care - Full-time over 1 year

BTEC LEVEL 3 NATIONAL EXTENDED DIPLOMA
 in Health & Social Care - Full-time over 2 years, with four exam assessed units.

T LEVEL
 in Health. Full-time over 2 years with 80% classroom learning and 20% industry placement (315 hours). Technical alternative to 3 A levels. A Distinction* in a T Level or x3 A* grades at A Level provide 168 UCAS points.

OF COURSE I CAN

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

Course Content:

You will study subjects such as:

- Communication in health & social care
- Individual rights and needs
- Ensuring safe environments in health & social care
- Anatomy and physiology for health & social care
- Social and psychological aspects of care
- Safeguarding and safe working practices
- Physical well-being of health
- Person-centred care

NEXT STEPS

We offer a range of Health & Social Care apprenticeships, from Level 2 to Level 5. You also have the option to continue your studies and progress onto our foundation degree and Bsc (Hons) in Health & Social care. Careers in this sector are vast and include a wide range of nursing pathways, midwifery, healthcare assistants, support workers and social workers.



Get on *COURSE*

Amy Tomkins

Course: **Level 2 Health & Social Care Apprenticeship**
 From: **Walney School**
 Ambition: **Health & Social Care specialising in adult disabilities**

“

Furness College has given me extra knowledge and confidence because I learn about my job which gives me the underpinning knowledge to do my job effectively. The tutors are very supportive and leave no question unanswered.

”



APPLY NOW
furness.ac.uk/healthandsocialcare

MEDIA

Want to shine in a creative career?

By studying Media, you will develop the skills and experience to help you get ahead in the fast-paced media industry. By introducing you to a wide range of skills needed to plan, produce and evaluate a creative media product and encouraging you to experiment with the latest techniques and technology in media production, we will help you to find your passion and pursue a creative career with lots of exciting opportunities.

Course Content:

You will study subjects such as:

- Media products and engaging with audiences
- Audio-visual media skills
- Filming and editing skills
- Scriptwriting
- Film analysis
- Programming and coding for interactivity
- Planning and producing a media product
- Photography for media products
- Graphic design for media products
- Design and research skills in creative media production
- Professional practice in creative media production
- Planning for progression in the media industry

We also offer
**T-LEVEL
MEDIA**

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CAMBRIDGE TECHNICALS OCR MEDIA LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

Full-time over 1 year

CAMBRIDGE TECHNICALS OCR LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

in Digital Media (year one) and Extended Diploma in Digital Media (year 2)

T LEVEL

This T Level allows progression to study media at university-level or gain access to a career in the media industry.

Full-time over 2 years with 80% classroom learning and 20% industry placement (315 hours). Equivalent to 3 A levels

*OF COURSE
I CAN*

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

NEXT STEPS

Careers in print, digital and broadcast journalism, film production, camera work, editing and graphic artistry. Students also progress to study a wide range of media-related degrees at university.



Get on *COURSE*

“

While I was at school, I did work experience at CandoFM and that piqued my interest in media. I really liked the look of the facilities at Furness College, particularly the Green Room as it has a professional atmosphere with all the equipment. I have met people who have helped me to learn new skills and given me a wider creative outlook on projects by working as part of a team. I'd eventually like to go to university and study a more specialist course, such as film. I'd like to get into advertising, specifically directing adverts, and one day see one of my adverts played on TV to help a company increase their brand awareness.

”

Braxton Armstrong

Course: Level 3 Extended Diploma in Creative Media Production & Technology

From: Dowdales

Ambition: TV advertising director



APPLY NOW

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NEXT STEPS

Careers in car manufacturing, car detailing, vehicle inspecting and automotive engineering as well as the opportunity to study university courses and become a lecturer.

MOTOR VEHICLE

Want to fast track your career?

If you've got the drive to succeed in the motor vehicle industry, then we've got the course for you! Our motor vehicle courses will give you an insight into vehicle maintenance and fast fitting, so you'll understand the skills and knowledge needed to work in this dynamic industry. If cars are your passion and you prefer a hands-on approach, you'll enjoy working with like-minded students and tutors in our spacious workshop at our Channelside campus.

Course Content:

You will study subjects such as:

- Tools, equipment and materials for vehicle maintenance
- Engine liquid cooling and lubrication systems
- Vehicle braking systems components and maintenance
- Vehicle maintenance processes and procedures
- Wheels and tyres construction and maintenance
- Exhaust systems components and maintenance
- Steering and suspension systems components and maintenance
- Brakes and batteries
- Removing and replacing light vehicle electrical components
- Interpersonal skills
- Health and safety

LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

in Vehicle Maintenance. Full-time over 1 year

LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

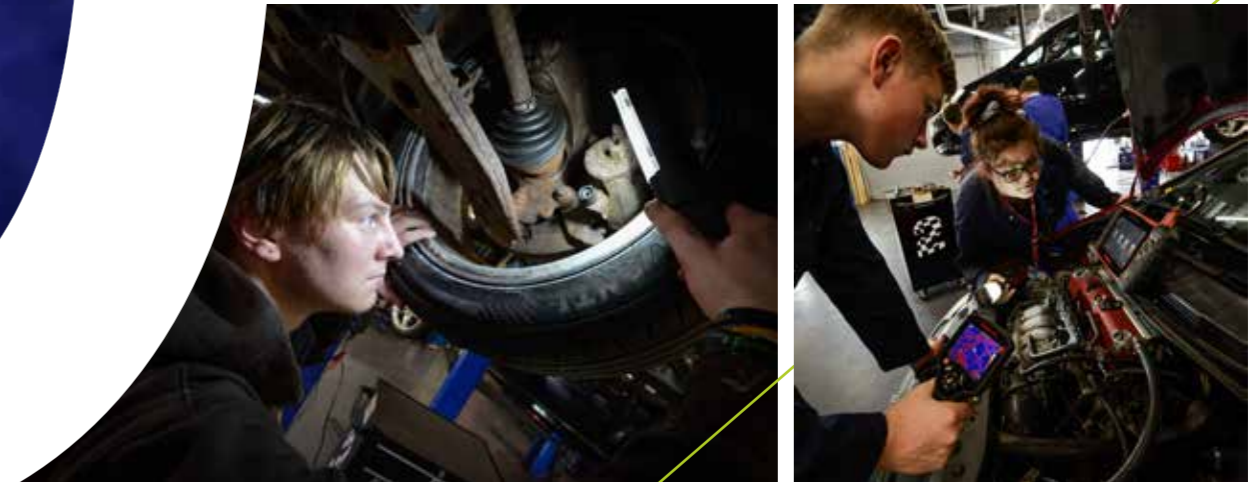
in Fast Fitting. Full-time over 1 year

LEVEL 2 AUTOCARE TECHNICIAN APPRENTICESHIP

Based on-site through your employer with a day release at Furness College. Full-time over 30 months.

OF COURSE I CAN

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.



Get on *COURSE*



I like the practical work with cars, I've known what I wanted to do since I was 10 years old. I want to progress through different courses to Level 3 and then do an Electrical Vehicle course. I'd like to have my own business in classic car restoration, but also look at electric vehicles so I can prepare for the future.

Matthew Owen

Course: Level 1 Vehicle Maintenance
From: Cartmel Priory School
Ambition: Car restoration business owner



APPLY NOW

furness.ac.uk/motorvehicle

PUBLIC SERVICES

Ready to take the lead?

The police, fire and rescue and armed forces make a vital contribution to the country's safety, and you could play an important part in society by working towards a career in the uniformed public services. During your time at Furness College, you will develop your physical fitness alongside your team working and leadership skills to help you find your dream role from a wide variety of different organisations and progression routes.

Course Content:

- Prepare for a career in a chosen uniformed service
- Develop aspects of physical fitness for entry to the uniformed services
- Develop leadership skills
- Equality, diversity and inclusion
- Emergency planning and response in the uniformed services
- Understand the impact of war and conflict on uniformed services
- Understanding discipline in the uniformed services
- UK legal systems and uniformed services
- Volunteering in the uniformed services
- Security procedures in the uniformed services
- Sports coaching

NCFE LEVEL 1 DIPLOMA

to the Uniformed Services. Full-time over 1 year

NCFE LEVEL 2 DIPLOMA

for Entry to the Uniformed Services. Full-time over 1 year

NCFE LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA

for Entry to the Uniformed Services (540 GLH). Full-time 1 year

NCFE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA

for Entry to the Uniformed Services. Full-time 2 years

OF COURSE I CAN

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

NEXT STEPS

Careers in a diverse range of roles across areas of work such as the police, army, navy, RAF and fire and rescue services. The industry is made up of a wide range of important jobs that help to aid and protect the general public. There are also various undergraduate courses in uniformed public services, policing and crime scene investigation.



Get on *COURSE*

“

I love the community feel on the course and the teachers at college are really supportive and it fills you with hope for the future. I want to work hard in the police force and I want to build good relations in my community and have people know they can come to me.

”

Harvey-Jo Cunningham

Course: **Level 3 Diploma in Public Services**
 From: **Chetwynde School**
 Ambition: **Police Inspector or Firearms Officer**



APPLY NOW

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SPORT

Want to keep your eye on the ball?

Get fit for work with one of our sports courses, where you'll learn more about working in the sports industry and how to improve your own physical fitness. Whether you're planning for an exciting career on or off the pitch, you'll be ready to take an active role in pursuing a range of different opportunities.

Course Content:

- Exercise, health and lifestyle
- Preparing for a career in sport and physical activity
- Practical team sports
- Practical Individual sports
- Assessing risk in sport
- Sports development
- Fitness training and programming
- Fitness Testing for sport and exercise
- Sports nutrition
- Sports coaching
- Leadership in sport
- Organising an event
- Encouraging active lifestyles.

NCFE LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA
in Sport and Physical Activity.
Full-time over 1 year

NCFE LEVEL 3 EXTENDED DIPLOMA
in Sport and Physical Activity.
Full-time over 2 years

*OF COURSE
I CAN*

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

NEXT STEPS

There are many opportunities having completed this course. You could work in a sports facility or fitness suite or you could progress onto a higher education course to become a leisure and recreation manager, physical education teacher or work in sports and exercise science.



Get on *COURSE*

“

When I left secondary school, I was training with the Barrow ladies rugby team. I chose Furness College because I was impressed with the sports facilities on site, which would allow me to build up my strength and fitness for rugby. I want to show that females can take part and achieve well in sports whether that is playing or coaching in a male-dominated sport, such as football, rugby or basketball.

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Charlotte White

Course: **BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Sports Coaching and Development**
From: **Furness Academy**
Ambition: **Rugby league coach**



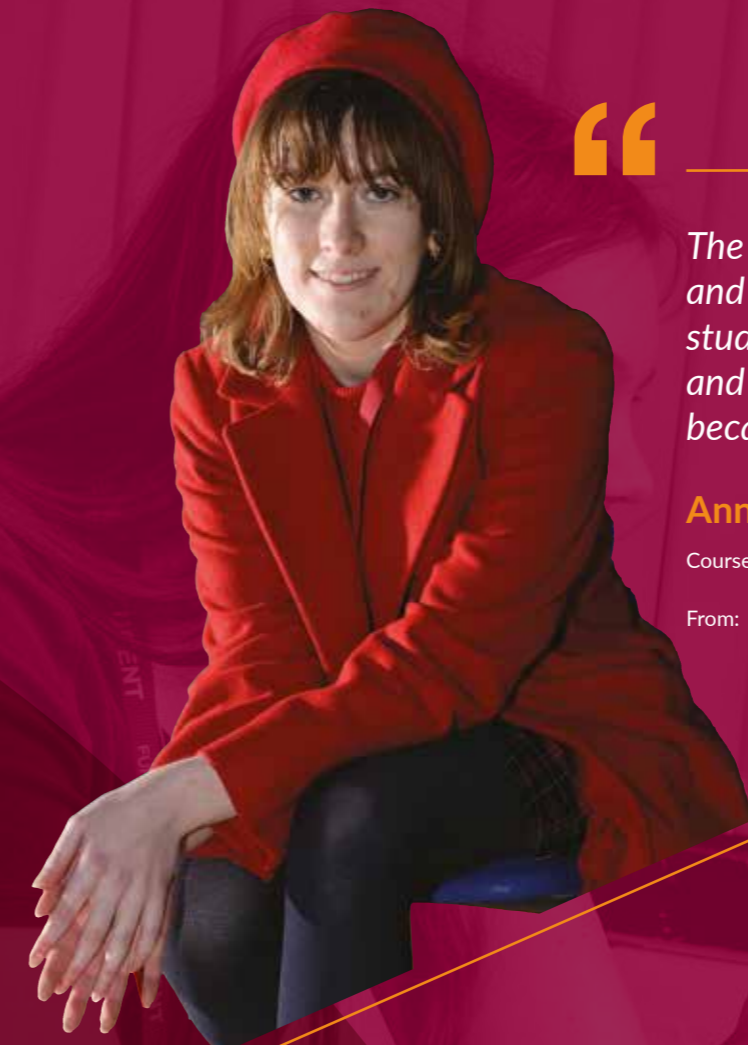
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BTEC AND CTEC QUALIFICATIONS

BTECs and Cambridge Technicals (CTECs) are an exciting range of qualifications aimed at students who want to study a more vocational programme or combine with A Levels at the Rating Lane campus. They are available at a range of levels and are designed with the workplace in mind so students can leave college work-ready. They also carry UCAS points for those students wanting to progress to university and are accepted as part of applications into higher apprenticeships alongside A Levels.

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| CTEC ART & DESIGN Level 2 and Level 3 | CTEC BUSINESS Level 2 and Level 3 |
| CTEC IT Level 2 and Level 3 | CTEC MEDIA Level 2 and Level 3 |
| CTEC IN PERFORMING ARTS Level 3 | CTEC IN SPORT & PHYSICAL ACTIVITY Level 3 |
| CTEC IN SCIENCE Level 2 | CTEC HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE Level 2 |
| BTEC TRAVEL & TOURISM Level 3 | BTEC APPLIED SCIENCE Level 3 |



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The college as a whole is very welcoming and the tutors really understand their students. It's a relaxed environment and offers a great sense of community because you're treated as an adult.

Annabelle Cotton-Hill
 Courses: CTEC Performing Arts, CTEC Media, CTEC Business
 From: Chetwynde

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OF COURSE I CAN

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I like the learning opportunities college gives you and it's also a good social environment. College has made me aware of how to achieve my dream career as a physiotherapist and it gives me an understanding of what I will be learning going forward. I'd advise others to choose subjects they enjoy as it really makes a difference.

Eva Bickerstaff
 Courses: CTEC Sport, Maths, Biology, HSLA
 From: Dowdales

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FIND YOUR *COURSE*

CTEC ART & DESIGN

Level 2&3

You will learn through studio workshops and demonstrations, lectures, seminars, project work, visits and exhibitions. You will study a variety of art and design areas such as fine art, fashion, digital art, advertising and photography which will include some work experience.

CTEC BUSINESS

Level 2&3

You will learn how a business might evolve from a small start-up business to a large multinational organisation. Students will also look at the internal workings of businesses, including their internal structure and how different functional areas work together.

CTEC MEDIA

Level 2&3

You will learn how to use a range of creative software and then put it to use with practical projects that have real world applications. This will include producing work with local companies such as Signal Films and The Mail.

CTEC SPORT & PHYSICAL ACTIVITY

Level 2&3

You will learn the effects of leading a healthy and active lifestyle in addition to skill acquisition and exercise physiology. You will also gain an insight into applied physiological, psychological and contemporary aspects and optimising performance in a competitive situation.

BTEC TRAVEL & TOURISM

Level 2&3

You will learn all about the tourism industry, its size, development and importance to a country's economy. You will also gain an insight into marketing and branding tourism organisations and destinations globally.

CTEC IT

Level 2&3

You will learn all about the fundamentals of IT, global information and cyber security. You will gain an insight into the IT sector as you investigate the pace of technological change, IT infrastructure, the flow of information on a global scale and important legal and security considerations.

CTEC PERFORMING ARTS

Level 2&3

You will learn to practically apply your skills and knowledge in development of various projects which will prepare you for further study or the workplace. You will also work collaboratively in developing and presenting a range of performances.

CTEC SCIENCE

Level 2

You will learn a variety of science subject and theories and develop your previous knowledge of the subject. CTEC Science will be coursework based and it will be on a range of subjects which may include: the science of the earth, careers in science, environmental analysis and much more.

BTEC APPLIED SCIENCE

Level 2&3

You will learn science theory in biology, chemistry and physics and develop practical skills needed for progression in higher education or industry. You will also gain an insight into analytical chemical techniques, human physiology, properties and applications of waves, industrial chemistry, ecology, and microbiology.



CTECs

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BTECs

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CTEC HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE

Course content:

- Interaction with people who work in the health & social care sector or require care and support
- Person-centered care and support
- Building positive relationships with work colleagues
- Considering the real impact of people living with conditions or illnesses such as social, financial and psychological impacts
- Opportunity for a placement in a HSC setting

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

DOUBLE COURSE OPTION

L3 Extended Certificate in HSC (Year 1)
L3 Technical Diploma in HSC (Year 2)

2 Years full-time
(equivalent to 2 A-Levels)

SINGLE COURSE OPTION

L3 Certificate in HSC
L3 Extended Certificate in HSC (Year 2)

2 Years full-time
(equivalent to 1 A-Level)

NEXT STEPS

Careers in the health and social care sector vary and include: care worker, occupational therapist, social worker, community support and outreach worker. You can also have the opportunity to progress to university to study degrees in health and social care.

*OF COURSE
I CAN*



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ANIMAL CARE & ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

All creature careers great and small

Learn the theory behind animal care and animal management in the classroom with practical experience at state-of-the-art facilities at Myerscough College. Transport is provided to the specialist land-based education provider, just outside Preston, one day a week to get hands on experience of professional animal husbandry skills in the £3m Animal Studies Centre. Whether you hope to go into conservation or countryside management; get a degree in zoology or ecology; run your own pet shop or dog boarding business; study animal behaviour or veterinary nursing – this course is for you.

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

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I like learning about different animals and how to care for them. I especially enjoy learning about dogs as it can help me look after my own. Studying animal management gives me a direct route into my dream career as a veterinary nurse. I want to help animals and ensure all animals are safe and well.

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Emma Jones

Courses: **Animal Management**
From: **UVHS**
Ambition: **Veterinary Nurse**



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CITY & GUILDS LEVEL 2 TECHNICAL CERTIFICATE IN ANIMAL CARE

LEVEL 3 TECHNICAL CERTIFICATE IN ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

YR 2 LEVEL 3 EXTENDED TECHNICAL DIPLOMA ANIMAL MANAGEMENT

NEXT STEPS

Higher level education, apprenticeships or work in - vet nursing, zoology, ecology, conservation, veterinary bio-science, equine, agriculture, dog training, vet physio, rehabilitation.

LEVEL 2 TECHNICAL CERTIFICATE IN ANIMAL CARE (MYERSCOUGH COLLEGE)

You will study:

- Animal health and welfare
- Introduction to the principles and practices of animal behaviour and handling
- Working in the animal care industry
- Animal feeding and accommodation
- Animal breeds and grooming
- The principles of animal biology
- British wildlife species, habitats and rehabilitation
- Health and safety



LEVEL 3 TECHNICAL CERTIFICATE IN ANIMAL MANAGEMENT (MYERSCOUGH COLLEGE)

You will study:

- Principles of health and safety
- Undertake and review work related experience in the land-based industries
- Animal health and husbandry
- Animal feeding and nutrition
- Animal behaviour and communication
- Biological systems of animals
- Animal welfare and breeding
- Exotic animal health and husbandry
- Animal training



YR 2 LEVEL 3 ANIMAL MANAGEMENT (ANIMAL MANAGEMENT)

You will study:

- 308 Wildlife ecology and conservation
- 311 Pet store design and management
- 325 Pet allied services
- 327 Kennel and cattery management
- 362 Undertake estate skills
- 367 Undertake an investigative project in the land-based sector
- 317 Farm livestock husbandry and welfare
- 315 Animal nursing
- 364 Business management in the land-based sector

OF COURSE I CAN

A LEVEL ART & DESIGN



Do you want a headstART for your career?

If you're planning to study one of our creative courses, you'll love the wide-open spaces of our Centre of Excellence for Art and Design with specialist support from our expert teaching team. A Level Art & Design, you will be able to let your creative flair thrive. You will learn a variety of different artistic techniques and have the opportunity to put your own spin on these designs. Your work will often be displayed around the college and you will be able to showcase your work at external exhibition shows.

You will learn:

- Investigating works of designers
- Visual language
- How to experiment with a wide range of media and techniques to enhance your work
- How to develop personal responses to broad themes

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

DURATION

Full-time over 2 years

HOURS

4.5 hours per week, plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in graphic interior and fashion design, sculpture, architecture, illustration and photography.

OF COURSE
I CAN



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Sixth Form is set out more like a university campus than a school sixth form is, so I'll be better prepared when I go to university. The best thing about the Art and Design course is the access to materials and the facilities. In the first term, we did printing and I got to use a printing press. I would like a creative career in the future and to be able to enrich people's lives.

”

Harriet Smith

Courses: Art and Design, English Literature, Film Studies and History

From: Dowdales

Ambition: To work in the creative industry



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BTEC FOUNDATION ART, DESIGN AND MEDIA

You will learn:

- Fine art
- Drawing and painting
- Sculpture
- Printmaking
- Photography
- Fashion and textiles
- 3D product design
- Graphic design
- Illustration
- Alternative or interactive media

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check website

DURATION

2 years full-time

HOURS

4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in graphic, interior and fashion design, sculpture, architecture, illustration and photography.

OF COURSE I CAN



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A LEVEL PHOTOGRAPHY

Want to capture a dream career?

By studying A Level Photography, you will learn practical and creative skills which will help you develop your abilities to the next level. You will analyse the top photographers and designers in the world and use their work to influence and base your own projects on.

Students will be assessed on the context of the content and skills presented as well as the importance of process.

You will learn:

- Digital techniques to produce images
- Camera functions
- Aperture and shutter speed
- Composition and depth of field
- Portraiture, landscape, still life, documentary, fashion, experimental, multimedia, installation or moving image,
- How to use the darkroom

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

DURATION

2 years full-time

HOURS

4.5 hours per week, plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in photography, photojournalism, fine art photography, studio/portrait photography, freelance photography, as well as the opportunity to progress onto our Foundation course in Art, Design and Media.

OF COURSE I CAN



I chose Barrow Sixth Form because I really liked the art department. It's big and exciting, and the tutors were so welcoming. The photography course is unique and unusual, as not many places nearby offer the course. In the future, I would like to do something that I am passionate about and make a living doing something I really enjoy.



Emily Titcombe

Courses: Photography, Art and Design, English Literature, Film Studies
From: Dowdales



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A LEVEL ACCOUNTING

Want to control your own financial future?

By studying A Level Accounting, you will learn how to analyse finances and gain the key skills needed to be able to make important financial decisions, which can be transferable to large scale businesses and personal finances. You will also learn the under-pinning knowledge of bookkeeping and how to evaluate a business' performance.

You will learn:

- Financial accounting
- Bookkeeping
- Monitoring business performance
- Effective decision-making
- Limited companies
- The importance of published accounts
- Cash flow and budgets

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check website

DURATION

2 years full-time

HOURS

4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in business finance, banking, team leading, accountancy, as well as the opportunity to progress onto a degree in business management with us.



Barrow Sixth Form College has allowed me to further my learning and enabled me to learn a new subject in accounting. I like the individuality you get at college and my aim is to raise aspirations of people in the area.

Adam Boyd

Course: Accounting, Business and Maths
From: Dowdales
Ambition: Financial Advisor



APPLY NOW

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A LEVEL BUSINESS

Want to invest in your future?

By studying A Level Business, you will learn all about the business environment and all the factors that affect a business and how it is run. You will gain an insight into the reasons for bankruptcies and takeovers and the consequences in taxation or exchange rates. This course will help you make an impact in the business world.

You will learn:

- Financial planning
- Managing a business
- Business environment
- Strategies for success and managing change
- Operations management

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check website

DURATION

2 years full-time

HOURS

4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in accounting, insurance, banking, retailing, human resources, marketing as well as the opportunity to progress onto our business management degree.

OF COURSE I CAN



The best thing about the course is how much the topics relate to real life and how it gives you the skills to help with life. Barrow Sixth Form is a great place to learn, and can really help with people who have higher future ambitions.

Adam McLoughlin

Course: A Levels in Business, Accounting, Law, Mathematics
From: St Bernard's
Ambition: Investment Banker



APPLY NOW

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A LEVEL MEDIA STUDIES

Got a good vibe about Vlogs?

By studying A Level Media Studies, you will learn the key skills needed to thrive in this fast-paced and creative environment. Britain is a world leader in creative media production and if you enjoy watching Netflix, why not create your own Netflix series with our A Level Media Studies course? We also work with Signal Films in Barrow and CandoFM to offer hands-on industry experience.

You will learn:

- How to make films and podcasts
- Building a website
- Journalistic skills
- How to meet the changing demands of the modern media industry
- The influence of the media in society

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

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I enjoy having the creative control of films and being able to analyse the creative craft, I love the social aspect and resources provided at college. I want to go on to university to study and sixth form is preparing me to take that next step

Ella Gonzalez

Course: Psychology, English Literature, Film Studies
From: Dowdales
Ambition: Child Psychologist

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ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check website

DURATION

2 years full-time

HOURS

4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in media, film, journalism, events management, marketing as well as getting excellent analytical, technical and team-working skills, attractive to employers.

A LEVEL FILM STUDIES

Want to direct your own future?

By studying A Level Film Studies, you can create a clear picture of your future and you will learn all about the film industry. You will also gain an insight into the creation of films and analyse different forms and styles used within many movies you see every day and you can capture your imagination with your own work. Put your name in lights with our A Level Film Studies course.

Course content:

- Produce a short film
- How meaning is made and emotion conveyed through film
- Production of your own practical work
- Write a screenplay
- Analysis of films such as; Casablanca, Blade Runner, Pulp Fiction and Trainspotting

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check website

DURATION

2 years full-time

HOURS

4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in the entertainment industry including: film production, scriptwriting, film journalism as well as giving you the opportunity to progress onto a range of arts and humanities degrees.

OF COURSE I CAN



APPLY NOW

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A LEVEL DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY: PRODUCT DESIGN

Want to manufacture your own career?

By studying A Level Design and Technology: Product Design you will learn core technical, design and manufacturing skills which employers will desire. You will also gain specialist knowledge in areas including, CAD/CAM skills. Build your way to success by studying A Level Design & Technology.

You will learn:

- Material science and applications
- Manufacturing techniques
- CAD/CAM skills
- How new technologies influence design

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check website

DURATION

2 years full-time

HOURS

4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in any design-related course, product design, engineering disciplines, architecture, animation and graphic design.



I love the freedom to express my own ideas when I am working on projects in Design & Technology. I want to create something worthwhile that will benefit others.

Cerys Thompson

Course: **Computer Science, Design & Technology, Maths**
From: **St. Bernard's**
Ambition: **Graphic Designer**



APPLY NOW

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A LEVEL COMPUTER SCIENCE

Want to make a world-wide impact?

Be at the forefront of the ever-changing digital world by studying A Level Computer Science. The world is changing digitally at an exponentially rapid rate and the need for programmers and web developers is higher than ever, this course will give you the foundations to build upon to create a successful career in the computing industry.

You will learn:

- Structure and function of the processor
- Types of processor
- Input, output and storage operating systems
- Application generation
- Introduction to programming
- Web technologies

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check website

DURATION

2 years full-time

HOURS

4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in business software programming, cybersecurity consultant, games development as well as the opportunity to progress onto our BSC (Hons) in Computing.

OF COURSE I CAN

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I chose Barrow Sixth Form College for the convenient location and because I already knew other people who went here and enjoyed it. Work is at a higher level here, but the challenge that comes with that is really enjoyable. I was ready to step up to the next level. I really like coding and the practical element of studying computer science. I want to be a future code developer and create the next best thing.

”

Xulan Liao

Course: **Computer Science, Mathematics and Physics**
From: **Dowdales**
Ambition: **Code Developer**



APPLY NOW

furness.ac.uk/computerscience



A LEVEL MATHEMATICS

Figure out your future

By studying A Level Mathematics, you will learn three key strands of mathematics: Pure, Mechanics and Statistics. You will also gain an insight into complex mathematical problems such as calculus. If you enjoyed mathematics at school you will love building on your skills in greater depth.

You will learn:

- Pure Mathematics
- Mechanics in Mathematics
- Statistics
- Algebra, geometry, trigonometry, calculus
- Core mathematical subjects

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check website

DURATION

Both courses are 2 years full-time

HOURS

Both courses require 4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

University or an Apprenticeship

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The questions you do in maths help me put my learning into practice and when I solve a problem it gives me a huge sense of accomplishment. I want to make something that is going to bring joy to people.

Alex Stephens

Courses: **Computer Science, Maths, Further Maths**
 From: **Walney School**
 Ambition: **Software Engineer**

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APPLY NOW

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A LEVEL FURTHER MATHEMATICS

Want to multiply your opportunities?

By studying A Level further Mathematics, you will gain in-depth knowledge on different algebraic equations and this will be built on through the addition of calculus. You will also learn how to solve and apply advanced differential functions. Be the formula to your own success with A Level Further Mathematics.

LEVEL 3 MATHEMATICAL STUDIES ALSO AVAILABLE

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You will learn:

- Further pure mathematics
- Further mechanics
- Decision
- Matrices
- Complex numbers
- Advanced differential functions
- Linear programming
- Mechanics of collisions

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

OF COURSE I CAN



A LEVEL SCIENCES

“ I want a career in biomedical science and the A Levels at college will help me get on the right path to study this. I enjoy the fun, practical tasks which put learning into action. Even though they are challenging, they are extremely rewarding. I want to make a mark on the world and save lives. ”

Kayleigh Crowe

Courses: **Biology, Chemistry, Maths**
From: **Furness Academy**
Ambition: **Biomedical Scientist**



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check website

DURATION

2 years full-time

HOURS

4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in biomedical science, forensic science, crime scene investigation, clinical science, analytical chemistry and medicines as well as the opportunity to progress onto university and become a doctor, nurse or surgeon.

OF COURSE I CAN

Starting during the pandemic - Kayleigh works as a member of the pre-analysis team in the pathology laboratories at Furness General Hospital. The job means that Kayleigh checks specimens and makes sure that they go for the correct analysis. She also follows standard operating procedures for inputting the viral results after specimens have been analysed.

A LEVEL CHEMISTRY

Be in your element

Chemistry is the central science. It is essential for many degree courses; medicine, dentistry, veterinary science, pharmacy and is highly desirable for many others including advanced level apprenticeships. Achieving an A Level in chemistry will prove you have strengths in transferable skills; numeracy, problem solving, practical skills and the ability to apply knowledge to unfamiliar situations.

You will study:

- Inorganic, Organic and Physical chemistry
- Contemporary themes in chemical settings
- Investigative and problem solving in real contexts



APPLY NOW

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A LEVEL PHYSICS

Skyrocket to an exciting career

By studying A Level Physics, you will learn the laws governing how the universe works, the quantum phenomena and many other scientific ideologies. You will gain an insight into the natural world and learn how to tackle challenging but mind-blowing concepts.

You will study:

- Fundamental idea of physics: matter, force and energy
- Quantum phenomena
- Electricity, mechanics, materials, waves, fields, energy, nuclear, thermal physics
- Laboratory work



APPLY NOW

furness.ac.uk/physics

A LEVEL BIOLOGY

Take a new approach to life

By studying A level Biology, you will start by looking at the chemistry of molecules within cells.

You will learn about how genetic information is used by cells and then how this knowledge can be used to provide solutions for the problems faced by society.

You will understand in detail the processes of respiration and photosynthesis and how organisms effect each other.

You will complete a range of practical's, learning new skills and the maths skills to analyse the data collected.

An understanding of biology has never been more important and can lead to a range of exciting career opportunities.

You will study:

- Biological molecules
- Cells
- Genetics and Biotechnologies like DNA fingerprinting
- Energy Transfer
- Detecting and responding to the environment



APPLY NOW

furness.ac.uk/biology

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

A LEVEL ENGLISH

LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE

ENGLISH LANGUAGE

Want to re-write your future?

By studying A Level English Language, you will gain an insight into how English has changed and evolved over time and how the way we communicate is influenced by the environment we are brought up in. You will also learn how to develop your own writing to become an effective communicator. Write the next chapter to your dream career with A Level English Language.

You will learn:

- How identity is revealed through language
- How and why the English language has changed over time
- How to communicate successfully in your own writing
- How to conduct your own investigation into a specific aspect of the English language.

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check website

DURATION

Both courses are 2 years full-time

HOURS

Both courses require 4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Progress onto a degree in an English-related field, leading to a career in journalism, publishing, teaching or as a freelance writer.

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The quality of teaching is high at Barrow Sixth Form and the subjects are catered to my needs. I also enjoy the freedom at college as it's a more relaxed and mature environment, and I have made lots of new friends here. The support networks are amazing at college should you need them.

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Oliver Whalley

Courses: History, Maths, English Language
From: Chetwynde
Ambition: English Teacher



ENGLISH LITERATURE

Ready to start the next chapter?

By studying A Level English Literature, you will read a range of drama, poetry and prose. You will develop critical views, considering the context in which the texts were first published, alongside the opinions of established critics. You will find your own voice and develop transferrable skills for the wider world of work. You will develop as an independent reader for further study and pleasure. Engage your feelings as well as your mind with A Level English Literature.

You will learn:

- How to compare prose texts based on themes
- How writers use drama to communicate to an audience
- How devices are used to present the poetic voice
- How to structure extended written essay responses

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

OF COURSE
I CAN

“

I liked the range of options I could take at Barrow Sixth Form and I really like the area where the college is situated. I love learning about different topics and the way my subjects are taught makes the lessons engaging. In the future, I want to make a difference in people's lives and help them be the best they can be.

”

Beth Whitwell

Courses: English Language, English Literature, Psychology
From: Millom School
Ambition: English Teacher



APPLY NOW

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A LEVEL GEOGRAPHY

Want to open up to a world of opportunity?

The environmental sector is a major growth area in employment opportunities in climate adaptation and renewable energy. By studying A Level Geography, you will learn about the causes and effects of climate change and the measures we can use to combat this. You will also gain an insight into the impact of global population inflation. Residential field trips are an important part of the course and you will spend time visiting sites of interest – close to home, in the Yorkshire Dales and as far away as Iceland - to expand your learning.

You will learn:

- Earth life support systems
- Carbon and water cycles
- Climate change
- Oceans and cold environments
- Globalisation, migration and social inequality

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check website

DURATION

2 years full-time, involving classroom study and residential trips/fieldwork

HOURS

4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in spatial data analysis, planning, conservation, tourism and climatology as well as the opportunity to progress into full-time employment in a range of sectors with geography providing many transferable skills.



I get to be really independent at Sixth Form and study on my own, which I really enjoy. Studying at Barrow sixth form feels like a step up from school, it feels similar to studying at university. I enjoy the practical work involved in studying Geography and I'm looking forward to a trip to the Lake District at the end of the course. It's really interesting to explore real-world issues through the course.



Nathan Lamb

Course: **Geography, English Language, Biology and Chemistry**
From: **Dowdales**
Ambition: **Doctor**



APPLY NOW

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TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT OUR STUDENTS' UNION

VISIT P15

A LEVEL HISTORY

How the past shapes our future

By studying A Level history, you will learn about a wide variety of key moments in history including the Mid-Tudor crisis and the reign of Elizabeth I. You will also gain an insight into American history from 1945 - 1980 and the US - Russian conflict.

You will learn:

- Themes of rebellion
- Civil struggle
- Mid-Tudor crisis
- Elizabeth I
- USA
- Tsarist and Communist Russia

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.



I really enjoy the freedom of studying at sixth form. The timetable is flexible, so you don't have to be in college all the time. It feels like being at uni, so it will help me to be prepared for the next step. After getting my A Levels, I'm considering going to university or getting a Higher Apprenticeship in Project Management. I'd recommend sixth form to anyone.



Max Elliott

Course: A Levels in history, chemistry & business
From: Dowdales
Ambition: Project Manager



APPLY NOW

furness.ac.uk/history



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check website

DURATION

2 years full-time

HOURS

4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in law, teaching, business, journalism and politics as well as many students progressing to university to study degrees in history.

A LEVEL POLITICS

Want to be a world leader?

By studying A Level politics, you will gain an insight into the often brutal world of politics and experience the workings of political events in the past which have shaped your life to this day. Prime Ministers and Presidents and their legacies will be studied in depth while students challenge their own political views. Our course helps you develop debating skills and answer the unanswered questions in an interactive, engaging and interesting way. Previous students include Lancaster MP and Shadow Cabinet Minister Cat Smith and Brexit expert Adam Payne who works for Business Insider magazine.

You will learn:

- Nature of power
- Understanding of the political system in the UK
- Political institutions and figureheads
- Prime Ministers and Presidents
- Liberalism, Socialism, Conservatism, Nationalism

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check website

DURATION

2 years full-time

HOURS

4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in public affairs, civil service, public relations, cabinet ministry as well as the opportunity to study politics at university. You could become the next Prime Minister!

OF COURSE I CAN



I chose Barrow Sixth Form as academic learning suits me more than hands-on learning. I want to work with people and build relationships with people, which is linked to the subjects I've chosen to study. I can apply the skills I've learned in one subject to another. I've also found it easy to make friends as you get chatting to people in lessons.



Gabe Scarpone

Course: A Levels in politics, business, law and sociology
From: Dowdales
Ambition: Open-minded, there will be thousands of future jobs that haven't even been thought of yet



APPLY NOW

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A LEVEL FRENCH

Love linguistics?

By studying A Level French, you will enhance and expand your French vocabulary and grammatical knowledge, building on the skills acquired at GCSE level. The course is taught through a mixture of classroom-based study and conversation classes, continuing to develop your linguistic independence – listening, speaking, reading and writing.

You will get to sample the French culture through a variety of different tasks delivered by our expert tutors to expand your horizons.

You will learn:

- Understanding aspects of French society
- Developing knowledge on the culture and history of France
- In-depth study of literary or film
- Importance of grammar
- Translation skills

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.



I did French at GCSE level and wanted to be able to further my education, so I liked the options the college gave me. I love going through the different topics in French and discovering new techniques which have enhanced my learning. My advice to anyone thinking of going to college is to do it – bonne chance!

Zack Pearson

Course: French, Computer Science, Maths, EPQ
From: Furness Academy
Ambition: Progress to university



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ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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DURATION

2 years full-time, with all exams taken at the end of the course

HOURS

4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in teaching, translation, journalism, publishing, tourism and financial sector as well as studying arts or humanities at degree level.

A LEVEL LAW

Judge for yourself!

By studying A Level Law, you will learn about a broad range of subjects including Crime, Tort and Contract. You will gain an insight into how the English Penal System works and you can make your own decisions on punishment deserved with engaging scenarios. A law student needs a sharp mind capable of critical evaluative as well as comprehensive problem-solving skills. Many of our students go on to law degrees at university.

You will learn:

- Crime, Tort and Contract
- English legal system
- Concepts of morality, justice, society and technology
- Trip to Westminster to see the Supreme Court

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ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

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DURATION

2 years full-time, with all exams taken at the end of the course

HOURS

4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in barrister and solicitor roles, criminology, sociology, legal clerk roles and a wide range of roles within the courts such as judging and magistrates.

OF COURSE I CAN



I get a lot of free time between lessons and I still see my friends a lot, despite our different timetables. I feel right at home at college and there is such a sense of togetherness and community that just puts you at ease. The course work is challenging, but the tutors have every faith in you and will help you to succeed.



Charlie Currie

Course: Law, Media Studies and Sociology
From: St Bernard's
Ambition: A career in law



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A LEVEL PSYCHOLOGY

Want to become an expert in the science of the mind?

By studying A Level psychology, you will gain an insight into the fascinating behaviours we see around us each day. You will also be taking an in-depth look at past psychological experiments which have shaped how we see the world. You will also be diving into the science behind it all and coming up with fascinating and unexpected results. You will gain valuable, transferrable skills to take on to many industries and degree choices.

You will learn:

- Social influence - conformity and obedience
- How memory works – why do we forget things?
- The importance of early childhood attachments
- Forensic psychology
- Psychological approaches to research

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.



After school, I wanted to explore new places and broaden my horizons. I love how I am able to learn about what I want to do in the future, and studying these subjects has helped me to confirm my interest in my dream career in child psychology. I really love college.



Cassie Date

Course: **Psychology, Sociology, Health & Social Care**
 From: **Millom School**
 Ambition: **Child Psychologist**



APPLY NOW

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ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check website

DURATION

2 years full-time

HOURS

4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in clinical psychology, criminal psychology, teaching, mental healthcare or as a psychology practitioner, as well as studying a range of arts or humanities at degree level.

A LEVEL SOCIOLOGY

Want to make an impact on society?

By studying A Level Sociology, you will learn how society works and how different theories are applied to the modern world. You will also gain an insight into the education system and how some students end up getting 'labelled' throughout their journey. You will be challenged and motivated to develop independent views on what it means to live in society today – and you'll never look at your life the same way after studying this course!

You will learn:

- Gathering and analysing market data
- Controversial theories: Marxism, Feminism, Social Conservatism
- Family in the modern society
- Social policies impact on families

Please see the website for entry requirements and additional course information.



ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Please check website

DURATION

2 years full-time

HOURS

4.5 hours per week plus independent study time

NEXT STEPS

Careers in teaching, lecturing, social work, counselling, psychology or within the business sector in human resources, market research or management consultancy.

OF COURSE I CAN

CRIMINOLOGY LEVEL 3 NOW AVAILABLE - SEE PAGE 7

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Studying at college allows me to further my skills as well as trying new things. I have met people here that I can really relate to and I enjoy working with likeminded people. I'd like to work as a graphic designer in future and have the chance to turn my hobby into a career. I want to create a standing legacy through my art.



Scarlett Kenny

Course: **Art, Psychology, Sociology**
 From: **St Bernard's**
 Ambition: **Graphic Designer**



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FUNCTIONAL SKILLS & GCSE COURSES



FUNCTIONAL SKILLS ENGLISH LEVEL 1 AND LEVEL 2

Functional Skills English is aimed at students who have not yet achieved at least a grade 3 in GCSE English; it can act as a stepping stone towards achieving the GCSE grade 4 in future years.

Entry Requirements

Grade 2 or below at GCSE English.

FUNCTIONAL SKILLS MATHEMATICS LEVEL 1 AND LEVEL 2

The Functional Skills course focuses on practical applications to real-life problems and leads to additional mathematics qualifications. Students will initially work towards the Level 1 Functional Skills qualification before progressing on to the Level 2 Functional Skills course.

Entry Requirements

Grade 2 or below at GCSE English.

GCSE BIOLOGY

You will want to gain a GCSE Biology qualification if you are interested in science and biology in particular.

Topics to be learned include:

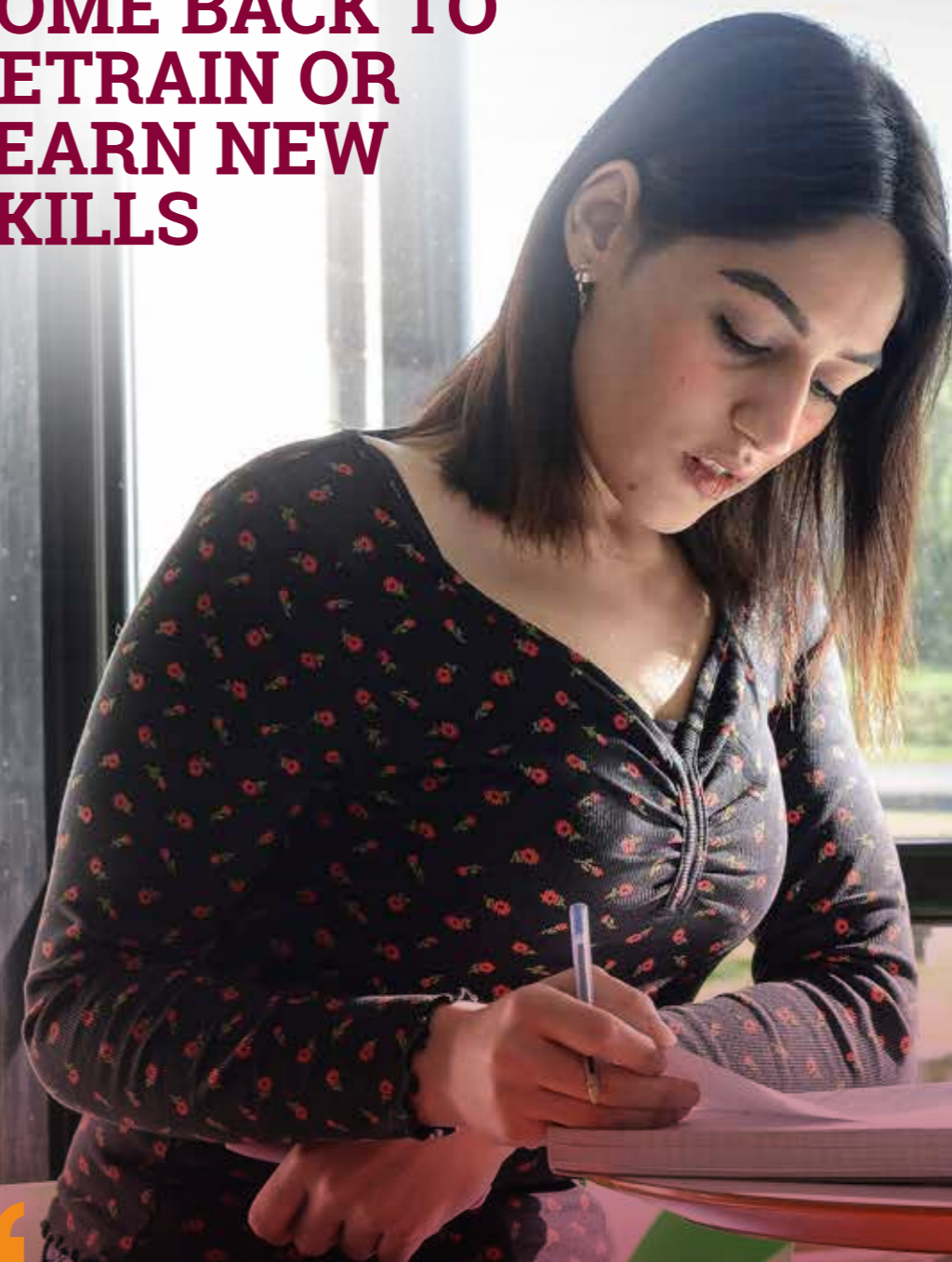
- Understanding genetics,
- Understanding healthy body systems, understanding disease,
- Understanding the role of photosynthesis in ecosystems and many more.

Entry Requirements

Grade 3 or below at GCSE science or biology.

OF COURSE
I CAN

MANY ADULTS COME BACK TO RETRAIN OR LEARN NEW SKILLS



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I love the teaching at college, the relaxed environment and also how the tutors are always there to help if you need them. I want to go onto study chemistry at uni and go onto a teaching career. My advice to people thinking of studying at college is that it is never too late to go back into education. Take time to think and process what you really want to do. You can be whoever you want to be.

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Sana Fawad Saleemi

Course: **Maths, Biology, Chemistry**
From: **Adult Student**

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HONOURS PROGRAMME SIXTH FORM

Achieving Excellence

The Honours programme, in partnership with Lancaster University, offers top achieving sixth formers a headstart at university with expert mentoring, a personal statement review, summer school places and favourable offers.

It stretches, challenges and provides additional support for students who show a flair for a subject and want to extend their knowledge. It helps develop key skills needed for university such as independent learning, research and report writing. Honours Programme

subjects are across all the curriculum and include: Mathematics; Chemistry; Physics; Biology; Law and History.

Students are identified by their school in Year 10 and nominated for a place. To be accepted onto the Honours Programme, students need to achieve an average GCSE score of at least 7.0, which means mainly grades 7, 8 or 9 (legacy GCSEs at A or A* grades).

Leanne Taher-Bates, Head of Outreach and Student Success at Lancaster University, said:

“We are delighted to see the Honours programme flourishing. Students from this scheme have been well prepared for their academic studies at university. Lancaster is committed to widening participation and supporting social mobility at every stage of the student journey in order to raise attainment and empower young people to achieve their potential. This partnership is ensuring students have the expert guidance they need to enable them to reach their goal and continue their academic studies at the highest level, including at a top 10 university such as Lancaster.”

EXTENDED PROJECT QUALIFICATION

Students on our Honours Programme have the option to take an Extended Project Qualification. Many universities view this qualification very positively including Oxbridge.

The EPQ is equivalent to half an A Level and allows you to pursue an individual research project related to your future ambitions, or one that draws on a personal interest. You are supervised by a tutor who guides you in your choice of project. Your final project will be graded A* to E and you will present your research to an appropriate audience.



Toby Wilson

Course: **Physics, maths, biology and chemistry**
From: **St Bernard's**

Honours student Toby Wilson has secured an offer to study a sought-after degree course at one of the country's top universities. Aspiring medic Toby Wilson has received an offer to study medicine at Cambridge University to pursue his dream to become a doctor after using his own time during lockdown to set up a forum to allow like-minded students to make contacts in medicine and get a valuable insight into their chosen career.

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College has supported me really well. Initially from listening to talks from Oxbridge students in the first year, dispelling some of the myths about the universities and encouraging students from college to apply and not be put off. I also had a mock interview at college which helped me to be able to think on my feet and have a bit more of an idea of what to expect during my interviews.

I want people from our area to know that no opportunities or options are limited, if you are prepared to work hard and be interested then there is nothing to hold you back. The university is looking for this and having the confidence to apply shouldn't be something to be scared of.

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