YOUR FUTURE STARTS HERE.

Full-Time Course Guide 2019-20

north west regional college
Derry-Londonderry • Limavady • Strabane
Recognised Qualifications
employers are looking for

Receive a College bursary of up to £500*
Principal's Welcome

North West Regional College is a vibrant, award winning College where everyone is equal, and where help and support is central to our way of life.

Our courses provide the knowledge and skills required for employment or higher education, and our student services will enable you to participate in an inclusive environment. Our state-of-the-art facilities will not only give you a taste of the real world of work, but will enable you to take time out to enjoy College life and events, or take part in the range of social and sporting opportunities we have on offer.

NWRC students work together to help each other develop into confident people who will impress no matter where they go. Your future starts with North West Regional College.

I look forward to meeting you at our College in September.

Leo Murphy
Principal and Chief Executive

More than 10,000 students across 5 campuses
Your future starts with North West Regional College.

With five main campuses in Derry-Londonderry, Limavady and Strabane we attract over 10,000 learners every year and employ over 800 employees.

At North West Regional College career-focused learning takes centre stage. Our students gain hands on experience in modern, state-of-the-art facilities just like those you would expect to see in the world of work. Our lecturers are industry experts with a genuine passion for the subjects they teach.

The campus atmosphere is fun, diverse and rewarding with over 3,500 full-time students attending the college, and their achievements are founded on high quality teaching and support services.

We can help you progress to higher education and gain the skills and knowledge employers are looking for!
Life on Campus

Multi-Million Pound Facilities
In recent times we have invested more than £20 million in our state-of-the-art, industry-standard, real-life learning resources and facilities, which are available across all our campuses.

These include:
- Hairdressing & Beauty Salons
- Fine-Dining Restaurants
- 150-Seat Performance Theatre
- Music Recording Studios
- High Definition TV & Radio Studio
- Art & Design Studios
- Professional Photography Studios
- Library & Learning Resource Centre
- Fitness Testing, Sports Lab & Gym
- Motor Vehicle Repair Workshops
- Science Labs
- Innovation Centres

Book a tour with us today. For more details contact: marketing@nwrc.ac.uk

Expert Staff
Our lecturers are industry experts and our support staff are friendly and compassionate.

Improve your Job Prospects
Our courses help you develop the skills and knowledge employers are looking for.

Gain Work Experience
Gain invaluable work experience which will prepare you for the world of work. Some courses even give you the option to work abroad!

Competitions
Compete in exciting competitions locally, nationally and across the globe.

Atmosphere
Our students just love the relaxed, diverse and welcoming atmosphere.

Treated Like an Adult
We will treat you with respect and support, and encourage you to become more independent.

Restaurants & Cafés
Relax between classes in our trendy cafés and fine-dining restaurants.

Student Union, Clubs & Societies
Get the most out of College life by taking part in events, clubs and societies organised by our Student Union. You can also enjoy fantastic benefits, such as discounts on travel and shopping!

Memorable Experiences
Concerts, exhibitions, shows, clubs and sports. We’re much more than just a place to learn.

Watch videos about life at NWRC
www.nwrc.ac.uk/videos

Cafés & Restaurants open to the public
Visitors to our College are often amazed at the standard and quality of our learning & training facilities. If you want to see for yourself, why not book a tour!

**Derry-Londonderry**

*Strand Road*

Our largest Campus has five main buildings - Tower, Northland, Lawrence, Strand and Foyle. Several of our buildings are connected by a glass footbridge for easy access.

Our industry-standard facilities include a College gym, 150-seat performance theatre, music recording studios, professional media and photography studios, science labs, fully equipped ICT and Engineering classrooms and a modern student social area. There is also an on-site restaurant and Hair & Beauty salons which are open to the public, allowing students to gain real-life experience working with customers.

We have recently renovated our Library and Learning Resource area, providing students with modern computer equipment and learning facilities.

**Springtown**

Our Springtown campus offers industry-standard training facilities for Apprenticeships and Training in areas such as engineering, motor vehicle maintenance and repair, plumbing, joinery, brickwork and fabrication & welding.

We recently received approved funding from the Department for the Economy to commence a multi-million pound redevelopment of our Springtown campus to provide students and staff with a modern, state-of-the-art, learning environment.

**Limavady**

*Main Street*

Our modern Limavady Campus includes a Hair & Beauty Academy, Art & Design studios, Sports & Fitness Testing Laboratory, Early Years Suite, Health Science Laboratory, IT and Multimedia suites, and Garnett’s restaurant, which is open to the public.

We recently celebrated 100 years of providing quality further education and training.

**Greystone**

A state-of-the-art training facility featuring the latest equipment and technology for courses in engineering, construction, wood occupations, brickwork, electrical training, tiling and motor vehicle studies.

We recently opened a new Product Design Centre at Greystone campus, the first of its kind in the North West, which helps entrepreneurs and companies wishing to create new products or enhance existing ones.

**Strabane**

We have been providing education and training in the Strabane district for more than 75 years, and a few years back we unveiled a £1.2m building investment programme at our Derry Road Campus.

Our latest resources include state-of-the-art beauty salons, a new library and learning resource centre, in addition to the student union and workshops for vocational training.

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**Outstanding Facilities**

£20 million+ invested in College facilities

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I had no idea how different life at college would be!!

I’m so glad I chose to study at NWRC. There’s so much more to being a student here than just going to classes. I can take part in so many exciting events and experiences that I wouldn’t find anywhere else.

I can’t wait to see what’s planned for 2019/20! 😊

Don’t forget!!!

Higher Education Graduation Day
25th October 2019

Subject to change

Call to book a tour
028 7127 6084
Courses and qualifications are important, but there’s so much more to being a student. College is also about making new friends, joining a sports team, club or society and spending time in our Students’ Union.

Get Active

Sports Clubs & Societies

Want to play sport, keep fit or be part of a team? Then you’ll fit in perfectly here at NWRC.

Our students have excelled in many sports, competing at local, national and international level. From athletics to abseiling, GAA to golf, and rock-climbing to running, if you’re into sports, you’ll be right at home here at North West Regional College. Whether you want to get involved or simply be a supporter, the North West is home to renowned sports events. Our College is committed to developing the sporting talent and excellence of its male and female students.

Wednesday afternoons are set aside for our Sports Clubs, including use of our FREE fully-equipped gym, outdoor pursuits, MMA and yoga. Various students compete in a selection of international and national competitions in sports such as swimming, judo, karate, pool, ten-pin bowling and many more.

All of our clubs and societies are 100% free. If you would like to set up a new sport or society, all you need is enough people with an interest in joining, then contact us and we can sort out the rest.

Elite Athlete Scheme

Our Elite Athlete Scheme is a financial initiative established to reward the sporting achievements of our most talented sportsmen and women.

Selected winners receive a monetary bursary and free membership of our gym along with additional training support and advice from the College’s Sports Department. Each applicant is presented with an O’Neill’s NWRC sports kit and continue to play a full part in sport at the College by participating in various competitions and championships.

Find out more

www.nwrc.ac.uk/student-union

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Free College Gym

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Information for Parents

Your son or daughter will be in great hands at NWRC. Our team of experts are here to ensure that he or she will receive a top quality learning experience aimed at helping them achieve their full potential.

Achievement Rate
We enjoy a 93% achievement rate across our courses, which is above the NI Further Education sector average.

Progression
Our qualifications are available from Level 1 through to Undergraduate level (Level 6), providing students with excellent progression opportunities, all within the College. The percentage of Full-Time students who progress from our courses to higher education, or into employment, has grown to 85%.

University
On average, around 650 NWRC students move directly into degree study at University after they complete their course.

Same as ‘A’ Levels
Our Level 3 Diplomas are equivalent to 3 ‘A’ Levels and are recognised by employers and universities.

Work Experience
Our courses are designed to provide your child with the skills required to meet the needs of employers. Many of our courses also include practical work experience.

Excellent Industry Links
The College has excellent links with local, national and international employers who provide students with valuable placement opportunities, masterclasses and site visits.

Earn While You Learn
Apprenticeship courses provide students with paid employment and training while they study.

Financial Support
Your child may be eligible for a free travel pass, free meals or other financial support such as Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA), Hardship Grant or Childcare assistance. Criteria may apply, see page 20 for more details.

Lower Tuition Fees
Students studying Higher Education at NWRC can expect significantly lower tuition fees than university, allowing them to live close to home and reduce travel and maintenance costs.

Modern Equipment & Learning Environments
All subjects areas are delivered in modern learning environments and are equipped with the latest equipment and technology to ensure your child is trained to industry standard.

Quality Teaching
Many of our lecturers continue to work as industry professionals and offer extensive knowledge and experience of their specialist area. Students are also taught longer in NWRC than on most degree courses.

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Students' Union

The Students’ Union is made up of students of varying courses, age and gender, who support the general welfare of all students. It is the main channel of communication between students and College management, and organises a range of events and societies for students throughout the year. A Students’ Union President and class representatives are elected at the beginning of each academic year.

The Students’ Union helps to organise Clubs & Societies, Freshers’ Week, Student Socials, Fundraising, European Travel, External Collaboration, Sporting Activities and Team Building.

Union members also enjoy USIT discounts. 

Library

The College has a library on the three main campuses which provides:

- Access to books, journals and newspapers
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- Study Pods
- Study space and access to PCs
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- Printing, including colour and photocopying
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- Stationery
- Evening opening until 8pm – Tue / Wed / Thu (Strand Rd)

Expert guidance and assistance from helpful staff

Careers Academy

Our Careers Academy delivers a wide range of bespoke programmes and interactive workshops tailored to the student’s needs. We strive to close the gaps to support students to creatively meet their employment and higher education potential through the innovative development of soft and hard skills. We provide careers information advice and guidance before you apply and throughout your time at the college. We also provide you with information and guidance on how best to progress after course completion.

Tel: 028 7127 6111 / 6112 / 6500 028 7127 6541 / 9784
Email: careers@nwrc.ac.uk

Widening Access & Participation

Our aim is to improve well-being for everyone by providing academic pathways which are economically viable and lead to employment. The collaboration with the Universities is allowing ‘Access’ to Higher Education for adults who were previously made redundant, or change career direction, the unemployed or those who hadn’t considered progressing in education to access both full and Part-time education allowing them to rekindle their educational pathway.

Our Careers Academy has an inclusive ethos supporting the Widening Access and Participation Plan and ‘Access to Success’ with the Widening Access and Participation Officer working with disadvantaged communities and deliver the ‘Inspire’ programme.

We also support a Widening Access and Participation Bursary for Higher Education students and other significant Erasmus programmes.

The College has been proactive in the delivery of their Erasmus+ Title 1 and 2 funding to facilitate access to study and work abroad.

Our Careers Academy has a wide range of employed staff with a range of qualifications who take up positions within the careers office.

Tel: 028 7127 6096 / 8709
Email: counselling@nwrc.ac.uk

College Counselling

Our Student Services staff are trained to provide a confidential Listening Ear Service. Our Safeguarding Officer will also be able to advise and if needed refer you to a GP or Inspire Counsellor.

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Our Student Services team are your source of information, support and guidance. If you are concerned about your studies or are experiencing personal issues you can talk to use in a safe and confidential setting.

Derry - Londonderry / Strabane
028 7127 6045

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Safeguarding

We are committed to the promotion of a caring supportive environment where staff and students can work together in an atmosphere of mutual respect, so that each and every student can achieve their full potential.

We provide a range of services to support our students, including safeguarding. By protecting our young people, adolescents and adults at risk of harm or adults in need of our protection we must take a collective approach and shared responsibility. Here at NWRC our aspiration for all students is that they will feel safe, they will feel they will have their potential and be happy in every aspect of their lives, both physically and mentally.

Our vision is achieved with the innovative development of soft and hard skills. We provide careers information advice and guidance on how best to progress after course completion.

Tel: 028 7127 6096 / 8709
Email: safeguarding@nwrc.ac.uk

Equality

The College promotes equality of opportunity among all of our staff and students. We actively seek opportunities to promote equality between the recognised groups with a view to having an inclusive environment where everyone feels welcome.

The College has been proactive in the area of equality and will continue to explore ways of facilitating all students to maximise their learning experience.

The Special Educational Needs and Disability (NI) Order 2005 (SEND) came into effect on 1st September 2005. The principle behind the further education sections of this legislation is that people with disabilities should have the same opportunities as others to benefit wherever possible from whatever education or other related provision is available.

The college welcomes calls via Next Generation Text Relay.

Learning Support

Do you have a disability or learning difficulty that may affect the way you participate in your course? The Learning Link can create a plan tailored to your individual needs. All queries are treated in confidence. We encourage you to contact us early to ensure that we can meet your needs.

Services we provide include:

- Liaison with Tutors - Assessments
- Reasonable Adjustments, Exam Arrangements;
- Further Support - Note Takers, Mentors, Sign Language Interpreter, Alternative formats (e.g. Braille);
- Equipment Loan - Laptops, Recorders, Specialist Software and Equipment;
- Access - Orientation Sessions and Advice;
- Study Skills - Organisation, Time Management & Planning, Proof Reading, Revision and Exam Techniques.

Tel: 028 7127 6024
Email: learninglink@nwrc.ac.uk

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Your Career Starts Here

Our Careers Academy delivers bespoke programmes and interactive workshops tailored to meet the needs of the student and help them reach their employment potential.

Career Programmes
Together with our team of Career Advisors and support staff we aim to support students in their educational journey and help them meet their employment potential. Programmes are personalised to ensure progression through activities that are appropriate to students at different stages of career learning, planning and development.

The careers programme includes careers education sessions, career guidance activities (group work and individual), information and research activities. A high quality careers education and guidance programme is crucial in helping young people emerge from college, university or training well-rounded and ready for the world of work.

For more information on any of our programmes or to become a volunteer contact careers@nwrc.ac.uk or visit www.nwrc.ac.uk/careers

Awarding Winning Support
- Our Careers team is a finalist for the Association of College’s prestigious Beacon Awards. Winners announced March 2019.
- Our Careers Academy was recently awarded the Matrix Quality Mark which reflects excellence in careers provision, employability and advice & guidance.
- Finneen Bradley (NWRC Careers Manager) was officially awarded the title of 2017 Careers Champion by Prospects Education Resources.

Workshops
- CV Writing
- Interview Skills
- UCAS Registration
- Team working Skills
- Personal Statement Writing
- Further Education Funding
- Higher Education Funding
- Progression
- Presentation
- Budgeting - Money Matters
- Introduction to Mental Health Mindset
- Work Placement Preparation
- MMI’s (Multiple Mini Interviews)
- 6 Cs of Nursing
- Inspire Employability Programme

“The Inspire programme was excellent! I can’t wait to put these new ideas into practice”

Roisin Kelly
Inspire Employability Programme
Money Matters

Tuition Fees
You don’t have fees to pay if you choose to study a Full-Time Further Education (FE) course:
- Level 2 Diploma
- Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma
- Foundation Art & Design
- NVQ Levels 1, 2 & 3
- City & Guilds Level 3
- NCTJ Diploma in Journalism

You do have fees to pay if you choose to study a Higher Education (HE) course.
- OCR Level 4 Diploma in Administration (Business Professional)
- Higher National Diploma (HND) and Foundation Degrees

*Fees subject to change.

Payment of Tuition Fees
Full-Time Higher Education Courses
- Students who have applied for a Tuition Fee Loan must provide a letter from the Student Loan Company (SLC) confirming that an application for a Tuition Fee Loan has been received. You will be liable for payment of the full fee if this letter is not provided.
- If you have not received funding for your tuition fees from the SLC then your fee must be paid on enrolment however, Direct Debit/Instalment arrangements are available for students to pay their fees on a monthly basis, no more than 4 monthly payment/instalments. These will begin on the 15th (or nearest working day) of the month following the date of enrolment.
- Students who wish to avail of the Direct Debit / Instalment facility must pay an initial deposit of at least £250 on enrolment with the remaining balance being paid over a maximum of 4 instalments.

Fees must be paid in full on or before 29th February 2020.

Non-Payment of Tuition Fees
Failure to pay the required Tuition Fees may result in one or more of the following:
- You may be withdrawn from your course
- You may not be able to sit exams for any NWRC course you are enrolled on
- You may not be able to access any College facilities or our Computer network
- You may not be able to progress to the next year of your course, or enrol on an alternative NWRC course
- Your name will not be included on any pass or graduation list

We will aim to recover all outstanding money that is owed to the College.

Additional Fees
- If attending Graduation, students will be required to pay a £50 attendance fee.
- Students undertaking a university Access course will be required to pay an exam fee of £230 (approx).

Loans, Grants and EMA

Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA)
If you are a UK resident and under 20 years old on 30 June 2018, remember to apply for your EMA. You could receive up to £30 per week plus 2 bonus payments of £100 per year, for coming to college. Pick up an application form from our Student Services office or by visiting emani.gov.uk

Travel Pass
Free travel passes are issued by the regional Education Authority (EA) office in Omagh to students who are under 19 years of age on 1st July 2019, and live more than 3 miles from their nearest college and are studying an FE course. If applicable application forms will be issued with your letter of acceptance, and must be returned to the College as soon as possible.

Free School Meals
For these students under 18 years of age at 31st July 2019, you may be entitled to free school meals. Applications must be made by your parent / guardian to your local Education Authority (EA). If you were entitled to free meals in your previous school and your parent / guardian indicated that you were transferring to our college this year, your name should be on our list.

Care to Learn
If you are a UK resident and under 20 years old, where you could receive full support for childcare costs, for registered child-minders only, including criques, nurseries etc. Contact Student Services for more information.

Further Education Award
Students over 19 years old on 1st July 2019 can apply for a Further Education Award from Student Finance NI using the Further Education Award Application & Assessment Form. The deadline for this is expected to be 28th June 2019.

The College may provide help to students with evidence of financial hardship via the College Hardship Fund. UK Students who are aged 18+ may be eligible to help with costs such as fees, maintenance, travel, accommodation, books and materials. All Hardship Fund applicants should previously have applied to their local Education Authority in the first instance. Application forms available from Student Services.

Care to Learn
This support scheme is available to students aged between 16-20 years old, where you could receive full support for your registered childcare whilst you come to College to study. Apply at Student Services.

Progressing on to University?
If you choose a HND or Foundation Degree with us next year with a view to progressing to Degree study, it will be YOUR responsibility to check if you will be eligible for additional funding at that College or university - contact your local Education Authority.

Useful Contact Details

Education Authorities
Western Region, 028 8241 1411
Northern Region, 028 2565 3333

NWRC Student Finance Advisors
Strand Road / Strabane: 028 7127 6033 / 6010
Limavady: 028 7127 8770
Email: studentfinance@nwrca.ac.uk

EU/Republic of Ireland Students
EU students may apply for a Tuition Fee Loan to cover the costs of HE tuition fees. You can download a EU19N form here: gov.uk/student-finance-forms

Republic of Ireland students can apply for a Maintenance Grant via susi.ie. Students in receipt of benefits, should contact your local Welfare Office for eligibility information on Back to Education Allowance.

Hardship Fund
(Non-repayable means-tested fund)
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How to Apply

To apply for a Full-Time course you must be 16 years of age or over on or before 1st July in year of entry. We operate a first come, first served application process, so apply today!

If you experience difficulty with the online application process or require an alternative format, please contact our Admissions Team on 028 7127 6000 or email admissions@nwrc.ac.uk.

International Students
The College welcomes applications from international students. Visit: nwrc.ac.uk/international

Terms & Conditions: Students are required to comply with the College’s Terms & Conditions. It is important that you read the terms carefully and understand them before applying, accepting your offer. Further information on our Terms & Conditions are available online: www.nwrc.ac.uk/terms
We offer a wide range of accredited qualifications which are recognised by industry and universities as programmes that provide the practical skills and knowledge they want their future employees or students to have. Our Full-Time provision, which ranges from Level 1 to Undergraduate (Level 6), combines practical hands-on learning with supporting theory and knowledge.

Entry criteria for some College courses may be enhanced where courses are over-subscribed. It is the student’s responsibility to research the entry requirements for the institution they wish to progress onto in terms of Maths and English.

Courses Explained

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UK Qualifications

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<td>Level 5 Higher National Diploma (HND) 4 years</td>
<td>A Degree level qualification which combines college study with workplace learning to give you relevant knowledge and higher level skills for your career. With a Foundation Degree students can allocate straight into second or final year of a related Degree at university.</td>
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<td>Level 5 Higher National Diploma (HND) 4 years</td>
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<td>Level 2 Diploma / Extension Diploma 2 years</td>
<td>A qualification related to your chosen career, equal to 3 A levels. The practical work experience and skills will prepare you for work or higher level studies. Progress onto a HND or Foundation Degree.</td>
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<td>Access (Adult Learning) 1 year</td>
<td>Designed for adult learners who wish to enhance their qualifications in preparation for higher level study. Access courses are full Level 3 qualifications which equivalent to A level.</td>
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<td>Level 2 Diploma 1 year</td>
<td>Level 2 qualifications are intermediate level qualifications. They include practical, work related activities for skills development and help learners develop a broader understanding of their chosen subject area.</td>
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<td>NVQ Level(2-4) 1 or 2 years</td>
<td>Undertake practical, work related tasks designed to help you develop the skills and knowledge to do a particular job effectively.</td>
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ROI Qualifications

### Irish Leaving Certificate (Higher & Ordinary) UCAS and CAO points

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For more information on the course entry requirements or to view the ILC equivalences prior to 2017 please contact the NWRC Careers Academy, email: careers@nwrc.ac.uk
Associate Student Status

Ulster University
NWRC is a partner college of Ulster University. When you study on a validated course, you are officially an Associate Student of Ulster University. You can access a wide range of Ulster resources and facilities, designed to enhance your learning experience.

You will be issued with an Ulster University associate student card (if you attached a photograph to your registration) which will allow you to use University services including the Library and the Sports Centre.

Find out more: [ulster.ac.uk/associatestudents](http://ulster.ac.uk/associatestudents)

Sport Centre & Fitness Suite
Ulster University’s Sport Centres at Coleraine, Jordanstown and Magee Campus have great fitness suites and a range of classes to help you be active.

For more information visit: [sportsulster.com](http://sportsulster.com)

Library
As an Associate Student you will be able to:

- Consult Library books in any of the University’s four libraries in Belfast, Coleraine, Jordanstown and Magee
- Borrow books

For more information visit: [ulster.ac.uk/library](http://ulster.ac.uk/library)

Early Years Students
Queen’s University Belfast
Students in Early Years have associate student status of the Queen’s University Belfast. This allows access to the Queen’s University Belfast libraries and state-of-the-art facilities.

Students on the Foundation Degree in Early Childhood Studies / HND Advanced Practice in Work with Children and Families can gain entry into degree programmes at Stranmillis College (Queen’s University).

Letterkenny Institute of Technology
Students on the Foundation Degree in Early Childhood Studies or HND in Advanced Practice in Work with Children and Families can gain Advanced Entry into Year 3 of the BSc (Hons) in Early Childhood Care, Health & Education as students of Letterkenny Institute of Technology (LYIT) with associate student status at NWRC.

Progression Opportunities
Early Years graduates have the opportunity to pursue professional qualifications in careers such as: Primary Teaching, Special Needs Teaching, Play therapist, Speech therapist, Occupational therapy, Health Promotion, Social Work and Psychology.
Curriculum subjects may be subject to change, this is to ensure it reflects sector guidance and to meet the requirements for industry approval. Courses at North West Regional College are viable once sufficient numbers have enrolled. Where a course is offered at more than one College campus, there may only be sufficient enrolments to offer it at one location. In this case students may be offered the opportunity to undertake the programme at an alternative College campus other than their first choice.

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Administration (Secretarial)

“I studied at NWRC to help my employment prospects when my family and I emigrate to Australia. One of my best decisions!”

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Loretta Melaugh
For more information contact:
insights into the world of work. If you do not hold a level 2 qualification in Numeracy, you will be expected to complete an Essential Skills Numeracy qualification during this course to enhance your employability skills and progression prospects.

Students are also encouraged to avail of work placement opportunities which provide valuable insights into the world of work. If you do not hold a level 2 qualification in Numeracy, you will be expected to complete an Essential Skills Numeracy qualification during this course to enhance your employability skills and progression prospects.

For more information contact:
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City & Guilds Level 2 Certificate / Diploma in Medical Administration

NQF: 600/0960/9 | 605/0910/9
Location: Derry~Londonderry
Duration: 1 Year

Entry Requirements:
UK: 4 GCSEs - achieved a Grade C in English and Grade D-G in 3 other subjects. ROI: 4 OLCs - achieved a Grade O5 in English and Grade O6 in 3 other subjects. Interview required.

Course Overview:
If you are looking for employment, this course will give you the tools to provide effective administrative support within any healthcare setting. With a Certificate or Diploma in Medical Administration you can start your career as a medical administrator or secretary, helping patients and providing vital support for doctors and other healthcare professionals.

This qualification was developed in partnership with AMSPAR (The Association of Medical Secretaries, Practice Managers, Administrators and Receptionists).

This course is designed for those wishing to work as receptionists in any section of the health services, including general medicine and dental practices, hospitals (including wards and medical records clerks) and opticians.

During the course you will cover:
- Medical terminology, working in the NHS, administration skills in a medical environment, medical principles, communication skills in a medical environment, work experience and audio transcription.
- If you do not hold a level 2 qualification in Numeracy, you will be expected to complete our Essential Skills Numeracy during this course to enhance your employability skills and progression prospects.
- You will also participate in a period of work experience in a healthcare environment as part of this course and this will provide valuable insights into the world of work.

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CILEx Level 2 Certificate / Diploma For Legal Secretaries

NQF: 600/0962/7 | 601/0508/8 | 601/0509/8
Location: Derry~Londonderry
Duration: 1 Year

Entry Requirements:
UK: Attempted 4 GCSEs (Grade D – G or above). ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade O5 or above).

Course Overview:
Developed by the Chartered Institute of Legal Executives (CILEx), this qualification is for learners wanting to advance and develop their career in the legal sector, covering a variety of roles including administrative assistants/ administrator, legal executive, and legal secretary.

This programme has been designed by legal professionals to enable a pool of talent to apply for jobs in the sector. It also provides a stepping stone to higher levels of study. There are practical assignments designed by CILEx to provide real life tasks which can be readily transferred to the workplace.

Core Modules of study include:
- Legal word processing
- Legal word processing audio
- Business skills in the legal environment
- Proof-reading in the legal environment

Legal information processing If you do not hold a level 2 qualification in Numeracy, you will be expected to complete an Essential Skills Numeracy qualification during this course to enhance your employability skills and progression prospects.

Students are also encouraged to avail of work placement opportunities which provide valuable insights into the world of work. If you do not hold a level 2 qualification in Numeracy, you will be expected to complete an Essential Skills Numeracy qualification during this course to enhance your employability skills and progression prospects.

For more information contact:
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OCR Level 3 Diploma in Administration with ICT (Business Professional)

Entry Requirements:
UK: OCR Level 2 Administration (Business Professional) or equivalent and GCSE English (Grade C or above); NVQ Level 2 and GCSE English (Grade C or above); OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English; OR: 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) to include English; OR Leaning Cert Applied – Merit.

Interview Required.

Course Overview:
In today’s workplace there is high demand for skilled administrative professionals who can help the business deliver an effective service to its clients. You will develop the practical skills sought by employers today. You will be trained in office tasks and in the use of equipment and you will gain practical insights into the wide range of career possibilities in administration.

You will undertake study in the following core module areas: Producing complex documents, functions & roles within business organisations, supporting recruitment and selection procedures, reviewing and developing office procedures, verbal communication, organise business event, support business meetings, apply legislation, LCCI Intermediate/Advanced Word Processing Techniques. We also offer the opportunity for students to undertake level 1 and/or 2 - qualifications in manual and computerised accounts (a small examination fee is payable for these elements). If you do not hold a Level 2 qualification in Numeracy you will complete this during the course to enhance your employability and progression prospects.

You will be encouraged to attend placement in an administrative office in an area of your choice where you will gain valuable insights to the world of work. These hours would be additional and outside your timetabled course hours.

Other Additional Costs: £50+ approx – LCCI

Other Costs: £55 LCCI WP Level 3 fee.

OCR Level 4 Higher Diploma in Administrative Procedures with ICT

Entry Requirements:
UK: 32 UCAS Points + GCSE (Grade C or above) in English;
ROI: 32 UCAS Points at Honours Level + OLC (Grade 05 or above) in English; Level 3 Standard Qualification in a relevant subject area and GCSE Grade C in English;

Interview Required.

Course Overview:
This course will provide you with the knowledge and understanding to undertake a range of complex administration tasks. The learning experience is designed to develop supervisory skills through practical senior and supervisory activities in a realistic working environment in the College setting.

You will undertake study in the following areas:

- Working in a senior administrative role, supervising a team of staff, presenting complex business information, introduction to business accounts, analyse financial information, train and develop staff, verbal communications, work in an administration team, chair a meeting, support recruitment and selection procedures and organise an event.

- This vocational qualification also provides the qualifications necessary to apply for employment as an executive/personal administrator in the public or private sector. Students are assessed by College-based OCR assignments. There may be an opportunity for work experience in the second semester which provides a practical insight into career possibilities in administration.

- Progression opportunities exist with Letterkenny Institute of Technology (on a Full-Time basis) or Ulster University (Part-Time programmes). Also there are opportunities to undertake either Computerised Accounts, Word Processing or Short Hand qualifications. Exam fees apply.

OCR Registration Fee of £180 will apply.

Other Costs: £55 LCCI WP Level 3 fee.

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“The Access adult education course at NWRC transformed my life!”

Ciaran Boyle
Access Diploma in Combined Studies
Access Diploma in Science (Validated by Ulster University)

Entry Requirements:
- You will be required to provide evidence of a basic competence in English and Mathematics and be over 19 years of age on 1 July in year of entry and have been away from full-time education for at least one year.
- Part-Time entry criteria may differ.

Course Overview:
- Designed for committed adult learners without formal qualifications, this course provides the opportunity to gain a recognised UK qualification which can be used to progress to university degree study, secure employment, or change/improve career opportunities.
- Core modules of study will include: Laboratory Skills, General Science, Mathematics, and 2 from Biology, Chemistry & Physics.
- This course will enable you to progress to a wide variety of courses in the sciences and beyond.
- Previous progression routes for successful students have included: Chemical engineering, medical laboratory science, radiography, environmental health, biochemistry, environmental science, physiotherapy, fisheries management, biology, chemistry, nursing, pediatrics and other related areas.

For further information, contact:
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Access Diploma in Combined Studies (Validated by Ulster University)

Entry Requirements:
- You will be required to provide evidence of a basic competence in English and Mathematics and be over 19 years of age on 1 July in year of entry and have been away from full-time education for at least one year.
- Part-Time entry criteria may differ.

Course Overview:
- Designed for adults, this course will provide the opportunity to achieve an equivalence of 3 'A' levels so that you can progress to higher level courses in further education or university.
- You will have to commit to a high degree of independent study and reading-up to nine subjects, four are compulsory (five if you don’t hold a GCSE grade C in Mathematics) and four are chosen by you from a range of available options.

Compulsory modules are:
- Communications, Accessing Basic Maths/ Accessing Math (if both taken give an equivalent GCSE Mathematics pass grade);
- Return to Study Skills;
- Introductory Pathway in Humanities and Social Sciences or Introduction to Business and Management or Introduction to IT (dependent on individual campus).

Optional Modules (dependent on numbers) include:
- Psychology; Law; English Literature; Sociology; History; Researching Society; French/Spanish/Irish; Web Development for e-Business; Business Accounts;
- Statistical Research with ICT; Biology; Environmental Science (Limavady);
- Roe Valley Land & People (Limavady) (options dependent on the individual campus).

Recommended reading suggested for each unit if students wish to individually purchase. Awarding body registration fee payable at start of the course.

Completing this course will enable you to apply for higher education courses with us or at University, in a range of subject areas. These include social work, law, teaching, nursing, computing, business, youth work, psychology and occupational therapy. This qualification also provides opportunities for progression to a Higher Level Apprenticeship – a number of which are available for application through NWRC.

Students following the full-time course should preferably have a GCSE English Grade C or equivalent, and will also be asked to demonstrate a level of literacy and numeracy. Students without GCSE English or equivalent will be expected to undertake an Essential Skills Level 2 qualification in conjunction with their Access Course.

For further information, contact:
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University Access Diploma in Health and Welfare

Entry Requirements:
- A pass in GCSE English or GCSE Mathematics (or equivalent) and be over 19 years of age on 1 July in year of entry. If you are 19 years of age at the beginning of the course you must have been out of full-time education for at least two years.

Course Overview:
- This course is aimed at those wishing to learn about health & social care issues, providing adult learners with an opportunity to gain a qualification which can be used as a progression pathway to higher education degrees such as nursing and social work or Foundation Degree study.
- You will cover topics in the following areas:
  - Health and welfare; research; study skills/communication skills; human anatomy and physiology; IT; maths; and optional units in French/Spanish/Irish; Web Development for e-Business.
- Progression opportunities are excellent. Past students have progressed to professional training courses such as nursing, midwifery, social work, youth/community work, occupational therapy and other degree courses in the social sciences/health studies field.

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University Access Diploma in Health and Welfare

Entry Requirements:
- UK: A pass in GCSE English or GCSE Mathematics (or equivalent) and be over 19 years of age on 1 July in year of entry. If you are 19 years of age at the beginning of the course you must have been out of full-time education for at least two years.

Course Overview:
- This qualification also provides opportunities.
“It was vital that I would be able to work and get my qualification at the same time.”

Ryan Carlyle
Level 2 Diploma in Dry Lining

SkillBuildNI Gold Winner 2018

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ApprenticeshipsNI

What is ApprenticeshipsNI?
The ApprenticeshipsNI (AppNI) programme offers training across a wide range of professional and technical areas. The programme is open to students aged 16-24 who are in permanent paid employment with a Northern Ireland based company and will be contracted to work a minimum of 21 hours per week (including day release/off-the-job training) with one employer.

NOTE: There is currently no age restriction for entry onto an Apprenticeship in Fabrication & Welding or Mechanical Engineering as these are priority skill areas.

Earn A Real Salary
All Apprenticeships are real jobs so you will earn a real salary. Apprentices will earn at least the national minimum wage with many employers paying more.

NWRC works in partnership with industry and local councils to support young people to progress to ‘earn as you learn’.

Gain Recognised Skills & Qualifications
As an apprentice you will work alongside experienced professional staff, receive high quality ‘off-the-job’ professional and technical training and work towards achieving accredited industry-recognised qualifications.

As an apprentice you must balance your job and study across a maximum of a four year period: two years at Level 2 and two years at Level 3. Those with good GCSE grades and an aptitude for their trade and learning can complete in a shorter time-frame.

Usually you are with the employer four days a week and at College one day a week.

Enrichment Activities & Competitions
We also offer enrichment activities and personal development workshops for students to get involved in to help develop their confidence, communication and team-working skills. Our students also have the opportunity to compete in regional and UK Competitions with the aim of progressing to WorldSkills which will be in China in 2021.

Vocational Courses
ApprenticeshipsNI courses offer a range of exciting skills and learning opportunities which link to vocational, industrially relevant qualifications which lead directly to career success.

Occupational areas include: Care & Health, Motor Vehicle Repair, Brickwork, Carpentry & Joinery, Tiling, Welding, Electrical & Mechanical Engineering, Painting & Decorating and Plumbing.

Entry Criteria
The applicant needs to be in relevant employment and have the minimum entry requirements*.

*NOTE: Employers have discretion on the entry criteria for Level 2 ApprenticeshipsNI programmes which allows students to work towards required Essential Skills or GCSE in English and Maths to achieve Level 2 / Grade C. However this requires students to attend college for additional days which employers must start to agree before programme.

Visit us
Our Open Days/Evenings in our Springtown, Greystone and Strabane campuses will give you the opportunity to speak to Lecturing Staff, Employment Liaison Officers and where possible Employers looking for new apprentices across a wide range of industrial areas. Check our website for event details and dates.

Training for Success

What is Training for Success?
Training for Success (TfS) is a work-based learning programme for unemployed school leavers aged 16-17 (with extended age eligibility for young people with a disability up to the age 22 and up to age 24 for those from an in-care background).

NWRC Employment Liaison Officers will support you to find a work placement in your chosen occupational area.

Get Paid to Get Skilled
Training is the equivalent to being employed. You will have a contract and you will get paid a weekly Training Allowance (based on attendance and achievement in both college and work placement) while you gain practical skills and workplace experience.

Additional cash bonuses of up to £360 are paid when you complete certain stages of your training.

Vocational Courses
Courses are available in a wide range of vocational areas, including Business Administration, Retail & Customer Service, Hospitality, Sport, Care & Health, Hair & Beauty, Childcare, Motor Vehicle, Brickwork, Carpentry & Joinery, Tiling, Welding, Horticulture, Painting & Decorating and Plumbing.

Gain Recognised Skills & Qualifications
Guaranteed training up to 104 weeks (156 weeks for those with a disability) to help gain the skills and recognised professional qualifications required for future employment or progression onto higher level education or training.

On successful completion of a Level 2 qualification it is possible to progress to a Level 3 ApprenticeshipsNI or part-time Further Education course to further enhance your skills.

Vocational Courses
Courses are available in a wide range of vocational areas, including Business Administration, Retail & Customer Service, Hospitality, Sport, Care & Health, Hair & Beauty, Childcare, Motor Vehicle, Brickwork, Carpentry & Joinery, Tiling, Welding, Horticulture, Painting & Decorating and Plumbing.

Enrichment Activities & Competitions
Enrichment activities and personal development workshops on mental health, road safety and cultural diversity are built into the programme. Our students also have the opportunity to compete in regional and UK Competitions with the aim of progressing to WorldSkills which will be in China in 2021.

Training Credits
All entry to Training for Success 2019, including those re-joining, will be on presentation of a valid Training Credit by the potential participant to the Training Contractor (NWRC, Strand Road Campus, Tower Building, Level 2).

All Training Credits will be issued between 9am-5pm, Monday to Friday by the Careers Service, Department for Economy, 40 Foyle Street, Ground Floor, Orchard House, Derry~Londonderry, BT48 6AT.

Contact the Careers Service on 028 7127 1200.

Find out more about TfS & AppNI:
The Careers Academy
Ground Floor, Tower Building, Strand Road
Tel: 028 7127 6112
Email: CareersStaff@nwrc.ac.uk

Or contact the Training Team:
Tel: 028 7127 6489
Email: TrainingSupport@nwrc.ac.uk

Full-Time Courses 2019-20
See overview of TfS courses at NWRC, including information on Training to progress into an area of work which interests them. Weekly payment depends on the student's attendance and application on placement with a local employer. We need you to have determination, a work ethic are required.

Course Overview:
Underwater welding also referred to as wet welding, is the practice of completing welding tasks underwater. Welding under water is only used if it is necessary, there are many scenarios that leave underwater welding the only repair option. Damaged metal bridge posts, boats, oil rigs and various other objects that can't be easily removed from the water. As a welder you will work with metals and alloys, and cut and join composite materials, such as plastics, using specialist welding methods.

This is a Worldskills competition category.

You'll need an understanding of basic working practices. Your day-to-day tasks may include setting out the materials to be cut or joined, following engineering instructions and drawings, inspecting and testing cuts and joins, using precision measuring instruments, operating the semi-automatic spot-welding equipment used in high volume production lines.

You'll usually work in the construction and engineering, transport, aerospace and manufacturing industries. Welders need to be able to interpret complicated drawings and translate these into accurate structures and products. Welders join sections, pipe & plate & fabricate large and small pressure vessels. You will go on field trips to industry and we will strive to place you for at least one day a week with an employer. Learners will have the opportunity on completion to progress onto the next level of vocational learning within the Welding and Fabrication sector.

This qualification does not lead directly to a job, but does provide learners with the basic core skills training, and underpinning knowledge to facilitate progression into further vocational learning such as apprenticeship programme in Fabrication and Welding. Learners successfully completing this qualification can progress their careers by registering on a number of other qualification such as Level 2 Engineering (Fabrication and Welding).

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Entry Requirements:
Aptitude Test; For students who do not have GCSE English, Maths and ICT at a Grade C or equivalent you will be expected to complete your Essential Skills up to Level 2 and therefore commitment, determination and a good work ethic are required.

Course Overview:
The UK the Horticulture industry is valued at £10 billion and employs over a third of a million people, while the Northern Ireland industry is worth approximately £170m and employs about 8,000 people.

You will mostly work outdoors and possible careers are with public gardens such as; National Trust properties, privately owned gardens, local Council Parks departments, landscape design and construction companies, nurseries, garden centres, golf courses and sportgrounds.

The Chartered Institute of Horticulture defines horticulture as ‘the science, technology, art and business of cultivating and using plants to improve human life. Horticulturists and Horticultural Scientists create global solutions for sustainable nutritious food and healthy/restorative and beautiful environments.’

This is a new qualification and we have an industry expert to inspire and support your understanding through project based learning. This will be a very practical and project based course although like all learning there is written evidence required by you to achieve your course.

This course will see students take part in various projects across the North West with transport provided. We have excellent resources in both our Springtown and Strabane campuses which students will manage as part of their course.

This is a new qualification designed to encourage students who love the outdoors, landscaping and developing green space. We have a gardening guru to inspire and support your learning with us.

This will be a very practical and project based course although, like all learning there is written evidence required for you to achieve your course.

Core Modules will include Science and Soil Management, Identification and selection of plants, Plant and Science Processes, Plant production techniques, Plant Establishment and maintenance.

For students who do not have GCSE English, Maths and ICT at a Grade C or equivalent you will be expected to complete your Essential Skills up to Level 2 and therefore commitment, determination and a good work ethic are required.

Upon successful completion, you can progress to relevant Level 3 programmes, and potentially thereafter to the Foundation Degree (FDc) Horticulture Programme in CAFRE.

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Pearson BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Horticulture

Entry Requirements:
UK: Level 2 Horticulture or 4 GCSEs at Grade C or above.
ROI: Level 2 Horticulture or 4 OLCs at Grade 05 or above.

Location: Based at various sites including Springtown and Strabane
Duration: 2 Years

For students who do not have GCSE Grade C or above in English Maths or ICT will be required to complete Essential Skills to Level 2. We will help you to find a placement.

Course Overview:
The UK the Horticulture industry is valued at £10bn and employs over a third of a million people, while the Northern Ireland industry is worth approximately £170m and employs about 8,000 people.

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Upon successful completion, you can progress to relevant Level 3 programmes, and potentially thereafter to the Foundation Degree (FDc) Horticulture Programme in CAFRE.

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Work Based Learning / Training / Training For Success Level 2 Wall and Floor Tiling

Entry Requirements:
UK: 5 GCSES (Grade G or above) or equivalent to include English and Maths at (Grade F or above) or equivalent.
ROI: 5 OLCs (Grade 06 or above) to include English and Maths at (Grade 06 or above).

Location: Limavady (Greystone) or equivalent.
Duration: 2 Years

For students who do not have GCSE Grade C or above in English Maths or ICT will be required to complete Essential Skills to Level 2. We will help you to find a placement.

Course Overview:
This is a WorldSkills competition category.
Wall & Floor Tilers is a specialist area within the construction industry that allows creative individuals the opportunity to meet a variety of clients from major contractors to domestic clients looking for small projects completed. You will learn to tile accurately and carefully, and have an awareness of the importance of health and safety in the industry, be good with your hands, have good number skills for measuring and cutting, and physical fitness as the work involves carrying, kneeling and bending. Typical units include: Preparing Backgrounds for Tiling; Forming sand and cement screeds; Tiles Wall Surfaces; Tile Floor Surfaces.
NWRC Placement Officers will help you to find a suitable employer.

After successful completion you can progress to an Apprenticeship at Level 3 through the Apprenticeship NI route or via an FE route, with options for further progression to a Higher National Certificate, Higher National Diploma, NEBOSH or degree option.

Our World Skills expert is part of the Lecturing team within our Greystone Campus, and has a great track record in supporting students through local, national and World Skills Competitions. He had WorldSkills Finale in London 2011, Leipzig 2013 and Sao Paulo 2015.

See overview of T5 courses at NWRC, including information on Training Credits, commitment to learning and enrichment activities noted on pg 15.

For more information, contact:
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Work Based Learning / Training / Training For Success Level 2 Brickwork

Entry Requirements:
UK: 5 GCSES (Grade G or above) or equivalent to include English and Maths at (Grade F or above) or equivalent.
ROI: 5 OLCs (Grade 06 or above) to include English and Maths at (Grade 06 or above).

Location: Lurgan (Springtown) or Strabane (Springtown)
Duration: 2 Years

For students who do not have GCSE Grade C or above in English Maths or ICT will be required to complete Essential Skills to Level 2. We will help you to find a placement.

Course Overview:
As a bricklayer you will work within the Construction Industry both on commercial and residential projects. (If you like to draw interpretations, set out, measure, construct and finish, then this is the career for you. Participation in competition and winning awards enhances the student’s Curriculum Vitae and may lead to exciting employment opportunities.

For those who do not have a grade C or equivalent in English and Maths you will study Essential Skills in Communications, Numeracy and ICT. Physical fitness is a necessity for this work.

Other enrichment workshops on mental health, road safety and cultural diversity are built into all TFS programmes. TFS Training is similar to being employed, a contract, therefore your Training Allowance is totally dependent on attendance and achievement in both college and work place. NWRC Employment Liaison Officers will support you to find a placement.

All we need from you is determination, a love of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic. On successful completion it is possible to complete Level 3 through the Apprenticeship NI route or via an FE route, with options for further progression to a Higher National Certificate, Higher National Diploma, NEBOSH or degree option.

See overview of T5 courses at NWRC, including information on Training Credits, commitment to learning and enrichment activities noted on pg 15.

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Work Based Learning / Training / Training for Success Level 2 in Engineering (Fabrication and Welding)

NDAQ: 600/1070/3
Location: Derry-Londonderry (Springtown) OR Limavady (Greystones)
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements:
- UK: 5 GCSEs (Grade G or above) or equivalent to include English and Maths at (Grade F or above) or equivalent.
- ROI: 5 OLCs (Grade 06 or above) to include English and Maths at (Grade 06 or above).
- NDAQ: 5 OLCs (Grade 06 or above) to include English and Maths at (Grade 06 or above).

Course Overview:
Qualified welders usually work in the construction, engineering, transport, aerospace and offshore industries. Specialist welders, as well as using welding techniques in their daily work, are also expected to apply these techniques in the design and manufacture of products. Welders need to be able to assess which welding technique is best suited to the material and application. Welding is used if it is necessary, there are many scenarios that leave underwater welding the only repair option. Damaged metal bridge posts, boats, oil rigs and various other objects that can't be easily removed when on land can be fixed underwater. As a welder you will work with metals and alloys, and cut and join composite materials, such as plastics, using specialist welding methods. Good welders are in demand across the UK and Ireland.

This is a WorldSkills competition category.

You will complete Health and Safety training to support your understanding of safe working practices. Your modules and day-to-day tasks may include setting out, and manufacture of joinery components while site carpentry and joinery focus on the installation of the joinery components and on the setting out and fabrication of timber elements used in construction.

This is a WorldSkills competition category.

For students who do not have GCSE English, Maths and ICT Essential skills in all 3 areas are required for you to achieve your course.

Core Modules will include:
- Science and Soil Management, Identification and selection of plants, Plant and Science Processes, Plant production techniques, Plant Establishment and maintenance.
- For students who do not have GCSE English, Maths and ICT at a Grade C or equivalent you will be expected to complete your Essential Skills up to Level 2 and therefore commitmment, determination and a good work ethic are required.

Upon successful completion, you can progress to relevant Level 3 Diploma and potentially thereafter to the Foundation Degree (FdSc) Horticulture Programme in CAFRE.

See overview of TFS courses at NWRC, including information on Training Credits, commitment to learning and enrichment activities noted on pg 15.

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Work Based Learning / Training / Training for Success Level 2 Practical Horticultural Skills

NDAQ: 600/804/4
Location: Derry-Londonderry (Springtown) or Limavady (Greystones) OR Strabane
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements:
- UK: 5 GCSEs (Grade G or above) or equivalent to include English and Maths at (Grade F or above) or equivalent.
- ROI: 5 OLCs (Grade 06 or above) to include English and Maths at (Grade 06 or above) or equivalent.
- NDAQ: 5 OLCs (Grade 06 or above) to include English and Maths at (Grade 06 or above).

Course Overview:
Do you know the difference between a carpenter and a joiner? A joiner usually makes the timber products that a carpenter fixes on-site. Traditionally joiners would work in a workshop; whereas a carpenter would construct the building elements on site. Elias Charles Disney was the father of Roy Disney and Walt Disney and Ed Sanders were Carpenters. Famous Joiner was Harrison Ford. There are 2 types of joinery, bench joinery is the preparation, setting out, and manufacture of joinery components while site carpentry and joinery focus on the installation of the joinery components and on the setting out and fabrication of timber elements used in construction.

This is a WorldSkills competition category.

For students who do not have GCSE English, Maths and ICT Essential skills in all 3 areas are required for you to achieve your course.

Core Modules will include:
- Bench joinery: the preparation, setting out, and manufacture of joinery components while site carpentry and joinery focus on the installation of the joinery components and on the setting out and fabrication of timber elements used in construction.

This is a WorldSkills competition category.

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Work Based Learning / Training / Training for Success Level 2 Carpenter & Joinery

NDAQ: 500/985/8
Location: Derry-Londonderry (Springtown)
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements:
- UK: 5 GCSEs (Grade G or above) or equivalent to include English and Maths at (Grade F or above) or equivalent.
- ROI: 5 OLCs (Grade 06 or above) to include English and Maths at (Grade 06 or above) or equivalent.

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This is a WorldSkills competition category.

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Work Based Learning / Training / Training for Success Level 2 Motor Light Vehicle Body Repair

NDAQ: 500/985/8
Location: Derry-Londonderry (Springtown)
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements:
- UK: 5 GCSEs (Grade G or above) or equivalent to include English and Maths at (Grade F or above) or equivalent.
- ROI: 5 OLCs (Grade 06 or above) to include English and Maths at (Grade 06 or above) or equivalent.

Course Overview:
Collision Damage is more than skin deep. When your car hits an obstacle, that impact goes through the entire vehicle, bending or breaking body panels, frame components, wheels, interior pieces, and drivetrain parts. This is a WorldSkills competition category.

Auto body repairs rectify both the structure and the paneling of both hard and heavy vehicles. The work is often divided between major and minor collision damage and your skills will always be in demand. Your day-to-day duties may include assessing damage and deciding how to repair it, removing damaged panels or parts for repair; smoothing out minor dents in panels, filling small holes or rusted areas with filler, making body panels and sections, and welding them into place, refining the repair to match surrounding areas and keeping a digital record of all work completed to show customers.

Core Modules will include practical projects, Light Vehicle Body Repair Technology, Systems Technology Theory, Health and safety, Routine maintenance, Vehicle Panel Repair, Welding Operations, Paint Spraying, Plastic Repairs, Relevant work placement, Simulations, Work-Based assessment, E-Portfolio, Level 1 Electrical Vehicle Awareness. For those who do not have GCSE English, Maths and ICT Essential skills in all 3 areas achievement is part of your contract.

TFS Training is similar to being employed, a contract, therefore your Training Allowance is totally dependent on attendance and achievement. NWRC Placement Officers will help you to find an employer where your attendance and application is essential for you to maintain your job and get paid.

On successful completion of a Level 3 Diploma it is possible to complete a Level 3 Award through the Apprenticeship NI in a suitable FE route. Further progression to a Higher National Certificate, Higher National Diploma, NEBOSH and a degree option is also available.

See overview of TFS courses at NWRC, including information on Training Credits, commitment to learning and enrichment activities noted on pg 15.

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Work-Based Learning / Training / Training for Success Level 2 Painting & Decorating

Core Modules include:
• Practical projects to support achievement in the technical area
• Erecting and Dismantling Access Equipment and Working Platforms
• Preparing Surfaces for Decoration
• Applying Paint Systems by Brush and Roller
• Applying Foundation and Plain Papers
• Producing Specialist Decorative Finishes
• Applying and Creating Colour

If you do not have a Grade C or equivalent in English, Maths and ICT you will be assessed and expected to compete Essential Skills to Level 2 as part of your contract.

TFS is a contract and placement is a major part of your learning. On successful completion of the Level 2 Diploma it is possible to complete a Level 3 Diploma in Painting & Decorating, through Apprenticeship NT or a part time FE route. Options for further progression include a Higher National Certificate, Higher National Diploma, NEBOSH or a degree.

See overview of TTS courses at NWRC, including information on Training Credits, commitment to learning and enrichment activities noted on pg 15.

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Entry Requirements:
UK: 5 GCSEs (Grade G or above) or equivalent to include English and Maths at (Grade F or above) or equivalent.
ROI: 5 OLCs (Grade 06 or above) to include English and Maths at (Grade 06 or above) or equivalent.

Course Overview:
Skills for Your Life is an inter-disciplinary courses which covers aspects of careers, health, personal goals, projects and employment opportunities. Skills for Your Life/work are practical courses which focus on the individual student and develop skills such as how and where to find employment opportunities, how to apply for jobs and courses, and how to prepare for an interview.

Elements of the course timetable includes taster sessions across a range of trade areas. Each student will have a Personal Tutor and access to the wide range of excellent support service provided here in the college. Students get involved in a wide range of projects.

One project was building 30 Barn-Owl Boxes for Ulster Wildlife which meant the students designed, built and used CNC (Computer Numerical Control) to produce the finished boxes. Core Modules include Employability, Personal Development, Health and Safety, CSR Card, Essential Skills in Literacy, Numeracy and ICT. Vocational Qualifications relevant to your area of study that will support your progression to employment or Level 2.

Optional Modules include Joinery, Horticulture, Painting and Decorating, Motor Vehicle Repair and Recycling.

It is anticipated that students will have an opportunity to access a work placement with a local employer. We need you to have determination, a love of learning, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic. Weekly payment depends on the student’s attendance and application on the course. Work hard for us and you can do well. Skills for work students can progress to employment or Level 2.

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**APPRENTICESHIPS & TRAINEESHIPS**

**APPRENTICESHIPS NI Level 3 in Electro-Technical Services**

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**Course Overview:** A Master Electrician trains for nearly as long as a Doctor. Elvis Presley began his training business in the 60s proving this a profession for everyone who enjoys seeing a build come together and takes pride in their trade.

Training activities include Level 2 Essential Skills in ICT if not already confirmed, practical workshop assessments, classroom based theory, Design Engineers. You will know that the maximum apprenticeship is 4 years but that if you are determined, focused and dedicated you can be finished prior to that? Depending on numbers we may offer block training to suit our employers.

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**ApprenticeshipsNI Level 2 / Level 3 in Brickwork**

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**Course Overview:** Whooop Goldberg used to be a bricklayer! Arnold Schwarzenegger started a bricklaying business back in the 60s proving this a profession for everyone. Also have good number skills for measuring and cutting, be physically fit, because the work involves carrying, bending and balancing. As an Apprentice you will already be employed with an electrical company. Successful students can progress into employment or continue to study Level 4/5 and Degree in Electrical Engineering, Design Engineers. You will learn that the maximum apprenticeship is 4 years but if you are determined, focused and dedicated you can be finished prior to that? Depending on numbers we may offer block training to suit our employers.

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**ApprenticeshipsNI Level 2 / Level 3 in Carpentery and Joinery**

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**APPRENTICESHIPS & TRAINEESHIPS**

**APPRENTICESHIPS NI Level 3 in Wall and Floor Tiling**

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<td>2 Years</td>
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**Course Overview:** Wall & Floor Tilers prepare walls and floors for tiling, apply adhesive and cut and position tiles. They work in domestic properties such as houses and flats, or in commercial premises such as supermarkets, offices and shopping centres. The work begins with preparation of the area to be covered. The often have to cut tiles to fit round existing structures and fittings, particularly, when working in bathrooms and kitchens. The often have to cut tiles to fit round existing structures and fittings, particularly, when working in bathrooms and kitchens.

Training activities include Level 2 Essential Skills in ICT if not already confirmed, practical workshop assessments, classroom based theory, Design Engineers. You will know that the maximum apprenticeship is 4 years but if you are determined, focused and dedicated you can be finished prior to that? Depending on numbers we may offer block training to suit our employers.

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As an Apprentice you will already be employed in the industry. If you are struggling to find employment our dedicated team of Employment Liaison Officers will support you. On successful completion of level 2 qualification it is possible to complete level 3 through Apprenticeship NI route or part time FE route.

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Course Overview:

Precise engineering work to provide top quality assembled and/or machined parts to many facets of the manufacturing industry and work in many different materials including stainless steel, aluminium, titanium, steel, lead and more. Our students work in local industries and are highly sought after.

The NVQ Level 2 is a two year foundation programme in engineering in which candidates will undergo broad based training in precision machining lathe turning, milling, detail fitting, welding and basic electrical wiring and testing.

Our industry standard training facilities enhance your practical learning. In addition can references will be erected on a C&G Level 2 Diploma in an Engineering Technical Certificate. On completion of the Level 2 framework the candidate can progress to Level 3. The programme provides a progression route to higher level qualifications to meet each company/candidates requirements. Core Modules include practical fabrication & welding workshop projects, underpinning knowledge Theory, Operating single spindle automatic and machines; Operating CNC gear cutting machines; Applying surface finishes to composite mouldings; Operating optical plastic process machines.

H&S training and CSR card training. As an Apprentice you will already be employed in the Manufacturing Industry. If you are struggling to find employment our dedicated team of Employment Liaison Officers will support you. Successful candidates can progress into full time employment or continue to a level 3 qualification. Other options for progression include a Higher National Certificate, Higher National Diploma, and a Degree in Engineering.

See overview of Apprenticeship courses at NWRC, including information on Training Credits, commitment to learning and enrichment activities noted on page 14.

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Art & Design

ApprenticeshipsNI Level 2 / Level 3 in Painting and Decorating

**NDQ:** 600/8548/8 (Level 2) 600/7245/9 (Level 3)
**Location:** Derry-Londonderry (Springtown) OR Limavady (Greyestone)
**Duration:** 2 Years

**Entry Requirements:**

- **For Level 2:**
  - UK: GCSE English and Maths at Grade C or above. ROI: Leaving Certificate English, Maths and ICT at Grade C or above (or equivalent).
  - **For Level 3:**
    - UK: Level 2 Painting & Decorating, Certificate English, Maths and ICT at Grade D or above (or equivalent). ROI: Level 2 Painting & Decorating, Leaving Certificate English, Maths and ICT at Grade D or above. You must also have relevant employment with a Northern Ireland Company confirmed.

**Course Overview:**

There is a shortfall in the number of Painters and Decorators qualifying and therefore employment opportunities are good. TV adventurer Charley Boorman was a Painter and Decorator for 10 years. Painting and Decorating is a WorldSkills Category.

You will work on domestic, commercial or industrial jobs. These can range from redecorating homes or offices to applying heavy-duty finishes to structures like bridges. You’ll follow a job plan drawn up by your client.

Your day-to-day tasks may include measuring surface areas and working out how much paint or wall covering is needed, preparing the materials you need, stripping off old wallpaper or layers of paint, filling holes and cracks and making sure surfaces are level, covering surfaces with primer and undercoat, mixing paint to the right shade, often using computerised colour-matching equipment, applying coats of paint, hanging wallpaper and cleaning special finishes like glass or marble, tiling up after finishing, and cleaning your tools.

Industry relevant core modules include erecting and dismantling access equipment and working platforms, requiring Surfaces for Decoration, Applying Paint Systems by Brush and Roller, Applying Foundation and Plain Papers, Producing Specialist Decorative Finishes, Applying and Creating Colour.

As an Apprentice you will already be employed in the Industry. If you are struggling to find employment our dedicated team of Employment Liaison Officers will support you.

On successful completion of the Level 2 Diploma it is possible to complete a Level 3 Diploma in Painting & Decorating, through Apprenticeship NI or a part time FE route. Options for further progression include a Higher National Certificate, Higher National Diploma, NEBOSH or Degree.

See overview of ApprenticeshipNI courses at NWRC, including information on Training Credits, commitment to learning and enrichment activities noted on page 14.

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ApprenticeshipsNI Level 2 / Level 3 in Plumbing

**NDQ:** 600/1500/5 (Level 2) 600/5407/9 (Level 3)
**Location:** Derry-Londonderry (Springtown)
**Duration:** 2 Years

**Entry Requirements:**

- **For Level 2:**
  - UK: GCSE English and Maths at Grade C or above;
  - ROI: Leaving Certificate English, Maths and ICT at Grade D or above. You must also have relevant employment with a Northern Ireland Company confirmed.

- **For Level 3:**
  - UK: Level 2 Plumbing, GCSE English, Maths and ICT at Grade D or above (or equivalent);
  - ROI: Level 2 Plumbing, Leaving Certificate English, Maths and ICT at Grade D or above. You must also have relevant employment with a Northern Ireland Company confirmed.

**Course Overview:**

The most famous plumbers of all time are Mario and Luigi of Super Mario Brothers.

Water is a vital resource and when a leaky faucet drips twice per minute the waste is over a gallon of water per week. A leak that drips once per second will waste over 3,000 gallons of water per year, hence the reason that a good plumber is always in demand! Plumbers install complex cold/hot water, sanitation and heating systems, fitting bathrooms, air conditioning and fit domestic appliances. Plumbers can work across many industries, including Gas, Renewables and Oil. Plumbing is well recognised as a necessary skill for the future economy.

This is a WorldSkills Category.

Core Modules include Domestic hot and cold water systems; Central heating systems; Sanitation systems; Environmental technologies and Gas safety.

You will learn via Practical Projects, Building Technology, and Industry agreed units and on site assessment.

You will be employed and attend college 1 day/week or other block mode as agreed between college and employer. Did you know that the maximum apprenticeship is 4 years but that if you are determined, focused and dedicated you can be finished prior to that?

On successful completion of the Level 2 it is possible to complete a Level 3 Diploma through Apprenticeship NI route or part time FE route, with further options including the Higher National Certificate; Higher National Diploma; NEBOSH and Degree options.

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**PROGRESSION KEY:**

- **Employment:**
- **University:**
- **Higher level study:**

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The aim of this course is to encourage creativity, experimentation and enquiry. You will be introduced to a range of techniques and processes and will be encouraged to explore areas in Graphic Design, Fashion and Textiles, 3D Design and Fine Art. Entry is dependent on presentation of a quality portfolio showing examples of advanced drawing skills, research, ideas sheets and final pieces. All applicants will be asked to attend an interview.

This course is the only one of its kind in Northern Ireland to be accredited by the University of the Arts London (UAL) awarding body. Modules will include Fine Art (painting, drawing, printmaking, sculpture, installation), 2D Design (graphics, surface design, animation, advertising, illustration, photography, web design), 3D Design (ceramics, product design), Fashion & Textiles (embroidery, weaving, knit, surface pattern, fashion), Computers in Art & Design, Contextual Referencing. You will have opportunities to study abroad through the College’s Erasmus projects.

Successful participants can progress to HND in Art and Design (Art Practice), HND in Art and Design (Textiles) or HND in Digital Design courses at NWRC or to Hons degree programmes throughout the UK, Ireland and Europe. Former students have found employment in areas including costume design for productions such as Game of Thrones and Peaky Blinders; fashion design for John Rocha, and Marks & Spencer; theatrical costumes and Victoria’s Secret Lingerie; graphic design; teaching and lecturing; glass design; interior design for IKEA; fashion, and news photography; program production with the BBC; fashion/jewellery design; book and TV animation and product design for Lego in Denmark.

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Entry Requirements:
UK: 5 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include Art; OR Level 3 Diploma/Extended Diploma in Art and Design; Interview and Artwork portfolio to a Level standard required; ROI: 6 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) to include Art OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit/Distinction; OR FITAC Award – 8 subjects. Interview and Artwork portfolio to Leaving Cert level required.

Course Overview:
By choosing this course you will gain the creative experience you have been looking for. You will have the chance to explore a range of areas including Drawing, Painting, Photography, 2D Design, 3D Design, History of Art, Design & Communication, Textiles, Fashion, Graphics, Multimedia, Fine Art, and Design Crafts. The course is assessed entirely through coursework which allows you to monitor your own progress, you will work in specialist Art and Design facilities in the College studio.

You will complete the course with a comprehensive portfolio of work to support your application to Art College or university. Level 3 courses are valued by employers, as successful students possess practical experience and a portfolio of work equivalent to a 1st level. You will undertake a number of cultural visits to galleries, craft exhibitions in addition to attending workshops with visiting artists. As well as the required academic qualifications, you will be interviewed, during which your portfolio of recent work must be presented. This course is accredited by the University of the Arts London (UAL) awarding body.

Core modules include Introduction to Visual Language, Research Skills in Art & Design, Critical and Contextual Awareness; Introduction to Materials, Processes and Technical Skills in Art & Design; 2D Problem Solving, 3D Problem Solving, Time Based Problem Solving Developing an Art & Design Project; Opportunities for Progression in Art & Design.

Former students have found employment in areas including teaching, graphic design, fine art, illustration, product design, photography, set design, fashion illustration and professional artistry.

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Entry criteria for Higher Education courses may be enhanced - see website for details
Higher National Diploma in Art & Design (Textiles)†
Location: Derry~Londonderry
Duration: 2 Years (Full-Time)
Entry Requirements:
UK: 40 UCAS points and 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include Art, Maths and English, or equivalent;
ROI: 40 UCAS points and 4 OLCs (Grade O4 or above) to include Art, Maths and English.
Interview and Art Portfolio to A2 / Hons standard also required
Course Overview:
This is an intensive course aimed at providing you with the skills and abilities to enter employment in the textiles/fashion industry, as well as covering the knowledge required to establish small business enterprises.
Within the two years you will study:
• Techniques and Processes in Textiles
• Textile Practices and Computer Aided Design (CAD)
• Accessories and Surface Design for Textiles
• Professional Practice and Contextual Studies
• Experimental Printed & Multimedia Textile Practice
The course will introduce you to the wide range of research techniques and creative exploration that underpins textile design. When you complete the course, you may be able to progress into a relevant degree programme at university with exemption from Year 1 and Year 2 in some cases, or seek employment opportunities in this field. A portfolio of work demonstrating your suitability and aptitude for this course must be presented at interview. Minimum age for entry will normally be 18, which may be waived in exceptional cases.
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Higher National Diploma in Art & Design (Art Practice)†
Location: Derry~Londonderry
Duration: 2 Years (Full-Time)
Entry Requirements:
UK: 40 UCAS points and 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include Art, Maths and English or equivalent;
ROI: 40 UCAS points and 4 OLCs (Grade O4 or above) to include Art, Maths and English.
Interview and Art Portfolio to A2 / Hons standard also required
Course Overview:
This course offers the opportunity to experience aspects of 2D and 3D Art & Design with a focus on Fine Art practice, offering the chance to develop personal visual language through experimentation with processes, materials and ideas. Modules of study may include:
• Drawing Processes
• Painting, Sculpture
• Lens Media
• Installation
• Performance
• Cross Disciplinary Procedures
• History & Contextual Studies
You may be able to progress into a relevant degree programme at university with exemption from Year 1 and 2 in some cases, or seek employment opportunities in this field. This course will expose you to some of the most contemporary practices in Fine Art including digital multimedia and installation work, and provide you with opportunities to exhibit your work to the public. You will be required to present a portfolio of work demonstrating your suitability and aptitude for this course at interview. Minimum age for entry will normally be 18, which may be waived in exceptional cases.
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Visit us online for detailed course information
“During my course I worked with local business ‘Cafe Scoop’ advising on potential new products, social media strategy and brand development.”

Lucy Brennan
Foundation Degree in Business and Enterprise

Level 1 / Level 2 Work Skills
NDQ:
600/2394/9 (Level 1)
602/900/7 (Level 2)
Location:
Derry~Londonderry
Duration:
1 Year

Entry Requirements:
Level 1: No formal entry requirements;
Level 2: UK: 2 GCSEs at Grade D – F; ROI: 2 OLCs Grade 06 or above.
Interview required

Course Overview:
Are you unclear of your preferred career path? This course will lead you to a Level 1 / 2 qualification and provide opportunities to gain ‘work-ready’ skills to help you progress into employment or on to a Level 2 / 3 course within the college.

This course will focus on developing personal, social and employability skills. You will be given the opportunity to achieve the following qualifications:
- Level 1 / Level 2 Certificate in Workskills where the units of study include Working in a Team, Using a CV and Covering Letter to apply for a Job, Planning an Enterprise Activity, Running an Enterprise Activity and Presenting a Professional Image
- Essential Skills in Literacy, Numeracy and ICT
- Level 1 / 2 in Occupational Studies where the units of study are Business Enterprise and Specialised Crafts
- Individuals and Teams Contribution to the Retail Sector
- Understanding Customer Service in the Retail Sector
- Activity, Running an Enterprise

You will work with your tutor to develop a career plan to help you decide what to do next.

Depending on your results and providing you meet the entry criteria you may progress to a course at the next level. There may also be opportunities for progression to employment.

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Trainign for Success Level 2 in Customer Service
NDQ:
602/3562/1
Location:
Derry~Londonderry OR Limavady OR Strabane
Duration:
2 Years

Entry Requirements:
UK: 5 GCSEs at Grade G or above (must include English and Maths at Grade F or above);
ROI: 5 OLCs Grade 06 or above (must include English and Maths at Grade 06 or above).

Course Overview:
This course allows learners to learn, develop and practice the skills required for employment in customer service.

Learners will understand good practice in customer service, be able to deal with both routine and more difficult customers, understand the processes in place for effective customer service and support their team and organisation. This will be achieved by active on the job training in a customer service environment while developing knowledge of the industry in College based classroom activities.

Units include:
- Deliver Customer Service
- Understand Customers
- Communicating verbally with customers
- Promote additional products and services
- Develop customer service excellence
- Gather and analyse customer feedback
- Provide reception services
- Develop relationships with colleagues

Those who do not have GCSE English or Maths will complete Essential Skills Numeracy and Literacy as part of the course. Learners will normally attend college for 2 days per week and will be on work placement for 3 days.

On completion of this qualification candidates may progress into employment or to the following City & Guilds qualifications: Level 3 Diploma in Customer Service, Customer Service Apprenticeship, Qualifications in other work related areas (e.g. Contact Centres, Sales, Social Media, Team leading, Administration, Retail and other technical sectors).

This qualification can help you to progress in a wide range of customer service roles in Contact Centres, Sales, Administration and Retail.

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Support Services
We offer a wide range of support services to help you get the most from your time at NWRC.
See page 16 for more information.

Training for Success Level 2 Certificate in Retail
NDQ:
500/793/7
Location:
Derry~Londonderry OR Limavady OR Strabane
Duration:
2 Years

Entry Requirements:
UK: 5 GCSEs at Grade G or above (must include English and Maths at Grade F or above);
ROI: 5 OLCs Grade 06 or above (must include English and Maths at Grade 06 or above).

Course Overview:
If you’d like to get ahead in retail by combining training with practical, on-the-job experience, you may want to take this qualification.

This course will allow you to develop the knowledge and skills that the retail industry is looking for. This will be achieved by active on the job training in a retail shop or environment while developing knowledge of the industry in College based classroom activities.

These qualifications allow you to learn, develop and practice the skills required for employment and/or career progression in the retail industry.

Units include:
- Work Effectively in a Retail Team
- Understanding Customer Service in the Retail Sector
- Understand the Retail Selling Process
- Individuals and Teams Contribution to the Retail Business
- Health and Safety in Retail

Those who do not have GCSE English or Maths will complete Essential Skills Numeracy and Literacy as part of the course. Learners will normally attend college for 2 days per week and will be on work placement for 3 days.

On completion of this qualification, candidates may progress into employment or to the following City & Guilds qualifications: Level 3 Certificate in Retail. This qualification can help you to progress in a wide range of roles in the retail sector, including: Sales Assistant, Supervisor, Retail Manager, Visual Merchandiser.

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employment within a range of junior roles

Students who have a ‘D’ grade in GCSE will have
the opportunity to undertake additional qualifications
such as the Foundation Degree in Business
and externally set and marked exams and
assessments.
You will study the following mandatory units:
Exploring Business, Developing a Marketing
Campaign, Personal and Business Finance,
Managing an Event, International Business,
Principles of Management*, Business Decision*
(M* units will be assessed externally by Pearson, the awarding body).

Optional units include:
Recruitment and Selection Process, Investigating
Customer Service. *These units will be assessed
Principles of Management*, Business Decision*
Based Learning, Developing the Digital Enterprise,
Principles of Human Resource Management,
Marketing Communications, Principles and Practices
of High Performance Management, Accounts for
business and finance will feature strongly in related
areas of ICT and Computerised Accounts - an exam
in Areas of ICT and Computerised Accounts - an exam
in the approach to business, develop resilience
in pressure, and learn how to meet
correcting challenging targets.

Careers include:
• Business and the Business Environment
• Strategic Marketing
• Human Resource Management
• Entrepreneurship and Operations
• Management Accounting
• Managing a Successful Business Project
(Pearson-set unit)

Optional modules (subject to change):
• Innovation and Commercialisation
• Entrepreneurship and Small Business Management

On successful completion of the Level 4 HNC Business you may progress into employment or
go on the Foundation degree in Business and
Enterprise.
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Higher National Certificate in Business” (Appraisal pending)
Care & Health

“Studying Health Sciences at NWRC has allowed me to take the next step in my ambition to become a paramedic.”

Adam Meehan
Level 3 Diploma in Health Sciences
Entry Requirements:
Meeting with Course Co-ordinator.

Course Overview:
This course is for those with mild to moderate learning disabilities, and provides a wide range of learning opportunities designed for employment or progression onto further courses. Classes are small with a high lecturer to student ratio, and the aim is to provide students with the opportunity to improve educational qualifications and improve future work opportunities. For some students this means working on areas such as self-esteem, social anxiety and self-confidence.

All applicants will be interviewed, and parental/guardian and relevant professionals may attend. During this, arrangements for meeting individual care or support needs will be discussed to ensure they are implemented appropriately and that students have every opportunity to succeed on the course. We also offer a four week Mencap ‘Job Club’, giving the students the opportunity to discuss previous work experience, work interests with Mencap staff, and prepare for work placement. Work placement will be arranged and supervised by Mencap staff for one day a week.

Students will go on educational and recreational visits to Foyle Arena, Bowling Alley and local places/areas of interest.

Areas of study will include:
- Numeracy, literacy, information technology, personal, social and health education, work skills and retail. Other options may include: creative crafts, catering, a range of FDTs, and practical classes such as Motor Vehicle and Horticulture. Work placement will be arranged and supervised by Mencap staff for one day a week.

Previous students have progressed to a range of courses within our College, employment and external training providers.

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Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care

NDMQ: 501/1260/0
Location: Derry~Londonderry OR Limavady OR Strabane
Duration: 1 Year

Entry Requirements:
UK: 5 GCSEs (Grade G or above) to include English and Maths at (Grade F or above);
ROI: 5 GCSEs (Grade G or above) to include English and Maths at (Grade G or above).

Course Overview:
This course provides young people aged 16-17 (with extended age eligibility for young people with a disability or who have been in care) a perfect opportunity to develop the skills and knowledge required for a professional career in the health and social care sector.

These Level 3 qualifications in health and social care are both knowledge and skills-based qualifications which are assessed both in College and at the work place with learners undertaking project based learning and engaging in the emerging digitalisation in health and social care. Learners will also be given the opportunity to undertake additional accredited training courses relevant to their potential roles in industry.

The programme has a required attendance of 30 hours per week (including work placement). Learners will be required to complete approximately a minimum of 150 hours work placement over the 2 year period. Learners must be deemed ‘work place ready’ with satisfactory AccessTo clearing prior to commencement of work placement. Learners will be required to achieve Level 1 qualifications in Literacy and Numeracy unless exempt due to previous equivalence in English and Maths.

Core Modules include:

Examples of optional units include:
- Infection Prevention and Control, Dementia Care, Providing Personal Care, Supporting Leisure Activities and Moving and Handling.

Approximately 150 hours of work placement in nursing homes, residential facilities or day centres.

This course facilitates progression onto the Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care, Health and Social Care, Health Sciences and Health Studies and therefore a potential route for those wishing to ultimately pursue options at university such as Nursing or Social Work. It also opens opportunities to pursue work based qualifications at Level 3 and to successfully gain employment in the industry working roles such as domiciliary care worker, health care assistant, support worker and social care assistant and to advance in a vocational career pathway.

These qualifications are widely accepted throughout the health and social care sector and are recognized by Northern Ireland Social Care Council as valuable and relevant qualifications within the industry.

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BTEC Level 2 First Diploma in Health & Social Care

NDMQ: 601/0170/2
Location: Derry~Londonderry OR Limavady OR Strabane
Duration: 1 Year

Entry Requirements:
UK: 4 GCSEs Grade D or above;
ROI: 4 GCSEs Grade D or above

Interview also required

Course Overview:
Valid to 5 GCSEs, this course is designed as an introduction to the health and social care sector.

The course content includes:
- Equality and Diversity, Individual Rights, Human Lifespan Development, Skills & Qualities, Health and social care values; Effective communication, Health Promotion, Communications; Research, Impact of nutrition on health and wellbeing; Healthy living, Human body systems and basic first aid.

External visits and visiting speakers will enable students to develop a deeper knowledge about this sector.

Successful completion enables progression onto Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health & Social Care / Health Studies / Health Sciences. Students who do not hold these Level 2 qualifications in Literacy and Numeracy will be required to complete these during the course to enable you to complete this qualification.

Core Modules include:

Examples of optional units include:
- Impact of nutrition on health and wellbeing; Healthy living, Human body systems and basic first aid.

Approximately 150 hours of work placement in nursing homes, residential facilities or day centres.

This course provides the opportunity to develop the knowledge and skills you will require for a career in Health & Social Care. It has been designed to develop your personal confidence & effectiveness & enables students to undertake work placement, whilst providing opportunities for further study on Level 3 courses in our College. The course consists of 3 main qualifications which will be completed over a one year period; C&G Level 2 Certificate in Induction Standards with the option to complete C&G Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Adults). Award in Work Skills (BTEC). Award in Personal Development (DCN).

If you do not hold a Level 2 qualification in English, Numeracy or ICT, you will be required to complete these during the course to ensure your future employment and/or study prospects. A mandatory requirement is that Health and Social Care students are deemed fit for placement. Work placement is mandatory if completing the Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care.

Mandatory units include: Communication, Personal Development, Equality, Safeguarding, Duty of care, Person-centred care, Health and Safety, Role of the Social Care Worker, Employment and Responsibilities; and Handling Information - optional units such as providing personal care, undertaking pressure area care and providing support for leisure activities. Students completing the Level 2 Diploma qualification will be required to complete 2 days per week for 52 days (eight weeks) once all checks are completed and are deemed fit for placement.

Past students have progressed to our Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care / Health Sciences / Health Studies or have gained employment in the health and social care sector, working as care assistants, domiciliary carers, or support workers.

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Level 2 Certificate in Professional Development for Health & Social Care Practice

NDMQ: 499/09/0
Location: Derry~Londonderry OR Limavady OR Strabane
Duration: 1 Year

Entry Requirements:
UK: 3 GCSEs Grade D or above;
ROI: 3 GCSEs Grade D or above

Interview also required

Course Overview:
This course provides the opportunity to develop the knowledge and skills you will require for a career in Health & Social Care. It has been designed to develop your personal confidence & effectiveness & enables students to undertake work placement, whilst providing opportunities for further study on Level 3 courses in our College. The course consists of 3 main qualifications which will be completed over a one year period; C&G Level 2 Certificate in Induction Standards with the option to complete C&G Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care (Adults). Award in Work Skills (BTEC). Award in Personal Development (DCN).

If you do not hold a Level 2 qualification in English, Numeracy or ICT, you will be required to complete these during the course to ensure your future employment and/or study prospects. A mandatory requirement is that Health and Social Care students are deemed fit for placement. Work placement is mandatory if completing the Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care.

Mandatory units include: Communication, Personal Development, Equality, Safeguarding, Duty of care, Person-centred care, Health and Safety, Role of the Social Care Worker, Employment and Responsibilities; and Handling Information - optional units such as providing personal care, undertaking pressure area care and providing support for leisure activities. Students completing the Level 2 Diploma qualification will be required to complete 2 days per week for 52 days (eight weeks) once all checks are completed and are deemed fit for placement.

Past students have progressed to our Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care / Health Sciences / Health Studies or have gained employment in the health and social care sector, working as care assistants, domiciliary carers, or support workers.

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Level 2 Apprenticeship in Health & Social Care

NDMQ: 501/1260/0
Location: Derry~Londonderry OR Limavady OR Strabane
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements:
Employees aged 16-24 or those about to take up permanent paid employment with a Northern Ireland-based company and be contracted to work a minimum of 21 hours per week (including 3 hours of class in College) with one employer. Employees initially complete the Level 2 Certificate in Induction into Adult Social care and continue to the Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care.

The course supports development of the knowledge and skills fundamental to the many careers within the Health and Social Care sector and is universally recognised by employers. Students will attend the College one day per week for 1 year and will also receive the one to one support of an assessor to build their portfolio of evidence. Topics studied include safeguarding, equality, duty of care and handling of information and optional units are chosen from a wide range to support the student’s role within the work place.

Core Modules include Communication, Personal Development, equality, Safeguarding, Duty of care, Person-centred care, Health and Safety, Role of the Social Care Worker, Employment and Responsibilities; and Handling Information - optional units such as providing personal care, undertaking pressure area care and providing support for leisure activities. Students completing the Level 2 Diploma qualification will be required to complete 2 days per week for 52 days (eight weeks) once all checks are completed and are deemed fit for placement.

Past students have progressed to our Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care / Health Sciences / Health Studies or have gained employment in the health and social care sector, working as care assistants, domiciliary carers, or support workers.

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Course Overview:
Apprenticeships NI Level 3 is open to employees aged 16-24 or those about to take up permanent paid employment with a Northern Ireland-based company and be contracted to work a minimum of 21 hours per week (including 3 hours of class in College) with one employer. Students initially complete the Level 3 Certificate in Induction into Adult Social care and continue to the Level 3 Diploma in Health and Social Care. This work based learning allows students to work and study using their work role to support completion of the qualification. The course covers development of the knowledge and skills fundamental to the many diverse work roles within the Health and Social Care sector and is universally recognised by employers. Students will attend one day per week for a 3 hour class and will also receive one to one support from an assessor to build their portfolio of evidence. Topics studied include safeguarding, equality, duty of care and handling of information and optional units are chosen from a wide range to support the student’s role within the workplace.

Core modules include Communication, Personal Development, equality, Safeguarding, Duty of care, Role of the Social Care Worker, Person-centred care, Health and Safety, Handling of Information and Employment Rights and Responsibilities. Optional units include Infection Prevention and Control, Dementia Care, Providing Personal Care, Supporting Leisure Activities and Moving and Handling.

Successful completion can lead to the entry to the Level 4 Certificate in Principles of Leadership and Management in Adult Social Care. Successful students have progressed to team leader roles in management or in the Health and Social Care sector.

Entry Requirements:
ApprenticeshipNI Level 3 is open to employees aged 16-24 or those about to take up permanent paid employment with a Northern Ireland-based company and be contracted to work a minimum of 21 hours per week (including 3 hours of class in College) with one employer. If students do not have Level 2 Essential Skills in Numeracy and Literacy (or equivalent) this will be a mandatory element of the course. Interview required.

Course Overview:
Entry Requirements:
UK: Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care – Merit or above and GCSE English (Grade C or above) or Equivalent; OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) - including English and Science preferred.
ROE: 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) - including English and Science preferred or Leaving Cert Applied – Merit.

Course Overview:
This science based health course is an exciting alternative to A Levels and will prepare you for employment and university. Following successful completion on the course, you can progress into a range of related careers including Nursing (all branches), Health Studies, Health & Wellbeing, Psychology (including Social, Forensic and Health Psychology), Occupational Therapy, Law, Community Youth Work, Social Work, Education Studies and a range of other social science subjects, including Criminology, Social Policy and Health & Social Care Policy.

The ability to attain 168 UCAS points makes this a very attractive option. Your work will be mainly assessed via detailed assignments and placement reports. Modules of study will include:

- Optional modules include:
  - Cross Infection Control
  - Microbiology
  - Nutrition
  - Communicable Disease
  - Dementia Care
  - Caring for Individuals with Additional Needs
  - Physiological Disorders

Upon successful completion of this course you can progress to the Foundation Degree Science in Health and Social Care (validated by Ulster University) and/or University degrees including Nursing, Social Work, Teaching, Psychology, Care, Youth and Community Work.

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How to Apply
Apply and track the progress of your application online. See page 22 for more information

City & Guilds Level 3 Apprenticeship in Dental Practice
Entry Requirements:
UK: Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care – Merit or above and GCSE English (Grade C or above) or Equivalent; OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) - including English and Science preferred.
ROE: 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) - including English and Science preferred or Leaving Cert Applied – Merit.

Course Overview:
This course is aimed at those already employed in a dental practice as a dental nurse and who wish to develop their knowledge and skills to enable progression within their chosen area of work or in a specialist area.

The qualification focuses on the technical skills and knowledge required of a professional dental nurse. Units of study include direct chairside work and support during a range of dental treatments, organisational and legal requirements which underpin high quality dental care, and the role of the dental nurse in meeting patients’ needs. Students will complete the City and Guilds Level 3 Diploma and the Level 2 Award in Employment Rights and Responsibilities as part of the full course in a weekly 3 hour class and will also receive one to one support from an assessor.

Mandatory includes include: First Aid, Health and safety, Role and Responsibilities of a Dental Nurse, Prepare and Maintain Environments, Instruments and Equipment for clinical Dental Procedures.

On completion of this qualification learners may progress in their employment or pursue opportunities for on-going professional development or further or higher education. Opportunities for consideration may include specialist dental nursing, dental hygiene or therapy, dental technology, dental decontamination, teaching or mentoring, practice management in a dental setting.

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BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Health Sciences
Entry Requirements:
UK: Level 2 Diploma in Health and Social Care – Merit or above and GCSE English (Grade C or above) Students who have not gained GCSE English or Maths grade C or above (or equivalent) will be expected to gain Essential Skills Level 2 Communication and Application of Number in the first year of the programme; OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) or Leaving Cert Applied – Merit. Students who have not attained leaving cert English or Maths at grade C5 or above will be expected to gain Essential Skills Level 2 Communication and/or Application of Number in the first year of the programme.

Course Overview:
Health Studies is an ideal course for if you wish to pursue a career in the Health and Social Care sector. It can lead to further programme of study at Degree level across a range of subject areas including:

- Nursing (all branches), Health Studies, Health & Wellbeing, Psychology (including Social, Forensic and Health Psychology), Occupational Therapy, Law, Community Youth Work, Social Work, Education Studies and a range of other social science subjects, including Criminology, Social Policy and Health & Social Care Policy.

The ability to attain 168 UCAS points makes this a very attractive option. Your work will be mainly assessed via detailed assignments and placement reports. Modules of study will include:

- Optional modules include:
  - Cross Infection Control
  - Microbiology
  - Nutrition
  - Communicable Disease
  - Dementia Care
  - Caring for Individuals with Additional Needs
  - Physiological Disorders

Upon successful completion of this course you can progress to the Foundation Degree Science in Health and Social Care (validated by Ulster University) and/or University degrees including Nursing, Social Work, Teaching, Psychology, Care, Youth and Community Work.

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BTEC Level 3 National Foundation Diploma / Extended Diploma in Health and Social Care
Entry Requirements:
UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English; or Level 2 Diploma in Health & Social Care, Merit or above or GCSE English (Grade C or above), or Equivalent.

Course Overview:
This course is aimed at learners who are interested in developing skills, knowledge and understanding for working in the field of Health and Social Care. You can expect to develop inter-personal, communication and team working skills; and to develop knowledge of roles and responsibilities of professionals working in the sector. Students will study 13 units which will help provide a strong foundation in health and social care. Key themes such as safeguarding principles, health and safety legislation, equality and compassionate care values will be explored.

Learners will undertake 100 hours of work experience and will be able to observe the roles of health and social care workers in practice; and use their experience to link theory into practice. Most units are internally assessed by coursework and assignments; and 2 units are externally assessed by exams (2 exams in year 1, 1 exam in year 2) and 1 synoptic external assessment.

Learners should expect to attend classes delivered over 4 days per week. For learners who are applying to the course without a pass qualification in Math or Numeracy or IT, they will be required and essential to complete Essential Skills courses that will be timetabled as part of the course.

Core modules include:
- Human lifespan development
- Anatomy and Physiology
- Safety and security
- Meeting individual care and support needs
- Work experience
- Safe practices
- Public health

Optional modules include Psychological perspectives, Physiological understanding, and Professionalism.

Upon successful completion of this course you can progress to the Foundation Degree Science in Health and Social Care (validated by Ulster University) and/or University degrees including Nursing, Social Work, Teaching, Psychology, Care, Youth and Community Work.

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University Access Diploma in Health and Welfare (Subject to revalidation by the Awarding Body - Queen’s University)

**NDHQ**

**Location:** Derry~Londonderry OR Strabane

**Duration:** 1 Year

**Entry Requirements:**
- UC: a pass in GCSE English OR GCSE Mathematics (or equivalent) and be over 19 years of age on 1 July in year of entry. If you are 19 years of age at the beginning of the course you must have been out of full-time education for at least two years. Interview also required;
- RO: As previous plus a pass in Leaving Cert English or Mathematics (Grade 05 or above) (or equivalent).

**Course Overview:**
This course is aimed at those wishing to learn about health & social care issues, providing adult learners with an opportunity to gain a qualification which can be used as a progression pathway to higher education degrees such as nursing and social work or Foundation Degree study. You will cover topics in the following areas: Health and welfare; research; study skills/communication skills; human anatomy and physiology; IT; maths; and optional units in psychology or microbiology (depending on enrolment numbers for psychology). Progression opportunities are excellent.

Past students have progressed to professional training courses such as nursing, midwifery, social work, youth/community work, occupational therapy and other degree courses in the social sciences/health studies field. You will be required to attend classes over 4-5 days per week with additional time required to undertake independent reading and study.

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Higher National Certificate in Social and Community Work

**Location:** Derry~Londonderry OR Limavady

**Duration:** 1 Year (2 Years, Part-Time)

**Entry Requirements:**
UK: 2 Grade Cs at A Level or equivalent, plus 5 GCSEs at Grade C or equivalent, to include English GCSE and Maths GCSE or equivalent (Essential Skills Level 2);
OR Extended Diploma – MPP profile plus 5 GCSEs at Grade C or equivalent, to include English GCSE and Maths GCSE or equivalent (Essential Skills L2);
OR Access - 45%;
RO: 64 UCAS points or above. Students must also have English and Maths at Grade 05 and above (equivalent to pass in GCSE);
Students who do not yet have Maths GCSE at Grade C or equivalent must complete Maths (Essential Skills and/or GCSE) alongside the HNC in their own time. All candidates must also provide evidence of IT competence and a capacity to work independently.

**Course Overview:**
The new RQF Higher Nationals in Social and Community Work bring a new, responsive and refreshing approach to Higher Nationals for the Health and Social Care sector. Developed with input from employers, educators, students and service users, the new qualification sits alongside its sister qualification, the Higher Nationals in Social and Community Work. The new qualifications share core units, and practice themes across all units, focused on the core knowledge, skills, values and behaviours required of practitioners in the sector.

Modules include:
- Law, Policy and Practice in Health and Social Care
- Professional Principles and Values in Health and Social Care Practice
- Mental Health and Wellbeing
- Evidence-based Practice

There is a mandatory work placement in this qualification of 225 hours. This course seeks to facilitate entry to university to study courses such as Social Work; Community Work; Youth Work; Community Development; Social Policy and Health and Social Care.

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Higher National Certificate in Healthcare Practice

**Location:** Derry~Londonderry OR Limavady

**Duration:** 1 Year (2 Years, Part-Time)

**Entry Requirements:**
UK: 2 Grade Cs at A Level or equivalent, plus 5 GCSEs at Grade C or above, to include English GCSE and Maths GCSE or equivalent (Essential Skills Level 2) OR Extended Diploma – MPP profile plus 5 GCSEs at Grade C or above, to include English GCSE and Maths GCSE or Essential Skills Level 2) OR Access - 45%;
RO: 64 UCAS points or above. Students must also have English & Maths at Grade 05 and above (equivalent to pass in GCSE);
Information Session and interview required. Access NI required.

**Course Overview:**
The new RQF Higher Nationals in Healthcare Practice bring a new, responsive and refreshing approach to Higher Nationals for the Health and Social Care sector. Developed with input from employers, educators, students and service users, the new qualification sits alongside its sister qualification, the Higher Nationals in Social and Community Work. The new qualifications share core units, and practice themes across all units, focused on the core knowledge, skills, values and behaviours required of practitioners in the sector.

Modules include:
- Law, Policy and Practice in Health and Social Care
- Professional Principles and Values in Health and Social Care Practice
- Anatomy and Physiology for Health and Ill-Health
- Evidence-based Practice

There is a mandatory work placement in this qualification of 225 hours. This course seeks to facilitate entry to university to study courses such as Nursing and other health related courses including health and social care. Your work will be assessed through coursework and placement experience. A mandatory requirement is that students are deemed fit for placement. Each student must have Access NI Clearance.

Students will require appropriate dress / uniform for work in health and social care setting and be deemed 'placement ready' by the College.

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Foundation Degree in Science (FdSc) in Health and Social Care† (Validated by Ulster University)

Location: Derry/Londonderry
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements:
(a) Satisfy the University’s general entry requirements;
AND
(b) Have attained Grade A, B or C at GCSE in 5 subjects (to include GCSE English) or an equivalent standard in an approved qualification;
AND
(c) Provide evidence of competence in numeracy (GCSE Grade C or above or equivalent – this requirement may be met within (b)) and can be met with level 2 Essential Skills Application of number;
(d) Hold 48 UCAS tariff points;
OR as an alternative to (a), (b), (c) and (d):
(e) Provide evidence of their ability to undertake the programme through the accreditation of prior experiential learning.
APL (Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning) may apply for entry (visit www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply for details). All applicants must also satisfy Enhanced Disclosure from Access NI. Short-listed applicants will be invited for interview.

Course Overview:
This is an innovative and contemporary course from Ulster University which will be attractive to both students and employers in the Health & Social Care sector. The aim of this course is to address the needs of the local market by preparing graduates to gain the range of knowledge, skills, attitudes and values required to meet the current and future evolving needs of Health and Social Care services in Northern Ireland.

In Year 1 you will gain an exciting introduction into Health and Social Care by studying a range of modules including:
• Effective Communication in Health and Social Care;
• Safeguarding and Managing Risk
• Foundations in Anatomy and Physiology for Health and Social Care
• Psychology Theory and Application
• Introduction to Social Policy Concepts
• Introduction to Sociology
• Professional Conduct and Ethical Practice

In Year 2 you will undertake a variety of modules (specific to your chosen pathway). In addition, all students must complete 240 hours of Work Based Learning (placement), which will also be assessed.

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Vincent Klint Yobbul Diola
Level 3 Extended Diploma in IT.

“I did my research and found out that the Level 3 Extended Diploma was the exact equivalent of three ‘A’ Levels. This meant that I could focus on what I love and still move onto University or whatever I want to do next.”

BTEC Level 1 / Level 2 Extended Certificate in Information and Creative Technology

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**Entry Requirements:**
- UK: A GCSEs (Grade D-G) to include Grade D in English and Maths;
- ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade 06) to include English and Maths OR Leaving Cert Applied – Pass

**Course Overview:**
Choosing this course will allow you to achieve a qualification which is equal to 4 GCSEs and offers you an alternative route to repeating qualifications. The practical nature of the course will introduce you to the IT industry and give you an insight into the range of careers available.

The course is assessed completely through coursework. This will enable you to monitor your progress throughout your studies.

Your study experience will include units such as:

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BTEC Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma in Information Technology

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**Entry Requirements:**
- UK: Level 2 Diploma for IT Practitioners; OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English and Maths; ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) to include English and Maths OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit.

**Course Overview:**
This course provides a broad range of subjects which will prepare you for employment or further/higher study in the areas of general computing, commercial programming or games development. The course is practical and enjoyable. It will allow you to develop your interest in computing, while achieving a qualification equivalent to 3 A levels. It is designed to meet the needs of employers, and provide you with the opportunity to progress to Foundation Degree courses at NWRC or to university. You will learn by completing projects and assignments that are based on realistic workplace activities.

Areas of study will include:

This course can enable students to progress to the Foundation Degree in Software Engineering or Foundation Degree in Information Technologies delivered at NWRC, subject to entry requirements being met. Past successful students have progressed to degree programmes at Ulster University, Queen’s University Belfast and other computing related degree programmes.

Potential careers include:

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**Foundation Degree in Information Technologies**

(Validated by Ulster University)

Ulster University Associate Student - see page 26 for details

**Location:** Derry~Londonderry

**Duration:** 2 Years (Full-Time)

**Entry Requirements:**
- UK: 64 UCAS points + GCSE Maths Grade C minimum AND GCSE English Grade C or Essential Skills Level 2 Communications; ROI: 64 UCAS points plus OLC (Grade 04 or above) to include Maths and English;
- APEL (Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning) may apply for entry visit www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply for details.

**Course Overview:**
This course will prepare you for a career in the computer industry or for further study at degree level. The programme is designed on a modular basis that will allow you flexibility in terms of your final choice of career specialism.

Modules of study include:
- Mathematics for Software Development;
- Programming 1; Programming 2; Programming 3; Software Testing; Systems Analysis & Design;
- Database Systems; Computer and Network Architecture; Web Technologies; Data Science;
- Work based Learning.

Successful completion of the course, depending on grade, enables progression to the second year of the BSc (Hons) Information Technologies at Ulster University, to similar degrees at other universities or to computer-related employment opportunities. The course modules have been designed to reflect current trends in industry. They will give you the opportunity to apply and develop the knowledge and skills you have acquired in real projects and particularly in the Work based Learning module.

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**Foundation Degree in Software Development**

(Validated by Ulster University)

Ulster University Associate Student - see page 26 for details

**Location:** Derry~Londonderry

**Duration:** 2 Years (Full-Time) 3 Years (Part-Time)

**Entry Requirements:**
- UK: 64 UCAS points (or 56 UCAS points, Part-Time) plus GCSE Maths Grade C minimum AND GCSE English Grade C OR Essential Skills Level 2 Communications;
- ROI: 64 UCAS points (or 56 UCAS points, Part-Time) plus OLC (Grade 04 or above) to include Maths and English;
- APEL (Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning) may apply for entry (visit www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply for details).

**Course Overview:**
Offered in partnership with Ulster University, this course is designed to prepare you for a career in the software development industry or for further study at honours degree level.

Modules of study include:
- Mathematics for Software Development;
- Programming 1; Programming 2; Programming 3; Software Testing; Systems Analysis & Design;
- Database Systems; Computer and Network Architecture; Web Technologies; Data Science;
- Work based Learning.

Successful completion of the course depending on grade enables progression to the second year of the BSc (Hons) Computer Science at Ulster University, to similar degrees at other universities, or to computer related employment opportunities.

The Work based Learning module offers an excellent opportunity to apply the skills and knowledge acquired throughout the course to a real work environment.

Many graduates from the course have been offered full time employment as a result of their performance in the workplace.

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During my course I went on placement which gave me a better understanding of what happens on site through practical experience.

Ashlene McMonagle
Foundation Degree in Construction Engineering with Surveying

Level 3 Technical Apprenticeship in Construction (Civil Engineering)

Entry Requirements:
UK: Level 2 Diploma in Construction, OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English and Maths; OR: 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) to include English and Maths; OR: Leaving Cert Applied - Merit.

Course Overview:
This is a nationally recognised work-based apprenticeship programme for students who wish to pursue a career in the construction industry whilst in paid employment. The course is aimed at people employed within the construction industry and will provide opportunities for career progression. Successful completion of this course will also allow students to progress to higher level study within NWRC via a Higher Level Apprenticeship programme.

This apprenticeship is equivalent to 3 ‘W’ levels, the core qualifications within the programme are Level 3 Diploma in Civil Engineering Technicians (Institute of Civil Engineers) and the BTEC Level 3 Diploma/Extended Diploma Construction and the Built Environment, Civil Engineering. Throughout the course you will get the opportunity to gain very good skills, knowledge and experience. You will learn to use industry standard CAD (Computer Aided Design) software, to produce plans and specifications of houses and commercial buildings. Assessment projects are designed to be directly related to real life construction industry scenarios.

For further information, contact:
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Level 3 Technical Apprenticeship in Construction, OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English and Maths; OR: 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) to include English and Maths; OR: Leaving Cert Applied - Merit.

Entry Requirements:
UK: Level 2 Diploma in Construction, OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English and Maths; OR: 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) to include English and Maths; OR: Leaving Cert Applied - Merit.

Course Overview:
This is a nationally recognised qualification aimed at students who wish to follow a career in the construction industry. This Extended Diploma is equivalent to 3 A levels and will provide opportunities for students to progress within the industry and to higher level study, for example, Higher National Diploma, Foundation Degree or other degree courses.

Throughout the course you will get the opportunity to gain excellent practical and academic skills, knowledge and experience. You will learn to use industry standard CAD (Computer Aided Design) software, to produce plans and specifications of houses and commercial buildings. Assessment projects are designed to be directly related to real life construction industry scenarios.

Successful completion of this course will allow you to progress to Higher National Diploma, Foundation Degree or relevant degree courses within NWRC. You can also progress to university to study in areas including Architecture, Civil Engineering, Property Investment, Planning, Building Services Engineering or Site Management. You can progress directly into employment as an architectural technician in quantity surveying offices, or work for contractors as a site engineer or construction manager. Civil engineering employment opportunities are available locally on major infrastructure projects.

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BTCE Level 3 Diploma in Construction and the Built Environment

Entry Requirements:
UK: 48 UCAS Tariff points at A Level together with a minimum of 5 passes at GCSE Grade C or above, which must include Maths and English Language; OR: 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include Maths and English Language; OR: University approved equivalent.

Course Overview:
This course is for you if you are interested in following a career in Architectural Technology and require a Foundation Degree to progress to higher academic qualifications and/or to enhance employment prospects in this field. It includes 400 hours of work placement in the second year of the course. Ulster University validates the Foundation Degree and successful completion, depending on grade, permits entry into the second year of the related degree course at the University.


Successful completion of this course will allow you to progress to Higher National Diploma, Foundation Degree or relevant degree courses within NWRC. You can also progress to university to study in areas including Architecture, Civil Engineering, Property Investment, Planning, Building Services Engineering or Site Management. You can progress directly into employment as an architectural technician in quantity surveying offices, or work for contractors as a site engineer or construction manager. Civil engineering employment opportunities are available locally on major infrastructure projects.

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Ulster University
Ulster University BSc Hons in Architectural Technology & Management, with a further two years of study required. It allows suitably qualified candidates to complete a BSc Hons Degree within the same four-year period as candidates who enrol directly with the university in year one. The course is structured so that students who do not progress to the second year are able to progress to a Certif validated by Ulster University following successful completion of the first year of study.

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Foundation Degree in Civil Engineering†
(Validated by Ulster University)
Location: Derry~Londonderry
Duration: 2 Years (Full-Time)
Entry Requirements:
UK: UCAS Tariff points at A Level together with a minimum of 5 passes at GCSE Grade C or above, which must include Maths and English Language; OR Extended Diploma in a relevant area of study (including GCSE Grade C or above in Maths and English Language; OR University approved equivalent); ROI: 48 UCAS Tariff points + 4 OLCs (Grade D4 or above) to include Maths and English;
The College reserves the right to increase the entrance criteria, based upon demand.

Course Overview:
This course is designed to prepare you for a range of technical and management careers in the Civil Engineering, Infrastructure, Environmental Engineering and Built Environment sectors. It is also designed to prepare you for immediate employment on the major upcoming infrastructure projects such as the A5 and A6 roads. The course will prepare you for either employment in the industry with design consultants; or entry onto degree courses in Civil Engineering, Structural Engineering or Environmental Engineering; or on site with contractors or with statutory organisations. This course may enhance promotion prospects for those already in employment. A period of work placement in the second year of the course - providing candidates with an excellent opportunity to apply the skills and knowledge acquired into real life practice (Placement is to be secured by the student in association with the College). Work based Learning is assessed via employer input, the tutor; a written report and a presentation / interview.

Modules of study include: Civil Engineering Technology; Introduction to Surveying; Civil Engineering Computer Aided Design & Emerging Technology; Mathematics 1; Science & Materials; Structural Mechanics; Communication; Geology & Soil Mechanics; Measurement and Costing; Fluids & Hydraulics; Structural Analysis & Design; Civil Engineering Contracts Management; Civil Engineering & Digital Surveying; Mathematics 2; Work based Learning.

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Foundation Degree in Construction Engineering with Surveying†
(Validated by Ulster University)
Location: Derry~Londonderry
Duration: 2 Years (Full-Time)
Entry Requirements:
UK: UCAS Tariff points at A Level together with a minimum of 5 passes at GCSE Grade C or above, which must include Maths and English Language; OR Extended Diploma in a relevant area of study (including GCSE Grade C or above in Maths and English Language; OR University approved equivalent); ROI: 48 UCAS Tariff points + 4 OLCs (Grade D4 or above) to include Maths and English;
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Year 1 modules include: Construction Technology 1; Mathematics 1; 2D CADD, Surveying Technology; Building Information Modelling (BIM) Basic; Materials & Comfort; Surveying Technology; Introduction to Construction Management;

Year 2 modules include: Work based Learning (400 hours placement); Law & Contract; Site Management; Maintenance & Adaptation; Construction Economics; Construction Technology 2; Group Project.

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"The Foundation Degree in Early Childhood Studies was perfect for me. I wanted to continue my studies but I didn’t want to move away from home.”

Aine McFadden
Foundation Degree in Early Childhood Studies

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Work Based Learning / Training / Training for Success Level 1 Diploma in Caring for Children (with Personal Development)

**Entry Requirements:**
You require one formal qualification. Applicants should have determination, a love of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic and be prepared to continue studying English, Maths and ICT in order to support children’s learning.

**Course Overview:**
This qualification is a great foundation for being a babysitter, a parent or if you want to work in the childcare environment, Crèche, Playgroups, Nursery or School as it supports your understanding about your responsibilities when caring for children, and will support you in preparing for your next steps either in training or moving towards employment. It focuses on the extra learning you may need. TFS Level 1 is designed for young people aged 16-17, with extended age eligibility for young people with a disability up to the age 22 and up to age 24 for those from an in-care background.

You will have access to an Early Years specialist room which is fully equipped with play and practical resources for your use and you will also have the opportunity to care for the ‘Care Babies’ during the course. There are no final exams and you will be assessed through your coursework, Story Sacks, competition and practical tasks such as designing posters, charts and leaflets.

Core Modules include:
- Practical Health and Safety when with Young Children, Listening to and talking with a young child, Respecting and Valuing Children, Sharing Learning Experiences with Children, Understanding Learning and Development through Play, Craft Activities for Young Children, Children’s Play and Leisure Activities in the Community, Supporting Babies to Play, Finding out about Forest Schools - Literacy, Numeracy and ICT (for those who do not have an equivalent of a Grade C at GCSE).

You may undertake a period of work placement in a childcare environment while completing this qualification although it is not mandatory. If you are able to get a placement, a self-declaration of current health status and an Access NI check is implicit as part of the overall risk assessment process. You may be able to move on to the Level 2 Diploma for Children’s Care, Learning and Development or the Level 2 Diploma in Playwork.

For more information, contact:
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CACHE Level 1 Diploma in Caring for Children (with Personal Development)

**Entry Requirements:**
You do not need any formal qualifications. Applicants should have determination, a love of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic and be prepared to continue studying English, Maths and ICT in order to support children’s learning.

**Course Overview:**
This qualification is a great foundation for being a babysitter, a parent or if you want to work in the childcare environment, Crèche, Playgroups, Nursery or School as it supports your understanding about your responsibilities when caring for children, and will support you in preparing for your next steps either in training or moving towards employment. It focuses on the extra learning you may need. TFS Level 1 is designed for young people aged 16-17, with extended age eligibility for young people with a disability up to the age 22 and up to age 24 for those from an in-care background.

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EARLY YEARS (CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE)

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NUMERACY GRADES YOU MAY PROGRESS ONTO THE LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA FOR CHILDREN'S CARE, LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT

NDAQ: 500/9616/B
Duration: 2 Years
Location: Derry~Londonderry or Limavady OR Strabane

Entry Requirements:
UK: 5 GCSEs (Grade G or above) to include English and Maths at (Grade F or above).
ROI: 5 OLCs (Grade 06 or above) to include English and Maths at (Grade 06 or above).

Students must be prepared to continue studying English, Maths and ICT in order to support children's learning.

Course Overview:
23,075 babies were born in Northern Ireland in 2017 and the birth rate for twins has increased 76% since 1988. Did you know that babies remain calm twice as long when listening to a song as they do when listening to speech?

This course is designed to develop the understanding and skills relating to children's care, learning and development. This Level 2 programme is all about giving you the tools and the confidence to find work.

It focuses on the extra learning you may need. TFS Level 2 is designed for young people aged 16-17, with extended age eligibility for young people with a disability up to the age 22 and up to age 24 for those from an in-care background.

It will provide you with the required qualification for working in a supervised role in the early years and childcare sector as a pre-school, nursery school or playgroup assistant, primary school classroom assistant, care assistant or childminder.

You will work in an Early Years specialist resource room which is fully equipped with play and practical resources, and will also have the opportunity to care for the 'Care Babies' during the course.

Skills that you will develop include excellent communication skills, the ability to work with children and their families in a sensitive and positive way, creativity and imagination for game playing, planning and organisational skills. You will be assessed via practical tasks, assignments and work placement assessments which means that you have no exams to sit.

It will develop the range of skills and attributes essential to perform well in the workplace.

Some of the areas you will study include: Contribute to the Support of Children and Young People’s Development Through Play, Introduction to Equality and Inclusion in Health, Social Care and Children’s Rights, Children's and Young People’s Settings, Introduction to Personal Development in Health, Social Care or Children's and Young People's Settings.

Work placement is an essential component of this course. Enrolment on this course is subject to checks, including a satisfactory Access NI check.

As placement is an integral part of your qualification, a self-declaration of current health status is implicit as part of the overall risk assessment process. You will be required to undertake work placement in a range of childcare settings for 1 -2 days per week over the 2 years of the course. Enrolment on this course is subject to checks, including a satisfactory Access NI check.

As placement is an integral part of your qualification, a self-declaration of current health status is implicit as part of the overall risk assessment process. You may progress into employment or decide to continue to study with us on the HDI in Early Childhood Education and Care or the Foundation Degree in Early Childhood Studies.

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Visit our site for detailed course information

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EARLY YEARS (CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE)

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NUMERACY GRADES YOU MAY PROGRESS ONTO THE LEVEL 3 DIPLOMA FOR CHILDREN'S CARE, LEARNING & DEVELOPMENT

NDAQ: 600/7091/6
Duration: 2 Years
Location: Derry~Londonderry OR Limavady OR Strabane

Entry Requirements:
UK: 1st Diploma CCLD or Level 2 Diploma in Playwork; OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) including English; ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) including English; OR Leasing Cert Applied – Merit or Higher.

Students who do not have a Grade C GCSE or Grade 05 OLC or equivalent in English and ICT will be expected to complete this in addition to their course (cost covered by NWRC). Students must be prepared to continue studying Maths and ICT in order to support children's learning.

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As placement is an integral part of your qualification, a self-declaration of current health status is implicit as part of the overall risk assessment process. You may progress into employment or decide to continue to study with us on the HDI in Early Childhood Education and Care or the Foundation Degree in Early Childhood Studies.

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Visit our site for detailed course information
Entry Requirements: UK: Level 2 Diploma in Children’s Care, Learning & Development or Playwork OR Level 2 Diploma / Qualification from another curriculum area, OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above). RDI: A OLC (Grade D5 or above) OR Leaving Cert Applied – Ment.

Students with lower grades can be accepted to level 2 Playwork. Students must be prepared to continue studying English, Maths and ICT in order to support children’s learning.

Course Overview: You will have access to a specialist room which is fully equipped with indoor and outdoor play and practical resources.

You will be mainly assessed via practical tasks, assignments and placement assessment reports, which means you have no final exams to sit but have excellent progression opportunities.

Core Modules include understanding how to Safeguard the Wellbeing of Children and Young people, How to Support Positive Outcomes for Children and Young People, Children and Young People’s Self Directed Play.

Placement requirements are a minimum of 8-10 hours per week depending on setting over the two year period. Playwork students also participate in residential weekends and summer schemes that build on their experiences and hours.

You may also decide to continue your studies with us by progressing to the HND in Early Childhood Education and Care or on to the Foundation Degree in Early Childhood Studies programme.

Enrolment on this course is subject to checks, including a satisfactory self-declaration of current health status (implicit as part of the overall risk assessment process).

The first five, and especially the first three years of a child’s life are the most important. They shape the brain’s organization, development, and functioning throughout life. Did you know that children who watch more than three hours of television, videos, or DVDs a day have a higher chance of conduct problems, emotional symptoms, and relationship problems by the time they are 7 than children who do not? Play is one of the most important tools to support children’s development.

A Playworker is a very special person who can engage and support children through normal developmental life stages or use play to support children who have had negative life experiences and need to build resilience and learn to be children again. Play is vital to every child’s development.

The skills you need to develop are excellent communication skills, the ability to work with children and their families in a sensitive and positive way, creativity and imagination for game playing, and planning and organisational skills.

For more information, contact: Grainne McCaffrey
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Higher National Diploma in Early Childhood Education & Care

Location: Derry/Londonderry
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements: UK: 48 UCAS points and minimum of GCSE English at grade C or equivalent; RDI: 48 UCAS points and minimum of GCSE English at Grade D5. Access: 40%. Applicants must have a Level 3 Qualification, e.g. National Certificate/Diploma in Early Years or Childcare Level 3 Diploma. Extended Diploma, OLC, Level 3 in Playwork, an AICE/advanced GNVQ in the appropriate Vocational Area, GCSE A Level / Leaving Cert.

Interview Required.

Course Overview: This level will prepare you for the demands and responsibilities of a career in the field of Early Years, Teaching, Nursing, Social Work, Psychology and Paediatrics amongst others.

The course is very practical and graduates have excellence at University and in Industry. You will be expected to critically analyse information and think independently. You will use the Early Years Specialist Room fully equipped with a range of play and practical resources while completing this qualification.

The number of hours in work placement will be 525 hours in a minimum of three distinct settings covering the period of one 11 months, two years to four years 11 months. 30% placement hours should be completed in Year 1 of the full-time programme.

As placement is an integral part of your qualification a self-declaration of current health status is implicit as part of the overall risk assessment process.

You can progress into employment or to university - Teacher Training qualification, (An) Degree in Early Childhood Studies, Psychology, Nursing, Paediatrics, Social Work, Youth Work or another related profession.

Associated Costs: Uniform required, costs range from £20-40. Grant support may be available. Contact Student Services.

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Foundation Degree in Early Childhood Studies

Location: Derry/Londonderry
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements: UK: 72 UCAS points plus GCSE (Grade C or above) in English and Maths – Essential Skills Level 2 in Communications will be accepted as an alternative to GCSE English. RDI: 72 UCAS points plus OLC (Grade D5 or above) in English and Maths – Essential Skills Level 2 in Communications will be accepted as an alternative to GCSE English.

Applicants must apply through UCAS directly.

UCAS course code: I533 FAIR/ES

Campus code: 7-North West Regional College

Course Overview: This course will provide you with an opportunity to develop a thorough knowledge and understanding of early years and related issues, enabling you to become a confident and competent, well qualified Early Years Practitioner.

It will also give you a nationally recognised qualification and evidence of your ability to work in the Early Years sector. In addition, successful completion of the Foundation Degree at a required level will allow you to progress to year 2 of the BA [Hons] Early Childhood Studies.

You will study 12 modules:

- Shared Perspectives in the Young Child, Skills and Strategies for Managing Behaviour, Safeguarding Children, Special Educational Needs, Promoting Inclusion in the Early Years Environment, Language and Communication, Professional Practice, Learning, through Play and Anti-Discriminatory Practice.

- Assessment methods include assignments, case studies, practical exercises, presentations, examinations and placement assessments.

- You can progress into employment or to university - Teacher Training qualification, (An) Degree in Early Childhood Studies, Psychology, Nursing, Paediatrics, Social Work, Youth Work or another related profession. Enrolment on this course is subject to a satisfactory Access NI check. As placement is an integral part of your qualification a self-declaration of current health status is implicit as part of the overall risk assessment process.

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BSc (Hons) in Early Childhood Care, Health & Education

Location: Derry/Londonderry (Strand Road Campus) and Letterkenny Institute of Technology (LIT)
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements: Students must have a Level 5 Childhood Care Qualification: however, the selection process is implemented by Letterkenny Institute of Technology (LIT). Students must complete the LIT Advanced Entry application form.

Course Overview: Students in partnership with Letterkenny Institute of Technology to deliver the BSc (Hons) Early Childhood Care, Health and Education Top Up for those who already hold a Level 5 qualification in Early Years. Entry onto the degree programme will be at year 3 of the four-year programme. Students will develop the skills necessary to assimilate an understanding of the complex and diverse nature of the subject, as well as more general skills which will be widely transferable.

Students will become familiar with the Republic of Ireland curriculum developments and implement Answer: the Early Childhood Curriculum Framework and Vista, the National Quality Framework for Early Childhood in their placement, which can be either Northern Ireland or the Republic of Ireland. Students will undertake a critical examination of contrasting perspectives which provide insight into the varied experiences of early years' settings. As work placement is an integral part of your qualification a self-declaration of current health status is implicit as part of the overall risk assessment process.

You can progress to the following: Post Graduate Certificate of Education (PGCE), Nursing, Social Work, Educational Psychology, Masters in Early Years. Previous students have set up their own creche / day care business or worked in the field of Early Years as a Special Needs Assistant, Nursery Assistant, Classroom Assistant or Childminder.

Work placement provides students with an opportunity to learn from experience through supervised practice and provides the student with opportunities for observation and engagement in needs assessment, early childhood curriculum planning and implementation. To download the LIT Advanced entry application visit: www.lit.ie

For more information contact: Lisa Taggart
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“I thoroughly recommend the Engineering courses at NWRC. They open up a wide range of career choices and opportunities for further study.”

Caolan Maxwell
Foundation Degree in Mechanical Engineering
Foundation Degree in Electrical & Electronic Engineering

Location: Derry~Londonderry
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements: UK: 64 UCAS points to include at least one Level 3 Diploma (Grade D/6) in Electrical or Electronic Engineering or equivalent. Exceptionally, candidates with other qualifications may be considered for admission to the course, subject to approval of the Course Committee.

APEAR (Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning) may apply for entry (visit www.merc.ac.uk/apply for details). As with all Higher Engineering courses, students require a good standard of mathematics and applied mathematics.

Course Overview: This course is a combination of Electrical & Electronic Engineering Principles and Design, and Manufacturing Processes and Systems. The course allows for a wide range of practical activities and opportunities for team working, incorporating a range of computer-based IT Engineering Applications. The course offers the opportunity to prepare for a range of technical and management careers in electrical/electronic engineering and manufacture engineering.

For more information contact:
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Foundation Degree in Mechanical Engineering

Location: Derry~Londonderry
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements: UK: 64 UCAS points to include at least one Level 3 Diploma (Grade D/6) in Mechanical Engineering or equivalent. Exceptionally, candidates with other qualifications may apply for entry (visit www.merc.ac.uk/p2e for details).

APEAR (Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning) may apply for entry (visit www.merc.ac.uk/apply for details). As with all Higher Engineering courses, students require a good standard of mathematics and applied mathematics.

Course Overview: This course is a combination of Mechanical Engineering principles and design, and manufacturing processes and systems. The course allows for a wide range of practical activities and opportunities for team working, incorporating various computer-based IT engineering applications. Whether you want to specialise in mechanical engineering, production, aeronautical engineering, energy supply, electronics, electrical, communications or manufacturing, there is a wide range of engineering opportunities available in Ireland, the UK and abroad. Students have access to industry-standard design, manufacture and control software packages including SolidWorks, AutoCAD, Cosmos FEA, EdgelCAM, Pathtrace and are encouraged to develop their IT skills using software such as Microsoft Office.

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Visit us online for detailed course information

Hairdressing & Beauty Therapy

BTEC Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma in Electrical & Electronic Engineering

Location: Derry~Londonderry OR Limavady (Greatstone)
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements: UK: Level 2 Diploma in Engineering; OR 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include Maths. RDI: 4 OLCs (Grade D or above) to include Maths; OR Leaving Certificate – Merit.

Course Overview: Engineering is recognised as critical for the development of a knowledge economy. Equivalent to 3 ‘A’ levels, this course is prepared for a range of technical and management careers in engineering, and includes specialised studies which are directly relevant to professions in which you may intend to seek employment. Areas of study may include: PLCs, CNC, Mechanical Principles, Mathematics for Technicians, Electronics, Electronic Circuit Manufacture, Engineering Drawing, CAD, Microelectronics, Pneumatics and Communication for Technicians.

You may have the opportunity to complete a 4-6 week work placement to gain valuable experience in an engineering environment. This course will prepare you for entry into the engineering industry as an engineering technician, or for entry into further education to undertake degree level studies.

Areas of higher study may include: Electrical Engineering, Chemical Engineering, Automotive Engineering, Aeronautical Engineering, Marine Engineering, Electronics and Computing, and Agricultural Engineering. These courses are available at various universities including Ulster University, Queen’s University, Belfast, and at Liverpool, Glasgow and Edinburgh.

Successful completion of this course will also allow students to progress to higher level study within NWRC via fulltime courses: Foundation Degree Mechanical Engineering, Foundation Degree Electrical Electronic Engineering courses or part-time courses: HNC Mechanical Engineering, HNC Electrical Engineering or via our Higher Level Apprenticeship programme.

For more information, contact:
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City & Guilds Level 3 in Beauty Therapy

Entry Requirements:
- UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G or above)
- ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade O6 or above)

You should have a genuine interest in the subject and a good work ethic. The creativity to design and interpret hairstyles, excellent customer service and communication skills, organisational and time-keeping skills are necessary attributes to be successful in this course.

Course Overview:
This course is designed for those wishing to have a fulfilling career in the fast-paced and continuously evolving world-wide industry of hair & beauty, having both skills together is a career bonus!

This course will provide you with the skills and knowledge necessary to become a competent hairdresser and beauty therapist. This course will help you explore and develop the skills needed to turn your interests into a career. Determination and commitment are necessary attributes to be successful in this course.

This course comprises of practical training & assessments carried out in our industry standard salons where you are taught by industry professionals. You will also participate in an annual Hairdressing and Beauty Showcase a day of competition, judged by leading hairdressers and beauty therapists. The industry standard salons, and the College's state-of-the-art facilities, including the commercial salon, is open to the public.

You will gain so much experience working in the College's state-of-the-art salons, which are open to the public. There's no better place to study.

Clara McPurdy
Level 3 in Beauty Therapy

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City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma in Beauty Therapy (includes Nail Enhancement and Makeup)

Entry Requirements:
- UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G or above)
- ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade O6 or above)

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City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma in Beauty Therapy

Entry Requirements:
- UK & ROI: NVQ/VQ Level 2 Beauty Therapy; OR NVQ/VQ Level 2 Combined Hair/Beauty

Course Overview:
Did you know that on average a woman spends £133,575 on Beauty Products and on average 15 months of her life applying make-up? Do you want to be one of the 245,795 employees supporting this £6.2 Billion annual turn-over beauty industry? This course provides you with the necessary knowledge and skills required to achieve the standards for Level 3 accreditation as set out by the Beauty Industry Authority. Beauty Therapy is a highly skilled profession with numerous opportunities. It is a dynamic industry involving hard work, which provides satisfying and rewarding outcomes. We strive to include new techniques and developments which ensure that you are well prepared to provide clients with the best in modern treatments.

Past students have benefited greatly from our industry standard facilities, including the commercial salon, which is open to the public.

Core Modules include:
- Anatomy and Physiology, Health and Safety, and Client Care. You will also develop a range of technical skills in preparing the skin using electrical equipment, Body massage, Permanent lashes and applying tanning products to the skin. You will also develop interpersonal skills that will assist you to communicate effectively with clients. Business and Practical units.
- For students who do not have GCSE English, Maths and ICT at a grade C equivalent you will be expected to complete your Essential Skills units up to Level 2 and therefore commitment, and a good work ethic are required. You will spend at least 1 day per week on placement in local beauty salons to gain work experience. As placement is an integral part of your qualification a self-declaration of current health status is implied as part of the overall risk assessment process.
- Successful students may choose to enhance their career opportunities by undertaking the higher education options such as Hair & Beauty management and/or progress onto university (all degree programmes will have their specific GCSE or equivalent entry requirements) or consider employment in the following areas – Beauty therapy management, international spa management and cosmetic science.

For more information, contact:
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- Bernadette Kerlin (Strabane) 028 7127 8821, bernadette.kerlin@nwrc.ac.uk

City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma in Beauty Therapy

Duration: 2 Years

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Work Based Learning / Training / Training for Success Level 2 NVQ Diploma in Nail Services

**Course Overview:**

The nail industry in England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland has exploded in recent years, with trendy, quick-service nail bars appearing virtually every street corner and mobile nail techs servicing clients at their homes. Nail Services make up 39.8% of the beauty industry! In 2013, sales of nail polish surpassed lipstick sales for the first time in England, Scotland, Wales, and Northern Ireland. Nail polish reached sales of £244 million and that is a lot of potential for skilled Nail technicians.

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If you love Gel Nails, Polish, Manicures and Pedicures and talking to clients this might be the course for you! This course will provide you with the necessary skills and qualifications to begin your career and set your goal to further study as a nail technician. You will be taught by industry specialists in a proper salon environment.

Building your portfolio of qualifications is an important part of your future, ensuring you achieve the best success in your chosen career.

You will have a work placement in industry to enhance your experience and learning. Upon successful completion of this course, you will be ready to progress on to a more advanced level with the Level 3 Nail technology and/or make up.

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City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma in Nail Services

**Entry Requirements:**

UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G or above) or Beauty Therapy Level 1.

ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade D6 or above) or Beauty Therapy Level 1.

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Our College has its very own purpose built Spa area for specialist training and the popularity of Spa Training continues to grow with our past students working in industry across the world. Past students have benefited greatly from our industry standard facilities. Past students have benefited greatly from our industry standard facilities.

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Work Based Learning / Training / Training for Success Skills for Work Level 1 in Hairdressing

NDAQ: 601/5969/X
Location: Derry-Londonderry OR Limavady OR Strabane
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements: One formal qualification required. If you have left school early and really want to commit to being a hairdresser this is the course for you!

Course Overview:
Black is the most common hair colour and red is the rarest. Hair contains DNA information and is used to test for drugs in your bloodstream. Scientists can find out what you ate and drank as well as the environment that you lived in from a tiny strand of hair! All hair is dead, with the exception of the hair that’s still inside the epidermis of your scalp. Everyone needs their hair cut and although when you start off in the hair industry you will be supporting stylish you can still earn as huge amount from observing, and talking to the professionals and their clients.

You will be taught by qualified hairdressers who have excellent industry experience. Training is similar to being employed, a contract, therefore your Training Allowance is totally dependent on attendance and achievement. During your course you will have the opportunity to participate in an annual Hairdressing and Beauty Showcase, a day of competition, judged by leading hairdressers and beauty therapists. This fun and exciting event is open to local salon owners, friends and family and offers students the opportunity to show off their creativity and flair.

Our students also have the opportunity to compete in Regional and UK Competitions with the aim of representing your country at World Skills which will be in China in 2021.

Our hair salon facilities offer Salon Services to the public so training is reflective of industry standards. You will develop basic Hairdressing Skills in Client Care, Communication, Shampoo & Conditioning, Health & Safety, Styling Hair, Customer Service, Employability, and Personal Development. Literacy, Numeracy and ICT (for those who do not have an equivalent of a Grade C at GCSE). Work placement is mandatory in this course. You will be placed in a salon to gain hands-on experience in the real working Hairdressing environment. As placement is an integral part of your qualification a self-declaration of current health status is implicit as part of the overall risk assessment process. Leading to progression onto Level 2 Hairdressing.

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Work Based Learning / Training / Training for Success Level 2 in Hairdressing

NDAQ: 601/5969/X
Location: Derry-Londonderry OR Limavady OR Strabane
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements: 5 GCSEs (Grades A-C or above) or equivalent to include English and Maths at Grade F or above or equivalent. RO: 5 GCSEs (Grade A0 or above) to include English and Maths at Grade G or above. All applicants should have a declaration of the same of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic.

Course Overview:
The average human grows 500 miles of hair in their lifetime, so it’s no wonder that humans will have on average of 480 hairs. Hairdressers cut, style and colour hair, they advise and support client’s decisions and they give professional advice on how hair may enhance a client’s appearance and individual personality. They listen to and communicate with their clients and are trusted by them.

This course will provide you with the professional skills and knowledge necessary to become a competent hairdresser, working efficiently and effectively to a national standard. If you are artistic, creative and have a natural flair for styling hair, this course will help you explore the skills needed to turn your interests into a career. Skills you require include the creativity to design and interpret hairstyles, excellent customer service and communication skills, organisational and time-keeping skills.

Although the course is 2 years in duration, you can proceed at your own pace and may complete the qualification in a shorter time. During your course you will have the opportunity to participate in an annual Hairdressing and Beauty Showcase, a day of competition, judged by leading hairdressers and beauty therapists. This fun and exciting event is open to local salon owners, friends and family and offers students the opportunity to show off their creativity and flair.

Training is similar to being employed for 30 hours/week, a contract, therefore your Training Allowance is totally dependent on attendance and achievement. Core Modules include Foundation Skills in Hairdressing including Health and Safety, Shampooing, Conditioning, Setting, Styling, Cutting and Colouring Hair including Consultation and also Reception Duties, employability and personal development. Literacy, Numeracy and ICT (for those who do not have an equivalent of a Grade C at GCSE). Work placement is mandatory in this course. You will be placed in a salon to gain hands-on experience in the real working Hairdressing environment. As placement is an integral part of your qualification a self-declaration of current health status is implicit as part of the overall risk assessment process. Successful completion of this course can lead to progress to level 3 learning.

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City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma in Hairdressing

NDAQ: 601/5569/X
Location: Derry-Londonderry OR Limavady OR Strabane
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements: UK: 4 GCES (Grade A0 or above) or Level 1 Hairdressing. ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade A0 or above) or Level 1 Hairdressing.

All applicants should have a declaration of the same of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic.

Course Overview:
The average human grows 590 miles of hair in their lifetime, so it’s no wonder that we will have on average of 480 hairs. Hairdressers are pretty special people. They cut, style and colour hair, they advise and support client’s decisions and they give professional advice on how hair may enhance a client’s appearance and individual personality. They listen to and communicate with their clients and are trusted by them.

This course will provide you with the professional skills and knowledge necessary to become a competent hairdresser, working efficiently and effectively to a national standard. If you are artistic, creative and have a natural flair for styling hair, this course will help you explore the skills needed to turn your interests into a career. Although the course is 2 years in duration, you can proceed at your own pace and may complete the qualification in a shorter time.

Skills you require from this course will include the creativity to design and interpret hairstyles, excellent customer service and communication skills, organisational and time-keeping skills.

During your course you will have the opportunity to participate in an annual Hairdressing and Beauty Showcase, a day of competition, judged by leading hairdressers and beauty therapists. This fun and exciting event is open to local salon owners, friends and family and offers students the opportunity to show off their creativity and flair.

You will develop the Foundation Skills in Hairdressing including Health and Safety, Shampooing, Conditioning, Setting, Styling, Cutting and Colouring Hair including Consultation and also Reception Duties, employability and personal development. Literacy, Numeracy and ICT (for those who do not have an equivalent of a Grade C at GCSE). Work placement is mandatory in this course. You will be placed in a salon to gain hands-on experience in the real working Hairdressing environment. As placement is an integral part of your qualification a self-declaration of current health status is implicit as part of the overall risk assessment process. Students will have a broad range of skills and experience leading to progress to level 3.

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City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma in Hairdressing

NDAQ: 601/5679/X
Location: Derry-Londonderry OR Limavady OR Strabane
Duration: 1 Year

Entry Requirements: UK & ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade A0 or above) or Level 2 Hairdressing: OR OLCs (Grade A0 or above) or Level 2 Combined Hair Beauty.

All applicants should have a declaration of the same of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic.

Course Overview:
The average human grows 590 miles of hair in their lifetime, so it’s no wonder that we will have on average of 480 hairs. Did you now that hair contains information about everything that has ever been in your bloodstream, including drugs, and is one of the most commonly used types of forensic evidence.

Hairdressers are pretty special people! They cut, style and colour hair, they advise and support client’s decisions and they give professional advice on how hair may enhance a client’s appearance and individual personality. They listen to and communicate with their clients and are trusted by them.

Hairdressing has become a dynamic industry where hair and creativity are required alongside practical and technical skills. To succeed you need to be highly trained and possess an artistic passion for designing new looks, following fashion trends and have confidence in new ideas.

Our staff will provide the necessary knowledge and skills required to achieve the standards for Level 3 and accredited as set out by the Hairdressing Industry Authority.

During your course you will have the opportunity to participate in an annual Hairdressing and Beauty Showcase, a day of competition, judged by leading hairdressers and beauty therapists. This fun and exciting event is open to local salon owners, friends and family and offers students the opportunity to show off their creativity and flair.

You will study a range of mandatory business and practical units depending on which professional pathway you choose, and these include; creative styling cutting & colouring, colour correction, promotional activities.

You will be placed in a Hairdressing Salon one day per week to gain valuable experience in the working environment. As placement is an integral part of your qualification a self-declaration of current health status is implicit as part of the overall risk assessment process. Successful students may choose to enhance their career opportunities by undertaking the level 4 in Hair Management or UK Degree Programmes in Hair and Make-up Fashion [all degree programmes will have their specific GCSE or equivalent entry requirements.

You may be entitled to financial support for your uniform and kit. Contact Student Services for more information.

For more information, contact:
Bredgie Johnston (Derry~Londonderry) 028 7127 6310
Cara Hegarty (Limavady) 028 7127 8758
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FULL-TIME COURSES 2018-19

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PROGRESSION KEY: B Higher level study Employment University
This course can lead to progression onto level 2 Barbering.

Course Overview:

Traditional barbering has a long history and its renaissance has revitalised the male grooming industry. Male grooming is defined as cutting or trimming an area of the body that has hair covering it. Common appliances for such removal may be a shaver, or scissors as well as shaving foam or soap. In 2012, the UK market for men’s grooming products was estimated to be worth £574 million and that was before the high street barbering boom. Men spend on average five months of their lives shaving, and given that it is estimated that if they did not cut or trim their beard it would grow to over 30 feet in their lifetime. A lock of Elvis Presley’s hair once sold at auction for $15,000.

This course will provide you with the skills and knowledge necessary to become a competent and professional barber, working efficiently and effectively to a national standard. If you are artistic, creative and have a natural flair for male grooming and styling hair, this course will help you explore and develop your interests into a career. The NWRC Barbering facilities offer Salon Services to the public so training is reflective of industry standards. Skills you will acquire include the creativity to design and interpret hair styles, research customer service and communication skills, organisational and time-keeping skills.

City & Guilds Level 2 Diploma in Barbering

Entry Requirements:
UK: 5 GCSEs (Grade G or above) or equivalent to include English and Maths at Grade F (or above) or equivalent. ROR: 5 OLCs (Grade O6 or above) to include English and Maths at Grade O6 or above.

Applicants should also have determination, a love of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic.

Course Overview:

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Grant support for uniform and kit may be available. Contact Student Services for more details.

City & Guilds Level 3 Diploma in Barbering

Entry Requirements:
UK & ROC: Level 2 Diploma in Barbering.

All applicants should have determination, a love of the subject, commitment to your studies and a good work ethic.

Course Overview:

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This course is open to students who have successfully completed their Level 2 in Barbering and will provide you with the advanced skills and knowledge necessary to become a competent and professional barber; designing new looks, following fashion trends whilst having the confidence to embrace new innovative ideas. Our staff will provide the necessary knowledge and skills required to achieve the standards for Level 3 accreditation as set out by the Hairdressing Industry Authority.

Being a barber requires you to make successful connections with your clients and have good communication skills are very important.

Our Barbering facilities offer Salon Services to the public so training is reflective of industry standards. You will study a range of Advanced Barbering Techniques, depending on which professional pathway you choose, and these include: Salon Management, Creative Cutting, Shaving Services & Designing Facial Hair Shapes. For students who do not have GCSE English, Maths and ICT at a grade C or equivalent you will be expected to complete your Essential Skills up to Level 2 and therefore commitment, determination and a good work ethic are required.

You will be placed in a Barbers 1 day per week to gain valuable experience in the Barbering Environment.

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HAIRDRESSING & BEAUTY THERAPY

Higher National Certificate in Hair and Beauty Management (Accelerated†) (subject to approval)

Location: Derry/Londonderry
Duration: 1 Year (also offered Part-Time)
Entry Requirements: A relevant Level 3 qualification in Hairdressing or Beauty Therapy or equivalent. For Part-Time study applicants must be employed or self-employed within the Hair & Beauty Industry.

Course Overview:
The HNC in Hair and Beauty Management is now being offered as a one year full time programme to progressing directly from Level 3 to higher education to develop their Hair and Beauty management skills.

Successful completion of this course will enable the learner to progress to the HND in Hair & Beauty Management.

This qualification develops managerial skills applied to the hair and beauty sector. Providing a specialist work related programme of study that covers the key knowledge, understanding and practical skills required in the hair and beauty management sector and offers particular specialist emphasis through of specialist units.

The hair & beauty sector is one of the fastest growing industries with a vast number of employment opportunities available. Higher National qualifications in Hair and Beauty Management provide a nationally recognised qualification offering career progression and professional development for those already employed in the industry or those wanting to progress onto the Level 5 HND Hair and Beauty Management course.

The following subjects are typical examples of what you may study over the HNC & HND programmes; however, course content is regularly reviewed to reflect changes in the industry:

- Salon Sales and Quality Management
- Public Relations and Marketing
- Research Projects
- Project Design
- Implementation and Evaluation
- Management of Client Care
- Health and Safety
- Human Health and Nutrition
- Physical Activity
- Lifestyle and Well-Being
- Hair and Scalp Specialist Services
- Employability Skills
- Work Experience

Progression routes include salon management, progression to HND Hair & Beauty Management, hair & beauty educator roles and specialist further higher education programmes.

For more information contact:
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Higher National Diploma in Hair and Beauty Management (Accelerated†) (subject to approval)

Location: Derry/Londonderry
Duration: 1 Year
Entry Requirements: Level 4 Hair & Beauty Management or equivalent

Course Overview:
This programme is for students who have successfully completed the HNC Hair & Beauty Management and wish to return to complete the HND Hair & Beauty Management (Year 3).

The hair & beauty sector is one of the fastest growing industries with a vast number of employment opportunities. Higher National Qualifications in Hair and Beauty Management provide a nationally recognised qualification offering career progression and professional development for those already employed in the industry or those wanting to progress onto the Level 5 HND Hair and Beauty Management course.

The following modules are typical examples of what you may study over the HNC and HND programmes; however, course content is regularly reviewed to reflect changes in the industry:

- Salon Sales and Quality Management
- Public Relations and Marketing
- Research Projects
- Project Design
- Implementation and Evaluation
- Management of Client Care
- Health and Safety
- Human Health and Nutrition
- Physical Activity
- Lifestyle and Well-Being
- Hair and Scalp Specialist Services
- Employability Skills
- Work Experience

Progression routes include salon management, progression to HND Hair & Beauty Management, hair & beauty educator roles and specialist further higher education programmes.

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Notes:
† Entry criteria for Higher Education courses may be enhanced – see website for details.
"NWRC has made me realise how important it is to train in something that I enjoy, because that career is going to take up so much of my life."

Colm Quigley
NVQ Level 2 in Professional Cooking

Course Overview:
The Hospitality Industry is a large and diverse employer, and the sector is growing within Northern Ireland and internationally with more people travelling and eating out. This provides many opportunities for a dynamic, varied and fulfilling career locally and globally. Hospitality at level 1 is the beginning of this journey giving you the insight, skills and knowledge to reach the first rung of the ladder in this career path.

This course will introduce you to basic cookery and customer care skills and help develop good work and organisational practices. It is suitable for those who need to gain more confidence in their abilities to prepare and cook food and will help them to develop a professional work attitude. This course is designed to give you a basic understanding of catering and food service with applied knowledge and skills.

You will be introduced to basic cookery and customer care skills with the opportunity to develop good working practices. You will work in the College’s well equipped kitchens and the College Brasserie / Restaurant. You will cover activities to equip you for working in professional kitchens. You will be given an opportunity to work in a variety of local establishments.

There is also an option to study extra level 2 specialist units. Your study includes NVQ1 certificate in Hospitality Services and Essential Skills in Communication & Numeracy and ICT at the appropriate level. In addition, you will have the opportunity to achieve the level 2 Food Safety certificate. You will be continually assessed through the course. Assessments take the form of practical observations in each unit and an underpinning multiple choice knowledge test in each unit.

Additional Costs: Uniform £100 - £150 (Subject to change)

Upon completion of the course you can progress to Level 2 Commis Chef OR Level 2 Hospitality, or consider employment opportunities or Apprenticeship Training.

For more information, contact:
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Barbara McGrath
028 7127 8746, barbara.mcgrath@nwrc.ac.uk

Level 2 Professional Chef

Entry Requirements:
UK: 4 GCSE’s (Grade D or above); ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade 06 or above)

Course Overview:
This new qualification is a dynamic training programme designed to launch your career as a professional chef, ready to meet the demands of today’s employers. Our mission is to nurture and guide the careers of the future stars of the culinary world. Becoming a chef takes ambition, dedication, passion and skill. Our aim is to develop your skills, knowledge and experience to help you get the most out of working in this fast paced industry. If you are looking to build you career path this course will ensure you develop the correct skill set for this exciting industry through investigation of all aspects of kitchen operations through practical and assignment work.

This course can provide you with a recognised qualification and experience in a range of activities to equip you for working in professional kitchens and hospitality establishments. With our highly skilled lecturers, a passion for student development, exciting gastronomic practice and proven excellence, we are committed to innovation and high performance in Hospitality and Culinary Arts. Work placement is an important element of this course where you will be given an opportunity to work in a variety of local establishments.

Additional Costs: Uniform £100 - £120 (Subject to change)

Upon completion of this course you can progress to our NVQ Level 3 course, or consider future employment opportunities or Apprenticeship Training.

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City & Guilds NVQ Level 1 Certificate in Hospitality Services

Entry Requirements:
No formal requirements

Course Overview:
The Hospitality Industry is a large and diverse employer, the sector is growing within Northern Ireland and internationally with more people traveling and eating out. This provides many opportunities for a dynamic, varied and fulfilling career locally and globally. Hospitality at level 1 is the beginning of this journey giving you the insight, skills and knowledge to reach the first rung of the ladder in this career path.

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Additional Costs: Uniform £100 - £150 (Subject to change)

Upon completion of the course you can progress to Level 2 Commis Chef OR Level 2 Hospitality, or consider employment opportunities or Apprenticeship Training.

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City & Guilds NVQ Level 2 Professional Cookery

Entry Requirements:
NVQ Level 1 qualification in Cookery / Hospitality

Course Overview:
The course has been designed to challenge budding chefs in the next step of their academic career path.

This is a dynamic programme with involves both food preparation and cookery elements, where you will prepare & cook a range of foods using a variety of cooking methods.

Essential Skills in Numeracy and Literacy are also taught at level 2 as a fundamental part of recipe and menu engineering for the hospitality industry. This course will provide you with a qualification and experience in a range of skills to prepare you for work in professional kitchens.

Additional Costs: Uniform £100 - £120 (Subject to change)

Upon completion of this course you can progress to our NVQ Level 3 course, or consider future employment opportunities or Apprenticeship Training.

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See page 20 for more information
City & Guilds Level 2 Professional Chefs Diploma

INQO: 601/7497/3
Location: Derry~Londonderry
Duration: 1 Year

Entry Requirements: NVQ Level 2 Hospitality Qualification or equivalent

Course Overview: The course aims to provide you with the skills and knowledge to prepare and cook a range of commodities, and to gain the investigating and theoretical ability to gain a broad understanding of all aspects of kitchen operations. This is essential for those aspiring to work in the hospitality and catering industry.

Units are assessed by a combination of externally set assignment, practical assessments, written tests and other methods.

This course is an internationally recognised qualification designed to enable students to gain essential for those aspiring to work in the hospitality industry at various levels - new, experienced and aspiring. By the end of the course you will be able to motivate, lead, think creatively and thoroughly understand the whole supervisory role.

Your skills training will be developed through the following modules:

• Maintain the health and hygiene
• Sustainability
• Safety & security of the working environment
• Food production (how a supervisor should organise the activities necessary to comply with all the relevant legislation)
• Lead a team to improve customer service
• Develop productive working relationships with colleagues
• Contribute to the control of resources

Additional Costs: Uniform £100 - £120 (Subject to change)

For more information, contact: Douglas Walker 028 7127 6138 Email: douglas.walker@merc.ac.uk

City & Guilds NVQ Level 3 Diploma in Professional Cookery

INQO: 601/7497/3
Location: Derry~Londonderry (Limavady Campus)
Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements: NVQ Level 2 Hospitality Qualification or equivalent

Course Overview: This programme will provide you with advanced practical skills and knowledge required for employment in the hospitality industry at supervisory level.

Modules of study will include:

• Supervision in the professional kitchen
• Food safety
• Sustainability
• Legal and social responsibility in the professional kitchen
• Financial management

Students will be trained and assessed on a range of complex restaurant style dishes for the College fine dining restaurants: the Flying Clipper (Strand Road Campus) and Garnet's (Limavady Campus).

On completion of this course, you will possess the skills and experiences that will allow you to broaden your existing knowledge and gain important leadership and management skill. You will learn how to successfully plan, direct and manage staff. The course has been designed for supervisors of all levels - new, experienced and aspiring. By the end of the course you will be able to motivate, lead, think creatively and thoroughly understand the whole supervisory role.

For more information, contact: Ulster Murphy 028 7127 8746 Email: ultras.murphy@merc.ac.uk

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City & Guilds NVQ Level 3 Hospitality Supervision and Leadership

INQO: 600/8861/3
Location: Derry~Londonderry
Duration: 2-3 Years

Entry Requirements: NVQ Level 2 Hospitality Qualification; OR supervisory experience. Interview also required.

Course Overview: This course is designed to help you to progress to a more senior role within the hospitality industry. It will allow you to broaden your existing knowledge and gain important leadership and management skill. You will learn how to successfully plan, direct and manage staff. The course has been designed for supervisors of all levels - new, experienced and aspiring. By the end of the course you will be able to motivate, lead, think creatively and thoroughly understand the whole supervisory role.

Higher National Certificate / Diploma in Hospitality Management

Location: Derry~Londonderry
Duration: 1 Year, HNC / 2 Years, HND

Entry Requirements:

• UCAS points, plus GCSE English Grade C or Essential Skills Literacy Level 2; 28 UCAS points, GCSE English (Grade D5 or above); Access - 40%

Students without a GCSE Grade C in Maths on entry assigned to undertake GCSE Maths or Essential Skills Level 2 Numeracy during their year of study.

Course Overview: This new course is designed to develop a range of industry relevant skills and knowledge to prepare learners for employment or career progression in management within the expanding and diverse hospitality sector. There is an emphasis on preparation for the workplace through the ongoing development of employability skills which will be enhanced through work placement, where learners gain valuable insights and experience in the industry.

NVQ core modules include: The Contemporary Hospitality Industry; Managing the Customer Experience; Professional Identity and Practice; The Hospitality Toolkit; Leadership and Management for Service Industries.

On successful completion of the Higher National Diploma and Programme Diploma, students can develop their careers in the hospitality sector through: Entering employment, Continuing existing employment, preparing to a more senior role within the hospitality sector.

For more information, contact: Ulster Murphy 028 7127 8746 Email: ultras.murphy@merc.ac.uk

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For more information, contact: Lisa Hannigan 028 7127 6098 Email: lisa.hannigan@merc.ac.uk

Foundation Degree in Hospitality and Tourism Management

Location: Derry~Londonderry
Duration: 2 Years (2.5 Years, Part-Time)

Entry Requirements:

• UCAS Tariff points + GCSE Grade C or equivalent (e.g. Essential Skills Level 2 Numeracy) AND GCSE English Grade C or equivalent (e.g. Essential Skills Level 2 Literacy); 80 UCAS Tariff Points plus GCSE (Grade D5 or above) in English and Mathematics; Access - 50% (which includes Level 2 Communications and Mathematics). APEL (Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning) may apply for entry (visit www.merc.ac.uk/apply for details).

For more information, contact: Liz Riordan 028 7127 6138 Email: liz.riordan@merc.ac.uk

ATTENDANCE AT AN INFORMATION SESSION IS REQUIRED.
Media, Multimedia & Journalism

“My course is fast-paced and really interesting. I can’t recommend it enough for anyone aspiring to become a journalist.”

Hannah Smith
NCTJ Diploma in Professional Journalism
UPDATED 10.7.2019

BTEC Level 1 / Level 2 Extended Certificate in Creative Digital Media Production

Entry Requirements:
UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G). ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade 6 or above) or Leaving Cert Applied – Pass.

Course Overview:
This practical programme offers an alternative to repeating GCSE qualifications, and gives an insight into the world of Media, Interactive Media, and Digital Media.

Equal to 4 GCSEs, this course will allow students to progress to a range of higher level courses including the Level 3 Diploma in Media Production and the Level 3 Diploma in Media Production (Journalism) at NWRC. It is available to those interested in exploring a career in the creative sector (media, interactive media, film & television, photography, and video production).

Modules of study will include:
- Introduction to Media Industries
- Introduction to Media Audiences and Products
- Digital Graphics
- Video Production
- Interactive Multimedia Design
- Photography and Techniques

Throughout the course students work on ‘live’ briefs, and the practical nature of the course suits students who prefer a hands-on approach. A keen interest in media, moving image, photography and interactive media is required.

Applicants attend an interview in which they can discuss why they are interested in joining the course. Applicants may also be required to demonstrate evidence of an interest in media related matters.

For more information contact:
Tracey Cullen
028 7127 8716
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BTEC Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma in Media Production (iMedia)

Entry Requirements:
UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English. ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade 5 or above) to include English; OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit/Distinction;

Course Overview:
This course is designed for anyone with a keen interest in the ever changing world of multimedia. Whether interested in designing and producing for the web, video or animation, this course is designed to develop the required skills. Students will learn a broad range of media skills including: camera person, designer, animator and interactive multimedia author - preparing them for a career in the world of digital communication with opportunities to work on real projects for industry, education, or voluntary sector.

Students will have the opportunity to work in state-of-the-art multimedia labs with industry production equipment.

Modules of study will include:
- Stop Motion Animation
- Digital Animation
- Graphic Design
- Pre-Production Techniques
- Final Cut Pro
- 2D Animation
- Advertising Production
- TV Production
- Scriptwriting

The course is 100% coursework and is equivalent to 3 A levels. All applicants will be interviewed before selection and should have some portfolio evidence of an interest in media related matters.

For more information contact:
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BTEC Level 3 Diploma / Extended Diploma in Media Production

Entry Requirements:
UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English. ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade 5 or above) to include English; OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit/Distinction;

Course Overview:
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For more information contact:
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NCTJ Diploma in Journalism†

Entry Requirements:
UK: 32 UCAS Points + GCSE (Grade C or above) in English. ROI: 32 UCAS Points + OLC (Grade 5 or above) in English.

Course Overview:
This is a free course that will provide a pathway for entry into the journalism industry either as a broadcaster or newspaper journalist. Employment prospects are excellent as there are many employment opportunities in the journalism industry.

After initial induction students move on to working in industry standards in TV and radio broadcasting, video production, web authoring and journalism skills, with the aim of preparing them for employment. Although set at Level 3, most students are graduates or have undertaken some higher level modules either as part of a degree or HND.

Modules of study will include:
- Broadcast Journalism
- Writing for Online
- Law, Court Reporting
- Public Affairs
- Shorthand (100wpm)
- Essential Journalism
- Video-Journalism

Students will undertake work experience one day per week from November, and opportunities will be given to develop professional contacts. All students taking this course will contribute to the College online multimedia weekly newspaper, iNews, and to the College radio station, 3CR.

This professional qualification provides an excellent pathway to employment as a journalist in various aspects of the industry. With the experience and skills gained on the course students will be in a position to apply for relevant posts. Journalists today need a range of skills and this course offers the best possible grounding in the necessary disciplines.

For more information contact:
Suzanne Rodgers
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NCTJ Diploma in Journalism

Entry Requirements:
UK: 32 UCAS Points + GCSE (Grade C or above) in English;

Course Overview:
This course is designed to equip students with the knowledge and skills required for success in future employment, or for progression to an undergraduate degree or the NCTJ Diploma in Journalism course.

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This course is designed to equip students with the knowledge and skills required for success in future employment, or for progression to an undergraduate degree or the NCTJ Diploma in Journalism course.

Covering many aspects of TV, radio, photographic and print journalism, teaching will take place in the purpose-designed media suite in the Strand Road campus. Students will complete a HNC in Creative Media Production (Journalism) in Year 1 before progressing to a HND in Year 2.

Modules of study will include:
- Individual Project
- Journalism Practices
- Fundraising
- Investigative Journalism
- Film and Video Editing
- Interview and Presentation Techniques
- Radio Production
- Journalism eloquence

All students taking this course will contribute to the online multimedia weekly newspaper, iNews, and to the college radio station, 3CR.

For more information, contact:
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PROGRESSION KEY: Visit us online for detailed course information

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**Higher National Certificate / Diploma in Creative Media Production (Film & Television)**

**Location:** Derry~Londonderry or Limavady

**Duration:** 2 Years

**Entry Requirements:**
- **UK:** 32 UCAS Points plus GCSE (Grade C or above) in English;
- **ROI:** 32 UCAS Points plus OLC (Grade 05 or above) in English.

**Interview also required.**

**Course Overview:**
This course is designed to equip students with the knowledge and skills required for success in future employment, or for progression to an undergraduate degree. Covering many of the TV and film industry skills, the learning experience will take place in the purpose-designed media suite at Strand Road Campus. We use the latest technology including Virtual Reality and Drones.

**Modules of study will include:**
- Individual Project
- Film Studies
- Film and Video Editing
- Film and TV Practice
- Light and Sound
- Professional Practice
- Principles of Photography
- Creative Media Industry

We nurture the next generation of top talent that will create the broadcasts, films and other media content of the future. Students have access to industry placements, masterclasses and special events.

For more information contact:
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**Higher National Certificate / Diploma in Digital Design**

**Location:** Derry~Londonderry

**Duration:** 2 Years

**Entry Requirements:**
- **UK:** 32 UCAS Points plus GCSE (Grade C or above) in English;
- **ROI:** 32 UCAS Points plus OLC (Grade 05 or above) in English.

**Interview also required.**

**Course Overview:**
If you are from a traditional art background and/or a creative computing background, then this course is ideal for you. Driven by client led ‘live’ briefs and projects, this creative course is about producing and presenting high quality visual content for marketing/ advertising and promotion for educational and commercial purposes and also enhancing live performance for entertainment purposes. This visual communication course will help you to find your specialism’s within Graphic Design within Print/ Motion Graphics/Video Production (Animation and Web Design)/Social Networking.

Subjects of study will include: Graphic Design & Visual Communication Techniques, Illustration, Motion Graphics, Web Design, Photography & Camera Techniques, Typography, Digital Design Practice, Professional Development, and Individual Live Projects. Modules of study will include: Screen Based Practice; Visual Narratives; Techniques and Processes; Professional Development; Contextual Studies; Digital Design Practice; Communications in Art & Design; Individual Project

It encourages the development of imagination, initiative, original ideas and a professional work ethic for the production of the highest quality portfolio/show-reel of individual styles which places students in the best possible position when seeking employment or continuing to higher education. You can progress into any relevant degree programme at university, or begin to explore employment opportunities in this field. Industry software used on the course includes: Adobe suite Photoshop, Illustrator, InDesign, After Effects, Premiere Pro, FCPP, Animate, 3D Studio Max, Logic, HTML5, WordPress and Social Network tools. New Immersive Technologies are also introduced within Augmented Reality and Virtual Reality to place students at the cutting edge of future industry developments.

Gaining knowledge and experience in Digital Design, Visual Communication and Project Implementation will allow you to identify the aspect of design that you enjoy the most to help you to define your specialism for future pathways into university or employment

For more information contact:
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**Music**

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**Finance your Study**

**Fees, grants, loans... Need help?**

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**How to Apply**

Apply and track the progress of your application online.

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“The recording facilities at NWRC are top class. I am making the most of my free studio time as a student to demo and record new songs. You just wouldn’t get that anywhere else at such a professional level.”

Hannah Richardson
HND in Music

Pearson Level 2 Diploma in Music (Production)

Entry Requirements
UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade D) or above
ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above)
Interview / Audition required

Course Overview
If you have always had an interest in music but have not had the opportunity to explore it in depth then the Level 2 Diploma in Music Technology is the course for you.

The course explores core components of music production such as recording, music sequencing, promotion and DJing.

You will be given the opportunity to learn and develop technical and creative skills as well as gain valuable knowledge and insight into the workings of the modern music industry.

There will be regular visits from experts working in industry to give insight into this ever evolving industry.

You will have access to two fully specified recording studios, suites of Macs with up to date software (Logic Pro, Pro Tools, Reason), 5 practice rooms with full PA and backline and a purpose-built 150 seat theatre, as well as a range of high quality microphones, interfaces, instruments and DI equipment.

Assessment will be largely practical in nature with students taking part in various music production activities across the year with a large externally assessed project set by Pearson in June.

Core modules include: Self Promotion in the Music Industry; Music Project. Optional Modules include: Exploring Music Production; Music Technology for Performance. Additional costs will include Headphones, as well as £10 computer usage fees. Upon completion of this course you can progress onto our Higher Level courses such as our HND in Music and in Music Production or to a degree course at university. International partnership projects over many years with music colleges in Finland, Estonia and Scotland have created exciting opportunities for travel and cultural exchange which have benefitted many students. Upon successful completion you may progress to higher level courses such as our own HNDs in Music and in Music Production or to a degree course at university. Core Modules include: Digital Recording & Production, Music Sequencing and Production, Analogue Synthesis, Using Keyboards with a DAW, Composing for Film, Music Events Management, Sound Reinforcement, Studio Sound Recording, Studio Sound Mixing, Music Video Production, Lighting for Music Events, Music Dissertation, Music Promotion, Music Publishing, Getting Work in the Industry. Optional Modules include Music Performance (DJ) and Music Performance (Band/Ensemble).

Successful completion of this course can lead to further higher level courses such as our HND in Music Production or to a Degree course at university.
Higher National Certificate / Diploma in Music Production

Location: Derry~Londonderry

Duration: 1 Year, HNC / 2 Years, HND

Entry Requirements: 32 UCAS Points. Interview and Audition also required.

Course Overview:
If music is your passion, this exciting course could lead you into the music industry. Being able to play an instrument is not a strict requirement, however you will need to have a good ear for music and an interest in a wide range of musical genres.

On the course you would acquire and develop the practical skills of music production. You will collaborate with musicians to produce original material and work on live briefs. You will get hands-on training in the business side of the music industry. You will also produce a portfolio of work and devise a career plan.

Modules include:
- Sound Engineering Fundamentals
- Composing Using Technology
- Recording Technology and Music Production Fundamentals
- Arranging and Remaking
- Marketing and Music Industry
- Professional Development
- Live Sound Techniques

Superb studios, practice rooms, Apple Mac creative suites with the latest music software, and a custom-built 150 seat theatre.

You will have the opportunity to learn and develop technical skills and benefit from the knowledge and experience of tutors and technicians who continue to work actively in the music industry.

Success in this course can lead either to working in a music career straight away or to further study at university. Direct entry to the final year of an honours degree programme is a possibility at both Leeds College of Music and Leeds Beckett University. Entry into second year at QUB is also a possibility.

For more information on this course and/or Part-Time study options, contact:

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Higher National Certificate / Diploma in Music

Location: Derry~Londonderry

Duration: 1 Year, HNC / 2 Years, HND

Entry Requirements: 32 UCAS Points. Interview and Audition also required.

Course Overview:
If music is your passion, this exciting course could lead you into the music industry. You’ll need to be able to play an instrument or sing.

On the course you will rehearse and then perform in live gigs. You will also get hands-on training in a recording studio and the business side of the music industry.

Performance, theory, aural training and composition are combined with technology skills to provide a varied training programme.

Modules include:
- Sound Engineering Fundamentals
- Composing Using Technology
- Performance
- Music Industry Marketing and Promotion
- Instrumental Technique
- Professional Development
- Applied Music Theory

Superb studios, suites of up-to-date Apple Macs with the latest music software and a modern 150 seat theatre make up an outstanding facility.

You will have the opportunity to learn and develop technical skills and benefit from the knowledge and experience of tutors and technicians who continue to work actively in the music industry.

Students have recently won three 1st prizes in the MUSIC SKILLS NI inter college competitions as well as Gold and Silver in the UK World Skills Popular Music in recent years.

Success in this course can lead either to working in a music career straight away or to further study at university.

Direct entry to the final year of an honours degree programme is a possibility at both Leeds College of Music and Leeds Beckett University. For more information on this course and / or Part-Time study options, contact:

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*Entry criteria for Higher Education courses may be enhanced – see website for details.
“This course has made me realise that Musical Theatre is what I now want to do. NWRC has given me the confidence to pursue my dream career.”

Eoin Callaghan
HND in Performing Arts

Eoin played the role of Shaun in the College's live production of 'Shaun of the Dead' in May 2018.
## RSL Level 2 Diploma in Creative and Performance Arts

**NQF:** 500/7144/9  
**Location:** Derry~Londonderry  
**Duration:** 1 Year

**Entry Requirements:**  
- UC: 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G) or above;  
- RD: 4 GCSEs (Grade G) or above

**Interview / Audition required.**

### Course Overview:
This course introduces you to the world of Performing Arts and can provide an excellent pathway to further study at Level 3. It places great emphasis on personal development and confidence building which are vital assets for many areas of future study or employment.

Practical workshops and assignments give you opportunities to explore and develop your creative skills both backstage and on stage and provide an invaluable insight into the fascinating world of theatre.

Course content will include: Production Process, Solo Music Performance, Performing Dance, Development of Drama, Working in the Performing Arts Industry, Professional Development. The course allows you to develop your own personal style and helps build your confidence and interpersonal skills. You will be involved in writing and producing your own show for public performance in our magnificent purpose-built theatre.

Students who have a "B" Grade in GCSE will have the opportunity to complete an Essential Skills in Communication or Numeracy, or both GCSE English or Maths, depending on the results of an initial assessment (fee applies). On completion you will gain a qualification equivalent to 4 GCSEs along with the confidence and invaluable practical experience which can lead to progression to many other courses including our Level 3 Extended Diploma in Creative and Performing Arts.

For more information, contact:  
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## RSL Level 3 Extended Diploma in Creative & Performing Arts

**NQF:** 601/8617/3  
**Location:** Derry~Londonderry  
**Duration:** 3 Years

**Entry Requirements:**  
- UC: 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above);  
- RD: 4 GCSEs (Grade G or above)

**Interview / Audition required.**

### Course Overview:
This exciting course provides an exceptional opportunity for anyone drawn to the world of theatre, whether as a performer, a director, a stage manager or one of the other many roles on which a career can be founded. It allows you to experience many of the back-stage and on-stage disciplines of theatre.

With its strong emphasis on personal creativity, the course provides a unique view of performance and production work. It is a rewarding alternative to the traditional 'A' Level route. Equivalent to 3 'A' Levels, it links theoretical preparation in lectures and workshops with invaluable practical classes. Based on the idea of repertory theatre, students undertake a number of different areas of study, such as physical theatre, dance technique and performance, technical, and workshop with invaluable practical classes.

The course is delivered in our exceptionally well resourced Foyle Building, complete with purpose-built theatre, workshop, laboratory and other facilities. Numerous public performances and opportunities to be on stage or in the audience are encouraged to apply.

Course Modules include Performance Preparation and Live Performing, while optional modules include: Planning for a Career in the Creative and Performing Arts, Acting for the Camera, Acting Workshop, Physical Theatre, Dance Technique & Performance, Set Design, Stage Management, Script Writing and Stage Direction.

This course will develop your skills and insights to support potential progress to HND or university level in related fields, and can provide you with an opportunity to gain a qualification and skills which can lead to working in the industry in a variety of careers.

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## BTEC Higher National Certificate / Diploma in Performing Arts

**NQF:** 500/9228/5 (HNC); 500/9229/7 (HND)  
**Location:** Derry~Londonderry  
**Duration:** 2 Years (HND); 1 Year (HNC)

**Entry Requirements:**  
- UC: 4 GCSEs (Grade D-G) or above;  
- RD: 4 GCSEs (Grade G or above)

**Interview / Audition required.**

### Course Overview:
This dynamic, multi-faceted course will provide you with a path to employment in a variety of on-stage and off-stage careers such as community performing arts, broadcasting, drama therapy and professional theatre. Building on your previous qualifications and experience, the course will allow you to enhance your personal preparation for further studies at university level. Students of the course have been prize winners each year in the Northern Ireland Inter College Performing Arts Competitions.


The course is delivered in our exceptionally well resourced Foyle Building, complete with a 150-seat theatre, dressing rooms, stage craft and property workshops and costume store. Lighting and sound equipment are of the highest professional standard. Numerous public performances take place here, and all students get many opportunities to be on stage or in offstage support roles. In the last few years our programme has included ambitious live theatre versions of films such as Pulp Fiction, Reservoir Dogs and The Big Lebowski.

Successful completion may also lead to exemptions on certain degree programmes in this field. You will be expected to complete a satisfactory audit as part of the assessment for this course.

For more information contact:  
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### PERFORMING ARTS

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“I am so much better prepared to study Forensic Science at University after completing the Level 3 Diploma. It was more beneficial to me than doing 'A' Levels.”

Seamus McGlinchey
Level 3 Extended Diploma in Applied Science (Forensic Science)
Access Diploma in Science

(Validated by Ulster (University))

NDAQ: P10005

Location: Derry/Londonderry

Duration: 1 Year

Entry Requirements:
You will be required to provide evidence of a basic competence in English and Mathematics and be over 19 years of age on 1 July in year of entry and have been away from full-time education for at least one year.

Course Overview:
This course will enable you to progress to a wide variety of courses in the sciences and beyond. Previous progression routes for successful students have included: Chemical engineering, medical laboratory science, radiography, environmental health, biochemistry, environmental science, physiotherapy, fisheries management, biology, chemistry, nursing, podiatry and other related areas.

You will be required to provide evidence of a basic competence in written and oral communication in English & Numeracy skills, as well as demonstrating your motivation for and an ability to cope with the academic demands of the course. This course provides the opportunity to gain a recognised UK qualification which can be used to progress to university degree study, secure employment, or change/improve career opportunities. Core modules of study will include: Laboratory Skills, General Science, Mathematics, and 2 from Biology, Chemistry & Physics.

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BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Applied Science (Medical Science)

NDAQ: 604/243717

Location: Derry/Londonderry or Limavady

Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements:
UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) including a Science subject, plus English and Maths.
ROi: 4 OLCs (Grade D5 or above) including a Science subject, plus English and Maths; OR Leaving Cert Applied – (Merit) to include one Science elective module.

Course Overview:
This course will provide the opportunity to gain a recognised UK qualification which can be used to progress to university degree study, secure employment, or change/improve career opportunities. Core modules of study will include: Laboratory Skills, General Science, Mathematics, and 2 from Biology, Chemistry & Physics.

This course will enable you to progress to a wide variety of courses in the sciences and beyond. Previous progression routes for successful students have included: Chemical engineering, medical laboratory science, radiography, environmental health, biochemistry, environmental science, physiotherapy, fisheries management, biology, chemistry, nursing, podiatry and other related areas.

You will be required to provide evidence of a basic competence in written and oral communication in English & Numeracy skills, as well as demonstrating your motivation for and an ability to cope with the academic demands of the course. This course provides the opportunity to gain a recognised UK qualification which can be used to progress to university degree study, secure employment, or change/improve career opportunities.

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BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Applied Science (Forensic Science)

NDAQ: 604/243717

Location: Derry/Londonderry

Duration: 2 Years

Entry Requirements:
UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) including a Science subject, plus English and Maths.
ROi: 4 OLCs (Grade D5 or above) including a Science subject, plus English and Maths; OR Leaving Cert Applied – (Merit) to include one Science elective module.

Course Overview:
This fascinating course enables the exploration of laboratory and field techniques of the forensic scientist in addition to looking at the underpinning knowledge of chemical and biological testing routinely undertaken by the CSI. Our links with local employers, laboratories and government departments provide relevant employability skills and a strong focus on the application of theory to real-life industrial settings.

You will study seven mandatory units and six optional units over the two years and will be assessed through a variety of methods including written assignments, observation of practical work, laboratory written reports and class tests.

The mandatory units on the course include:
- Principles and Application of Science I and II
- Practical Scientific Procedures and Techniques

Optional units include:
- Genetics and Genetic Engineering
- Biomedical Science
- Physiology of Human Body Systems
- Microbiology, Medical Physics, and Biological Molecules and Metabolic Pathways
- Investigating the Crime Scene
- Criminology
- Physical Evidence

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### Foundation Degree in Medical and Applied Sciences

**(Validated by Ulster University)**

**Ulster University Associate Student** - see page 26 for details

**SUBJECT TO REVALIDATION** - Entry criteria and course details may change. Check website for updates.

**Location**: Derry~Londonderry

**Duration**: 2 Years

**Entry Requirements**:

**UK**: 64 UCAS points including an A Level pass (Grade D or above) in a science subject (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Maths or equivalent), AND GCSE English Grade C or equivalent (OR Essential Skills Level 2 Communications) and GCSE Maths Grade C. (Please Note - Level 2 Essential Skills Numeracy is not accepted)

**ROI**: 64 UCAS points including 2 Higher Leaving Cert passes (Grade D/H6) in Science (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Maths or equivalent) + OLC (Grade 04 or above) to include Maths, English and Science; APEL (Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning) may apply for entry (visit www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply for details).

**Course Overview**:

You can progress to similar degrees at other universities, or you could begin to explore employment opportunities in this field which could include: Pharmacy Technician, Dietetic Assistant, Cardiology Technician, Audiology Technician, Basic Level Pharmacology staff, School Technicians, and Assistant Grade Professionals.

Modules of study will include: Communications & IT for Applied Sciences, Introduction to Biology and Disease, Fundamentals of Chemistry, Maths and Statistics for Bioscience, Human Physiology & Anatomy, Chemistry, Laboratory Practice for Applied & Medical Sciences, Cell Biology, Biochemistry and Human Nutrition, Professional Practice in the Laboratory, Labs Skills and Safety, Introduction to Evidence-based Professional Practice and Work Based Learning.

In Year 2 of the programme you are expected to complete two work-based modules which will consist of 400 hours of total placement.

This course aims to provide a vocationally relevant science education for those wishing to follow careers in applied and medical sciences; producing competent individuals to meet local, regional and national needs.

For more information contact:

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### Entry criteria for Higher Education courses may be enhanced - see website for details

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Emma is a current Kickboxing World Champion.

“I want to become a PE teacher. The Sports Department at the College have been so supportive in helping me to take the next step to achieve this.”

Emma McGilloway
Foundation Degree in Sport
**OCR Level 1 Diploma in Sport**

**NQF:** 603/2566/S

**Location:** Derry~Londonderry or Limavady

**Duration:** 1 Year

**Entry Requirements:**
No formal entry requirements. Interview required.

**Course Overview:**
This programme is designed for those who wish to undertake a vocational route to studying sport, and you are advised to provide an engaging and stimulating introduction to the world of sport. Through coursework and practical activities, you will be given the opportunity to develop knowledge and skills required for a career in this exciting industry. The programme offers you an alternative route to repeating GCSE qualifications and gives you an insight into the sports industry which will prove useful in any future employment in this field.

The qualification will allow you to progress to the OCR Level 2 Diploma in Sport which is equivalent to four GCSEs. You must have a genuine interest in sport and be willing to participate in practical as well as theoretical studies when required, and will be required to complete Essential Skills in Literacy and Numeracy (this will be a compulsory part of your timetable).

You will also have the opportunity to play for a number of teams at the College, including Gaelic football, soccer, rugby, and basketball. We highly recommend that you become actively involved with sport and extra-curricular activities in the area of sport. Core Modules will include Fitness and Exercise, Practical Sports & Fitness. Successful students can progress to our ‘OCR Level 2 Diploma in Sport’.

**Other Additional Costs - £20 for the College student registration fee**
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**OCR Level 2 Diploma in Sport**

**NQF:** 603/2566/S

**Location:** Derry~Londonderry or Limavady or Strabane

**Duration:** 1 Year

**Entry Requirements:**
UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade D or above); ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade 06 or above)

**Course Overview:**
This course is aimed at students who have completed their GCSEs or mature learners who are returning to full-time education. Through coursework and practical activities, you will begin to develop knowledge and skills required for progression to higher level sports programmes or a career in this exciting industry.

You will study units about the structure and function of the systems within the human body; how to plan and deliver coaching sessions; the components of fitness and how these are tested; and you will also take part in outdoor activities such as orienteering and canoeing.

You will be required to complete Essential Skills in Literacy and Numeracy if you do not have a GCSE Grade C or equivalent in English and Maths. You will have the opportunity to gain coaching skills and real life industry experience where you will work with groups of primary school children.

Core Modules will include: Applied Fitness Testing, Outdoor Adventure Sports, Sports Coaching, Anatomy and Physiology, Technology in Sport, Lifestyle and Wellbeing, Plan and Deliver a Sports Activity Session, Fitness for Sport and Exercise. Successful students can progress to our ‘OCR Level 2 Diploma in Sport’.

**Other Additional Costs - £20 for the College student registration fee**
For more information, contact:
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**Training for Success Level 2 Diploma in Sport & Activity Leadership**

**NQF:** 603/0341/9

**Location:** Derry~Londonderry or Limavady

**Duration:** 2 Years

**Entry Requirements:**
UK: 5 GCSEs Grade G or above (must include English and Maths at Grade F or above); ROI: 5 OLCs Grade D6 or above (must include English and Maths at Grade G6 or above)

**Course Overview:**
Young people with a disability will be accepted up to age 22 years. Young people with an in-care background will be accepted up to age 24 years. Interview also required. Access NI check/Access NI clearance and be deemed ‘placement ready’ by the placement, College and college team. A non-means-tested incentive payment of £40 per week plus travel costs is available for all students. An end-of-year bonus is payable if all qualifications are successfully achieved. Core Modules will include Personal and Social Development, Employability Skills, Professional and Technical Skills, Essential Skills in Communication, Application of Number and ICT. Students will undertake training of 30 hours per week through work placement.

**Other Additional Costs - £20 for the College student registration fee**
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**BTEC Level 3 National Diploma in Fitness Services (including Level 3 Personal Trainer Certificate)**

**NQF:** 601/7315/8

**Location:** Derry~Londonderry or Limavady or Strabane

**Duration:** 2 Years

**Entry Requirements:**
UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English or Maths; OR Level 2 Diploma plus GCSE/ESOL/Skill for Life in English or Maths.

**Course Overview:**
This course will provide the opportunity to gain professional industry qualifications - Level 3 Fitness and the Level 3 Personal trainer certificate. The course will offer a BTEC qualification equivalent to a 2 A Levels, and the YMCA Level 3 Personal Trainer certificate for placement. Age: 16-18 years.

**Course Overview:**
This course provides the opportunity for young people age 16-18 years to develop the expert knowledge and skills required for a professional career in the sports industry. The course is a competence-based qualification which is assessed both in the work placement and in College, and can help provide skills for which will help you gain the skills and qualifications you need to get a job or progress to higher level education or training.

Trainers will study Essential Skills in numeracy and literacy. There will be a strong emphasis on developing the trainee as a professional with excellent communication and practical skills. Assessment will be carried out through project-based learning and other practical activities. Trainers will also be given the opportunity to undertake additional accredited training courses such as First Aid, Child Protection and Coaching Awards. A mandatory requirement is that students are deemed fit for placement. Each student must have Access NI clearance and be deemed ‘placement ready’ by the placement, College and college team. A non-means-tested incentive payment of £40 per week plus travel costs is available for all students. An end-of-year bonus is payable if all qualifications are successfully achieved. Core Modules will include Personal and Social Development, Employability Skills, Professional and Technical Skills, Essential Skills in Communication, Application of Number and ICT. Students will undertake training of 30 hours per week through work placement.

**Other Additional Costs - £20 for the College student registration fee**
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**Support Services**

We offer a wide range of support services to help you get the most from your time at NWRC.

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PROGRESSION KEY: Visit us online for detailed course information

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FULL-TIME COURSES 2019-20
BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Sport (Development, Coaching & Fitness) with Outdoor Adventures pathway

Entry Requirements:
UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English or Maths: OR Level 2 Diploma plus GCSE/ESSENTIAL SKILLS English or Maths. ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) to include English or Maths OR Leaving Certificate Applied – Merit.

Course Overview:
This course is ideal for students wanting to develop their knowledge of the sport for the industry and are keen to pursue a career in Health & Exercise, Fitness & Sport. The course combines practical sessions with theory lessons. Resources available for the delivery of this course includes a sports science laboratory, fully fitted gym, as well as a functional sports hall, in addition to modern software for fitness testing and performance analysis.

This course is assessed through external exams, practical sessions, and written assignments. Through our Coach Education Programme You will have the opportunity to complete a variety of additional National Governing Body coaching qualifications e.g. Soccer, Volleyball, Rugby, Cricket, Gaelic Football, Basketball, Life Saving, Child Protection and First Aid.

Core Modules will include:

Optional Modules include:

In year 2 of the course we offer the opportunity to complete an Erasmus project to a European country. In 2018 sports students travelled to Malta for a two-week work placements in Sports Coaching, Fitness and Instructing, and Teaching. This course can provide progression further education. Further education opportunities are available on relevant Foundation Degree or Degree courses such as PE Teaching, Sports Coaching, Fitness Instruction and Sports Development at universities including Ulster University, Liverpool Hope, Liverpool John Moores, and University of Central Lancashire. Students from this course have gone on to gain employment in the Teaching, Fitness & Health, Sports Coaching, and Sports Development.

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BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Sport (Development, Coaching & Fitness) with Football Coaching pathway

Entry Requirements:
UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include English or Maths: OR Level 2 Diploma plus GCSE/ESSENTIAL SKILLS English or Maths. ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) to include English or Maths OR Leaving Certificate Applied – Merit.

Course Overview:
This course is ideal for students wanting to develop their knowledge of the football industry and are keen to pursue a career in Health & Exercise, Fitness & Sport with a particular emphasis on football. Core modules will include Anatomy & Physiology, Fitness Training and programming for football, Sport and Well-Being, Professional development in the Sports Industry, Sports Leadership, Practical Sports Performance, Coaching for Performance, Research Methods in Sport, Development & Provision of Sport and Physical Activity Industry, Investigating Business in Sport & Active Leisure Industry, Skill Acquisition in Sport.

Optional Modules will include: Application of Fitness Testing, Sports Injury Management, Rules, Regulations & Officiating in Sport, Principles & practices for Outdoor & Adventurous Activities. In Year 2 of the course we offer the opportunity to complete an Erasmus project to a European country. In 2018 sports students travelled to Malta for a two-week work placements in Sports Coaching, Fitness and Instructing, and Teaching. This course can provide progression further education. Further education opportunities are available on relevant Foundation Degree or Degree courses such as PE Teaching, Sports Coaching, Fitness Instruction and Sports Development at universities including Ulster University, Liverpool Hope, Liverpool John Moores, and University of Central Lancashire. Students from this course have gone on to gain employment in the Teaching, Fitness & Health, Sports Coaching, and Sports Development.

For more information, contact:
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BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma in Sport and Exercise Science

Entry Requirements:
UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) to include Maths and a Science subject: OR Level 2 Diploma plus GCSE/ESSENTIAL SKILLS English or Maths. ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above) to include Maths and a Science subject: OR Leaving Cert Applied – Merit.

Course Overview:
This popular course is aimed at students who have completed their GCSEs or Leaving Certificate or mature learners who are returning to full-time education. It will enable you to prepare for university studies as it is equivalent to three ‘A’ Levels and has a special focus on the sciences required for a career within the sport sciences. PE teaching, physiotherapy and sports injuries, strength & conditioning. This course is assessed predominantly coursework based.

You will have the opportunity to perform specialist sports science tests such as gas analysis. The College also has specialist software such as GPS, D fart and SPSS. You will have the opportunity to gain coaching skills and real life industry experience where you will work with groups of primary school children.


This qualification enables progression to a variety of degree programmes including the BSc (Hons) Sport Studies, BSc (Hons) Sport & Exercise Sciences; the BSc (Hons) Physiotherapy at Ulster University, Jordanstown; the BSc (Hons) in Sport, Physical Activity & Health and the BSc (Hons) in Nursing at Ulster University, Magee. Past students have progressed to our Level 5 Foundation Degree in Sport, Exercise and Fitness (validated by Ulster University) and degree programmes in universities in Belfast, Liverpool, Manchester, Newcastle, Edinburgh and Glasgow.

Others have progressed to degrees in institutes of technology in the Republic of Ireland including the BSc (Hons) in Sports Coaching and Performance at Letterkenny IT.

These extra qualifications include career awards through the College’s Coach Education Programme and also the YMCA Level 2 Fitness Instructor and Level 3 Personal Trainer.

Other Additional Costs - £20 for the College student registration fee.

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BTEC Level 3 Extended Diploma in Uniformed Services

Entry Requirements:
UK: 4 GCSEs (grade C or above) to include English or Maths; OR Level 2 Diploma plus GCSE/Essential Skills English or Maths; OR 4 OLCs (Grade D or above) to include English or Maths OR Leaving Certificate applied – Merit.

Course Overview:
This course provides great opportunities for learners to develop key skills required to work in the public services. It will be of particular interest for those who wish to pursue a career in the Police, Fire, Ambulance and Prison or Security Services as well as the Armed Services (Army, Navy and RAF), HM Customs and Excise and other emergency related organisations.

The purpose of this course is to help people become occupationally ready to take up employment in the uniformed public services sector at the appropriate level. This can follow either directly after achieving the qualification, or via the stepping stone of Higher Education (HE) in university or college.

The course will combine theory based lessons with practical session such as outdoor adventure activities, and Fitness testing. All of your assessments will be internally set by your tutors, and these could be essays, reports, posters, practical assessments or role plays. All assessments are marked against criteria set by BTEC.

The course will enable learners to develop a substantial common core of knowledge, including Government policies, leadership and teamwork, and citizenship and diversity as well as specific mandatory units related to the pathway, such as understanding discipline and fitness testing and training.

The course also provides a well-established route into a variety of specialist pathways, such as understanding discipline and fitness testing and training.

Core Modules will include:
- Government Policies and the Public Services, Leadership and Teamwork in the Public Services, Citizenship, Diversity and the Public Services, Understanding Discipline in the Uniformed Public Services.
- Optional Modules include Physical Preparation, Health and Lifestyle for the Public Services, Fitness Testing and Training for the Uniformed Public Services, Outdoor and Adventurous Expeditions, Crime and its Effects on Society, Command and Control in the Uniformed Public Services, Responding to Emergency Service Incidents, Planning and Management of Major Incidents, Police Powers in the Public Services, Behaviour in Public Sector Employment, Fundamentals of Nautical Studies.

In year 2 of the course we offer the opportunity to complete an Erasmus project to a European country.

Potential careers include work in the public services, for example the police, coast guard, fire service, and armed forces.

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Foundation Degree (FdSc) in Sport, Exercise and Fitness* (Validated by Ulster University)

Ulster University Associate Student - See page 74 for details

SUBJECT TO REVALIDATION - Entry criteria and course details may change. Check website for updates.

Location: Derry/Londonderry
Duration: 2 Years (3 Years, Part-Time)

Entry Requirements:
Applicants must satisfy the University's general entry requirements as set out in the prospectus. APSE (Accreditation of Prior Experiential Learning) may apply for entry (visit www.nwrc.ac.uk/apply for details). The initial offer standard may vary from year to year and:

UK: Students should normally have 64 UCAS tariff points, plus GCSE subjects at Grade C including English Language and Mathematics, or equivalent;

ROI: 64 UCAS Points, plus OLC (Grade D or above) in English and Maths.

NOTE: GCSE Maths Grade C or above is required for progression to top-up degrees at Ulster University. This programme is due for revalidation as a subject network (with other Colleges) in the upcoming academic year and the entrance requirements may therefore be subject to change.

Course Overview:
This programme is validated by Ulster University and offers an excellent pathway to a degree programme based on a ‘two plus two’ model; thus, potentially achieving a degree within a 4-year period. It attracts students from various academic and sporting backgrounds including national and international athletes.


On completion, you may apply for advanced entry to Year 2 of the BSc (Hons) Sport & Exercise Science or Sports Studies or Year 3 of Sports Coaching at Ulster University, providing pre-set standards have been achieved. You can also progress to Year 3 of the BSc (Hons) in Sport and Exercise at LIT or one-year top-up degrees in UK universities.

Assessments include practicals, written assignments and exams. Additional coaching and sport-related qualifications will be offered.

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Travel & Tourism

“I gained valuable industry experience and loved every minute of it.”

Katherine Wilkinson
Foundation Degree in Travel & Tourism

Northern Ireland Travel Student of the Year 2018
Level 2 in Tourism and Administration

Entry Requirements:
UK: 2 GCSEs Grade D – F; ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade 05 or above)
Duration: 1 Year

Course Overview:
This Level 2 qualification provides opportunities to gain skills to help you progress into employment or on to a Level 3 programme in Tourism or a Business course. This qualification will focus on developing skills and knowledge across 2 employability areas – Tourism and Administration.

Core Modules may include: Running a Leisure Event; Working in Tourism; Using Office Technology and Customer Service.

In addition, essential skills in Literacy, Numeracy and ICT will be timetabled as part of your programme of study. A work experience opportunity of 1 week will be timetabled during the course year. Employers could include: hotels, restaurants, museums, tour guiding companies. A number of trips are organised as part of the course year. A work placement of 60 hours is required to be undertaken during year 1. Students will have the opportunity to apply for and work in areas such as hotels, restaurants, attractions, museums and with tour guiding companies. This placement is assessed within one of the year 1 units.

Additional Costs: £25 required for attendance on study visits – payable as and when trips are confirmed throughout the year.

On successful completion of the course and Essential Skills (if required), students have the opportunity to apply to Level 3 programmes in Tourism and Business / Administration.

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Level 3 Subsidiary Diploma / Diploma in Travel & Tourism

Entry Requirements:
UK: 4 GCSEs (Grade C or above) preferably to include English.
ROI: 4 OLCs (Grade C or above) preferably to include English; Leaving Cert Applied – Higher.
Duration: 2 Years

Course Overview:
This qualification is equivalent to 1-2 ‘A’ levels and can equip you with knowledge and skills required for a wide range of careers within the Travel and Tourism Industry.

Core units include – Investigating the Travel & Tourism Industry; The Business of Travel & Tourism; UK Destinations and Customer Service for Travel & Tourism. Additional units studied may include – Employability in Travel & Tourism; UK Visitor Attractions; Marketing; Cruise Industry; Tour Guiding. Work Experience and a range of other options to be confirmed by Course Co-ordinator.

If you do not hold a Level 2 qualification in Numeracy or Literacy you will be given the opportunity to complete these during this course to enhance your employability and progression prospects. A work placement of 60 hours is required to be undertaken during year 1. Students will have the opportunity to apply for and work in areas such as hotels, restaurants, attractions, museums and with tour guiding companies. This placement is assessed within one of the year 1 units.

Additional Costs: £25 required for attendance on study visits – payable as and when trips are confirmed throughout the year.

Successful completion of the course and Essential Skills (if required), students have the opportunity to apply to Level 3 programmes in Tourism and Business / Administration.

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Higher National Certificate / Diploma in International Travel and Tourism Management

Entry Requirements:
UK: 48 UCAS points, plus GCSE English Grade C or Essential Skills literacy Level 2; ROI: 48 UCAS points, plus OLC English (Grade C or above).
Duration: 2 Years, HNC / 2 Years, HND

Course Overview:
This course will develop students as professional, self-reflecting individuals able to meet the demands of employers in travel & tourism and adapt to a constantly changing world.

The qualifications aim to widen access to higher education and enhance the career prospects of those who undertake them. The Level 4 Higher National Certificate provides a solid grounding in travel & tourism, which students can build on should they decide to continue their studies to degree level. A number of trips are organised as part of the programme which incur a financial cost to the student.

The Level 5 Higher National Diploma allows students to specialise by committing to specific units. A number of trips are organised as part of degree level study. A number of trips are organised as part of the programme which incur a financial cost to the student.

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Foundation Degree in Travel and Tourism Management

Entry Requirements:
UK: 64-72 UCAS Tariff points + GCSE Maths Grade C or equivalent (eg. Essential Skills Level 2 Numeracy); ROI: 40 UCAS points plus OLC Grade D or above.
Duration: 3 Years, Part-Time

Course Overview:
This programme has been designed to prepare you for a career in the Travel & Tourism industry.

Modules of study will include: Study, Principles of Event Management, Contemporary Hospitality, Travel & Tourism Destinations, Research Methods for Hospitality, Travel & Tourism, Facility Operations, Domestic Tourism Operations, Accounting, Employability & Digital Media Skills, Work Based Learning, Leadership & People Management, Marketing & Entrepreneurship and Global Hospitality, Travel & Tourism Management Issues.

On course completion, you may have the opportunity to progress to the BSc (Hons) Degree in International Travel & Tourism Management at Ulster University or a similar subject degree programme at another HE Institution or University within the United Kingdom or Ireland. Exemptions for modules already achieved will be determined by the specific degree you apply to as well as the Universities regulations in relation to exemptions. You can also progress into a number of career pathways within the sectors of Hospitality, Tourism, Travel and Events.

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